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Jeff Wignall, Reunion Chairman
27 Martinack Avenue
Peabody, MA 01960-6448

80th Division Veterans, Families, and Friends,

Once again you are invited to attend the Annual Reunion of the 80th Division Veterans Association, to be held in Hagerstown, Maryland from August 13 to 16, 2014. Hotel reservations should be made prior to 7/30/2014. Book early to avoid disappointment! The hotel contact information is below, along with other significant information. Be sure to identify yourself as being with the 80th Veterans when making your reservation.

This meeting is the 95th gathering of our members since the first held in Richmond in 1920. This year also marks the significant milestones of the 100th anniversary of the start of WWI, and the 70th of the 80th going into action in France in WWII.

Our feature tour this year will be to the nearby Antietam Battlefield. This is partly in keeping with the 150th anniversary of the American Civil War, and partly because it's the must-see site in that part of the country. At present I must set a limit of 100 for the tour . Two busses have been chartered, and a certified tour guide for each. An introductory film will be viewed at the Park Headquarters, followed by about 2 1/2 hours visiting the key locations on the battlefield.

If anyone has any questions, I can be reached at my mail address above (to be used for returning your registration form), by phone at 1-978-532-0741, or email at member9219@aol.com.

I will look forward to seeing you all there!

Jeff Wignall, Reunion Chairman

Program Ads: rates will be based on a four inch single column width at \$10 per inch as previously, thus 1" x 4" @ \$10, 2" x 4" @ \$20, 4" x 4" @ \$40. Double width ads (8") will be at \$20 per inch with a minimum 2 column inch height @ \$40, 4" x 8" (half page) @ \$80. Full page member ads will be offered at the reduced rate of \$125.

Please provide the copy for your ad as you will wish to have it appear on a separate sheet. Any artwork or photographs to be included should be submitted as 300 dpi scans for best results in reproduction. Any original photos submitted will be returned to the owner after printing either at registration, or by mail to anyone not planning to attend.

If the ad consists of a simple text message, it will be appropriately fitted to the ad size selected.

Additional Program Books: We have in the past been asked to provide additional Program Books by members who were unable to attend the reunion, or who wished to obtain extra copies for relatives or friends. This year represents the **70th Anniversary** of the 80th Division going into action in WWII, and we anticipate a greater demand for this **commemorative edition**. In order to insure a sufficient number are available, provision has been made on the registration form to order books in advance. The cost noted for books to be mailed includes postage, and copies will be mailed immediately following the reunion. **Please note: all registered attendees will receive a program book when checking in as always!**

Hotel: The Ramada Plaza Hotel is conveniently located near the intersection of Routes 81 and 70 for those traveling by car. Take exit 5 from 81 (Halfway Blvd.) to Underpass Way to the hotel, which is visible from the highway. The address is 1718 Underpass Way, phone for reservations (301) 797-2500. For those traveling by air, Hagerstown is served by Dulles International Airport, about 60 miles and a good choice if you are renting a car, and by its own Hagerstown Regional Airport, less than 10 miles north of the hotel. A hotel shuttle is available at no charge from the local field.

The room rate of \$79.00 per night will be honored for time spent at the hotel before or following the reunion dates. A limited number of suites are available at \$99.00 per night. Taxes are additional as always. That's the bad news; the good news is that an excellent breakfast is included in the room rate.

All of the amenities you would expect are provided, other than those already mentioned - pool, sauna, fitness and business centers. Rooms have irons, hairdryers, coffeemakers, and refrigerators.

The hotel has a first class restaurant, and there are many others near by - including just about all of the familiar chains - so plenty of choices. A shopping mall is within walking distance, and an outlet mall 4 miles away. Also two large antique co-ops in the area for those so afflicted.

There are many local attractions, and several major ones in the area. Representatives of the Hagerstown Visitors Bureau will be on hand to make recommendations, but Harpers Ferry is well worth a visit. Bring your Golden Eagle Passport, and if you don't have one, get one! - the best deal in the country for seniors. The Antietam Battlefield is the most significant site nearby and will be our tour destination. Gettysburg is about 36 miles away.

For those members who are unable to attend I will ask you to please complete the contact information on the Registration Form and return it to us at your earliest opportunity to enable us to update our membership records. As mentioned elsewhere, if you have a snowbird address (and phone) we would like to get that as well, and for those who do not have email available, possibly that of a family member or friend who does so that we have a means to reach you if necessary. Please also keep in mind that if you have ever considered submitting a memorial notice on behalf of a departed family member or friend, a tribute to a unit, or any other similar notice, the Program Book this year will be in ideal place to do it.

Eightieth Division Veterans Association 95th Annual Reunion

Ramada Plaza Hotel, Hagerstown, Maryland 8/13 -16, 2012

Please PRINT all information and return by June 30, 2014

First Reunion: Yes No

Name of Veteran or Attendee: _____

Phone: _____

Name of Spouse or Guests: _____

Unit Affiliation: _____ Period: _____ Handicap: cane walker wheelchair

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail address if available: _____

Registration Fee: _____ x \$40 per person \$ _____

Prize Tickets (\$2 each or all 12 for \$20): _____ x \$2 per ticket \$ _____

Wednesday Night Commander's Reception Buffet: _____ x \$27.50 per person \$ _____

Guided Bus Tour - Antietam Battlefield: _____ x \$26 per person \$ _____

Thursday Night Dugout Party: _____ x \$27.50 per person \$ _____

Friday Night Buffet: _____ x \$27.50 per person \$ _____

Saturday Night Dinner: (indicate choice for each person) _____ x \$32 per person \$ _____

_____ x Stuffed Breast of Chicken

_____ x Lemon Butter Flounder

Program Listing: (PRINT NAMES, USE REVERSE IF NEEDED) _____ x \$5 per name \$ _____

Program Ads (see reverse of Welcome Letter for details): Ad size: _____ \$ _____

1"H x 4"W: \$10 2"H x 4"W: \$20 4"H x 4"W: \$40

2"H x 8"W: \$40 4"H x 8"W: \$80 10"H x 8"W: \$125 (full page)

Program Book (mailed to address above): _____ x \$6.50 \$ _____

Additional Program Books: _____ x \$5 \$ _____

NOTE: ALL MEAL PRICES INCLUDE TAXES & GRATUITIES.

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: 80th Division Veterans Association

Mail Form and Check to: 80th Division Veterans Association

c/o Jeff Wignall

27 Martinack Avenue

Peabody, MA 01960-6448

13-16 August 2014

This is a 50/50 Raffle in which as many \$250 prizes as receipts will allow will be awarded. You need not be present to win; awards will be mailed to winners not present. Please attach mailing labels or print name and address clearly below. Please note: there are 12 tickets provided, and additional tickets are available on request.



Donation is \$2 per ticket.

12 tickets are provided. Purchase the entire sheet for \$20 and the *extra two are FREE.*

PLEASE DO NOT SEPARATE TICKETS

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