



LINKING THE PAST WITH THE PRESENT

1ST BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 504TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

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*Non Member

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

THE 43rd ANNUAL DEVIL DINNER
12 AUGUST 2021 [Thursday]
[Please see the Registration form in this Newsletter]
DURING THE 82d AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION'S
73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
11-14 AUGUST 2021
AT THE
HOUSTON MARRIOTT WESTCHASE HOTEL
2900 BRIARPARK DRIVE
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77042
(713) 978-7400

INSIDE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEE THE NEW MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR
THE 82d AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION, 504 PIR ASSOCIATION STILL THE SAME.
DO NOT FORGET TO SEND YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS INTO CHAIRMAN DAVE LOVELAND

REMEMBER YOUR REGIMENT



504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
STEVEN COPENING, PRESIDENT
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(561) 827-1933
2 October 2020



Greeting Devils of the best Regiment in the Army

**82nd Association Annual Convention is 11 Aug–14 Aug 2021,
with the Devil Dinner being on 12 August 2021.**

**The convention will be at the Houston Marriott West chase Hotel,
In the great city of Houston, Texas and sponsored by the Lonestar Chapter of the
82d Airborne Division Association.**

**Convention Registration will be \$150.00 with bus transportation to the
many things to do for the fee. For Reservations, Please call directly to the hotel
at (703) 521-1900.**

**Thanks to all that have made donations to our Association for the
newsletters, General fund, the holiday meals for Troopers and their families, The
Family Readiness group's Halloween party for trooper's children [see the
pictures in our newsletter]. Lastly, I want to wish each and every one of you and
your families the best.**

**This has been an extremely troubled year given the COVID-19 restrictions
that have been imposed on us by our State governments. All events with the
exception of the Veteran's Day activities have been cancelled. The information
for Veteran's Day is posted on both our Association web site and the 82nd
Association web site. I will be attending and look forward to seeing all who can
attend.**

**Be safe out there and do not take any unnecessary risks – check on your
Devil Brothers especially those who are older and have underlying health issues.**

**As soon as this pandemic has run its course – we will resume of
Association activities. I wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and you are in
my prayers during these trying times.**

STRIKE HOLD!
Steve Copening

Dear Fellow Devils in Baggy Pants,

Since our last note, when we had been in the Middle East for a few months after receiving the Nation's Call on New Year's Eve, the Devil Brigade has been running full-tilt toward the end of another year, preparing for anything that may come our way. Your Devil Paratroopers continue to shine, proving why we're the go-to BCT in the 82nd Airborne Division.

CENTCOM REDEPLOYMENT:

After five months in the CENTCOM AOR, during which we conducted airborne operations, partnered international training events and support missions for Operation Inherent Resolve, the Brigade finally received orders and redeployed to Fort Bragg throughout the first two weeks of May. Given COVID restrictions, we were required to conduct 14 days of quarantine prior to our block leave, and every Paratrooper took it in stride. As you'll see elsewhere in this Prop Blast, our SFRGs put forth tremendous efforts to ensure we were welcomed home in style, even in the restrictive environment of COVID safety, and we can't thank them enough. While it certainly wasn't the traditional redeployment process, our team felt the love and appreciation of family and friends, and were able to reset for a few weeks before jumping right back into the grind of being a Devil Paratrooper.

CIVIL DISTURBANCE RESPONSE:

Some of our Devils had only been out of quarantine for a few days before the next IRF call came along, this time for a stand-by for defense support to civil authorities. Some of our Troopers were forward positioned in the United States. In the uncertain and unpredictable time of social unrest in late May and early June, we stood ready to secure Federal property and protect our Citizens. Fortunately, after just a few days, we were released back to Fort Bragg. This second short-notice deployment allowed us to review our processes, put some new procedures into practice and better plan for any future missions as we remain the IRF for the Division.

INTEGRATED TACTICAL NETWORK:

Always leading the way in advancing the capabilities of BCTs, we have been deeply involved in the testing, evaluation and fielding of the Integrated Tactical Network, or ITN. This technological development greatly enhances the ability for our BDE to operate across time and space by creating a

meshed network of communications across the formation, allowing every leader real-time connection to maps, graphics and information, as well as radio communication the connects and repeats through all the radios in the network. We have been testing equipment, from the individual user up through en-route mission command networks for more than a year. Feedback from your Paratroopers to the developers has resulted in a better product with much increased capability. I think that the system is not an evolution in communications but a revolutionary change in situational understanding and decision making for us. We're excited to see the future of this game-changing system.

TRAINING GLIDEPATH:

All of our Battalions were able to cycle through some well-deserved block leave throughout the summer, giving everyone ample time to enjoy their families and get some much-needed rest and recovery after an intense first six months of 2020. The summer also ushered in a fast-paced training period, which will extend through the end of the year. We're currently acting as a Response Cell in support of the Division Warfighter Exercise, which will take us into mid-October. We'll then quickly transition into a few weeks of Company/Battery/Troop EXEVALs, during which every C/B/T will be assessed during realistic field training lanes. We'll catch our breath through November and the Thanksgiving holiday, then take on our final challenge of the year with Devil Storm, our culminating JFE exercise prior to our CTC rotation in early 2021.

I want to once again offer my sincere thanks for the constant support of the association. Your Paratroopers continue to lead the way in the Division, setting the standard for others to follow. The 504th was the 1st Parachute Infantry Regiment, we are the 1st BCT and we continue to be 1st in our Army. Your Troopers never shy away from a challenge and they continue to train, refine their skills and stand ready to answer the Nation's call, whenever and wherever it may be.

STRIKE-HOLD!

**COL Andy Saslav
XXXX Colonel of the Regiment.**



**504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
RONALD H. RATH, TREASURER**

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2 October 2020*



WE DO NOT MAIL THE NEWSLETTER TO ALL MEMBERS, AS THE COST IS TO GREAT, BUT IF YOU WANT IT MAILED TO YOU, YOU MUST SEND \$20.00 A YEAR BOOSTER, WHICH GETS YOUR NAME IN THE NEWSLETTERS OR \$8.50 FOR TWO ISSUES TO BE MAILED TO YOU. PLEASE LOOK AT YOUR MAILING LABEL IT WOULD LOOK LIKE THIS:

YOUR NAME 12/19

THAT MEANS YOU NEED TO RENEW \$20.00 or \$8.50

YOU CAN ALSO READ IT ON LINE AT <http://www.504thpirassociation.org/home.html>

ON ANOTHER PROBLEM WE ARE HAVING IS THAT MEMBERS MOVE AND DO NOT TELL US BY GOING ON WEB SITE OR E-MAIL, OR MAILING IN THE FORM THAT IS IN NEWSLETTER AND ON WEB SITE. OUR RAFFLE CHAIRMAN MAILED OUT OUR ANNUAL RAFFLE TICKETS TO ALL MEMBERS AND SO FAR HE HAS GOTTEN BACK over 100 OF THEM WITH "MOVED-NO FORWARDING ADDRESS AND COSTS \$0.71 TO BE RESENT THEM". THAT IS ABOUT \$200.00 THAT WE WASTED AND COULD HAVE BEEN USED TO SUPPORT OUR ACTIVE DUTY, BECAUSE, THOSE MEMBERS THAT MOVED NEVER LET US KNOW THEIR NEW ADDRESS. SO PLEASE IF YOU ARE READING THE NEWSLETTER ON LINE-FORWARD TO US YOUR NEW ADDRESS AND THOSE MEMBERS THAT ARE PLANNING TO MOVE, PLEASE FORWARD YOUR NEW ADDRESS TO rrath@nc.rr.com or weberle@earthlink.com OR SEND A MESSAGE ON WEB SITE TO OUR WEBMASTER.

ATTENTION ANNUAL 504 PIR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Please check you mailing label on this newsletter

**If your membership number that follows your name ends with /19)
then your current membership has expired as of 31 December 2019**

If you are a 2019 annual member 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

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

SINE PARI [Track them down]

Charlie Mike....R

"NOT FOR FAME OR REWARD, NOT FOR RANK, BUT IN SIMPLE OBEDIENCE OF DUTY"

**IF YOU ARE ABLE,
SAVE FOR THEM A PLACE
INSIDE OF YOU
AND SAVE ONE BACKWARD GLANCE
WHEN YOU ARE LEAVING
FOR THE PLACES THEY CAN
NO LONGER GO.
BE NOT ASHAMED TO SAY
YOU LOVED THEM THOUGH YOU MAY
OR MAY NOT HAVE ALWAYS.
TAKE WHAT THEY HAVE LEFT
AND WHAT THEY HAVE TAUGHT YOU
WITH THEIR DYING
AND KEEP IT WITH YOUR OWN
AND IN THAT TIME
TAKE ONE MOMENT TO EMBRACE
THOSE GENTLE HEROES
YOU LEFT BEHIND.**

MAJ. MICHAEL O'DONNELL

**“AS A MEDIC IN COMBAT, THERE IS TERRIBLE
TENSION ALWAYS. YOU EAT, SLEEP, DRINK, AND
FIGHT WITH THESE MEN. YOU HEAR ABOUT THEIR
CONQUESTS AND DEFEATS, THEIR LOVES AND HATES.
AS A RIFLEMAN OR MACHINE GUNNER, WHEN YOU
SEE ONE FALL, YOU FEEL THE PAIN, BUT YOU LOOK
AWAY. WHEN YOU ARE A MEDIC, YOU DIE A LITTLE
EACH TIME WITH THEM.”**

**PFC JOHN R. LYONS
ASSIGNED TO COMPANY I, BATTLE OF THE BULGE.
FROM RENDEZVOUS AT ROCHELINVAL
BY BILL TUCKER**

**504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT & ATTACHED PARATROOPERS
THAT HAVE BEEN KILLED IN ACTION DURING THIS WAR ON TERRORISM**

**SERGEANT ANDREW J. BADDICK, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERTO C. BAEZ, 3-504th PIR IRAQ
CAPTAIN ERNESTO M. BLANCO, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT TREVOR A BLUMBERG, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
STAFF SERGEANT MARK VASQUEZ, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS GARY COLLINS, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT RYAN YOUNG, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOEL K. BRATTAIN, D/1-504th PIR IRAQ
SPECIALIST DAMION CAMPBELL, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT STEVEN CHECO, 504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH CRUZ, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JERROD DENNIS, B/3-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
STAFF SERGEANT JOHN G. DOLES, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT KELVIN FELICIANO, HHC, 3-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS CLINT D. FERRIN, D/1-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT ERIC A. FIFER, 3-504th PIR IRAQ
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BENNY FRANKLIN, 2-319th FAR AFGHANISTAN
CORPORAL DANIEL FREEMAN, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
LANCE CORPORAL PHILIP GEORGE, 2-3rd MARINES AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NICHOLAS J. GREER, 3-504 PIR IRAQ
SPECIALIST BLAKE W. HALL, 173rd ABN BDE AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EMMANUEL HERNANDEZ, 3-319th FAR AFGHANISTAN
LIEUTENANT JOSHUA M. HYLAND, 173rd ABN BDE AFGHANISTAN
LIEUTENANT LUKE S. JAMES, 505th PIR IRAQ
LANCE CORPORAL KEVIN JOYCE, 2-3rd MARINES AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST CHRIS M. KATZENBERGER, 2-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
STAFF SERGEANT LESTER O. KINNEY, 505th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT BRYAN W. LARGE, 3-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT MICHAEL R. LEHMILLER, 173rd ABN BDE AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE JASON HASENHAUER, 2-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT DANIEL J. LONDONO, D/1-504th PIR IRAQ
AIRMEN FIRST CLASS RAYMOND LOSANO, USAF AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS JOHN D. MORTON, 173d ABN BDE AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT CORY R. MRACEK, 319th FAR IRAQ
STAFF SERGEANT TRAVIS W. NIXON, 2-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE CHRIS L. PALMER, 173rd ABN BDE AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BRYAN "NICK" SPRY, D/1-504th PIR IRAQ
SPECIALIST SASHA STUBLE, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST MATTHEW P. STEYART, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS JAMES J. STODDARD, 2-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
LANCE CORPORAL STEVEN VALDEZ, 2-3rd MARINES AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST JACOB T. VANDERBOSCH, 3-504th PIR IRAQ**

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THAT HAVE BEEN KILLED IN ACTION DURING THIS WAR ON TERRORISM**

**PRIVATE ROBERT WHITE, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT ROMANES WOODARD, 1-508th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT NORMAN L. TOLLETT, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SPECIALIST MICHAEL K. FRANK, 1st STB IRAQ
GUNNERY SERGEANT HERMAN J. MURKERSON, JR, MARINE EXP IRAQ
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT H. DEMBOWSKI, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SPECIALIST MATTHEW K. REECE, 1-504th PIR IRAQ
SERGEANT KYLE DAYTON, 2-504th PIR IRAQ
CAPTAIN DAVID W. SCHULTZ, 3-73rd CAV IRAQ
STAFF SERGEANT LAURENT J. WEST, 3-73rd CAV IRAQ
SPECIALIST JASON N. COX, 3-73rd CAV IRAQ
CORPORAL DANIEL T. O'LEARY, 307th BSB IRAQ
CORPORAL ANTONIO C. BURNSIDE, 1 BSTB,ENGINEER, AFGHANISTAN
FIRST LIEUTENANT JONATHAN P. WALSH, A CO, 2-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MICHAEL J. METCALF, A CO, 2-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHRISTIAN SANNICOLAS, C CO, 1-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
PRIVATE FIRSTCLASS DUSTIN GROSS, C CO, 3-73rd CAV, AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST CHASE MARTA, C CO, 3-73rd CAV, AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT JACOB SCHWALLIE, C CO, 3-73rd CAV, AFGHANISTAN
STAFF SERGEANT NICHOLAS FREDSTI, D CO, 1-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
CAPTAIN JAMES E. CHAFFIN, HHC 3-319th FAR, AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS SAMUEL C. HAIRSTON, A CO, 1-504th PIR AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST BRIAN K. ARSENAULT, B CO, 1-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
SPECIALIST CHRISTOPHER M. HARRIS, A CO, 2-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN
SERGEANT JONATHON M. HUNTER, A CO, 2-504th PIR, AFGHANISTAN**

**The Regimental KIA list as we know it and it will be listed in every PropBlast issue until the War is over. If you know "First hand" that I have made a mistake in location, name, unit.
Please inform me at 919-803-4554 or rrath@nc.rr.com**



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504 PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
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**Minutes Of the 504 PIR Association
Board Zoom Meeting
August 17th**

Call to Order – President Steve Copening
Pledge of Allegiance – VP Joe Steen
Invocation – President, Chaplain Stephenson
Roll Call of Officers – Secretary Bill Eberle

President Steve Copening-Present
2nd VP CSM David Jordon-Excused
Treasurer Ron Rath-Present
QM Lance Frazee-Excused
Director Randy Glancy-Excused
Director Harold Schroeder-Present
Director Klaus Meckenstock-Present
Director Dave Foy-Excused

1st VP Joe Steen-Present
HRSM Vincent Myers-Excused
Secretary Bill Eberle-Present

Director Robert Stonerock-Present
Director George Zablocki-Deceased
Director David Cochran-Absent
Director Michael Briseno-Absent

Minutes - Minutes from the prior were distributed electronically before the meet for review. There were no adjustments or correction to those minutes. A Motion was made and seconded that the minutes of August 9th 2019 as presented in the approved as written. Motion made and seconded to approve as amended.

Finance and Membership Report

Treasurer Ron Rath presented the Financial Report.
Motion made and seconded to approve as presented. Motion carried

Devil Dinner Report

Chairman Billy Smith 2020 Devil dinner was cancelled and said that we hope to have 150 or more at dinner signed up in 2021.

Annual Raffle Report

Chairman David Loveland was not available for the meeting. No report was given. The raffle has sold more than 3000 tickets.

Quartermasters Report,

President Steve Copening gave a brief report on sales and stated that Born on the Fourth of July has donated in excess of \$2000 in the past year.

Old Business: Treasurer Ron Rath reported on the sales of buckles, which has not been going very well. There are still buckles available for purchase and you can see them on the Born on the Fourth of July or on the Association webpages.

New Business: There **was** a discussion about how to get the active duty involved in the Association. As with prior year discussion on the matter, no conclusive result was reached. More support from the active military would be appreciated.

Election:

Election of Director Since no general membership meeting was held, no Board Members could be elected. It was agreed that all current Board members would stay in-place until the next general membership meeting is held in 2021 at which time a election would be conducted.

Election of Officers Since no election was conducted it was agree that the Officers would remain in their positions until such time as an election is conducted.

President Copening
Vice President Steen
Secretary Eberle
Treasurer Rath

Raffle Funds Distribution: There were no recommendations for distribution of funds at this time. The Officers will make distribution at a later date.

Nomination for the 2021 Trooper of the Year was – Patrick “Doc” Halloran

Joe Steen provided an update for PVT TED BACHENHEIMER’S in Holland.

No further business the call was terminated at 2130hrs

William L. Eberle

Secretary

**THE 82d AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION
ALONG WITH 504 PIR ASSOCIATION WILL BE AT THE
ROSEN CENTRE IN AUGUST 2022**



31st Anniversary of Operation Just Cause

16 & 17 April 2021, Fayetteville, NC

\$100.00 PER PERSON

AFTER 15 MAR 2021 FEE IS \$115.00 PER PERSON

OPEN TO ALL PERSONNEL THAT PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION JUST CAUSE

REGISTRATION INFORMATION		
Last Name	First Name	
Guest		Total # Attending
Address		Assigned/Attached Unit
City	State	Zip
Main Phone	Cell Phone	E-mail

Make checks payable to 504 PIR Association. In memo line please include "31st Anniversary" and mail to CSM® Ron Rath, 22 Club Hill Drive, Garner NC 27529-6528. You may also register and pay by credit card using pay pal at:

<http://www.504thpirassociation.org/> and click on the red 31st Anniversary Just Cause tab

Information for Operation Just Cause 31st Anniversary Rendezvous

1. Space is limited, so register with payment as early as you can.
2. No refunds after 4 April 2021 due to food orders and room blocking.
3. Hotel: rooms and location of the rendezvous will be at the Ramada Inn, 1707-A Owen Drive Fayetteville, NC. 28304. Room cost is \$79, excluding tax, if reserved by the 28 March 2021 cutoff date. You can book a room by contacting the hotel at 910-323-0111 or online at [JC2021](#). Ensure you use the code **OPERAT** listed under the 504 PIR Association if booking by phone.
4. 16 April, 4:30PM: Meet, tell stories, and socialize followed by a buffet dinner of Carolina Backyard BBQ.
5. 17 April, 9:00 AM – 3:00PM: there will be a tour of the 82nd Airborne Division Museum and the Airborne and Special Operations Museum (you must provide your own transportation)
6. 17 April, 5:00 PM: KIA Memorial Ceremony followed by Dinner.
7. There will be guest speakers at both nightly events. Dress is casual both nights.
8. Additional information on agenda, local attractions, hotel amenities, dinner menus, and transportation will follow.
9. Registration forms can be scanned and sent to the below listed e-mail address or mailed to David Henderson, PO Box 331, Parkton, NC. 28371
10. Questions can be directed via e-mail to opjustcause2020@gmail.com or to Dave Henderson at dhenderson43@nc.rr.com.

ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS DUE TO PRIOR ORDERS FOR FOOD

NEW LIFE MEMBERS	NEW LIFE MEMBERS	NEW LIFE MEMBERS
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SSG KEVIN DEWALD	CARLOS A. HERNANDEZ	CPT CHRISTOPHER J. KOSTOFF
SGT DEVON F. KRUM	SSG JAEN O. LAMAR	PATRICK J. LAMBERT
ALLEN L. McCORMICK	SGT WILLIAM J. McDANIEL	PV2 JOSE A. OARAMOALVAREZ
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JEREMY C. BRYANT	COL® PAUL T. DEVRIES	JOSHUA M. MOLDOVAN
BARRY N. PETERSON	CHRISTOPHER M. REXERODE	JAMES L. TREVISAN
MANUEL VELASQUEZ		

EARLY BIRD ANNUAL RENEWS BEFORE 31 MARCH 2020		
LARRY R. BARNES	PATRICK HALLORAN	PAUL KALNINS
SEAN P. JENNINGS	ANTHONY T. MICHAEL	

ANNUAL ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS	ANNUAL ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS	ANNUAL ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS		
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CURRENT DONATIONS TO THE ASSOCIATION OVER \$25.00 UNLESS THEY ARE TO THE GWOT/KIA FUND		
PATRICK "DOC" HALLORAN \$350.00 82d LIFE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP JUNIOR OFFICER	PATRICK "DOC" HALLORAN \$50.40 504 LIFE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP JUNIOR OFFICER	THOMAS J. McANDREWS \$100.00 NEWSLETTER BOOSTER
MSG® PETE LONG \$50.00 NEWSLETTER BOOSTER	TREASURER RON RATH \$135.00 GENERAL FUND	COL® JOHN MOORE \$40.00 NEWSLETTER BOOSTER
COL® HUGH DONOHUE \$30.00 CHAPLAIN'S FUND	R.G. BURNS \$100.00 GEN FUNDS IN MEMORY OF CSM® PETE MORAKON	CARROLL SYLVESTER \$225.00 DONATED TO GENERAL FUND
		SOCRATES M. PHTIADDES \$100.00 CHAPLAIN FUND

SPONSOR OF AN ACTIVE DUTY TROOPER TO THE 2020 DEVIL DINNER WAS CANCELLED DUE TO THE VIRUS

CURRENT DONATIONS TO THE ASSOCIATION'S 2020 ANNUAL RAFFLE OVER \$10.00 ABOVE THE \$20.00 FOR THE TICKETS		
RONALD VERTREES- \$50.00	CHARLES W. NAVE-\$50.00	SECRETARY WILLIAM EBERLE-\$100.00
TREASURER RON RATH-\$524.00	HUGH WALLIS-\$30.00	CARROL SYLVESTER-\$500.00
PATRICK B. MAYO-\$40.00	GEN® DAVID A. BRAMLETT-\$50.00	THOMASJ. McANDREWS-\$100.00
GEN® DAVID H. PETRAEUS-\$100.00	MSG® ROGER K, HATTERSLEY-\$100.00	MR. HARRIS ROSEN-\$100.00
1SG® REYNOLD MARTINEZ-\$82.00	ROBERT S. SAVELY-\$50.00	COL® FLOYD E. HUDSON,JR.-\$50.00
CSM® DANN A. RIDGEWAY-\$50.00	JOSEPH M. WESTON-\$100.00	THEODORE L. CONKLIN-\$50.00
JAMES GEORGE-\$40.00	RAFFLE CHR DAVID J. LOVELAND-\$100.00	MICHAEL R. McCANN \$50.00
MICHAEL J. REGAN \$50.00	YOUR NAME COULD GO HERE	

NON-MEMBERS DEATHS	NON-MEMBERS DEATHS	NON-MEMBERS DEATHS
Bramson, Robert E.	Chargualaf, Mike C/2-504	Clewler, Edward
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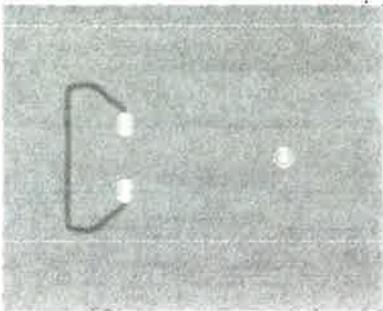
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From the roof of a classical Sicilian castle perched on a hill, Lt. George Watts sat with his two machine gun crews scanning the rolling hills surrounding them. Below the hill, a road wound around an adjacent hill. It was littered with bodies blackened by the sun, a testament to the work of the 100-odd miss-dropped paratroopers under his command who had gathered and fortified the castle. The castle sat on a strategic road leading to the invasion beach where the 1st Division was making the landing. The bodies which littered the road were members of the Hermann Goring Panzer Division responding to oppose the American landing. But Watts and his men had stymied them so far.

In the distance, Watts observed two figures approaching. They got closer. One raised a rifle. Watts ordered the machine guns to open up as soon as the figure shot a round. But the figure never did. They were Americans. That figure was a member of the 1st Division named Sam Fuller who had stormed the beach and pushed inland. In a later life, that figure, which Watts had nearly ordered killed, would become a famous Hollywood movie director. Watts told their tale to Fuller. After being miss dropped, Watts found a fellow officer, Lt. Ferrill, and they had joined forces together with a miss-match group of paratroopers as lost as they were. They fortified the castle and held out, without resupply of food, water or ammunition. One afternoon, they had an eight hour battle with a column of the Hermann Goring Panzer Division believed to be at least battalion-sized. Midway through the fight, a German officer waved a white flag and came to negotiate surrender terms. When he found out he was fighting American paratroops, the German went back down the hill and the fighting resumed. Watts and his men killed at least 65 Germans and many Italian troops, blocking the way to the beaches. The basement of the castle became a makeshift hospital as the Germans rained artillery down. Paratroopers charged down the hill with machine guns at the Germans. When Fuller and his companion arrived, they were the first Americans the paratroops had seen in three days. Fuller and his companion were surrounded by, as Fuller later described, “half-hysterical paratroopers.” The 1st Division had broken through, and their relief was finally in sight.

By Tyler Fox, 504 PIR Association Historian

1BCT Redeployment Homecoming Wave

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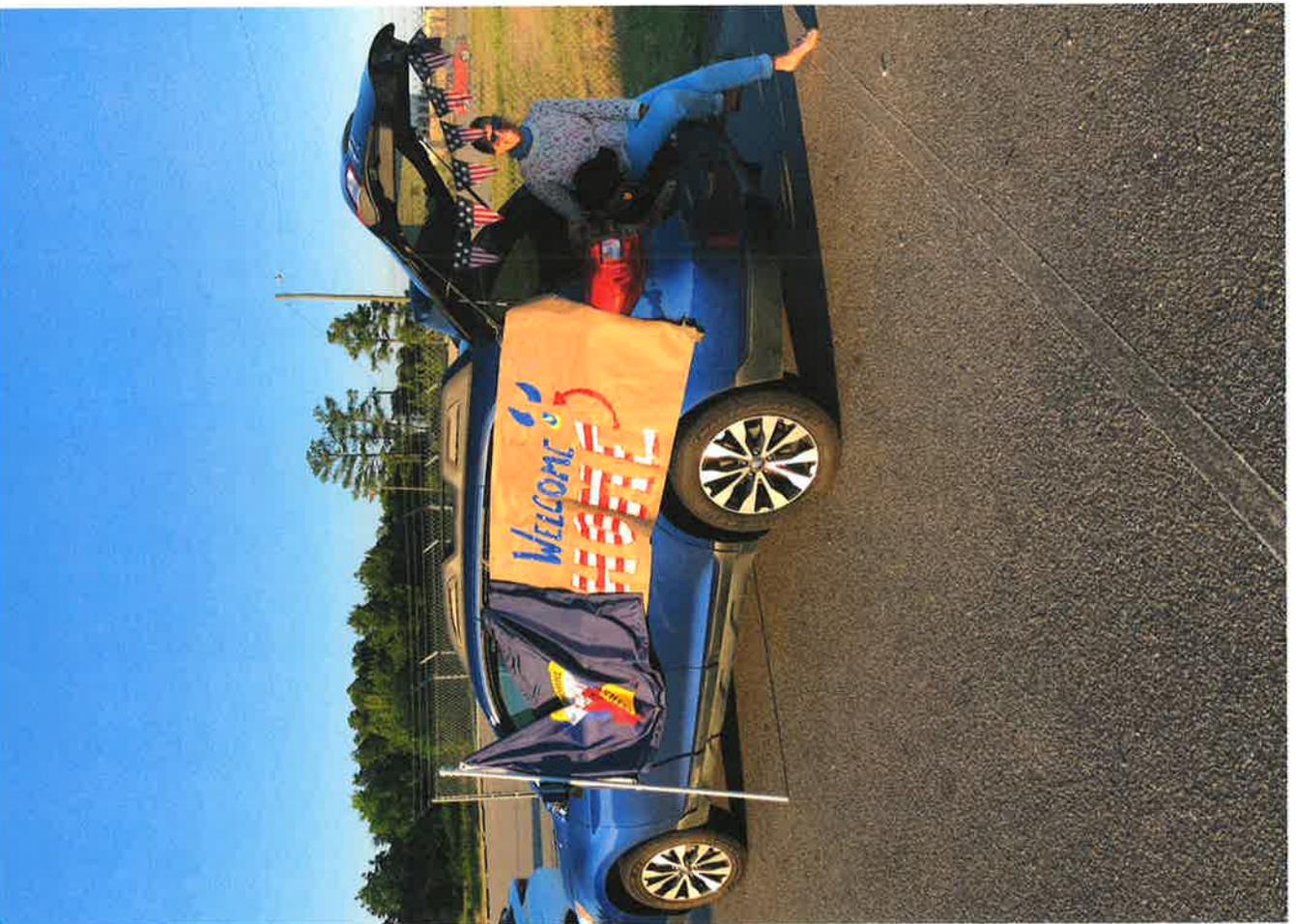
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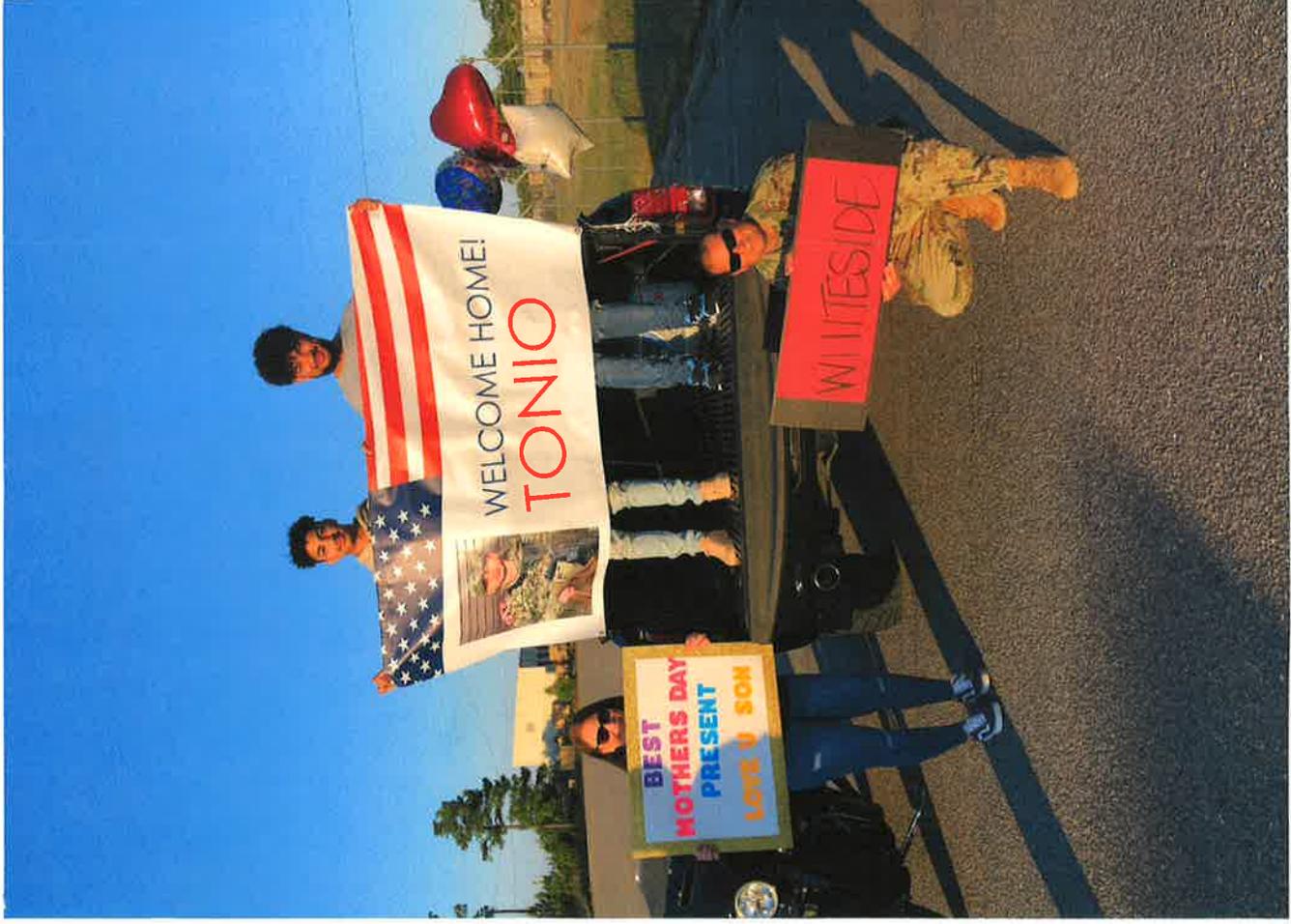


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Philip Hannan, 98, Dies; New Orleans Archbishop

By Dennis Hevesi

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Retired Archbishop Philip M. Hannan, a confidant to President John F. Kennedy and the leader of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New Orleans for more than 20 years, died on Thursday at a hospice in New Orleans. The archbishop, who delivered the eulogy for President Kennedy in 1963, was 98.

The archdiocese confirmed his death, saying he had been in declining health for several years.

It was in the late 1940s when the archbishop, Father Hannan at the time, met Kennedy, then a young Democratic congressman from Massachusetts. A priest had come to Kennedy's office, unannounced, insisting that as a Catholic the congressman had to defend the church in Mexico against opponents in the Mexican government.

Kennedy was irate — until a colleague put him in touch with Father Hannan, who was then an assistant chancellor in the Archdiocese of Washington. Father Hannan assured Kennedy that the priest had violated protocol by directly approaching a member of Congress, and he promised to speak to the priest. That was the start of a long friendship.

“When Kennedy had a question about how politics and church teaching intersected, he would give Father Hannan a call,” said Peter Finney Jr., editor of The Clarion Herald, the New Orleans archdiocese's newspaper. The issues they touched on included race relations and tensions between tenets faith and Constitutional mandates.

A degree of secrecy was a must. “For it to be known that Kennedy was consulting at all with a Catholic bishop would have been politically harmful,” Mr. Finney said.

On Nov. 25, 1963, three days after Kennedy's assassination, at the request of Jacqueline Kennedy, the first lady, Bishop Hannan delivered the eulogy at the president's funeral Mass in St. Matthew's Cathedral in Washington. St. Matthew's had been the bishop's boyhood church.

The eulogy was essentially a reprise of the president's favorite verses from scripture and excerpts from his inaugural speech.

“He decided to do that because he thought Kennedy's words were so uplifting that there was little that he could improve upon,” Mr. Finney said.

On June 8, 1968, three days after the assassination of the president's brother, Senator Robert F. Kennedy, Archbishop Hannan presided over his burial at Arlington National Cemetery. And 26 years later he returned to Arlington to lead prayers for Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, who had died of cancer. In 1964, he officiated at the reburial of two Kennedy infants at Arlington so that their remains could be near those of their father. It was with a blend of social activism and conservatism that he presided over the Archdiocese of New Orleans from 1965 to 1988.

In 1965, as the Second Vatican Council was modernizing the church, he unsuccessfully pushed for a change in church policy in support of nuclear armament by Western powers because, as the petition he wrote said, it “has preserved freedom for a very large portion of the world.”

In New Orleans, where public swimming pools were not open to African-Americans, he integrated the pool at the archdiocese’s Notre Dame Seminary. He also established after-school programs for children of all faiths at neighborhood centers throughout the archdiocese. He secured federal support to build nearly 3,000 affordable housing units for seniors and poor people. He created one of the largest food banks for poor people in the country. And he set up a hospice for AIDS patients.

Philip Matthew Hannan was born in Washington on May 20, 1913, one of eight children of Patrick and Lillian Hannan. His father was a plumber. The future archbishop earned a licentiate in theology from the Gregorian University in Rome and a doctorate in canon law from Catholic University of America before being ordained in 1939.

In 1942, he enlisted to become an Army chaplain and was assigned to the 505th Parachute Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division. In 1945, he helped liberate a concentration camp at Wöbbelin, Germany.

Archbishop Hannan is survived by his brother, Jerry.

On Saturday, he received absolution for whatever sins he had committed in life from the current archbishop, Gregory M. Aymond.

“Sounds good to me,” he told Archbishop Aymond.

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If also sending your 82d Abn Div Association Membership
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Chairman for Association Raffle: [Appointed by President]

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TO WHOM FUNDS SHOULD BE SEND TO

[Raffle Funds] Send to:

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[Devil Dinner Funds] Send To:

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Note: All other funds should be sent only to:

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ASSOCIATION HOME ADDRESS:

504 Parachute Infantry Regiment Association, Inc., c/o Ronald H. Rath, 22 Club Hill Drive, Garner, NC 27529-6528, Phone:(919)803-4554/Fax:(919)803-2400

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	92,657	22	94,716
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24	0
25 Total assets	92,657	25	94,716
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	92,657	27	94,716

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **SEE SCHEDULE O**

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28 PRINTING AND PUBLICATION OF PROP BLAST MAGANZINE WHICH PROVIDES INFORMATION AND EDUCATION MATERIAL, AND PROMOTES CONTACT BETWEEN ASSOCIATION MEMBERS. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	2,255
29 _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30 _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) _____ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	2,255

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated - see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
See 990 OFOV				
STEVEN COPENING PRESIDENT	2.00	0	0	0
JOSEPH N STEEN 1ST VP	2.00	0	0	0
CSM DAVID S JORDAN 2ND VP	2.00	0	0	0
RONALD H RATH TREASURER	2.00	0	0	0
DOUGLAS R STEPHENSON CHAPLAIN	2.00	0	0	0
MICHAEL S LESTER CORP RESIDENT AGENT	1.00	0	0	0
DAVID R COCHRON DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
RANDY J GLANCY DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
ROBERT STONEROCK DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
MICHAEL A BRISENO DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
H D SCHROEDER DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
MECKENSTOCK CSM KLAUS DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0
GEORGE ZABLOCKI DIRECTOR	1.00	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911; section 4912; section 4955
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed
42 a The organization's books are in care of
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States?
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041-Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ. See instructions

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47 - 49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
47		

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

48		
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49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49a		
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b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b		
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50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note: All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer: Ronald H. Rath Date: 5-13-20

Type or print name and title: RONALD H RATH, TREASURER

Paid Preparer Only

Print/Type preparer's name: WALTER J PIKUL Preparer's signature: [Signature] Date: 5-13-20 Check if self-employed PTIN: P00615703

Firm's name: WALTER J PIKUL MBA CPA CFP Firm's EIN:

Firm's address: PO BOX 41035 Phone no.: 910-424-1981

FAYETTEVILLE NC 28309-1035

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

OMB No. 1545-0047

2019

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Employer identification number

504TH PARACHUTE INFANTRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

52-1942894

01. General explanation attachment

**PART III: ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE: PRESERVE HISTORY OF THE 504TH AND SUPPORT
504TH MEMBERS & FAMILIES.**

02. Description of other expenses (Part I, line 16)

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
DONATIONS	7,000
CONVENTION EXPENSES	7,156
PROMOTIONAL EXPENSES	8,745
DEVIL DINNER EXPENSES	9,211
FWOT FUND EXPENSES	99
WARDS	929
RAFFLE EXPENSE	979
MEMBERSHIP EXPENSE	420
OFFICE EXPENSE	1,049
PHONE	359

**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 _____	

**WISHING ALL OF YOU A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



THE 504 PIR ASSOCIATION DOES TAKE



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

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**

RULES OF THE CHALLENGE COIN

- 1. If someone slaps a Challenge Coin down on the bar or table and someone there does not have their Challenge Coin with them-then that person has to buy the round.**
- 2. If there is more than one of them that does not have their coin then each one of them has to buy a round.**
- 3. However, if everyone there has his or her Challenge Coin -then the person that slapped the coin down first has to buy the round.**
- 4. A persons Challenge Coin must be within reach of him/her. It cannot be in anything beyond arms reach from where they are standing/sitting.**
- 5. For someone to want to play the game with who has a higher coin, like General or President is not part of the rules and should not be used unless all there have agreed to do it before hand.**