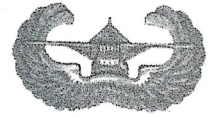




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NJ – CPL Steven Koch “All Airborne” Chapter



The “Jump In”

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A lifeline for Paratroopers and Glidermen

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NJ-CPL Steven Koch Chapter Coin

The Chapter has minted a coin to commemorate our Chapter and its renaming to the NJ-CPL Steven Koch Chapter. Anyone interested in purchasing one of these coins, please contact a Chapter Officer.



Chapter Officers for 2023

The NJ – CPL Steven Koch Chapter has elected the following officers for the 2023 calendar year. The officers are as follows: Chairman – Vic Balint, Vice-Chairman – Dave Chelak, Secretary/Treasurer – Bob Dritschel, Chaplain – Charlie Moe, Sgt at Arms – Henrik Moe.

At the February meeting of the Chapter, Vic Balint and Bob Dritschel were presented with recognition plaques by the Chapter members for their dedication and devotion in furthering the Chapter thru their many years of tireless actions and leadership.



The Chapter Facebook page has been re-established for the members. Please visit the “82nd Airborne Division Association New Jersey CPL Steven Koch Chapter” Facebook page for recent news and articles. Posts are always welcome. The Chapter is requesting donations from its members to support the 82nd Airborne Association’s Wounded Warrior Fund. A donation made out to the Wounded Warrior Fund would be greatly appreciated. Please forward any donation to the Chapter PO Box.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

#1-Fayetteville	#2- North Jersey	#3- Washington DC
1472	439	419

AIRBORNE LICENSE PLATES (865 Issued)



Contact Henrik Moe at 732-721-3997 for Information

2023 All American Week

The 2023 All American Week is scheduled to take place on May 22 – 25, 2023. Registration is \$175 per person and includes the Association Dinner Social, a picnic lunch at the Fayetteville Clubhouse and BBQ dinner hosted by the Fayetteville Chapter, as well as access to the hospitality room in Moon Hall. Hotel reservation can be made at Airborne Inn - Moon Hall for the prearranged price of \$89 per night.

CHAPTER MEETING PLACE

AMERICAN LEGION
Post 25
4 J.F. Kennedy Drive
Milltown, NJ 08850

MEETING TIME

Officers Meeting
12:00 PM
Members’ Meeting
12:15 PM

On the 3rd Saturday of
every month

MEETING DATES 2023

January 21
February 18
March 18
April 15
May 20
June 17
July 15
August 19
September 16
October 21
November 18
December 16

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Special Forces Group
Memorial Bataan
Death March
March 19, 2023

National Convention
August 9 - 12, 2023

National Airborne Day
August 16, 2023

Chapter Christmas
Luncheon
December 16, 2023

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Airborne Soldiers:

As I write this it is January 25, 2023. Last month's breakfast for the West Point Marathon Team was a huge success. Twenty-three Cadets and their Cadre were running from West Point to the Army-Navy Game in Philadelphia. On their way, they stopped at the Copper Hill Country Club in Ringoes to share breakfast with Veterans. Our Chapter was well represented and the Cadets seemed very appreciative of our support. The Cadet's enthusiasm and integrity were infectious and everyone left with a renewed sense of patriotism.

On March 19, 2023, there will be a Bataan Memorial Death March along the Jersey Shore Boardwalk. The actual march was 65 miles long and occurred in April 1942. 1000 Americans and 9000 Filipino Allies died along the way. The Honorary distance is 14.2 miles or 6.2 miles and so far, we have 3 members from our chapter signed up for the 6.2 mile walk. You can register online at <https://bataanmarch.com/>. Please pass the word. All are welcome.

If you have time, please join your local American Legion and VFW. These Organizations have done much for Veterans and deserve your support.

As always, do not hesitate to call me directly if you have any personal issues. I can't promise a resolution of your problems, but I'm a good listener.

Airborne, All The Way,
Vic Balint, Chairman
Cell: 732-713-5782

News & Views from the Secretary

The chapter meetings are continuing to be attended by more individuals than in the past. This is a good sign for the continuation of this chapter. It is sad that the other chapters have had to dissolve due to decreasing involvement from their members. Our Chapter has increased our contact with all of our members by way of the continued mailing of the newsletter and also by the mailing of Veteran's Day and Holiday cards. From the responses that the Chapter receives, it seems that many members really appreciate the acknowledgement throughout the year. The Chapter Officers would like for each member to attend the Chapter meetings, but we do know that some members cannot due to situations beyond their control. If a member would like to attend a meeting and does not have the transportation, please let a Chapter Officer know, and we will try to get the transportation necessary. As stated by the Chairman above, the members of our chapter are important to all of us. If there is anything that we can be of help with, please let us know.

Airborne, Bob

Chapter Member Highlight Tim Mahoney



Tim enlisted in the Army on January 4, 1968 and went to basic training at Fort Gordon.

After Infantry School training at Fort Dix, he then went to Jump School at Fort Benning in June of 1968. After graduating Jump School, Tim went to Fort Bragg and when he got off the bus, he was "volunteered" to become a medic with the 82nd. After 1 year of "On-The-Job" training at Fort Bragg, Tim went to Camp Rose in Korea with the 1st - 72nd Armor Battalion - 2nd Infantry Division, where he received the Imjin Scout for outstanding service in the DMZ. Although Tim went to Korea during peacetime, he mentions that the experience really opened his eyes as to how the rest of the world lives as he grew up in New York City and had never experienced anything outside of the city prior to going to Korea. He saw how fortunate he was to live in the United States of America. Tim mentions how grateful all of the people of South Korea were that he interacted with. Tim served with veterans of Viet Nam while in Korea and how they were the heroes of the new soldiers. Tim explained how the Army really saved his life for taking him out of the streets and offering him a different life. As Tim's dad always talked about his experiences being an Airborne Paratrooper with the 11th Airborne Division in Post-War Japan, Tim followed in his father's paratrooper footsteps. Tim's father-in-law was a 20mm machine-gunner on the USS Washington. Tim met his wife, Lorry, in Chelsea, New York and has two sons, Tim and Dan, and 5 grandsons, aged 7 to 13. Tim is active in the local VFW and American Legion, along with the 82nd Association and is still active in mentoring veterans thru a local chapter of AA, where he helps many veterans thru their substance abuse issues.

82nd Airborne Association 77th Annual Convention

The Washington DC Convention registration is now open. The \$225 early registration fee includes two dinners, a cocktail hour, a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, a trip to the US Army National Museum, access to the Association hospitality room and the ability to see a training jump conducted by 82nd Airborne Division paratroopers, with lunch provided courtesy of Mission BBQ.

SICK CALL

Please take time to call or write to your Airborne Brothers...

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TAPS

A final salute to our departed Airborne Brothers

Joseph Spallone Jr. – 09/26/1959 – 07/20/2021

Bataan Memorial Death March

The Special Forces Association, Chapter 19 (New Jersey) is coordinating a virtual march along the Jersey Shore Boardwalk. The march is to take place on March 19, 2023. The opening ceremony, which will honor the 1000 American and 9000 Filipino allies that died at the hands of their Japanese captors during the forced march in April 1942, will start at 0745. Several members of our 82nd Chapter will be participating. For more information and registration information, contact the SFA Chapter 19 at SFAchapter19@gmail.com

West Point Marathon Team Football Run Breakfast

The NJ-CPL Steven Koch Chapter, along the NJ Special Forces Association Chapter 19 and a local businessman and veteran, Joe Hann of Flemington Foreign Cars, sponsored a breakfast reception of the US Army West Point Marathon Team on December 9th. The West Point Marathon Team has a tradition of running the football from the Academy at West Point to the stadium that that Army/Navy game is to be played. This year the Army/Navy football game is to be played in Philadelphia, and the route that the Marathon Team took to the stadium takes them thru New Jersey on their way to Philadelphia. The Marathon Team was able to stop in Ringoes, NJ for breakfast and a reception by members of the 82nd and Special Forces Chapters and several local veterans on their way to complete the 147-mile football run.



Chapter News

Our Chapter has ball caps, T-shirts and polo shirts for sale that has the Chapter logo. Please visit the chapter Facebook page or contact Chapter officers in order to purchase them. Also, enclosed with this newsletter is the annual Chapter raffle. Please support the Chapter by purchasing the enclosed raffle tickets as this is the only Chapter income producing activity.

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PARAGLIDE Website Address

www.82ndairborneassociation.org/paraglide.html

Take a look at the new format of the Paraglide, it is much easier to read.

82nd Division News

More than 400 American, Japanese, Australian and British paratroopers jumped into a drop zone at Camp Narashino, east of Tokyo on January 8th, as part of the annual New Year's Friendship Parachute Jump. The event traces its roots to the 1960s. Taking part in the New Year jump were paratroopers from the Army's 11th and 82nd Airborne Divisions, Japan's 1st Airborne Brigade, the U.K.'s 16th Air Assault Brigade and the Australian Defence Force Parachuting School. The U.S. and Japanese paratroops arrived early Sunday morning at Yokota on the far western side of Tokyo and the paratroopers boarded three Air Force C-130J Super Hercules and one Japan Air Self-Defense Force C-130H Hercules for the ride to the Narashino drop zone. The Japanese Air Self-Defense Force also sent a Kawasaki C-2 Greyhound and several CH-47JA Chinook helicopters to be used in the exercise.

Army Times Statistics

Global War on Terror

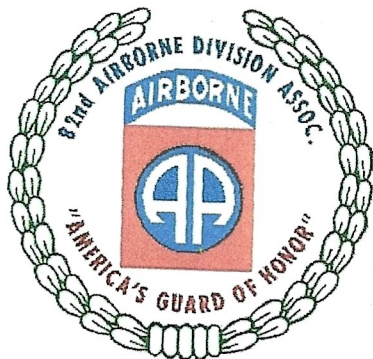
KIA – 2369 WIA – 20,245

Please note that recent casualty information is not included in these numbers. The *Army Times* does not update these figures anymore. As known to all, these numbers increase and will be updated as formal numbers are given.

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Please contact the editor with any information pertinent to the chapter. Members can always contribute to the newsletter or the Facebook page. Member updates of Chapter and Association records can be made by using the application on the newsletter or by the association website.

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JOIN US AT OUR MEETINGS



82nd Airborne Division Association Membership Application
NJ – CPL Steven Koch “All Airborne” CHAPTER



Personal Information;

Name (Print): _____ (M.I.) _____ (Last) _____
Street Address: _____
City, State and Zip Code: _____
Email: _____ (No email address will restrict your access to information)
Chapter Preference: _____ Affiliate Chapter (Active Duty Only): _____
Phone (Home): _____ (Cell): _____
SSN (last four only)/ASN: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Occupation: _____ Spouse: _____

Please check one _____ Annual Membership (\$35.00) _____ All American Life Member \$350.00
_____ Reinstate _____ Transfer _____ New Card (\$5.00) _____ New Certificate (\$10.00) _____ Update
I would like to donate _____ \$10.00 _____ \$25.00 _____ \$50.00 _____ \$100 _____ Other Amount
To _____ Association General Fund _____ Chapter General Fund _____ Education Fund _____ Wounded Warrior Fund

Service Information:

Current Status: _____ Retired Military/Veteran _____ Active Duty/Reserve/National Guard _____ Rank _____
****Time In Service: Entered Service (month/year) _____ ETS Date (month/year) _____****
Unit: _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____
Combat Tour/Conflict _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please include a copy of your DD214 for new member applications