



# The Red Devil Digest

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## 320<sup>th</sup> AFA/508<sup>th</sup> Abn Chap Reunion

### 320<sup>th</sup> 508<sup>th</sup> Reunion

It looks like a huge reunion is shaping up for the joint reunion in Clarksville, TN this coming September. Already a goodly number of Troopers have indicated their intent to be present. The site of the reunion has been moved to a larger facility to handle the expected increase in attendees. A Registration Form and details of the Reunion are located else where in this newsletter.

### Chairman's Message



The end of June marks half of the year gone. Time is flying and as of yet I have no response from any member who might be interested in assuming a position in the Chapter for the years 2004/05. More about

this later in the newsletter .

Membership continues to slowly grow. As of now we have 227 All American Members and 216 Annual Members for a grand total of 443 members recognized by National. In addition we have 59 Affiliate Members for a grand total of 502 members. National reported that we had 423 members as of July 31, 2002 so we must reach a total of 463 members to achieve the Membership Excellence Plaque for 2003. That's an additional 20 members between now and the end of July. We can do it with a little membership help! In this connection I ask that you carefully read the "Red Devils Found" column. There are many former Red Devils we have found and I ask that you contact your Chairman if you see any old friends and I would be more than happy to provide his address, telephone number etc. In fact if someone wants to really help the Chapter I will provide an updated unit roster if you help in recruiting membership for the Chapter.

I have sent each individual listed in the column a complimentary newsletter and welcome letter but to hear from an old buddy is a plus and usually helps to recruit the individual into the Chapter.

All indications are that the 320<sup>th</sup> AFA/508<sup>th</sup> Chapter Reunion in Clarksville, TN in September will be the largest held so far. The 598<sup>th</sup> and Medical Companies are really rallying their Troopers. Indications are that Support and possibly D Companies are getting on board as well.

National has been getting quite a few 508<sup>th</sup> Chapter Members' Paraglides return for lack of a current address. Please remember that the Paraglide is not forwarded by the Post Office, and further, it costs National 70 cents for each returned Paraglide and they will not be resent. ***Please*** keep your Chapter and National informed when you change addresses. **The same holds true for your email address.** Every time I send out a Chapter wide message, it never fails but between 8 - 12 are returned not deliverable due to address problems. Come on guys, give your Chapter a break and keep us informed!

### New Chapter Members



Your Chapter is please to announce the addition of two news All American Members (Life) and nine new Annual Members for the year 2003.

#### All American Members (AAM)

**Eugene F. Leonard** (H&H/51-53) and **Raymond O. Templin** (H&H/55-56)

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**Annual Members For 2003**

**Lawrence Ashlock** (598/51-54); **Louis N. Avitabile** (M/51-52); **SFC, Ret. Lawyer E. Cummings** (MED/54-556); **Herbert E. Diaz** (E/51-53); **Stanley A. Freiling** (D/55-56); **John Gabbard** (SPT/55-56); **Gerald R. Haverkost** (SPT/55-56); **Robert F. O'Donnell** (H/51-54) and **Carl S. Russ** (MED/55-56).

**Chapter Boosters - 2003**

**James J. Baker** (598/51-54); **Ray Barbosa** (SPT/51-53); **David M. Bell** (D/SPT/51-56); **Bobby R. Blankenship** (B/51-53); **Jack Bock** (HQ320/55-56); **Arnold R. Bratvold** (H/44-46); **John F. Brown** (E/51-54); **COL (R) Robert M. Campbell** (M/51-54); **Joseph B. Catey** (A1/66-68); **Anthony Cantillo Jr.** (F/51-54); **Roy H. Clarke** (B/51-53); **Robert S. Copeland** (B1/70-71); **Jerry R. Curren** (M/51); **Jack K. Damron** (HQ1/54-57); **LTC (R) James K. Damron**; **Marvin Darby** (L/51-54); **Joseph L. Davis** (B/51-56); **Roy E. Dickison**; (I/51-52); **John T. Diffin** (B/51-53); **MG (R) William H. Duncan** (A/52-53); **Alex R. Elliot** (SPT/55-56); **Ronald A. Faulkner** (B3/62-65); **Augustine E. Fernandes** (L/51-54); **Leo P. Flaherty** (D/51-54); **Thomas E. Francis** (SPT/55-56); **Richard H. Glass** (E/67/68); **Milan Glumac** (E/55-56); **Kenneth L. Glynn** (L/51-54); **Richard S. Gohl**, (C/54-55); **Jerry T. Grubbs** (A/51-54); **Frank Haddy** (D/43-46); **Jack Harkins** (MED/55-56); **Bobbie R. Henson**, (E/51-53); **Daniel E. Hogan** (598/52-53); **SFC (R) Harold (Ben) T. Herr** (SVC/51-56); **Armando Z. Juarez** (I/51-54); **Leamon Kendrick** (H&H/55-56); **CSM (R) Arthur Kilgore** (SVC/51-53); **CSM, Ret. Thomas R. Lane** (A/51-52); **Billy D. Kitchen** (M/51-53); **James J. Lammle** (MED/55-56); **Lino Larez** (C/42-44); **Terry V. Lee** (A3/65-66); **Joseph R. Leger** (H&H/51-54); **Lewis J. Leonard** (SVC/45-46); **Stephen C. Leonard** C2/64-67); **Joseph Lesniak** (C/51-52); **Scott A. Long** (CSC2/81-85); **Russell J. Lux** (B/MP/55-56); **MG (R) Thomas P. Lynch** (H&H/51-52); **Sabas Martinez** (SVC/51-53); **William J. Mehling** (HQ2/51-52); **Clyde (Pat) E. Miller** (E/52); **William F. Moran** (I/45-46); **Lawrence F. O'Connor** (A/598/51-56); **Ben T. Parrish** (A/MP/55-56); **Bernard P. Patton** (K/55-56); **Ralph Pelliccio** (SPT/51-53); **Henry Perkins** (I/54-56); **Leonard L. Perttu** (E/54-56); **Robert Petrelli** C2/74); **Leo R. Quinn** (L/51-54); **Larry L. Rafferty** (H/SVC/54-56); **A. B. (Bill) Raiford** (G/45-56);

**MSG (R) Raul M. Ramos** (C/51-53); **Luis R. Reza** (C/54-56); **Kenneth Rilea** (G/51-54); **Harry A. Roll** (H/44-46); **Theodore P. Schonhans** (519/51-54); **Elwood W. Selover** (HQ2/53-55); **Roy Shaw** (HQ2/51-53); **Frank P. Sicari** (H&H/55-56); **Charles S. Spigelmire** (H&H/54-55); **Dale Stang** (L51/53); **George I. Stoeckert** (42-46); **Bruce M. Tyler** (A320/55-56); **Robert G. Thompson** (HQ3/46); **Jerry R. Umlor** (B/52-54); **Francisco Vega** (I/51-53); **Charles J. Viviano** (K/51-52); **Jack F. Wheeler** (HQ2/51-55); **Gerald J. Wich** (C/51-52) and **Richard Yates** (HQ320/51-52).

**News From National**

**2003 CONVENTION AGENDA:** Any member or Chapter desiring to place an item on the 2003 Convention Agenda will submit such request, in writing, to the Executive Director, not later than 8 July 2003. Requests must name the person who will speak for the subject before the Board of Directors. The Association President will determine appropriateness of the subject before it is placed on the Agenda.

**ASSOCIATION WEB PAGE:** Recently updated and also with the addition of twenty links to Chapters and the 504<sup>th</sup> Association. Anyone can click on these Chapters and their web pages will appear. We are getting many new members from our web page. Personnel interested in viewing the page should type:

[www.fayettevilleonline.com/airborne82dassn](http://www.fayettevilleonline.com/airborne82dassn)

Editors Notes: Another great site is: [www.82ndassociation.org](http://www.82ndassociation.org) This web site gives you a lot of interesting information.

**STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION POLICY:** The Association 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 whatsoever. No person or organization has any authority or right to use the name of the Association nor any of its Chapters, nor imply the sponsorship or the association nor of any such Chapter in connection with any parachute jump nor any form of parachute jumping or competition whatsoever.

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Any individual member of the Association desiring to jump or to participate in any way in parachute jumping or in any form of parachute jumping or competition will do so in an individual basis.

**AGAINST THE WAR DEMONSTRATORS:** It's a shame that demonstrations against the war and our Armed Forces continue to pop up throughout the country. As a reminder to support the troopers, below is a small poem which should be brought to their attention.

### THE SOLDIER

IT IS THE SOLDIER, NOT THE REPORTER  
WHO HAS GIVEN US FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

IT IS THE SOLDIER, NOT THE POET  
WHO HAS GIVEN US FREEDOM OF SPEECH

IT IS THE SOLDIER, NOT THE CAMPUS ORGANIZER  
WHO HAS GIVEN US FREEDOM TO  
DEMONSTRATE

IT IS THE SOLDIER, NOT THE LAWYER  
WHO HAS GIVEN US THE RIGHT OF A FAIR TRIAL

IT IS THE SOLDIER, WHO SALUTES THE FLAG,  
WHO SERVES UNDER THE FLAG, AND WHOSE  
COFFIN IS DRAPED BY THE FLAG,  
WHO ALLOWS THE PROTESTER TO BURN THE  
FLAG.

### **ALL AMERICAN (LIFE) PLASTIC CARDS:**

Members are reminded that a \$1.00 charge is required for reissue of AAM (Life) membership cards. Charge was due to the higher cost of obtaining the plastic cards and postage fee. Requests continue to be received at National without the \$1.00 fee and are returned to sender.

### **ASSOCIATION PERSONAL NAME TAG:**

As previously announced, one of our members, Tom Hacker, has been designated as the official Association name tag producer. *Contact your Chapter Chairman for an application for obtaining the name tag.*

### **RICHARD I. BONG WWII HERITAGE CENTER**

The Center opened 24 September of last year in Superior WS. Dedication ceremonies will take place

over the weekend of 6-8 June 2003. There will be an exhibit telling the story of the Normandy Campaign; and this is where the curator, Ms. Ellen Baker is asking for assistance. She would like for veterans who participated in this campaign to contact her for oral history interviews, and further to lend the center pictures and artifacts that might aid in recounting the history of the invasion. For further information, please contact her at 305 Harborview Parkway, Superior, WS 54880, (715)392-7451, FAX (715) 395-5526 or E-mail her at:

[info@bongheritagecenter.org](mailto:info@bongheritagecenter.org)

### Red Devils Found



Thanks to Vice Chairman Rodger Jacobson, our Red Devil Recruiter, we have quite a number of found Red Devils to report in this issue. If you know any of these Troopers and want to contact them, contact your Chairman and he will be glad to furnish you with their address, email address (If there is one) and phone number. Remember, you can also request a unit roster by sending a self addressed #10 stamped envelope and \$1.00 to the Chapter Chairman. Unit rosters are furnished free to new members when they receive their initial membership card.

Each individual listed below has received a complimentary newsletter and welcome letter containing additional information about the Chapter. Again, if our Chapter members also contact them it would go a long way in bringing them into the Chapter. We need your help too!

Allred, Jr., Clell M. (SVC/51-54); Bailey, Billie E. (SPT/51-53); Bennett, Bunn (C/51-54); Bible, Elmer D. (H&H/55-56); Boutcher, Ed (598/51-54); Brewer, Burt F CW3, Ret. (UNK); Chantrill, Clyde (B/55-56); Chapman, Ocie (D/55-56); Cias, Richard S (UNK); Coker, Kenwood (68-69); Conley, Everett G. (L/51-52); Crawford, Iassc (MP/H&H/55-56); Desota, Douglas E. (G/54-56); Donley, Jesse W. (D/54-56); Drolson, James (D/55-56); Fouty, Charles F. (B/55-56); Flemming, Charles E. (B/55-56); Franklin, J. (Ross), COL, Ret. (I/51-53); Fruchey, Lee B. (B/55-56); Frydenlund, Ronald J. (D/52-53); Garrison, Frank L COL Ret. (E/H&H/54-56);  
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Gibbs, Richard E. (D/54-56); Giardino, Anthony F. (M/51-53); Glover, Clyde J. (B/55-56); Gobush, Daniel (MED/55-56); Ham, Troy (Les) (B/55-56); Hamann, Donald (D52-53); Henley, Gordon E. (D/54-556); Hoeing, Francis R. (598/51-54); Hoeffey, Paul (MED/55-56); Jarvis, Irwin G. (L/55-56); Jetten, Burney (598/55-56); Karr, Lester H. (K/52-53); Karrer, Arthur (598/55-56); Kehle, Robert J. (B/55-56); Irby, Andrew (HQ3/55-56); Kill, Michael J. (E/53); Krysevig, Edward M. (UNK); Leicht, Jacob F (B54-56); Levesque, Paul (HQ2/53-55); Louviere, Merlin J. (I/53); Luby, Jason M. (F); Maramonte, Michael A. (G/51-53); Marion, Elmer B. (H/52-53); Medlin, Robert E. MAJ, Ret. (A/51-53); Mezick, Olin L (B/55-56); Mulholland, Charles (F/54-56); Mulvaney, Haarlton E. (MP/55-56); Mulvey, Robert A. (598/51-54); Myers, Terry (SVC/Band/54-56); Nemeth, Stephen J. (SVC/54-55); Northcutt, James W. (SVC/Band/55-56); O'Shea, Eugene J. (MED/55-56); Patterson, Laurence (598); Peralta, Raymond (Tony) A. (D/55-56); Quesnet, Eugene E. (D/55-56); Recio, Arguelio (B/55-56); Rentfro, Vernon (SPT/55-56); Roe, Wilford E. (B/55-56); Rohrbauch, Roy W. (SVC/Band/54-56); Sabol, Joseph P (C/51-54); Sarver, Grant B. (HQ3/52-53); Schlechtweg, Charles (SVC/Band/55-56); Scudder, Jimmie D. (I/a54-56); Seaman, William A. (D/55-56); Shadell, Oscar R. (B/55-56); Stockdale, Walter R. (HQ3/54-56); Thompson, Robert J. (F/51-52); Tucker, Larry D. (D/55-56); Turner, Steve (C3/66); Tvrdik, Alvin (D/55-56); Vaitkus, A. (SPT/55-56); Wagner, Gene A (598/52-55); Wall, Rudolph A. (H&H/52-53); Warren, Henry T. (SVC/Band/55-56); West, Fenton (C/51-54); Williams, Johnson, (D/54-56); Wilson, Earl M. (598/51-53) and Woolsey, Bryce A. (SPT/55-56).



## Membership Letters

**Jack W. Jones** (L/51-54) writes; Jack, I wanted to inform you of a card I had printed to give to active military personnel. This is not my idea, it is a copy of one my uncle carried during WWII and gave to me in 1951. I have given them mostly to church groups and others to give to their members, family and friends. When I received your last e-mail I thought maybe our members would have family and friends on active duty and some might want to send a card to them.

If you want to put the offer in the newsletter, I will send them to anyone who wants them. The price is right: **FREE**. I will send them to individuals or groups; the wife of a commander got four hundred for her husbands unit.

Your assistance would be appreciated.  
/s/ Jack W. Jones

## PROTECTION FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

F.L. Rawson, noted engineer, and one of England's greatest scientists, in his book, "Life Understood," gives account of a British regiment under the command of Col. Whittlesey, which served in the World War for more than four years without losing a man. This unparalleled record was made possible by means of active co-operation of officers and men in memorizing and repeating regularly the words of the 91st Psalm which has been called the Psalm of Protection.

For Additional *FREE* Copies: **JACK W. JONES**  
PO Box 7063  
Springfield, MO 65801-7063

Editors Note: Below is a copy of the card Jack sent to me. It has **PSALM 91** printed on the reverse side.

**1SG, Ret. Stanley A. Freiling** (D/55-56) writes: I don't have orders or other military records due to the fire at the Records Center in St. Louis. I am an active member of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association. If you have access to the morning reports of Co. D, 508<sup>th</sup> ARCT in Camp Wood, Kumomoto, Japan in 1955-56 you will find my name therein.

I came back from Japan in 1956 and was at Fort Campbell for the reactivation of the 101<sup>st</sup>. We wore the Red Devil patch on the left pocket of the fatigue uniform. I was threatened, along with others, to remove the patch or get an Article 15. The esprit de corps and comradeship ran deep with the 508<sup>th</sup> and accepting the eagle patch was not easy for many of us Red Devils.

I served with all the airborne units at one time or the other beginning with the 11<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division under MG Wayne C. Smith. I went on to serve with the 508<sup>th</sup> in Japan, the 509<sup>th</sup> in Germany, the 1<sup>st</sup> Air Cavalry Division, which was airborne for only one year (1965-66) in Vietnam, the 173d in Vietnam and of course the 101<sup>st</sup> for nine years (1956-1965).

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I met and made some great friendships in the 508<sup>th</sup> and would greatly like to see there men once again in my lifetime.. Sincerely, Stanley Frieling

**Tom Measles** (598/51-56) writes: Jack, Reference is made to the article in "Down Memory Lane" in a previous newsletter concerning the February 1956 SEATO Operation in Bangkok, Thailand. The 2d Platoon, 598<sup>th</sup> Airborne Engineer Company was also a part of the ABCT. We also made the jump there.

We left Japan with two inches of snow on the ground and the day we made the jump in Bangkok it was 105 degrees on the DZ. The engineers provided potable water for the ABCT along with other engineer duties as needed. Just looking out for the Engineers!

Tom Measles

Editors Note: Sorry if I left out the Engineers Tom. Just an oversight on my part. We needed you Troopers and always appreciated your support!

## Down Memory Lane

### 508<sup>th</sup> ARCT by Bob Murray (B/51-53)

June 1951 was a milestone in the history of the Red Devils. Four weeks prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> of June the 508<sup>th</sup> PIR of WWII fame celebrated their reactivation on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of May, on the parade field of the 504<sup>th</sup> AIR of the 82d Airborne Division. COL Joseph P. Cleland, the "Great White Father" and former CO of the 504<sup>th</sup> AIR assumed command of the 508<sup>th</sup> AIR. COL Roy E. Lindquist, former WWII commander of the 508<sup>th</sup> PIR, and 1SG Leonard Funk, Medal of Honor holder and the most decorated paratrooper of WWII, were among the dignitaries present.

The following morning the first contingent of young enlistees and draftees, who had received their basic training with the 82d, and volunteered for the Airborne, boarded trains for the journey to Fort Benning, GA. There they would train to jump from an aircraft in flight, win those parachute wings and get a pair of Corcoran Jump Boots to spend may an hour spit shining.

The first group was followed by the remainder of volunteers who had trained with the Division in two successive weeks. The first group completed Jump School June 1, left immediately for Sand Hill, the new home of the Red Devils. They formed the First

Battalion and sent some to H&H, Support, Service and Medical Companies. As a new unit the 508<sup>th</sup> had many specialty slots to fill, cooks, medics, mechanics, clerks, communications, rigger, etc. Many were assigned, along with those who volunteered, to training schools all over the country- Virginia, Texas, California, Alabama, Oklahoma etc. Some of these courses lasted sixteen or more weeks to qualify them in their specialties.

Those who remained were in the line companies, training night and day, day in and day out, humping all over Georgia in the heat and humidity from Monday thru noon Saturday. They then washed their faces, shined their boots and headed for Columbus, crossed over the bridge to soak up countless beers in Phenix City, and then get those beautiful parachute wings tattooed on their forearms to let everyone know they were an American Paratrooper....until they got home and tried to hide it so Mom wouldn't see it. Then, if they had any cash left and got lucky, they would then be ripped off by one of those lovely local beauties

Ah, the sweet joy of youth. Would you, or could you relive those sweet moments sublime?

## Chapter Elections - August 2003

As indicated in previous issues the Chapter elections for Chapter Officers for the years 2004-05 will be held at the 82d National Convention in Charleston, WV. To date no one has expressed an interest in volunteering to keep the Chapter alive. Below is a very brief outline of duties of each officer.

**Chairman** - Plans and coordinates Chapter activities and overall administration of the chapter. Writes the Chairman's Column for the Chapter newsletter and the Paraglide.

**Vice Chairman** - Assumes the duties of the Chairman in his absence. Coordinates all recruiting functions. Coordinates with the Secretary to ensure all contacts are forward to the Secretary for inclusion in the Chapter Data Base.

**Treasurer** - Receives all applications for chapter membership.

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Records applications and forwards appropriate applications and funds to National. Coordinates with Secretary to insure proper membership status is posted to the data base. Continues on page 6. Records all funds received and disbursed on the monthly chapter records and furnishes a copy of such monthly records at the end of each month to the Chairman. Completes annual financial report due to National and forwards such report to the Chairman for his perusal and signature.

Secretary - Is the official recorder of all data pertaining to the chapter and maintains the Chapter Data Base. Answers all inquires pertaining to membership. Mails information letters and complimentary newsletters to newly found Red Devils. Produces welcome letter for all new applicants for Chairman's signature and forwards with appropriate documents. Receives requests for unit rosters, produces said, and forwards funds to the Treasurer to be recorded in the monthly financial record. Provides mailing labels to Editor of the newsletter.

Quartermaster - Contacts local businesses to produce chapter quartermaster items. Forwards completed items to chapter members. Maintains appropriate financial records and forwards records monthly along with funds to the Treasurer.

Newsletter Editor - Responsible for the production and distribution of the bi-monthly newsletter and up dating of the chapter web site. This position could be a Vice Chairman's position or non-officer position.

It is highly recommended that all officers and the editor of the newsletter have good working computers and able to communicate with each other. Don't forget this in a National Chapter and communications is a **MAJOR, MAJOR PROBLEM**, not only with chapter members but between chapter officers as well!

### Did You Know?

The Department of Defense is studying the use of a digitized bugle to render taps at veterans' military funerals. It consists of a standard bugle that has a special electronic device inserted into its bell.

DoD has shipped 50 of them to military units and veterans' groups in Missouri for six months' testing, said DoD adviser Mark Ward. "This is a real bugle," Ward emphasized. In normal use, the audience can't see the device - and if it's removed, the bugle becomes standard issue. "The device has a volume control and is powered by two nine-volt batteries. It is water-resistant and usable in all types of weather." The digital unit won't replace trained buglers, but it is an alternative to the audio tapes and compact discs that have been used at many military funerals in recent years.

**Moving? Let Us Know!**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**New Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip +4** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**New Tel. #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Perm** \_\_\_ **Temp** \_\_\_ **Dates** \_\_\_\_\_

**New E-mail Address** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### Chapter Officials

<p><b>Chairman</b>  <b>Secretary /Treasurer</b>                  Jack K. Damron                  26164 Waterfowl Lane                  Punta Gorda, FL 33983                  Tel. (941) 629-7653                  E-mail:  <a href="mailto:jdamron@red-devils.org">jdamron@red-devils.org</a></p>	<p><b>Vice Chairman</b>                  Rodger G. Jacobson                  Box 14                  Hazel Green, WI 53881                  Tel. (608) 854-2317                  E-mail:  <a href="mailto:reddevil508@hotmail.com">reddevil508@hotmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>Quartermaster</b>                  Kenneth L. Glynn, Jr.                  836 Glendale St.                  Lakeland, FL 33803-4122                  Tel. (863) 682-3382</p>	

### Taps

**Mary Blanco**, beloved wife of **Aristeo Blanco** (C/51-54) passed away recently in Reno, Nevada . No further details are available.

## REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION SHEET

**THIS REGISTRATION SHEET TO BE RETURNED WITH REGISTRATION FEE**

**MAIL TO: 320<sup>TH</sup> AFA ASSOCIATION/508TH ABN CHAPTER REUNION  
PO BOX 14  
HAZEL GREEN, WI 53811-0014**

QUESTION, If you are a Redleg have you received the St Barbara Award? Yes\_\_ No\_\_ If you have not, and wish to receive it at this Reunion, your Registration **MUST** be received **BEFORE** the deadline of August 15, 2003. The Molly Pitcher Medallion will also be awarded to Redleg Spouses attending. **All Registration information must be completed in full. Please return in a #10 envelope.**

We are asking for your Social Security Number to facilitate access to Ft. Campbell in case we get military involvement. It doesn't look like the 320<sup>th</sup> Regiment will be back from Iraq so involvement may not be an issue.

Registration Fee is \$60.00 per person in **Advance only**. Number attending \_\_\_X \$60.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI Social Security Number

GUEST \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI Social Security Number

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**IMPORTANT:** Please give us phone numbers of children or other relatives we can call in case you incur a medical or emergency problem while at the Reunion. Be sure they have your Doctor's name, home and office telephone numbers available in case of emergencies.

Doctors Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Office # \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Child or relative to call-Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

2d Child or relative to call-Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

3d Child or relative to call-Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



**DO YOU OR YOUR GUESTS HAVE ANY DISABILITY OR DIETARY NEED THAT REQUIRES SPECIAL ATTENTION?**

## Registration Information for the 320<sup>th</sup> AFA Association/508th Airborne Chapter Reunion

September 25 - 27 2003

Holiday Inn Clarksville, Tennessee

On the South East Corner of Exit 4, Interstate 24. Fifty miles west of Nashville, TN

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**HOTEL:** Call the Clarksville Holiday Inn directly at **1-931-648-4848**. Tell them you want to make a reservation for the 320<sup>th</sup> AFA Association/508th Airborne Chapter Reunion. You should also mention that the **three letter tracking code is "F. A.M."** The desk clerk understands that term. **DO NOT CALL THE 1-800 Reservation Number.** They don't have information on this reunion and you will only confuse the issue. The room rate is \$55.00 plus tax of \$7.98 for a total of \$62.98 per night. This room rate already reflects a Military Discount. Please do not try to knock it down with AARP, Senior Citizens Discounts or any other programs you may have. You are responsible for making your own room reservation, paying for same and getting your confirmation number. This rate (Per Manager Brenda) several days in advance and several days after the reunion if care to stay on. Check out time is 12:00 noon.

**SPECIAL NEEDS: you must notify the Inn at this time of any special needs you may have.** Needs may be, but not limited to: Handicap room and wheelchair shower, non-smoking room, king size or two beds. They do have seven handicap rooms available but I would still reserve as soon as possible if needed.

ANY QUESTIONS?: Call 320<sup>th</sup> Chairman Joe Montoya, at (931) 552-0741 or email at [honsgm@aol.com](mailto:honsgm@aol.com) or 320<sup>th</sup> Treasurer Rodger Jacobson at (608) 854-2317 (320<sup>th</sup> email [rodleone@mhtc.net](mailto:rodleone@mhtc.net) ) or (508<sup>th</sup> email [reddevil508@hotmail.com](mailto:reddevil508@hotmail.com) ).

**MAILING REGISTRATION FORM:** Please make the check for registration payable to: **Treasurer 320<sup>th</sup> AFA Association** and mail to **REUNION Box 14 Hazel Green, WI 53811-9914**

**TENTATIVE ITINERARY** (This may be updated in the next newsletter)

**Thursday 25 September:** Hotel check in (Some rooms may not be available until 3:00 pm); Registration begins at 9:00 am; visit and renew old acquaintances.

**Friday 26 September:** Evening (Starting time TBA) - Country Western Outing at Garland Wright's Country Home. All reunion attendees are invited. Directions will be posted.

**Saturday 27 September:** A noon picnic is planned. (Schedule not available at this time). Evening Banquet and Program at the Holiday Inn at 6:30 pm. No dress code for the banquet but suits and dresses are nice. The meal will be buffet style.

**Name Tags:** These will be issued and must be worn at all times If you still have one of the many name tags Joe has made over the years, **please wear them to show our new friends what Joe has done for our Airborne Community at the past seven reunions.**

**Registration/Information Sheet:** The forms will be placed in binder and will be available to Chapter Officers only in the event an emergency arises. We will have a list of local hospitals, clinics, doctors, dentists, opticians, pharmacies, Wal-Mart, K-Mart etc. available at the Registration Desk upon check in.

**Memorabilia:** Please bring your photo albums, yearbooks, newspaper clippings, Red Devils Digest's from the '50s and anything else you would like to share of the good old Airborne Days! If you have extra pictures, bring them. Above all else, please call a friend and invite him and his spouse to attend. **Our goal from Day One has been "To reunite old friends." Come and join the fun!!**



The following two cartoons appeared at the bottom of the address page in *The Red Devil Digest* hard copy edition. *The entire address page is not printed in web site edition due to the number of graphics displayed and the very increased time it takes to open the newsletter on-line.*



Standard T-7 Parachute Opening Shock



Boy, That was a rough opening shock!

Yea, did you see the great PLF I made?

**Page 10 has information on ordering Chapter quartermaster items for *members only!* Do not use the order form listed in the openig page of the Chapter web site. That is for non-members and is more expensive!!!**

## Quartermaster Sales Form ----- (Members Only)

Complete this form and mail your check payable to Kenneth Glynn along with your name and address to: **Ken Glynn 836 Glendale St., Lakeland, FL 33803-4122.** #Please include shipping and handling charges in the amount column to the right of each item ordered.

ITEM/DESCRIPTION	QTY	SIZE (Circle)	COST	#SHIPPING/HANDLING	#AMOUNT
Hat, White, Maroon Bill, Chap Logo Embroidered		One Size Fits All	\$14.50	\$1.50 Each	
Hat, White, Maroon Bill, Chap Logo Screened		One Size Fits All	\$12.00	\$1.50 Each	
Sweatshirt, Grey, Chapter Logo Screened		M L XL *XXL *XXXL	\$22.00	\$3.50 + \$2 Each Additional	
Shirt, T, White, Chapter Logo Screened		M L XL *XXL *XXXL	\$12.00	\$2.00 Each	
Shirt, T, White, Web Site Logo Screened		M L XL *XXL *XXXL	\$12.00	\$2.00 Each	
Shirt, Polo, Abn Maroon, Chap Logo Embroidered		M L XL *XXL *XXXL	\$22.00	\$3.50 + \$1 Each Additional	
Pad, Mouse, Chapter Logo Screened			\$7.50	\$2.00 Each	
Pad, Mouse, Regimental Logo Screened			\$7.50	\$2.00 Each	
Patch, 508 <sup>th</sup> Abn Chapter (See 1, Below)			\$5.50	\$1.00 (3/\$1.50)	
Patch 508 <sup>th</sup> ARCT (See 1, Below)			\$5.50	\$1.00 (3/\$1.50)	
Patch, Para Red Devil (See 1, Below)			\$5.50	\$1.00 (3/\$1.50)	
Patch, 320 <sup>th</sup> Abn FA Bn			\$5.50	\$1.00 (3/\$1.50)	
Pin, 508 <sup>th</sup> ARCT			\$3.00	No Charge	
Pin, Para Red Devil			\$3.00	No Charge	
Wrap, Can Cooler w/Chapter Logo Screened			\$3.00	\$1.00 Each	
Wrap, Can Cooler w/Regimental. Logo Screened			\$3.00	\$1.00 Each	

**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\* Add an additional \$2 for each X above XL (XXXL size is special order) 1. All patches can be purchased for 3 for \$15.00 - S&H is \$1.50.**

**PLEASE ALLOW 2 - 4 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY**

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE PRINT)

508th Abn Chapter, 82nd Abn Div. Assn., Inc.

All American (Life)    
  Renewal    
  New Member    
  Reinstatement

Enclosed is \$12.50 for my annual membership dues for the year \_\_\_\_\_ to include a subscription to the PARAGLIDE.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street or R.F.D. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ -- \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. # \_\_\_\_\_

Rank (Active) \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_ or SSN \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

508th Unit (Circle one) Co. \_\_\_\_ Bn. \_\_\_\_ 508th; Btry. \_\_\_\_ 320th AFA; 427th; 519th QM Co.; 598th Engr. Co.

Date of 508th service: From Mo. \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ to Mo. \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Present Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses's Name \_\_\_\_\_ # of Children \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE FILL IN APPLICATION COMPLETELY)

I presently am a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, 82nd Abn Assn. Enclosed are my reduced dues of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(\$6 min.) I do \_\_\_ do not \_\_\_ wish to transfer my membership from the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter to the 508th Airborne Chapter.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

***If this is your initial application for membership, please attach proof of airborne/508th status, i.e., DD214, orders, etc.***

**MAIL TO: Chairman, 508th Airborne Chapter, 26164 Waterfowl Ln., Punta Gorda, FL 33983-6231**

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION.** You can become and All American Member (Life) if you meeting one of the following criteria: 1) 25\* years continuous Association membership - \$60; 2) On active duty with the 82d Abn Div - \$82; 3) \*20 years continuous Association membership - \$90; 4) 50 years of age or older - \$100; 5) 49 years of age or younger - \$150.

\* Must be verified by the Executive Director, 82d Airborne Division Association.

As an AAM you will receive a permanent plastic membership card and a certificate suitable for framing.