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Chaplain: LTC Jay Padgett, Joint Forces HQ, KY National Guard

Band: 202nd Kentucky Army National Guard Band

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160th SPECIAL OPERATIONS AVIATION REGIMENT



The 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment's mission is to organize, equip, train, resource and employ Army special operations aviation forces worldwide in support of contingency missions and combatant commanders. Known as Night Stalkers, these Soldiers are recognized for their proficiency in nighttime operations. They are highly trained and ready to accomplish the very toughest missions in all environments, anywhere in the world, day or night, with unparalleled precision. They employ highly modified Chinook, Black Hawk and assault and attack configurations of Little Bird helicopters.

Soldiers of the 160th have been actively and continuously engaged in the combat operations since October 2001. Today, the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment continues a sustained and active forward presence in the U.S. Central Command area of operations at multiple locations in support of operations Enduring Freedom. Our crews also provide support to U.S. Southern, Pacific, Africa, and European commands. (source: <https://www.soc.mil/USASOAC/160th.html>)

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ARMED FORCES DAY DINNER

Celebrating Our 100th Year

Friday, May 17, 2019

Churchill Downs, Millionaires Row

Louisville, Kentucky

VIP reception, 1800 hours (6:00 p.m.) | Dinner, 1900 hours (7:00 p.m.)



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This Evening's Distinguished Guest Speaker

Major General John R. Evans, Jr.

COMMANDING GENERAL, U.S. ARMY
CADET COMMAND & FORT KNOX, KENTUCKY

Major General John R. Evans, Jr. was commissioned in 1988 as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Appalachian State University. He was assigned to the Aviation Branch and completed flight school in 1990.

Major General Evans previously served as the commander of the United States Army Special Operations Aviation Command (Airborne).



He was first assigned as an Attack Platoon Leader in C / 1-82nd Aviation Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, NC where he served until 1995. He then served his first of three tours with the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) which included duties as A Company Platoon Leader and Operations Officer, A Company Commander, Battalion Operations Officer, 1st Battalion; Regiment S3, Regiment Operational Assessment Element Commander, Regiment Deputy Commander; and Battalion Commander, 2nd Battalion; Fort Campbell, KY.

Other assignments include: Deputy Commanding Officer of the Combined Forces Special Operations Component Command – Afghanistan, Kabul Afghanistan; 160th SOAR Regiment Commander, Fort Campbell, KY; Chief of Staff of the Army Senior Fellow at The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC; and the Deputy Commanding General – Support for 2nd Infantry Division / Republic of Korea - US Combined Division in the Republic of Korea.

Major General Evans is a graduate of the Armor Advanced Course, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Naval War College. He holds a Master of Arts in Adult Education from Kansas State University, and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College.

Major General Evans' military awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star with three oak leaf clusters, the Air Medal with V device and numeral 2, Combat Action Badge, Master Aviator Badge, Master Parachutist Badge and Air Assault Badge.

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Special Encore Appearance

General John J. "Blackjack" Pershing

COMMANDER, AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

General Pershing spoke at our first Armed Forces Day Dinner in 1919. He's here again to help celebrate our 100th year.



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1996 Brigadier General Julius L. Berthold, Army National Guard
1997 Brigadier General Elmus Ussery, US Army Reserve
1998 Edward L. Holloway, Associated Industries of Kentucky
1999 Rodney Williams, University of Louisville
2000 Edmund V. Armento, Federal Bureau of Investigation (Retired)
2001 Colonel Clifton W. "Bill" Leslie, Kentucky Air National Guard
2002 Kenneth M. Slye, US Army/Office of the Secretary of Defense (Ret.)
2003 Lieutenant Colonel Steven P. Bullard, Kentucky Air National Guard
2004-2009 Brigadier General (Ret.) Julius L. "Bud" Berthold
2010-2019 Brigadier General Steven P. Bullard (USAF Ret.)

Schedule of Events

Reception
202nd Kentucky Army National Guard Band
Posting of Colors
National Anthem
Military Tribute Dinner

Keynote Speaker
Major General John R. Evans, Jr.

With Special Encore Appearance by
General John J. "Blackjack" Pershing

2019 PATRIOT AWARD RECIPIENTS

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Fort Knox

SFC Thomas L. Kotz Goodenough — Cadet Command NCO of the Year, USACC
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CPL Reid H. Knox — 1st Theater Sustainment Command
SPC Jasmine Dixon — 1st Theater Sustainment Command

Other Military Units

SSgt Jason Almodovar — US Marine Corps
SFC Timothy J. Faulkner — KY Army National Guard
PO2C Tammany Barrett — US Navy Reserve Louisville
CPO April Townsend — US Navy Reserve Louisville
SSgt Robert L. Carlson — Kentucky Air National Guard
PO2C Joshua R. Herriott — USCG Sector Ohio Valley

ROTC

Outstanding Air Force JROTC Cadet — Major Josiah Dunn, Jeffersonville H.S.
Outstanding Navy JROTC Cadet — LCDR Madison Adams, Floyd Central H.S.
Outstanding Army JROTC Cadet — Major Christopher Jones, Eastern H.S.
Outstanding Marine Corps JROTC Cadet — Lt Colonel Aiyana Rice, Seneca H.S.
Distinguished Army ROTC Cadet — Captain Brayden Berezny & Lt Colonel Samuel Best, U of L
Distinguished Air Force ROTC Cadet — 1st Lieutenant Melanie Finch, University of Louisville
Colonel David J. Baker Excellence in Leadership Award — Cadet Col Nicholas Ferrera (U of L - AF ROTC)
MOAA Major Ken Slye Distinguished Award — Cadet Major Rachel Spaulding, Eastern H.S.

History of Keynote Speakers

1919 General John J. Pershing, USA, Commander, American Expeditionary Forces
 1923 Major General J. H. McRae, US Army, Spokesman Rhine Occupation
 1925 Brigadier General Dwight C. Aultman, US Army, Commander, Sixth Corps
 1926 The Honorable Hanford MacNider, Assistant Secretary of War
 1927 Major General Malin Craig, US Army, Training in Military Establishment
 1928 Major General Dennis E. Nolan, US Army, Washington, D.C.
 1929 Colonel Patrick J. Hurley, US Army, First Assistant Secretary of War
 1930 Major General William G. Elverson, US Army, Chief of Militia Bureau
 1931 The Honorable Hamilton Fish, Jr., US Congressman
 1932 Paul V. McNutt, Former National Commander of The American Legion
 1933 Major General Benson W. Hough, USA, Commander, 37th Division
 1934 Brigadier General Julian R. Lindsey, USA, Commanding General, Fort Knox
 1935 Major General Albert J. Bowley, US Army, Commanding General, Fifth Corps
 1936 Major General William E. Cole, US Army, Commanding General, Fifth Corps
 1937 Brigadier General William K. Naylor, US Army, CO, Fort Benjamin Harrison
 1938 Major General Allen W. Gullion, USA, Adjutant General of the US Army
 1939 General Henry H. "Hap" Arnold, US Army Air Corps, Chief of the Air Corps
 1940 Major General David L. Stone, US Army, Commander, Fifth Corps
 1941 Major General Adna R. Chaffee, US Army, Commander, Armored Forces
 1942 Major General Jacobs L. Devers, US Army, Commander, Armored Forces
 1948 Lieutenant General Elwood R. "Pete" Quesada, US Air Force
 1949 The Honorable William C. Bullitt, Former Ambassador to the Soviet Union
 1950 Major General A. C. McAuliffe, US Army, Chief of the Chemical Corps
 1951 Admiral Forrest P. Sherman, US Navy, Chief of Naval Operations
 1952 The Honorable Frank Pace, Jr., Secretary of the Army
 1953 Lieutenant General Clifton B. Cates, Commandant, US Marine Corps
 1954 The Honorable James H. Douglas, Undersecretary of the Air Force
 1955 Lieutenant General James M. Gavin, US Army, Deputy Chief of Staff
 1956 Vice Admiral J. L. Holloway, Jr., US Navy, Chief of Naval Personnel
 1957 General Randolph M. Pate, US Marine Corps, Commandant
 1958 Robert B. Hotz, Editor, Aviation Week Magazine
 1959 Commander William R. Anderson, US Navy, CO, the USS Nautilus
 1960 The Honorable Wilbur M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army
 1961 The Honorable Elvis J. Stahr, Secretary of the Army
 1962 The Honorable Fred Korth, Secretary of the Army
 1963 General Bernard A. Schriever, US Air Force, Air Force Systems Command
 1964 The Honorable Stephen Ailes, Secretary of the Army
 1965 General David M. Shoup, Commandant (Medal of Honor), US Marine Corps
 1966 Lieutenant General Herbert B. Thatcher, US Air Force
 1967 The Honorable L. Mendel Rivers, US Congressman
 1968 Rear Admiral E. P. Aurand, USN, Director of Long Range Objectives Group
 1969 Brigadier General S. L. A. "Slam" Marshall, US Army (Retired), Author
 1970 The Honorable John H. Chafee, Secretary of the Navy
 1971 Major General Hugh H. Milton, II, US Army (Retired)
 1972 Lieutenant General Harris W. Hollis, US Army, Chief of Reserve
 1973 Vice Admiral Damon W. Cooper, US Navy, Chief of Naval Reserve
 1974 Major General James R. Allen, US Air Force
 1975 The Honorable Howard H. "Bo" Calloway, Secretary of the Army
 1976 The Honorable Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States
 1977 The Honorable R. James Woolsey, Undersecretary of the Navy
 1978 Major General Donald S. Dawson, US Air Force Reserve
 1979 General Lyman L. Lemnitzer, US Army (Retired)
 1980 Major General George J. Keegan, Jr., US Air Force (Retired)
 1981 General Russell E. Dougherty, US Air Force (Retired)

1982 Brigadier General James L. Dozier, US Army
 1983 The Honorable Chapman B. Cox, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy
 1984 General Richard L. Lawson, US Army, Deputy Commander in Chief, USEC
 1985 The Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr., Secretary of the Army
 1986 Admiral Kinnard R. McKee, US Navy, Director of Navy Nuclear Propulsion
 1987 Major General John B. Conaway, Director, Air National Guard
 1988 The Honorable Robert B. Oakley, Career Minister, US Foreign Service
 1989 General Robert T. Herres, US Air Force, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs
 1990 Lieutenant General Jimmy D. Ross, US Army, Deputy Chief of Staff
 1991 The Honorable John W. Shannon, Undersecretary of the Army
 1992 Admiral David Jeremiah, US Navy, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
 1993 General James J. Lindsay, US Army (Ret.), US Special Operations
 1994 The Honorable Sam Nunn, US Senator, Georgia
 1995 The Honorable Wendell H. Ford, US Senator, Kentucky
 1996 The Honorable Dr. John J. Hamre, Undersecretary of Defense - Comptroller
 1997 General Lloyd R. "Fig" Newton, US Air Force, Commander, Air Training
 1998 BG Billy Cooper, USA, Joint Rear Area Coordinator, US Central Command
 1999 General Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
 2000 General Anthony Zinni, USMC, Commander, US Central Command
 2001 General John Abrams, Commander, US Army Training & Doctrine Command
 2002 Vice Admiral James D. Hull, Commander Atlantic Area, US Coast Guard
 2003 Major General Terry L. Tucker, Commanding General, US Army Armor Center
 2004 The Honorable Ernie Fletcher, Governor, Kentucky
 2005 The Honorable Mitch McConnell, US Senator, Kentucky
 2006 Lieutenant General Joseph R. Inge, US Army, Deputy Commander, US Northern Command
 2007 Vice Admiral John G. Cotton, Chief of Navy Reserve, Commander Navy Reserve Force
 2008 General William S. Wallace, Commander, US Army Training & Doctrine Command
 2009 General Victor E. Renuart, Jr., Commander, NORAD and US Northern Command
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 2016 Lieutenant General Rex C. McMillian, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve/Marine Forces North
 2017 Major General Christopher P. Hughes, Commanding General, United States Army Cadet Command
 2018 Admiral Paul F. Zukunft, Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard
 2019 Major General John R. Evans, Jr., Commanding General, U.S. Army Cadet Command & Fort Knox, KY

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ARMED FORCES DAY DINNERS—Armed Forces Day Dinners, once known as National Defense Dinners, have become an important part of the Louisville tradition. The Louisville Armed Forces Day Dinner began in 1919 at the Seelbach Hotel with the distinguished presence of General John J. "Blackjack" Pershing as the honored guest and principal speaker. A succession of distinguished leaders of national prominence, both military and civilian — including the President of the United States — have honored this now annual function with their presence as guest speakers.