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1. 65TH NATIONAL CONVENTION: The *Silver Legacy Resort Casino* in Reno, Nevada will host the National Convention from August 3rd thru 6th, and is ready to make your reservations at 800-687-8733 (use Group Code: "82nd"). For those planning on arriving a few days before or staying a few days after the convention, and looking to enjoy all the outdoor activities that Reno-Lake Tahoe has to offer, you may want to contact the Silver Legacy's "Adventure Desk" (866-323-8928) to explore your options; kayaks and river toys from beginner sit-on-top kayaks to rafts and river tubes. For more data on the National Convention, such as Registration, hotel, tours/events, week's-schedule and Ad-Book information visit the Association website home page and look for published pages in the Paraglide Spring issue.

2. WITHIN THE DIVISION: 82nd CG MG Jim Huggins and Division CSM Bryant Lambert are committed to host Association Veterans and family at All American Week, May 16 - 21, 2011, Fort Bragg and Fayetteville, NC.

a. 2 BCT (325 AIR) recently completed intensive maneuvers at the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, LA in preparation for a future deployment to Afghanistan.

b. The NCO and Trooper of the Year competitions have recently been completed, and both winners will be recognized for their accomplishments at the Thursday Association and Division Social during AAW.

c. The Jumpmaster of the Year competition will take place this month and the winner will be recognized for this accomplishment at the Thursday Association and Division Social during AAW.

d. 82nd Paratroopers will be competing in the annual Best Ranger Competition this spring at Fort Bragg, NC.

c. A new Division Chapel is under construction just east of the 82nd Division Museum. Information on the new Chapel and stain glass window, to honor the 82nd Troopers who paid the ultimate price, was published and is available in the Spring Paraglide, along with the fundraising page to pay for the new stain glass window.

3. ALL AMERICAN WEEK (AAW): AAW begins at 0630 with the Division's 4.3 mile Run down Long Street on Monday, May 16th, followed by 2 days

"America's Guard of Honor"

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



of competitive sporting events, culminating on Tuesday. The AAW Events Schedule and Registration pages were enclosed with the March 2011 Bulletin, and can also be found on the Association's website.

4. SPONSORSHIP OF COMBAT WOUNDED WARRIORS TO THE CONVENTION: Last year Chapters generously sponsored forty-seven (47) Wounded Warriors (WW) to the Convention. This number has increased significantly from the ten (10) at the 2008 Convention. We look forward to Veteran Chapter sponsorship above and beyond last year's 47. The Division will certainly do their part. Let's do ours! Also, keep in mind that the WW travel to the Convention this year will likely be by AIR. This year's WW Coordinator is National Director Carl H. Bludau. Carl's Association Wounded Warrior Program statement is attached, and is also published in the Spring Paraglide issue, top of page 45.

5. 2010 MEMBERSHIP YEAR REBATES: Chapters must deposit/cash their Rebate checks not later than 31 May 2011, otherwise the National Headquarters will initiate a stop payment. The Board of Directors approved the stop-payment action during their 2000 AAW Meeting. The checks were mailed directly to the Chapter Chairpersons, along with the Chapter Financial Statements the 3rd week in February 2011. If the check has been 'misplaced' or 'lost', it can be reissued before 1 May 2011 at a cost of \$35.00 to the Chapter. This is to cover the stop payment fee, which will be deducted from the reissued rebate check.

6. CHAPTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: As of the 1 April 2011 deadline, the 2010 Financial Statements for the fifteen (15) Chapters listed below have not been received at National. The expectation now is that a Chapter Officer contact National before the 15 April tax deadline.

555 PIB MEMORIAL	503/80 ABN ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTY
307 ENGR BN ALL AMERICAN ENGRS	BOISE VALLEY ALL ABN
CAL-NEVADA ALL ABN	CONNECTICUT YANKEE
JAMES W. ETHELTON/DETROIT	AMES/OLIVAS ALL ABN
ROANOKE VALLEY ALL ABN	WESTERN UPPER PENINSULA
VIKING	WEST VIRGINIA ALL ABN

7. CHAPTER ISSUES FOR DELEGATES'REVIEW AT AAW: Reminder, as noted in the January 2011 Bulletin, paragraph 19, Chapters are requested to submit to the National Office any issues, to include a brief synopsis (2-3 lines) and a presenter, no later than 9 May 2011.

8. CONVENTION DEADLINES: See Bulletins 597, 598 and 599 for details.



a. Delegate(s) must be certified per Chapter Letter signed by the Chapter Chairperson, and the \$82 registration fees* paid (check or Money Order with completed Registration page to include *guest(s)) to the Executive Director not later than 3 May 2011. All Chapters are expected to register at least one, but not more than two, delegates.

b. Nomination for National Director must be submitted in letter format signed **by the Chapter Chairperson**, and sent via registered or certified mail to the Executive Director no later than 1 June 2011. Included should be a short descriptive paragraph (no more than six (6) lines) on the nominee and what the nominee proposes to do for the good of the Association.

c. Requests for items to be placed on the Agenda for the Board's action at the Convention, must be submitted, in writing, so as to arrive in the National Office not later than 1 June 2011.

d. Nominations for Awards may be submitted at any time but those awards recommended for presentation during the 2010 Convention must be received at the National Headquarters not later than 15 June 2011.

e. Nominations for All American-of-the-Year must be submitted by 15 Apr 2011 to the Executive Director, as outlined in paragraph 1a, section 2, Awards Standing Operation Procedure. This prestigious award is not automatic and must meet the criteria noted, and further submitted as reflected in paragraph 1, section 4, of the same SOP.

f. Proposed changes or amendments to Association By-Laws must be received by the By-Laws Committee Chairperson, PP Duke Armendariz, 2302 Sandy Pass, San Antonio, TX 78264-4602 (210) 626-3285 no later than 1 June 2011.

g. 2013 Convention Bids must be in compliance with the Association Convention SOP and must be submitted so as to be received at the National Office no later than 30 April 2011.

h. Communications and Public Relations Award Program entries must be received at the National Office no later than 15 June 2011.

9. NOMINATION FOR NATIONAL DIRECTOR: A **CORRECTION** is made on the published announcement in the March 2011 Bulletin, paragraph 10(d). "... This year eight (8) Veteran Directors will be elected. And, the following VETERAN DIRECTORS are leaving office:" **(two (2) names were left off)**



*Carl H. Bludau ----- Golden Brigade
*James D. Crowley, Jr.- John Towle-Cleveland
*William L. Eberle ---- Ben-Vandervoort/Savannah/HHI All Abn
 Randolph J. Glancy --- Fayetteville
*Ed Sanchez ----- Wolverine
 Harold E. Schroeder -- New Jersey
*Donald M. Van Alstyne- North Central Florida
 Russell A. Wolfe ----- Leigh Valley
(*Indicates those Directors eligible for nomination)

10. STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION POLICY: The 82d Airborne Division Association Inc. does not sponsor, nor lend its name in any way to parachute jumping activities. This includes, but is not limited to, individual jumps, competition jumps, demonstration jumps or any and all jumps sponsored or contracted for/by any individual or group. No person or organization has the authority to imply the sponsorship of the Association, or of any Chapter in connection with any parachute jump, any form of parachute jumping or competition. Any individual member of the Association desiring to jump or to participate in any way in any parachute jumping or in any form of parachute jumping competition will do so on an individual basis. Any individual so participating should meet the standards of the U.S. Parachute Association (USPA), including but not limited to 9-4 Demonstration Jump Recommendations and be individually insured through USPA or in accordance with the standards and requirements of USPA. The 82d Airborne Division Association, Inc. does not and will not provide insurance coverage for anyone in any parachute jumping activity.

11. UNIT GUIDONS AVAILABLE: Chapters or Members desiring to order guidons should contact T&S Guidons, Flags, etc... in Fayetteville, NC (910)868-2016, or via e-mail Tands2@embarqmail.com. The price, plus shipping and handling, varies depending on 1 or 2 sided, the LOGO/color and quantity. They have been in business since 1985 and have been supporters of the Association's guidon needs.

12. ANNUAL NON-RENEWALS: Chapters are urged to continue to monitor and manage their annual renewals. National will assist with the process by providing 2 Chapter rosters per year, with or without their annual non-renewals. Non-renewals will be maintained on the National database and have the Chapter affiliation codes that will allow for easy reinstatement to their previous Chapter.

13. MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS: Membership statistics will be provided with the May 2010 Bulletin. The deadline for membership to count towards your Convention awards is 1 July 2011. This deadline is



established to allow sufficient time to process membership from the 97 Veteran and 7 Military Chapters, then complete the membership certificates and order the necessary awards.

14. DEFUNCT MILITARY CHAPTERS: National and the 82nd Division G1/AG SGM are working together to resolved the past membership status of nine (9) Defunct Active Duty Chapters; 82nd Sustaining Brigade, 3-4 ADA Bn, 319 AFA Rgmt, Div Spt Cmd (DISCOM), 3-73 ARM Bn, 82nd Sig Bn, 82nd Soldier Spt Bn, 307 ENGR Bn and 313 CEWI Bn. Chapter Officers are asked to publish this information in their newsletters and publicize it at meetings and via whatever means appropriate for their members information. The intent is to identify ex-members of these outfits that have separated from the Service, or have been reassigned out of the 82nd Division. Approximately 3,800 members currently make up these defunct military Chapters still on the Association rolls. With your help, National will work out an old issue that occurred years ago!

15. DIVISION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: The 82nd Division annual Association membership drive is in full stride, and the LGOPs are preparing to show their Airborne pride at the 65th National Convention in Reno, Nevada. These active duty Troopers are the Association's lifeblood.

16. NATIONAL AIRBORNE HERITAGE DAY (NAHD): 2011 NAHD Chairman Gordon Sumner's letter is published on page 44 of the Spring Paraglide and is also attached for your information. Please pass on the letter and information to your Chapter members. Chapters and Members are urged to contact their Senators to begin this year's U.S. Senate Resolution proclaiming August 16, 2011 as "National Airborne Heritage Day".

17. CHAPTER WEBSITE(S): Chapters considering or wanting to establish a website should contact the National website webperson, Cheryl Polk at www.aherotribute_org@yahoo.com, or at phone number (423)733-1944.

18. OLDEST MEMBER ROSTER: In an effort to identify the Association's eldest members, we ask that each Chapter provide via mail or email their two (2) most aged Chapter members to update the attached Association roster. Please refer to the roster for information that is needed by National. (Note: All names are needed as we do keep a list of runners-up to replace the top 30 as they pass on.)

19. GET WELL SOON! & WITH SYMPATHY CARDS: Nobody looks forward to sending either of these two (2) Association Cards to our Members or their family. But, they should be used to express the Association's and Chapter's feelings because that is the right thing to do! Both



are available and can be purchased through the Association Sales. A sample of both cards ('Get Well Soon' & 'With Sympathy') is enclosed.

20. ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FORM: Reminder, the current Application form posted on the Association website is versatile and should be used as a single source to: Recruit New Members - LIFE or ANNUAL, Reinstate un-renewed Annuals, Membership Update of the National database and Transfer from another Chapter. Keep in mind, that the National database is only as up to date as the data provided!

21. UPCOMING CHAPTER REGIONAL EVENTS: Please publicize and encourage attendance at these upcoming regional Chapter events at your monthly meetings, in your Chapter newsletters and post on your website. Please visit the Association website for Registration and information. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend one!

a. Southwest Memorial Days: This year's Texas reunion is in Houston and is being hosted by the Texas Lone Star Chapter. For information contact Chairman George Martinez at (281)691-3711, or visit their Chapter website www.texaslonestar82nd.org.

b. All Ohio Days: Hosting this year's Ohio reunion is the General M.B. Ridway Chapter in Dayton, the center of many midwest Chapters. Their Registration, Hotel and contact information page is attached.

22. NATIONAL OFFICE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY/WEEKEND: In observance of Good Friday and the Easter weekend, the National Office will be closed April 22-24, 2011. The office will reopen Monday, April 25th at 9 am.

23. EASTER: President Eberle, and first Lady Barbara, join the Past President's, Officers, and Directors of the Association, and their lovely spouses, in wishing every member a Happy Easter on April 24th.

WILLIAM L. EBERLE
National President

Enclosures
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Executive

REMINDER, the monthly Bulletin is NO LONGER e-mailed, but can be accessed via the Association website www.82ndairborneassociation.org. Hard copies will continue to be mailed to Chapter Chairpersons and Secretaries without e-mail addresses.