



CENTURY SENTINEL

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President's Message
MSG R. Wayne Gerding (Ret)



Greetings fellow AOC members and 100th Division soldiers!

It's my turn in the barrel as your incoming President for 2024 and I'm delighted to have the job!

I was promoted to Master Sergeant within the AGR program in January of 1987. I left my position as the Battalion Master Gunner for 6th Battalion 68th Armor in Bethlehem, PA. Moving to Kentucky meant I was coming back to my roots. I was born while my dad was attending the University of Kentucky. My first 100th Division assignment was with 1-302 Cavalry, 3rd Brigade, 100th Division in Frankfort, KY as the AGR Operations Sergeant. I retired from the AGR program on August 31st, 1996 and started as a computer technician contractor the following Monday working in the DCSIM (G6) office. May 10th, 2023 was my last day working at 100th Division Headquarters. I ended a 27-year Government Contractor career as an Automation System Analyst. During this time, I supported the 100th G-6 office and the TTC Knox School house.

I am truly enjoying retirement. This will give me more time to perform my presidential duties which I promise to do with the support of the AOC Board members and our general membership. We must continue to build on the growth the AOC has seen as an organization we all can be proud to say we are a member of.

I would like to thank our 2023 President, LTC (R) Horace Johnson for his service, hard work and dedication in putting together our 43rd AOC Reunion in Bowling Green. He along with the other dedicated board members once again stepped up to the plate making 2023's reunion a record-breaking event. I believe everyone that attended this year had a great time.

I'm happy to report to you the AOC Board has selected Owensboro, KY, for our 2024 Annual Meeting. We determined it is time to move to a different location with new features and tourism areas after the past three years in Bowling Green. Our meetings will be at attractive Owensboro Convention Center and our hotel will be a short walk away at the beautiful Hampton Inn on the Ohio River bank in downtown Owensboro! Please mark your calendars now for August 23-24, 2024.

I'm including some photos from our last Owensboro meeting in 2019 so you'll see the beautiful space where we'll meet and have meals.

We've kicked off the Holiday season with Thanksgiving where we enjoyed time with our families and friends. We should be thankful for the things we are blessed with. Soon after Christmas and a New Year will be upon us giving us more time for celebration. Let us all joyously celebrate and be reminded of the real meaning of Christmas.

We all know that we are living in a world with political and religious unrest. There are those that are fighting for the freedoms we sometimes take for granted. Let us all continue to hope and pray for "Peace on Earth".

From my family to yours "Happy Thanksgiving", "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year"!!!

**The Chairman’s Foxhole
MG Bill Barron, USA Retired**

By now you know the secret – we will soon be on our way to Owensboro for the 2024 Reunion! Our new Board President, MSG (Ret) Wayne Gerding is coming out of the gate hot this year and I think he will do good things for our organization during his tenure. We will return to the Owensboro Convention Center for our Reunion activities on 23 and 24 August and we will again stay at the Hampton Inn on the Owensboro Downtown Riverfront property. Our Location Selection Committee really moved out smartly on the planning for the 2024/2025 Convention Site which proved to be a good thing for securing competitive room rates and meal costs. All in all, I am looking forward to getting back to Owensboro, just for the change of venue along with some of that quality Bar-B-Que that Owensboro is known for.

On a sadder note, our Board of Directors lost one of its members this year. LTC (Ret) Larry Herzog passed away on 3 November at the age of 84. Larry was a man that was known for his energy having served 14 years on Active Duty with two tours in Viet Nam, 14 years in the Army Reserve that included a tour in the fighting 100th and 26 years as a civil service employee. As a matter of fact, he was working right up until his death where he held leadership positions in the Military Order of the World Wars and the Military Officers Association. You will truly be missed LTC Herzog!

As I look back on the past several years I realize that those of us who have had the honor to wear the uniform have a lot to be proud of AND a lot to be thankful for! During this Thanksgiving and Christmas, I would urge each of you to give thanks over the holidays for each and all of your blessings. You earned those blessings through your hard work and your ability to stay the course. Be proud of being a soldier in the 100th Division.



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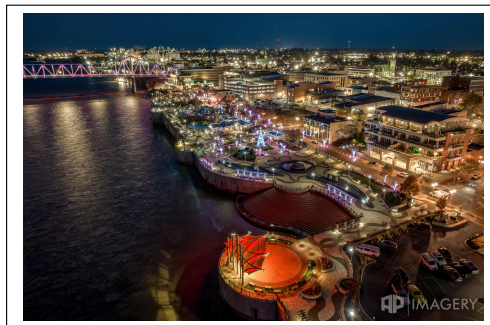
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Owensboro Convention Center Past Meeting

You'll see the gorgeous full glass corner dining room where we had our meals on the bank of the Ohio River.



Owensboro Riverfront with Convention Center and Hampton Inn



Lexington Military Monthly Luncheon at Golden Corral



Several of more than 30 military retirees from literally all Services are shown above at the October 2, 2023, luncheon. COL (R) Earl Sosby, 100th Division, hosts these informal monthly gatherings held on the first Monday of each month (unless Monday is a holiday in which case the luncheon is held on the next day, Tuesday) promptly at 1100 Hours EST at Golden Corral Buffet, 185 East New Circle Road, Lexington, KY. Members from all military services are welcome.

At this meeting, MG (R) Charles Gorton, former Commanding General 84th Division and a 100th soldier, is shown updating the group on the current challenges to Army recruiting reaching its goals. COL (R) Sosby often invites speakers who address various topics of interest to retirees: VA benefits, Congressional legislation, and changes to retirements.

Hopkinsville 100th "Breakfast Battalion"



On October 19, eight dedicated members shown reported for duty at The Village Restaurant. The group invites other veterans in the area to attend - POC is wsjones@bellsouth.net

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Veterans Day Parade in Louisville 2023

CSM (R) Greg Bethards on a 2 1/2-ton Army truck representing Vietnam Veterans.



Veterans Day Parade 2023 Owensboro, KY

MSG (R) James Goodall leading the Veterans Day Parade in his restored World War II Jeep. His passenger is Darrell Smith, a 94-year young Korean War veteran.




Happy
Thanksgiving

Retirees: Seen the New US ARMY Brand?



For the first time since 2001, the U.S. Army has introduced a new brand that redefines what it means to “Be All You Can Be” for a new generation. Secretary of the Army Christine Wormuth, Army Chief of Staff General James McConville and Sergeant Major of the Army Michael Grinston made the announcement during a much-anticipated launch event in early 2023. You'll see all sorts of civilian clothing at the PX with these symbols.

The brand’s new look and feel consists of a reengineered five-point star logo — (the box from the past has been removed to reflect the limitless possibilities in the Army) coupled with the return of the popular “Be All You Can Be” tagline.

2023 Financial Highlights

Ken Kapp, LTC (Ret), AOC Treasurer

As of September 30, 2023 the MG Benjamin J. Butler “Century Division” Scholarship Fund has a fund balance of \$258,754. This is after the Scholarship Fund has made scholarship grants of \$10,000 to 10 scholarship recipients in 2023. With the success of the Forty-Second Annual Meeting in Bowling Green, the Board of Directors of the Association of the Century has approved a \$7,000 donation to the Scholarship Fund. The AOC with the Fund has now granted 113 scholarships totaling \$112,000 of assistance to awardees.

Please consider making an income tax deductible donation to AOC’s MG Benjamin J. Butler “Century Division” Scholarship Fund before the end of this year. Simply make your check payable to the “**BB Sch Fund**” and mail it to the AOC at P.O. Box 34393, Louisville, KY 40232. Your donation will help preserve the legacy of the 100th Division.



The General’s “Franklin Club” in 2023

Ken Kapp, LTC (Ret), AOC Treasurer

The General’s “Franklin Club Challenge” 148 members have donated \$32,807; \$24,002 has been designated to the Scholarship Fund, \$2,264 to the SOS Fund, \$1,291 to the Museum Fund and \$5,250 has been designated unrestricted.

Join the Club this year! Please consider donating to the General’s Franklin Club Challenge by making your check payable to the “Franklin Club Challenge” and mailing them directly to AOC, P.O. Box 34393, Louisville, KY 40232.

The General’s “Franklin Club Challenge” Members as of November 1, 2023:

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Sammy Alvey	Peter Fast	Mit Merritt (\$350)
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"Franklin Club Challenge" gifts made in Memoriam as of November 1, 2023:

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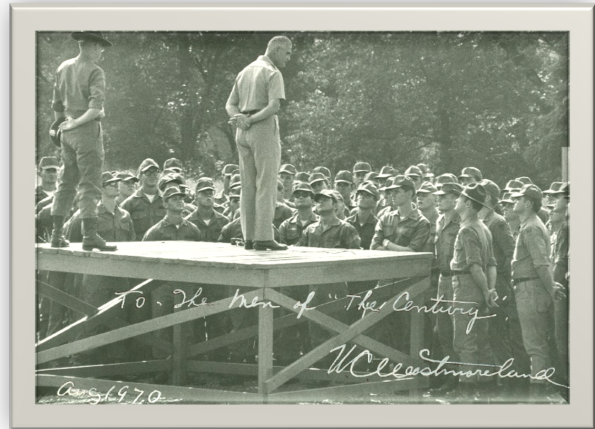
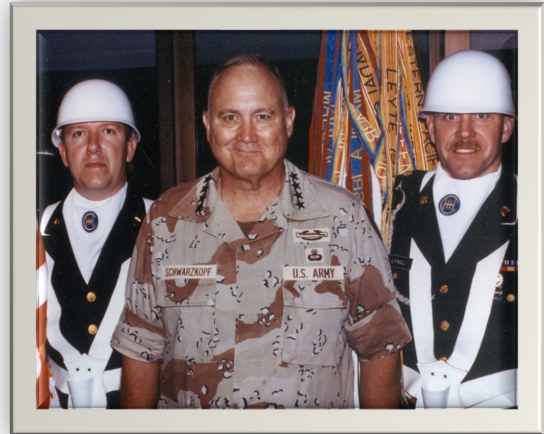



**A Stroll Down Memory Lane
From the 100th Division Museum Archive**

Here are a few pictures from our vault. How many 100th folks do you recognize. Your comments would be welcomed. We've got thousands of these pictures. Would you like to see more? Units routinely submitted pictures to the Division PAO for publication in the Division bulletin and other official publications. Submitted pictures, for the most part, were then archived. Enjoy!!



**A Stroll Down Memory Lane
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