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FIELD ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION
"STRAIGHT ARROWS"

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From The President's Corner

President's Report

The Christmas and New Year's season are behind us and I hope all of you and your family had a good holiday. It is hard to believe we are in 2011 already. Seems like everyone was scared and worried about 2000 (Y2K) and now 2011 is here. We must have skipped several years some place. Along with the holidays, winter has made its appearance in most of our country. For some of you, it has appeared more harshly than for others. I hope all of you are okay and that the storms did not affect you, your family or your property. We are having 40 degree weather today; however several days ago it was in the teens and twenties.

I want to remind you that your association membership always expires at the end of the year and now is the time to

renew it. Memberships start on January 1st and run through December 31th of each year. Help support the Association by becoming a member. Your dues help support our website and various other expenses and programs. The 4th Bn., 42nd Field Artillery Association membership application is in this newsletter; please pass a copy of this application on to other former or present members of the battalion for them to become a member. The website has drawn many hits in the short period of time that it has been on the internet and with that we have gained several new members. Please pass the word to anyone that you know that was in the 4/42nd Field Artillery. You can view it at www.4-42faassn.com.

If you have any pictures for the website or articles and/or stories that you would like to be published, please send

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Special points of interest:

- See upcoming events for info on upcoming 2011 reunions.
- Application for Membership enclosed.



We're on the Web. You can find our Website at:

www.4-42faassn.com



Veteran's Benefits Updates

Checked on veteran's benefits lately? Many benefits are available for OEF/OIF veterans. For more information on these benefits, go to: <http://www.oefoif.va.gov/>. For Vietnam veterans, the VA has added some more presumptive diseases to Agent Orange exposure. This brings the total to 15 diseases considered presumptive due to Agent Orange exposure. For more information on this, go to:

<http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/>. Don't forget about possible state benefits either.

Many states also provide benefits for veterans. For more information on these go to:

<http://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-benefits/state-veterans-benefits-directory>.

them to Chuck to review.

Plan now to attend the 2011 4/42nd Arty Reunion which will be in Branson, Missouri from July 6th to the 10th in conjunction with the 4th Infantry Division National Reunion. Our Assn. meeting is scheduled to be on Wednesday, July 6th at 2:00pm or 1400 hours, whichever is easier for you to remember. This promises to be a great reunion with other members of the 4th Infantry Division and in Branson, a town that loves the military. Make plans now to attend this reunion, I don't think you will regret it. We hope to have the details to you soon, if not by the time this newsletter is published. Also, I'm sure it will be on the 4th ID Assn. website www.4thinfantry.org.

Please pray for the safe return of our brothers and sisters who are in harm's way on foreign soil especially those who are now in Iraq or Afghanistan from the 4th Bn., 42nd Artillery. They are continuing to do what we did for our country.

May all of you have a safe winter season.

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DIDYOU KNOW?

The association has a store with several items available. You can find it on our website.



DID YOU KNOW:

According to legend, Saint Barbara was the extremely beautiful daughter of a wealthy heathen named Dioscorus, who lived near Nicomedia in Asia Minor. Because of her singular beauty and fearful that she be demanded in marriage and taken away from him, he jealously shut her up in a tower to protect her from the outside world.

Shortly before embarking on a journey, he commissioned a sumptuous bathhouse to be built for her, approving the design before he departed. Barbara had heard of the teachings of Christ, and while her father was gone spent much time in contemplation. From the windows of her tower she looked out upon the surrounding countryside and marveled at the growing things; the trees, the animals and the people. She decided that all these must be part of a master plan, and that the idols of wood and stone worshipped by her parents must be condemned as false. Gradually she came to accept the Christian faith.

As her belief became firm, she directed that the builders redesign the bathhouse her father had planned, adding another window so that the three windows might symbolize the Holy Trinity. (Con't on Page 10)

Missing a 4-42 FA buddy or someone you'd like to check on? Submit their names and we'll help you try to find them.

WHAT'S UP IN THE 4-42 FA TODAY?



LTC Craig Berryman
Commander

Leadership



CSM Joseph Crandal
CSM

serve as a model TF in the COIN fight. TF Arrows partner with CF and the Afghan National Police, Afghan National Army and the National Defense Service.

We have been blessed w/out significant casualties thus far and continue to work to build security, economics and governance for four districts in Farah province: Pusht Rud, Khake Safed, Farah and Bala Baluk provinces.

The soldiers are performing well as motorized infantry.

4-42FA is an economy of force TF working under RC-W, commanded by an Italian BG. 4-42FA has since significantly reduced Taliban activity in the Pusht Rud and Bala Baluk districts of Farah Province, Afghanistan and continues to

WHERE ARE THEY? Can you help find these men?

Btry A

SP4 Kenneth Arnold Oregon 68
SGT Frederick Beach Kansas 69-70
CPT William Burke Oklahoma 68

1SG Charles Robinson ? 66-67
SP4 Ronald Martin Illinois 68-69
SP4 Billy Bragg West Virginia 69

SGT Phillip Nichols New Mexico 69-70
1LT Ronald Peters ? 69-70

Btry C

HSB

Btry B

SGT Williams Mims Texas 69-70

UPCOMING EVENTS:

4th Infantry Division Association

July 4-9, 2011
Branson, MO
(Radisson Hotel)



1-12 Infantry

No reunion in 2011



4-42 FA Association

July 6—10, 2011
Branson, MO



22nd Infantry Regiment

April 14—17, 2011
Atlanta, GA

Did You Know (Con't from Page 3)

When her father returned, he was enraged at the changes and infuriated when Barbara acknowledged that she was a Christian. He dragged her before the prefect of the province, who decreed that she be tortured and put to death by beheading. Dioscorus himself carried out the death sentence. On his way home he was struck by lightning and his body consumed.

Saint Barbara lived and died about the year 300 A.D. She was venerated as early as the seventh century. The legend of the lightning bolt which struck down her persecutor caused her to be regarded as the patron saint in time of danger from thunderstorms, fires and sudden death.

When gunpowder made its appearance in the Western world, Saint Barbara was invoked for aid against accidents resulting from explosions--since some of the earlier artillery pieces often blew up instead of firing their projectile, Saint Barbara became the patroness of the artillerymen.

Saint Barbara is usually represented standing by a tower with three windows, carrying the palm of a martyr in her hand. Often, too, she holds a chalice and a sacramental wafer and sometimes cannon are displayed near her. In the present calendars, the feast of Saint Barbara falls on December 4th and is traditionally recognized by a formal Dining-In or military dinner, often involving presentation of the Order of Saint Barbara.

The Order of St. Barbara



The Order of Saint Barbara is an honorary military society of the United States Field Artillery. Both U.S. Marine and Army field artillery along with their military and civilian supporters are eligible for membership. The order is managed by the U.S. Field Artillery Association and two levels of recognition exist. The most distinguished level is the Ancient Order of Saint Barbara and those who are selected for this honor have achieved long-term, exceptional service to the

The Order of St. Barbara



Field Artillery, surpassing even their brethren in the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara. The order links field artillerymen of the past and present in a brotherhood of professionalism, selfless service and sacrifice symbolized by Saint Barbara.

Association Membership Application



4TH BATTALION 42ND FIELD ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

Application for Membership

Having served with the 4th Battalion, 42nd Field Artillery, I hereby apply for membership and agree to abide by its Constitution, Rules and By-Laws. I have enclosed \$20.00 for annual dues.

_____ New _____ Renewal

ERA Served (Check One): _____ WWII _____ Vietnam _____ Cold War (Germany)
_____ Peacetime _____ Iraq _____ Other (Specify)

I am: _____ Veteran _____ Active Duty

I served/am serving with (Battery) _____ **during years** _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Make check payable to: 4th Bn., 42nd Field Artillery Assn.

Mail Application and Check to:

4th Bn., 42nd Field Artillery Assn.

Attn: Chuck Carter

122 East Hill Drive

Madison, MS 39110

**National 4th Infantry Division Association 93rd Reunion
Branson, MO . July 4 – 9, 2011**

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

'BADGE' NAME _____

UNIT/YEARS _____ CHAPTER _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/ST/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

NAME OF GUEST(S) _____

R & R MEAL (FRI) SELECTION . BEEF ____ . PORK ____ . VEGETARIAN ____

BANQUET MEAL SELECTION. PRIME RIB ____ . BEEF/CHICKEN ____ . VEGETARIAN ____

PLEASE LIST ANY SPECIAL
NEEDS _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY / Name/Phone _____

IS THIS YOUR FIRST REUNION YES ____ NO ____

REGISTRATION FEES

REQUIRED REGISTRATION FEE – PER ADULTX.....\$25 = _____

BRANSON AREA TOUR – NO. ATTENDINGX.....\$25 = _____

BRANSON SHUTTLE – NO. ATTENDINGX.....\$20 = _____

MIKE RADFORD SHOW – NO. ATTENDING.....X.....\$25 = _____

LADIES LUNCHEON – NO. ATTENDING.....X.....\$25 = _____

R & R DINNER/DANCE - NO. ATTENDING.....X.....\$35 = _____

SATURDAY BANQUET – NO. ATTENDING.....X.....\$35 = _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED..... = _____

PAYMENT DUE NO LATER THAN JUNE 4 TH , 2011. PLEASE SEND PAYMENTS TO:

ROGER R. DUFEK

check made out to: 4th Infantry Wisconsin Chapter

2505 SO 8 TH STREET

MANITOWOC, WI 54220

1-920-684-0147 OR EMAIL RRDUFEK2244@COMCAST.NET

Confirmation and itinerary will be sent by June 30, 2011. \$20 cancellation fees up 30 days out.

No refunds less than 30 days.

**Radisson Hotel Branson 120 South Wildwood Drive, Branson Missouri 65616,
Reservations: 1-800-395-7046 US Telephone: (417) 335-5767 Fax: (417) 335-7979
Room Rates: \$92 plus tax per night – rate available 3 days prior and 3 days after event.
Must reserve under 4 th Infantry Division Block. Please mention that you are with the
42nd Field Artillery.**

4th Infantry Division Association
93rd Annual Reunion
July 4 - 9, 2011 Branson, Missouri

RADISSON HOTEL, BRANSON

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This family friendly city center property is located in Branson, close to Branson Variety Theater and Andy Williams Moon River Theater. Also nearby are Baldknobbers Jamboree Theater and Hollywood Wax Museum. Hotel Features: Radisson Hotel Branson has an outdoor pool, an indoor pool, a spa tub, and a [more](#) fitness facility. Business amenities include wireless Internet access, business services, and audio visual equipment. Radisson Hotel Branson has a restaurant and a bar/lounge. Room service is available during limited hours. Event facilities consist of a ballroom, conference rooms, and banquet facilities. Guest parking is complimentary. Radisson Hotel Branson is smoke free. Guestrooms: Amenities featured in guestrooms include coffee/tea makers and clock radios. Business friendly amenities include multi line phones, direct dial phones, and voice mail. Bathrooms feature shower/tub combinations, hair dryers, and complimentary toiletries. Rollaway beds are available on request. All rooms are non smoking.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

(Subject to Change)

Monday and Tuesday – July 4 & 5 – Free days

Take this time to see the many shows and attractions Branson has to offer or visit with friends at Hospitality.

Wednesday July 6 – Branson Area Tour – 09:30/4:00

Tour includes: Stone Hill Winery, College of the Ozarks, Taney County Fish Hatchery and Table Rock Dam and Branson Landing where you will enjoy many shops and will have plenty of time to enjoy lunch at one of the many restaurants at the Landing. (Lunch on your own)

EXTRA - Branson Shuttle – EXTRA

Wednesday 5:00 pm – 11:00 pm Thursday 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

We are offering a motor coach service for all of our registered guests. See a show, visit the Veterans Museum, and enjoy free entertainment at the Branson Mall starting at 9am on Thursday.

Shop till you drop at Tanger Outlet Mall. Old downtown Branson and the Landing are also on the route. **You must wear your 4th ID nametag and receive group prices at the following shows:** Presley's Country Jubilee, SIX, Hughes Brothers and Clay Cooper.

Details on route and map available when registering at reunion

Clay Cooper has been performing for Branson audiences since the age of 16, originally coming to Branson to perform with a kid's band known as the Texas Goldminors. Clay loved country music, loved singing and playing bass, and loved meeting new people. What better place to do it than Branson, Missouri! He continued performing in several Branson shows and now celebrates his 24th season performing Clay Cooper's Country Music Express in his newly relocated theatre, Clay Cooper Theatre, on Hwy. 76 across from The Titanic Museum.

Branson's First Family of Entertainment. The Presleys! **Four generations on stage nightly** with an unforgettable show the Los Angeles Times calls a **"stomp your feet mix of music and comedy."** From new country favorites to country classics – from the zany antics of Herkimer and Cecil to the soulful reflection of southern gospel music – it's the one Branson show Regis Philbin says **"you've got to see."** Don't miss **Branson's Original Show on the Strip!**

SIX "You won't believe what comes out of their mouths! Drums, bass, instruments and unbeatable harmonies--and that's just in the first thirty seconds!"

The Hughes Brothers, and the "Worlds Largest Performing Family"

is one of the great success stories of American entertainment. With a cast of 43 (and growing), the Hughes Brothers Show is Electrifying! Incredible Harmonies, Entertaining Antics, Dynamic Dance, Soaring Instrumentals, Creative Production Numbers, and of course, Brotherly Love combine to make this one Huge Show!

Wednesday July 6 – 4/42nd Artillery Meeting – 2:00 pm / 5:00 pm

Thursday July 7 – Mike Radford's Salute to Service – 7:30 pm

A Salute to Service: Mike was named the United States Ambassador of Patriotism largely because of his passion to promote veterans and the countless sacrifices they gave in preserving our freedoms. Regis Philbin, a long time colleague of Mikes wrote the dedication to this work. This is a great presentation for any patriotic event.

Thursday July 7 – Committee Meetings – 3:30 pm

Friday July 8 – 1st Business Meeting – 9:00 am / 12:00 pm

Friday July 8 – Ladies Luncheon – 11:30 am / 2:00 pm

Enjoy a beautiful luncheon at the Radisson Hotel. Julienne of Grilled Boneless Breast of Chicken Served over crisp Romaine Leaves, Black Olives, Parmesan Cheese and Herb Croutons with Caesar Style Dressing, Oven Fresh Bakery Rolls and Butter, Chef's Choice Dessert, Fresh Brewed Coffee, Tea and Milk. There will be door prizes, games and even a few surprises.

Friday July 8 – R & R Dinner / Dance – 6:00 pm / 11:00 pm

Dinner followed by Artistry Entertainment's Matt Duncan a veteran himself looking forward to entertaining us. The Reunion raffle will also conclude this evening.

Dinner choices include: Beef Medallion with Bordelaise Sauce or Herb Roasted Pork Loin served with Forestier Sauce. Fresh garden salad, potato, vegetable, rolls and dessert.

Matt Duncan - owner and lead DJ/Sound Engineer for Artistry Entertainment has nearly 20 years experience with music selection and sound engineering for amny different types of events and venues. With literally thousands of weddings and private parties under his belt, when he says he can handle it, you can count on it.

Saturday July 9 – 2nd Business Meeting – 9:00 am / 12:00 pm

Saturday July 9 – Flames of Remeberance Banquet – 5:00 pm / 10:00 pm

Cocktails 5:00 pm with ceremonies and entertainment 6:00 pm. Dinner to follow. 4th Division Update following dinner.

Your dinner choices include: Beef Medallion and Herb Roasted Chicken or Roast Prime Rib of Beef. Dinner Salad, Potato, Vegetable, Rolls and Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Milk