



# CENTURY SENTINEL

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By LTC(R) Ron Moss

I am looking forward to serving as President of the Association of the Century for the year 2012. We have new challenges ahead, increasing membership, increasing donations to our scholarship fund and getting the museum unpacked and in the display cases at its new location: Boudinot Hall and having a successful Annual Meeting in Bowling Green on August 25 and 26, 2012.

The new Commander of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division, BG Arnold, gave us a briefing at the AOC Board of Directors Meeting in November. At that time, he elaborated on the challenges of the future for the 100<sup>th</sup> Division. As in years the past, it will require each of us to band together and show our continued support of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division and the strength this division holds.

As we prepare for the holiday season and make plans to go forward into the New Year, let us remember our fellow soldiers who are still serving in harm's way. We pray for their safety and a quick, safe return to their families and loved ones.

## LOUISVILLE VETERAN'S DAY PARADE 2011

by SGM(R) Maurice Allgeier

Today I sat at my home in my office. I was keenly aware this morning of the Veteran's Parade in Louisville. Should I venture out on this rather cool morning or stay in the warmth reading today's headlines & e-mails on my computer. I intently thought of that 100<sup>th</sup> Inf. member who not only braved the cold but put it all on the line at Bitche during WW II.

With that I got dressed & was on my way. I arrived there alone. I managed to make my way to the end of the rather long formation on 2<sup>nd</sup> & Main Street. It was made up of all walks of life.

A few were in uniform. Others like me wore an item signifying service. Once I got in the ranks of all the fellow

veterans I felt that pride and camaraderie only achieved by once proudly wearing the uniform.

We marched down Main Street with the Ft. Knox band and a multitude of color guard teams leading the way, with a cheering crowd on both sides of street. Their flag waving and thank you echoed out. It was truly heartfelt. How proud yet humbled we were to receive such an honor. A fly over by several C-130 aircraft was inspiring. We even received a ticker tape shower. The red, white & blue confetti covered our path.

A veteran next to me began to tear up. It was truly emotional. There was a reviewing stand with assembled dignitaries. Several spoke to us including Greg Fisher, the Mayor of Louisville. He cited that this was the first Veteran's Parade in Louisville since the end of WWII. I was very proud to have been a part of it.

## THE CHAIRMAN'S FOXHOLE

by MG(R) Bill Barron  
AOC Chairman

2011 was truly a Benchmark Year for both the 100<sup>th</sup> Division and the Association of the Century. In April and May, AOC volunteers carefully packed all the artifacts and archives belonging to the 100<sup>th</sup> Division Museum and moved them into temporary storage at the Patton Museum.

Our 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Reunion in Louisville on August 26-28 set the pace for the remainder of the year. The AOC recognized three outstanding soldiers of the 100<sup>th</sup> Division O/S, awarded five \$1,000 Scholarships to children and grandchildren of 100<sup>th</sup> Division Soldiers, inducted four new members into the Corridor of the Century and packed Support Our Soldiers boxes for mailing to deployed 100<sup>th</sup> Division Troops.

The Reunion was quickly followed by the relocation of the 100th Division Headquarters from its historic home at Bowman Field in Louisville to one of the Army's premier installations, Ft. Knox, Kentucky. BG Patricia Heritsch and her Headquarters Staff did an outstanding job of gracefully

closing out the Bowman Field Chapter of the 100<sup>th</sup>'s History on Saturday, September 10, 2011. It was a beautiful day and the Casing of the Colors Ceremony was well attended by many former soldiers who served at the MG Benjamin Butler USAR Center over many years.

The following day, Sunday, September 11, BG Heritsch hosted an Uncasing of the Colors Ceremony at Boudinot Hall at Ft. Knox, the Division's new Headquarters which was attended by LTG Ben Freakley, Commanding General, U.S. Army Accessions Command along with other Senior Officers from the other Major Commands stationed at Fr. Knox.

On Sunday, October 2, yet another chapter started for the 100<sup>th</sup> O/S as BG Pat Heritsch passed command of the 'Century Division' to BG Mark Arnold and BG Heritsch joined a long line of retired 100<sup>th</sup> Division Commanders. Following her departure from command BG Heritsch continued the legacy of past 100<sup>th</sup> Division Commanders and sent a personal donation for \$1,000 to the Association of the Century to support its programs.

Thank you Pat, thanks for your leadership and good luck in your retirement. BG Mark Arnold, the AOC welcomes you to the historic 100<sup>th</sup> Division and the AOC is looking forward to working with you to move the Century Division forward –

*“Train ‘em Tough”.*

**AOC VOLUNTEERS GATHER  
FOR THE LAST TIME**  
by MG(R) John Tindall

**NO! NO!** The title of the article does not mean that AOC volunteers will not get together again in the future, but our “Pickle Packing” session in April did mark the last time that the Division Headquarters in Louisville would be used by the AOC for our quarterly gathering of volunteers to stuff boxes full of good things to eat, personal hygiene items, and to write notes of encouragement to send to 100<sup>th</sup> Division soldiers who are serving in harms way in Iraq and Afghanistan.

AOC volunteers assembled again at our August convention and again on November the 15<sup>th</sup> for our Thanksgiving “Pickle Packing”. **These** sessions pushed the total number of boxes sent to OCONUS 100th Division soldiers to well over 900 since we started our Support Our Soldiers (SOS) endeavor along with over 700 cards or notes of encouragement. Our cost for this effort has run over \$29,000.00 for postage and items placed in these care packages or our holiday gift packages. The AOC membership's generosity in time, talent, and treasure has been both heartwarming and humbling.

The soldiers who have received our care packages are often surprised and of course thankful for our efforts. Here are a

few excerpts from their notes back to us from their duty locations in Iraq and Afghanistan:

*“Thank you so much for your package. It was heartening to have a gift from representatives of the unit that has been my home for so long.” CPT Joseph White*

*“I was pleasantly surprised to receive a care package from your organization today, full of good things that I will enjoy and share with my fellow soldiers. It is always good to hear how people you don't know are united in supporting our deployed troops. Thanks!” MAJ Darin Moe*

*“The box of goodies was a very pleasant surprise. As I work with a large number of US and NATO soldiers, I distributed the contents to a lot of people who also send their thanks. You folks are wonderful and are the reason that we are doing what we do. Thank you all again and God Bless.” Shane Moyer*

Many thanks to all who either participated by their presence or by sending a check to help defray the cost. Remember your check is **TAX DEDUCTIBLE** and should be made out to the AOC for the “SOS” Support our Soldiers program and sent to the AOC, PO Box 34393, Louisville, KY 40232.

John Tindall & Rick Talbott  
“SOS” Program Co-Chairs

**ASSOCIATION OF THE CENTURY  
31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
AUGUST 26-27, 2011**



**Registration Desk**

**Friday Night Kick-Off Cookout**



**Saturday Awards Luncheon**



**“SOS” Pickle Packing**



**Saturday Night Dinner**



**MG BENJAMIN J. BUTLER  
2011 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD  
RECIPIENT ASHLEY L. PETERSON**

Good afternoon. MG Barron, Board of Directors of the Association of the Century, Distinguished Guests, I am truly honored to be the 2011 recipient of the MG Benjamin J. Butler Scholarship. Although, I cannot be in attendance to accept this prestigious award because, I am getting settled after my first week of college, I wanted to offer my acceptance.

First, I would like to thank the Association of the Century for making this scholarship possible and for selecting me as this year's recipient. Second, I would like to mention how important this scholarship is to me and how it will help me in my future endeavors.

Without this scholarship fund I would be concerned with paying for books for my college courses. I am attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology. Biology has been my passion since the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, but I knew that it was the major for me after my third year of biology in my senior year of high school.

As for my career, I plan to attend medical school and become a clinical pathologist. My ultimate dream is work for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or the National Institutes of Health where I can work to help develop cures for diseases around the world.

This scholarship has helped me more than anyone could imagine. I want to thank the Association of the Century again for selecting me as the 2011 MG Benjamin J. Butler Scholarship recipient.

Sincerely,

Ashley L. Peterson

***SURVEY SAYS.....***

Following the 31 Annual AOC Reunion, a survey with 16 questions focused on the Annual Reunion was sent to a small number of AOC members electronically. Some of the results follow:

**93%** said they attend the AOC Reunion to see and be with old friends from the 100<sup>th</sup>.

**65%** said they thought the event (hotels and meals) was priced about right.

**77%** said they thought the mix of scheduled weekend events and 'free' time was about right.

**88%** recommended that the Reunion be moved around the state each year.

**65%** agreed with making the Reunion a one night event versus a two night.

**69%** thought it was a good idea to open up attendance at the Reunion to other state wide military organizations with ties to the 100<sup>th</sup> Division.

**88%** said they did not mind buying raffle tickets and donating to AOC programs at the Reunion.

*Editor's note: In the next few months look for another member information update request to come to you in the mail. You will be able to respond either electronically or there will be a paper copy for you to send back if you prefer.*

**WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO.....**

**BEN ZIMMERMAN?**

**(AKA: SGM Zimmerman, Mr. Zimmerman, G3 Staff  
Operations Training Officer and "The Zman")**

Ben retired from Active Army Reserves in Dec 1993 after 35 years of Active Army Reserve status, with last 16 years in the 100<sup>th</sup> Division. He also retired from his civilian position as Division's SOTO in April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000 after 25 years of Military Technician service.

Ben currently holds the position of Executive Secretary for The Association of the Century. He lives in Shelbyville, KY with his wife Renie. Ben has three children, spouses and five grandchildren living in central and northern Kentucky. He and his wife enjoy traveling, and mission work for his church.

**VETERANS CAN SALUTE DURING THE  
NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Veterans and active-duty military not in uniform can now render the military-style hand salute during the playing of the national anthem, thanks to changes in federal law that took effect. "The military salute is a unique gesture of respect that marks those who have served in our nation's armed forces," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. James Peake. "This provision allows the application of that honor in all events involving our nation's flag."

The new provision improves upon a little-known change in federal law in 2007 that authorized veterans to render the military-style hand salute during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, but it did not address salunational anthem.

The change also applied to members of the armed forces while not in uniform.

Traditionally, members of the nation's veterans service organizations have rendered the hand-salute during the national anthem and at events involving the national flag while wearing their organization's official head-gear. The most recent change, authorizing hand-salutes during the national anthem by veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel, was sponsored by Sen. Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma, an Army veteran.

It was included in the Defense Authorization Act of 2009. The earlier provision authorizing hand-salutes for veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel during the raising, lowering, or passing of the flag, was contained in the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, which took effect Jan. 28, 2008.

**100<sup>th</sup> DIVISION MOVES TO FT. KNOX, KY  
(and so does the AOC!)**



**Uncasing the 100<sup>th</sup> Division Colors at Boudinot Hall  
Ft. Knox, KY on 10 September 2011**



**Recently installed pictures of the Corridor of the Century  
Inductees in the new Division HQ.**

**OUTGOING 100TH DIVISION COMMANDER  
MG Heritsch says farewell to the 100<sup>th</sup> Division**



AOC Chairman, MG Bill Barron presents outgoing 100th Division Commanding General BG Patricia Heritsch with a 100th Division Crest from the AOC at her farewell dinner at the Patton Museum, Fort Knox, Kentucky on 1 Oct 2011.

**100TH DIVISION O/S WELCOMES NEW  
COMMANDER AND FAMILY**



BG Mark C. Arnold assumed command of the 100th Division from BG Patricia Heritsch in a ceremony on Brooks Field, Ft. Knox, Kentucky on 1 October 2011. BG Arnold is pictured below with wife Karin and BG Arnold's mother and father.

**OLD MEETS NEW -A VET'S STORY**

by Sam L Resnick, Past President  
100th Infantry Division Association

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
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On October 16th, 2011 I was going into NY City for a show with my wife and three friends when I accidentally hit a curb and damaged my rear tire as I took a left turn onto the service road near the entrance to Ft Totten. As I pulled over to the side and began to call my road service, a biker (motorcyclist) with a camouflaged uniform shot past me and stopped abruptly in front . I was happy that I did not have to call road service and was pleased at the sight of this Good Samaritan.

In a moment he was upon me grasping my shoulders and shaking my hand, "I saw your flag and then the 100th Division logos all over your car and I had to stop, thank you for your service," he said. I replied, overwhelmed and joyous at seeing the 100th Division patch on his shoulder, "I was with the 100th in World War II" and gave him a big bear hug. He proceeded to change my tire, while I, together with my wife and passengers sat on the aluminum dividers on the side of the road, astounded by the coincidence.

Soon, two other cars with soldiers from the 100th Division stopped to offer assistance but left, after being assured by SSG George Rivera that everything was being taken care of. When he finished installing the temporary small tire, George and I once again shook hands and hugged each other, as I wiped away tears of joy. With promises to get together and with my phone and email address in hand, George promised to call and invite us to future occasions, he was sure that all his buddies would love to hear from me.

It seems that a small cadre of 100th Division soldiers were transferred to Ft Totten for training purposes just a few months ago. I have always been proud of being part of the 100th Infantry Division during World War II and was able to initiate the installation of a street sign at the corner of Bell Blvd and 212th St , "100th Infantry Division Boulevard" and at the Cross Island Parkway and 14th Street exit, a 7- by -12 foot sign, "100th Infantry Division Memorial Parkway". Both signs were supported and pushed through the political maze by State Senator Toby Stavisky, the then State Assemblywoman Ann-Margeret Carrozza, and the then City Councilman and now State Senator Tony Avella.

The events, the location, Ft Totten, the street and parkway signs, and the old and new 100th Division soldiers are a touching and memorable confirmation of the loyalty and bonding that men in combat have for each other.

We made our show in good time. Thank you George Rivera!!!!!!! Hopefully we can continue our bonding.

CURRENT CIVILIAN STATUS

_____	
Last Name, First Name, MI	Rank/Grade
_____	
Street Address	Country
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City, State & Zip	
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( )	
Phone	E-Mail Address

CURRENT MILITARY STATUS

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Current Unit of Assignment (If assigned to the 100 <sup>th</sup> Division)	Position
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Last 100 <sup>th</sup> Division Assignment (if not assigned to the 100 <sup>th</sup> Division)	Position
_____	
Date Last Assigned	Retirement Date

AGREEMENTS

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- ( ) Annual Membership- \$15.00\*
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*I agree to promote the Association of the Century and comply with its By-Laws.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Date

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\* Annual Membership is not prorated and due on 1 January each year

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**2011 Tax Deductible Contributions to the MG Benjamin Butler Scholarship Fund**

As we approach the end of 2011 please consider a tax deductible contribution to the Butler Scholarship fund. Contribution forms can be found on the AOC Website at [www.the-century.org](http://www.the-century.org) or mail check to the Community Foundation of Louisville, 325 West Main Street, Suite 1110, Louisville, KY 40202-4251 Please write “ for MG Ben Butler Scholarship Fund” on ‘memo’ line.

**WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO..... ANTHONY MARTIN?**

COL Anthony Martin, 100th Division Surgeon, 1998 to 2009 He was activated during Desert Storm with the 377th Combat Hospital and served six months in Kuwait.

During Operation Iraqi Freedom, COL Martin was activated with the 652d Aviation Battalion and served six months in Baghdad as Flight Surgeon. He was then activated with the 325th Combat Support Hospital in Tikrit, Iraq, as deputy commander.

He was awarded the Bronze Star for exceptional duty with the hospital. COL Martin was activated again in June 2011 with the 8/229th Aviation Brigade and served four months in Balad, Iraq, as the flight surgeon. He is presently assigned as flight surgeon to the 11th Aviation Command at Fort Knox, KY.



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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