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# *The Currahee!*

The Newsletter of  
The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association  
Airmobile - Air Assault

*Our Motto: We Stand Together - Then, Now, and Always*



## 2008 Currahee Reunion

### August 13-16, 2008

### Reno, Nevada



***It's reunion time again, and it's looking bigger and better than ever!***

Mark your calendar and start making plans to attend the 2008 Currahee Reunion, August 13-16, 2008. This Reunion will be conducted in coordination with the 101st Airborne Association as well as other Regimental Associations. This provides the opportunity to reestablish friendships across the broad spectrum of units that have served within the 101st Airborne Division while maintaining our special identity.

The 506th Association events include a Regimental Buffet, Association General Membership Meeting and Reunion Hospitality/Display/QM Sales Room and the Currahee Memorial Dinner. Our keynote speaker at the dinner will be CPT(R) **Benjamin F. Peters** - Commander of HHC & B 2nd Bn, 506th Inf (Jan - Dec 1970). Ben first entered the service as an enlistee, attained the rank of SGT E-6 before going to OCS and left the service in 1972 after twenty years of service. Ben was awarded the Silver Star for his actions during the final evacuation of FSB Ripcord after putting COL Lucas on a medevac ship, and he himself was on the last chopper off of Ripcord.

As it is conducted in coordination with the 101st Association, members of the 506th Association are invited to participate in 101st events. All that is necessary is to sign up for the 101st events you desire on 101st Association web site – membership in the 101st Association is not required. Be advised that the 101st Association is offering discounts to those who register early for their events / functions. We will reciprocate for current 101st Association members who are not currently members of the 506th Association.

Our host city is Reno, Nevada, which modestly bills itself as “The Biggest Little City in the World” and offers a large array of famous casino hotels and a many other forms of entertainment besides gambling, dining and music. The area has some of the most creative mountain, river and desert attractions, including beautiful Lake Tahoe, a magnificent mountain lake. Located on the border of Nevada and California, it offers convenient access from across the nation.

The Headquarters for the 2008 Currahee Reunion will be:

**Circus Circus Hotel  
500 North Sierra Street  
Reno, Nevada**

**For information on accommodations, attractions and schedules, check the reunion section beginning on page 3 of this newsletter. The registration form for the reunion is on page 5.**

### **REMINDER to current and new members:**

January is the time to pay your dues and renew your membership. Don't miss out on any of the news and services offered by the 506th Association. There are a variety of membership options available to you...check out the forms on pages 18 and 19.

## Message from the President –

Elsewhere in these pages you will find exciting news about the 2008 Currahee reunion, to be held in Reno next August. As the direct result of a great deal of effort by a number of dedicated Association members, this year's event will be held at the same time and in the same city as the reunion of the 101st Airborne Division Association.

This is entirely appropriate, because for many years the 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment has been part of the 101st, including during combat tours in three wars. We welcome this opportunity to celebrate that historical relationship together with our recent service with the 2nd Infantry Division, and will be carefully evaluating the results of this experiment to see if we want to repeat the relationship in future reunions.

The decision to conduct this experiment was not without controversy. Some members felt that our association might lose its identity in the midst of the larger 101st Airborne Association; others had past experiences with that group that left them with a preference for the more personal scale of the 506th; and still others were concerned that our rich set of charitable and support programs for veterans and their families might be overlooked. But in the final analysis, our common history, our strong sense of shared mission and our mutual concern for veterans' issues outweighed the potential negatives.

It has been an interesting and eye-opening adventure trying to coordinate the dates and locations of two such major reunions. The planners from the 506th, led by Board of Directors members Tom Duckett and Gene Overton and former president Brise Bickerton, had to do a great deal of scrambling, negotiating and communicating to make the event work for all the organizations involved. From my perspective, they've done a terrific job of seeing that the 506th Association members' needs are met and providing opportunities for interaction with the Screaming Eagle group. Our schedule of events honors our own traditions while still offering opportunities for members of both groups to attend activities of interest.

Please, when we seek your feedback about the experience of Reno, let us know how this worked for you and your companions, and whether you prefer us to retain our historic separation of events or try a joint reunion again.

In other news which may be of interest, following the resignation of Brise Bickerton as President, the Board of Directors chose me as his successor, ratified the appointment of Mike Metzger as Secretary. We extended our thanks to Brise for his energy and leadership. The official notice is on page 16.

The Board also made a number of changes in our committee structure and membership. With the first deployment of the 506th RCT to Afghanistan in March 2008, we wanted to ensure that our liaison function with active duty Currahees was strengthened, and that we were in a position to renew our support commitment to those soldiers and their families.

For your part, please make plans to leave the gaming tables and tourist attractions of Reno for a short while to attend our business meeting. It's the best opportunity to have your voice heard about the direction and activities of the Association, and to take part in electing the leadership of this organization for the next two years. We particularly want to invite recent and current Currahees to attend the meeting, and to participate in the leadership and activities of the Association. If our observations of current soldiers and veterans from the Reunion in Colorado Springs is any indication, they are going to be strong custodians of the Currahee traditions in the future as those of us from the first 50 years of the regiment's history turn over leadership to veterans of tomorrow. We'd particularly like you recent Currahees to nominate candidates for the 2008-2010 officers and members of the board. Mike Metzger, as Secretary, heads the Nominating Committee. On page 17 you'll find a form for either volunteering (seriously!) or nominating somebody else.

### ***CURRAHEE!***

John Lally, President

A Co., 1/506th — Vietnam, 1970-71

**Visit the Currahee website - [www.506infantry.org](http://www.506infantry.org)**

## Currahee Reunion—Accommodations at Circus Circus Hotel

### Special Reunion room rates in each of the hotel towers are:

#### Sky Tower:

Sunday - Thursday = \$59 or \$68.01 per night to include tax

Friday & Saturday = \$89 or \$102.14 per night to include tax

#### Main Tower:

Sunday - Thursday = \$69 or \$79.44 per night to include tax

Friday & Saturday = \$99 or \$112.37 per night to include tax

#### Room Reservations:

Direct hotel phone numbers are 800-648-5010 or 775-329-0711

Use the Reservation Code I 101 (I as in "India")



Reno's Circus Circus Hotel, Resort and Casino

#### NOTES:

Stop by the 506th Association Welcome Table in Mandalay Room B to pick up welcome packets; reunion name tags; tickets for the Unit Social and the Memorial Dinner; register late for the reunion; pay your 506th Association membership dues; and/or check your listing in the 2008 Association Roster.

The 101st Association is holding its annual reunion August 13-16, 2008, at the Circus Circus Hotel in Reno and will be allowing members of the 506th Association to register for 101st Association Reunion social events on an "a la carte" basis, even if they are not 101st Association members. Information can be found at the 101st Association web site [www.screamingeagle.org/reunion.htm](http://www.screamingeagle.org/reunion.htm), or they can be reached at [101exec@comcast.net](mailto:101exec@comcast.net) or 931-431-0199.

The 506th Association will NOT be serving alcoholic beverages in their Hospitality Room, so anyone wanting alcoholic beverages will need to register for the 101st Association Hospitality Room.

Help raise funds for the 506th Association by bring a donated item(s) to the Reunion for our Raffles on Thursday and Saturday evening. In addition, to our Raffles on Saturday, the Task Force 3-506th will be conducting a Silent Auction of donated items to support their Flower Fund Program. See attached description / link for this program at <http://www.currahee3-506.org/flowerfund.htm>

Check the [Currahee Reunion Schedule of Events](#) on page 4 for the full schedule.

Use the [2008 Currahee Reunion Registration Form](#) on page 5 to register for the 2008 Currahee Reunion.

#### Information on Reno, Nevada, our host city

For information on attractions, entertainment, family and recreational events and the community itself, check out the Nevada tourism website at <http://www.nevadatourism.com/reno.htm> or the City of Reno website at [www.cityofreno.com](http://www.cityofreno.com), write them at City of Reno, PO Box 1900 Reno, NV 89505, or call for information at 775-334-INFO

**2008 Currahee Reunion Schedule of Events**  
**August 13-16, 2008**  
**Reno, NV**

**Wednesday, August 13:**

1 pm - 10:30 pm: 506th Association Hospitality Room opens/check-in and pick up 2008 Currahee Reunion Name Tag(s) + Information Packet. (location: Mandalay Room B)

TBD: 101st Association Hospitality Room opens (location: Mandalay Room A; separate fee of TBD for hospitality room to be paid to 101st Association)

**Thursday, August 14:**

9 am - 4 pm: 506th Association Hospitality Room open/check-in and pick up 2008 Currahee Reunion Name Tag(s) + Information Packet. (location: Mandalay Room B)

TBD: 101st Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room A)

6 pm - 10 pm: 506th Association Unit Social (cash bar; location: Mandalay Room B)

10 pm - TBD: 506th Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room B)

**Friday, August 15:**

9 am - 4 pm: 506th Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room B)

TBD: 101st Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room A)

6 pm - 10 pm: 101st Association Memorial Dinner (location: TBD; separate fee of TBD to be paid to 101st Association)

8 pm - TBD: 506th Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room B)

10 pm - TBD: 101st Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room A)

**Saturday, August 16:**

**10 am - noon: 506th Association General Membership Meeting (location: Mandalay Room B)**

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm: 506th Association Board of Directors Meeting (location: TBD)

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm: 506th Association Hospitality Room open (Location: Mandalay Room B)

6 pm - 7 pm: 506th Association Reception (cash bar; location: Silver Legacy Resort Hotel Silver Baron Ballrooms C/D/E; the Silver Legacy Hotel is next door to the Circus Circus Hotel; covered walkway between the two hotels)

7 pm - 9:30 pm: **506th Association Memorial Dinner** (cash bar; location: Silver Legacy Resort Hotel Silver Baron Ballrooms C/D/E)

10 pm - TBD: 506th Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room B)

10 pm - TBD: 101st Association Hospitality Room open (location: Mandalay Room A)

**Sunday, August 17:**

6 am - TBD: Departure

# 2008 Currahee Reunion Registration Form

August 13-16, 2008 – Circus Circus Hotel, Reno, NV

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ eMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES OF SPOUSE/GUEST(S) ATTENDING THE REUNION: \_\_\_\_\_

REUNION ACTIVITY	# OF PERSONS	\$ PER PERSON (before 08/01/08)	\$ PER PERSON (after 08/01/08)	TOTAL
Registration Fee	#	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$
<b>WEDNESDAY, August 13</b>				
Welcome Table/Hospitality/Display Room (1pm-10:30pm; snacks/non-alcohol beverages)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
<b>THURSDAY, August 14</b>				
Welcome Table/Hospitality/Display Room (9am-4pm; snacks/non-alcohol beverages)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
506 <sup>th</sup> Unit Social (hor d'oeuvres/cash bar) (6pm-10pm)	#	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$
Hospitality/Display Room (10pm-TBD)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
<b>FRIDAY, August 15</b>				
Hospitality/Display Room (9am-4pm; 8pm-TBD)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
<b>SATURDAY, August 16</b>				
General Membership Meeting (10am-noon)	Association Members	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hospitality/Display Room (1:30pm-3:30pm)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
Reception (6pm-7pm) Currahee Memorial Dinner (7pm-9:30pm)  (SELECT YOUR ENTREES)	Beef # _____ Chicken # _____ Fish # _____ Child's Meal # _____	(cash bar) \$35/adult \$18/child (under 12)	(cash bar) \$40/adult \$20/child (under 12)	\$
Hospitality/Display Room (10pm-TBD)	N/A	N/A	N/A	FREE
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				\$

Make your check/money order payable to: **The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile-Air Assault)**  
 Mail this form and your check to: **Hoyt Bruce Moore, III, 4126 Cole Way, San Diego, CA 92117-1123**

**REFUND POLICY:** all cancellations and refund requests must be made via phone **858-274-4317**  
 or eMail **TheMOE\_A1506@msn.com** no later than **August 1, 2008**.

**NOTES:**

1. The 101<sup>st</sup> Association is holding its annual reunion August 13-16, 2008, at the Circus Circus Hotel in Reno and will be allowing members of the 506<sup>th</sup> Association to register for 101<sup>st</sup> Association events on an "a la carte" basis, even if they are not 101<sup>st</sup> Association members. Information can be found at the 101<sup>st</sup> Association web site [www.screamingeagle.org/reunion.htm](http://www.screamingeagle.org/reunion.htm), or they can be reached at [101exec@comcast.net](mailto:101exec@comcast.net) or 931-431-0199.
2. The 506<sup>th</sup> Association will NOT be serving alcoholic beverages in their Hospitality Room, so anyone wanting alcoholic beverages will need to register for the 101<sup>st</sup> Association Hospitality Room.

## Currahee Communications

John Lally, Newsletter Editor ([johnlally@comcast.net](mailto:johnlally@comcast.net))  
A Co., 1/506th, 1970-71

Currahees are justifiably proud of our heritage. From the first Toccoa grads that jumped into the darkness in Normandy more than sixty years ago to the most recently returned veterans of the Iraq campaigns, we enjoy a bond based on shared commitment – to our comrades, to our regiment and to our nation. This bond transcends our political views, our economic, age, culture and gender differences. By standing together, we affirm the values that we all labored and fought and bled to protect.

The founders of the Association took pains to make the organization inclusive, not exclusionary. But “standing together” means more than looking backwards and honoring our history. We also must, as an organization, plan for a future that includes a much younger and more diverse group of veterans. Recent reunions have included increasing numbers of current and recent unit members, and many of our most successful activities – like the Packages project – help attract the newest generation of Currahees into our ranks. We hope to bring them into the fold and share our pride with them. We also want to include them in Association activities and share Association responsibilities with them. Doing this successfully puts a premium on good communications.

There are three primary communications vehicles open to the association.

Our marvelous website is loaded with information of interest and importance, and is a growing reference for us all and for others interested in the Currahee world as well. The attention the website has attracted from universities and from journalists and historians is evidence of this influence. It gets better by the month.

This newsletter, published every January for all members and also in July for dues-paying members, is another means of communicating. To save money, we send it electronically (as an Adobe Acrobat Reader .pdf file) to people with e-mail addresses. The last issue, for example, cost almost \$3.50 for each mailed issue, while the e-mail version is free. We also do periodic e-mails to update the large and growing number of members who have e-mail access at home, at work or at school.

The third, and most satisfying and successful means of communication, is person-to-person. Use the location resources in our member directory, our email log and the Internet to find and keep in touch with one another and to make new friends from the ranks of Currahees. Wear Currahee clothing and proudly display our regimental crest to attract other 506th veterans in your community. And, when you cross paths with another Currahee, let them know about the Association, and all the people in our organization who share our common history and can relate to their experiences.

This is particularly true with the recent and current members of the Regiment, the men and women who will carry our legacy forward. The more we communicate and work together for the Association that we all own, the stronger and more energized it will become. That’s the best way to bridge generational and technology gaps, to get new people involved and to keep the association alive.

If you have news about former or current Currahees that you think may be of interest to other members, contact the reporters for the three Currahee battalions; they’ll be happy to hear from you and your contributions will make their jobs easier. The three reporters are:

**1st Bn** – Joseph Huesing - [joeph.e.huesing@monsanto.com](mailto:joeph.e.huesing@monsanto.com)

**2nd Bn** – Christopher Garrett - [c-garrett@msn.com](mailto:c-garrett@msn.com)

**3rd Bn** – Jerry Gomes - [azores46@verizon.net](mailto:azores46@verizon.net)

You can also send your news items to me or to any of the members of the Board of Directors.

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## Active Duty Notes

### Currahee Unit Deploys to Afghanistan

The Department of Defense announced that elements of the 506th are scheduled to deploy as part of the next rotation operating in Afghanistan. This announcement involves a combat brigade and headquarters element totaling approximately 4,500 service members. The scheduled rotation for these forces will begin in early 2008.

This rotation continues the U.S. commitment to maintain two combat brigades in Afghanistan and maintain the level of forces necessary to provide sufficient military capability for the NATO-International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) to further improve security and stability operations.

Specific units receiving deployment orders include: 101st Airborne Division Headquarters and the 4th Brigade Combat Team, which includes the 506th Regimental Combat Team, all from Fort Campbell.

## Lost and Found – Two Proud Currahee! Docs Find Each Other After 38 Years

By Joseph Huesing

First Battalion Reporter

Almost 40 years ago Paul Greaux and Melvin Howell (Doc Mel) served as medics in the 1/506th Infantry in Vietnam. Both were based at Camp Evans and assigned to HHC. Paul was attached to D Company and Mel to A company. There they pledged to look out for one another and when the two separated vowed, if they both survived, to meet again. Paul, who now resides in Hollywood, Florida, where he works as a Respiratory Therapist, remembered with fondness both the tough times in the bush as well as the fun times – Melvin taught the older Paul to play the guitar in Vietnam, a skill Paul used in a band for nearly 15 years.

Time goes by and Mel, a retired teacher from Oklahoma, had often tried to reconnect with Paul without success and in fact had given up the search. Then, this last May, 2007, Mel found, quite by accident, what he hoped would be Paul's e-mail address while searching for a book on-line. He thought there was no way this Paul could be his long lost buddy. Taking a chance, Mel sent an e-mail and was delighted to learn that he had finally made contact with his long lost friend. Over the next several months the men reminisced by e-mail and phone and decided that they needed to get together to talk.

In September, 2007, Paul waited with anticipation for Mel's arrival at the airport from Ft. Gibson Oklahoma. As luck would have it the plane was late but he did finally arrive. You can imagine the meeting – "It was very emotional," said Paul -- laughter, hugs and tears of joy. "It was the welcome back we didn't receive 38 years ago." Immediately, the pair started in on remembrances. Back at Paul's house a large banner hung in the living room welcoming Mel. Paul relates, "Mel only spent two days, which was way too short, with me & my family, but what a thrill! We didn't touch the tip of the iceberg of all the things we wanted to say to each other."

Paul, a native of the U.S. Virgin Islands, even sent a note to his mom who still resides in the islands. "She's still shedding tears of joy," relates Paul.

NOTE: The internet has significantly improved our ability to find people. As this wonderful reunion illustrates spend some time and try again to look up that old buddy. You might just get lucky. See Paul's and Mel's story by C. Ron Allen of the South Florida Sun Sentinel on-line at the 506th website at [www.506infantry.org](http://www.506infantry.org)

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## Supporters of 2/506th troops work to help ease the transition to Afghanistan

Nikki Davis, *Currahee Creations*

Spouses and family members of 2nd Battalion, 506th Infantry have created, and are proud to offer, a collection of hand stamped Currahee stationery.

Our nonprofit organization is raising money to allow all 2-506th soldiers to attend the Battalion Formal scheduled for February 1st, just a short month before their battalion is scheduled to deploy to Afghanistan. Our stationery has been a hit at Fort Campbell and we are excited to present these cards to the 506th Association.

Please visit our website to view and order your cards:

<http://www.geocities.com/curraheecreations>



## A heartfelt “thank you” to donors to our charitable efforts

The 506th Association would like to thank all those who donated to our Charitable Funds during this past year. Fund donations were received from the following donors during the time period December 17, 2006-November 16, 2007.

### **Widows, Orphans, and Wounded Soldiers Fund**

#### **GOLD (over \$1,000):**

Booz | Allen | Hamilton

#### **SILVER (\$551 TO \$1,000):**

McCormick Tribune Foundation

#### **BRONZE (\$251 TO \$500):**

Eugene L. Overton, Jr.

BG(R) David L. Grange

#### **ADVANCED (\$100 TO \$250):**

Calvin R. Kato

Edward J. Kovarnik

LTC(R) Dennis W. Brewer

Jim D. Wake

Rolland A. Maxson, Jr.

Robert K. Williams

COL David L. Clark

Edward A. Peters, III

Peter & Carol Seitz

#### **BASIC (under \$100):**

Fred and Sabina May

Roland A. Belanger

LTC(R) Thomas J. Muskus

SGT(R) John F. Colone

Joseph C. Di Prospero

Raymond E. Sowinski

John A. Brown

Roger C. Wilgus

Clement J. Dombrowski

Alfred M. May

Ronald D. Fuller

James E. O'Laughlin

J. Brise Bickerton

### **Scholarship Fund**

#### **BRONZE (\$251 TO \$500):**

After Hours Emergency Animal Clinic of Hollywood FL (Ronald M. Ridge)

The NAVILLUS Foundation (Carol and Lee Sullivan)

Eugene L. Overton, Jr.

#### **ADVANCED (\$100 TO \$250):**

Edward J. Kovarnik

LTC(R) Dennis W. Brewer

Jim D. Wake

Joseph Donald Nickell, Jr.

#### **BASIC (under \$100):**

LTC(R) Thomas J. Muskus

SGT(R) John F. Colone

Lorna Nozaki

COL(R) Carl E. Case

Phil L. Foster

Gene H. Langenberg

John A. Brown

Alfred M. May

William D. Krug

James E. O'Laughlin

J. Brise Bickerton

### **Currahee Packages**

#### **BASIC (under \$100):**

Alfred M. May

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### **The following friends and family members made general donations to the 506th Association in memory of Ralph Spina, E Company (Medic), 2nd BN, 506th PIR WWII, died August 12, 2007**

Richard and Mary Virginia Chilton

Murray and Margery Pickens

Evaree and Doug Winters, Sr.

Gwen Winters

Nina Verheyden

James and Carolyn E. Davis

Robert and Amy Stien

Cathleen Philips

Laura Philips

Claire Lawrence

Dorothy Phelps

Hank and Mildred Zimmerman

Jeanne Howard

Steve Grossi

Angelo Grossi and family

### **Contributions to the Association are fully tax deductible.**

The IRS has recognized the 506th Association as a War Veterans Organization under section 501(c)(19), so donors making contributions to the Association can deduct such donations on their personal or corporate tax filings, as provided for by IRS rules and regulations. The Association is listed in IRS Publication 78, *Cumulative List of Organizations described in Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*, the list of organizations eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.

For exemption/deduction purposes, the Association Employer Identification Number (EIN) is 91-2088108.



## Trying to Locate

From Frankie Caryl [C Co, 1st ABG, 1960-1962] in Mossy Head, FL:

I am looking for the owner of the 1956 48-foot yacht named "Currahee." I follow old well-built wood sportfishers. One of the better names is Rybovich yachts. In looking for a particular one, a 1956 48-footer originally named "Chevy Clipper," I found, in the registry, that she is renamed "Currahee". Sure sounds like one of us has her. I have done extreme renovations on a dozen or more old large sportfishers, and this boat had caught my eye as it needed much of what I do. It is likely that this person lives along the Atlantic Seaboard, most likely in Florida. I have information and skills that he might be interested in. At the least, he and I could enjoy a good conversation about those old boats." My e-mail is frankiecee@gmail.com .

First Battalion reporter Joe Huesing received a call from a fellow by the name of Jamie Brown from the Atlanta, Georgia area. Apparently his cousin was **David Allen Jameson** and served in the 506th around the 1967-1968 time frame. He was KIA. Jamie and relatives are interested in finding out if anyone knew their cousin or might be able to direct them to a source of information about his time in service. Since he does not have e-mail, please contact Bruce Moore at *themoe\_a1506@msn.com* or Joe Huesing at *joseph.e.huesing@monsanto.com* if you have information about David Jameson. They will try to put you in touch with the family of this Currahee.

I've been looking for my platoon leader, **Michael L. Raney (Mick)**. He was a 1974 Westpoint graduate, Company H3, cullem # 32469. He reported to FTCKY C/1/506th in October 1975. In April of 1976 we went to CSC to form a TOW platoon that replaced the 106RR. Last I remember for sure that he was in CSC was the fall of 1977. He was a 1st LT then. Tom Taylor (a Association member & our CO in CSC) ran into him in Panama in 1987 and said he was a Major then. My contact info is; Harry Denny Sanders, 822 Tech Drive, Lynn Haven, FL 32444, 850-832-5201 cell

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## Third Battalion Notes

Jerry Gomes, 3rd Bn Reporter

3/506 LRRP 67/68/69

Phone lines were buzzing with 3/506 Currahees touching base over the holidays. With e-mail so prevalent, it's nice to hear a human voice once in a while!

The 3/506 Currahees are a tight knit group. Since the very first 506th Reunion in 1996 and with the advent of the internet, long lost buddies have been found, caught up to date, and realized that time flies but seems like only yesterday that they were on the USS Weigel, Phan Thiet or LZ Betty.

The 101st Airborne Parachute Team and 101st Honor Guard attended the Omaha 101st Reunion. We are in good hands with our present Active Duty leadership and Soldiers. These "kids" are the highlight of the reunion. Did we ever look so young? We were honored to have the US Army Active Duty 101st Airborne Soldiers attend - and will do all in our power to support them in their mission for freedom around the world. We have made friends for life in these soldiers.

3-506 Currahee Outreach Programs: The Currahee Little League Team, Yalesville, Connecticut, Col. Geraci ROTC Scholarship at U of Connecticut, and the Memorial Day Flower Fund Project. For more information on these projects, please check out the website at [www.currahee3-506.org](http://www.currahee3-506.org).

The 101st Eagle "Old Abe" flew again in the Albany, Oregon Veteran's Day Parade. Bill Wingett, Easy Co 506th and OC Brewer, 2/501 WWII were the only WWII Veterans able to attend this year. The Currahees were represented at Milwaukie High School Living History Day where we rubbed elbows with the Tuskegee Airmen and other WWII greats! 101st Veterans in Washington State got together for a Christmas Luncheon, and the next Northwest event will be a February Bastogne-Tet Luncheon in Salem, Oregon and D-Day Pig Roast in July, 2008, Sandy, Oregon.

See you all in Reno!

## Currahee Notes

### “Thank You” From 2007 Scholarship Recipient A Co, 2nd BN, Vietnam, 1971

June 14, 2007

Dear 506th Association Scholarship Committee,

Thank you so much for choosing me as the winner of the 2007 scholarship! This truly was a surprise. When I opened the letter you had sent, my first thought was that it would tell me that my application was greatly appreciated. Instead, it was to tell me that I had won the scholarship. I was completely overjoyed and called my parents immediately to let them know of the news. A large weight has been lifted off of my shoulders knowing that part of my college fees will be paid for thanks to your generosity.

A requirement for acceptance of this scholarship award is to send a photograph of myself. I have included a photograph of my father and me because without his contribution to our country, I would not have been able to apply for this award.

Once again, thank you for your generosity and for choosing me as the winner of this scholarship! Your contribution will help me in my future goals of success and helping others.

Sincerely,

Callie Richardson

daughter of

Dale P. Richardson, C Co, 1st BN, 506th, 1967-1969

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### 101st Division Jump School Photos

1SG(R) John Foley (C Co, 1st BN, 506th, 1990-1991), historian at the Don F. Pratt Museum at Fort Campbell, KY, has been receiving requests for 101st Division Jump School attendee/graduation photos from the 1960s. John has researched these requests and found out that these photos were taken by a private commercial photographer from Clarksville, who sold the photos directly to the Jump School graduates. Fort Campbell does not have these photos, as they were not official Department of Army photos. The photographer died and his collection of negatives was destroyed.

### New Quartermaster Item

Dan Nightingale (A Co, 1st BN, 1970) has donated 25 copies of his new *Coming Home* CD to the 506th Association, with all proceeds from the sales of these 25 CDs going to the 506th Association. Dan wrote the song on track 6, *Scattered By The Light*, in reference to the "March 11, 1970: dawn on the morning after the attack" photo on the 506th Association web site. This photo was taken by Ron Wiese (3rd Platoon, A Co, 1st BN, 69-70) the morning after 3rd Platoon was attacked during the night of March 10, 1970, and six of the 3rd Platoon Currahees were KIA and all but five of the remaining platoon members WIA.

This CD can be purchased using the Quartermaster Order Form on page 22..

### From Mary Ann (Fenderson) Cohen:

My brother, Pat Fenderson, served in Vietnam from February to December 1971, with Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 506th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, stationed in I Corps. He has written 37 short stories about his experiences, titled In Country: The Soldier's Story, and all are available free at <<http://pfend66.googlepages.com/incountry>>. Together, the 37 stories form a chronology of his time there, from a jolting reality on arrival to his return home, on his 20th birthday.

### Gold Medals of Remembrance Presented to Children of Currahee KIA

In an October 30, 2007 “Time of Remembrance Tribute” ceremony, Army Chief of Staff GEN George Casey presented a Gold Medal of Remembrance to the children of SFC Randall Lamberson, who was killed in Iraq in April 2006. Lamberson's children, Kelsi, 10, and Even, 11, of Springfield, MO, participated in the ceremony held in the Russell Senate Office Building in Washington, DC. The Gold Medal of Remembrance is a very special memento that recognizes and honors the children who have recently lost a parent in service to our country. It effectively reminds everyone that casualties are found on the home front as well as on the battlefield.

SFC Lamberson was assigned to HHC, 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division. He died in Balad of injuries sustained when a make-shift bomb exploded near his Humvee during combat operations in Ramadi.

The ceremony was organized by the White House Commission on the National Moment of Remembrance, which was established by Congress as an independent government agency to encourage Americans to honor the sacrifices of the country's fallen heroes and their families.

## Treasurer's Report

As of October 31, 2007, year-to-date operating expenses of \$22,339.69 exceeded operating income of \$20,599.70 for a net operating LOSS of \$1,739.99. Total funds in Association cash accounts included the following:

Fidelity Business Account (PrePaid Dues)	\$ 14,500.71
Business Shares, Financial 21 Credit Union, San Diego:	125.04
Checking Account: Unrestricted Funds	13,627.90
Temporarily Restricted Funds:	17,891.19
Non-Association Jump Fund	**
Currahee Packages Fund	809.26
Widows/Orphans/Wounded Soldiers Fund	9,598.85
Scholarship Fund	7,483.08
<b>TOTAL CASH 10/31/07</b>	<b>\$ 46,144.84</b>

\*\* The Non-Association Jump Fund was advanced \$226.18 from Unrestricted Funds.

The new 5-year Membership Dues plan has been successful, with about 40% of those who paid 2007 dues taking advantage of the new plan. As of October 31, 2007, the amount of PrePaid Dues was as follows:

Year 2008	\$ 4,173.00
Year 2009	3,438.00
Year 2010	3,438.00
Year 2011	3,438.00
Year 2012	84.00
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INCOME</b>	<b>\$14,571.00</b>

Thanks to all of you who responded to the various membership drives and to those who have made additional donations for Association expenses, the Scholarship Fund, and the Widows, Orphans, & Wounded Soldiers Fund, and in memory of former Currahees.

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## From 2nd Infantry Division Currahees



Bruce,

Great thanks. I'll be sending my payment for a year's membership to try it out. I've heard back from both my old BC and CSM who I haven't heard from in 15 years since hitting the site (completely by chance) and having you send out my info.

I hate to admit this but even with all the ceremony that LTC Burke made sure was carried on during his command, I never really, "Got it". I mean we had the brotherhood meetings and drank the grog and sang the song, wore the belts, read the history and the whole while I'm kind of just thinking – this is pretty cool but not really realizing what it all meant and the significant role the regiment played.

Embarrassingly I picked up Ambrose's book, "BoB" when it first came out – thinking to myself – "Hey I was in this regiment, I gotta read this". I was astonished to FINALLY get it. I hope that someday I will really feel that I've earned the right to say I BELONG to this regiment. Its tough to do when you look at what the original 506th was and even what you did in Vietnam and say here I am a leg commo guy who spent a year with the unit in Korea. Time will tell!

Bob

MAJ Robert J. Petrarca, Jr.

HHC (S-6), 1st BN, 506th

May 91-May 92

## Two \$500 College Scholarship to be Offered for 2008

By Fred May, Scholarship Committee Chair

The Association is now accepting applications for our 2008 College Scholarships. This year the Scholarship Committee has decided to award two \$500 scholarships due to the generous donations of our membership during this past year. Basic information is listed below. For more complete information on the application process and information on donations please go to [www.506infantry.org](http://www.506infantry.org) <<http://www.506infantry.org>> and click on the SCHOLARSHIP button on the left side of the page. Applicants are reminded to include a mailing address, phone number and email address with their applications. Additional information is also available from the Scholarship Committee Chairman whose contact information is listed below.

### 1. Purpose:

to provide financial aid to students attending undergraduate or graduate programs at colleges and universities in the United States of America.

### 2. Eligibility Requirements:

- a. The applicant or the applicant's parent, grandparent, spouse, or sibling must have served with the 506th Infantry.
- b. The applicant must be accepted at or already attending the Institution to which this scholarship money will be sent.

### 3. Application Procedure:

- a. No formal application form is used.
- b. The application shall consist of a typed letter in which the applicant will discuss the following subjects:
  - i. Personal achievements
  - ii. Career objectives
  - iii. Any subject the applicant considers relevant

- c. The application and documentation shall be mailed between January 1 and April 30 to

The 506th Scholarship Committee  
c/o Alfred May  
30 Sweetman Lane  
West Milford, NJ 07480-2933

### 4. Required Documentation:

- a. Some form of written proof of paragraph 2a or a written statement explaining why such proof cannot be obtained. Do not send original documents, as they cannot be returned. Photocopies of these documents will be accepted.
- b. A High School Transcript if the applicant has not completed one year of College. If the applicant has completed one year of College, a College Transcript is required in lieu of a High School Transcript.
- c. Some form of written proof of paragraph 2b.

### 5. Helpful, but Not Required, Documentation:

- a. A photocopy of the applicant's Student Aid Report (SAR), containing the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) number.
- b. A photo copy of the Financial Aid Package Letter from the Institution the applicant will attend.
- c. A statement from the applicant, detailing how family income or circumstances has kept the applicant from receiving other scholarship, grant, or loan funds.
- d. Any other information the applicant considers relevant.

### 6. Criteria Used for Awarding the 506th Infantry Scholarship:

- a. Overall academic excellence of the applicant
- b. Financial need
- c. Quality of the Institution the applicant has chosen to attend

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## Status of Fund Raising for the Afghanistan Deployment

After careful consideration, the 506th Association Board Of Directors has decided against asking our members to support a third Package Project for the upcoming Afghanistan deployment of the Regiment. The reasoning behind this decision is the general falling off of support during our last deployment, along with the increased requirements of supporting the entire 506th Regimental Combat Team as opposed to just the two 506th infantry battalions.

The \$800 that still remains in the Currahee Packages Fund will be spent on morale boosting items to be distributed to the entire RCT. However, anyone who wishes to contribute may do so as long as they understand that the funds collected will be spent on items such as flags and banners. If anyone has questions regarding how they may contribute, or exactly what we are doing please contact me.

Fred May  
AlfredMay@aol.com  
Currahee Packages Chairman

## **Last Roll Call**

**James A. Clemente**, HQ, 1st BN, 506th PIR WWII, died December 10, 2007

**Franklin J. Kneller Sr.**, H Company, 3rd BN, 506th PIR WWII, died October 27, 2007

**CSM(R) Herman L. Trent** (506th AIR, 1954; C Co, 1st ABG, 1962-1963; B Co, 2nd BN, 1967-1968), died September 14, 2007. As First Sergeant and Platoon Leader in B Company, 2nd Battalion, 506th Infantry, Herman Trent was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his exceptional valorous actions on July 22, 1968, near Cu Chi, Republic of Vietnam. In October 2005, the CSM Herman L. Trent Marksmanship Facility building was dedicated at Fort Campbell, KY.

**Ralph F. Spina**, E Company (Medic), 2nd BN, 506th PIR WWII, died August 12, 2007. See page 8 for a list of friends and family members who made contributions to the Association in Ralph's memory.

**Richard Ed "Dick" Turner**, B Company, 1st BN, 506th PIR WWII, died August 19, 2007

### **Former Currahees Killed in Action**

**SSG Jason R. Arnette**, who served in the Republic of Korea with the 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry, died April 1, 2007, in Baghdad, Iraq, of wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle on March 31, 2007. SSG Arnette was serving his third tour in Iraq and was assigned to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division, out of Fort Drum, NY.

**MAJ Jeffrey R. Calero**, who served in the Republic of Korea with the 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry, died October 29, 2007, in Kajaki, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near his dismounted patrol. MAJ Calero was a Special Forces Operational Detachment-Alpha detachment commander assigned to ODA-2132, Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne) out of Springfield, MA.

## **The Price of Freedom—Honoring the fallen active duty Currahees**

### **Currahees Killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom 2004-2005**

#### **1st BN, 506th Infantry and Attached Units**

#### **2nd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division**

1st BN, 506th Infantry, C, SPC Omead H. Razani, 08/27/2004, Habbaniyah

1st BN, 506th Infantry, A, PFC James Edward Prevete, 10/10/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, C, SSG Sean P. Huey, 11/11/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, C, SSG Marshall H. Caddy, 11/11/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, A, 1LT Luke Charles Wullenwaber, 11/16/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, D, SSG Kyle Andrew Eggers, 12/05/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, B, SPC Edwin William Roodhouse, 12/05/2004, Route Nova

1st BN, 506th Infantry, B, SSG Marvin Lee Trost, III, 12/05/2004, Route Nova

1st BN, 506th Infantry, D, SFC Todd Clayton Gibbs, 12/07/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, B, PFC Samuel S. Lee, 03/28/2005, Ar Ramadi

1st BN, 506th Infantry, B, SSG Thor Harrison Ingraham, 05/08/2005, Main Supply Route Michigan

1st BN, 506th Infantry, B, SPC Nicolas Edward Messmer, 05/08/2005, Main Supply Route Michigan

2nd BN, 72nd Armor, A, SSG Gary Alexander Vaillant, 09/05/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

2nd BN, 72nd Armor, A, PFC Joshua Kuile Titcomb, 09/28/2004, Main Supply Route Michigan

44th Engineers, C, SGT Arthur C. Williams, 12/08/2004, Ar Ramadi

44th Engineers, C, SSG Andrew Lee Bossert, 03/07/2005, Ar Ramadi Checkpoint

44th Engineers, C, PFC Michael William Franklin, 03/07/2005, Ar Ramadi Checkpoint

5th BN, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, B, SSG Juan D. Garcia, 04/30/2005, Main Supply Route Michigan

*Continued on p. 14*

## **Currahees Killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom 2005-2007**

*Continued from p. 13*

### **506th Regimental Combat Team and Attached Units- 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault)**

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, SPC Prince K. Teewia, 12/29/2005, Baghdad

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, SSG Marco A. Silva, 3/13/2006, Ar Ramadi

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, D, SGT Corey A. Dan, 3/13/2006, Ar Ramadi

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, D, SFC Gregory S. Rogers, 4/9/2006, Ar Ramadi

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, SPC David S. Collins, 4/9/2006, Ar Ramadi

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, SFC Randall L. Lamberson, 4/10/2006, Balad

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, B, SPC Dennis K. Samson, 7/24/2006, Taqaddum

1st BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, B, SSG Joseph Alan Gage, 11/2/2006, Baghdad

TPT 921, SSG Michael Dickinson, 17 July 2006, Ar Ramadi

1st Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment, C, SPC Jose Perez, 21 October 2006, Ar Ramadi

Seal Team 3, QM2 Mike Monsoor, 29 September 2006, Ar Ramadi

2nd Battalion, 37th Armor Regiment, C, SPC Douglas C. Desjardins, 11/05/2006, Ar Ramadi

2nd BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, D, SGT David L. Herrera, 1/29/2006, Baghdad

2nd BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, CPL Brian J. Schoff, 1/29/2006, Baghdad

2nd BN, 506th Infantry Regiment, B, CPL Ryan J. Buckley, 6/23/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 12th Infantry Regiment, C, SSG Christopher J. Schornak, 2/26/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 12th Infantry Regiment, C, 1LT James N. Lyons, 9/27/2006, Baghdad

1st Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, CPL Edgardo Zayas, 8/26/2006, Baghdad

1st Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, SGT David T. Weir, 9/14/2006, Baghdad

4th BN, 320th Field Artillery Regiment, 1LT Amos Bock, 10/23/2006, Baghdad

4th Brigade Troop Battalion (BTB) HHC & A, CPL Adam J. Fargo, 7/22/2006, Baghdad

4th Brigade Troop Battalion (BTB), PFC Phillip B. Williams, 10/9/2006, Baghdad

506th Infantry Regiment, HHC, LTC Paul Finken, 11/2/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, CPL Alexander J. Kolasa, 05/31/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, SPC Damien M. Montoya, 07/09/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, SSG Kenneth I. Pugh, 7/17/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, SSG Kenneth A. Jenkins, 8/12/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, CPL Joshua D. Jones, 8/27/2006, Baghdad

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, CPL Windell J. Simmons, 9/23/2006, Taji

3rd BN, 67th Armor Regiment, SGT Charles E. Matheny IV, 2/20/06, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, SGT Jason L. Merrill, 9/3/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, PFC Edwin A. Andino II, 9/3/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, PFC Eric M. Kavanagh, 9/20/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, SSG Joe A. Narvaez, 10/2/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, SSG Garth D. Sizemore, 10/17/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, SGT Willsun M. Mock, 10/22/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, PFC Jang H. Kim, 11/13/2006, Baghdad

1st BN, 26th Infantry Regiment, PFC Daniel J. Allman II, 11/13/2006, Baghdad

## Membership Director's Report

By Eugene L. Overton, Jr. [Gene] – Membership Director

C Co., 1st Bn, 506th – 1967 / 1968

As of year-end 2007, the total number of Members who have paid their 2007 Dues was 484 or 79% of our goal [610] for the year. This is down from last year-end when our dues-paying membership was at 555 and is one of the few times that Currahees do not accomplish the mission. While our Roster of Currahees continues to grow to 11% last year, our Paid Memberships decreased by 13%. This only means that in 2008 we all need to do our part in seeing that our Association membership goal of 530 is met.

To take a new approach at increasing our Association membership, I have reached out to a former Association Director, Resty Habon, who now lives in Hopkinsville, KY to assist me in encouraging and recruiting new members from the over 244 Currahees in the Kentucky / Tennessee area. Only 40 of these Currahees are currently Members. So if you live in these two states look to hearing from or receiving a postcard from Resty before long.

NOTE: Our new Five Year Membership was well received in that 196 Currahees or 40% of our Members have joined for five years – 2007 to 2011. However, we still have a ways to go to get more veterans and active duty Currahees to become paying members so we can expand our programs and coverage. The table below shows the number of dues-paying vs. all members.

### The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association

(Airmobile - Air Assault)

#### Member Analysis

<u>ERA</u>	<u>Dues Paying</u>	<u>All Members</u>	<u>Percent of Members Paying</u>
World War II	25	244	10%
Camp Breckinridge/Fort Jackson 1948-1956	4	15	27%
Ft. Campbell 1956-1964 (1st Airborne Battle Group)	51	234	22%
Ft. Campbell 1964-1967 (Airborne Infantry)	10	259	4%
Vietnam	298	2,117	14%
Ft. Campbell 1972-1984	20	86	23%
South Korea 1987-2004 (includes 2 2ID Iraq and 3 RCT)	22	228	10%
Iraq	3	123	2%
4th BCT/506th RCT	17	70	24%
Associate Members	34	159	21%
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>3,535</b>	<b>14%</b>

**OFFICIAL NOTICES**  
**Board Meeting Report to the Membership**  
**10 November 2007**

On October 10, 2007, 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment (Airmobile – Air Assault) Association President J. Brise Bickerton submitted his resignation as President and Board Member to me as Chairman of the Board. We understand and respect Brise's reasons, and gratefully acknowledge his contributions to the Association from its earliest days and his leadership as President the past 18 months.

At our next General Membership meeting, to be held during our August 2008 reunion in Reno, Nevada, we will elect a new President to take over the leadership of the Association. In the meantime, the business of the Association must be handled. Under the procedures contained in the Association By-Laws, the Board of Directors met by conference call on November 10, 2007 and unanimously voted to appoint John Lally as the President. John is currently the Currahee! Newsletter Editor and also a member of the Board of Directors. He served as a rifle squad leader and platoon sergeant in A Co. 1/506 in Vietnam in 1970-71. He has indicated that he is not interested in continuing in this post after next August, so this leadership position will be open to all members in the election in Reno.

In other actions, the Board of Directors:

- Reconstituted the Active Duty Liaison position between the Association and active duty components of the regiment. Fred May, who previously filled that position, was asked to return to serve again in this critical post. The Board also reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening the bonds between Currahees from all eras of the regiment's history.
- Discussed and approved the final arrangements for the joint reunion in Reno, and extended its thanks to the planning committee members, Gene Overton and Tom Duckett.
- Appointed Don Thies and Bob Seitz to the Widows, Orphans and Wounded Soldiers Fund project.
- Formalized Mike Metzger's appointment as the Association Secretary.
- the appointment of SGM(R) Joe Bossi as the Honorary Sergeant Major of the 506th Association.

Tom Duckett, 506th Association Board Chairman

506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile – Air Assault)



**506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile-Air Assault)**

**2008-2010 Officer/Board of Directors Nomination/Volunteer Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby nominate the following Member:

Nominee/Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

to serve as an officer/director or committee member in the Association.

Note: A nominee for an officer position must have been a dues-paying member of the Association for a minimum of 6 months at the date of the election (August 2008). A nominee for any of the 7 members of the Board must be a dues-paying member of the Association at the date of the election (August 2008).

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ President

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer

**Directors [up to seven (7) directors]:**

: \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

: \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

: \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

: \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Members:**

Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Media/Advertising: \_\_\_\_\_

***Send this form to arrive by April 30, 2008 to:***

Michael J. Metzger, Secretary  
c/o Capital Builders, Inc.  
8700 Auburn Folsom Road, Suite 500  
Granite Bay, CA 95746  
FAX 916-960-2596  
email to [mmetzger@capitalbuildersinc.com](mailto:mmetzger@capitalbuildersinc.com)

*The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile-Air Assault)*  
Use this form to join the Association if you have served in or are currently serving in the 506th  
or if you have served in or are currently serving in units attached to or supporting the 506th.

## 2008 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES/DONATION FORM

**Check dues category [ X ]:**

Basic Dues: Annual \$15.00 [ ] OR 5 Yrs \$60.00 [ ] - **Currahee** newsletter/your **Company Roster Listings**.

Full Dues: Annual \$25.00 [ ] OR 5 Yrs \$100.00 [ ] - **Currahee** newsletter/complete **2008 Association Roster**

Request for Exemption from Dues (VETERANS only): [ ] Still receive **The Currahee** newsletter.

Additional Postage to Address Outside the U.S. Add: \$ 5.00 [ ]

Optional Donation for Expenses: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Select [X] ALL that apply:**

Company: HQ/HHC/HHT/HHB [ ] A [ ] B [ ] C [ ] D [ ] E [ ] F [ ] G [ ]  
H [ ] I [ ] K [ ] L [ ] M [ ] SV [ ] Mortar Battery [ ] CSC [ ]

Regt/BN: REGT [ ] 1st ABN BG [ ] 1st BN [ ] 2nd BN [ ] 3rd BN [ ] Bde Command: [ ]  
4th BTB [ ] 801st BSB [ ] 1-61st CAV [ ] 4-320th FA [ ]

Era: WWII 1942-1945 [ ] Basic Training 1948-1956 [ ] ABN BG 1956-1964 [ ] ABN INF 1964-1967 [ ]  
Vietnam 1967-1971 [ ] AMBL 1972-1974 [ ] AASLT 1974-1984 [ ] Korea 1987-2004 [ ]  
Iraq 2004-2005 [ ] 506th RCT 2004-present [ ]

If applicable, your unit which was assigned to or supported the 506th: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Service with each 506<sup>th</sup> Unit (mm/yy): \_\_\_\_\_

Rank (Current or at Date of Separation from Military) : \_\_\_\_\_

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

STREET/POST OFFICE BOX: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

eMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBERS (Please include area code):

HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT [ X ] ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IF THEY APPLY:**

[ ] Change [ ] Add: [ ] Name [ ] Mailing Address [ ] Phone number(s) [ ] eMail [ ] Other  
[ ] I request my contact information not be listed in either the 506th Association Roster or the Currahee  
eMailRoom, nor that it be given to anyone other than an Association Officer without my express consent.

**Make your check or money order (no credit cards) payable to:**

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**Mail this order form and your payment to: Hoyt Bruce Moore, III -- Treasurer**

Phone: (858) 274-4317

**4126 Cole Way**

eMail: TheMOE\_A1506@msn.com

**San Diego, CA 92117-1123**

*The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile-Air Assault)*  
Use this form to join the Association if you are a spouse or family member of anyone who served with the 506th or if you are an individual who has a special association/connection to the 506th.

## 2008 ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

**Check dues category [ X ]:**

Basic Dues Annual \$15.00 [ ] OR 5 Yrs \$60.00 [ ] - Currahee newsletter

Full Dues: Annual \$25.00 [ ] OR 5 Yrs \$100.00 [ ] - Currahee newsletter/2008 Association Roster

ADDITIONAL POSTAGE TO ADDRESS OUTSIDE THE U.S. ADD: \$ 5.00 [ ]

Optional Donation for Expenses: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

STREET/POST OFFICE BOX: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

eMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBERS (Please include area code):

HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

Did either you or your spouse serve in the U.S. Military? If yes, please include the following:

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have a relative who served with the 506th Infantry? If yes, please include the following:

Veteran's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ REGT/BN/BG: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service with the 506th: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Connection to the 506th Infantry? \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT [ X ] ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IF THEY APPLY:**

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## Fund Donation Form

Please include the following information:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(AREA CODE) NUMBER

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### *Currahee Packages Donation*

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### *Scholarship Fund Donation*

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### *Widows & Orphans Fund Donation*

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The IRS has recognized the 506th Association as a War Veterans Organization under section 501(c)(19), so donors making contributions to the Association can deduct such donations on their personal or corporate tax filings, as provided for by IRS rules and regulations. The Association is listed in IRS Publication 78, *Cumulative List of Organizations described in Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986*, the list of organizations eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions. For exemption/deduction purposes, the Association Employer Identification Number (EIN) is 91-2088108.

# The 506th Airborne Infantry Regiment Association (Airmobile-Air Assault)

## Quartermaster Order Form

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Quantity	Item	Each (non-members)	Each (members)##	TOTAL COST
	Association Gym/Duffel Bag (23.75"x 13"x 11.5")	\$36.00**	\$32.00**	\$
	FSB Map, I Corps, Vietnam (26.5"x 18")	\$20.00	\$15.00	
	Currahee Flag (3' x 5')	\$40.00	\$35.00	
	Book: <i>The Story of a Soldier</i>	\$12.00	\$9.00	
	Hat: 506th Association: White w/Blue Letters	\$14.00	\$12.00	
	Hat: 506th Association: Black w/Gold Letters	\$14.00	\$12.00	
	Hat: Currahee w/Airborne Wings Insignia	\$10.00	\$8.00	
	Hat: Currahee w/Air Assault Wings Insignia	\$10.00	\$8.00	
	Polo: Original (NO Personalization): X-Large	\$32.00	\$29.00	
	Polo: Personalized Currahee: Medium	\$32.00	\$29.00	
	Polo: Personalized Currahee: Large	\$32.00	\$29.00	
	Polo: Personalized Currahee: X-Large	\$32.00	\$29.00	
	Polo: Personalized Currahee: XX-Large	\$33.00	\$30.00	
	Optional Personalization Information (\$3.00 per Currahee Polo Shirt)			\$
	Name:			
	506th Unit:			
	Service Dates with 506th:			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$</b>
Shipping (\$4.60 for the 1st item + \$2.25 shipping per additional item)				
**ADD \$4.25 additional shipping for each GYM/DUFFEL BAG				
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				<b>\$</b>

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Quantity	Item	Each (non-members)	Each (members)##	TOTAL COST
	506th Association Challenge Coin (1-1/2" diameter)	\$10.00*	\$8.00*	\$
	506th Infantry Knife (2-3/8")	\$7.00*	\$5.00*	
	506th Infantry Bracelet	\$12.00*	\$10.00*	
	Pin: Currahee Shield Full-Size (1"x 1-1/4")	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Pin: Currahee Shield Lapel (3/8"x 1/2")	\$4.00	\$3.00	
	Decal: Currahee Shield (2.75"x 3.5" Adhesive)	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Decal: Para-Dice (3" diameter)	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Decal: 506th Association (8"x 5" Static Cling)	\$3.00	\$2.00	
	Neck Cooler (44")	\$4.00	\$2.50	
	Patch: Currahee Shield (3"x 3.5")	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Patch: Para-Dice (3" diameter)	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Patch: Shield with Airborne Wings (4.25"x 2.25")	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	Patch: Shield with Air Assault Wings (4.25"x 2.25")	\$6.00	\$5.00	
	CD: <i>Coming Home</i>	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	CD: <i>Wait on the Bridge</i>	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	CD: <i>Call Me Crazy</i>	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	CD: <i>Lover's Midnight Concerto</i>	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	CD: <i>Piano, Spirit In My Hands</i>	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	Currahee License Plate	\$12.00**	\$10.00**	
	License Plate Frame: White w/Blue Letters	\$7.00*	\$5.00*	
	License Plate Frame: Black w/Gold Letters	\$7.00*	\$5.00*	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				\$
Shipping @ \$0.45 per item				
*ADD \$0.75 additional shipping for each COIN, KNIFE, BRACELET, or LICENSE PLATE FRAME				
**ADD \$1.50 additional shipping for each CD or LICENSE PLATE				
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				\$

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**NOTES:** these items will NOT be backordered, so availability is limited to what is in stock. If you participated in the Memorial Jump in 2006, contact Quartermaster Ron Helwig at [rlhelwig@verizon.net](mailto:rlhelwig@verizon.net) about the availability of special T-Shirts for jump participants.

## a "member" is someone who has paid their 506th Association 2008 Membership Dues.					
Quantity	Item	Each (non-members)	Each (members)##	TOTAL COST	
BLACK	<b>Currahee World Tour T-Shirt</b>				
	X-Large	\$15.00	\$12.50		
<b>**SPECIAL:</b> purchase a 2 T-Shirt package (World Tour T-Shirt and Memorial Jump T-Shirt) in any combination of sizes/colors at a cost of \$25 for members or \$30 for non-members.					
BLACK	GRAY	<b>2006 Memorial Jump T-Shirt</b>			
		Small	\$18.00**	\$14.00**	
		Medium	\$18.00**	\$14.00**	
	SOLD OUT	Large	\$18.00**	\$14.00**	
	SOLD OUT	X-Large	\$18.00**	\$14.00**	
		XX-Large	\$18.00**	\$14.00**	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				\$	
Shipping (\$4.60 for the 1st item)				\$4.60	
Add \$2.25 Shipping per additional item					
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				\$	

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