



## *82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc.*

Chartered by  
The United States Congress

P.O. Box 87482, Fayetteville, NC 28304-7482 (910) 223-1182

(844) 272-0047 Fax  
www.82ndairborneassociation.org

### MARCH 2017 BULLETIN NO. 661

- 1. 2017 CONVENTION:** Planning continues for the 71<sup>th</sup> National Convention August 9-13, 2017 in Orlando, FL as well as for celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the formation of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Division. Registration is \$100.00 per person, which includes 2 formal dinners and food and drink in the hospitality rooms. The host hotel will again be The Rosen Centre, 9840 International Dr, Orlando, FL, just minutes from many of the Orlando vacation attractions. The rooms are \$85 per standard room and for Active Duty the rate is \$50 per room (max 4 persons per room). Bring your family and take advantage of the great rates at a world class hotel in one of our Nation's premier vacation spots. Please go to the following link for more information and to register today! <http://www.paratrooperdz.com/2017-national-convention/>

Posted online and also included in the Winter 2016 Paraglide is the 71<sup>st</sup> Convention Program Book Advertisement Specifications and Rates page. This allows Chapters, Members and Businesses the opportunity to support the Association and get their word out to a large portion of the Association Membership. The deadline for submission is *30 June 2017*.

Check out the 2017 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention – ORLANDO Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/479575888817905/?fref=ts> for the latest updates. Also, look for updates on our website under Events.

- 2. ALL AMERICAN WEEK 2017 (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Division):** Planning continues for AAW and registration is now open. The registration and flyer is published in the Winter Paraglide and is available at our website under Events. Please be sure to use the POC when making hotel reservations. Our block of rooms is already half full so please register and reserve your rooms quickly. We have already been attending planning meetings with the Division and with this being the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Division, the Division is working to make this year's AAW a very special occasion for everyone, and will be adding special events. If you have never been back for AAW, then this is the time to come and see an amazing display of the greatest Division in the world. There will be a Veteran portion to the Division review again this year and we hope to have hundreds participate again when the Division honors its Veterans as we conduct a pass and review alongside our active duty Brothers on Sicily Drop Zone. It is a great event to be a part of and no 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Veteran should miss it. Our Fayetteville Chapter will again be whipping up a fantastic BBQ for the attendees at Moon Hall and promises to outdo themselves again this year. We are very excited about this year's AAW celebration, and hope that many of our members are able to attend this year's event, as we are sure you

*"America's Guard of Honor"*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



will have a great time that you will never forget, and our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary only happens once. Don't miss it.

Again, registration for AAW is online and can be paid for on-line or can be done by write in application with an enclosed check. The cost is \$100 and we are sure you will find it money well spent. There is also a 2017 AAW Challenge Coin this year that can be purchased with your registration or at AAW. They are also available for purchase on-line and you can have them shipped directly to you or pay with your registration and pick them up when you arrive to register at AAW, thereby saving on postage. The Challenge Coin is available for viewing on our website and on our registration form, so check it out. They are going fast so make your purchase now or reserve your coin for pick up at AAW.

**Auction Baskets:** During AAW this year, we will again be having nightly auctions at the main hospitality room. We are asking that at least one chapter per state, or the Chapters within a state combine, to donate a basket that reflects the uniqueness of the state. Please include a list of the items in your basket and the approximate worth of the basket contents. *Please notify National of your Chapter's participation so that we can plan accordingly.* Your support is greatly appreciated, and we are very thankful for the baskets we have received in the past. They have been a big hit and went a long way in supporting the Association.

3. **IRS NOTIFICATIONS:** Once again the IRS is sending letters to some of our Chapters stating that their Form 990 has not been sent in. We have confirmed with our accountant that all forms have been turned in and were on time. If you receive one of these notification, please either email it to National or send it to us via mail, and we will ensure it is taken care of by our accountant.
4. **2016 CHAPTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** The 2016 Chapter Financial Statements have been sent out and are due at National by 10 April 2017. Any Statements not received by the suspense date will not be added to the Association Group Return and will be the responsibility of the Chapter for filing with the IRS. To date, the following Chapters have completed and returned their Statement:

Ben Vandervoort/Savannah/HHI	Evergreen State	John Steele
Gateway	New York	North Central Florida
Oklahoma	Orlando	Rocky Mountain
Tampa Bay		

5. **NATIONAL DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS:** Chapter nominations for National Directors must be received at the National office by *1 July 2017*, either by mail or email. We will notify your Chapter when it is received. Chapter nominations must be certified by the Chapter Chairperson and must be in compliance with Article V of the Association By-Laws (By-Laws can be viewed at our website at : <http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/forms-and-resources.html>)

*“America’s Guard of Honor”*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



Nominations should include a brief description, 4-5 sentences, about the nominee. Please include the nominee's qualifications, past accomplishments, as well as what the nominee proposes to do for the Association, if elected.

The Active 82d Airborne Division Chapters elect their Military Directors and the 82d Airborne Division Commander will appoint the Division Department of Defense Liaison. This year six (6) Veteran Directors will be elected at the Convention and the following Veteran Directors will be Completing their term in office (\* indicates that the Director is eligible for nomination to a second 2-year term):

\*Laurie Clay  
Ed. T. Herlihy

\*Gary Covey  
Jose Perez-Ortiz

\*Steven C. Holcomb  
Allen Schoppe

- 6. CHAPTER DELEGATES TO AAW AND 2017 CONVENTION:** Chapter Officers are reminded to designate their Delegate(s) to attend AAW by *1 May 2017* and the Convention by *31 July 2017*. As outlined in Article IV, Section 6 of the Association By-Laws, the Association President can call a Delegates' meeting sixty (60) days in advance of the Convention date. In the past, Presidents have done this because there is ample time during AAW for the Delegates to discuss issues and formalize the presentation to be given to the Board of Directors during the Convention. The Delegates' meeting during the National Convention is to refresh everyone's memory and finalize the presentation. Delegates should be familiar with the Association and Education Fund By-Laws, Awards SOP, Convention SOP and National Bulletins, all of which is available on the Association website. If the Chapters have any issues, please submit a 2-3 sentence summary to the National Office by *1 May 2017* We will include these in the Delegates' agenda. Registration for Delegates to AAW are received by the National office. Registration for Delegates to the Annual convention are sent to the local Chapter through the online or write in registration for the convention. Registration forms for both of these events can be found on the events tab of the Association website: <http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/events.html>
- 7. ASSOCIATION SUSPENSES/DEADLINES:** Please note the following Association deadlines (all information should be sent to Executive Director Bill Bauer, unless otherwise noted):
- Convention Agenda: Requests for item(s) to be placed on the Agenda for the Board's review and action at the Convention must be submitted in writing and are due *1 July 2017*.
  - Communication & Public Relations Award Program: Entries must comply with the Communications and Public Awards Program SOP and are due *1 July 2017* to Chairman/Director Gary Rezabek. Nominations can be sent to the National office and will be forwarded to Director Rezabek.
  - National Director Nominations: Nominations are due *1 July 2016*.

*"America's Guard of Honor"*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



- d. 82d All American of the Year: Nominations must meet the criteria in the Awards SOP, which is available online via the Association website, and are due *2 May 2016* to Chairman/Director Gary Rezabek. Nominations can be sent to the National office and will be forwarded to Director Rezabek.
- e. Changes to By-Laws: Proposed changes and/or amendments to Chapter or Association By-Laws should be submitted in letter form and signed by the Chapter Chairperson. Changes are *due 28 July 2017*.

**8. NATIONAL OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES:** Some of you may have noticed that the National Office has begun using new email addresses when contacting the Chapters. In our continued effort to improve our ability to manage Association information, we are now moving our email to the same domain we have purchased and have been using for the Chapter email accounts. This is the domain name that contains the @82ndairborneassociation.org in the last part of the email address. I will be sending out an email to all my contacts with this new address so that you can save it as a contact in your mail box. Laura and Maggie will also be sending out emails to their contacts to ensure everyone gets the change. We will also continue to monitor the @82assn.org email addresses for the next couple of months to ensure everyone gets the change, and then we will be shutting down that email address, so it is best to change the email addresses now. I am also publishing our new addresses below so that you can begin using them now. I am also posting information that you should be sending to each email address for the quickest response.

**New Email Addresses:**

Executive Director Bill Bauer - [execdir@82ndairborneassociation.org](mailto:execdir@82ndairborneassociation.org). This address is for information from Chapters concerning questions from Chapter Chairmen, by-laws, by-law changes, Chapter start-ups or Chapter shut-downs, serious infractions by Association members, assistance from the National Office in running Chapter events, Chapter refunds for new and renewed memberships, requests for the Association President or Executive Director to attend events, donations, and any information the Chapter Chairmen deems necessary for action by the Executive Director.

Executive Secretary Laura Bauer – [execsec@82ndairborneassociation.org](mailto:execsec@82ndairborneassociation.org). This address is for information on Chapter financial statements, Chapter reports, Chapter events, TAPS submissions, arranging appointments, questions concerning our website, submission requests for items to be placed on our website, facebook and in the Paraglide (Not for submission of your Chapter Paraglide Article. They will continue to be sent to the Paraglide Editor), questions on All American Week registration, and any information that Chapters would like communicated to the entire Association.

Assistant/Administrative Secretary Maggie Hollinger – [asst@82ndairborneassociation.org](mailto:asst@82ndairborneassociation.org). This address is for all information concerning membership. New membership, membership renewals, changes to membership information, submission of membership report changes, and any other information concerning membership.

*“America’s Guard of Honor”*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



If you have questions on who best to send certain information to, please call our office and we will assist you.

- 9. SPRING 2017 PARAGLIDE:** Please remember that submissions for the Spring edition of the Paraglide is due by *30 March 2017*. Please submit your articles directly to the editor at [paraglide@holmesteads.com](mailto:paraglide@holmesteads.com)
- 10. WITHIN THE DIVISION AND FORT BRAGG:** Please visit the following 82d Airborne Division websites to find out what is happening within the Division and sign up for our E-News bulletin: <http://www.dvidshub.net/image> and <http://www.bragg.army.mil/82nd/pages/default.aspx>. Also, don't forget to check out the Division's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/82ndAirborneDivision>
- 11. POSTING CHAPTER EVENTS ON ASSOCIATION WEBSITE:** Please notify National of all of your Chapter's major events so that they can be posted on the Association website and Facebook page. Please submit your flyers to National so that they may be approved for posting. However, only events lasting 2 or more days will be posted in the Paraglide. They will be placed on the website by the National office once they are approved.
- 12. E-NEWS BULLETINS:** The E-News bulletin is a way for all members of the Association to be kept informed of news articles related to Fort Bragg, the Airborne Community, the Association, the Veterans Administration, and the Army at large. If you are not receiving the E-News bulletin you can sign-up to receive it at the following link: <http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/what-s-new.html>

It is a great way of staying informed of what's happening within the Division through only two emails a month, and we are sure you will enjoy this information. There is no obligation to purchase anything, and if for any reason you do not enjoy this bulletin you can easily unsubscribe through the link provided at the bottom of the email. Thank you for your support.
- 13. CHANGE IN CHAPTER OFFICERS:** Some Chapters have elections this time of year and elect new officers. Elected Chapter Officers must be members in good standing and annual members must be current. Please provide Chapter Officer changes to National as soon as possible so that we can update the Paraglide and the Association website.
- 14. 2016 & 2017 CHAPTER ACTIVITIES REPORTS:** Just a reminder that Veteran Chapters are *required* by the Association By-Laws to submit "a report of the dates and places of all meetings and activities held or sponsored by the Chapter" throughout the 2016 year, and a "tentative" schedule of the Chapter's meetings and activities for 2017. This report should arrive at the National Headquarters by February 28, 2017. To date we have received very few reports. If you have submitted your reports, thank you. If you have not yet done so, please submit them as soon as possible. Thank you.

*"America's Guard of Honor"*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



- 15. COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN:** Chapters and Members are encouraged to contact local businesses for tax deductible donations for the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association Education Fund. The 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association Educational Fund benefits our Dependent Children and young Paratroopers who have recently left the service and is a tax exempt organization under the provisions of Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue code.
- 16. USAA CREDIT CARDS:** Please be aware that USAA is converting all existing MasterCard accounts to VISA in 2016. The transition will be seamless and have no impact on the current co-branded 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association/USAA cardholders other than a new card being automatically issued.
- 17. DONATIONS TO GENERAL FUND:** The Association continues to request your donations to the General Fund. Please help us to widen our support for our Active Duty Troopers by donating to the Association. Your support will greatly increase the Association's ability to support our Active Duty Troopers through the many programs we are trying to support for the Division, such as Holiday Troop Support, and the Division food locker. Please help the Association in supporting our 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Troops. Donations can be mailed to the National office or made by clicking on the Donate tab found on our website [www.82ndairborneassociation.org](http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org) . Thank you for your support.
- 18. CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION and MERIT:** This is the time of year that Chapters recognize members or businesses for their support of the goals of the Association. You can request a Certificate through the National Office via email. The cost of each Certificate is \$5.00, which includes shipping and handling.
- 19. ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS:** Please announce the following upcoming regional events at Chapter meetings, via the Chapter newsletter and website. Registration and information on these events were published in the Paraglide and also on the Association's website at the following link: [www.82ndairborneassociation.org/events.html](http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/events.html). If you would like to have the Association President or Executive Director attend your event, please send an invitation to the National office in enough time for us to plan and we will do our best to attend.
- a. Annual Southwest Memorial Airborne Days Reunion, 9-11 June 2017 is at Lafayette, LA and is hosted by the Acadiana Chapter. POC is Randy Vidrine 337-684-6175 or 337-288-2730. The host hotel is Ramada Inn US 167.
  - b. 40th Annual Airborne Awards Festival, 26-29 April 2017 is in Atlanta, GA and is hosted by the Donald D. Lassen All Airborne Atlanta Chapter. POC is Annette Purcell 678-592-7441. The host hotel is the Sheraton Atlanta Airport 770-997-1100.
- 20. STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION POLICY:** Just a reminder to Chapter Officers and Association Members: the Association does *not* sponsor, nor lend its name in any way to parachute jumping activities, nor does it provide insurance coverage for anyone in any parachute jumping activity, to include being in attendance. The Association policy also does not cover the sales, or consumption of any

*“America’s Guard of Honor”*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ



form of alcohol at Chapter events, but we can assist Chapters in obtaining special insurance riders for events. If you are unsure of an event, it is best to call and get a final answer than to assume it is covered and be proven wrong.

**21. 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ASSOCIATION 50/50 RAFFLE:** We are gearing up to make our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual 50/50 Raffle even more successful than the previous years. Attached is a flyer for the raffle. The drawing will be held on Saturday, 12 August 2017 at the Airborne Heritage Banquet during our 71<sup>st</sup> National Convention. You do not have to be present to win!

**22. FACEBOOK PAGE: 'Like Us'** at <https://www.facebook.com/82nd-Airborne-Division-Association-675341502555480>. *This is the ONLY official Facebook page of the Association. We have no affiliation with any other sites that are using the Association's name!* We would love to receive pictures or information from the Chapters of events that they have hosted to share with our members!

President Herlihy and First Lady Joanne, together with the Past Presidents, Officers and Directors of the Association and their spouses wish to thank all Members for their service and look forward to seeing you at All American Week and the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention

In addition, many of our 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Troopers have deployed or are deploying this year and we ask that you continue to keep our Troopers and their Families in your prayers. We wish them a safe return.

Ed T. Herlihy  
National President

Enclosures  
OFFICIAL:  
BILL BAUER  
Executive Director

*"America's Guard of Honor"*

AFRICA SICILY ITALY FRANCE THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM GERMANY  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF AFGHANISTAN IRAQ