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Message from Your President

It is 2012, where has the time gone? I know we all say that and probably more often as we get older. Someone once told me time goes faster because our past is longer and we have more memories of things we've done, places we have been, knowledge we have learned, people we have known, and lives we have touched.

As I thought about MG Paulson's funeral and memorial services, I reflected on this - how many lives he touched. I certainly had validation of this by how fast the emails, phone calls, and snail mail was activated to let us all know of our loss.

In our fast paced world, with all our personal networks or memories we all want to stay connected, know of events that impact us in some way. Your Whooze Nuze article for our annual report is a great way to share your stories.

Our relationship with the 63d Division is one way to stay in touch with part of our life experiences and people who have touched our lives and lives we have touched in some way whether it be a long friendship or a brief encounter. Collectively we have a long and proud history.

If you are not getting emails, please give us your address. All the "fast" communication letting us know of a passing of one of our members shows how important it is for us to reach others in a hurry so as not to miss the opportunity to pay respects.

Our meetings give us an opportunity to renew acquaintances - memories. I hope you will be able to attend our 2012 annual meeting on 22 April. Our speaker will be one of our own members, MG Michael Schweiger, Commander 63d Regional Support Command. He will present "Updates on the Army Reserve" including his experiences commanding the new 63d RSC. Help us build our organization; invite someone you know who has been part of the 63d to lunch. We need new members in order to sustain the organization and endure our history is not lost for future generations.

Support with your own involvement, board meetings are open to interested members, the more members involved, the more we can do.

Thank you all for your service,
LTC Beverley Houghton USA (Ret)

In Memoriam

MAJOR GENERAL (RETIRED) THEODORE W. PAULSON

Funeral Services for MG Theodore W. Paulson were held on 28 November 2011 at Riverside National Cemetery. The service was officiated by MG (Ret) John Scott former Commander 63d RSC and Deacon in the Catholic Church and COL (Chaplain) (Ret) Donald Forden past chaplain 63d RRC. MG Mark McCarley former aide de camp for MG Paulson and currently Deputy Commander First Army escorted Mrs. Pat Paulson, MG Paulson's widow. He cased MG Paulson's GO flag and presented the American Flag to Mrs. Paulson. The service was well attended and supported by past and current commanders and deputy commanders of the 63d ARCOM, RSC and RRC, and 311th COSCOM.

Major General Theodore W. Paulson, USAR Retired, was born in Los Angeles, California on 30 March 1937. His initial military service was as an enlisted person in the California National Guard from 1954-1958 at which time he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from Artillery Officer's Candidate School at Fort Sill Oklahoma,

In 1959, he received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of California at Los Angeles in Geography, He also held a Masters of Public Affairs and Administration, CORD Foundation, Los Angeles and completed executive programs in public utilities management at the graduate schools of business at both the University of Michigan and the University of Idaho. General Paulson was also a graduate of the Harvard University National and International Security

Program. As part of his military education, General Paulson was a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

Throughout his military career General Paulson held a wide a variety of command and staff positions. They included service as "A" Battery Commander. 3rd Battalion, 77th Artillery. and Battalion S-4 of the same Battalion. He served as Headquarters Commandant for both the 63rd Army Reserve Command (ARCOM) and the 311th Logistical Command. He commanded the 309th Army Security Agency Battalion, and then became Chief of Staff at the 311th Support Brigade (Corps). He returned to the 63rd ARCOM as Chief of Staff and became the Deputy Commander in 1979. In April 1980, General Paulson was designated as the Commander of the 311th Support Command (Corps). June 1984 saw him assigned as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development and Acquisitions for Mobilization and Reserve Affairs (IMA), Headquarters Department of the Army, Pentagon. In June 1987, General Paulson was assigned as Commander, 63rd United States Army Reserve Command. Upon completion of his four year command tenure in June 1991, General Paulson was reassigned as the Deputy Commanding General (IMA) Bold Shift, Headquarters, FORCES COMMAND, Atlanta, Georgia. General Paulson retired in May 1993 following more than 39 years of service.

His awards included the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with two Ten-year Devices, the Army Service Ribbon, and the Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon with bronze Arabic numeral 2. General Paulson was inducted in to the Artillery OCS Hall of Fame, Fort Sill in 1982. In February 1997, General Paulson was inducted in to the Senior Army Reserve Commanders Association Hall of Fame.

General Paulson served as the Sixth U.S. Army's Principal Member of the Secretary of the Army, Army Reserve Forces Policy Committee 1983-1985. He was also appointed in 1985 to serve on the General Officer Special Advisory Group for the Secretary of the Army directed study on Training of the Army Reserve Logistics Officer and again in 1986 for a second

special study on the Army Reserve Personnel Management System,

During 1991, General Paulson was appointed and served as a member of the Department of Defense Reserve Forces Policy Board. This board serves as a principal policy adviser to the Secretary of Defense on reserve component matters,

In civilian life Ted Paulson retired in June of 1996 after a long career with Southern California Edison, beginning in 1970 as the Division of Community Activities Representative and retiring as Manager of Geographic Information Services. From 1968-1970 prior to working for SCE, Ted was a consultant for the Real Estate Research Corporation of Los Angeles working in Sao Paulo, Brazil and Los Angeles, From 1965-1968 Ted served as General Manager of the Carson-Dominguez Industrial Council. Ted began his civilian career as Assistant to Corporation Assistant Secretary, Richfield Oil Corporation, Los Angeles.

When his children were young Ted Paulson was an active volunteer with Boy Scouts of America, AYSO, Job's Daughters and the YMCA. In retirement he became a tireless community volunteer, serving on the Rancho Palos Verdes Planning Commission, as President of the Palos Verdes Library District Board of Trustee and as President of the Friends of the Library along with supporting many local campaigns.

In recent years, he and his wife Pat traveled extensively, often with friends and last year celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to Hawaii.

General Paulson is survived by his wife of 51 years, Patricia Susan Klein, his daughter Hilary, her husband Ralph Spickermann and their daughters, Audrey, Claire and Ellis, and his son Jon, Jon's wife Renee and their sons Jared and Graeme.





For all of the pictures of MG Paulson's Funeral service go to WWW.63rdinfdivusar.com



63rd Infantry Division Association, USAR

Invites you to attend *The 46th Annual Sunday Brunch of the 63d Infantry Division Association, USAR*

Date: 22 April 2012

Place: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1500 South Raymond Ave. Fullerton, CA 92831 (Raymond off-ramp from the Riverside (91) Freeway in either direction [the hotel is visible from the freeway]. Turn north on Raymond. Turn right into the hotel just before the railroad tracks.)

Time: Social Hour – 1100 hours, Buffet – 1200 hours

Attire: *Dress blues with white shirt and four-in-hand tie, or business suit*

Speakers: MG Michael Schweiger

Subject: "Update on the Army Reserve"

You need to:

1. Complete the attached Reservation Form (**See next Page**) and mail it to the Treasurer, BG Charles K. Ebner AUS (Ret), 619 Jasmine Avenue, Corona Del Mar, CA 92625. The price is **\$45.00** per person if you get your reservation in **by 1 April 2012, \$55.00 per person after by 1 April 2012**
2. Tell your "Whooze Nuze" story on the separate sheet and Mail it to SGM Thomas Gorden, Jr., AUS (ret), 500 E. Calaveras St, Altadena, CA 91001-2220 or e-mail it to gordeo@newsguy.com. Please send as much as you can. This is one way to preserve the history of our membership. **SUSPENSE IS 21 April** – After that date it's pure luck to get your story in.
3. Join us Saturday evening, 21 April 2012 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. It's an opportunity to visit together in a relaxed atmosphere, dine together, and sleep in late Sunday morning. A special rate of \$99 per night for one or two persons, including breakfast (The rate is also available for three nights before and three nights after April 21, 2012), **call the hotel directly at 714 635-9000**. Be sure to mention you are with the 63d Infantry Division Association and your military rank to get the special rate.



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Reservation Form



**63d Infantry Division, USAR
 46th Annual Meeting -- 22 April 2012**

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My contribution to keep the 63d Inf. Div. Assn. going \$ _____

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Mail to BG Charles K. Ebner AUS (Ret), 619 Jasmine Ave, Corona del Mar, CA 92625

I will join the group gathering on Saturday evening, 21 April 2012, at the hotel? YES ____ NO ____