



THE SIXTH MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION INC.

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NEW ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

MARVIN D. PERSKIE, Lt Colonel, USMCR (Retired) has been elected President of the 6th Marine Division Association for 1972.

A graduate of Lafayette College, A.B. degree, magna cum laude and the University of Pennsylvania Law School, he served as an Assemblyman in the New Jersey State Legislature representing Cape May County from 1965 to 1967. He also was a member of the State Constitutional Convention in 1967.

Marv's illustrious Marine career includes 30 months overseas in World War II with the Marine Raiders on Bougainville, the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade on Guam and the 6th Marine Division at Okinawa where he served as Company Commander of L/3/4.

During the Korean conflict he served as CO, Divisional Reconnaissance Company and XO, 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division.

Among his many awards are the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Navy Commandation, 3 Presidential and 1 Navy Unit Citations and 5 battle stars.

FIRST REUNION

Members of the "Striking Sixth", on hand in Atlantic City, New Jersey for the first reunion of the Division numbered over 300. All the familiar elements were there, headquarters in a large hotel, a reunion hall that was the focus of all activities, the color film of the Sixth Division on Okinawa, souvenirs, a banquet and dance, the hospitality rooms and a memorial service.

Featured speakers were, Major General William J. Whaling, CO-29th, Brigadier General Charles S. Robertson, HQ-2-22, Arthur W. Ponzio (1st Mar Div) Commissioner of Atlantic City, and Marvin D. Perskie, L-3-4, Master of Ceremonies.

A detail of South Jersey Marine Recruiters posted the colors at the banquet and conducted the solemn memorial services on Sunday morning concluding a very successful first reunion.

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TAPS. . . . WE DEEPLY REGRET TO ANNOUNCE THE PASSING AWAY OF OUR FORMER COMRADES:

JOSEPH W. CROWLEYCompany D, 6th Motor Transport Bn
on 9/22/71 Pennsauken, New Jersey
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MGySgt Charles Rodblat	USMC (Ret) Honorary Member		

6TH MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION LAPEL/TIE TAC PINS

All lapel/tie tac pins of the Division crest have been mailed out to our members. Additional pins may be purchased from the Association at \$ 1.00 each.

RECOMMENDED READING

OKINAWA, "touchstone to victory".....by Benis M. Frank
Ballantine Books.....160 pages \$ 1.00 No. 1805-2
A well - illustrated account of the overall assault of the
Okinawan operation with maps and photographs. Paperback book
available at bookstands or write: Ballantine Books, Depart. CS
101 Fifth Avenue, New York City, NY 10003 Battle Book series
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1972 REUNION COMMITTEE

The 1972 reunion of the Sixth Marine Division Association will be held again in Atlantic City, New Jersey on September 8-9-10, 1972.

John Saddic (B-1-22) Reunion Chairman
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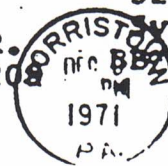
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