



10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION DESCENDANTS, INC.

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President's Letter • Late Summer 2019

Greetings Fellow 10th Mountain Division Descendants and Friends,

I hope everyone has enjoyed their summer and been able to attend one of the 10th Descendants or Association events. I saw several folks at the 10th Mountain Division National Association reunion in Watertown, NY in June. What an excellent event they put on for us! It was also fun to mix with the 10th Light folks both active and retired. Fun times! Those of you who have attended events whether local or national know we have a special bond and are truly like a family.

"Save The Date" | Upcoming Events

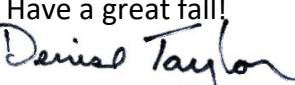
- **"Italia 1945-2020"**: Our Pre-Reunion Tour will take us to Normandy & Paris (June 09 - 12, 2020), joining the Main Tour on June 13 in Florence. We will spend a few days in Tuscany, then head for the Hill Towns to honor our fathers, grandfathers and friends, as we walk the battlefields where they fought for our freedom. We will be spending time with our Italian friends and meeting new ones! Those interested in the Florence & Hill Towns Tour will be with us June 13 – 21. From there, we will tour such destinations as the Lake Garda region, Venice and Udine, the Alpine resort town of Bovec in Slovenia, Salzburg, City of Culture in Austria, picturesque Berchtesgaden, Germany to visit historic Eagles' Nest, and finally Munich to return to the U.S. on June 28.

STAY TUNED: LOOK FOR YOUR TRIP REGISTRATION PACKET IN THE MAIL VERY SOON. PERIODIC UPDATES WILL FOLLOW VIA E-MAIL AND WILL BE POSTED ON THE DESCENDANTS' WEBSITE AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

- **Armadillo Chapter Reunion:** Oklahoma City, Oklahoma September 27 - 29, 2019.
- Contact: Karen Lanoue for details at karencase0303@gmail.com
- **Armadillo Chapter Reunion:** New Orleans, January 31 - February 02, 2020.
- Contact: Phebe Davol for details at phebe.davol@gmail.com
- **45th Annual Ski-In Daze:** February 26 - March 05, 2020 in Colorado. The Main Event will be at Cooper Hill on February 28. If you stick around after the Ski-In, we can go over to Vail for the 10th Mountain Legacy parade on March 06. *Mark your calendars!*
- If you are in the Colorado area around any of these dates...
 - The town of Vail will be hosting **10th Mountain Division Legacy Parades** on November 29 and December 27, 2019, January 03, 17 and March 06, 2020.
 - The big events will be the **Legacy Days:** February 14 - 18, 2020, to honor ***the 75th Anniversary of the Battles of Riva Ridge and Mt. Belvedere***, including a **Celebratory Parade** on February 14, a **Ski Down** and **Celebrations** on February 18 and other activities during the dates in between.

GREAT NEWS! The Descendants website is coming along! Functionality to join as a member or renew your membership online will be coming this Fall!

YOUR VOICE MATTERS! Please let me know of volunteer or community service events you would like to do or have done in your chapter. There are many great ideas such as trash pick-ups –or as we call it in the Rocky Mountain chapter, *Trash Bashing*–, trail work whether in the mountains or a park, visiting Vets of any branch in various facilities from Retirement Communities, Assisted Living, Rehab Centers, Nursing Homes, etc. *What gatherings would you like to see at the chapter or national level?*

Have a great fall!

Denise Taylor, President