

HEADQUARTERS
WORLD WAR II AIRBORNE DEMONSTRATION TEAM

Frederick Army Airfield
Frederick, OK
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Subject: ADT Information Package

To: Prospective members

The Officers and men of the World War II Airborne Demonstration Team Foundation (WWII ADT) would like to thank you for your interest in our organization. We hope that this overview and the enclosed information will help you make your decision on whether to join our team.

The WWII ADT is based on the War Bond Demonstration Teams created in April 1945, at the request of the United States Treasury Department and in compliance with Army Ground Force orders.

Ours is a civilian organization and though many of us do, you do not have to have any military background to join. You should however, be in good physical condition. The training is strenuous and will take its toll on your body, but many have said that the first step out the door is a life changing experience. Jumping from an aircraft in flight is not for everyone. We have many students start the training process only to find that this was not for them. This is normal and we expect it. However, if you believe in our mission and wish to help support it there will always be a place for you. You need not become jump qualified to participate.

Our mission is to execute the substance of our motto "Remember, Honor, Serve." This is accomplished through our participation at air shows, Veterans reunions and by individual efforts. We do this in order to inform and educate the public, especially our young people.

We are always recruiting volunteers like you to help make this vision a reality and we hope that the information enclosed will help you to make an informed decision about the Team. Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have. Contact Sergeant Major Wolf on his cell phone at 1-(918)-424-4673 or E-mail address is ww2adt@pldi.net we look forward to hearing from you soon.

MEMBERSHIP COSTS

The World War II Airborne Demonstration Team is a civilian organization. You do not have to be a member of the military, prior military, or have any parachuting experience, also you do not have to become jump qualified to join.

For jump personnel; the annual dues are \$50.00 per year, plus \$75.00 for the cost of liability insurance a total of \$125.00 per year.

For ground personnel; the annual dues are \$50.00 per year.

JUMP SCHOOL OPTIONS

There are two options currently available for participation in our jump school.

OPTION 1. This is the standard school option where no Military jump certification has been attained by the candidate, or if the candidate wishes to go through the complete jump school course because the time lapse between their military certification and the date of their jump school is so great.

You come to the Frederick Army Airfield (Frederick Municipal Airport) Frederick, OK for the 9-day jump school. The cost of the course is \$1250.00 per person. This includes WWII ADT dues to the end of the year, insurance, food (three meals a day), basic lodging accommodation (might be a cot), aircraft fees (5 jumps), parachute equipment use and rigger services. A deposit of \$250.00 is required in advance; this holds your spot in school and the deposit is NONREFUNDABLE*. The balance is due on arrival at jump school. It is suggested to send in your deposit as soon as possible; this will hold your spot in the school. In addition, once we receive your deposit, you will be given access to detailed jump school information, including a physical training program and a link into other attendees for your school.

*If for any reason we cancel the jump school you will be given the option of having your deposit refunded or rolling it over to another jump school.

OPTION 2. Is available to prior military airborne personnel and those previously jump qualified.

You come to Frederick Army Airfield (Frederick Municipal Airport) Frederick, OK either the last six days of a jump school to undertake a long refresher training program that will make you familiar with the unique equipment used by the team and ensure your competence with our emergency procedures. You will also be expected to demonstrate professionalism in your parachute landing fall (PLF). The cost for this abridged course is \$450.00, which includes your ADT dues to the end of the year, insurance and aircraft fees (2 jumps), food (three meals a day), basic lodging accommodation (might be a cot), equipment use and rigger services. As with option 1, a deposit of \$250.00 is required in advance; this holds your spot in school and the deposit is NONREFUNDABLE*. The balance is due on arrival at jump school. It is suggested to send in your deposit as soon as possible; this will hold your spot in the school. In addition, once we receive your deposit, you will be given access to detailed jump school information, including a physical training program and a link into other attendees for your school.

With either of these methods, you must pass both written and practical tests demonstrating your ability to comprehend and implement the training, with particular emphasis of PLFs canopy control and emergency procedures. This will enable you to move onto the jump phase of the school. Failure to demonstrate this ability will mean that you will not be eligible to move onto the jump phase of the school.

REQUIREMENTS for PARACHUTE DUTY

You should be alert, active, supple, with firm muscles and sound limbs, capable of development into an active jumper, with good endurance.

- Age –** Minimum 18, you may start ground training prior to your 18th birthday, however, you must be 18 to enter the jump phase of training. If you are 50 years or older you must present a medical statement from your physician, on his/her letterhead, stating that you have passed a physical and are able to participate. This will become a part of your personnel record.
- Height –** A minimum 59 inches (4ft. 11ins.) and a maximum not to exceed 78 inches (6ft. 6ins.).
- Weight –** Maximum, not to exceed 240 pounds. However, height and weight should be proportional.
- Vision –** Vision must be correctable to 20/20. Bring your glasses with you.
- Hearing –** You must be able to hear the jump commands over the sound of the aircraft's engines.
- Nervous system –** Evidence of highly labile nervous system may disqualify.
- Bones/Joints –** You must be able to pick up 50 pounds; the lack of normal mobility in your upper and lower body joints, poor or unequally developed musculature, poor coordination, or lack of at least average athletic ability may disqualify.
- Medical History** History of painful arches, recurrent knee or ankle injuries, recent fractures, old fracture with deformity, pain or limitation of motion, arthritis, you should have 90% to full range of motion, recurrent dislocations, recent severe illness, operation, or chronic disease may disqualify.

If You have High Blood Pressure, Diabetes or Sever Allergies - You must present a medical statement from your physician, on his/her letterhead, stating that you physically able to participate. If you suffer from sever allergies, those that may result in anaphylactic shock, you must have your medication on you at all times. You must make your instructors and the Drop Zone team aware of your problem and the location of your medication.

REQUIREMENTS for GROUND DUTY

You should be alert, active, and supple, with firm muscles, sound limbs and average endurance.

- Age** – Minimum 18,
- Height** – There are no minimum or maximum height requirements
- Weight** – Maximum, not to exceed 240 pounds. However height and weight should be proportional.
- Vision** – Vision must be correctable to 20/40. Bring your glasses with you.
- Hearing** – You must be able to hear commands over the sound of aircraft engines.
- Bones/Joints** You must be able to pick up 40 pounds; the lack of normal mobility in your upper and lower body joints, poor or unequally developed musculature, poor coordination, or lack of at least average athletic ability may disqualify.
- Medical History** – History of painful arches, recurrent knee or ankle injuries, recent fractures, old fracture with deformity, pain or limitation of motion,, arthritis, (you should have 90% to full range of motion), recurrent dislocations, recent severe illness, operation, or chronic disease may disqualify.

If you have High Blood Pressure, Diabetes or Severe Allergies - You must present a medical statement from your physician, on his/her letterhead, stating that you physically able to participate. If you suffer from sever allergies, those that may result in anaphylactic shock, you must have your medication on you at all times. You must make the senior staff and the Drop Zone team aware of your problem and the location of your medication.

MINIMUM CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS

JUMP UNIFORM

- · M-1942 Paratrooper jump suit
- · Jump Boots, Brown, Corcoran or equivalent (Corcoran's were the issued item)
- · Helmet, Steel, Paratrooper, With Liner (M1C or equivalent)
- · Cap, Garrison, Type depending on season.
- · Belt, web, waist, O.D. with brass buckle
- · Suspenders, M-1942 (for jump suit)

Jumpers are required to wear this uniform to make your final qualifying jump and participate with the ADT at events.

TRAINING/UTILITY UNIFORM

- · Belt, web, waist, O.D. with brass buckle
- · Cap, Field, Cotton, OD with visor
- · Helmet, Steel, Paratrooper, With Liner (M1C or equivalent)
- · Jacket, Herringbone Twill
- · Trousers, Herringbone Twill
- · Shoes, Service or low quarter, russet leather (required for ground personnel)
- · Jump Boots, Brown, Corcoran or equivalent (required for Jumpers)

The Cap, Field, Cotton, OD and Service shoes or boots may be worn with the utility uniform. Low quarters may only be worn with leggings only.

Helmet and Jump boots are required with the training uniform for jumpers.

SUGESSTED UNIFORM ADDITIONS

SUMMER

- · Belt, Waist, Khaki or Shade 3 OD
- · Cap, Garrison, Khaki
- · Shirt, Cotton, Khaki
- · Tie, khaki or Shade 3 OD
- · Trousers, Cotton, Khaki
- · Jacket, Leather, flying, A-2
- · Jump Boots, Brown, Corcoran or equivalent (required for Jumpers)

Shoes, Service or low quarter, russet leather (required for ground personnel

WINTER

- · Belt, Waist, Khaki or Shade 3 OD
- · Cap, Garrison, Wool, OD (for off duty)
- · Cap, Wool, Knit, M1941, OD (jeep cap)
- · Shirt, Wool, OD
- · Tie, khaki or Shade 3 OD
- · Trousers, Wool, OD
- · Jacket, Leather, flying, A-2
- · Jump Boots, Brown, Corcoran or equivalent (required for Jumpers)
- · Shoes, Service or low quarter, russet leather (required for ground personnel

With the required and suggested uniform items you will be able to have a uniform suitable for almost any occasion.

Please take note that the khaki uniform is approved for year round wear here at Frederick Army Airfield. However, you will want to check with us about weather conditions and which uniform you will need before jump school.

INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Please note that this was equipment that was normally obtained as issue through ones company supply.

JUMP PERSONNEL

- WEB BELT, KHAKI, M-1936 Pistol belt with rigger pouches or M-1923 cartridge belt
- Holster, Pistol, Cal 45, M-1916
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- Suspenders, Load bearing, M-1936
- Musette bag
- First aid pouch with Carlisle bandage tin
- Canteen carrier with canteen and cup
- Gloves, riding, leather

The above should be considered to be the minimum field gear necessary.
Please check with us about weapons requirements.

Ground Personnel

- Belt, Web, Khaki, M-1936 Pistol belt with or without rigger pouches or M-
- 1923 cartridge belt (depending on weapon carried)
- Pocket, magazine, double-web, M-1918 or M-1923 (for M-1911)
- Holster, Pistol, Cal 45, M-1916 (For officers or if carrying M-1911)
- First aid pouch with Carlisle bandage tin
- Canteen carrier with canteen and cup
- Leggings, canvas, M-1938 Dismounted

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Please check with us about weapons requirements.

INDIVIDUAL CLOTHING SUPPLIERS

AT THE FRONT, www.atthefront.com

Jump uniforms, web gear, patches and insignia

WHAT PRICE GLORY, www.whatpriceglory.com

Uniform items, hats patches and insignia

WW II IMPRESSIONS, www.wwiiimpressions.com

Uniform items, hats patches and insignia

These are some of the people many of our people have done business with. I'm sure that there are others out there, so check around.

**WWII Airborne Demonstration Team
Jump School Application**

I wish to be registered for the next summer/winter* jump school course.
(*delete as appropriate)

_____ (Last name)

_____ (First name) (Middle initial)

Born _____
(Month, day, year) (City or town) (State or country)

Current Age _____

Height ____ft ____In Weight ____lb Eyes _____ Hair _____

Married or single _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Home address _____
(Number and street or rural route, if none, so state)

_____ (City, town, or post office) (State or country & zip)

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Cell phone _____

E-mail _____

Previous Military Service? Yes or No

If so, what Branch? _____

How long? _____

Previous Airborne Qualified? Yes or No

If so, when? _____

Please send 2 passport size photos with this application, along with \$250 deposit and copies any supporting documents to:

**WWII ADT
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Frederick, OK 73542**