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- 2017 CONVENTION:** Planning continues for the 71th National Convention August 9-13, 2017 in Orlando, FL as well as for celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the 82nd 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. Bring your family and take advantage of the great rates at a world class hotel in one of our Nation's premier vacation spots. There are many exciting events planned for this Convention. Don't wait too long to register. 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 71st 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 82nd Airborne Division Association 71st 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.

- ALL AMERICAN WEEK 2017 (100th Anniversary of the 82nd Division):** AAW 2017 is coming this month and if you have not made reservations yet time is running out quickly. If you have not yet registered, you should do so quickly. Room reservations at Moon Hall are already full and members are also being given rooms at other Inns on post, such as the Delmont house. Once all rooms are filled, you can still contact the Airborne Inn POC and they have rooms available at a hotel off post in Fayetteville that will accommodate members at the same reduced room rate. Remember that we do not have the capability to provide transportation to off post establishments for hotels and you will have to come to Moon Hall for all on post buses, for those staying off post. For those staying at other on post Inns, we are working to provide transportation to Moon Hall each day for you to access the on post buses. We will post more on our website as information becomes available. We will also send updated information to the emails of those who have registered and provided us an email address for correspondence. If you did not provide an email address with your registration, I highly recommend that you call or email us with one so that we can quickly inform registered members of any new or changing information. This year's AAW is very successful and we are working hard to insure a great time for all. The Division is going all out for the 100th Anniversary and you do not want to miss this year's events. If you heard how great last year Airborne display and review was, you will be amazed at the sheer size of this year's

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event. Please look at the schedules we have posted online, but remember that there may be changes in times. We will post changes as we get them and we are working closely with Division to insure accuracy. We have also posted the Division's sports event schedule on our website and will be sending the schedules by email to all registered members who supplied an email address with registration. The registration and flyer is published in the Spring 2017 Paraglide and is available at our website under Events. We already have over 100 more registered members than last year and are very excited to host so many of our members. So please don't wait too long or expect to get reservations at the hotel when you arrive. There may be no rooms by that time. Our Fayetteville Chapter is working hard on planning this year's Pig Roast BBQ for the attendees at Moon Hall and promises to outdo themselves again this year. They also have an outstanding lunch planned at their clubhouse on Monday, and transportation will be provided. All the events this year will be bigger than ever, for our 100th Anniversary. Please make your reservations now!

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. We are running out of AAW Challenge Coins quickly. If you have reserved them for pickup when you arrive at registration they are being held for you and will be with your registration packet. They are still available online at our website for those who want to have the coin, but will not be able to attend AAW, but again, they are going quickly and will probably be gone soon. If you want to insure you get the second of what will be a complete set of five, over the next few years, order now. We will also have a small amount of last year's coins available online this month for anyone who did not have the opportunity to purchase one. At the end of the fifth coin's sales, there will be a special coin holder available that will hold all these unique coins for showcase, so start collecting now while they are still available.

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. STATUS OF 501(c)19 TAX EXEMPT STATUS WITH THE IRS:** The 82nd Airborne Division Association has been granted 501(c)19 tax status by the IRS. This tax status makes donations to the Association eligible for tax exemption. We have not yet received the letter giving this status to each individual chapter, but expect it to come shortly, as we have already paid the \$3000 fee to have all chapters included in this tax exempt status. We will let you know as soon as they are granted, and send each chapter their tax exempt status letter for inclusion in their records. This is a great step forward for the Association, and we expect it to lead to a greater ability in our requests for donations. Thank you to everyone who helped the Association in making this possible.

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4. 2016 CHAPTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: The 2016 Chapter Financial Statements have been sent out and were due at National by 10 April 2017. We have received a short extension, so please send them to us quickly if you have not already done so. *Any Statements not received will not be added to the Association Group Return and will be the responsibility of the Chapter for filing with the IRS.* If you are having issues with your submission please contact the National Office for assistance. 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	1SG Leonard Fund	Lozado-Rubio-Conde PR
John Towle MOH-Cleveland	Cincinnati	Kentucky
Mid-America	Central New York	Acadiana
Northern Arizona	Central Ohio	San Joaquin Valley
Greater Daytona	Southern California	Southern Arizona
CPL Edward Slavin	Wolverine	Lehigh Valley
West Palm Beach	Virginia State	Niagara Frontier
Central Pennsylvania	Hampton Roads	North Jersey
Don Lassen/Atlanta	Greater Hartford	COL Reuben Tucker
Chicago	South Florida	GEN MB Ridgway
North Texas	Washington DC	Blue Ridge
508 th Airborne	Northeastern Pennsylvania	West Virginia
Western Upper-Peninsula	Low Country	South Texas
Daniel Campbell	Akron	Greater Rochester
LTG James Gavin	James Etherton/Detroit	Vulcan
Jacksonville	Benavidez-Patterson	

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>)

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

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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 the Convention by *31 July 2017*. The suspense for selection of delegates for AAW passed on 1 May 2017 and we are no longer accepting requests. Delegate packets will be available at the AAW Association registration desk.

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 are available on the Association website. If the Chapters have any issues or concerns, please submit a 2-3 sentence summary, of each issue, 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 2017*.
 - 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 *10 May 2017* to Chairman/Director Gary Rezabek. Nominations can be sent to the National office and will be forwarded to Director Rezabek.

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- e. **Changes to By-Laws:** Proposed changes and or amendments to Chapter or Association By-Laws should be submitted in the letter form stating that it is a change and or amendment to current By-Law, with the entire current By-Law, including its location in the by-laws, followed by the proposed change and or amendment, with the change portion highlighted. This will allow for the change and or amendment to be quickly recognized from the current law. Additions to By-Laws must state that it is an addition, and include where the addition would be placed within the By-Laws. For a proposed removal of a By-Law, it must include the By-Law and the proposed location of the By-Law. All proposed changes and or amendments, additions, or removals must be accompanied by the reasoning for the proposed change and or amendment, addition, or removal request. The proposed change and or amendment, addition, or removal request must be signed by the Chapter Chairperson. An example can be obtained from the National office upon request. Changes are *due 28 July 2017*.

8. NEW NATIONAL OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES:

Executive Director Bill Bauer - 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, donations, and any information the Chapter Chairmen deems necessary for the Executive Director's attention.

Executive Secretary Laura Bauer – 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.

Administrative Assistant Maggie Hollinger – admin@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.

9. **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>
10. **TAPS:** When reporting Members who have passed away, *please* include as much information as possible, to include, date of death, spouse's name, and unit(s) served. A copy of the obituary is also very helpful. Please do not send them just in the Newsletters. We try to read them all, but sometimes we miss information, and please do not assume that that is our notice of a Member's passing.

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- 11. USAA CREDIT CARDS:** Please be aware that USAA converted all existing MasterCard accounts to VISA in 2016. The transition will have no impact on the current co-branded 82nd Airborne Division Association/USAA cardholders other than a new card being automatically issued.
- 12. 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. 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.
- 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.
 - 55th Annual All Ohio Airborne Days, 5-7 Oct 2017, in Cleveland, Ohio, hosted by the John Towle MOH Cleveland Chapter. POC is Sean Jennings (Chairman) (440) 915-8223 or jennsea3@yahoo.com

- 13. STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION DISCLAIMER:** The following are Disclaimers of the 82nd Airborne Division Association Inc. with regards to any Parachute jump activities, and the consumption of alcohol at Association and Chapter events:

Association Jump Activity Disclaimer

The 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc. is in no way affiliated with any civilian or private group, club, association or other type of organization that conducts parachute jumps. The 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc. does *not* sponsor, nor assume any liability for parachute or sport jumping organizations nor any of their activities, nor does it provide insurance coverage for anyone in any parachute jumping activity, to include being in attendance as a spectator or participating in any parachuting activity. Whereas members of the 82nd Airborne Division, Inc. may have members who belong to such organizations that perform parachute activities, those members are performing such activities outside of their membership in the 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc., and will in no way portray or represent these activities as being sanctioned, approved, or in conjunction with or related to the 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc. The Association insurance policy does not cover any liability for death, injuries, damages, medical expenses, or other losses resulting from parachute activities.

The Association will offer guidance on how its Chapters may obtain special insurance riders for any non-covered event or activity. Such insurance riders are the sole responsibility of each Chapter, who would contract for, pay for, and obtain such coverage by that separate Chapter. Obtaining or not obtaining such special insurance rider coverage shall in no way be the responsibility of the 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc.

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Association Disclaimer for Alcohol Use at Chapter Events

The 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc. is not engaged in the food and beverage industry and does not directly sell or furnish alcohol to its members and therefore carries limited alcohol or liquor liability insurance coverage, which is restricted to coverage only for its function as a host for national events of the Association.

The Association will offer guidance on how its Chapters may obtain special insurance riders for Chapter-sponsored events, whether the Chapter plans to host a hospitality suite with donated alcohol, or when alcohol is served by the hotel or other venue as part of a banquet or cash bar. Such insurance riders are the sole responsibility of each Chapter, who would contract for, pay for, and obtain such coverage by that separate Chapter. Obtaining or not obtaining such special insurance rider coverage shall in no way be the responsibility of the 82nd Airborne Division Association, Inc.

Above disclaimers have been approved by Doug Andrews, Association Judge Advocate

6 May 2017

These activity restrictions are not new to the Association, but important to reiterate to all our chapters as they sponsor events. If you are unsure of any activity at an event, it is best to call and get a final answer from the National office rather than to assume it is covered and be proven wrong. With this being said, the 82nd Airborne Division Association Inc. events where alcohol is consumed will have riders to our insurance policy to allow for the consumption of alcohol.

- 14. 3rd ANNUAL ASSOCIATION 50/50 RAFFLE:** We are gearing up to make our 3rd 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 71st National Convention. You do not have to be present to win!
- 15. 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!
- 16. ARMED FORCES DAY:** Saturday, 20 May 2017 is Armed Forces Day. Thank you to all our Veterans for your service. Display your patriotism by displaying our American Flag and paying tribute to all our members of the Armed Forces and their Families. Thank them for all they do in service to this great Nation.
- 17. MEMORIAL DAY:** Monday, 29 May 2017. Please remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in defense of Nation. They are the true Heroes of this Nation, and earned our freedom through their

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sacrifices and the sacrifices of their Families. THEY ARE NOT FORGOTTEN! NOR SHALL WE FORGET THE DEBT THAT IS OWED TO THEM!

18. JROTC AWARDS: At the request of one of our chapters we are looking into the cost of having a ribbon included with the JROTC medal, and for boxes to hold the set. Once we have acquired the pricing we will announce the costs for the Medal and ribbon, the medal and ribbon in a plastic case, and the medal and ribbon in a fancier case. Once we have announced the prices, and sent you examples of each, we will be asking chapters which sets they will want to purchase. We will have to show a desire by chapters to purchase a significant amount of each set to make them financially logical for us to acquire, since we will have to purchase them in bulk. We should have more information in the next couple of weeks. These will probably not be available in time for this year's ceremonies, but will be available for next year.

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 71st Annual Convention. In addition, many of our 82nd 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Herlihy".

Ed T. Herlihy
National President

OFFICIAL:
BILL BAUER
Executive Director

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