

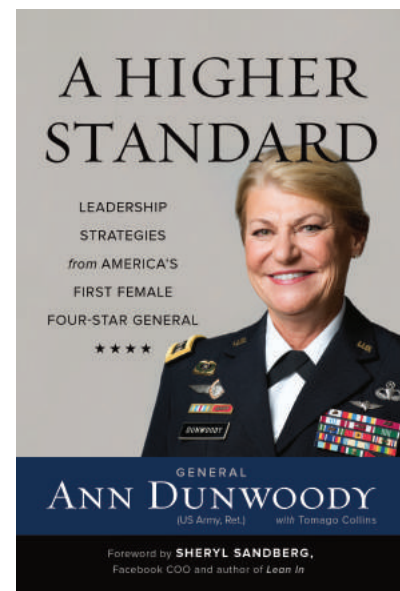
AIRBORNE AWARDS FESTIVAL

APRIL 13-16, 2016
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

FEATURING SPEAKER, GENERAL (RET) ANN DUNWOODY

At a time when women weren't allowed to attend the military academy, one woman refused to let that stop her. Her determination led her to become the commander of sixty-nine thousand personnel, including the Army's global supply chain in support of Iraq and Afghanistan. It also made her the first American woman to be named a four-star general. In her book, *A Higher Standard*, Ann Dunwoody calls both women and men to pursue excellence, demonstrate integrity, and cultivate endurance and ultimately encourages everyone to find something they are passionate about and pursue it with conviction, regardless of what critics might say. Her story is one that has inspired many and will continue to do so for generations to come.

Ann Dunwoody is the first woman to become a four-star general in the United States Army. Now retired from the military and a sought-after public speaker, she is president of First 2 Four, LLC, a leadership mentoring and strategic advisory services company, and serves on the board of directors for L-3 Communications, Republic Services, and Logistics Management Institute. She is a member of the leadership council for the Aspen Institute's Franklin Project, which envisions a future in which a year of full-time national service—a service year—is a cultural expectation and a rite of passage for every young American. She and her husband live in Florida.



Ann Dunwoody will be available for book signing and photo opportunities. If interested, you can pre-order a book with your registration or purchase one onsite.

Our program for 2016 will be exciting and enjoyable for everyone and our biggest yet. Come join us and be a part of the 39th Annual ALL Airborne Festival, Airborne's greatest event of the year!

Dear Fellow Troopers,

I'm thrilled to announce the 39th Annual Airborne Awards Festival registration is now open! We will be paying special tribute to our paratroopers serving in the Vietnam War. I'm honored and excited that we'll have **General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody** as our guest speaker, plus we're adding several new events to the festival this year, including:

- The trip to Fort Benning will also include an actual Airborne Graduation ceremony
- The Atlanta History Center trip will be followed by an opportunity to visit a certified target shooting range
- Military briefing
- A free, onsite VA health screening
- American Values Traveling Museum will display items of our country's military throughout its history and will be onsite Saturday afternoon before the Awards Banquet

You need to **register for the festival before March 15, 2016**. This year, you have two options to register: complete and mail your registration form (included in this packet) and payment or register and pay through our secure website, **www.82nd-atlanta.com**. We look forward to seeing you in April!

AIRBORNE!

Kurt E. Linden

Chairman, Airborne Awards Festival

LTC (Retired)

Donald D. Lassen Atlanta All Airborne Chapter

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EVENT REGISTRATION

When you arrive, you'll need to check-in to pick up your festival materials and name tags. Follow the signs to the Airborne Awards Festival registration. **Registration desk closes during events*

Wed (12:00 PM - 9:00 PM) Fri (5:30 AM, 6:00 PM-TBD)
Thur (9:00 AM- 7:00 PM) Sat (12:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

HOSPITALITY SUITE

A place to relax, enjoy complimentary snacks and beverages, and meet with fellow troopers. We'll also have "Quick Draws" daily at 10PM if there is enough interest (you need not be present to win).

Wed (12:00PM - 12:00 AM) Fri (9:00 AM - 12:00 AM)
Thur (9:00 AM - 11:00 PM) Sat (9:00 AM - 1:00 AM)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

12:00 PM **Early Bird:** The hospitality suite will open at 12 Noon, on the lobby level where early arrivals can enjoy themselves until sleeping rooms are available (3 PM).

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

11:00 AM **Cocktail Hour:** We'll open the doors to the luncheon an hour early to give you a chance to mingle and meet the new arrivals. This is also an opportunity to find a table at this open seating event.

12:00 PM **Memorial Luncheon:** This first official function of the Festival is dedicated to the memory of all soldiers who sacrificed their lives in support of our country.

1:00 - 5:00 PM **Free VA Screenings:** The VA will provide certified staff near the hospitality suite, offering private screenings and other medical services free of charge.

6:00 PM **Evening Options:** open evening for unit meetings, leisurely dinner or join us in the Hospitality Suite.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

6:00 AM **Trip Option 1 - Take a trip to Fort Benning** for an Airborne Graduation Ceremony with General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody, a wreath-laying ceremony at the Airborne Walk, lunch with members of the 1-507th, and a special tour, guided by the Director, of the Armored Vehicle Restoration Facility housed in General George Patton's 2nd Armored Division 1941 Tank Repair Building. This facility is filled with rare tanks dating back to as early as WWI. **Buses depart at 6:00 AM so we can attend the graduation ceremony (schedule determined by the MCoE).**

9:45 AM **Trip Option 2 - Visit the Atlanta History Center** located on more than 30 acres in Midtown displaying over 1,500 original Civil War artifacts, photographs, dioramas, videos and more. This is one of our nation's largest exhibitions of original Civil War artifacts. You'll also be able to see the 1996 Olympic Games museum and the Bobby Jones exhibit showing the evolution of the Masters Tournament and the modern game of golf. Then, test your soldier shooting skills when we head to an indoor certified target shooting range. If you want to shoot, there will be an onsite cost of \$40. If you prefer not to participate, we'll have a lounge to relax. For more information on the range, visit www.quickshotshootingrange.com. Box lunches will be provided. **Buses depart at 9:45 AM.**

4:00 - 6:00 PM **Evening Options:** Buses are expected to return from field trips between 4-6 PM, when you'll be free for unit meetings, a leisurely dinner or visit us in the Hospitality Suite.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

10:00 AM **Ladies Brunch:** a chance for the ladies to get together for lunch, games and prizes.

11:00 - 4:30 PM **Military Briefings**

1:00 - 6:00 PM **American Values Traveling Museum:** This mobile military museum will be onsite and free of charge to our guests.

1:30 - 4:30 PM **General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody Book Signing and Photo Opportunity:** We're honored that we'll have Ann Dunwoody signing books and available for photos. **She'll be available again during the evening events at 9:15 PM.**

5:00 PM **Hospitality Room:** Closed until after the banquet.

6:30 PM **Reception and Awards Dinner:** The evening begins with cocktails, followed by dinner at 7:30.

Keynote Speaker, General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody: Hear her story of how her determination led her to become the commander of sixty-nine thousand employees and the first American woman to be named a four-star general. General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody will speak about her thirty-seven years with the military and everything she learned along the way.

Presentations and Entertainment: We'll finish out the evening with the Airborne Awards and dance to the sounds of the Sentimental Journey Orchestra. There will be photographers onsite to capture the memories. We'll then adjourn to the Hospitality Suite where festivities will continue until 1 AM.

REGISTRATION FORM

Complete and mail this form with your payment. Or you can register online using our secure website: www.82nd-atlanta.com.
Remember to register no later than March 15, 2016! There are only 300 registrations available; we expect to sell out, so register soon!

Name of Registrant: _____ Email: _____
Home Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
Campaign: _____
Unit(s): _____ Dates served: _____

BASIC REGISTRATION

Registration Fee \$50.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____
The registration fee is mandatory for all attendees with the exception of Active Reserve / NG soldiers and their personal guest

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Memorial Luncheon \$40.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Trip Option 1: Ft. Benning \$40.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____
Includes trip, graduation ceremony and lunch.

Trip Option 2: Atlanta History Center \$40.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____
Includes trip and lunch. If you plan to participate in firing at the range, please add how many guests you expect to participate. Do not add the fee to this registration; you will pay approximately \$40 on site directly to the range. Number of firing range participants: _____

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Ladies Brunch \$20.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____

Awards Dinner & Dance \$43.00 x _____ # guests Subtotal: \$ _____
Includes all activities for Saturday evening: reception and dinner, guest speaker, awards presentations, dancing and entertainment.

BOOK PRE-ORDER

Hard cover copy of **A Higher Standard** \$15.00 x _____ # copies Subtotal: \$ _____

This is a discounted rate of \$15 for a hard cover copy of the new book by General (Ret) Ann Dunwoody, our special guest speaker on Saturday. There is no additional charge to ship; we will arrange for your book(s) to be available for you at the Marriott when you pick up your namebadge at registration. At the event, you'll also have the opportunity to have your books signed. There will be books for sale at the Festival; however, we can't guarantee the number of copies available.

Guest/Spouse Name: _____
Campaign: _____
Unit(s): _____ Dates served: _____

Mail registration form and check to: **Atlanta All Airborne Chapter**
1087 Carson Lane
Hampton, GA 30228-1694

Grand Total: \$ _____

If you would rather pay with a credit card, please visit our website and register online at www.82nd-atlanta.com

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the cancellation policy?

- If received by March 19, 2016 - 100% refund (including registration fee)
- If received by March 26, 2016 - refund of events (less registration fee)
- If received after March 26, 2016 - no refunds

When do I have to pay the registration and event fees?

All registrations MUST be paid for prior to March 15, 2016. Any registration received after March 15, 2016 or walk-in registrations will be charged an additional \$10 per event.

What forms of payment do you accept?

Credit cards are accepted through our secure, online registration here. If you prefer to pay by check, please print and mail the registration form along with payment to: Atlanta All Airborne Chapter, 1087 Carson Lane, Hampton, GA 30228-1694.

How do I make hotel reservations?

You need to make reservations directly with the hotel. Please do not send money for your hotel with your event registration. For more information on making reservations directly with the hotel, please visit the travel information page on our site or contact the hotel directly.

Why was there a price increase?

For many years we have been able to continue at the same rates.

Because of rising costs over time, we had to increase prices slightly in order to cover these higher expenses.

What is the dress code?

- Men should wear coat and tie for the Memorial Luncheon and the Awards Banquet
- Ladies appropriate dress
- Active Duty: Dress Uniform

I have a question that isn't addressed here.

Please visit our chapter website at www.82nd-atlanta.com or contact: Annette Purcell, 678-592-7441 or Kurt Linden, 678-699-7073

How do I get on your email list for updates?

Please visit www.82nd-atlanta.com and sign-up for our email updates. You can also find more information relating the event and our chapter.

Do I have to attend every event during the festival?

We want you to enjoy every minute so we encourage you to only attend the events that interest you.

What's included with my registration fee?

Registration includes the Hospitality Suite and participation in all the general events that do not have an additional fee associated with them.

TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATIONS

Please note your hotel reservations must be made directly with the hotel; accommodations are not included with event registration.

Hotel Accommodations

For your convenience, accommodations and the event are at the same hotel. The Airport Marriott (the same hotel where the festival was last year) is about ten minutes from Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta Airport. Check in time for the hotel is 3 PM. For any questions regarding room reservations or cancellations, you will need to call the hotel.

Hotel Reservations

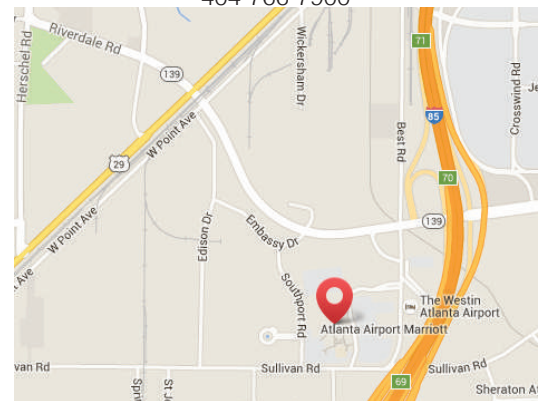
We have secured a group rate of \$92 +tax per night and applies to any night between April 11-16, 2016. Book your rooms directly with the hotel: **404-766-7900** and reference "Airborne Award Festival 2016" for the discount rate.

Ground Transportation

The hotel has a complimentary shuttle from the airport to the hotel at no charge (schedule in advance). Self-parking is free, but there is a charge for valet parking. You could also take a taxi to the hotel; the estimated fare from the airport: \$9 one way.

MARRIOTT ATLANTA AIRPORT

4711 Best Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30337
404-766-7900



DIRECTIONS FROM AIRPORT (ATLANTA HARTSFIELD)

- take I-85 South to Riverdale Rd
- exit right on Riverdale Rd, SR-139
 - turn left onto T. Owen Smith
- turn right at stop sign onto Best Rd
 - hotel entrance is on the right