



CENTURY SENTINEL

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

Greetings fellow AOC members and 100th Division soldiers!

Spring is almost behind us and summer will be starting. Our 43rd Annual Meeting and Reunion will be upon us before we know it on August 23rd & 24th. The event registration and pricing has been finalized and published. Information has been posted on our website, 100AOC.ORG and in this newsletter. I would caution everyone to not wait on making your hotel reservations and submitting your event registration form reflecting your meal choices. By contract we must meet the deadlines to prevent late charges. (Deadlines - Hotel 23 July, Event 10 August 2024).

The Owensboro Convention Center next to the hotel will host all our meals except the free breakfast at the hotel. The annual meeting, bingo and display of all raffle and auction items will be in the 2nd floor ballroom area. The supply room will set up on the 2nd floor of the hotel along with the hospitality room.

Friday evening we will enjoy an Oldies Barbeque Buffet. Period dress is optional if you so choose. Saturday morning will be the Annual Meeting followed by Bingo in the afternoon. The evening program will be a plated dinner of your choice. Musicians from the Owensboro Bluegrass Hall of Fame Museum will entertain us with "Bluegrass" music. After a short intermission we will conclude with the raffle and live auction items. Let it be noted that local sponsor donations have been generous and the AOC board agreed to underwrite part of the meal costs this year.

At the AOC Board Meeting in early May the board voted to fill two vacant positions. SGM Durward Thomas and SGM Ned McWhorter were chosen as Directors pending appropriate Membership approval at the Annual Meeting.

The AOC web site has had several updates. I encourage everyone to use it as a go to source. New "Supply Room" items have been added. Would ask that all members access the "Members Area" and update their contact information. Please see the article in this newsletter on how to access it. For those that use Social Media the "100th Division Association of the Century" Facebook page @ <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069594849384> is seeing a lot more action.

The deadlines for the Corridor of the Century and Scholarship nominations have closed and the committees are reviewing the packets received. Awardees will be announced and recognized when we gather in August.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Owensboro in August at the Annual Meeting and Reunion. If you have the time before or after visit some of the attractions in the area.

Wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

Wayne Gerding
President 2024

Notice of Annual Business Meeting of Association of the Century

The 2024 Annual Business Meeting of the Association of the Century will be held on Saturday, August 24, 2024, at the Owensboro Convention Center, 501 W. 2nd Street, Owensboro, KY 42301, at 9:00 AM CST.

The Chairman’s Foxhole

MG Bill Barron, USA Retired

The clock is rolling and we are now less than three months from the 43d annual meeting and reunion of the 100th Division. I am feeling really good about this year’s get together and I am starting to wonder who we are going to see this year that maybe hasn’t been around for a while.

John Tindall, John Butler and I are heading to Richmond, Kentucky tomorrow to pay our respects to Colonel Jim Fleenor who passed away on the 25th of May. Jim was 91 years of age but he managed to make it to the First and Third Brigade Reunion in Richmond on the 27th of April where he and I had a great visit. One never knows how long fellow soldiers and friends will be with us do we? I also plan on stopping by the grave of Colonel Bill Parks who is also buried in the Richmond Cemetery. Captain Bill Parks commanded ‘A’ Company, 1st Bn, 397th Regt, 100th Division in Richmond, Kentucky when I joined ‘A’ Company as a brand new Lieutenant in 1969 after graduation from OCS. I owe Bill Parks a lot for putting up with me for my first 5 years of service as a commissioned officer, he taught me a lot about soldering and what being an Officer was about and for that, I will be always grateful to him.....

On the brighter side, you still have time to get out and help me round up soldiers that we have not seen at our annual reunions for a while. Owensboro is a great city and the Riverfront is full of hustle and bustle on the weekends.....you will enjoy this Reunion without a doubt. See you there!

MG B

2024 Annual Meeting Owensboro, KY



Hotel Accommodations with Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton Owensboro Downtown/Waterfront.

Reservations to be made separately by attendee. Cut-off for booking is July 23, 2024. Call the hotel directly at 270-685-2005, and reference the Association of the Century (AOC) block, OR book via web-link <https://bit.ly/AssnOfTheCenturyAug2024>. When using the web-link and staying only one night you need to edit the dates of stay.

Negotiated room rate is \$136 per night, plus 17.42 % tax totally \$159.70. To avoid a cancellation fee of the first night’s room and tax, notice must be received 48 hours prior to scheduled arrival date.



**THE ASSOCIATION OF THE CENTURY
43rd ANNUAL MEETING & REUNION
HOTEL AND EVENT PRICING
OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY
AUGUST 23-24, 2024**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 10 AUGUST 2024
(By contract late registration for meals may be subject to 20% late fee)

ATTENDEE INFORMATION (Please Print)

Name: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email address: _____ Phone Contact # _____

AOC Member? Yes No Is this your first AOC Meeting & Reunion? Yes No

Rank/Grade: _____ Branch: _____ Check One: Currently Serving Retired

Current/Last Unit Assigned: _____

REGISTRATION & MEAL CHARGES

Registration Fee (Includes Spouse/Guest) 1 \$15.00

Friday Evening "Oldies Night" Barbeque Buffet \$35.00 ea. x _____ = _____

Saturday Evening Banquet - Plated Meal

Sugar Cane & Peach Glazed Chicken \$31.00 ea. x _____ = _____

Bulleit Bourbon Pork Loin 6 oz. \$41.00 ea. x _____ = _____

Vegetarian Plate (see page 1 for list of sauces & annotate)

Chickpea Stir Fry, with _____ sauce \$31.00 ea. x _____ = _____

Stuffed Red Pepper, with _____ sauce \$31.00 ea. x _____ = _____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____

Registration & Payment Methods

- AOC Website & payment using PayPal. 100AOC.ORG
- By Check Payable to the "Association of the Century" Return This Registration Form & Check
To: Linda Bruin
104 Bradbury Lane
Georgetown, Kentucky 40324

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AOC SUPPLY ROOM
OWENSBORO 2024 REUNION SPECIALS
BAR WARE ITEMS FROM OUR BIVOUAC COLLECTION



Stainless Steel Flask



**Crystal WARFIGHTER
Decanter**



Heavy Shot Glass

Stainless Steel Flask: Our personalized “Special Limited Edition” stainless and leather 8 oz hip flask is a great companion for those cold winter field exercises. It makes a perfect addition to display on your bookcase or bar. The rich leather look engraved with your rank and name makes this item one of a kind and is sure to attract attention wherever it’s displayed. Comes with an EZ fill funnel.

Crystal Decanter: Looking for a PERFECT final addition to any décor? Consider adding our personalized etched crystal decanter. It fits perfectly into any home or office. This engraved crystal “Warfighter Blend” decanter is heavy and looks great in any setting. It provides an elegant look that won’t disappoint. This full-sized decanter is heavy, bold, and will be personalized with your rank and name. Also makes a perfect gift idea for a special occasion or presentation.

Heavy Shot Glass: Our Shot Glass is an all-time favorite and the final addition to complete your bar accessories. Our shot glass is a “generous shot” and is manufactured from a heavy thick wall glass with the 100th patch etched on one side.

These items are *CURRENTLY AVAILABLE* for ordering on the AOC website. Pre-order, on the website, and [pick up your items at our Annual Meeting in Owensboro.](#) You will save significantly. See our website for all the details.

AOC WEBSITE

Want to securely register for our 2024 Owensboro Reunion? Want to read about the 100th's Linage and Honors. Looking for Board Minutes or Information about our Scholarship Program? Need a Membership Application? Head over to our website and you'll find these and more! While you are there, stop by our members only area and update your contact information. It is secure, fast, and easy. **Our website address is simply 100AOC.ORG (not case sensitive).**

How To Access The Members Area On The AOC Website

The members area of the AOC Website is a private area reserved for AOC members' use only. Inside the Members Area, we have your contact information and the Association By-Laws available for you to review. We recommend that you keep your contact information up to date.

To access the AOC Members Area, follow these steps:

Step 1.

Navigate to the AOC home page: www.100aoc.org Once at the home page, click on the "Members Area" (upper right).

Step 2.

Enter your AOC Username. Your AOC Username is your LASTNAME coupled with your membership number. Your membership number is printed under your name on your AOC newsletter mailing label.

If your last name is JONES and your membership number is 378, then your username is JONES378. Do not add spaces between your last name and your ID number. If your last name has an apostrophe (such as O'Riley) or contains a special character or blank space (such as Woo Yang) simply remove the apostrophe or blank space. (O'Riley becomes ORiley. Woo Yang becomes WooYang.)

After entering your Username, you will need to provide a password. Your password is your membership number.

Once you have your Username and password entered, simply click the LOG IN button!

Step 3.

Inside the User Area you will be presented with the option to UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION. We recommend you do this to keep your information current in our system.

The UPDATE OUR CONTACT INFORMATION page displays your contact information as we have it. Update any item(s) that need to be changed.

NOTE: We have the option for electronic delivery of our newsletter. If you would prefer to have an email delivery of the AOC newsletter (rather than a mailed hardcopy), simply click the "Yes" button on the email option. You will receive the AOC newsletter at the email address indicated on the update form.

IMPORTANT: Be sure to check "Yes" or "No" for the newsletter option. If this is left un-checked, you will receive an error message and will not be able to save any changes. Electronic delivery of our newsletter saves your Association money each month. Please consider receiving your newsletter electronically. Also, IS YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CORRECT?

Once all changes have been made, click the "SAVE PROFILE & LOGOUT" button. This updates our database with your requested changes and returns you to the AOC Home Page.

Step 4.

Click the red "LOGOUT" at the top of the page, if you wish to NOT save changes and return to the AOC Home Page (**Do not use the "Back Arrow"**)

The General’s “Franklin Club Challenge” as of May 27, 2024:

The General’s “Franklin Club Challenge” has raised \$35,447 from 150 participants; \$26,292 has been designated to the Scholarship Fund, \$2,289 to the SOS Fund, \$1,316 to the Museum Fund and \$5,550 has been designated unrestricted.

Larry D. Abel (\$300)	Charles Fineisen	Gerald C. McKinney (\$150)
William D. Adams	James Fallin	Keith Hugh McWhorter (\$400)
Maurice Allgeier	W. Dan Farris	Ned McWhorter (\$300)
Sammy Alvey	Peter Fast	Mit Merritt (\$350)
Gabriel T. Arnold (\$900)	James Fleenor	Richard Dale Miller
L. Clark Arnold (\$150)	Al Freeland (\$150)	Ronald Moss
Deborah A. Ashley	Lindsey Freeman	Benjamin F. Murphy
John Aubrey (\$1,250)	Scott Garrett	Paul Nadeau (\$200)
Paul Baker	Charles E. Gorton (\$340)	Monte Nesmith
Newton R. Bardwell III (\$300)	Flem Gordon	Bob Noble
Robert T. Barnes (\$250)	Elizabeth L. Grossi (\$200)	Cyndy Noble
Ronald Barnes	Joseph Hamilton, III	Milton Nugent
Bill Barron (\$400)	Jay Hancock (\$150)	Larry Pierson
David L. Belcher (\$200)	Philip L. Hanrahan (\$200)	Carl Platt (\$450)
Byron Bell	Joel Hardin	Albert Pomey (\$200)
Michael A. Bennett	Dr. Roland C. Haun (\$300)	Philip Reel
Gregory Bethards (\$200)	Larry Herzog (\$200)	Jack R. Reeves (\$250)
Richard Blain (\$250)	Leo Hill	David M. Richardson (\$200)
Francis Bland	Donald C. Hines	Ramon Rodgers
Joe B. Brown	Charles R. Hitchcock (\$200)	Richard Rowe
Joe E. Brown (\$300)	R. Craig Holland	James Glenn Russell
William Brown	Carl A. Hulsewede III (\$200)	Robert Silverthorn (\$400)
Linda Bruin	Gregory J. Hunt (\$250)	Rusti Silverthorn (\$400)
John K. Butler	George H. Imorde, Jr.	Bob G. Simmons
George H. Campbell, Jr. (\$300)	Ronnie Jervis	Charles B. Skaggs
Ben W. Carr, Jr (\$250)	Horace Johnson (\$500)	Earl Sosby Jr.
Richard D. Chegar (\$400)	James C. Johnson (\$300)	James Starr (\$900)
Thomas Clay	Stanley D. Johnson (\$250)	James Stevens (\$450)
M. Courtland Clayton (\$500)	Virginia C. Jones	Dale Stewart
Robert Cobb	Hobert Judd (\$300)	David Sullivan
Richard Coleman (\$200)	David Jungquist (\$600)	Harry M. Summerville (\$200)
Kathy Combs	Ken Kapp (\$250)	John Swarts
Larry Craig (\$400)	Allen Kessler	Ernest Taylor
Thomas Davis	James E. Kutzner (\$200)	Durward C. Thomas
James D. Davidson (\$200)	Ray Lackey (\$1,000)	Steve Thompson
John M. Davidson	Joe Lamkin	Travis W. Tichenor III
James H. Dearing	Kathleen Lee	John Tindall (\$250)
Janie Diamond	Benjamin Livingston	Karl Truman
Arvil Dobson	Mike Lyall	John H. Ward IV (\$200)
Roy D. Dodson	Michael Mannarino	Ronald G. Waldrip (\$300)
Roy Downey (\$200)	J.D. Maples Jr.	Tony Warren
Douglas G. Draper (\$600)	Clarence Martin Jr. (\$300)	Cleland White (\$350)

Tilman Drury Brian Duffy J. Henry Duncan Odis Embry David Evans (\$300) Pete Evans	Elmo Martin (\$1,550) A. George Mason, Jr. (\$750) Bobbie Maybrier Charlie & Kitty McBride (\$200) Michael McCorkle Francis 'Mac' McDermott (\$300) Johnny M. McGuire (\$200)	Norm Williams (\$125) Luther W. Willis Chappell R. Wilson Marvin H. Wilson (\$200) Bernis Woodward (\$500) Ben Zimmerman
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“Franklin Club Challenge” gifts made in Memoriam as of May 27, 2024:

	Name:	By:
	COL Byron Crawford MG David L. Evans (\$1,600) MG David L. Evans (\$300) MG Roy C. Gray, Jr (\$397) CSM Charles P. Kaltenthaler (\$500) COL Anthony E. Martin (\$500)	Anonymous Patricia S. Evans Anonymous Roy Gray, III Brenda Kaltenthaler Cox Elmo Martin

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Advance view of a couple of the Auct on Items that have been acquired to be auct oned off at the 43rd Annual Meet ng & Reunion. Their will be a few more nice packag- es available also and numerous raf e items. Thanks to Cyndy Noble and her team for gathering up these items.





The Association of the Century, Inc.

Post Office Box 34393
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WWW.100AOC.ORG

1 March 2024

The Association of the Century, Inc., is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the enhancement of our nation's defense, particularly and specifically through a strong, mission capable U.S. Army Reserve 100th Division. It is administered by a duly elected all volunteer Board of Directors composed of former and retired officers and enlisted personnel from the 100th Division.

One of our goals is to perpetuate high standards of excellence within the 100th Division by providing a strong link between active and former Century Division members. To accomplish this goal, we (1) recognize past 100th Division members who have distinguished themselves by meritorious service, (2) provide awards to recognize exceptional achievement by active members of the Century Division, and (3) conduct an Annual Meeting for Association business and fellowship. The 2024 Annual Meeting will be held in Owensboro, Kentucky on the weekend of August 24th.

One of our key initiatives is providing scholarships to students related to active duty and former 100th Division members. Monies raised through our fundraising efforts have provided as many as ten or more academic scholarships to qualifying students in a single year. Our current scholarship awards are \$1,000.

To help raise the funds for each of our annual programs; along with covering our operational and event costs we are seeking your support in the form of cash donations or items to be used as auction items. Association members in attendance at our Annual Meeting bid on the auction items to generate funds for the Association. As a reminder, The Association of the Century is a not-for-profit veterans' organization. It is designated as a 501(c) (19) corporation (EIN) 31-0931318. Generally, all contributions are deductible as charitable donations for federal income tax purposes.

Thank you for considering our request for a contribution. You may contact us at the above address.



MG Bill Barron
US Army Retired
Chairman of the Board



MSG R. Wayne Gerding
US Army Retired
2024 Association President

Perpetuating the Excellence of the 100th Division Since 1978



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Receipt For Donated Goods or Services

Date: _____

Donated by: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

The donation of Goods or Services requires a systematic mention by listing the donated item(s). The description, quantity and value in detail will be beneficial for the donor and the Association records.

The following items were donated to the Association of The Century.

Items Donated:

Total Value of Listed Items: _____

No Goods or Services Were Provided In Return from the Association.

Items Received By: *(Association of the Century Representative)*

(Date) (Print name) (Signature)

(Copy of this document to be retained for AOC records)

Thank You!!

We Appreciate Your Support to the Association Of The Century

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Receipt For Cash Donation and Use of Same

Date: _____

Donated by: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

The donation of Cash requires a systematic mention by listing the donated amount. The total amount and use of same should be reflected and will be beneficial for the donor and the Association records.

A Cash Donation in the amount of \$_____ dollars is hereby made to the Association of the Century, Inc.

The Association will determine the use of the donated amount to support their yearly programs; along with covering their operational and event costs as stated in cover letter; unless otherwise stated by the donor.

I the donor wish my donation to be used as stated below:

Items Received By: *(Association of the Century Representative)*

(Date) (Print name) (Signature)

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Thank You!!

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Remembering Our AOC Members

Ken Kapp, LTC (Ret), AOC Treasurer

In June 2006, the Association of the Century received a bequest of \$10,000.00 from the Estate of Elisabeth B. Avedisian. The bequest was made in memory of her husband, Colonel Michael Avedisian (Ret). Under the terms of Ms. Avedisian's estate, the funds were to be used for "providing for the upkeep of the building and all of the many mementos that are maintained and kept therein."

Colonel Avedisian was a veteran of World War II, serving from 1941 until 1946 in the China-Burma-India Theater. He served under General Douglas MacArthur. While assigned to the 100th Division (Training), he served as the Division Staff Judge Advocate from July 1968 until May 1977. He concluded his 30 years of military service in the Judge Advocate General's School at the University of Virginia.

Following the war, Colonel Avedisian graduated from Syracuse University and New York Law School, attaining his master's degree in taxation. He worked for the tax department of Price Waterhouse. In 1952, he transferred to Paducah with the tax department of F.H. McGraw, the prime contractors of the atomic plant in Paducah. He later received his Kentucky bar license. He became active in the Kentucky Bar Association. He organized the first tax section serving as president for three terms.

Elisabeth Avedisian and Michael Avedisian had been married for 40 years when Michael passed away at his Paducah home in February 1994. Michael was a native of Binghamton, New York. He started violin lessons at the age of 5. At age 16, Michael won the Music Clubs of America award for the state of New York. Colonel Michael Avedisian was a charter life member of the Association of the Century and was inducted into the Corridor of the Century in 1995.

Funds from the bequest have been used to purchase additional display cabinets, plaques, the installment of a security system, and the on-going updating of the displays. You may help with the care of the AOC's museum's mementos by your charitable donation to the AOC. Donations marked for museum care may be made through the Franklin Club or directly to the AOC at P.O. Box 34393, Louisville, KY 40232.

Tourism & Entertainment in the Owensboro and Nearby Regions

You may want to arrive early before the AOC Annual Meeting or stay late to take advantage of many sites in the Kentucky/Indiana region and the super weather in August.

We have three recommendations below for you: Owensboro, KY, has its own tourism website showing many attractions in the city: <https://visitowensboro.com>

You can see many additional sites in the Western Kentucky area near Owensboro known as "The Bluegrass-Blues-and-BBQ Region:" <https://www.kentuckytourism.com/trip-planning/cities-and-regions/bluegrass-blues-and-bbq-region>

Southwest Indiana, just across the Ohio River from Owensboro, has many great tourism areas: <https://www.visitindiana.com/regions/southwest/>

CHIEF OF STAFF: 100th Division Grog has a tradition of identifying true Century Soldiers. Those old Century Soldiers who marched their way to victory can savor the punch's ferocity and keen taste. To others, it is a poison, with the sting of a scorpion, the bite of a cobra, and the kick of a mule. Although we are proud warriors of the present, none must forget the past.

We must first have a base. Our base has been boiled by the heat of battle, drawn by our weapons as we stormed our enemies, and cooled by our victories, which encompass the world. I now lay the base of Century blood. **(Pour in sprite with red food coloring)**

CHIEF OF STAFF: The 100th Infantry Division organized in 1918 at Camp Bowie, TX to join the American Expeditionary Forces in combating the Central Powers in WWI. The Armistice was signed prior to the Division's deployment and the Division was inactivated until its role in WWII.

ASSISTANT DIVISION COMMANDER: To commemorate the creation of the 100th Infantry Division, I add **Sky Blue Vodka** to represent the birth of a legacy and the clear blue Texas skies upon where we began.

CHIEF OF STAFF: In 1942, the Century Division was activated and reorganized at Fort Jackson, SC, under the command of Major General Withers A. Burress. MG Burress, a native of Virginia would be one of only 11 general officers to command their division for the entirety of the war. He would serve over 35 years on active duty and retire as a lieutenant general. MG Burress passed away in Arlington, Virginia at the age of 83.

G3/5/7: To the rebirth of the Century Division and the provision of gallant leadership under MG Burress, and the success of the Tennessee Maneuvers, we now add **Jack Daniels' Whiskey**, the favorite spirit of MG Burress' home state of Virginia.

CHIEF OF STAFF: In 1944, the Division moved to Fort Bragg, NC. While at Fort Bragg, the Division received over 3,000 replacements from the disbanded Army Specialized Training Program (ASTP). The Division received, retrained, and integrated as infantrymen. That organization designed to train America's "best and brightest" young men for service in technical military occupations. At Fort Bragg, Technical Sergeant Walter L. Bull of Company A, 399th Infantry Regiment, earned the Army's first Expert Infantryman Badge, a badge still earned today only by the most technically-competent infantrymen and certain special operation personnel in the Army.

DIVISION COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR: I now add **Moonshine**, for Technical Sergeant Walter L. Bull's accomplishment in earning the first Expert Infantryman's Badge awarded in history, while in training as a member of the Century Division, at Fort Bragg, NC.

CHIEF OF STAFF: During WWII, the Century Division would earn 3 campaign streamers, fight 185 days of uninterrupted ground combat, liberate and capture more than 400 cities, towns and villages, take 13,351 prisoners of war, sustain 916 Soldiers killed in action, 3,656 wounded, and declare 180 men missing in action. After liberating the town of Bitche, France in the last major offensive of WWII, the men of the Century Division would earn their endearing title the 'Sons of Bitche'.

1ST BRIGADE: In recognition of the Centurymen that gave all, and those still missing in action, we take a moment of silence (pause). To the heroic actions of our Centurymen in WWII and the legacy of the Sons of Bitche, we add **Grand Marnier**, a spirit native to France.

CHIEF OF STAFF: For these combat actions, the 100th Infantry Division received streamers for the Ardennes-Alsace, Rhineland, and Central Europe campaigns. Its subordinate units garnered eight Distinguished Unit Citations.

Among the men of the 100th Infantry Division who were honored for heroism, three Soldiers earned the Medal of Honor: Lieutenant Edward A. Silk, Technical Sergeant Charles F. Carey, and Private First Class Michael Colalillo. In addition, Centurymen earned 36 Distinguished Service Crosses, over 500 Silver Stars, and well over 3,500 Purple Hearts

2D BRIGADE: We now pour **Blue Curacao** for the three Medal of Honor recipients produced by the Century Division in WWII. The blue coloring is symbolic of the loyalty, vigilance, perseverance, and truth these Centurymen exhibited for their country and fellow comrades in battle.

CHIEF OF STAFF: Flexibility and versatility are trademarks of the Century Division, once again proved during the Berlin Crisis. As the unit transformed in the years following WWII, its mission became to teach basic, advanced, and common training skills to soldiers from the Army's active, reserve, and National Guard components. In 1961 approximately 1500 Century Soldiers were activated and sent to Fort Chaffee, AR to support the Berlin Crisis. During their time on active duty, the 100th Division successfully trained some 32,000 soldiers after rebuilding long unused and dilapidated rifle ranges, barracks and other facilities.

3D BRIGADE: For the continuous dedication to duty, honor, and country after WWII and their contribution in support of the Berlin Crisis we add **German Beer**.

CHIEF OF STAFF: In 1971, Staff Sgt. Sherron Cooper became the 100th Division's first female Soldier. In 1977, the unit's mission changed from basic combat and advanced individual armor training to one station unit training. The mission was to prepare for mobilization missions by conducting entry level training for enlistees in one station format in armor or armor recon.

The Century Division continued to adapt and excel and in 1978 was selected as the first Army Reserve unit to be equipped with its own M-1 tanks, and the only training division with the mission of conducting training on the M-1 Abrams tank and the M-3 Bradley Cavalry vehicle.

4TH BRIGADE: We now add **Wine**, a drink symbolic of change and transformation, to represent the growth and transformation of the 100th Division over the years that has led to its current and future success.


CHIEF OF STAFF: As conflicts in the Middle East ignited and Desert Storm was launched, two brigade task forces from the 100th Division (1,147 soldiers) were activated to go to Fort Knox, KY to train 2,000 tank crewmen and armored Cavalry scouts, and in 1992 the 100th Division trainers took total responsibility for three company cycles of Basic Training at Fort Knox, KY. In 1995, the 100th Division reorganized to include USAR Schools by taking over responsibilities for TASS, and implemented a distance learning systems approach to military career training.

HHC: As water is an essential part of life, the Century Division is also an essential part of the US Army and US Army Reserve. The level of responsibility it has taken and the results it has produced are commendable and of great service to our country. We now add **Tonic Water** to the grog.

CHIEF OF STAFF: After decades of transformation and constant adaptation, the 100th Division has survived the test of time. Today, the 100th Division (Operations Support) and is headquartered here at Fort Knox, KY. It serves as a premier resource to the US Army and US Army Reserve, teaching professional development courses for non-commissioned officers in the fields of signal/cyber, health services, civil affairs/psychological operations, and military intelligence. Its units are located across the country. While its mission and name have changed various times over the years, the legacy remains the same.

DIVISION COMMANDER / AOC: In honor of the generations of Century Soldiers that have gone before us, those currently serving, and those that will one day join our legacy, we add **Kentucky Bourbon**, to symbolize the home of the current 100th Division (OS).

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