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#### **NEW CAREER**

I am going back on active duty after 20 years. The Army made me the proverbial offer that I couldn't refuse - they're sending me to Nurse Anesthesia School and paying me to go. Of course they get my services for the next eight years. I got some odd looks in my Basic Officer Course when I told my Asst. Platoon Leader that I had been in Vietnam five months before she was born. There are two other Vietnam Vets in my platoon, both nurses, both ex-Special Forces types. Do you have an address on Joe G. Hard F/75, I had one but it was twenty years old. TOM CAHILL F/75 (ED'S Note: Congratulations, Address was sent)

#### **LETTERS**

It was great to meet you as well as Bob Gilbert and Gary Ford at the WWII RANGERS reunion. I hoped to see you again after the banquet, however you had already left, so I had a "few" with Bob, Gary and his wife. I ended up the evening listening and visiting with the WWII Rangers which was very interesting. I will make every effort to attend the Reunion in June 1992. CARL BALDWIN N/75

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Sorry about the delay with my change of address. By the time I received the newsletter, I was in our new house only a couple of days. You beat me to it. I really appreciate the effort. I owe you "50 Ranger pushups". Hope to see you at our next reunion. GEORGE MCDONNELL L/75

Sorry about the mixup with my new address. Let me know if I can help with anything. The VA finally put me at 100% service connected and I'm the Post Surgeon and Service Officer at VFW Post 2573 here in Wilmington. Look you up on my next trip to Bragg. RANDY LUSK 1/75

ED'S NOTE: The Association and I personally appreciate the stamps that were sent with the above letters. The association can no longer forward your newsletter if you have moved and have not sent a change of address to the Secretary The association receives approximately 20 returned newsletters each mailing.

#### DONATIONS

The association has recently received donations from: Daniel Lyons E/58, Susan Winters, Tony Libassi L/75. Thanks Y'all

#### **REUNION ASSISTANCE**

The 173rd LRRP, 74th Inf Det. and N/75th Rangers have established a Reunion Fund to help its members attend the upcoming reunion. A room has been booked at the Hilton for our less fortunate comrades who currently may not be able to afford the rates. Limited funds are available to help with transportation or registration. If any of the above mentioned unit members need assistance, please contact Roy Boatman.

#### DONALD W. LAVEY (DECEASED)

Thank you for your kind letter. Don always told me that you guys are a great bunch. I would be honored to continue Dons membership. Dons cause of death was put down as heart failure but according to all the medicine he took I don't think that was so. He was so very sick. I saw him swell up so bad that he could only wear jogging clothes. I never really knew what was wrong since Don told the doctor not to tell me. It is still very painful for me because I don't really know what happened. I don't know any of Dons friends but I think I would like to meet some of the people Don was so fond of. HEIDI LAVEY L/75

#### IS THIS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER?

It is if your dues are not paid. Your membership dues help pay the cost of the numerous activities the association is involved in. A large part of the cost is the newsletter and the mailings. We do not want to lose contact with even one of our members but if you move and don't forward a change of address to the secretary, we could possibly lose track of you. If you are having tough economic times, many of our members are, just let us know and we can continue your membership until things are better. Donations from our members help with that. Please look at the last two numbers on your mailing label (Second Line) if the number is less than "92" then this is your last newsletter until you are upto date. Please send your dues to the treasurer as soon as possible. SECRETARY

# **REUNION "RANGER RENDEZVOUS" 1992**

### \*\*\*\*\* REGISTRATION FORM \*\*\*\*\*

MAIL TO: 75th RANGER REGIMENT ASSOCIATION ATTN: ASSOCIATION TREASURER RD 3, 8 HUNTLEY CIR SALISBURY, MD 21801

YES! I will attend the 50th Anniversary of Modern Rangers and the 75th Ranger Regiment Association Reunion at Columbus\Ft. Benning, Georgia, June 17 - 20, 1992. \_\_\_\_\_UNIT\_\_\_\_\_\_MEMBERSHIP NUMBER\_\_\_\_ NAME STREET CITY, STATE & ZIP DATE OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE [\_\_\_] I will be accompanied by \_\_\_\_\_(No.) Please list Names: RELATIONSHIP NAME Be sure and make your Hotel Reservations as soon as possible!! I will attend the 50th Anniversary Banquet on June 19th. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ Cost \$35.00 \_\_\_\_ Number of Guest attending 50th Anniversary Banquet. \_\_\_ X \$35.00 = \_\_\_\_ YES\_\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_Cost \$30.00\_\_\_\_ I will attend the Association BBQ on June 20th. \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_ Number of Guest attending the Barbeque. \_\_\_\_\_ X Children 12 & under: \$20.00 each. (BBQ Only) TOTAL S Indicate the number of meals and type of meat desired for the Banquet No.\_\_\_\_\_Beef Tenderloin on 19 June 1992. No.\_\_\_\_Chicken Breast

MENU FOR BBQ BUFFET: BBQ beef, chicken, pork, coleslaw, corn on cob, potatoe salad, baked beans, green tomatoes, pickled onions, bread & butter, apple pie, coffee, tea. CASH BAR !!!!

Registration fee's include: BBQ, Use of the Hospitality Room, and Country Western Band

#### SEND CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY: DO NOT SEND CASH.

Please send this form along with your payment to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

ANY PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS CALL BOB GILBERT AT 404-689-3595

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The Hilton Hotel will serve as the Hq's for the 75th Ranger Regiment Association and the RICA Hq's. The Iron Works Convention center is located across from the Hilton and is where the Banquet and BBQ will be held. The next closest hotel is the Ramada Inn (Walking Distance). All other hotels/motels will require you to have transportation to and from events at Fort Benning and to the Hilton and Iron Works. Transportation from Army assets cannot be confirmed at this time. All room rates shown do not include hotel/motel tax. Many of the hotels/motels have handicapped rooms, non smoking rooms, pools, suites, lounges, and other amenities. Ask when making your reservation!! When making Reservations at the Hilton use RGS5 code. All others RBA.



# OPERATION "RANGERS LEAD THE WAY" TO 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF RANGER UNITS IN THE 20TH CENTURY FT. BENNING, GEORGIA 17, 18, 19, 20 JUNE 1992



The eyes of the nation will be focused on Fort Benning, Georgia, the home of the Headquarters of the 75th Ranger Regiment and the Ranger Training Brigade where elaborate Commemorative Ceremonies will be held on June 19th, 1992, to mark the 50th Anniversary of the activation of the First Ranger Battalion, organized and commanded by Colonel William O. Darby.

Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose time has come, and in the Army today the Ranger idea has reached its zenith in prestige and priorities in fulfillment of General Darby's dream for permanent Ranger forces. As the pioneers of this idea, the RBA WWII, is proud of the outstanding military accomplishments of all Rangers of all wars in the 20th century. Thus the 50th Anniversary (RANGER RENDEZVOUS) will honor all Ranger combat units, and all Rangers who wear the coveted Tab as well.

Thanks to the splendid support and enthusiastic cooperation of the 75th Ranger Regiment commanded by Colonel David L. Grange, the Ranger Training Brigade, commanded by Colonel John Maher, the Merrill's Marauders Association, the Ranger Airborne Companies of the Korean War, the LRRP, LRP and 75th Ranger Companies of the Vietnam War (75th Ranger Regiment Assoc.), the RBA WWII Commemoration Committe is proud to announce the following listed highlights. (Please remember these are the highlights only) Times are tentative.

June 17th: 0600-1300 Mass Tactical Parachute drop, Seize Deckar Strip, Seize Objectives, River Crossing

1300-1700 Registration of 75th Ranger Regiment Association Members at the Hilton Hotel.

1800-2400 Hospitality Room Open at the Hilton Hotel

June 18th: 0600-1300 Endurothon/Regimental Crew Team Competitions (Active Duty Regiment)

1000-1300 Rangers in Action Demonstation (Victory Pond)

1300-1400 Ranger Hall of Fame Inductions

1400-1700 Registration of 75th Ranger Regiment Association Members at the Hilton Hotel.

1400-1600 75th Ranger Regiment Assoc. Unit Directors/Officers meeting. Location TBA

1400-1700 Museum Tours and Ranger Display

1800-2400 Hospitality Room Open at the Hilton Hotel

June 19th: 0600-0730 Regimental Mass PT (Members invited to Join with the Regiment)

1000-1030 Commemorative Parade (All Rangers from all Era's)

1030-1130 Ranger Memorial Ground Breaking Ceremony

1300-???? Ranger Print Dedication/Anniversary Book Display at the Officers Club

1400-1700 Ranger Veteran's Fire on Ranges 1400-1700 Regimental Equipment Display

1500-1700 Ranger Veterans Jump (Unsure of Qualification Needed) USPA Memebrs Bring

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1800-2400 WWII Ranger Battalions Association Banquet (Cost is Extra) (Formal Dress)

2130-2400 Hospitality Room Open at the Hilton Hotel

June 20th: 0830-1200 Business Meeting (National Elections)

1200-1300 Ranger Wives Luncheon

1300-1600 Hospitality Room Open at the Hilton Hotel 1730-1830 Cash Bar (Iron Works Convention Center)

1830-1930 BBQ Dinner (Casual Dress) 1930-???? Dancing / C&W Band

# AIRLINE INFORMATION

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FOUNDER OF MODERN RANGERS, GEN. WILLIAM O. DARBY'S GRAVE AT THE NATIONAL CEMETARY FT SMITH, AR



WWII RANGER BN. MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE NATIONAL CEMETARY FT SMITH, AR



JAN & GARY FORD F/51ST LRP AT THE MEMORIAL CEREMONY



50 YRS OF MODERN RANGERS FROM FIRST TO CURRENT, REFLECTED BY 1SG MIKE KELSO (PANAMA) AND FRAN COUGHLIN, 5TH RANGER BN (WWII) WHO LED THE WAY



PRESIDENTS BOB GILBERT, 75TH RGR REGT ASSOC. & BOB SCHUSTEFF, KOREAN RGR ASSOC, A MEMBER OF THE 4TH AIRBORNE RANGER COMPANY IN KOREA



UNKNOWN WWII RANGER & COL. DAVID GRANGE, WHO WAS THE GUEST SPEAKER AND BLEW GEN. DARBY'S THUNDER WHISTLE FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE WWII

#### IN MEMORIAM

#### SANTOS A. MATOS JR. N/75TH INF (RANGER)

Santos was killed on 3 Novemebr 1991 in a freefall parachute jump at Zephryhills, FL, while conducting student training. He is survived by his wife and three children. Donations to assist the Matos family may be sent to the address below. May God grant him the eternal rest of those who served their country honorably and well.

#### SEND DONATIONS TO:

Sergeant Major Matos Memorial Fund PO Box 78 MacDill, AFB 33608

#### MATOS MEMORIAL SERVICES

SGM Santos Matos served in N/75 Ranger during Vietnam and as part of SOCOM during DESERT ONE, URGENT FURY and JUST CAUSE and in the Mideast during DESERT STORM as part of USSOCOM. Jay Lutz P/75 represented the Association at the services in Tampa and at McDill AFB. The following is a letter from Jay Lutz: I was honored to represent the 75th Ranger Regiment Association at SGM Matos Funeral. I felt I was amongest my own but yet out of place. I had forgotten how regimental and precise the military services are. We held a memorial at RED DEVIL once and that drum roll and service has never left my memory. Times like this makes you think how and what the important things in life are. Live life like there's no tomarrow. JAY LUTZ P/75. I attended the memorial at Ft. Bragg. I served with Santos in Vietnam and knew him here at Bragg as well. He was an outstanding soldier and a very caring man. When I was talking with Gary Cupit N/75 he atated, "Santos was the bravest man he ever knew." Santos will be missed by those of us who knew him and by the Association. SECRETARY

#### WWII RANGER BNS REUNION

The WW II Rangers recently held thier bi- annual reunion at Fort Smith, AR. Bob Gilbert L/75, Gary Ford F/51st LRP, Carl Baldwin N/75 and Roy Boatman N/75 attended this reunion and participated in meetings for the Ranger Rendezvous in June 1992. Twenty members of the active duty Regiment also attended and they provided the Color Guard for the ceremonies. The Korean Airborne Ranger Companies President was also present and a good relationship was established for all future projects. We were treated outstanding by Rex Sharp and Jim Altiari of the RBA and we look forward to keeping the traditions and standards established by the WWII Rangers alive. Highlights of the reunion was the visit to General Darby's home and the memorial ceremony at the National Cemetary where he is buried. SECRETARY

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

John Brittain B/75, Brian Coughlin, B/75, Roberto Villalobos B/75, Dennis Lucas B/75, Richard Waldroup B/75, Richard Lowes D/151, Mariano Leon-Guerrero 75th Regt, Brian Danker N/75, Gregory Bennett F/52, David Flores I/75, Timothy Mattingly E/20, James Freeman F/75, Joe Deleon C/75, Chris Demarco 25th Div LRRP. Edward Campbell E/20, Dave Bechtold E/20, Joseph Stevens F/75, Randall King I/75, Mark Montgomery 3/75, Milton Crow L/75, Grady Thibodeaux L/75, Michael Nesbit 3/75, Michael Russell 1/75, Ky Azlein K/75, Jerry Wilson 9th Div LRRP, Ronald Gartner 1/101 LRRP, Patrick McElrath 2/75, Shelby Stanton TM A-41 (Ranger), Lewis Femiano P/75. Harold Bradshaw RGR Advisor, Patrick Obrien P/75, Anthony Richardson B/75, Roger Barbe D/75. Kyle Kelley 3/75. David Armenta A/75, Misael Correa 142 LRSU, Bill Vick B/75 WELCOME Y"ALL

#### **ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS**

ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE IS AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND OFFICIAL MILITARY REUNIONS: SEE YOUR FIRST SERGEANT FOR DETAILS.

#### TIGER FATIQUES AVAILABLE

Tiger Stripe fatiques like those worn by the LRP's and Rangers of the Vietnam era are available to be ordered from Gary Linderer F/58 & L/75. Call or write to the following address for price and shipping: Gary Linderer, 201 N. Adams, Festus MO 63028 or call 314-937-7204. (Many of the 1/101 LRRP, F/58 & L/75 Rangers are going to wear Tigers for the Commemorative Parade on 19 June.)

#### CORRECTION

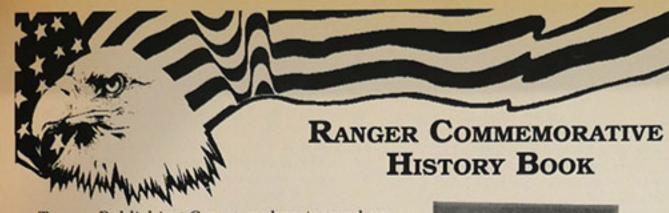
The picture on the front page of Volume 5 Issue 4 was not Robert D. Law but was Robert J. Pruden G/75 Medal of Honor receipient. Apologies to the Law & Pruden family for the error. SECRETARY

#### THANK GOD

We live in a Country where you have the right to burn the flag if you want to.

And I thank GOD we live in a country where we have the right to keep and bear arms, so I can shoot you if YOU try and burn MINE. . .





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#### NATIONAL ELECTIONS

Two members have volunteered to run for the positions of President & Vice President, at the printing of this newsletter. As stated in the December edition of Patrolling, all nominations must be submitted to the Secretary. position of President (Roy Nelson, E/50 LRP). For the position of Vice-President (Milton Lockett, L/75 and former Ranger Training instructor). The current Secretary (Roy Boatman 74TH LRP & N/75) and the current Treasurer (Gregory Krahl L/75) have agreed to stand for reelection. Nominations for Unit Directors should be submitted to the current Unit Director and voted on at the national reunion prior to the general membership meeting. This is your organization and can only be as strong as your participation. SECRETARY

LONG RANGE SURVEILLANCE COURSE

The Association will now support the Honor Graduate of the LRS course with a plaque named after Laszlo Rabel, 74th Inf Det (LRP), Medal of Honor recipient. In addition the Association will provide a guest speaker to each graduating class. The Association has awarded a plaque to the honor

Graduate of the Ranger Indoctrination Program (RIP) since 1987. The Long Range Surveillance mission and team makeup is very similar to the Long Range Reconaissance Patrol missions in Vietnam. The idea for this award was presented to Col. Maher, CO of the Ranger Training Brigade, and was enthusiatically received. The Association is extremely proud to present awards to the Honor Graduates of the RIP and LRS course.





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