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The North Jersey Chapter Picnic is scheduled to be held on September 10, 2016 at the American Legion Post #324 located in Edison, NJ. The picnic will run from 12:00 to 5:00. The Chapter 50/50 will be drawn during the picnic. Anyone wishing to pre-purchase tickets for the picnic can send a request by mail or contact the Chapter Officers. Pre-Purchased tickets are \$20.00 per attendee. Tickets at the door will be \$25.00

A Facebook page has been created; please visit the "82nd Airborne Division North Jersey Chapter" Facebook page.

The North Jersey Chapter is requesting donations from its members to support the 82nd Airborne Association's Wounded Warrior's fund. A donation from each active member who receives this newsletter is appreciated. Please contact Rich Allen for further information NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP #1-Fayettevile #2-Washington DC #3-North Jersev 1472 419 359 AÁM 408 AAM 348 AAM 1427

82nd Airborne Division **70th National Convention** The 70th National Convention is scheduled to take place in Louisville, Kentucky on August 10-13, 2016. Further information is found on the Division Website.

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**Bob Dritschel**, Editor

CHAPTER **MEETING PLACE** AMERICAN LEGION POST #324 Brower St & Amboy Ave Edison, NJ

**MEETING TIME** 12:00 pm-Officers Meeting 12:30 pm-Regular Meeting

### **MEETING DATES 2016**

January 16 April 16 June 18 July 16 August 20 September 10 (Picnic) October 15 November 19 December 17

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

North Jersey Chapter Picnic September 17, 2016 American Legion Post Edison, NJ

82<sup>nd</sup> Association National Convention August 10 – 13, 2016 The Crowne Plaza-Airport Louisville, KY

National Airborne Day August 16, 2016

**Annual Veteran's Day** Activities November 9-13, 2016 Washington, DC

North Jersev Chapter **Christmas Party** December 17, 2016 Edison, NJ

### CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Troopers of the NJC,

Hope all had an opportunity to attend Memorial Day services to honor our veterans that have passed and to decorate their graves. I was in central Pennsylvania where my family members are buried. Included are many that have served in war and peace. Included is my great-great grandfather, Joseph Higgins who served with Co H, 17th Penna. Cavalry during the Civil War. Remember the heroes that never came home and are buried in cemeteries around the world. Never forget! "All gave some, some gave all".

On April 8th Henry Moe, Dave Perry and I traveled to Arlington Cemetery for the interment of Pat Casanova. Other 82D chapters, Philadelphia and Washington, had friends of Pat, along with Pat's family in attendance. The "Old Guard" did a wonderful job at graveside. Pat will be missed by us all.

During "Fleet Week" in NYC Henry and I were invited to attend a tour of the aircraft carrier USS Bataan. The ship was anchored next to the USS Intrepid and is a much smaller version. It serves in support of surface warfare. We had an opportunity to see much of the equipment, vehicles and weapons used by the Marines and Navy personnel that support that mission. It was an honor to meet and talk with those young sailors and marines that serve on that ship. They are great.

President Woodrow Wilson declared June 14th as Flag Day. It is important for us display the Stars and Stripes to show our love of country and to honor those that served. I did not see a lot of homes flying our flag on Flag Day or at other times. We need to do that.

If you are like me you find it difficult to read the Paraglide online. Many of you don't have a computer to use. Sometimes I just give up. If this is your experience I encourage you to make your feelings known to National. We need to have our magazine back.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our picnic in September and to purchase our chapter's raffle tickets. It is our only source of income. I'm looking forward to seeing a good turnout at the picnic.

In closing, remember to keep in touch with our members on "sick call" and keep our military and their families, and our Gold Star Mothers in your prayers.

Airborne! Don

### New & Views from the Secretary

From the Secretary's desk..... Fellow Troopers:

Having only quarterly scheduled meetings is NOT the solution to "OUR" Chapter's problem. The problem we're talking about is the lack of attendance at our meetings. So starting with the June 18 meeting, we will meet on July 16, August 20, Picnic in September (TBA), October 15, November 19 ( Election of Officers) and Installation of Officers and Christmas Party on December 19. (NEW RE-VISED SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016) This year you will be able, for the first time, to vote on line. Don't forget our chapter's raffle. We need the money! Lastly, organizations like our has a life cycle, if we don't attract new active younger members, we will wither and die! ONLY you can prevent this from happening!! See you in JUNE? AATW, Dave

### 2015 CHAPTER **PICNIC**



The picture above shows North Jersey Chapter members at the 2015 Chapter Picnic. Come out to the festivities this year and enjoy the good food and camaraderie. Anyone wanting tickets or information, please contact the Chapter Officers, pre-purchased tickets are \$20.

### **Paratroopers** Participate in All-American Week Activities

The paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division participated in the week long activities associated with All-American Week. Division Headquarters, having recently returned from Iraq, made the event great for all of the paratroopers. Numerous events were conducted during the week. These included Division Sporting Events starting with the Long Street Run, an Airborne Proficiency competition, the Fallen paratroopers memorial and the Division review and the unveiling of a monument to the armored units that once served within the 82nd Airborne Division.

### EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Please contact me with any information pertinent to the chapter. The chapter newsletter will be distributed three times per year, as follows: February, June & October. Updates of the Chapter records can be made by using the membership application on the back page.

## **SICK CALL**

Please take time to call or write your Airborne Brothers: Jack Hilbert 26 Gaisler Rd Hardwick, NJ 07852 908-362-5066 John Carlson 2121 Mount Hope Ln

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## TAPS

A Final Salute to our departed Airborne Brothers: No Recent Events to Report.

### North Jersey Chapter Raffle

The second annual chapter raffle is currently being conducted. The first raffle resulted in a \$625 winner. Please support the Chapter and purchase the 50/50 tickets that are currently being offered. Tickets are still available. Additional tickets may be requested by contacting any of the Chapter Officers or by mail to NJC 82nd Association PO Box 82 Milltown, NJ 08850

### **Division E-News Bulletin**

By subscribing to the Division E-News bulletin, you will receive articles of interest concerning Fort Bragg, the 82nd Airborne Division, Veteran's issues and other information from around the military. You can subscribe by going to the Association's webpage "What's New" link and entering your information.

The website is http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/what-s-new.html

### 82nd Airborne Division wins 2016 Army Best **Sapper Competition**

Forty-eight teams of the Army's toughest engineers competed in the 2016 Best Sapper Competition at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, April 18-21. The early morning of April 19, teams began a three-day journey and faced an agenda consisting of 42 events, over a 50-mile distance and had 50 hours to complete it. In the end, holding up the first place trophy was Capt. Jason Bahmer, Paratrooper assigned to 2nd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd BCT and Sgt. 1st Class David Rizo, Paratrooper assigned to 37th BEB, 2nd BCT, 82nd Abn. Div.





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### **National Association** Website & email

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PARAGLIDE Website Address www.82ndairborneassociation .org/paraglide.html

### **Paratroopers Participate** in World Wide Events

The paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division are currently planning to participate in US Army's International Exercise—Europe Swift Response 16. Troopers of the 504th will join exercises in Poland and 1st BCT will conduct airborne exercises with their German counterparts.

### **Army Times Statistics** Global War on Terror

KIA – 2,352

WIA - 20,065

As the Army Times does not update these figures due to the formal notice of conclusion of the War on Terror, these numbers will remain the same until such time information is provided.

### **Chapter News**

The North Jersey Chapter is looking at several ways to increase attendance at its scheduled meetings. Please support your chapter and attend the meetings as they are listed on the front page of the newsletter. The November meeting will include the election of officers for 2017. The slate of officers will be presented in the October newsletter and votes shall be counted by email and regular mail submittals along with the inperson vote count. Come out and support your chapter.