



## OHA & 30<sup>th</sup> IDA HELPS NORTH CAROLINA USO TO HONOR DESERVING MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS



**RALEIGH** -- Some of our nation's bravest got a special thank you on October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Raleigh Convention Center. The NC USO held its 8th Annual USO Salute to Freedom Gala at the Raleigh Convention Center. OHA members Neil Trivette, Walt Sowinski, Ken Hyatt, Aaron Clark, Chuck Eatmon and Jay Callaham set up our typically stupendous militaria displays which included Chuck's Eatmons WWII jeep. Jay Callaham was asked by the event committee to play Taps as part of the opening ceremonies. 1LT Sean Daily, Deputy Command Historian-NCNG, had enlisted our help on behalf of the 30<sup>th</sup> IDA to provide relevant and interesting WWI and WWII militaria displays for the events attendees to view.

The objective of the USO event was to honor service members from each branch of the armed forces and all of the proceeds from the elegant black tie goes to benefit the USO operations of North Carolina at RDU Airport. General Martin Dempsey, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was the events guest speaker, Kris Kristofferson, a former U.S. Army Ranger, performed, and additional entertainment was provided by the Liberty Bells and the Wake & District Public Safety Pipes & Drums.

The gala honored six (6) outstanding service members stationed or deployed from North Carolina as well as two outstanding North Carolina community members. With more than 700 guests attending the black-tie event, the proceeds are designated to support the USO of North Carolina's mission to serve and support America's military and their families. The events attendees provided additional financial support the USO of North Carolina coffers by participating in a silent auction which included offerings and products from the Raleigh Convention Center, Total Wine, Capel Rugs and many other area consumer companies.



1LT Daily extended his deep appreciation for the support the Old Hickory Association provided to the USO Gala and assured us we helped to make the evening was a huge success. He wanted us to know that our displays played a huge role in making the event a visually interesting addition to the NCNG recruitment posters and displays. 1LT Daily asked that I forward his sincere gratitude and appreciation for the OHA's help and especially to those members who were able to attend the actual event.





# 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Noble's Recent Army Adventures



**Editor's Note:** The following is an unedited account written and submitted by Charlie Noble. It will be reprinted in a two part series and will detail Charlie's experiences and impressions of his recent basic training and OCS adventure.



**Part 1: Reception and Basic:** It all started in February when Captain Kevin Hinton swore me in to the North Carolina National Guard. After some final paperwork and in-processing I got the word that I would be heading to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma in June for Basic Training. Time flew by and June was already upon me and my ship date of June 12 was quickly approaching.

The next thing I knew it was June 12<sup>th</sup> and I was at Fayetteville Regional Airport with a packet of orders and a plane ticket ushering me from Fayetteville to Atlanta, and from Atlanta to Oklahoma City. The plane ride from Fayetteville to Atlanta was short and uneventful, but the trip from there to Oklahoma City gave me some time to think. I was unsure what I was getting into, but excited all at the same time.

Landing in Oklahoma, I had 6 hours before I had to be on the bus. I napped, slept, trolled Facebook, and talked to family while waiting to leave. One of my friends from home was actually going to basic with me, and he arrived just a few hours afterwards, so I wasn't going into it alone. Also while waiting for the bus I met a few other guys from North Carolina, so I still had some attachment to home.



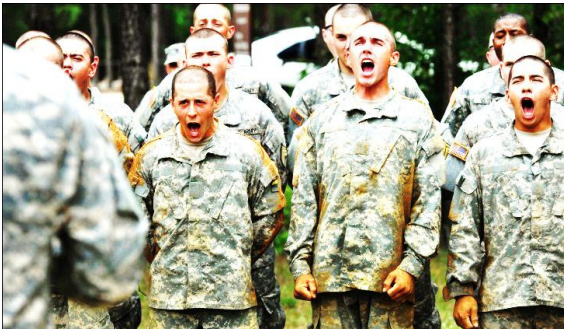
The bus came and I actually fell asleep on the ride to Ft. Sill, waking up right as we passed the main gate to the Reception area. Reception was a nightmare of waiting in lines, sitting in bleachers, getting sunburnt, rained on and yelled at. All in all reception wasn't THAT bad, but it was certainly worse than basic (as I discovered after graduating). There is really nothing exciting about Reception...really hard to go into much detail about how badly it sucked without wasting pages and pages on it.

By the time we had done all the Reception work, about 3 days, I was ready to go to go "across the tracks" as they said, and start training, but that wouldn't come until June 21<sup>st</sup>. In a misting rain the drill sergeants for Alpha Company, 434<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Battalion made their appearance to pick us up. I watched in horror as all of my bay-mates started to get taken to other platoons. The crowd started getting smaller and smaller, and I recognized fewer and fewer faces. After it was all said and done I knew two other people from my bay at reception out of the 65 in my platoon. After that we were shuffled onto a bus and driven to the Basic Training side of Ft. Sill. The rest of the day is a blur of yelling, pushups, trying to accomplish tasks with impossible time limits and more yelling.

The first couple of weeks were the hardest for me. Just getting used to the routine and dealing with all of the split-option soldiers (17/18 year olds in high school) was worse than any smoking a drill sergeant could give, at least for me. About day two I was made platoon guide, the Basic Training version of a platoon sergeant...yay, more responsibility for people who don't listen to start with! I soon learned that along with me and the two others from my bay,



there were five others ( 8 total ) Officer Candidates in my platoon, and six of us were headed to Ft. Benning after Basic, so at least we all had each other to lean on for the next 5.5 months. My Drill Sergeants seemed to be the meanest and loudest, I'm pretty sure all we learned the first 3 weeks was "HALF-RIGHT FACE, FRONT LEANING REST POSTION MOVE!...", we probably did more pushups than the other 3 platoons combined. Drill Sergeant Savoie was the biggest and loudest there. He hated everything about being there and let us know it every chance he could. Drill Sergeant Swan was also a big imposing guy, but I could read him a little better than Drill Sergeant Savoie.



After week 5 Savoie was relieved for some issues about his attitude and unfair treatment of females and he disappeared. DS Swan's attitude changed from major asshole to more mentor. I could approach him about issues in the platoon and he would make stuff happen with quickness. My life actually got easier as basic progressed. I was given more leeway with the added responsibility, and the other Drill Sergeants respected me and left me alone



for the most part. Swan was quick to remind me that "You'll be getting fired soon, it always happens...don't take it personal when we do it." At times I looked forward to it so I could actually get more than 4/5 hours of sleep a night (everyone else averaged 7).



As time went on it became apparent that I wasn't going to lose my job. I led the platoon through BRM ( no failures ), hand grenades ( 12 experts ), and all of the ruck marches with no fall outs. My platoon was also duty platoon during the FTX and performed our duty so well that the Battery Commander took my notes and schedules and said he was going to use this as the standard for next cycle's FTX.

As we started to prepare for our last inspection DS Swan informed me I would be platoon guide through graduation, and I was the first one, as far as he knew, to keep the job from start to finish. This meant while everyone was slacking off after our final training day, I was making the 70's vintage barracks look brand new and making sure everyone had the same stuff for inspection. The day before inspection I and five others ate every meal in our bay in order to use our time to the fullest extent, and that night I got an hour and a half of sleep only because one of my guys volunteered to pull fireguard all night and finish the barracks details. The inspection came and went, lasting no more than 30 minutes. As I was following the Battalion Commander around he commented that our bay was the best in the battalion and that he was highly impressed with our work...score!



Family day and graduation flew by and we all said our goodbyes as friends left to go home with families (split-ops) and others were ushered off to field artillery and air defense AIT on the other side of Ft. Sill. At 0130 the morning of August 24<sup>th</sup> I was standing on

the drill pad with my bags waiting on a bus to go to the airport with 5 other guys going to Benning ( 2 of the Officer Candidates didn't complete Basic for various reasons ) and maybe 20 more going to other AITs. I was so happy to be leaving Ft. Sill I couldn't see straight.

Eating real food and drinking whatever caffeine I wanted in the airport was a treat. We winged our way to Dallas where our group got smaller and it was just our little group of Officer Candidates. We ended up seeing a few friends again as we wandered the airport for 7 hours, and I actually got to see my parents for a few minutes before they boarded. I wouldn't see them again till November 14<sup>th</sup>. We boarded the plane to Atlanta and most of us slept the whole flight. We landed and had a quick lunch at the concourse that I had eaten at back in June. Another short flight took us to Columbus, right outside of Ft. Benning. After a big miscommunication involving a Colonel and a Command Sergeant Major we arrived at HHC 3/11<sup>th</sup> IN REGT (OCS). Just being on Ft. Benning and knowing its history was enough to intimidate me and give me a sleepless night at Headquarters Company. The next day we spent around \$1,000 each for the required items for OCS. Everything from pins and patches to cleaning kits and ascots had to be accounted for, line by line, the exact quantity listed on the packing list. I knew that OCS was going to be no joke. **To be continued**



## 30th Division Veterans Eligible For French Legion of Honor Award



To date, it is known that the following 30th Division veterans have been awarded the French Legion of Honor Medal. This is the highest honor that the French Government bestows upon any military or civilian personnel. We are to be honored to have these heroes in our midst.

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| ○ Barenkamp, William P. | Cookeville, TN   | 5/04/12  |
| ○ D'Agostino, John      | San Diego, CA    | 9/14/12  |
| ○ Denius, Frank W.      | Austin, TX       | 6/01/11  |
| ○ Fitzgibbons, Anthony  | Buffalo, NY      | 4/16/09  |
| ○ Gaudere, Francis J.   | Millbury, MA     | 10/12/11 |
| ○ Light, Napoleon J.    | Peru, NY         | 6/01/12  |
| ○ Middleton, Edward H.  | Fayetteville, NC | 2/28/12. |
| ○ O'Hare, John P.       | Houston, TX      | 7/04/11  |
| ○ Towers, Frank W.      | Brooker, FL      | 2/27/09  |
| ○ Weiss, Robert L.      | Portland, OR     | 1/22/07  |

If your name is not on this list, and if you have been awarded this Medal, please notify the Editor. If you have not received or applied for this prestigious Medal and wish to do so, applications can be obtained from your nearest French Consulate. (You can "Google" this location). If you do not have computer facilities, contact your Editor for an application. Every 30th Division veteran who fought on French soil between 6 June 1944 and 8 May 1945, is eligible. Hundreds and hundreds of you ARE eligible! It costs Nothing. NO obligations. The Atlanta French Consulate has moved recently and the new address is: **French Consulate, 3399 Peachtree Rd. NE, Lenox Bldg. Suite #500, Atlanta, GA 30324**

## An Attack on Hollen, Germany by Co. G, 119th Infantry Regiment, 25 February, 1945



The attack on Hollen started from positions about 1/2 mile away. It was over open ground but we had 26 Sherman tanks that we marched between. That is not always a good thing....sixteen (16) tanks were lost in the Hollen attack. I remember a Panther tank taking position in an orchard on the outskirts of Hollen. It was shooting solid shot rounds. A shell knocked an open hatch off the Sherman right next to me. If it had not been solid shot, I'd be dead. It sure did



shake up the tank commander whose head was in the opening. The Germans or German civilians had dug 5 foot deep slit trenches about 40 yards in front of the first houses. My platoon was able to occupy these trenches as the Nazis' fled back to the houses during our advance. The



Panther crew was very aggressive though...as most all of the German tank crews were...and would not retreat its orchard position. I always preferred anti-tank rifle grenades and thought I'd take a crack at the Panther. Well I missed the tank but brought a tree branch down on the tank commanders head. This did not make him too happy and the Panther preceded to try and bury the platoon in the trench. Lt. Giblin sent lead scout Hall who hailed from Virginia into the town

first. Before Hall left he offered the Lt. some of his chewing tobacco to 'calm' his nerves and off he went. Pvt. Raymond Butts entered the town with a bazooka where he was able to get to a second floor position and put a round into the Panther's turret. As the crew tried to escape the burning tank, Lt. Giblin used his 'grease' gun to eliminate them. Pvt. Butts earned the Distinguish Service Cross for his action. **Action described by John Nolan, Co. G, in a 18 June 2007 interview.**





# Frank Deegan, A Lower Providence, PA World War II Veteran, Finally Receives His Bronze Star 65 Years Late!



Frank Deegan poses with his WWII medals framed on his living room wall recently. Frank Deegan, a Lower Providence resident, recently received a Bronze Star for his actions during WWII. More than 65 years after being discharged from the military, Frank Deegan, who served in the military from 1943-46 with the 30th Infantry Division, finally received a Bronze Star for an act of heroism during World War II. Deegan, who earned “two Bronze Stars, three Purple Hearts, and four Battle Stars” while serving in Europe during World War II, said that he was aware of that he was awarded the Bronze Star at the time of his discharge but did not pursue it. “I saw it on my records when I was in the hospital, but when I got my paper discharge, it wasn’t on there,” explained Deegan. “At the time I wasn’t worried about it. I was just getting ready to get out of the Army and I figured I’m out so that’s it.”

However, as time went on, Deegan started to check on the status of the award, eventually discovering that he faced issues regarding his original records. “Originally, it didn’t bother me,” Deegan said. “Years later, I figured I’d look into it but my records burned in St. Louis, so that was the end of that.” Finally, with the help of a Colonel friend currently serving in the North Carolina National Guard, Deegan was able to locate records of the Bronze Star, which began the process that ultimately led to receiving the award in August of this year at the annual reunion for the 30th Infantry Division, which was deactivated and eventually became the 30th Infantry Brigade in North Carolina. While Deegan was aware that the process for finally receiving his Bronze Star had begun, he was not told that the ceremony would be taking place at the reunion. “I had a hunch, but I wasn’t absolutely sure,” said Deegan. “I had my son and my daughter and my grandson with me and his girlfriend, too, so that was nice.” Deegan joined the service in 1943 and was wounded three times while serving in Europe during the war, including one wound so severe that he had to spend a year in the hospital and while in the 30th Infantry, or Old Hickory, Division, Deegan crisscrossed Europe, serving at several key spots in Europe during the War. “We were the first ones in Belgium and the first ones in Holland (the Netherlands),” explained Deegan.

Deegan also explained that the 30th Infantry Division also landed on the shores of Normandy, France just days after the D-Day Invasion that ultimately led to the liberation of Europe. “The D-Day Invasion was June 6 and I went in on the 10th,” said Deegan. “The beaches were clear. The battle was about 10 miles in, maybe a little bit more.” Additionally, the 30th Infantry Division led St. Lo Breakout during Operation Cobra, which began several weeks after D-Day and continued the Allies’ liberation march through France. “We were there waiting. I was sitting on a tank, talking to the tank commander and 3,000 planes were flying over,” Deegan explained. “We lost 100 men that day and that is where General McNair got killed but we still led the breakout.”

Because of these efforts and many others during the war, including a six day stand at Mortain, France where the Old Hickory Division held off German troops attempting to intercept General George Patton’s troops and their supply lines. After a brutal six days of fighting, the German attackers were finally repulsed with massive casualties. Historians commissioned by President Dwight Eisenhower unanimously named the 30th Infantry Division as the top division serving in European theater. “We were nominated for a Presidential (Unit ) Citation, but we never got it and we’re still battling for it today,” said Deegan. He continued to explain why he believes the Division never received the Presidential Unit Citation ... “The thing is, the 30th Division was a National Guard unit and Eisenhower figured that (a regular Army division) should get it and that’s why we didn’t get it.”

According to Deegan, only a small number of veterans who served in the 30<sup>th</sup> Division during World War II rare alive but the men still remain hopeful that one day they’ll receive the Presidential Unit Citation, which was recommended following the war. While it took nearly 68 years for Deegan to finally receive his Bronze Star that he earned while serving in Europe, he is hopeful that he, along with the remaining members of the Old Hickory Division, will have the opportunity to finally receive a Presidential Unit Citation for the sacrifices made while serving their country. “We were recommended for it but we never got it,” said Deegan. “We have a documentary now, ‘Heroes of Old Hickory,’ to try and help us to finally get the citation that we never got. I hope it helps but I don’t know if it is going to work out. I hope it doesn’t take another 68 years for us to get it!”

## Guilford Courthouse National Military Park 2012 Timeline Event

Members of the OHA who attended the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park's "History of the American Soldier" timeline display event on November 10th to honor Veterans Day were: Jay Callaham, Walt Sowinski, Jody MacKay, Pat Grogan and Ken Hyatt. Mark Burroughs brought his WWII jeep as well as an assortment of squad weapons which he put on display and Oliver Hyatt helped the cause by attending as a WWII Navy SP. The weather was absolutely fantastic, the crowds were very good and the Grimsley High School students who showed up asked some really good questions. We were impressed with how many of the high school students were interested in our WWI and WWII displays. We enjoyed answering their questions, explained what



various military items were used and comparing 1940's soldier "stuff" to today's soldier stuff. As usual, the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park's "History of the American Soldier" event was able to present a timeline encampment featuring some superb militaria demonstrations of that covered the US military from the French and Indian War up through to our present day military. The always helpful event organizers provided us with display tables, appropriate signage and served a very tasty BBQ lunch to all of the event participants. All in all, it proved to be a very successful and enjoyable day.

## Crawley Gets To See Polish Reenactors At Wavel Castle

### AT THE CITADEL BY THE KOŚCIUSZKO MOUND MONUMENT IN KRAKOW, POLAND

Ron Crawley #24573 (Gramling, South Carolina) was visiting the Citadel at the foot of the Kościuszko Mound monument in Krakow, Poland where he was photographed reading *Army Motors* #139. Ron, a member of the Military History Club of the Carolinas (MHCC) in South Carolina, is also a reenactor of the Revolutionary War, War Between The States (WBTS) and WWII. He was lucky enough to catch a 13th century reenactment at Wavel Castle while in Poland on business.

Andrzej Tadeusz Bonawentura Kościuszko (February 12, 1746 - October 15, 1817) was a Polish-Lithuanian and an American general. Kościuszko is a national hero of Poland,

Lithuania, Belarus and the United States of America. He led the 1794 Kosciuszko Uprising against the Imperial Russia and the Kingdom of Prussia as Supreme Commander of the Polish National Armed Forces.

Before commanding the Uprising, he fought in the American War of Independence as a colonel in the Continental Army. In 1783, in recognition of his dedicated service, he was brevetted by the Continental Congress to the rank of brigadier general, made a naturalized citizen of the United States, and given a land grant. He returned home to become a national hero in his own country as well.





## AAR — Newville Great War Fall Offensive, 2-4 November, 2012



This was a **GREAT** weekend event! Hurricane Sandy notwithstanding, we had a better-than-expected turnout and much more action than I've seen in a LONG time!



I arrived on Thursday afternoon in order to get settled into my bunker space and to do some trench maintenance, as well as to be ready to go for the Flea Market in the parking lot on Friday morning. I visited some friends around the area who were pretty much doing the same things, and sacked out early. It's very quiet and lonely in an underground bunker.

This was only a few days after Hurricane Sandy had left a trail of destruction through the northeast, which did have an impact on the total number of participants, but we still had 200 – 300 or so troops, and those who showed up came to PLAY! As one guy said: "I've got no power at home and can't do squat, so might as well be here where I can have FUN with no power!" The Friday morning Flea Market was slow to start due to some trailing drizzle and it was chilly, but when things cranked up, it had a surprisingly good showing. As usual, there were all sorts of interesting goodies for sale by professional vendors as well as the "out of the trunk" blanket sales. I sold a few things and, for a change, bought very little, and closed down about 3PM to pick up my Trench Pass at Registration and head back into the trenches. By the time the gate came down at 5:PM we had a pretty good showing of troops and action began shortly thereafter. There was a good deal of night raiding, wire parties (ours to put more up and cut theirs; theirs to do unto us the same!), and other activity up until about 10:PM when most mutually agreed to shut down for the evening and sack out because - - -

At this event we revived an old tradition of a 0600 Stand-To on Saturday morning! During the Great War many units at the front had developed a habit of conducting a "Hate" consisting of 5 or 10 rounds rapid-fire as the sun rose in order to forestall dawn attacks. I'm sure that we startled some of our neighbors in the valley as the Huns staged a powerful attack just as the flare went up to signal the beginning of combat. They were in the British trench sector in no time and good times were had by all as the trench fighting got heavy! The dawn Stand-To was quite well received and was an

exciting time for those intrepid troops who took part. Watching the sun rise over the surrounding hills while the shooting was going on was a very special feeling, though the moon was so bright that visibility was more like early twilight than pre-dawn!

As the day progressed, the action continued. Everyone burned a lot of blanks! There were a couple of gas attacks (white smoke is just smoke; yellow is Mustard; green is Chlorine) and some simulated artillery barrages. The Mustard Gas casualties were rather pitiful as a string of 6 – 8 blinded men with bandaged eyes were led past by one "walking wounded" guy who could at least see – each with a hand on the shoulder of the guy in front of him. The stretcher-bearers were kept quite busy! The Germans had built a mobile Minenwerfer that was quite effective until they ran up against the Legion Russe (Russians who served with the French on the Western Front) who have a Pneumatic mortar (designed after the French Brandt 60mm pneumatic mortar actually used during the war) that can drop a round in your lap out to a couple of hundred meters! It was fun to watch the mortar duel on the right flank (yes – at Great War events we actually fire projectiles from the mortars, and use hand and rifle grenades! Wear your tin hat at all times in the front-line trenches!)

Things got so hot that at one point during one of the later actions, the MP section even had to defend the AEF CP! I personally haven't had that much "trigger-time" since taking on the MP role some years ago. I even got captured on one visit to the front on business when the Huns, again, overran the British trench sector and I got caught in a forward command bunker. That has NEVER before happened, even when I was a front-line soldier! Fortunately, one of the German officers was a Brother Freemason, so I was treated well (and it's a good thing that the capturing troops didn't do a very thorough search, because I had a notepad listing every Allied unit, as I'd been inspecting their pyrotechnics – grenades, mortar bombs, etc!). In the S2 shop, we processed more than 50 German and Austrian POWs! The previous record was something like 32 for one event. Unfortunately, our "holding cage" had been demolished by a downed tree, so we had to use a "catch and release" program. After searching and interrogating the POWs, sending any "wounded" to the Aid Station, we'd escort and release them at the edge of the trench area to make their way back to their own lines outside of the action zone.

There was lots of action, lots of enthusiasm, just a general good time by all who could make it. The site had some other downed-tree issues in the wake of Sandy, most of which had been fixed before we got there. The parking lot had wet spots, but was sound, as were the roads. The soil up there contains a good deal of shale, so it drained well and the trenches were not too bad. It was a cold, crisp, somewhat windy weekend. Because of strong and erratic winds, the flyboys could not go up in the 5 aircraft that were brought to the event, which was too bad, but understandable. Those biplanes buzzing the trenches make the event truly 3-dimensional. When action abated at about 10:PM, everyone was cold, tired, running low on ammo and pyro, but thoroughly pleased with a great event. Then the parties started. The Salvation Army ladies did their usual good job with breakfast and supper, as well as being "Doughnut Lassies" during the day; the Nursing Sisters at the Canadian Field Service Aid Station was kept busy with troops from both sides; and, a lot of trench improvement went on during quiet periods as well as rear-area training on auto-rifle tactics and other appropriate classes. It was a very well-rounded, action filled event, one of the best that I've attended in many years. All in all, it was a really good time. *Written and submitted by Jay Callahan*



CPL CALLAHAM, 105<sup>TH</sup> MP, 30<sup>TH</sup> DIVISION, AEF, INTERROGATING A HUN POW, EXAMINING HIS PAPERS. A LOT OF GOOD INFORMATION CAN BE GAINED FROM THE "SOLDBUCH."



STRETCHER-BEARERS PREPARING TO ADVANCE THROUGH A SMOKE AND GAS CLOUD TO RECOVER CASUALTIES. NOTE THE COMMO WIRE OVERHEAD.



INITIAL SEARCH OF A COUPLE OF HUN POWS BROUGHT IN DURING NIGHT ACTION BY A SCOTSMAN FROM THE BLACK WATCH, ROYAL HIGHLAND REGIMENT. IN ONE HAND, I'M HOLDING THE "SOLDBUCH" OF THE SOLDIER BEING SEARCHED, WITH MY M1917 COLT .45 ACP REVOLVER IN THE OTHER. THE SOLDBUCH IS IN A BLACK OILCLOTH POUCH WITH WHITE LETTERING.



# Old Hickory Pin Up

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The April 2013 30<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Veterans of WWII reunion will have several of their Holocaust Survivors, attending this years reunion. The 30<sup>th</sup> IDV veterans are very pleased to have them attend and they've been informed that a new Survivor and his family from "Jerusalem" will be joining them for the first time ever. For those of you OHA members who have not met with or spoken with the Holocaust Survivors, you are missing an incredible opportunity of a lifetime . So, start planning to attend the April reunion now.

## **Upcoming Events**

**January 11 - 13 2013**  
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**Greensboro, NC.**  
**Contact: TBD**

**January 24 - 29 2013**  
**Ft. Indiantown Gap, PA**  
**Battle of the Bulge**  
[www.wwiifederation.org](http://www.wwiifederation.org)  
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**February 22 - 24 2013**  
**Rhineland Battle V**  
**Enfield, NC**  
**Contact: Aaron Clark**

**March 8 - 10, 2013**  
**Sons of Valor VI**  
**Camden, SC**  
[www.ablecompany.org](http://www.ablecompany.org)

**April 7 - 8, 2013**  
**Armies Through Time**  
**All Eras - All Nations**  
**Camden, SC**  
**Contact: Jay Callaham**

**April 11-13, 2013**  
**30th Infantry Division Veterans of WWII National Reunion**  
**Louisville, KY**  
**Contact: TBD**

**April 19 - 21, 2013**  
**Great War Spring Offensive**  
**Newville, PA.**  
**Contact: Jay Callaham**