

FRIENDS & FAMILY OF NISEI VETERANS

**100th Infantry Battalion 442nd Regimental Combat Team Military Intelligence Service** 501(c)(3) Corporation - Federal Tax ID: 59-3820916

# Annual Nisei Veterans' Reunion

California Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada October 15-19, 2017

# **Reunion Schedule**

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Arrive and settle in. Be sure to come by the *FFNV Hospitality Room* and pick up your name tag and visit. There will be free time to spend with veterans and friends, attend 1 or 2 banquets, 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 100th Battalion will have a separate Hospitality Room and invite you to come by.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

The Welcome Banquet is an optional dinner open to everyone and is a casual sit-down dinner. This year the venue is changed to the Social Club which is located in the adjacent Main Street Casino. Directions will be provided at the Hospitality Room registration table. The menu is a BBQ mix plate that includes a house salad, BBQ Pork Ribs, Grilled Chicken Thighs, Wild Rice, Herb Buttered Corn, dessert and coffee/tea or a Vegetarian plate for \$50 per person.

The program will include a presentation on by Shane Sato and Robert Horsting on their soon to be released coffee table book "The Go for Broke Spirit: Portraits of Courage." Book purchase and autograph signing opportunities will be available before and after the banquet.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

An open day to relax or include as much activity as possible. Enjoy!

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

The Farewell Banquet will be a <u>sit-down luncheon at 11 am</u> in the Ohana and Maile Rooms. The menu is a house salad, miso butterfish and short ribs, garlic potato en croute, asparagus and carrot mixture, dessert and coffee/tea or a Vegetarian plate for \$50 per person.

Stacey Hayashi, author of "Journey of Heroes" will be presenting a preview of her upcoming feature film "Go For Broke – a 442 Origins Story," which depicts a group of University of Hawaii ROTC students following the attack on Pearl Harbor and their struggles throughout including their historic battles as the original 100th Infantry Battalion. The evening will also include our raffle with a handmade quilt donated by Milo Yoshino and his wife and entertainment by the Hawaiian 100th Battalion group led by Ann Kabasawa.

# Reunion Registration & Hotel Information

### **REUNION 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 for each of the two buildings.

**REUNION REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Please complete and mail your registration so it arrives by <u>September 15, 2017</u>.

### **HOTEL ROOMS:**

We have reserved a block of rooms for the reunion at the California Hotel. *Reservations must be made directly by calling the hotel.* 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: GROUP CODE: TOLL FREE NUMBER: DEADLINE TO RESERVE: FRIENDS & FAMILY OF NISEI VETS **A7CECOM** 1-800-634-6255 **SEPTEMBER 15, 2017** 

DATES: For arrival on Sunday, October 15, 2017. No Saturday arrivals. Hawaiian Package includes room, tax, and meal coupons for number of days booked.

4 nights - \$350/double or \$258/single
3 nights - \$320/double or \$235/single
2 nights - \$280/double or \$205/single
Additional nights after 4 nights @ \$80 plus 13% room tax

DEPOSIT: \$50 deposit on a credit card

SPECIAL REQUESTS: You may make requests for a 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 to be closer to the Hospitality Room.

CHANGES: If there are any changes/cancellation, you must notify the hotel at least two days before arrival date.

**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

#### MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

We will have a limited amount of FFNV merchandise for sale in the Hospitality Room.

# The National Veterans Network Partners with the National Museum of the United States Army

Washington D.C, (June 19, 2017) – The National Veterans Network (NVN) is honored to announce its collaboration with the National Museum of the United States Army to develop an exhibit featuring the outstanding military service of Nisei soldiers during World War II and to increase the U.S. Army historical collection to preserve the story of the Nisei Soldier.

Scheduled for completion in late 2019, The National Army Museum will bring to life over 240 years of U.S. Army history to honor Soldiers, educate citizens, and inspire a new generation. This special place will tell the story of how the Army has shaped a nation and changed the world.

Included in the Museum's storyline are the experiences of American World War II soldiers of Japanese ancestry. Their artifacts and history will be told as part of the timeline exhibit, "reflecting change." This exhibit will show the societal changes the army has experienced since its inception including segregation and women in the service.

"The story of the Nisei soldiers' service to our country during WWII is inspirational," said Tammy Call, director of the National Museum of the United States Army. "The exhibit will honor the service and dedication of the Japanese American World War II soldiers to the United States."

Currently, the Army is the only U.S. military service without a national museum. When complete, the Museum will be a technological marvel incorporating the latest advances in museum exhibits while providing advanced educational opportunities that will capture the attention of visitors old and young.

The National Veterans Network is currently traveling nationwide with the National Museum of U.S. Army to introduce the Museum and to ask for personal objects and artifacts of Nisei Soldiers for the exhibit and the U.S. Army historical collection. To learn more, please email both Susan Smullen at susan.l.fazakerley-smullen.civ@mail.mil and Christine Sato-Yamazaki at info@nationalveterans-network.com.

To find out more about the National Veterans Network or to become an exhibit sponsor, email at info@nationalveteransnetwork.com, visit www.nationaveteransnetwork.com or on Facebook @na-tionalveteransnetwork or @NtlVetNetwork on Twitter.

submitted by the National Veterans Network

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## **PAPERLESS OPTIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

If you would prefer to receive your copy of the FFNV Newsletter by email (this would eliminate clutter on your table and save FFNV the cost of the postage as well as printing supplies, not to mention that it could be stored on your computer for you to look at whenever you wish!), please send an email to us at: FFNVnewsletter@gmail. com. You will also receive other future correspondence by email such as the Reunion registration materials.

Your name and address will remain on our mailing list. If you would like to be removed to our mailing list, please email us at the same address: FENVnewsletter@ <u>gmail.com</u>

Please let us know of any changes to your address or if you know someone who should be added on to our list.

Thanks for your help!

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### **PAPERLESS &** EMAIL SUBSCRIPTION REQUESTS

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