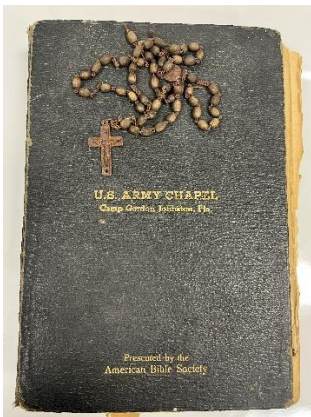


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Happy New Year from the Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum! This inaugural newsletter will be the first of a monthly newsletter format, replacing our larger but less frequent publication!

The Museum welcomes our newest volunteer, Cindy Ripko of Columbus OH! She and her husband Paul are in the area for the winter, and Cindy has extensive experience in Genealogy Research. She is working as an archivist several days a week to update the history and roster sections of our website. You can see the new format and added information at <https://www.campgordonjohnston.com/honor/histories/>. We welcome any interested people to come volunteer, with a wide variety of possible activities including but not limited to docent work, construction and upgrade of display cases, vehicle maintenance, archives, research, inventory and even basic cleaning and facility care. Contact Lisa Keith-Lucas at archivist@campgordonjohnston.com for more information.



Featured artifact: During the month of January, we received many interesting items. You would think that we hold more than one example of this lovely bible embossed with the name of Camp Gordon Johnston's US Army Chapel, but this is unique to our collection. It arrived with a metal and wood rosary. It will be added to our inventory and displayed with our other religious artifacts.

Soldier of the month: PFC Kenneth Fix of Niagara Falls, NY
 112th Infantry Regiment, 28th Infantry Division
 Trained at CGJ Jan-Mar 1943

Monthly Exhibit: During the month of January, we have an exhibit about the Nuremburg Trials after the war. It covers the defendants, the Prosecutors, the Judges, the Witnesses, and those that escaped the trials. In the month of February, we commemorate African-Americans in service in an exhibit that will explain the history of segregation in the US Military in WWII, and update museum visitors about our efforts to document the history of the African American companies that trained at Camp Gordon Johnston. The focus this year will be on the 473rd Amphibious Truck Company, which along with the 471st and 476th were attached to the 4th and 5th Marines in the campaign at Iwo Jima.



Upcoming Events:
 Feb 8, 2023 Presentation to the Wakulla Library
 Feb 11 2023, Carrabelle Culture Crawl
 March 11 2023 Camp Gordon Johnston Days Parade and Dice Run

The Museum had 331 visitors in December 2022, and 5935 visitors for the year!

