

508th Parachute Infantry Regiment Association



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Denver

DENVER REUNION 1978

Ed Montgomery, Med Co. was the first to register. If you need reminding, it goes from Thursday Aug. 31, 1978 thru Sunday, Sept. 3, 1978. It's at the Stapleton-Plaza Motor Hotel in Denver, Colorado- just 5 minutes from the airport and 10 minutes off of I-70.

The rooms are \$20.00 per night for singles or couples, and the rate extends for two days before and two days after the reunion.

The hotel accepts all travelers checks, Master Charge, Visa, Diners Club, Carte Blanc, and American Express cards. We pay for our rooms when we leave.

WHERE IN 1979?

We have to decide in Denver where to have our convention in 1979. All ideas will be welcome. The room rates we have been enjoying have been very attractive to the membership as attested by our turnouts. If you men with proposals keep that in mind, it will enable more of us to make the scene.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Everyone in our membership is entitled to a membership certificate. If for some reason you don't have one, let me know so that I can fix you up.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS- 508th PIR REUNION

Registration and hospitality rooms everyday.

THURS. Aug. 31, 1978 Early Bird Parties
Tour of Coors Brewery for the first 120 to register.

FRI. Sept 1, 1978 9:00 A.M. Welcoming Breakfast with address by Mayor.
3:00 P.M. Board buses for ride to Estes Park. Stop at a beautiful "Watering Hole" for refreshments and photos of groups. Evening at Lazy-B Ranch for Cowboy Steak and Show.

SAT. Sept. 2, 1978 10:00 A.M. General Membership Meeting.
10:00 A.M. till 5:00 P.M. free Double Deck buses to scenic spots in downtown Denver.
7:30 P.M. Opening ceremony and Annual Dinner Dance

SUN. Sept 3, 1978 12:00 Noon Memorial Luncheon. Closing Ceremony. Last night party in every Hospitality Room

FORWARDING ADDRESSES

Thanks for helping me with recovering some of our lost members, who were listed in the last News Letter, as having moved with no forwarding address. Many of you helped to put us back in contact with quite a few.

When you move, remember us so as to keep in touch.



A REGIMENT OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND AIRBORNE DIVISION (ALL-AMERICANS)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS- 508 P.I.R. REUNION

Thursday August 31, 1978 - Registration

Hospitality Rooms - Early Bird Parties- Tour of Coors Brewery for the first 120 to register.

Friday September 1, 1978 - Registration

Hospitality rooms -9:00 A.M. Welcoming Breakfast with address by Mayor McNichols- Denver.

3:00 P.M. - Board buses for scenic ride to Estes Park for a scheduled stop at a beautiful "Watering Hole" for refreshments and photos of groups. On the way to Lazy- B Ranch for Cowboy Steak and Western Show.

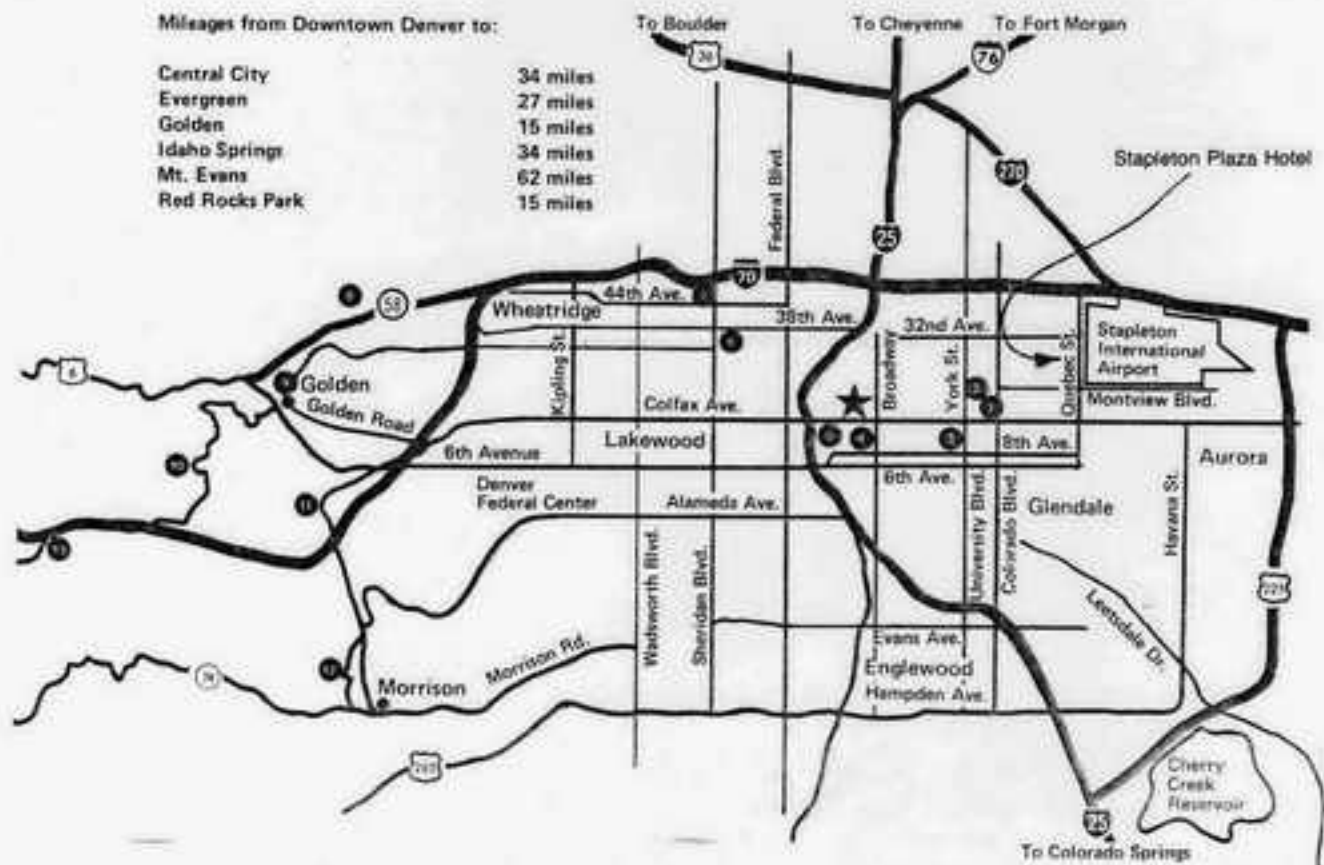
Saturday September 2, 1978 - Registration

Hospitality Rooms - 10:00 A.M. General Membership meeting.

10:00 A.M. til 5:00 P.M., free Double Deck buses to and from hotel and many scenic spots in downtown Denver.

7:30 P.M. Assemble in Main Dining Room for the opening ceremony to the Annual Dinner Dance.

Sunday September 3, 1978 - Hospitality Rooms 12:00 Noon- Memorial Luncheon. Closing Ceremony. Last night party in every Hospitality Room.



REGISTER FOR THE REUNION

Send \$45.00 for each person attending with this registration form. That pays for all the scheduled events. The hospitality rooms, welcoming breakfast, bus to Estes Park, Cowboy dinner and show, Dinner Dance, double decker buses, Memorial Luncheon and many enjoyable surprises.

Do not send money for the hotel room. You will pay this when you check out. They accept all travelers checks, Master Charge, Visa, Diners Club, Carte Blanc, and American Express cards.

HARRY HUDEC
CHAMPION RECRUITER

Harry, Hq & Hq Co, has sent me over two dozen addresses of old 508ers. I've literally lost count of the great job he has done. If everyone did as well, we would soon have the whole Regiment re-assembled.

Harry is a construction project inspector living in Maple Heights, Ohio, with his wife Dorothy. He was with the 508th from Blanding to Frankfurt.

Thanks for a good job Harry!

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PRE-REGISTRATION 1978 REUNION 508th PIR ASSOCIATION

NAME: Mr. _____ 508th COMPANY _____

Mrs. _____

ADDRESS: NUMBER AND STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

ENCLOSED IS \$ _____ FOR THE ABOVE PEOPLE AT \$45.00 PER PERSON

HOTEL ROOM RESERVATION (Send no money for this. Pay when checking out)

PLEASE RESERVE A DOUBLE ROOM _____ SINGLE ROOM _____

WE WILL ARRIVE ON (DATE) _____ AM _____ PM _____

WE WILL CHECK OUT ON (DATE) _____ AM _____ PM _____

To register, send this completed form and \$45.00 per person to our Treasurer, JIM SMITH, 1403 VALENCIA DRIVE

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. 28303

MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO 508th PIR ASSOCIATION

THANKS FROM HOLLAND

Our neighbors had house guests from Holland in May. When I was introduced as a Nijmegen veteran, I was pleasantly startled to hear the lady say "thank you, we had a terrible time until you came". One seldom hears a thank you in connection with the war. It was pretty nice to know, that after 35 years, we are all still remembered somewhere.

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HELP FIND THESE BUDDIES

These men have had their newsletters returned to us. If you have a current address or live in their area, please trace them and send their current address to us.

Wade Babcock, Cleveland, Oh. Hq 1st
Geo. C. Baggett, Pensacola, Fla. Hq 1st
Joe H. Boone, Blackwell. Ok. A. Co
Edward Brimlow, Levittown, N.Y.
Harold Canyon, Yuba City, Ca. Hq 2nd
Geo. H. Carvalho, San Francisco, Ca

Hq 1st
Fred D. Le Loach, LaGrange, Ga. Hq 1st
Sam Depe, Bridgeville, Pa. Hq 3
Royal W. Donovan, Milwaukee, WI. Hq 1st
Phil Fanning, W. Orange N.J. G Co
John M. Greene, Ocala, Fla.
John E. Gregory, Arcadia, Cal.
Wendell Hayes, Weston, W. Va A Co
Al Jacksich, Forest Grove, Ore,
Hq Hq Co

Albert J. Kinzie S. Bend, Ind. Hq 1st
Richard Mc Clusky, Aurelia, Iowa
James Masten Silver Springs, Md. I Co
John Menighan, Downey, Cal. Hq 2nd
Robert M. Milan, Albuquerque, N.M
C. Co

Anthony Mitchell, N. Brunswick,
N.J. H. Co
Tom Morgan, E. Liverpool, Oh. Hq 3
Judson E. Moses, Jacksonville, Fla
Chas. Muffley, Detroit, Mich. H Co
James M. Newell, Comstock Park,
Mich. A Co.

Hugh Queen, Tulsa, Okla. G. Co
Ron Waters, El Toro, Cal.
Frank J. Circelli Opa Locka, Fla

EUROPEAN TOUR
GROUP EXCEEDS 100

About 106 of our buddies with their friends and relatives robbed the cookie jars and are off for the thrill of a life time. There will be a lot of old fox holes and CP's unearthed over there in early June.

The big occasion is on June 4, when we dedicate the 508th Memorial Park in Chef Du Pont. The idea came from Rex Combs. It is financed with our 5-10-50-and 100 dollar donations. It has been managed and co-ordinated by our Vice President, Dave Thomas. Jack Schlegel has organized a modest reception to follow the dedication. Our Chairman, O.B. Hill, will deliver the dedication address.

Everyone owes O.B., Jim Smith and Don Lassen a big thank you. They invested more time in this than they ever dreamed. It all worked out very well though for a first effort by our group.

O.B. advises that the few people who cancelled will have to exercise some patience with the chain of command for their refund. The chain extends from O.B. and Smitty to Lassen, to the charter agent, to the airline and back again.

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See you in Denver,

Jim Allardye