# Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans (FFNV) 100<sup>th</sup> Battalion/442nd Regimental Combat Team/ Military Intelligence Service

# ANNUAL NISEI VETERANS' REUNION CALIFORNIA HOTEL IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA OCTOBER 18-22, 2015

After a delay in obtaining a definite date for our reunion this year, we are enthusiastically planning the 2015 FFNV reunion in Las Vegas on October 18-22. However, since we got the date late, we were not able to reserve the rooms for the usual banquets so there are a few changes this year.

# Sunday - October 18

- ★ Arrive and settle in
- \* The Welcome Banquet will be a dinner at 6 pm in the Ohana Room on the mezzanine

# Monday, October 19 - Tuesday, October 20

\* Be sure to stop by the FFNV Hospitality to see what's in store for the day! There will be free time to come by the FFNV Hospitality Room, visit with friends, go shopping, play in the casino, enjoy a slot tournament, try new restaurants, visit the Strip, sightsee, see a show, try your luck at Bingo, relax and have a good time. The 100<sup>th</sup> Battalion will also have a separate Hospitality Room and invites you to come by.

# Wednesday - October 21

\* The Farewell Banquet will be a <u>luncheon at 11 am</u> in the Ohana and Maile Rooms.

**HOTEL ROOMS**: We have reserved a block of rooms for the reunion at the California Hotel. **Reservations must be made directly with them and not through FFNV.** Just use the information below. You can book any time from now until the deadline.

Hawaii Hotel Package @ the California Hotel, 12 E. Ogden Avenue, Las Vegas, NV

Group Name: FRIENDS & FAMILY OF NISEI VETS

Group Code: A5FECOM
Toll free Number: 1-800-634-6255
Deadline to reserve room: September 17, 2015

Dates: For arrival on Sunday, October 18-22, 2015

No Saturday arrivals

Hawaiian Packages includes room, tax and meal coupons for

number of days booked

4 nts - \$330/double or \$248/single 3 nts - \$300/double or \$225/single 2 nts - \$260/double or \$195/single

Additional nights after 4 nts @ \$65 pus 13% room tax

Deposit: \$50 deposit on a credit card

Special Requests: Handicap room, special location, non-smoking, adjoining rooms, etc.

Veterans or those who have trouble walking may ask for a room in

the West tower near the elevator.

Changes: If there are any changes/cancellation, you must notify the hotel at

least two days before arrival date.

# **REGISTRATION**

A \$10 registration fee is required for any reunion activity or the Hospitality Room where there will be food and drinks available. Pick up your name tag on arrival at the Hospitality suite which you should wear to all activities. The location of the FFNV Hospitality Room will be posted on a bulletin board next to the elevators on the first floor.

### **WELCOME BANQUET**

This banquet will be held on <u>Sunday night</u>, <u>October 18 at 6:00 pm</u>. The event is open to everyone and is a casual sit-down dinner. The menu is a Western BBQ plate which includes BBQ Ribs, Rotisserie Chicken, Wild Rice and Herb Butter Corn or a Vegetarian plate for \$50 per person.

Stuart Hirai will share his recent study tour to Italy and Brian Yamamoto will present his memories of MIS sights in Japan and Okinawa.

As the hotel requires a head count in advance, no additions can be accepted in Las Vegas.

# **FAREWELL BANQUET**

The banquet will be a **luncheon on Wednesday**, October 21, starting at 11 am.

Veterans or widows plus one guest will be given priority to enter first.

The choices for the sit-down lunch which is \$50 per person are:

- A. Mixed Plate Combo Mahi Mahi Tempura, Honey Dipped Fried Chicken, Beef Teriyaki and Spam Musubi
- B. Steak and Shrimp Combo New York Steak with Deep Fried Fantail Shrimp, Steamed Rice and Vegetable Stir-fry
- C. Vegetarian Plate

Our special speaker will be Anäis Casin who is with the Office of Tourism in Bruyeres, France. She will present information on the project to build an interactive educational center honoring the men of the  $100^{th}/442$  RCT who liberated the town in WWII.

Cathy Uchida will show her film, "What Will Become of the Monuments' Men of Little Tokyo?" to highlight the importance of preserving the Go For Broke Monument to perpetuate the proud legacy of Nisei veterans.

Tom Graves will report on the French Legion of Honor medal presented to some of the veterans. In addition to lunch and speakers, we will have a raffle and entertainment.

This year, we will not have company pictures.

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# **SHIRTS**

For 2015, we chose a short sleeve denim shirt for \$40. See the order form on Page 3 for more information. Since each order is customized, it takes a great deal of time to process so the deadline for shirt orders is **AUGUST 15** to receive before the reunion. This will be the last year we offer shirts.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

The reunion is operated solely by volunteers. We welcome anyone who is willing to help for a few hours to make the reunion a success for our veterans. Please sign up on the registration sheet to be mailed in or in the main Hospitality Room at the reunion

**<u>DEADLINES</u>** - Please complete and mail your registration or shirt order form as soon as possible. The deadline for shirt orders is August 15. The deadline for registration is September 17.

### QUESTIONS?

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# 2015 FFNV Reunion Shirt Order Form

This year we offer a SHORT SLEEVE DENIM SHIRT MADE OF 100% COTTON IN LIGHT BLUE. The men's style has a pocket on the left side. For more information and a picture of a shirt, check ffnv.org or email <a href="mailto:bshiroyama@gmail.com">bshiroyama@gmail.com</a>. This will be the last year FFNV will be offering shirts so don't miss out. Please use a separate form for each order.

Shirts ordered by August 15 will be mailed to your home before the reunion. We will not have any available for sale in Las Vegas but you may place an order there and the order will be processed later.

All shirts will have the logo indicated below on the right chest with the designation below ~ "100th Battalion", "442nd Regimental Combat Team" or "Military Intelligence Service".

Company designations above the logo will be reserved **only** for the veterans of the 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team. If you wish to have "Friends and Family of Nisei Veterans" above the logo, please circle "FFNV" next to "Number of shirts" below.

Name:	
Mailing address:	
Phone number or E-mail address:	
Shirt for Men (ONE COLOR - light blue)	
Logo (please circle): 100 <sup>th</sup> Battalion 442 <sup>nd</sup> RCT MIS If 442 <sup>nd</sup> RCT veteran, please indicate your Company:	
For veterans who have received this honor: French Legion of Honor	
Number of shirts: "FFNV" (circle to have it printed above logo)	
Size: (please circle): XS S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL 5XL 6XL Additional cost: 2XL (\$1.50), 3XL (\$2.50), 4XL (\$3.50), 5XL (\$4.50), 6XL (\$5.50)	
Cost: (Number of shirts) X \$40 (plus additional cost) =	\$
Shirt for Women (ONE COLOR - light blue)	
Logo (please circle): 100 <sup>th</sup> Battalion 442 <sup>nd</sup> RCT MIS	
Number of shirts: "FFNV" (circle to have it printed above logo)	
Size: (please circle): XS S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL Additional cost: 2XL (\$1.50), 3XL (\$2.50), 4XL (\$3.50)	
Cost: (Number of shirts) X \$40 (plus additional cost) =	\$
Grand total: Please add the cost of all shirts:	\$

All shirts must be ordered and paid for by Saturday, August 15. Late orders cannot be accepted. If you are only ordering a shirt and not attending the reunion, send this completed form and payment to Janet Ito, 3015 Cloudcrest Road, La Crescenta, CA 91214. Otherwise, include shirt form with the registration form. Shirts will be mailed to you before the reunion. Questions? Please contact Brian Shiroyama at bshiroyama@gmail.com or (408) 896-1021.

# Men's Short Sleeve Value Denim Shirt SP11 – with pocket



- 6.5-ounce, 100% cotton
- Sturdy construction, generous cut and soft garment washing
- Double-needle stitching throughout
- Horn-tone buttons
- Tuck-in tail
- Due to special finishing process, colors may vary.

# **CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

 $\label{thm:colors} \mbox{Machine wash cold with like colors. Do not bleach. Tumble dry low. Warm iron if necessary.}$ 

# **CHEST**

With arms down at sides, measure around the upper body, under arms and over the fullest part of the chest.

# MEN'S SIZE CHART

	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
Chest	32-34	35-37	38-40	41-43	44-46	47-49	50-53	54-57	58-60	61-63
Neck	14 1/2 - 15	15 - 15 1/2	15 1/2 - 16	16 - 16 1/2	16 1/2 - 17	17 - 17 1/2	17 1/2 - 18	18 - 18 1/2	18 1/2 - 19	19 - 19 1/2

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DEADLINE: Must receive order and payment by August 15, 2015.

# Ladies Short Sleeve Value Denim Shirt LSP11- no pocket



- 6.5-ounce, 100% cotton
- Sturdy construction, generous cut and soft garment washing
- Double-needle stitching throughout
- Traditional, relaxed look
- Open collar
- Horn-tone buttons
- Tuck-in tail
- Due to special finishing process, colors may vary.

# **CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

Machine wash cold with like colors. Do not bleach. Tumble dry low. Warm iron if necessary.

### **HOW TO MEASURE**

With arms down at sides, measure around the upper body, under arms and around the fullest part of the bust.

## **SIZE CHART**

	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL
Size	2	4/6	8/10	12/14	16/18	20/22	24/26	28/30
Bust	32-34	35-36	37-38	39-41	42-44	45-47	48-51	52-55

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