



ACADIANA CHAPTER DISPATCH

**ACADIANA CHAPTER 82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION
ASSOCIATION**

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THE JAN MEETING WILL BE OUR 38TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET AT CHEF ROYS IN RAYNE, LA. ON SATURDAY JANUARY 19, 2019. THIS IS THE LAST NOTICE

ACADIANA CHAPTER'S 38TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019 AT CHEF ROY'S.

I am attaching (or enclosing, if you get this by USPS) a copy of the form for the meal. This is our largest event of the year and all who come get to meet and visit with members you may not see at the regular meetings. Please fill the form out and send in your funds as soon as possible.

Our guest speaker is Colonel COL Jarrett A. Thomas II who is the Ft. Polk, and JRTC Garrison Commander. He is a Master Parachutist and has served in the 82nd Airborne Division as a Brigade S1 and as Deputy Chief of Staff of the 82nd Airborne Division. Please come, welcome Colonel Thomas, and enjoy a great "Airborne" evening with fellow paratroopers. This is the last notice.

before the banquet. **Please send in the meal form with your funds as soon as possible.**

Our Anniversary Banquet is the best attended event of the year. I ask that you come and enjoy the fellowship and "Airborne" Camaraderie we share at this event. This is an event with a military orientation where we celebrate the United States military Airborne forces (all branches) and our own "Airborne" service. Remember no matter which unit or era we served in, we all put our knees in the breeze.

PROPOSED TRIP TO JUMP SCHOOL AT FT. BENNING GA.

Another reminder about our proposed trip to Ft. Benning, GA. a proposed two-day visit is "tentatively" March 14-15, 2019. This will be a Thursday and Friday. We will travel there on Wednesday and come back on the Saturday.

If you have an interest in this, please contact me.

FEBRUARY MEETING IS TENTATIVELY FEB 2, 2019 AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH BUILDING "C"

We will have our first regular meeting on Saturday February 2nd at 1030 hrs. Please make plans to attend. A February newsletter will go out a week before the meeting.

NEW AND RENEWING CHAPTER MEMBERS:

New Member: Charles A. Hudson – Lives in Slidell, LA. He served with HHC 3/504, 3/1/84; Served in OEF 2, 2002-03 and OEF 5 2004-2005 528 Engineer Bn Kandahar Afganistan. Welcome to the Chapter!

Renewing Member: Terry W. Johnson – Terry Lives in Lafayette, LA. He served B Co. 1/75th Ranger Bn from March 1987 to March 1989; SF Units C 1/7/SWC Jan 1990 to June 2000.

Capt. Stefan J. Cormier – lives in Lafayette, LA. He served in the 82nd Aviation Brigade as an Apache pilot. He has served three combat tours in Afghanistan.

Currently he is pursuing a graduate degree at UL in Lafayette, LA. We are pleased is renewing his membership in our Chapter.

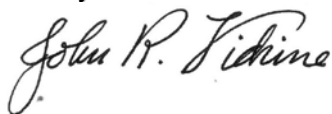
Renewing Member: Earl Lacombe - Earl lives near Rayne, LA. He served with the 20th Special Forces 2-1962 to 2-1977. He retired as a CSM.

RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS.

First, wear an Airborne Cap and you will smoke people out. We ask you to keep a copy of the application form and recruit new members! Applications can be downloaded from our Chapter Website.

Membership is now \$35.00 per year for annual members and is \$350.00 for a life membership – no matter what age you are.

Thanks and “Airborne All The Way!”



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