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Remember, "PARATROOPERS" always do the right things.



504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

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The 504 PIR Association Board of Directors had approved for the Association to have "Annual only" Associate members as requested by a few members. These are Paratroopers that were never or currently are not assigned or attached to the 504 PIR/1BCT. The Annual cost for an Associate membership in the 504 PIR Association is \$15.00 annually which will also include receiving our Prop-Blast Newsletters. To date we have had no Associate members sign up.

I want to also thank Mr. Marc S. Winer, CEO for Island Hospitality Management in Palm Beach, Florida, who provided the Association with over \$4,000.00 in \$25.00 Butterball gift checks that we could give to Active duty Troopers, which we did in February. It is always a good feeling to see Companies doing things like this for our troopers. Thanks again Mr. Winer.

Director and Devil Dinner Chairman Robert Stonerock has put the registration form in this newsletter along with a return envelope to mail your Devil Dinner registration to him. Have to say we had more attend this year than ever before with many active duty there. The we have asked the 38th Regimental Commander, COL Colin P. Tuley to update us on what the active duty has done since the last dinner. If you plan to attend, please get your registration in as soon as you can and if you would like to sponsor an active duty Paratrooper there is a place on the form to do that.

Secretary Bill Eberle has mailed out our annual raffle tickets and we ask that you return them as soon as you can. The monies we make from the raffle help us to make annual donations to the Regiment, the 82d Educational fund, Wounded Warriors, War Museum and have first class Hospitality rooms. So if you can, please next send in a little extra with your tickets as it will help us do more for our Active duty also. Again your donations are tax deductible.

I would like to thank all of those above for stepping up and give of their time/funds to our Association. As members it is very important for you and the Association to stay in touch. Whenever your address changes, please notify the Association.

Again this issue, I personally would like to thank those that made a donation to the Association since the last newsletter. During this year these donations has helped the active duty Regiment in many ways.

Our Treasurer & Membership Chairman Ron Rath has mailed out letters to all members requesting a copy of their DD214 and for the active duty a copy of their Officer/Enlisted record brief. If you have not sent you're to him yet, please do so as soon as you can

I hope to see many of you at All American week and the Convention in August in Louisville. I totally understand many of you cannot make both, but please try to make one of them. So until then....

STRIKE and HOLD! Mike

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It is with a heavy Heart that I must tell you that my old buddy Reed Williams [center] passed away on 24 January 2016 at the age of 75. Reed was one of the greatest supporters of the 504 PIR Association. Anyone that knew Reed knew that you could always count on him telling it the way it is whether you liked it or not; however, I never met a man more honest in my life then Reed. He had served in A Company, 2d Battalion 504 Parachute Infantry Regiment from 1957-1963. Reed also served as the Treasurer of the 82d Airborne Division's Ross Carter Appalachian Chapter for many years. He along with his wife Judy owned Old Virginia Log Homes. Tina & I had just gone up to see him a few days before his passing. Even though he was not feeling well, he still exhibited his special personality and sense of humor.

God Bless and Rest in Peace old Buddy

PICTURE TAKEN IN PENNINGTON GAP, VA ON 4 MARCH 2015 AT THE HOME OF REED & JUDY WILLIAMS.

By CSM® Ron Rath, Treasurer

504th Prop-Blast

The following story was provided by WWII Veteran-Airborne Trooper-Dr. Martin Krimsky Ph.D, of Norman Oklahoma. Dr. Krimsky served with the 17th Airborne Div.-507th P.I.R., in the E.T.O. After the war in Europe, he also served with the 13th Airborne Div. While in college, at the age of 17, he joined the army with the understanding that he would receive training in engineering, but the army needed more infantry, so off to basic he went. This is his story:

Recollections from World War II

A circuitous story based on an underlying theme, luck...I survived! At age 17, in the early 1940's, I was about to complete a first semester of college, in a matriculated school in New York City. A US Army officer came around and said they only would provide training in engineering, if you enlisted, so I signed a document of enlistment and in a few days I received a telegram ordering me to Grand Central Station, to get on the train for Syracuse University. Its actually in Auburn, which was west of Syracuse. After two semesters, or quarters, the Army decided it needed infantry, more than engineers, so I was put on another train, which ended in Camp Walters Texas, somewhere between Dallas and Fort Worth. I had basic training, which was mostly fun. But, for about 10 days, I got up with a feeling of dread, and later decided it was dread of getting killed. You judge the training was to kill other people and avoid getting killed by them. After a while, the dread simply stopped. At the end of basic training, a company noncommissioned officer asked, "any of you interested in parachute training?" Recollection is, that I was the only one to raise his hand. So, I was put on another train, bound for the Alabama side of the Chattahoochee River. I received basics on how to learn to be a jumper. I did not smoke, and was able to do the five-mile jog, without stopping or falling out, and did all the other exercises. The fourth week was the actual parachute jump. The first jump on a Monday, I remember two fellas on the opposite side of the plane who did not stand up. For my first jump, I do not recall if I stepped out or was kicked out. The jump was scary, but the ride was enjoyable. I recall good optimistic feelings on some days, but scary feelings on others. After completion of those awarded the wings and boots, I was transferred to the Fort Benning side with additional training.

After some weeks, the US Army decided it needed radio operators, so having a high IQ, I was reassigned to the 541st parachute infantry regiment, in Camp McCall North Carolina. I got training daily in Morse Code, we called non-leather today, but did more jumps with the big heavy radio, which I had to pick up and carry. On March, single file, I'm right behind the captain carrying my radio. After break he asked, "Who will take Krimsky's radio?" Nobody! He took it himself. I never forgot that fellow. After another break, I offered to take the radio back, but he kept it...and never forgot that officer. Training delayed my trip overseas, which took place on the ILE-de-France. A huge cruiser, which had civilian passengers in the upper decks, and we were in the lowest. I learned that the ship was guided by US Navy warships, to prevent submarine attack. We landed in a place in Scotland, Gurrocks, was ferried into town and put on the train. An enjoyable ride through Scottish Highlands, bound for Southampton on the English Channel. Next morning, a small ship took us across the channel to the French city Le Harve, and issued us new weapons. I had a carbine with grease. A huge tub, with hot water was available, to melt the grease. Shortly, we will run trucks going east into Germany. We reached the city of Essen, located in a rest camp, on the Ruhr River. It had a swimming pool, so some GI's went swimming. I took off my clothes and jumped in, but it was too cold, so I got right out. I was assigned as a

replacement in D company, 507th parachute infantry regiment, of the 17th Airborne Division. It looked like we were going into combat, but the war in Germany ended. There was nothing to do, except guard duty, which was mostly pleasant.

Shortly after the 17th division ended, I was assigned to the 13th Airborne Div., with the objective of airborne landings on Japan. So, we replacements, were among the first to leave the French cigarette camps. I recall that the French daily liberation, the first since the war had started, we were assigned to a parade in Nancy. We were trucked there and I met an attractive French woman. I'd had enough French from high school and walked and talked a bit with her. I learned she was married to a French Officer and gave up the walk. Later, I asked myself, if I had given up too soon? I did not smoke, and would receive a pack of cigarettes a day, and would give them to somebody who needed them. Finally, I was put on another ship. The naval ship headed for New York City, with objectives of airborne landings on Japan. President Truman told USAF to drop the second bomb and inform the Japanese we have 9 more. Actually zero. Looking back on it, I think Truman was the best President we had in the 20th Century. I was back in North Carolina, and shortly had a choice between discharge and re-up. Chose discharge. Another bit of luck. Probably would have been in the War in Korea, which turned out to be Mac Arthur's War. He provoked the Chinese, by stationing American soldiers, on the Chinese border. Truman fired him, a necessary act. Those responsible for the loss of the thousands of American GI's, because of his arrogance. He returned to the US as a hero, but not for me.

The GI Bill helped me continue my education. I returned to the same school. The Dean called me to the office and said I had to declare my major. I picked psychology. Partly I was influenced by psychology majors who were very bright and had arguments in a cafeteria. A huge place with designations for radicals in the upper left, English majors somewhere on the right and psychology majors in the middle. I sat near them and listened to their bright arguments. Some became professors in leading colleges and authors of books and articles. I told the Dean I would major in psychology. The essential reason was to find out something about myself, my insides. I continued to PhD at University of Oklahoma. Three fellows followed me with the same routes. City College of New York and Elgin State Hospital in Illinois for internship. Finally OU, which liked me and the people who came after me. The three who followed went to different places. Chicago, Massachusetts, and New York City. I discussed with my wife where we would go...No place! I was broke and in debt, so I got a job. I love my country, and I'm also ashamed of it. We have bloodied all of the world, and engineered terrible things in Iran, Nicaragua, South America, and Asia. We are, and have been, in a gun psychosis. For example, a shitty teenager annihilates nine adults, who were at prayer. The US Congress fears to attack the gun lobby, because it is too powerful, and has too many members. The Second Amendment, has nothing to do with the gun policy.

Dr. Martin Kimsky, Ph.D

Submitted by: Mike Haynes

The Treasurer/Membership Chairman has sent letters to all members requesting that you send in a copy of your for active duty Officers a copy of their ORB and for Enlisted a copy of their EMRB. Veterans a copy of their DD214.

This is needed to be on file with the Membership Chairman and kept in the Association's Safety Deposit Box in case the IRS wants to check our 501 c (status, which we must maintain 90% Combat era status to keep our Association donations tax deductible. So far we have only received 376 out of 1,200 members.

The Chairman is sending out a second letter to those that did not response to the first mail. This costs the Association money that could be used to help with things that the Active Duty may need. So we are asking that you to please response to the letter as soonas possible.

NOTE

You do not have to worry the IRS will not be allowed to make copies of your record, nor will the Association share/give it with anyone else.

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Sign up now for the 39th Annual Devil Dinner

13 August 2016

We encourage and Welcome all former and current Devils to join us for an enjoyable evening of fun, fellowship and good food at our 39th Annual Devil Dinner. This year's dinner will be Thursday, August 11, 2016, located in the Crown Plaza Louisville Airport, 830 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209. Social hour @ 1700, Dinner @ 1800.

You have a choice of one of two entrees. (1) **Chicken Fettucini with Alfredo Sauce**, Broccoli Crowner, or, (2) **Pork Loin with Cinnamon Apples**, mashed potatoes and Chef's choice of Vegetable.

All selections served with a garden salad, freshly brewed coffee, herbal teas, warm rolls and butter, and chef's choice of dessert. A bottle of Red and White wines will be at each table for toasts and your dining pleasure.

For all registrations postmarked July 4th or earlier, the cost for the dinner is \$40.00 per person. Registrations postmarked after July 4, 2016 will be \$45.00 per person. Please complete the form below and mail to: Robert A. Stonerock, 8955 Black Run Road, Nashport, OH 43830-9499 with your check or money order made payable to: 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment Association. Dress code will be casual: No shorts, tank tops, or bare feet please.

COL Colin Tulley, Commander of the 504 Parachute Infantry Regiment is the featured dinner speaker. Your Association Officers and Fellow Troopers look forward to seeing you at this 39th Annual Devil Dinner. As in the past, we offer you the opportunity to sponsor an active duty trooper for the dinner. This option is shown on registration form. Please complete the form below, enclose your check, and plan to be in attendance. Please plan to pick up your tickets in the 504 PIR Hospitality Room or at the 504 PIR General Membership meeting.

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Robert A. Stonerock

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WINE PREFERENCE FOR TOASTS: _____ Red _____ White _____ Sweet _____ Dry

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COMMENTS _____

Roy Hanna

This January, 1st Brigade Combat Team had the honor and privilege to receive CPT (Ret) Roy Hanna, WWII veteran and original member of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment (PIR), in the Headquarters Building. He was accompanied by Tyler Fox, a college student who has a passion for the 504th PIR and all the Veterans that have shape the history of the 504th PIR 82nd ABN DIV.

Roy Hanna was assigned as Assistant Platoon Leader of the 3rd BN Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 504th PIR on 13 April 1942. Shortly after, the 504th was designated as a Regiment, before the 82nd became an Airborne outfit. June of that same year, he deployed with the 504th PIR to Casablanca, Morocco in preparation for combat operations.

June 9, 1943, Roy Hanna made his first combat jump into Sicily at 2300 hours. As a 2nd Lieutenant, Roy Hanna wrote the following describing his first combat jump:

MY FIRST COMBAT JUMP

BY 2ND LT. ROY M. HANNA

Preface: My overseas experiences began when we arrived in the harbor of Casablanca, Moroccan North Africa on 10 May 1943. I was a 2nd Lieutenant and the Assistant Platoon Leader of the Machine Gun Platoon of the 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Infantry Division. After a few days in the area of Casablanca we moved by truck to the area of Oujda, Algeria for more training that included some day and night parachute jumps and night maneuvers. From here we moved by truck to the dessert area of Kairouan, Tunisia, our point of departure for the invasion of Sicily.

Early in the day of July 9, 1943 we received our assignment for the jump into Sicily: The **505th** Parachute Regiment reinforces with the addition of the **3rd Battalion (my unit)** of the **504th** Parachute Regiment was scheduled to jump into Sicily at 2300 hours (11:00 P.M.) inland from the coastal town of Gela. The main invasion forces were to hit the coast at 0700 hour early the next morning. Our assigned mission was to block off highway intersections leading to the coast, secure a small airfield, and generally disrupt the enemy communications.

Late in the evening of July 9th approximately 2,000 paratroopers with full combat gear loaded on about 145 C-47s (DC3s) troop carrier planes and headed out over the Mediterranean Sea. We knew our mission but had no idea that our flight plan was to fly over the coastal town of Gela that was occupied by the enemy that naturally had plenty of anti-aircraft guns. This resulted in not only the shooting down of several of our planes, but also disrupting the entire plan of the mission by scattering paratroopers all over a seventy mile area.

In combat we jumped at an altitude of 500 feet, and so I assume, we were flying at an altitude of less than 1,000 feet and at a speed of around 100 miles per hour as we approached the enemy held town of Gela. We had already received the red light indicating that we were ten minutes before jump time. I was the jumpmaster standing in the open door of the plane with my men standing up behind me ready to jump. And, as any dummy should have anticipated, the enemy anti-aircraft guns began firing as we approached the coast. I helplessly stood in the door and watched planes full of paratroopers being shot out of the air like clay pigeons and watching tracers and flack going all around our plane. Fortunately, nothing hit our plane that I was aware of.

Our pilot put the plane in such a steep climb that I had to hang on to the side of the doorframe to keep from falling out. After a short time we got the green light signaling us to jump and out we went. The highest jump that I ever made, my guess would be well over 2,500 feet. Our parachutes were designed to open immediately, and so we drifted around up there like feathers in a breeze.

When I finally landed it was in a tree, my first tree landing. This was an experience in itself. Here I was all alone, in enemy territory, hanging in a tree, in the middle of the night. The only sound I heard was a dog barking away off somewhere in the hills. After cutting a few parachute suspension lines with my switchblade knife and unhooking my parachute harness I discovered that I was only a few feet off the ground. After getting down from the tree I checked my Thompson Sub Machine Gun that I held in my hands as I jumped and headed in the direction where I thought my men would be scattered. I hadn't walked much over fifty yards when I was challenged with our password for the night, "George". I responded with the proper answer, "Marshal". The challenger was a new replacement that had just arrived from the States days before we headed for Sicily. He was not part of my team; he had drifted over from another outfit. He was just sitting there, scared to death, trying to assemble his M-1 rifle (when making a jump the M-1 was disassembled into three sections, placed in a flat canvas container, and strapped to the soldier's leg). I put his rifle together and sent him in the direction of where I thought my men would be and I went searching for our Machine Guns and Machine Gun ammunition. These were packed in bundles that weighed about 400 pounds and were supported by smaller parachutes than the ones we used. These bundles were released from the bottom of the plane as we jumped. Since the bundles were supported with a smaller chute and weighed much more than we did they dropped almost straight down.

I hadn't walked more than five minutes when I heard a rifle shot – the only one I heard that night. I searched and searched for those bundles of Machine Guns and ammunition and never did find them. I eventually returned to our general landing area and was challenged by one of my men. He told me that a soldier had come through there and when he challenged him the person fired a shot and took off. Who said, "Paratroopers never run"? At least I had put his rifle together properly and it worked. To this day I have no idea who the soldier was or what unit he was supposed to be with.

I gathered up seven men and tried to find our objective. After climbing to the top of a small hill I decided to just sit and wait for daylight. About daybreak we were awakened by rifle fire not too far away. We grabbed our guns and headed in that direction knowing that some of our troops were in a skirmish. We came across two men from 'H' Company (also lost) that were planning to attack a set of buildings. As we crossed through a small olive tree orchard we came face to face with two enemy soldiers that were manning a machine gun. As this machine gun started to strafe across where we were I jumped behind a small olive tree. The only problem here was that I was the third man in line behind that little tree. The first man in line got shot through the side of the neck, the second man through the right thigh, and me they missed. Before the machine gun strafing reversed I ran to the right, jumped through a hedge, ran up the far side of the hedgerow and tossed a hand grenade over the hedge in the direction of the machine gun. I will never know whether I was lucky, they unlucky, or they were just scared. I do know the machine gun became silent. By this time many, many enemy soldiers started pouring from these buildings. I called my 'nine man combat team' to my side of the hedge and we made a strategic withdrawal – got the hell out of there. I later found out that these buildings were barracks that housed the enemy artillery base that protected the coast in that area.

As we worked our way away from that area we ran across an Italian farmer. With his help and that of my platoon sergeant who spoke Italian I discovered that we were about 20 miles from where we were supposed to be – we weren't even on the maps that I was carrying.

Two nights after we landed in Sicily the remainder of the 504th and other units of the 82nd were being flown in for reinforcements. Their flight plan was generally the same route that we had taken two nights previously. But, by this time the British and American Army and Navy were defending the harbor. They mistook the lumbering C-47s to be enemy bombers and proceeded to shoot many of that armada out of the air. This time 23 planes loaded with paratrooper were shot down.

About a week after our unit dropped into Sicily the remnants of the 3rd Battalion joined other depleted units of the 504th. This now undersized 504th Regimental Combat Team spent the next several weeks having small skirmishes with the enemy, accepting the surrender of hundreds of Italian soldiers, and walking about one third of the distance around the island of Sicily. By August 20, 1943, 42 days after we first landed, the Italian Army had surrendered, the German troops had left Sicily and the 504th was returned to our base in North Africa. Here we were brought back to full combat strength with replacement paratroopers from the States. After a short period of training with our new replacement we were transported back to Sicily to prepare for the invasion of Italy.

Roy Hanna was part of the Invasion of Italy 9 September of 1943. He was a Platoon Leader of the 3rd BN Machine Gun Platoon. His Platoon was then assigned to Company H and move to invade north of Salerno on a beach town named Maori. From Maori, he went and held a ridge line over at Chiunzi Pass, where they received much German artillery fire and some harassment from German with machine pistols.

From Chiunzi to Naples and from Naples to England. Not much later he returned to Naples for the Anzio Battle. During his time in Anzio, Roy Hanna received his Distinguished Service Cross.

Citation:

“Roy M. Hanna, (0-1287522), First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism in action, on 8 February 1944, near Carroceto, Italy. During a long and sustained attack against strong enemy positions a company suffered heavy casualties and lost its combat effectiveness. Because of the critical nature of the situation, First Lieutenant HANNA was ordered to reorganize the company and launch a diversionary attack to lessen the pressure on another unit attacking the objective from the opposite direction. First Lieutenant HANNA successfully withdrew the elements of the company still in contact with the enemy, reorganized the unit and led his men in an assault against overwhelming enemy odds. While exposing himself to heavy enemy fire in order to lead his unit, he received a rifle bullet through the chest. In spite of his wound, First Lieutenant HANNA personally led this attack until he collapsed unconscious on the field. His courageous performance and his gallant leadership inspired his men to press the attack and to complete the mission successfully”.

After Anzio, Roy Hanna was the XO of Company G during Operation Market Garden. Roy Hanna made the River Crossing across the Waal River in the first wave of 26 canvas assault boats. Only 11 made it back for a second wave because of damage sustained from environmental conditions as well as enemy machine gunfire.

Roy Hanna’s last stop was Hanover, Germany. He was credited with over 200 days of front line duty. His awards include:

Combat Infantry Badge

The Distinguished Service Cross

The Purple Heart

Italia: Military Valor Cross (now in the 82ND ABN DIV Museum)

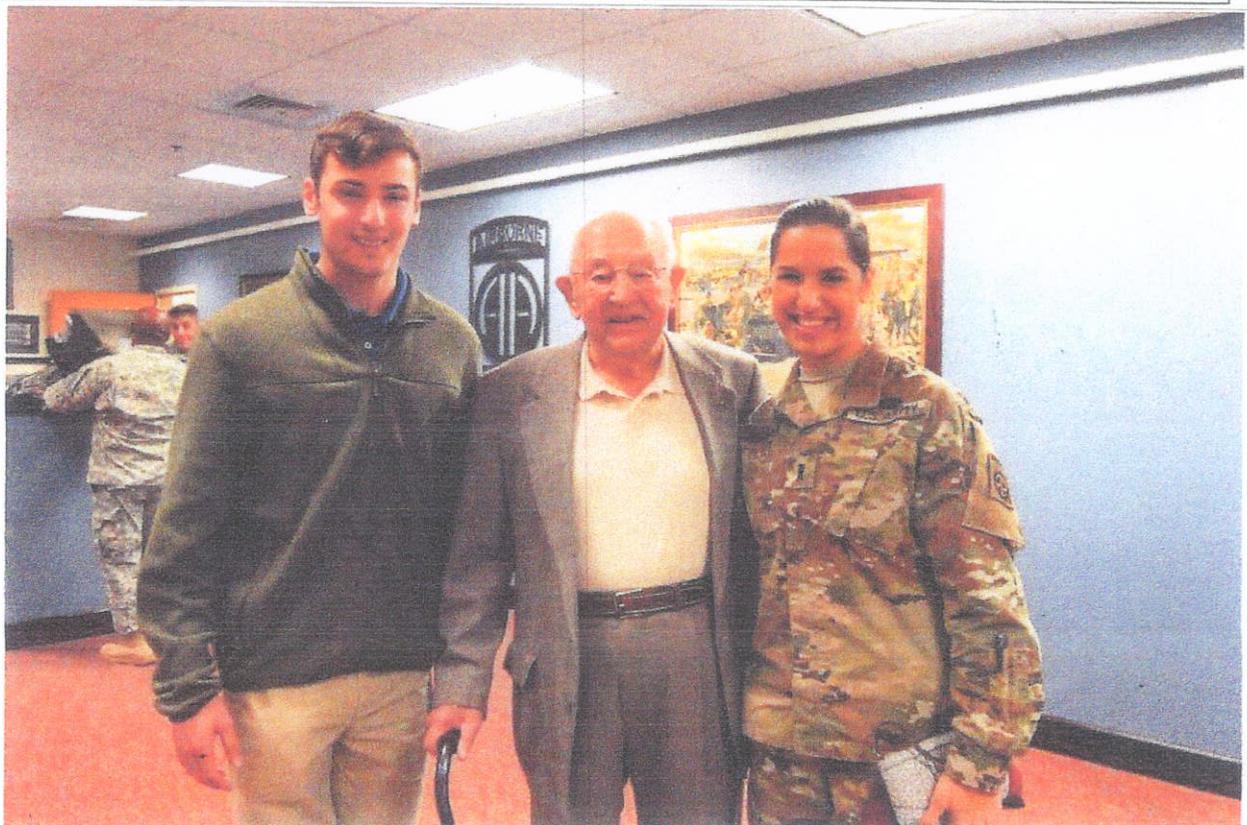
Five Battle Stars for his Parachute Wings

Presidential Citations with two Oak Leaf Clusters

Roy Hanna’s highest rank while on active duty with the 504th PIR was 1st Lieutenant. While in the active reserves in Altoona, PA, he was promoted to Captain.



From Left to right: Tyler Fox, COL Colin P. Tuley, 1LT (R) Roy Hanna, Tina Rath, 1LT Wilmarie Flores, Regimental CSM Ron Rath and CSM Alexander Barnett.



From Left to Right: Tyler Fox, 1LT (R) Roy Hanna and 1LT Wilmarie Flores

504TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - INCOME TAX BASIS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

INCOME:	
Sales	\$22,357.94
Membership Dues	\$5,716.25
Newsletter Income	\$1,490.00
Raffle Income	\$7,350.00
GWOT Fund Income	\$3,245.00
Panama Dinner	\$11,709.00
Interest Income	\$43.10
Donation	\$25.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$51,936.29</u>
EXPENSES:	
Printing & Publications	\$8,762.98
Raffle Expense	\$95.00
Postage	\$5,469.41
Donations	\$10,211.00
Convention Expense	\$14,494.03
Promotional Expenses	\$1,958.47
Professional Fees	\$996.00
Office Expenses	\$1,940.57
Devil Dinner Expense	\$6,092.87
Awards	\$2,899.00
Refund	\$210.00
Bank Charges	\$159.62
Phone	\$359.40
Utilities	\$430.56
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$54,078.91</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	<u><u>(\$2,142.62)</u></u>
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	<u><u>(\$2,142.62)</u></u>

SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

504TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSN., INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - INCOME TAX BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

CIB-General	\$	3,877.93
CIB-Money Market		52,085.02
CIB-MM-GWOT FUND		8,838.97
N/R-82nd Airborne Div Assn		30,000.00

TOTAL CURRENT ASSET \$ 94,801.92

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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

NET ASSETS:

Net Assets	\$	96,944.54
Current Earnings (Loss)		(2,142.62)

TOTAL NET ASSETS 94,801.92

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$ 94,801.92

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Sunset March

The 1st Brigade Combat Team (1BCT), commonly referred as the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82ND Airborne Division participated during the Five Hundred and Fourth Time March along “The Crossing” bridge. The bridge was given the name The Crossing to commemorate the battle at Nijmegen. The 1BCT Command Team Colonel Colin P. Tuley and Command Sergeant Major Alexander Barnett along with CPT Lisa Beum, 1BCT PAO Officer and 1LT Wilmarie Flores, 1BCT Adjutant, walked the bridge that evening in remembrance of the fallen heroes of the 504th PIR Regiment who lost their lives during Operation Market Garden. COL Colin P. Tuley was the leader of the march next to Brigadier General CJ Matthijssen, Commander of the 11th Air Assault Brigade.

The work of art in the bridge is the Lights Crossing, which is a discreet daily tribute to the soldiers and liberators of the Netherlands who lost their lives during the crossing of the Waal River during Operation Market Garden. Each evening when the sun goes down an active duty service member or veteran walks the bridge. As they walk, the lightbulbs turn on one by one. Those service members or veterans who participate are given a Sunset March Certificate with a specific number. This ties the respective veteran or active duty service member to the specific day of the march. The march is about a mile long and once completed, the flags are honored along with a small ceremony to remember the fallen heroes. The March of the Waal River Crossing is every night, regardless of foul weather. If the veteran or active duty service member can't make it, there are always a line of volunteers to take over and do the Lights Crossing March.

During the 1BCT group's visit, they had the opportunity to visit the Radbound UMC University Hospital and were received by the Board of Directors with an amazing video and Power Point presentation about the history of The Crossing Bridge in the city of Nijmegen. They also visited the Mayor's office and were given a boat tour of the Waal River. It was an amazing visit and outstanding experience to participate in such an important event for the Netherlands and even more so an important event in the 82ND Airborne Division's storied history. The Regiment appreciates and is honored by the Netherlands' dedication and commitment to preserve the 504th PIR history, commemorate their fallen heroes and extraordinary veterans that fought during Operation Market Garden.

1LT Flores Alvarez, Wilmarie



1LT (R) Roy Hanna visits the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division

BN Command Teams and Regimental CSM Ron Rath participated during his visit.



COL Colin P. Tuley gives a speech after walking The Crossing Lights. They commemorated the 504th time the bridge was walked by a veteran or an active duty service member. COL Colin P. Tuley had the opportunity to represent the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division as the active duty service member for that day.



COL Colin P. Tuley, Commander of the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 504th PIR 82nd Airborne Division and BG Matthijssen, Commander of the 11 Air Mobile Brigade from Netherlands get ready to walk,

The Crossing Lights over the Waal River in Nijmegen Netherlands.

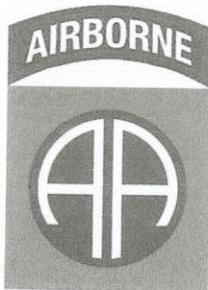


CSM Alexander Barnett, Command Sergeant Major of the 1st Brigade combat Team, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division and 1LT Wilmarie Flores, Brigade Adjutant, participate from The Crossing Lights event the 5th of March of 2016.

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Make check payable to: Fayetteville Chapter 82nd Airborne Association. PO Box
40933 Fayetteville, NC 28309-0933

When registering for golf you must email the player, ranks and full names to
Randygla@aol.com/Randolph.Glancy@hendrickauto.com



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Effective 1 October 2015)



504th Parachute Infantry Regiment Association Incorporated

To be a member of the 504th PIR Association, you MUST be a current member of the 82nd Airborne Division Association. To be a Lifetime Member of the 504th PIR Association, you MUST be a Lifetime Member of the 82nd Airborne Division Association.

504 th PIR Association Membership Dues	Annual	Lifetime	82 nd Airborne Division Association	Annual	Lifetime
Veteran Member (Lifetime Member)*	\$15.00	\$90.00	Veteran - Under 50	\$25.00	\$250.00
Active Duty - 504 th PIR (Annual does not include Propblast subscription.)	\$5.04	\$50.40	Veteran - Over 50	\$25.00	\$175.00
Annual Associate Membership (Not Assigned or Attached to 504 PIR, but Airborne)	\$15.00	X	Active Duty - Assigned to the 82 nd	\$15.00	\$85.00

Current 82nd Airborne Division Association Card # _____ 82nd Association Chapter _____

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ + _____

Dates Assigned/Attached to the 504 PIR/1st BCT
 From (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ To (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Unit _____ Rank _____ SSN _____

Current Occupation _____ Telephone _____

Single Spouse's First Name _____
 Widowed
 Married Children _____
 Male
 Female

Payment Enclosed 504 PIR Assn. Annual Dues: _____ Lifetime Dues: _____
 Payment Enclosed 82nd Assn. Annual Dues: _____ Lifetime Dues: _____

Make check/money order payable to the **504 Parachute Infantry Regiment Association, Inc.** and mail to: **Ronald H. Rath, Treasurer**
22 Club Hill Drive
Garner, NC 27529

If you are also joining the 82nd Association, please send a separate check/money order for that membership payable to the **82nd Airborne Division Association.**

**** You MUST include a copy of your DD214 along with your application. ****

Questions or comments concerning the 504th PIR Association should be directed to one of the following Officers:

Association Secretary - secretary@504thpirassociation.org

Association Treasurer - treasurer@504thpirassociation.org

Please visit our new website at www.504thpirassociation.org if you prefer to complete your application online.



Raymond P. Weaver

HHC 1-504 PIR





JAMES E. George



C-119

Flying Box Car

Richard A. Martinez



1948 - 1952

HQ 2-504 PIR



**NEWS FROM THE 82d AIRBORNE DIVISION MEMORIAL
ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 43359
Fayetteville, NC 28303-3359**

The 82d Airborne Division Memorial fund is supporting the new training accidents memorial that will be Dedicated to the memory of those 82d Airborne Division Paratroopers who lost their lives in preparation for Combat Operations and will be located at the Division Museum.. They are now fundraising with the goal of adding this new Memorial. The cost of the Memorial is about \$75,000.00. So If you donate \$82.00 you will get a certificate signed by the Memorial fund President. **ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.**

Just send your donation to 504 PIR Association, Inc, 22 Club Hill Drive, Garner, NC 27529-6528 and our Treasurer will deliver it to the Memorial funds Treasurer. Please fill out form below and include it with you check and *make the check out to 82d Airborne Division Memorial Association.* If you send your donation to the 504 PIR Association, then and only then the 504 PIR Association Treasurer will also put your name in the next Prop Blast

Name: _____		Phone: _____	
Address _____			
City: _____		State _____	Zip: _____
Signature: _____		Date: _____	Donation Amount: _____
82d Chapter [if any] _____		504PIR Association _____	

**NOTICE OF DEATH OF A 504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY
REGIMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBER**
[Please print clearly]

NAME OF DECEASED: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

DATE OF DEATH: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ PHONE NO: _____

Send notice to Membership Chairman Ronald Rath at 22 Club Hill Drive
Garner, NC 27529-6528 or e-mail the above information to
rrath@nc.rr.com

HAVE YOU OR ARE YOU MOVING?

If so, Please fill this out and mail to:

504 PIR Association, Inc.

attn: Membership Chairman Ronald Rath
22 Club Hill Drive, Garner, NC 27529-6528

Please print clearly

NAME: _____ Card Number: _____

Old Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

New Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Effective date: _____ Phone number: _____



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**KENTUCKY AIRBORNE CHAPTER
82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION
70th NATIONAL CONVENTION
Louisville, KY 10-13 August, 2016**



*A Brotherhood Formed in Sweat
and Blood*

MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS:

Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport reservation phone number, 888-233-9527 - Request the 82nd Airborne Division when calling. This is the only phone number that should be called for reservations, or go on-line at:

<https://aws.passkey.com/event/14216594/owner/2812/home>

Reservation cut-off date: July 20, 2016.

Room Rates is \$99.82 a night with tax, and is good from 7 August 2016 thru 17 August 2016.

Event hosted and arranged by Kentucky Airborne Chapter.

Call or email if you have questions: Joe Steen (502) 937-8234 or kyairbornechapter@yahoo.com

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email (print): _____

_____ attending X \$90/person= _____ Spouse: _____
(After 20 July 2016 Registration Will Be \$110)

Guest Name: _____ Guest Name: _____

Please check events that you and your guest will be attending:

- Memorial Banquet Friday Night: _____
- Airborne Heritage Banquet Saturday Night: _____
- Spouse Brunch Saturday Morning: _____

Mail to: Joe Steen, 4913 Flushing Way, Louisville, KY 40272

Please make check payable to: 70th National Convention - Fee covers banquets and hospitality room

SEE LOUISVILLE AND KENTUCKY:

Louisville is a Tourist Destination and here is a link to everything to see and do while you are here:

<http://www.gotolouisville.com/index.aspx>

**Come for the convention and stay a few extra days to enjoy Horses, Dinning, Music,
Museums, River Boats and Bourbon!**

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC VIETNAM GRENADA PANAMA PERSIAN GULF

**504th PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSN, INC.
STRIKE-HOLD – DEVILS IN BAGGY PANTS
Ronald H. Rath, Treasurer
22 Club Hill Drive
GARNER, NC 27529-6528**

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**

ATTENTION ANNUAL 504 PIR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Please check you mailing label on this newsletter

If your membership number that follows your name ends with (15) then your current membership has expired as of 31 December 2015. This will be your last newsletter unless you renew at once.

As of 1 January 2009 the membership dues are as follows

**Annual Veteran Paratroopers is \$15.00 per year and \$90.00 for a Paid for life membership.
Active duty Paratroopers is \$5.04 for an annual membership and \$50.40 for a Paid for Life membership.**

If you are a 2012 annual member renewing or who is changing to Paid for Life, then there is no need to fill out an application unless your address or information has changed.

Just make a check out to the 504 PIR Association, Inc and put it in an envelope and mail it to; 504 PIR Association, Inc, attn: membership Chairman, 22 Club Hill Drive, Garner, NC 27529-6528

However, remember if you are also paying your 82d Association dues along with this, please make a separate check for that made out to the 82d Airborne Division Association, Inc.