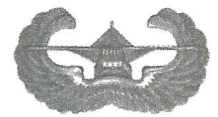




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NJ – CPL Steven Koch “All Airborne” Chapter



The “Jump In”

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A lifeline for Paratroopers and Glidermen

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2022 National Convention
The 82nd Airborne Division Association invites all members to join them in Orlando, Florida for the 76th National Convention. Registration for the Convention is just \$150 per attendee, which covers food, snacks, and drinks, in the hospitality room, plus 2 formal dinners.

Chapter Picnic



The NJ – CPL Steven Koch Chapter will once again have its picnic in conjunction with the American Legion Post #25 picnic to be held on September 10th starting at 12:00. The monthly meeting will be conducted at the picnic and there will be no meeting on September 17th. All Chapter members are encouraged to attend.

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 would be greatly appreciated. Forward any donation to the Chapter PO Box.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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

AIRBORNE LICENSE PLATES (850 Issued)



Contact Henrik Moe at 732-721-3997 for Information

2022 All American Week

The 2022 All American Week has been rescheduled to September 26 - 29, 2022. The 82nd Airborne Division Association President and Board of Directors cordially invite all Association Members to join them as they celebrate All American Week with the 82nd Airborne Division. Hotel reservations have been arranged, for registered Association members, at IHG Army Hotel (Airborne Inn - Moon Hall).

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 2022

January 15
February 19
March 19
April 16
May 21
June 18
July 16
August 20
September 10
October 15
November 19
December 17

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Chapter Picnic

September 10, 2022
Milltown, NJ

Annual Veteran’s Day Activities

November 11-14, 2022
Washington, DC

Chapter Christmas Luncheon

December 17, 2022

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

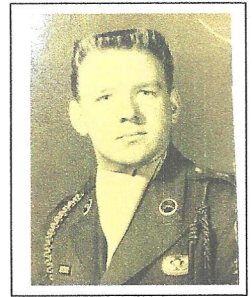
Greetings, fellow Airborne Soldiers,
Today, as I write this, is Thursday, June 9, 2022. A few days ago, it was June 6 and I will always remember the soldiers who participated, and those who perished on D-Day. They should be forever in our prayers. It seems that we are living in very chaotic times. Gas prices go up daily, which causes increased prices on every product transported by truck. Virtually everything. The stock market fell over 600 points today, which affects everyone's retirement. Law Enforcement Officials claim that our open southern border is being exploited daily by the drug cartels. Last year, a record 107,000 Americans died from drug abuse and this year may be worse. There seems to be no end in sight for the war in Ukraine and Putin implies that there is a danger of a nuclear conflagration.

Airborne soldiers are familiar with adversity and we should be prepared for difficult times in the future. Be prepared for shortages, especially food. Buy a few extra cans of food when you shop, or better yet, invest in some freeze dried, long term storage food. Be prepared for sporadic power outages. How would you live if the power went out for a week or two, or if your cell phone doesn't work for more than a day or two? Tempers are bound to flare when people are stressed. Remember who you are and please remember to be civil and considerate to those you associate with. There may be people who will look to you for direction. I will endeavor to practice what I preach, although I know it will be difficult. Regarding military suicides, reach out to your fellow soldiers that you come into contact with. Let them know that you are available to talk. Help them realize their value to their families and the nation. Airborne, All The Way, Vic Balint 732-713-5782

News & Views from the Secretary

This newsletter is being written after I had the opportunity to participate in the Hillsborough ceremony honoring the veterans that had attended their breakfast prior to the parade to mark the observation of Memorial Day in the borough. The ceremony consisted of a breakfast served to all that had attended, acknowledgements from the local dignitaries present and the introduction of every single veteran that had attended. The Hillsborough Girl Scouts provided personally signed and decorated cards for all of the veterans. It was great to see the borough and the local dignitaries acknowledge all of the veterans in attendance and to continue with the observation of Memorial Day. The soldiers for which this day is for are those that gave all in the fight to continue our freedoms and way of life here in the greatest country in the world. When you see a fellow veteran, thank him for his sacrifice that has ensured our country's freedom. Airborne, Bob

Chapter Member Highlight Lawrence Taylor



Larry enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1956 and went to Camp Cape May. He was assigned to NAD-Earl, Organized Port Security Unit. On February 28, 1958, he was transferred to the US Army, going to the Airborne Basic Training Company at Fort Dix. He then went to Advanced Infantry Training at Fort Jackson and, upon graduation, was assigned to B Co., 1/505 at Fort Bragg. Larry attended jump school when arriving at Fort Bragg. While awaiting a transfer to the 101st to be assigned with his older brother, he re-upped to stay with the 505 in the 82nd. In December-1958, Larry boarded the USS Buckner, a WWII troop ship, in Wilmington, DE, for deployment to Germany, where he stayed until 1961. He was in Germany when Berlin was cut-off and was to assist in the resupply efforts. Larry came back to Fort Bragg in 1962 and came off active duty in 1963. He then joined the Navy SeeBees, in their Naval Construction Force in 1970. After his time with the SeeBees, Larry enlisted in the 11th Special Forces in 1974 and stayed with them until 1984. Larry saw the colors for the 11th Special Forces unit folded in 1994, when they were absorbed into the 19th and 20th National Guard Units. Larry is presently running his own company, A&L Machine Repair, LLC. Larry is living in Central Jersey with Rose and has 5 children, 23 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Larry is one of the original members of the 82nd Airborne Division Association and was the Sgt at Arms when the Association had their National Convention in Atlantic City in 1964. Larry is the current President of the 19th Special Forces Association. He is a life member of the 82nd Airborne Division Association and the 19th Special Forces Association.

Veterans' Toxic Exposure Bill Gains Approval

Toxic exposure legislation that could benefit millions of veterans appears poised to become law later this month with broad bipartisan support despite continued concerns about the price tag. As many as one in every five veterans living in America today could directly benefit from the new legislation. It would establish a presumption of service connection for 23 respiratory illnesses and cancers related to the smoke from burn pits, radiation exposure from Cold War area deployment and exposure to Agent Orange during Viet Nam deployments.

SICK CALL

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

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Ray LoLargo 68 Worden Ave Hopelawn, NJ 08861

TAPS

A final salute to our departed Airborne Brothers

Joe Winston – 09/26/1943 – 04/17/2022

John Karsten – 04/02/1933 – 02/15/2022

Robert Maslo – 1942 – 11/22/2021

Paul Calafiore – 1943 – 09/07/2020

Scams increase targeting veterans' pensions

Veterans Affairs officials are warning about an uptick in scam attempts targeting veterans' pensions. Pension theft can occur when an outside party, a stranger or someone known to a veteran, such as a caregiver, convinces veterans to shift their payouts to a new account, preventing them from accessing the money. The VA said when veterans' bank accounts are changed without explanation, it triggers an internal check within VA to ensure that fraud is not occurring. But other theft schemes are more difficult to detect, and may only be corrected after months of malfeasance have already occurred. If veterans are concerned about available services or benefits, they can contact VA's National Call Center at 1-800-827-1000.

Hillsborough Veteran's Recognition Breakfast

The town of Hillsborough, NJ has continued their tradition of honoring veterans with a breakfast and recognition ceremony at the borough hall on May 28, 2022, preceding the annual parade to recognize the sacrifices of all veterans and especially those lost. The veteran's breakfast was coordinated with the local VFW and personally designed thank-you cards were distributed by the Hillsborough Girl Scouts to all veterans that had attended. These Memorial Day weekend ceremonies are a yearly tradition of the borough.



National Association Website & Email

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PARAGLIDE Website Address

[www.82ndairborneassociation.org/
paraglide.html](http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/paraglide.html)

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

82nd Division News

82nd Airborne Division troops are to start returning home from their deployment to Europe. After months in Europe, American military units sent to bolster NATO forces near the Ukrainian border are coming home. The military announced on Friday that approximately 10,500 Army soldiers will be leaving stations in Germany, Romania and Poland. Some of these troops had been deployed to Europe in early February ahead of Russia's invasion, with thousands more joining once war broke out. The soldiers coming back to the United States will be sent to their home bases and will be able to see family after months in Europe. The troop rotations include 4,200 soldiers from the 2nd Infantry Brigade, 101st Airborne Division filling in for the 3rd Infantry Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, 4,200 troops from the 3rd Armored Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division replacing the 1st Armored Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, among others.

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.

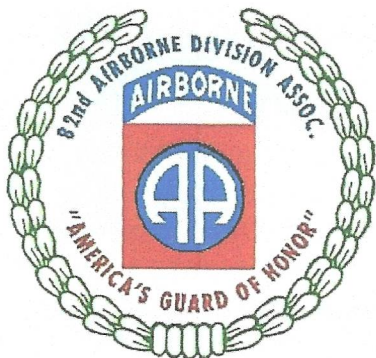
EDITOR'S MESSAGE

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.

Chapter News

The Chapter has new ball caps, T-shirts and polo shirts that have the new chapter identification on them. Please visit the chapter webpage or Facebook page to order yours. You can also contact one of the Chapter Officers for these items. The Chapter also has its annual 50/50 raffle going on right now. The winning tickets will be drawn at the August Chapter meeting, so there is still time to get yours now.

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JOIN US AT OUR MEETINGS



82nd Airborne Division Association Membership Application
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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