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The official Newsletter of the Badger State Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Division Association

Message from our Jumpmaster, Chairman Jim Yenchesky



BSC Chairman
Jim Yenchesky

Welcome to spring Troopers,

Weatherman says its spring but not sure with the changes we have seen the last couple of weeks. It all leads to a great summer.

The next three months we have 3 events; our May meeting, our annual golf outing, and July meeting/bridge event. Looking

Forward to seeing as many of you at these events as can possibly make it to. The May meeting will include a tour

Of the FWD Museum in Clintonville, WI. The golf outing is our major fund raiser for the year. If you have been able to get some raffle item donated make sure to get them to Frank Morris, or better yet , bring them to the outing, the more the merrier. The July meeting/Memorial Bridge event is a great time to honor all airborne troops.

If you cant attend the may meeting we will be using Zoom to connect with you. (*see meeting page near the back for Zoom address*) Hope to see everyone May 18!

AIRBORNE!!

Jim Yenchesky

Chairman - BSC 82nd ABN ASSOCIATION

The BSC has their web site up and running. Please log on to the link below

<http://www.badgerchapter82ndassoc.com/index.html>

Membership Report

- 1) We have 137 troopers on our manifest. Of those 137; 103 life members, 27 Annual Members, and 7 Honorary members.
- 2) We have had 3 Annual members renew so far in 2024.
- 3) We have added 2 new transfer so far this year.
- 4) Everyone is a chapter recruiter! We need your help to find paratroopers to add to our manifest!

AIRBORNE ALL THE WAY-Roy

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All American Week May 20-23, 2024. Ft Liberty (Bragg), NC.



If you are thinking of attending All American Week at Ft. *Liberty*, here is a short line up of events;

May 20– Division Run 6:30– 7:30 on Long Street.

May 21-Division Memorial Service Ceremony, 11:30-12:30 at the 82nd Abn Div. War Memorial Museum (Bld. C-6841), 5108 Ardennes St. also Junior Paratrooper of the year and family fun run 5:30pm-7:00pm starting at the Hall of Hero's (same location at 5108 Ardennes St.

May 22-All American Hall of Fame 11am –Noon at the 82nd Abn Div Hall of Hero's 5108 Ardennes St.

May 23-82nd Airborne Division review; 10am at Pike Field

To find out more information and to pre-register for some of the events you can go on line at;

[HTTPS://www.Army.mil/82ndAirborne#org-all-american-week](https://www.Army.mil/82ndAirborne#org-all-american-week)

82nd Airborne Division Annual Convention

August 14-17, 2024

The 78th annual convention will be held at the luxurious

Rosen Centre Hotel

9840 International Drive

Orlando, FL.

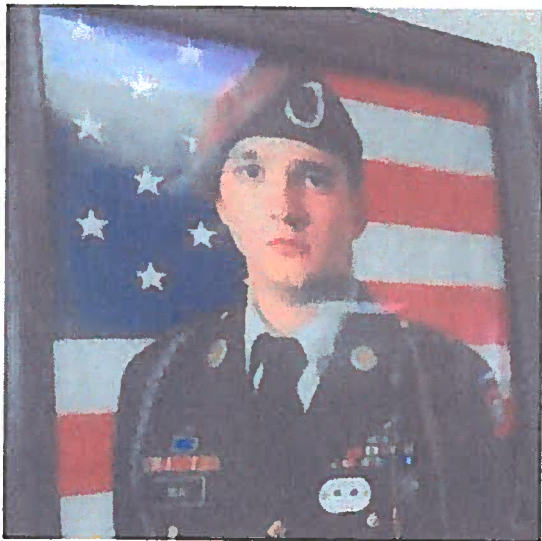
For information and reservations contact the hotel at 800-204-7234 refer to

82nd Abn Div Assoc.

Or to register please go online at;

[HTTP://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/events.html](http://www.82ndairborneassociation.org/events.html)

Stretch of WI. Hwy 11 named after fallen Trooper



CPL. Benjamin H. Neal

On Monday, March 25, 2024, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers put into law to rename a section of Wisconsin Highway 11 after fallen paratrooper Cpl. Benjamin H. Neal. Cpl. Neal was 21 when he passed

Away after he was hit by an IED in an enemy attack in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan on April 25, 2012. He was serving as an active member of the 82nd Airborne Division during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Cpl. Neal is from the town of Orfordville, WI. The 6 mile stretch of Highway 11 that is dedicated to Cpl. Neal runs from Footville to his hometown of Orfordville in Wisconsin.

Ceremony was held at Orfordville American Legion Post 209. Family and Friends were deeply touched by the dedication of the Memorial Highway designation and all those efforts to put forth over the years to accomplish this memorial tribute. The highway will have signage at both ends of the dedicated stretch identifying this memorial.

Cpl. Benjamin H. Neal was also previously awarded the Bronze Star for heroic conduct in combat.

BSC Meeting Minutes from March 2024 Meeting

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Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Yenchesky on March 16, 2024 at 1100 hrs. at the "Lest We Forget Museum" in Marshfield, WI. Meeting was dedicated to Chris Chambers and Nathan Imgran, Navy seals who lost their lives in the line of duty.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Y.

Prayer given by Marge Morris dedicated to all servicemen in all branches of the service on active duty.

Jim Y. gave an all-out welcome to those in attendance and on ZOOM.

Those in attendance were:

Members:

Zoom

Guests:

Doug Rasmussen

Lenny Shier

Roy Yenchesky

David Kemp

Frank Morris

Jim Sray

James Morris

Jim Yenchesky

Sandy Morris

Bill Klumpp

Marge Morris

Secretaries report was taken from the previous Newsletter. Motion to approve by Doug Rasmussen, 2nd by Jim Morris. Passed.

Treasurer, Roy Yenchesky, gave the treasurer's report. Motion to approve by Frank M. 2nd by Jim M. The membership update: 127 Members, of that 28 are annual members of which 14 members are delinquent. We have no outstanding bills.

Still trying to contact members! If you have not been contacted by Roy or Travis Bass (who is assisting Roy in his search), please give a shout-out to him to inform him of your status. If you have moved (this could have occurred several years ago and we do not have this updated info), gone to an assisted living or nursing home, or if you know someone who has passed, please inform Roy of that change. This is our only way to keep records updated. Thank you! Roy's phone: 316.214.4234 & E-Mail: wichitaroy@hotmail.com.

Joe Wrozonek became a Life Member! Congrats to you, Joe!

If you have fallen behind in dues, please do not let that deter you from being in good standing! All you need to do is send in dues for this year to be reinstated.

Currently we have 28 members and 14 delinquent. Question was raised to delete members who are delinquent. Motion was made by Lenny Shier to delete members who are six (6) years behind. 2nd by Frank Morris. **Now remember, you can reinstate your membership any time just by paying this year's dues!**

Roy informed us that the Web Page is up and running. It carries such information as dates for the meeting and what we are actively doing as a club! Information about the golf outing will also be added. To get on, google: Badger State Chapter All Airborne.

The golf outing is scheduled for June 1, 2024. Deadline for signing up is May 18th. Of course we are looking for volunteers to help out or sign up to play. We can only handle 12 teams/foursome. 1st come, 1st serve!

Before our July 13th meeting in Stevens Point, we will have a presentation at the Airborne bridge. More info on that in the next letter.

Airborne Flags were ordered.

Mark Kauffman requested to re-design some of our cards.

December 7th will be the Battle of the Bulge ceremony. We are looking to add more participation to this. Perhaps servicemen to be present. Jim Morris is chairman of this event.

New Business:

A budget for 2024 was laid out. Approved by Lenny S. 2nd by Doug R.

Jim Y. asked for ideas to give to where our donations are needed. We try to give to places that are connected to Military.

Dave K. went over what he might need in merchandise. We are looking into what might give us some kind of profit.

The funeral for James Gardner (who passed last fall) is scheduled For June 21st . It will be a graveside service at St. Peters Cemetary in Eagle River. We are asking for good participation.

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The Raffle Tickets will be sent out around June 15th. I am sending these a little later this year hoping everyone will get right out and sell in the nice summer weather!

Meeting for the remainder of the year are as follows:

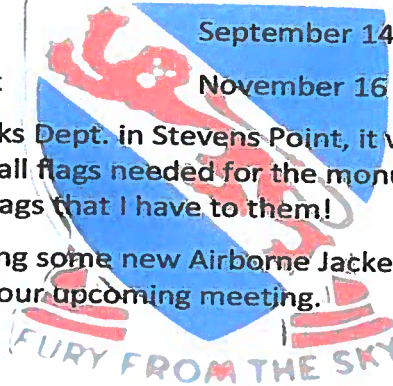
May 18	Clintonville	September 14	Oshkosh
July 3	Stevens Point	November 16	King

After speaking to the Parks Dept. in Stevens Point, it was decided to allow that department to purchase all flags needed for the monument and bill us the cost. I will take any remaining flags that I have to them!

We also discussed ordering some new Airborne Jackets! We were not sure of the color and tabled that for our upcoming meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Marge Morris, Secretary



BSC Annual Golf Outing Sat. June 1, 2024



Photo from last years event

Once again it's time for the BSC Annual Golf outing . And again we will be teeing off at the beautiful Tribute Golf Course in Wausau, WI. On Sat. June 1, 2024.

We are still looking for teams to participate along with volunteers to help out with the event this year.

Cost of a 4 person team is \$400. if you would like to sponsor a team the cost is \$100.

Anyone interested in playing or helping out please contact Frank Morris at fmorris65@aol.com

Or Jim Yenchesky at jyenches8801frontier.com or 414-550-5209

Bunkers @Tribute Golf Course

1001 Golf Club Road, Wausau, WI. 54403

715-675-3663

BSC July Meeting in Stevens Point to start with Bridge Memorial gathering

Our BSC meeting scheduled for July 13, 2024 will start with a gathering at the Airborne Forces Memorial Bridge off of Downtown Stevens Point, WI. On the Highway 66 Bridge. The memorial is located on the southeast corner of the bridge/river. Parking is available in public lots across the road.

Further information will be in our July Newsletter.



BSC May Meeting to start off with a tour in Clintonville, WI.

On Sat. May 18, 2024, our BSC May meeting will be held in Clintonville, WI. We will start off with a tour of the FWD Seagrave Museum. Located at 325 15th St. Clintonville, WI. 54929.

The tour will start at 10am and take about 1 1/2 hours. Following the tour we will have our meeting at the same location in the museum. The meeting is planning on starting at noon. All members are encouraged to attend if interested.

We will be gathering for lunch after the meeting at the Living Room Coffee Shop in Clintonville. It is located at 85 South Main St. in Clintonville. Right in the middle of Downtown.

TRICK'S LOUNGE

PARATROOPERS
WELCOME

MP'S
NOT SO MUCH

Fayetteville, North Carolina

Lighter, More Protection: Army Next-Gen Helmet Now Fielded to 82nd Airborne Division Soldiers



Next-Generation Integrated Head Protection System. (Photo Credit: Avon Protection)

Military.com | By [Jared Keller](#)

Published February 14, 2024 at 1:14pm ET

The Army plans on equipping the 82nd Airborne's 2nd and 3rd Brigade Combat Teams with the NG-IHPS this quarter and fielding the helmet across close-combat formations "over the next three years," the service said.

According to service officials, the NG-IHPS will provide soldiers with "increased ballistic and fragmentation protection" in a 40% lighter package compared to the earlier Integrated Head Protection System, which was first fielded in 2018 to replace the [Advanced Combat Helmet](#) and Enhanced Combat Helmet.



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Our Veteran's Resource Page

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www.VA.gov

Wisconsin Veteran Affairs 800-947-8387

[Http://DVA.wi.gov](http://DVA.wi.gov)>benefits claims

MyWisVets portal

Tricare for life (RETIREE) 866-773-0404

Direct Deposit for VA compensation 877-838-2778

Wisconsin Veterans Museum, 30 W. Mifflin St.

Madison WI.

82ndairborneassociation.org

You can find the "Paraglide" through the association's web site, it is no longer in printed format.



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Many Veterans Service Organizations offer free assistance to help you present your claim to the VA. This includes representation at hearings before the VA Regional Office, the Board of Veterans' Appeals, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Some of these VSOs have a representative at your nearest VA Regional Office. You can also locate a VSO representative by contacting the organization's national office online or by phone. These are just a few of the many VSOs able to assist.

Vietnam Veterans of America
www.vva.org
1-800-VVA-1316

Disabled American Veterans:
www.dav.org
1-877-426-2838

American Legion:
www.legion.org
1-202-861-2700

Paralyzed Veterans of America
www.pva.org
1-800-424-8200

AMVETS
www.amvets.org
1-877-726-8387

Veterans of Foreign Wars:
www.vfw.org
1-816-756-3390

You may also contact the National Veterans Legal Services Project, NVLSP, at (855) 333-0677, agentorange@nvlsp.org or P.O. Box 65762, Wash. D.C. 20035. NVLSP can represent you at no cost to make sure VA gives you the earliest possible effective date for compensation and health benefits related to Agent Orange exposure.

In addition, almost every state has a commission, division, or department of veterans affairs that provides representation to veterans and their families. In some states VSO representatives' offices are located in county, state, or federal government facilities. These may be found in the government pages of your local telephone directory.

REFERENCES and RESOURCES

Vietnam Veterans of America Agent Orange/Dioxin and Other Toxic Substances Committee
<https://vva.org/what-we-do/cutreach-programs/agent-orange/>

VA's Agent Orange Webpage:
www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange

Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations.
Available from the Government Printing Office; to order, call 202-512-1800

The Veterans Health Council, a program of Vietnam Veterans of America
<https://vva.org/what-we-do/cutreach-programs/veterans-health-council/>



Meeting schedule for 2024

All BSC meeting are open to all members and we welcome and encourage everyone to attend one of them. Our meeting are held every other month in March, May, July, September, November. Because of the unpredictable winter weather we break between our November to March meeting.

Our meetings are held throughout the state at various locations to help reduce travel to our overall membership. If you would like a meeting closer to you just ask we will see what we can do.

Upcoming meeting for 2024

May 18; at the FWD Seagrave Museum, 325 15th St., Clintonville, WI. 54929 with a tour at 10:00am and meeting to follow at Noon.

Those who want to attend the Zoom meeting (noon)
Meeting ID: 825 3624 7524

Passcode: 82dAbnDiv **Zoom meeting address:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82536247524?pwd=aUNEN0twbE5RNG8yUOZjd0FqRncvZz09>

July 13; Airborne Memorial Bridge at Stevens Point, WI. And meeting to follow gathering proba-

bly at the Stevens Point Library, 10001 Main St. , Stevens Point, WI. 54481

Sep.14: to be determined but as of now looking at hosting in Oshkosh, WI.

Nov 16; at the King's Veteran's Home, N. 2665 County Road QQ, King, WI. 54946 probably a 1pm start.

Our Mission Statement

Further develop the bond between current and past Airborne Forces of the U.S. Military. Maintain a record of the history and accomplishments of Airborne Trooper. Maintain a close liaison with active Division. Support the 82nd Airborne Division Memorial Museum. Provide scholarships through the Association Educational Fund to recently separated Active Duty Troopers and Dependent Children of Veterans, and Active Duty Troopers

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(Also serving as our Treasurer)

Please return completed application and payment to:

Badger State All Airborne Chapter
Roy Yenchsky, Treasurer
5112 S 247 St W
Goddard, KS 67052



All applications must include verification of eligibility paperwork. Must show honorable discharge, airborne qualification or proof of assignment or attachment to the 82nd Airborne Division. Please see information sheet for acceptable documentation.

Membership Application, payment and update can also be processed online at www.82ndairborneassociation.org under the Membership link.

82nd AIRBORNE DIVISION ASSOCIATION VETERAN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All fields must be filled in and please print legibly!

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name (First) _____ (M.I) _____ (Last) _____

Street Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Email _____ (No email address will restrict your access to information.)

Chapter Preference Badger State All Airborne Chapter Affiliate Chapter (active duty only) _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell) _____

SSN (last four only)/ASN _____ Date of Birth _____

Occupation _____ Spouse _____

Please check one: Annual Membership (\$35.00) or All American Member \$350.

Reinstate Annual Membership Transfer Chapter Update Information

Current Member Replacement Card (\$5.00) Replacement Certificate for Current All American Members (\$10.00)

I would like to donate: \$10.00 \$25.00 \$50.00 \$100 other amount

To General Fund to benefit the Association's Programs Education Fund Wounded Warrior Fund

SERVICE INFORMATION:

Current Status: Retired Military/Veteran Active Duty/Reserve/National Guard Rank

****Time In Service: Entered Service (month/year) _____ ETS Date (month/year) _____****

List AIRBORNE Unit(s) and Combat tours (Most recent first.) Please use the back if more space is needed.

Unit 1 _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____

Unit 2 _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____

Combat Tour/Conflict: _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____

Combat Tour/Conflict: _____ from month/yr _____ to month/yr _____

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