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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Rhonda Gloodt

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Both of our combined Outpost Harry Survivor's 28th reunion and our 3rd ID's OP53 6th reunion will be held in the Westin Jekyll Island hotel on Saturday morning, November 16th.

If you are coming just for that day, come early and join us in the 3rd ID's hospitality room and/or have breakfast in the hotel with us.

PLAN TO ATTEND! I will be bringing my family including grandchildren! I truly hope to see you and your families there!

Rhonda

Rhonda McAuliffe Gloodt

OPHSA 28TH REUNION

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If you plan on flying, it is recommended you fly to **Jacksonville, FL** as it is actually closer to Jekyll Island than Savannah. There will be a complimentary shuttle service that will bring you to the hotel from the Jacksonville airport and will return you to the airport when the reunion is over.

Let the **Reunion Brat** know your schedule and they will make sure you are on the list for pick up and drop off.

The Reunion Brat

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Greenwater, WA 98022

Email: thereunionbrat@hotmail.com

Phone: +1 360-663-2521

HOTEL

Westin Jekyll Island Hotel

110 Ocean Way
Jekyll Island GA 31527
Phone: +1 888-627-8316

ROOM RATES

\$122 per night plus \$15 resort fees and taxes for Island view

\$159 per night plus \$15 resort fees and taxes for Ocean view

Parking is free for hotel residents

Call the hotel no later than **October 14th, 2019** to make your reservations. Make sure you mention you are with the 3rd Infantry Division to receive the group rate above.

Make your plans early as the hotel reservations will fill up fast!

On Saturday we will be hosted by the 3rd Infantry Division to visit and tour several Fort Stewart facilities including the warriors walk, and the 3rd Infantry's museum where there is an OP Harry display.



OP Harry display in the Fort Stewart 3rd Infantry Division's museum

For dinner, we will have the Fort Stewart club's pot roast.



The Fort Stewart club's excellent, hearty pot roast

SECRETARY-TREASURER

Financial Statement

OP Harry account: \$3415.65
3rd ID OP53 account \$392.00
Total: \$3744.65

Our financial needs are now minimal and our Association's current checking account should be adequate to cover any future expenditures for some time.

As a result we no longer need donations to support our Association and I request you no longer make donations.

Many thanks to all of our member's 28 years of support making the reunions, web site, and newsletters possible.



Two highlights of the OPHSA 2018 reunion we can briefly discuss for those who couldn't make it to the last reunion. They are the visit to the **Albuquerque Museum of Nuclear Science and History**, and a talk from Medal of Honor Winner **Hiroshi Miyamura**. Both of these events took place Saturday, September 29th, 2018.

Doug Jones/Andrew Bergen

THANKS TO DONORS

Doug requests no future donations be made. Many *many* thanks to all who have generously donated down through the years making our Association possible.

John Lody

Joseph Gatate Jr.

TAPS

I am sad to report that **Claude L. Williams** and **Billie Jo Williams** have passed away. Billie Jo passed on October 8, 2018 and Claude passed on November 29, 2018. They are buried in the Ft Custer Battle Creek National Cemetery in the Battle Creek, Michigan area. They were married for 63 years and came to many of the Outpost Harry Reunions with their son **Mike**. Claude was with C Company, 10th Engineer Battalion while on Outpost Harry. Claude wrote about his work on Outpost Harry on his web page. Please take a minute and read his article on our Outpost Harry Survivors Association Web site at:

http://www.ophsa.org/Claude_Williams/index.htm

At the top of page one of his web pages is a link to a 40 minute conversation with **Brad** about his work installing the 55 gallon drum of Napalm on the front slope of OP Harry.

CONTACTS

This is a new addition to the Survivor. We get requests from time to time for information on Outpost Harry survivors. ed.

There is a woman who was the sweetheart of **2LT Robert Elmer Braithwaite** who is wanting to make contact with anyone who may have known him. He was E Co 15IR and KIA July 14 1953.

Ted Barker: Phone: +1 214-320-0342

Email: Ted Barker <tbarker@kwp.org>
Korean War Project (Online since 1/15/94)

(If you knew Robert Elmer Braithwaite, please contact Ted Barker. ed.)

To be held at the Island Hotel located Way, Jekyll Island, rates are \$122 per resort fee and taxes room or \$159 per

**100TH ANNUAL REUNION
SOCIETY OF THE 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION
JEKYLL ISLAND/SAVANNAH, GEORGIA
NOVEMBER 14-18, 2019**

Westin Jekyll at 110 Ocean GA 31527. Room night, plus a \$15 for an island view night plus a \$15

resort fee and taxes for an ocean view room. The hotel provides free parking to hotel guest. **Call the Westin Jekyll Island Hotel at 1-888-627-8316 no later than October 14, 2019 to make your hotel reservations. Make sure to mention you are with the 3rd Infantry Division to receive the group rate.**

Thursday November 14th

2:00pm Registration and Hospitality Room Opens
5:00pm-6:00pm ~ No Host Social Hour
6:00pm-8:00pm~ President's Reception Dinner

Friday November 15th

8:00am-3:00pm ~ Mighty Eighth Museum Tour
5:30pm-6:30pm ~ Soldiers Ball No Host Social Hour
6:30pm-9:00pm ~ Soldiers Ball Dinner
9:00pm-12:00am ~ Soldiers Ball

Saturday November 16th

8:30am-10:30am ~ General Membership Meeting
9:00am-10:30am ~ Ladies Breakfast
10:30am-12:00pm ~ Executive Committee Meeting
1:30pm-8:00pm ~ Fort Stewart Tour & Regimental Dinner Fort Stewart Club

Sunday November 17th

8:00am-10:00am ~ Memorial Breakfast and Reunion Farewell

Tours

Mighty Eighth Museum & Lunch

Friday November 15th

8:00am-3:00pm

Price \$36.00

The Mighty Eighth Museum uses state-of-the-art graphics, memorabilia, vintage motion pictures and photographs and interactive "live-it-yourself" features. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum is a work of art by itself. Divided into galleries, which effectively group the information presentation by either time or location, the museum begins with a concise retracing of the events leading to World War II in the Prelude to War, and then paints a bleak picture of Britain, seemingly alone, against the powerful German forces. Dramatic archival footage, some of which is rarely seen, recreates the life and death struggle that took place over the skies of Great Britain from 1940 until 1942. A lunch will be provided at the museum.

Fort Stewart Tour & Dinner at Fort Stewart Club

Saturday November 16th

1:30pm-8:00pm

Price ~ \$39.00

The Third Infantry Division will host the Society during a tour of Fort Stewart and will include a visit to the Fort Stewart Museum, the Warriors' Walk Memorial and more events that are still in the planning stages. The day will be finished off with a Pot Roast \Dinner at the Fort Stewart Club attended by officers and leaders of the division.

For More Information Contact:

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Tobster16@gmail.com**

**The Reunion BRAT 360-663-2521
thereunionbrat@hotmail.com**

COME JOIN US AS WE SHARE OLD MEMORIES AND MAKE NEW ONES!!!

- Confirmation of Registration and Itinerary will be sent out by October 18, 2019
- **CANCELLATION POLICY:** By sending in the registration form, you are agreeing to the cancellation policy
- A \$20 per person cancellation fee will apply to all cancellations received within 30 days of the event.
- Cancellations received within 10 days of the event will be non-refundable.
Cancellations can **ONLY** be requested over the phone at 360-663-2521. You will receive a cancellation number; no refund will be issued without this number. Please make sure to keep this number for verification of your cancellation.



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SOCIETY OF THE 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION
JEKYLL ISLAND/SAVANNAH, GEORGIA
NOVEMBER 14-17, 2019

★ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

★ IF YOU SERVED IN THE 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION FILL OUT THIS SECTION

NAME _____ PREFERRED NAME ON BADGE _____

UNIT SERVED IN _____ OUTPOST _____ PLEASE CHECK ONE OR MORE: WWII _____ KOREA _____
COLD WAR _____ GULF WAR _____ IRAQ WAR _____ AFGHANISTAN _____ PEACE TIME _____ ACTIVE DUTY _____

★ IF YOU ARE AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER FILL OUT THIS SECTION
FOR ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PLEASE USE THE BACKSIDE OF THIS FORM

NAME _____ PREFERRED NAME ON BADGE _____

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: YES _____ OUTPOST _____

★ IF YOU ARE A GUEST FILL OUT THIS SECTION
FOR ADDITIONAL GUEST PLEASE USE THE BACKSIDE OF THIS FORM

NAME _____ PREFERRED NAME ON BADGE _____

NAME _____ PREFERRED NAME ON BADGE _____

PLEASE LIST ANY SPECIAL NEEDS: _____
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY: _____

REQUIRED REGISTRATION FEE (PER PERSON) _____ X \$39.00 = _____
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14TH ~ PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION DINNER _____ X \$59.00 = _____
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15TH ~ MIGHTY EIGHTH MUSEUM TOUR & LUNCH _____ X \$36.00 = _____
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15TH ~ SOLDIERS BALL & DINNER _____ X \$35.00 = _____
SOLDIERS BALL DINNER WILL BE A DUO PLATE OF BEEF & CHICKEN
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16TH ~ LADIES BREAKFAST _____ X \$32.00 = _____
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16TH ~ FORT STEWART TOUR & DINNER _____ X \$39.00 = _____

REQUIRED INFORMATION FORT STEWART ACCESS

LEGAL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) _____ GENDER (M/F) _____ DOB (i.e.1962 JAN 11) _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE# & STATE ISSUED (i.e.M19GO62BLU / MI) _____ US CITIZEN (YES / NO) _____

LEGAL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) _____ GENDER (M/F) _____ DOB (i.e.1962 JAN 11) _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE# & STATE ISSUED (M19GO62BLU / MI) _____ US CITIZEN (YES / NO) _____

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 17TH ~ MEMORIAL BREAKFAST _____ X \$34.00 = _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

★ PAYMENT IS DUE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 14, 2019
PLEASE SEND PAYMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS AND MADE PAYABLE TO:
THE REUNION BRAT

16817 MOUNTAINSIDE DRIVE EAST
GREENWATER, WA 98022