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Date: FEBRUARY 15th, 2014 (SATURDAY) >> Next Meeting MAR 20th

Time: Social Hour: 11:00 AM - 12:00 NOON > MEETING START
TIME 12:00 NOON - Speaker Immediately Following Lunch

** PETITE AU BERGE RESTAURANT
2935 N. Druid Hills Road, Web Site: www.petiteauberge.com
Atlanta, Georgia 30329 (Restaurant Phone: 404-634-6268)

Price: \$ 28.00 Per Plate ** RESERVATION REQUIRED **

Speaker(s): Jonathan (Jon) W. Jordan

Subject: "AMERICAN WARLORDS: How FDR's High-Command Led America to Victory"

Mission Statement

We, who by our own actions, and by our heritage, know that liberty has not, is not, nor ever will be free, do in association with our friends and comrades, who believe as we do, pledge that we will meet at the call of our Commander no less than ten times a year:

- * To hear of the war experiences of our members and invited guests
- * To encourage and demonstrate pride in our country and its armed forces
- * To pass on to posterity our knowledge of World War II, and of the price - human and material - that was paid by our nation for the preservation of liberty in the United States and the world

Speaker for FEBRUARY 15th, 2014– Jonathan W. Jordan (To Be Introduced By Dep. Cdr. Marilyn Pahr)

The Atlanta WW II Round Table's FEBRUARY 15th, 2014 (SATURDAY) meeting will feature renowned historian and author Jonathan (Jon) W. Jordan. Jonathan is the author of *Brothers, Rivals, Victors: Eisenhower, Patton, Bradley and the Partnership that Drove the Allied Conquest of Europe* (2011); *The Lone Star Navy: Texas-the Fight for The Gulf of Mexico* (2007) and *The Shaping of the American West* (2007). He is also a contributing author to *The Armchair Reader; World War II Magazine* and *The Amazing Book of World History* and *MHQ: The Quarterly Journal of Military History*.

A native of Savannah, Georgia, Jon grew up on Air Force bases, from which his father flew C-141 Starlifters for the Military Air Command during the Vietnam War. He lived in New Jersey, Ohio, and the Philippines until 1976, when his family moved to Selma, Alabama. Jon obtained an accounting degree from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama and his law degree from Vanderbilt University. He practiced law in Texas for nine years before moving to Marietta, Georgia. He lives in Marietta with his wife, Kate, and their three children. He currently practices commercial litigation and corporate bankruptcy law at the Atlanta-based firm King & Spalding LLP.

Jonathan's presentation, "AMERICAN WARLORDS: How FDR's High-Command Led America to Victory" will take the Round Table through the decisions President Roosevelt, General George C. Marshall, Admiral Ernest J. King and others made to beat two fearsome dictatorships on opposite sides of the globe--and propel America into global dominance for the next half-century.

Please welcome Jonathan Jordan as our FEBRUARY 15th, 2014 speaker (276th Meeting.)

Review Of JANUARY 16th, 2014 Speakers-Sir Garland Reynolds & Bill Dean (Introduced by Dep. Cdr. Marilyn Pahr)

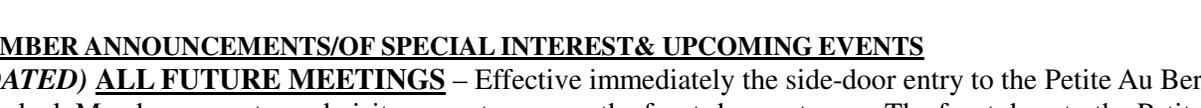
The team of Principle Architect Sir Garland Reynolds and Round Table Member Bill Dean got everyone's attention at the January 16th meeting in updating us on the Camp Toccoa & Currahee Military Museum restoration projects in Toccoa, GA.

Many members of the Round Table know that Camp Toccoa was a training site before and during WW II for the 82nd (AA All-American) and 101st Airborne (Screaming Eagles); many of the men trained there would also be assigned to the 11th, 13th and 17th Airborne Divisions.

Sir Garland and Dean also were able to show a 7:28 Minute Promotional Video "Camp Toccoa-Legacy of Leadership" produced by the World War II Foundation which highlighted the massive endeavor to restore Camp Toccoa to its original condition prior to and during WW II. Separate from the Camp is the Currahee Military Museum and Visitors Center renewal project in Toccoa, which in themselves are massive undertakings. These restoration projects are expected to be near completion in 2015-2016.

Thank you Sir Garland and Bill Dean for an excellent presentation, for your devotion to these projects, and for a job well done.

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PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO introduction of New Members at the FEBRUARY 15th, 2014 meeting.


SPECIAL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/OF SPECIAL INTEREST& UPCOMING EVENTS

>>> **(UPDATED) ALL FUTURE MEETINGS** – Effective immediately the side-door entry to the Petite Au Berge Restaurant will be kept locked. Members, guests, and visitors must now use the front-door entrance. The front door to the Petite is handicap and wheelchair friendly and will save our members some steps.

>>> **(NEW) – FEBRUARY 13th (THURSDAY)** – *The Marcus Center* will host WW II veteran Richard (Dick) Bailey as their February 13th Speaker. Dick will speak at 10AM. The Marcus Center is located at 5342 Tilly Mill Rd., Dunwoody, GA 30338 Tel: 678-812-4100 / Attendance is FREE / Dick will be in Room 182.

>>> **(NEW) – FEBRUARY 17th-FEBRUARY 21st (MONDAY-FRIDAY)** – *The National WW II Museum in New Orleans* is in the process of conducting high-definition interviews with WW II veterans and contributors to the War effort. The Museum's mission is to capture the American experience during WW II so future generations will be able to learn about what this generation did at one of the most critical junctures in world history. National WW II Museum Special Project Historian Tom Gibbs will be in the Atlanta area conducting interviews from Monday, February 17th through Friday, February 21st and would like to schedule as many interviews as possible. A Oral History Appearance Release Form will be required from each participant and is being attached to this email Newsletter; there will also be a Release Form at the January and February meetings, placed at the tables or available from the Sergeant-At-Arms. You can contact Tom at 504-528-1944 x 313 or via email at tom.gibbs@nationalww2museum.org

>>> **(NEW) – FEBRUARY 26th, 2014 (WEDNESDAY)** – *The Atlanta History Center*, in commemoration of the 72nd anniversary of the founding of the Eighth Air Force in Savannah, Georgia, is conducting a special evening program featuring veterans who served in the Mighty Eighth Air Force. You will hear first-hand accounts of bravery and sacrifice from those who fought the air war over Nazi-occupied Europe as part of the "greatest air armada of all time". By the end of World War II, over 350,000 men served in the Eighth Air Force and 26,000 lost their lives - more than the entire U.S. Marine Corps during all of World War II. Five veterans will share their individual stories of piloting a B-24 Liberator over the skies of Germany; acting as lead navigator of a bomb group; serving in a B-17 Flying Fortress ball-turret; captivity as a prisoner of war in a Nazi POW camp; and battling a jet-propelled German Messerschmitt 262 from a propeller-driven P-51 Mustang. This program is FREE; RSVPs are requested; 404.814.4150. For information on Stories of Sacrifice or veterans oral history initiatives visit: AtlantaHistoryCenter.com/VeteransVoices.

>>> **(NEW) - APRIL 2nd, 2014 (WEDNESDAY)** - *The Roswell Rotary Club* is announcing the 6th Honor Air Trip to Washington, DC for April 2nd, 2014. This round-trip flight is free to WW II veterans. Each veteran will be accompanied by his or her own personal guardian. Those interested can obtain an application from the Roswell Rotary Club's Website at www.roswellrotary.com. You can also contact Pat DiGeorge via email at pdigeorge@gmail.com. Please note that Korean War veterans may also apply for the trip; WW II veterans will be given first choice. Personal Guardians are also welcome to apply but must pay their own way (\$ 350.00); applications for Personal Guardians will be accepted on a as-needed basis.

>>> **(NEW) MAY 25th, 2014 (SUNDAY)** – *Concourse Athletic Club – Memorial-Day Celebration “MEET THE VETERANS - HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED* - On Sunday, 25 May 2014, from the hours of 1 to 5 PM, the members of the Atlanta World War II Round Table, in cooperation with various veterans groups and supporters of the military, plan to commemorate Memorial Day at the Concourse Athletic Club in Atlanta through exhibits, displays, and personal testimonies of living veterans of past wars and campaigns in order to Honor The Veterans (Fallen and Living) , educate the public, and celebrate the victories and accomplishments of those who have sacrificed for the freedom of our nation.

>>> **(NEW) – JULY 31st – AUGUST 3rd, 2014 (THURSDAY-SUNDAY)** - *The 12th Armored Division Association of WW II* veterans and families will conduct their 68th reunion/convention in Atlanta GA this July 31-August 3rd.2014.The host hotel will be the Westin /Airport. History exhibits staffed by 12th museum historians will include books and shirts. For more information contact Allan Dear dear5@earthlink.net or call 229 630 5682. For information about the museum in Abilene, Texas or the association www.12tharmoredmuseum.com

>>> **(NEW) – FROM DEPUTY COMMANDER AND ROUND TABLE HISTORIAN MARILYN PAHR**
New & Current Members – Membership Directory

We have been blessed with so many new members (*you know who you are*) and most of you have not received your **Membership Directory**. I will have them for you at the *February Banquet*. Please come see me. We would also like to have all our members reflected in the Directory, so please take the time fill out your detailed **Bio Info. Smile for the Camera-** I need pictures of our members and will have a backdrop and camera ready. **If you are a veteran, please also bring a service picture** – in your uniform or informal. I will take picture of your picture and return it to you immediately.

>>> **(UPDATED) UPCOMING SPEAKERS for - 2014** Program chairman Larry Robert has done a splendid job in lining up a wonderful list of speakers for the Atlanta WW II Round Table for our September through December 2013 meetings. The following speakers will be making a presentation to the Round Table in: January-June 2014: **February 2014 (Banquet) Jonathan Jordan – Historian and Author;** March 2014 – Herbert W. Benario (Intelligence Officer) - April 2014 – Seymour (Sy) Goodman (U.S. Army). Please note that the speaker's engagements are subject to change. Thank you Larry Robert for you're continuing efforts to seek-out and engage excellent speakers for our meetings and for a job exceedingly well done.

REQUESTS BY INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS AT ROUND TABLE MEETINGS – In a effort to not interfere with our scheduled speaker's allotted time and also to allow more time during our lunch for table-conversation, the Atlanta WW II Round Table Executive Board has approved the following policy: **Requests by individuals to make announcements during the Atlanta WW II Round Table meetings must first be cleared through the Commander prior to the date of the meeting.** The number of announcements will be limited at each meeting and will also be based on priority of interest to the Round Table. Commander Weinstein can be contacted at **404-843-0779** or via email at lmwlaw@aol.com

Monthly Quote:

"Paper-work will ruin any military force"
- Lieutenant-General Lewis B. "Chesty" Puller