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Welcome to the Badger State Chapter of the World's Greatest Airborne Association!

### BSC ELECTIONS

*The Chapter elections will be held at our November meeting. Airborne leadership is expected at all levels. If you would like to serve in an executive leadership position please submit your name to the BSC Trustees.*

#### Offices for Election:

**Chairman**  
**Vice Chair**  
**Secretary**  
**Treasurer**  
**Sgt. At Arms**

*If you, or if you know of someone who would be willing to run for any one of the Officer positions please contact one of the Trustees (Nominating Committee). Their names and phone numbers are listed on Pg. 2. It is important that we have strong leadership for the BSC.*

*-Tom Gaukel, Trustee*

## BSC Honors WWII Airborne Veterans at Prairie du Sac Dinner



Doc Stolp tells us what it was like jumping into Holland at the WWII Airborne Heroes Dinner as organizer Tom Gaukel looks on. Doc thanked Tom for his tireless work in organizing this dinner and for continually promoting the Airborne Spirit (Laney photo)

Following the July chapter meeting the participating members gathered in the VFW Hall at Prairie Du Sac for a dinner honoring Wisconsin WWII Airborne Veterans.

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## Maggie Honored by Badgers and Ripon College

On June 21st, surgeons cracked Jim Megellas's 92-year-old chest, and put a new valve in his tremendously good and Airborne heart. (Were those little Paratrooper Wings in there?)

By the August 13th dedication of his Ripon College Tribute Case donated to the school by the Badger State Chapter, 82nd Airborne Association, he looked ready to jump into Holland and carry his wounded off the battlefield again!

More than 85 11th, 13th, 17th, 82nd and 101st Paratroopers, Glider Riders, Professors and ROTC leaders turned out to honor the most decorated officer in the famed 82nd Airborne's rugged history.

In a stirring speech, Maggie talked about American virtue, the wonder of growing up in small town USA, the coziness of Ripon College, it's boxing and football teams and the organized ferocity Ripon's ROTC leaders brought to the 82nd Airborne and WWII's battlefields. Deeply Honored by the Badgers and Ripon, Maggie asked us to remember all the veterans who did not make it home from the war. (Cont. pg 4)



BSC Historian and 325 GIR Mortar man Les Schwarm delivers accolades to Maggie with BSC Chair Mike Haller. Maggie's Case was donated by Bob Lucksted and contains Maggie's valor citations and combat items donated by Ron Chier. (Photo by 82nd Vet Justin Connaher, Fond Du Lac Reporter)



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## Message from Iron Mike

We had a very successful Airborne display at the Baraboo Air Show, June 27 and 28th. Les Schwarm presented an outstanding display of glider activities in World War II. Tom Laney and John Givens brought tents to use for the event. Thanks. The 82nd sent two Paratroopers! I don't have enough space here to thank all the members who helped welcome people to our Airborne tent.

On July 11th the BSC sponsored a dinner to honor Wisconsin World War II Airborne vets thanks to the efforts of Tom Gaukel. There were thirteen Wisconsin Airborne Veterans present at the dinner. We had a short chapter meeting before

the dinner.

On August 13th I had the privilege of attending a dedication of an 82nd Airborne tribute case to Lt. Col. James "Maggie" megellas at Ripon College. Maggie was an honor graduate of Ripon College and the most decorated officer in the 82nd Airborne's proud history. Some 85 people were in attendance at the event which included fellow paratroopers, friends and relatives. Thanks to Tom Laney for arranging this special event.

Go Airborne.

Mike Haller  
BSC Chairman

### Vice-Chair Comments

I'd like to thank the Plover VFW for being so supportive of the Badger State Chapter! It has been a pleasure coordinating this event with them. We should consider having more events scheduled with them in the future. They are letting us use the facility for free, not to mention providing us dinner at \$9.00 (+ tip) a person! What a wonderful group of people!  
- MSG Sean Beaudette, Vice Chair

### Editor's Note

It's been a very busy Summer and all of the items slated for the paper just can't be fit in. I have started posting articles and pictures on the web at:

<http://sites.google.com/site/badgerairborne/>

Thank you to everyone who worked on the Airborne Display at the Baraboo Air Show, to Tom Gaukel for the WWII Dinner, to all who showed up on short notice at Ripon, to VFWs Dave Green and Lee Shourds for honoring Bill Hannigan and Judy Durkee.

-Tom Laney

## Next BSC Meeting

Sept. 26, 2009

**Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10262**  
2970 Hickory Drive, Plover, WI 54467  
(715) 341-8414

**Visit to Airborne Memorial Hwy 10 Bridge**  
Stevens Point 1 PM

**Assemble at VFW 2PM**  
**Meeting at VFW 3-4:30PM**  
**Drinks 4:30—5:30PM**  
**Dinner \$11.00 per person includes tip!**

**Send dinner reservation checks by Sept. 20**  
**To: Reuben Clark,**  
**5318 Greenbriar Lane,**  
**Madison, WI 53714-3404**

## BSC AGENDA Sept. 26, 2009 VFW Post 10262 Plover, Wisconsin

- I. Call to Order 3:00 pm
- II. Pledge and Prayer
- III. Approval of 7-11 Minutes
- IV. Secretary & Treasurer Reports
- V. Vice Chair comments
- VI. Chair comments
- VII. Old Business
  - A. Promotional material—Jackets
  - B. Honorary Membership
- BREAK
- VIII. New Business
  - A. Flag Poles at Hwy 10 bridge
  - B. National Convention Report
  - C. Comments & suggestions
- IX. Adjourn 4:30

## Plover Hotels

BLUE TOP  
715-2521576 LISA  
\$50 DOUBLE TAX INCLUDED  
\$35 SINGLE TAX INCLUDED  
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\$80 + TAX  
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715-341-4414  
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STAY INN & SUITES 715-  
341-9090 JAY  
\$46.95 + TAX= DOUBLE  
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\*APPROX 4 MILES NORTH  
OF THE VFW



# The Airborne Heroes who won WWII



Bruno and Harry with Ray Conklin showing off our favorite "I'm the 82nd Airborne and this is as far as the bastards are going" Poster.

L/R—Bruno Mueller, Gordy Starck, Doc Stolp, Les Schwarm, Gene Strutzenberg, Larry Michaels, Harry Hauri, Herb Huebschen, Norb Studelska, Jerry Morrow.



Mike Haller going over jump commands with our favorite MSG's Christina Steiner and Sean Beaudette and 504 Ranger and favorite Mad City cop Kipp Hartman. (Laney photos)

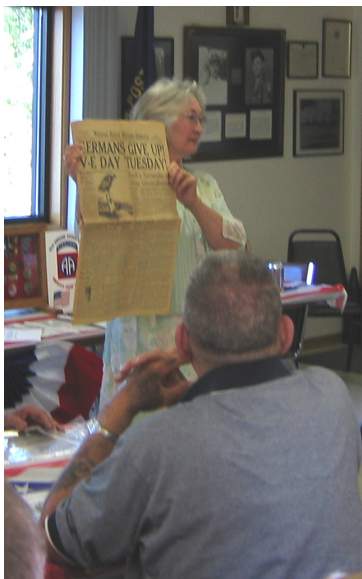
**Thank you Tom Gaukel!**

As always, Mr. Rakkasan, BSC Trustee Tom Gaukel put a lot of work into this dinner to honor Wisconsin's WWII Airborne and we all had a great time thanks to Tom and the Airborne Heroes he assembled. .

For those of us with big mouths— an Airborne condition—this dinner was a wonderful opportunity to thank the WWII Paratroopers and Glider Riders. We thank you all for beating up the Nazis so we can continue to shoot off our big mouths without storm troopers tramping to our doors!

And thank you Glenn Ward and all our Brothers who did not make it home.

Band of Brothers indeed!



Judy Durkee thanks our guys for winning the war. Judy's dad, Glenn Ward, 508th PIR was killed in action when she was only three years old. Judy has remembered him by speaking for the Airborne across Wisconsin. Her story is coming up soon in BAN. The 321st Airborne FA, 508th Airborne Combat Team just dedicated their Deployment Ball to Glenn Ward.



We all had a great time!



## Maggie Tribute Case Dedicated at Ripon College



*This beautiful Tribute Case to the 82nd and Jim Megellas was donated by BSC Member Bob Lucksted. It now rests in the Ripon College Museum in honor of the 82nd Airborne's most decorated officer. The case contains Maggie's citations for the Distinguished service Cross, two Silver stars and two Bronze Stars; Jump Boots, two bayonets donated by Ron Chier; a 1918 trench knife; Maggie's book; several pictures and summaries of all his medals and life.*



"I thank the Badger Chapter for this wonderful honor," Jim Megellas said, "and I would like us all to see it as a memorial for all our friends from Ripon, from America, who led from the front in Italy, St. Mere Eglise, Holland, The Battle of the Bulge, who did not make it home."

"There is a very special bond between Paratroopers and Glidermen, the Airborne. I am deeply honored to be amongst you all today."



*Sitting, Doc Stolp, Maggie, Bill Hannigan. Back, Justin Connaher, 82nd Vet and photographer for the Fond du Lac Reporter; Tom Laney; Ron Chier, Mike Haller, Bert Schmitz, Howard Rennhack, Walt Pakulski and David Joyce, Ripon College President who was raised by a Marine but still has great appreciation for the Airborne!*



*Doc and Bill Hannigan wondering if Maggie's .45 is still loaded? Maggie was going to loan the pistol to the Tribute Case but we decided it was too valuable and too insecure in the College Museum. It will be displayed at Maggie's Legion Post in Fond du Lac.*



*Silver Star winner Gene Strutzenberg with Maggie.*

*The Maggie Action Figure below is loaned to the Case.*



*Bill Neill, with Mike Haller, Les Schwarm Ripon and Diane Stolp. Bill, Ripon College organizer and fundraiser MC'd the Tribute dedication and worked hard to make it a success. The College arranged a nice lunch following the ceremony.*



## Baraboo Airborne Tent Crew



L-R, John Givens, Tom Gaukel, Les Schwarm, Mike Haller, Frank Morris, Tom Laney, Bill Oulette and GI Joe. Helpers missing from pic, Sean Beaudette, Christina Steiner, Margie Oulette, Tom & Randy Hacker and two 508th, 2-321st AFA, *Fury from the Sky*, Paratroopers from Ft. Bragg, Sgt. Jeff Crooks and 2LT Andrew Malon. Tent was loaned by 1/128th 32nd Infantry, Eau Claire. Thank you Major Walsh!

Lt. Malon got a nice article about us and the Airborne Tent in the Ft. Bragg *daily* Paraglide. He said there, "It is still amazing to see the respect civilians have for the 82nd Airborne. I must have shaken 100 hands! It was extremely humbling to meet members of the Badger Chapter who were involved in Operation Market Garden, Bastogne, and the Battle of the Bulge. One Badger member, Les Schwarm, actually rode a glider into combat!" So now the BSC is famous at Ft. Bragg!! Lt. Malon will be writing a BAN column from Afghanistan called "Fury from the Sand"! He says: "I hope that one day our experience will be looked on with the same kind of honor and appreciation as the 82nd in the past. Thanks for all you do to keep the 82nd strong, Fury From the Sky!" - 2LT Drew Malon. We wish our new friends Lt. Malon and Sgt. Crooks the 508th and the 82nd Airborne Godspeed in Afghanistan.

### Ranger Recon

Joseph Brennan, is completing his Basic Training in Ft Benning and will begin his Airborne Training immediately after graduation. Joseph Brennan is following in his cousin's footsteps, Josh Brennan, and will be assigned to Josh's Unit with the 173rd Airborne. He will then deploy to Afghanistan, just like Josh did. Joseph Brennan is from the Milwaukee area. Mike Brennan is going to his Infantry Graduation and will try to attend the Airborne Graduation as well in a couple of weeks. I was wondering if the Chapter would be interested in helping celebrate that graduation? Maybe in some way show our support to a future W1 Paratrooper preparing to deploy and make another contact with an active serving Paratrooper.

- Kipp Hartman

### Look Airborne!

The BSC has jackets, t-shirts, sweatshirts, ties, caps, flags, pins, patches, medals, cushions, cups, glasses, everything to help you look and feel your

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### Mail Call

May 09  
Dear Badgers,

Thank you for your thoughtful gift, we are excited about the opportunity to have a great evening for our Paratroopers and their families. Please let us know what we can do for the Badger 82nd Association.

Airborne, All The Way!  
Fury from the Sky!  
LTC Will Huff C.O.  
2/321st Abn FA, 508th, 82nd Airborne  
Ft. Bragg, NC

Dear Badgers,

Thank you for your donation of \$200. Your donation went directly to the 2-321st Abn Field Artillery Send-Off Ball on June 12th prior to the unit's deployment to Afghanistan.

Christopher Jefferson, President  
2-321st Abn FA Assn.  
Ft. Bragg

## To Iris, The Love of My Life

Iris May Huebschen, 82, Beloit, died July 25. She was born December 24, 1926 in Leicester, England. After a WWII courtship with 325 GIR, 82nd Airborne Veteran Herb Huebschen they were married in West Allis on January 31, 1948.

The following is a note from Herb:

*Had it not been for WWII, Iris and I would never have met (MY LOSS). Prior to D-DAY in 1944, the 82nd Airborne was stationed for training near Iris' home in England. She was a volunteer hostess at the Allied Forces Club, similar to our USO, where soldiers of all the Allied Forces could drop in for tea and cookies, dance to live music (The Lambeth Walk), and mingle with pretty English girls. So I dropped in, and that's how I met Iris.*

*It's still a wonder to me that in all the world, I found the single, most beautiful woman to be my future wife. But I sensed something in her smile, her character, her soft accent, and her upbringing, that she was made of the "right stuff". Iris spent many a night in cold, damp, poorly lit air raid shelters during her teen-age years. Remember that Great Britain fought WWII for SIX years, 1939 to 1945. There were painful separations when I had to leave England for the 82nd's combat missions in Normandy, Holland, Belgium, and all over Western Europe.*

*Iris was always my supportive companion at countless reunions of the 82nd Airborne, be it the Badger Chapter of the 82nd Association or of course the 325 Glider Infantry Association. I wish to thank Don and Liz, and their spouses, for their marvelous support during this difficult time for our family. To our grand-children, may you always remember your Grandmother for the remarkably brave woman she was.*

-Herb Huebschen

### Airborne Memorial Bridge

**BSC Historian & Market Garden Paratrooper**, Doc Stolp, says of our Airborne Memorial in Stevens Point. "Remember, it is the job of Paratroopers and Glider Riders to operate behind enemy lines, seizing and holding bridges for the Infantry, thus the Airborne Bridge Memorial."

You can place your name on this memorial to all our Airborne Brothers and Sisters for only \$100!

Contact Tom Gaukel, 608-355-2382.

Badger State Chapter Minutes  
Meeting on 7-11-09 VFW, Prairie Du Sac, WI.

*(Editor's Note: All business will be re-conducted Sept. 26 due to a quorum call.)*

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Haller at 2:45 PM. Pledge by Chairman Mike, and Prayer by Vice-Chair Sean Beaudette. Motion to approve the minutes from the May 30th meeting at the Farm Kitchen, Baraboo, by Gordy Stark, second by Tom Laney. Motion carried. TREASURER'S REPORT, John Givens for the absent, Reuben Clark. A printed copy of the report was handed out to the members. The chapter received a check from the National Assoc. in the amount of \$583.00 for membership reimbursement dollars. Motion to approve the treasurers report by Tom Laney, second by Sean Beaudette, motion carried. SECRETARY'S REPORT, John Givens. (1) The July 82nd Assoc. Bulletin has not yet been received. (2) I want to thank Past Chairman Steve Helms for storing the BSC Colors and other items at his home. Also, thank you to Jerry Deimel for picking them up at Steve's house for use at the Baraboo Air Show and for the July 11th, WWII Honors Dinner. (3) Just a few words about the Air Show. It went pretty well. Saturday it was windy and we had some rain. Sunday it was hot and sunny and very windy. The 101st jumpers were able to make their jump on Saturday, but Sunday it was just too windy. We should all give Mike Haller and Tom Laney a big hand and a thank you for a job well done setting things up. Also, a big thank you to Les Schwarm who had an excellent display about Gliders. All the chapter members who attended were a big help, and the two active duty troopers from the 82nd who were there. Thank you all. (4) We should all thank Past Chairman and Trustee, Tom Gaukel for all of his time and work putting the WWII Honors Dinner and Program together. The WWII Airborne Veterans who will be attending the Honors Dinner here today, and all veterans of all the wars, Thank You. (5) OPERATION: Christmas Stockings. John handed out a copy of this fundraiser, paperwork. For a \$10.00 donation, a Xmas stocking is sent to a child whose parent is deployed fighting the war on terrorism. You will also receive a pin in memory of those who have lost their lives fighting the war on terrorism. CHAIR-

MAN'S COMMENTS, Mike Haller. Thank you to all who attended and helped out with the Air Show. VICE CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS, Sean Beaudette. Thank you to all who attended the Air Show. Discussed the possibility of having our Sept. meeting at Stevens Point, 1st choice, or at the High Ground, 2nd choice. Sean will check out having the meeting on the 3rd Saturday of September. MEMBER'S COMMENTS. Mike Haller rented a generator for the Air Show, the cost was \$128.00. Motion by Tom Laney for the chapter to cover the cost, 2nd by Bill Tobin, motion carried. Tom Laney met a guy who is a Viet Nam Vet who is not a paratrooper but Tom would like to be able to have him as an Assoc. member of the chapter. His name is Phil Kallas. Check with Reuben Clark what the cost would be for him. Motion by Tom Laney to make him an assoc. member, 2nd by Bill Tobin, motion carried. Tom Laney mentioned that Major Daniel Walsh went to get missing parts for the Army tent for use at the Air Show. Tom L. would like to give him a certificate making him an "Honorary Badger Paratrooper" and a bottle of Jamison's. Motion by Tom Laney, 2nd by Sean Beaudette, to do so, for helping make the Air Show a success. Motion carried. It was brought to the members attention that the president of the 82nd Airborne Assoc., Steven Frazer, would not be present for the Honors Dinner. Tom Laney wants to thank the Leinenkugel Beer Co. for printing up a large Airborne sign for use at the Air Show. Motion to adjourn at 3:30 PM by Mike Haller, 2nd by Sean Beaudette, motion carried. Secretary, John Givens

Addition to minutes, WWII Airborne Veterans Dinner and Program-Tom Gaukel-Following the chapter meeting the participating members gathered in the VFW Hall at Prairie Du Sac for a dinner honoring Wisconsin WWII Airborne Veterans. There were 11 Honorees in attendance. After a time for refreshments, visiting, Audio/Video interviews of Honorees and time spent with Madison's Channel 15 TV, the meal was served. Following the meal a short program honoring the WWII vets was held. Letters from Col. Scocos, a BSC member and Sec. of Wis. Veterans Affairs, (now deployed in Iraq) and Mr. Steven Frazer, Pres. Of the 82nd National Assoc. were read. Judy Durkee, daughter of a 82nd Airborne paratrooper, with the 508, KIA in WWII at the Battle of the Bulge, gave a great talk on what honoring veterans means to her. Each honoree was given a certificate of appreciation from the BSC.

## Norb Studelska Part Two

"In the midst of the confusion of being surrounded, a lone form staggered toward us calling out names of troopers in our platoon. We dashed out to help him. It was George Thorne, our platoon runner who made it through several hundred yards of enemy. The ordeal cost him a bullet hole through his stomach. His message from the Co. Commander was, 'Hold at all costs.' George had done his duty. We carried him to the basement of a farmhouse where he was cared for by our medic.

"George Thorne was one of my good buddies. This was the last I heard of him until after the war."

There is much more to Norb's combat than can be covered here. You can read it all in Doc's book, "As You Were" which is now online at our website: <http://sites.google.com/site/badgerairborne/Home>

(Or, John Givens put Doc's book on CDs which are available from John.)

Norb served with the 82nd Honor Guard in Berlin and marched with the 82nd in the NYC Victory Parade.

Norb Studelska is the kind of man who worried that the B.A.R.s always seemed to be assigned to the smallest Troopers. Or, maybe it just seemed that way because a 6'2" Paratrooper would wind up being 5'6" after carrying the 20lb AR and it's 20lbs of magazines. But a man who worries about others ought to be a teacher and coach and that's what Norb became.

Norb came home to marry his sweetheart Elaine and have seven children. (Elaine, a big BSC supporter, died in 2008.) He became a student at River Falls under the GI Bill. He graduated to become a teacher and football coach. From his BAR observations you can bet he never had the smallest back playing tackle.

He served on the Grafton School Board from 1959 to 1992, 10 years as President; the Village Board; and, is currently a member of the Historic Preservation Committee. He is a staunch member of St. Joseph's

Catholic Parish where he served on the finance and debt retirement committees.

Norb is a past Chairman of the Badger Chapter; and active in the American Legion and VFW. He spent much time working for the 508th PIR Association where he served as President and Vice president. He attends the Static Line Awards and was SL's 1998 508th PIR Man of the Year. He is an Honorary Member British Royal Legion.

Norb Studelska is one of those humble Paratroopers who doesn't like being called a Hero. He says he was doing a job. He misses his friends. He loves his family, his church and community.

The great GK Chesterton said, "There is a corollary to the conception of being too proud to fight. It is that the humble have to do most of the fighting."

These men, like Norb, humble beyond belief, we are all lucky to know and call friend. They fought so hard for each other, and lost so many of their friends then came home and worked hard to make our country a beautiful place. **All The Way** thanks Norb!





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## Badger Chapter Showcases Airborne at Baraboo Air Show



*Sgt. Crooks & MSG Beaudette knew how to set up the Airborne Tent loaned by the 32nd Infantry.*

By Christina Steiner, BSC Media Liaison

The Badger Chapter of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association was on the ground at the fourth annual Baraboo Air Show on June 27 & 28th.

About 15 members and their wives manned the booths advertising the association and recruiting new members. Vice Chairman Sean Beaudette, active-duty master sergeant and instructor at Fort McCoy, said that for the most part the event went well and the club re-

cruited three new members. “This is the first time in all these years that the association has co-joined with another organization for the purpose of marketing,” Beaudette said. “We had a few kinks, but overall it worked. It’s easier to co-locate in on another event, rather than trying to do it alone. It’s more cost effective.” The idea for the event came from BSC Member Kipp Hartman. Beaudette, along with Mike Haller, chairman; and Tom Laney, editor of the Badger Airborne News, started planning and coordinating the event with Baraboo Air Show staff last September. The chapter paid \$200 to have vendor space at the show.

“I’m glad we did this,” said Beaudette. “Next time we do a joint event, we’ll assign specific tasks ahead of time, and will always look forward to how to do things better each time.”

Haller and Beaudette are in agreement that the chapter will attempt to market to all generations. They’re brainstorming now on updating the Airborne clothing and hats to appeal to a younger and broader audience, while still not losing the mature generations.

To become a Badger State Chapter mem-

ber, prospective alumni must’ve been a paratrooper or glider rider from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard. Membership costs \$15 a year or \$50 for a lifetime membership, which includes a copy of the Paraglide magazine, the publication of the parent 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division Association. (See application pg. 7)



*Les Schwarm with Sgt. Jeff Crooks, 321sr Abn FA, 82nd at Baraboo Air Show. (Photos by 82nd 2Lt. Andrew Malon)*