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The AFTAC EMBLEM

The AFTAC Emblem is symbolic of the unit, and the Air Force colors (ultramarine blue and golden yellow) as well as the national colors, are used in the design.

Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations; and yellow, to the sun and excellence of personnel in assigned tasks.

The globe is indicative of the worldwide mission, locations, and geophysical studies accomplished.

The lightning and cloud depict study on natural phenomena, and the compass points reflect the assigned exploratory task around the world.

The rings around the globe, symbolizing electronic instrument readings, also denote unity of purpose and display electronic measurements accomplished. The elliptical belt symbolizes the study of the atmosphere.

GET ORGANIZED



California, Alaska, Alexandria and all who want to be a group.....Organize and participate......Think about it......Become an Alumni Chapter, we need all of you organized. 1 or 2 or 52, you are all AFTAC Alumni.......Think about it. It takes dedication, but it is fun. DO IT!



Our last issue addressed the emblem shown above! Did you read it? We proposed a new logo for our alumni association.....It was simple and just titled 'Proposed the Logo for Aftac Alumni Association'. I really expected to have at least one letter of commendation or remorse for the designer of the logo. Our mail box needed dusting.....We did not receive any recipes from those of you that we asked to supply your favorite cooking treats. We take a lot of heat for what we are not doing correctly, but we only hear about this thru 'the grapevine'??? Alumni is yours......If you want something done -> Participate or at least voice your opinions. The heat generated about not adding the Enlisted Advisors to the list of Lifetime Members was noted. We did not forget the advisors, just as we did not forget the longest AFTAC members. etc. etc.....Vote it in....attend our meetings and make the Alumni be what you want it to be.....We are a small minority of 4 and our visions may not be those of yours...But you can be a part....Try it.......

The Picnic

Saturday, 17 April found Active Duty and Alumni members at Wickham Park in Melbourne. AFTAC conducted the annual picnic which was catered by Fat Boy's barbeque and it was a fun time for all. They had a best legs contest for men and women, they had the 'Hit Squad' who would squirt you if you missed any AFTAC trivia. They had music, they had Karoke and they had good food. Horseshoes, tugs of war, dunking tanks, and a host of other things were going on throughout the day. Thanks AFTAC for us.....

Some of the retirees seen at the picnic included Hank Raymond, Tony DeMarco, Tom Dunn, Frank Hall, Tom Niquette, Mike Dooly, Carl Gailey, John Horsch, Dave Johnson, and Bob Wiley. It was quite evident that they were having a really good time!

The AFTAC staff did a fantastic job and the picnic was a tremendous success. We of the Alumni thank you for such a good show and look forward to your next affair.

The food, weather, and companionship were well worth the efforts and we salute you and your organizers......It shows that AFTAC personnel still - CAN DO!



President's Corner

We do hope that your summer is going as planned? In this job, I am hit with moments of sheer panic, interspersed with moments boredom and terror! In March of this year, right after we had published our last newsletter, I had the very good fortune to receive the Colorado Newsletter from Ben and the group out in Colorado. You know that I steal information from wherever I can find it and I think that you folks may just get a very big kick out of a letter that Colorado added to their newsletter. The letter is from Tom Madden, who now lives in the Denver area, and who was an AFTAC one-tour person back in the late 1950's. Enjoy and if you want to contact him, his name and address follow his article. Thanks for your words of confidence and words of advice for our improvement.

Speaking of writing! Those of you who love to write and put your thoughts about AFTAC on paper must be fully aware that we still must respect the issues that are still sensitive to our nation. Remember, if you write something concerning the outfit, you must have it cleared for publication. You can do this by contacting us here at the Alumni or go directly to the Headquarters. There are still some very sensitive issues and we would not like to see anyone get into a security issue because they just did not know what was and what was not permitted. So, if you write something, consider the right road prior to committing it to print. Thanks all.....

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WFO and Team 202

by: Tom Madden (Note: Western Field Office)

Every time I get one of these AFTAC - 1009th - 1035th mailings, I tell my wife: "I should really write something up." I remember lots of names that

haven't been on any of the published lists, and maybe they might trigger some memories for others, "But then I'd think, "Nah. " I was the one-tour enlisted man, and if you don't count Lowry, I spent less than two years in the organization. Besides, '58, '59 and '60 weren't the most vital or exciting years. Anyway, that was all classified, and though it's been more than thirty years, how much can I really say. (See, all that secrecy indoctrination worked!)

But this might just be the time. At age 56 I've taken to reflecting on my earlier years, and my time at WFO and Team 202 contributed in large measure to the success I've enjoyed since 1960. So, let's give it a go.

This is for anyone who's ever wrestled with a GFU at 40 below under the Northern Lights, and to those lucky enough to have seen the U-birds fly!

March 1957 - Boston - Enlisted after an incomplete and undistinguised academic career. AF11332497. Recruiters were somewhat confused when I got all the answers right on their tests. Sent to Lackland AFB, San Antonio, a long way from my northeastern Pennsylvania home.

June 1957 - Basic training completed. Sent to Lowry AFB, Denver, even farther from home, to attend B52 Gun Laying school (whatever that is).

No B52 school - someone decides I should go to the ambiguously named "Special Instruments" school instead. Top secret, big deal to be selected, but it doesn't start till December! Into

a holding squadron where the USAF takes advantage of my talents by letting me perform 40 days of KP before I have enough seniority to become a squadron fireman. (Remember

those hand-fired coal furnaces in the barracks at Lowry? I sure do!)

December 1957 - Started Special Instruments school. Went through Phase I, then started 'Q' Systems Phase 2 and finally was let in on "The Mission". After six months of the 'Q' course, I was pulled out just before the end and put in the much shorter 'FL' course. Seems they wanted someone to get special training and go directly into the Maintenance Section at WFO. Gee, just when I was looking forward to an assignment in Turkoul

Gee, just when I was looking forward to an assignment in Turkey! Names from that time include Paul Branch, Jud Fashimpaur, Edsel Ward, Harry Hodges, Howard Morrow, Jose Alvarez, Frank Romano, Richard Kuntz, Tom Parkins and Bob Boie.

September 1958 - WFO, McClellan AFB, Sacramento. Can't get any farther from home and still be in the US! (Hold that thought!) One month in the 'counting room', then I'm finally in Maintenance doing the job I thought I'd been training for. Working for 'My Sergeant', Ed Thomas, under Capt George

Jubber. Airmen included Bill Hewlett, Tom Longstaff, Tom Oats, Marvin Smith, Calvin Bacon, Henry Nitz, and Lindsay P. (Woody) Woodall. Woody had been

one of my Phase 1 instructors at Lowry. There was Capt Mike Rubin and his mass spec, and Lt. Sheldon Penman. (Favorite WFO story: Lt. Penman, in all seriousness while looking at a fake sample made by mounting a Canada mint on a planchet: "Looks like a rare earth to me!") Learned how to fix MEW counters and burn-in vacuum tubes. Remember those racks of tubes ageing in the closet by the maintenance room? Those of us who do, really appreciate the solid-state revolution that followed!

Cruising along until January when -Bingo! Hey Tom! Alaska just became a state! Guess where you're going?

March 1959 - Team 202, Eielson, AFB, near Fairbanks. Now I understand. This is really what I've been training for - to be the sole maintenance technician here. replacing departing Frank Kube. "Kubes" and I scientific job in the East, he suggested overlap for a couple of months, so I | call Dr. Walter Gibson. Captain don't have to go in cold turkey. Names: Gibson had been a PhD, nuclear Colonel James Jones, Capt Bruce chemist at WFO, but was then with Wheeler. Lt's McGibney and Frank M. AT&T's Bell Telephone Laboratories in (Mac) Worthington, Sgt's Don Beaudry, Murray Hill, NJ. Walt remembered me Pritchard and Thompson, Airmen Marvin Vedvig (and received offers from three Bell Labs the burnt-out VW bus he rebuilt), Willie research departments. I chose one Norminaton, John P. Horrell, Ted Mix, from a Dr. Brown, who turned out to be Rodney Stuart, John Falana, Gary Walt Gibson's boss and, to my great Toms, Jim Kasperski, and Phil, whose surprise, I was to be Walt's technician! face shows up in several of my photos My old WFO sergeant, Ed Thomas, but whose last name, alas, escapes me. (Could it be Spector??) Also, later followed. Ed would be Best Man at my Ron Williams. Ron was to be my wedding, and Bob a valued friend. Mac replacement, and had followed the Worthington and Sheldon Penman same training track. But the best laid turned out to be Bell Labs engineers plans......Budget cuts dictated the closing of Team 202, effective June 1960. Anyone with less than one year to go would be discharged at POE. rewarding years with Walt, I decided Thus it ended, at McChord AFB, that Lowry really had been a pretty Tacoma, in June 1960. Twenty four months of assorted types of training and less than fifteen months on the job. a new Bell Labs facility just north of It somehow seemed incomplete.

Lots of memories of Team 202: Playing softball at 2AM in June; the Shemya! caribou hanging in the entry alcove, courtesy of the hunters in the Walt Gibson left Bell Labs in 1976 to squadron; watching Fairbanks TV and become Head of the Physics hearing the newscaster say "What was | Department, State University of New that?" just as a small earthquake shook York at Albany. Ed Thomas retired the barracks; the Salcha River spring from AT&T a couple parties: Frieden and mechanical calculators; the silver U2's Rich Levesque left Bell Labs around and the black ones, (and the sinking 1980 and, I believe, returned to feeling when the Soviets brought one California. down). But especially the letter from Worthington after 1970, which is a the young girl in Pennsylvania. had attended the same school, she him again. Bob Boie is a Member of several years behind me, and she was Technical Staff in the Bell Labs thinking of transferring to a college I Robotics Research had attended and wanted some Department at Murray Hill. I'm also a information. It was winter, I was lonely, and it was good to read of

familiar things. That letter led to another, then another.....Gail and I celebrated wedding our 31st anniversary in 1992.

Epilogue:

Bruce Wheeler opened the door to my the future. Knowing I wanted a technical/ (Mike?) and arranged some interviews, and I joined our group in 1961, and Bob Boie on military leave, and they both returned to Murray Hill completing their service. After ten verv good place, and Colorado was where I wanted to live. I transferred in 1970 to Denver, and Walt found a new technician - Rick Levesque. Rick came from WFO and the 'Q' team at

Marchant of years ago and lives in Altoona, PA. I lost track of Mac We great loss. I'd really like to hear from

Member of Technical Staff, still at

Bell Labs - Denver, and am the printed circuit board technology expert for AT&T's Global Business Communication Systems business unit. Two of my Bell Labs patents are for solid state radiation detection devices, and the techniques used to fabricate them.

Somewhere in a closet I've a bright blue bowling shirt with 'TOM' embroidered over the pocket, and 'TEAM 202' on the back. A dresser drawer holds a shiny cigarette lighter, likewise inscribed, with the outline of Alaska engraved on one These. and photographs I took, are the tangible evidence of my AFTAC years. But from those years came my career, my wife, a number of good friends, and the place I wanted to live. Did I say 'less than two years in the organization?' All it did was change me completely, and set the course for the rest of my life!

Thomas C. "Tom" Madden 305 Mohawk Drive Boulder, CO 80303

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Where Are They Now!

John Horsch has been out and about recruiting members and here is an interesting article that he included for publication.

Rick Gordon was captured at the Melbourne, Florida mall and enticed into signing up for the Alumni. As a reminder, Rick was instrumental in setting up the Alumni while he was on active duty. It was he, with direction from General Clapper and Jim Heinbaugh, that set up the initial meeting and elections. This, in addition to ALL the other things he did for AFTAC in personnel (AFTAC annual awards, banquet, decorations, etc.) deserve special recognition and a vote of thanks to Rick.

Rick entered the USAF in October 1959 and managed to wangle an assignment to AFTAC in Feb 82 followed by his retirement in 1987. That was following a remote tour in Sicily. He can be located at the Melbourne mall where he sells indoor and outdoor casual furniture. This is his 8th career move since retiring. We all wonder if Rick will remember us AFTAC'ers and give us a special discount.....What say, Rick?

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CALIFORNIA REUNION NOTES

Carl.....

I received the letter with the check for \$500.00. We got our banking accounts set up and are ready to start business. I personally want to thank you and the AFTAC Alumni Association for the help. There may be a future letter from the Committee Secretary, but I am not sure if they will write now or not. It may be a telephone call, who knows?

Nevertheless, I want to thank all of you for the help, and Carl, I will get in touch with the two active duty types, and see if they want to get involved, and to what extent.

We have been having some really nice weather here for the past couple of weeks. I got the garden area all tilled, and the first planting of everything into the ground. If all goes well, we are going to eat real well after the first of June.

Our next Committee meeting is set for May 6th. We will know then a lot better about the need for names and addresses. Cal Brown got in touch with Clark, I think, and they have a computer disk with all the names and addresses. We will let you know how things go, and keep you informed with our plans, etc.

You all take care. We are sort of at odds about how any future reunions might go, if McClellan stays on the closure list, we may all have to come to Florida to see anybody we remember.....

Ed Note: 22 June 93 they are getting ready to send out a welcome letter...so things are moving rather nicely......hooray!

Editor's Note:

Thanks to the Colorado chapter, we have established a method for funding future reunions. Before the 1992 reunion in Florida we were at odds as to how we were going to send notices, buy stamps, and just financially get off the ground. Colorado had saved some money and they earmarked it for the next reunion. Well we learned from our peers and we placed \$500.00 aside for the next reunion. That is how we were able to send the California group a start-up kitty. We hope that each reunion committee considers this as a tradition! Planning a reunion is a lot of work, and the dedication of the committee's is just what makes it work. Support those folks, when you get a notice that requires a response, respond as quickly as you can and when they require payment for rooms, etc., pay promptly. This makes things run smoothly and it also makes for a better reunion.

MILITARY ROAD ATLAS:

Planning a driving vacation across the United States? A United States Militray Road Atlas is now available from Military Living Publications priced at \$16.95 (Which includes \$1.00 for priority mailing), it will also be sold in many exchanges. It shows military facilities in the states and gives driving distances, telephone numbers of key facilities and shows major and national parks. Another new publication is the United States Medical Facilities Map priced at \$6.95 postage paid.

To order these publications or to write for more information about other available publications, contact:

Military Marketing Services, Inc. P.O. Box 2347 Falls Church, VA 22042-0347

Phone: [703] 237-0203

Dickie Doodles: (stolen from Colo)

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NEW MEMBER

Dear Sirs:

I recently learned of the existence of the AFTAC Alumni Association and would like to be a part of it. I served as a 99105 from 1980 through 1988. I was NCOIC of the Seismic Field Station Exercise, as an instructor in the 3454th School Squadron from 1980 through 1984. I was NCOIC of advanced systems technology branches in the Electrooptics Division, Advanced Systems Directorate, HQ AFTAC from 1985 through 1988.

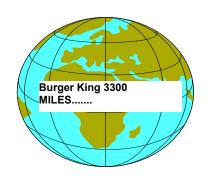
If the above information is adequate for me to be a member of the association, please sign me up and add me to the mailing list. If there are dues or other membership requirements, please let me know what they are. I was proud to be a 99, and would be equally proud to be a member of the alumni association.

Benjamin B. Boyer, SMSgt, USAF **Note:** Ben, we are happy to have you as a full fledged member. You could have only spent a few days or one tour or your complete career in the group, you definitely qualify. Dues, we must note are still \$5.00 per year and we will give you a breakdown of their use later in this newsletter. Welcome aboard!

NOTE:

Make sure you folks watch our member request information.......

We are worldwide!



STUFF

SOUVENIRS

This is what we offer:

Ball cap (blue) - \$5.00

Wind Breaker(blue) - \$18.00

Wind Breaker(white) - \$18.00

Golf Shirt - \$14.00

T-Shirt - \$6.00

Beer Mug (plastic) - \$2.00

Coffee Cup - \$4.00

Logo Pin - \$3.25

Wooden Nickle - \$1.00

Note: Add \$3.00 for each order for shipping and handling, except for single orders of the following:

Logo Pin - No charge

Wooden Nickel - No charge

Beer Mug - \$1.50 each

Payment to:

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Do not forget to include sizes and a very special thank you for Mary Welch who offers this service. Mary is one of those special AFTAC'ers who is dedicated to serving you to the fullest, without Mary Welch or Judy Milam, this Alumni Association would not exist....ensure that you thank them and solicit their continued service to us.......Thanks ladies......



OUR DUES?

What do we do with your dues? Carl Gailey, our Treasurer has done a fantastic job of calculating and keeping track of your money......I asked Carl to prepare a breakdown of just what mailing the newsletter and the cost of normal operations is so you know where your dues dollar goes. Here is his report:

We have been asked by a few members, "What am I getting for my money?" The current dues of \$5.00 per year covers the following expenses:

Publication and mailing of the quarterly newsletter. (\$0.90 per copy or \$3.60 per year per member.

Post office box rental. (\$35.00 per year or \$0.10 per member. - We currently have 326 members) This leaves \$1.30 per member to cover general operating expenses, such as: membership cards, correspondance, and postage to members. Not to mention refreshments for the General Membership Meeting (limited to the association financial status at that particular time.)

This is your association and we want to provide what you want. We feel that we are giving you your dollar's worth and welcome any recommendations or assistance to improve service or reduce operating expenses. The \$5.00 fee is sufficient at this time, but as demands for more services or postage fee's increase we may be forced to relook this issue. The Board will do everything in our power to hold the dues to a minimum. The financial records of the association are open for review by any member upon request. Copies will be provided at the General Membership meeting or write us at our post office box.....

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ALUMNI Business

CONSTITUTION ISSUES:

Your Executive Committee has labored over the following changes to the constitution and we solicit your approval. Please review these changes and plan on enhancing them before October 93 or voting for them at the next General Membership Meeting.

ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP OR PATRONAGE

- I. The regular membership of the Association will be open to all current and former military and civilian members of the Air Force Technical Applications Center and its subordinate units. Other membership categories may be established.
- II. Associate membership will include widows and widowers.

ARTICLE 5 - METHOD OF FINANCING

The source of financing the Association will be entirely membership dues, fund raising, and voluntary contributions.

ARTICLE 7 - MEETINGS AND QUORUM

I. The Association shall meet annually. During the first meeting of the fiscal year (Sep-Oct), the election of the executive officers shall be conducted. Special meetings will be called as required by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 8 - ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS

I. This constitution and its attendant by-laws will be adopted by a membership majority of the regular members present and voting at the first meeting of the fiscal year and

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subject to the review of the installation commander.

BY -LAWS

ARTICLE 1 - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

I. The executive officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. All shall be members of the Board of Directors, elected by the membership. Eligibility for election to the executive officer positions will be limited to current and former military or civilian personnel who are otherwise eligible for membership into the Association.

ARTICLE 2 - ELECTION AND VOTING

- I. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the outgoing President, a minimum of sixty (60) days before the first meeting of the membership year. The committee will: [see existing rules.]
- II. The elections will take place at the first meeting of the membership year. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. An open ballot will be used with a simple majority required for election.

ARTICLE 3 - DUES OR FEES

Dues for regular and associate members of the Association will be Five Dollars (\$5,00) each membership year. Distinguished and honorary members are exempt from paying dues. Adjustment of dues shall be by a majority vote of the general membership.

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29 Cents

The price of a stamp! It is now time to request you......Each of you is an AFTAC'er and each has feelings ,wants, desires, and needs. If you did not, you would not be part of this Alumni Association. AFTAC is a special breed and we realize that. We take the time (think about it) to create this newsletter for you and you need to take the time to support your Alumni. The Colorado Newsletter just had an interesting article from Tom Graffam in Buellton, California where Tom says: " Until you get better paid....." Well Tom and all, we do this for you....no pay, no benefits, just our dedication to a group of retirees that hold a special place in our hearts. Spend .29 on us and let us know that we are serving you well, or help us serve our group better......There is strength in numbers.....believe me.....

Clark Creery, President



Planning for Reality



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SPECIAL THANKS

We of the Alumni Committee would like to say a special thanks to those businesses and individuals who donated prizes, money, and items for our golf tournament. Without your support, this tournament would not have been the success that it was.

Barnett Bank - Balls/Umbrella
First Union Bank - \$20.00
The Golf Shop - Golf Shoes
The Sports Shop - \$25 gift cert
Jay Sherman - 200 golf balls
Frank Hall - 100 golf balls
Cocoa Cola Bottling - Jacket
ENSCO - \$50.00
TAS - \$200.00
SAIC - \$200.00
Carroll Distributors - 8 Cases
(Beer)

We salute each and every one of you.....Thank you again.

TRADITIONS

Traditions are an integral part of any detachment and Det 372 on Ascension Island in the South Atlantic was no exception.

The coveted 'Golden Spike' was retained by the detachment member with the least amount of time left on the "Klinker Pile". Ascension Island was appropriately referred to as the "Klinker Pile" because the entire island was covered with small black volcanic rock known as "klinker". Just prior to boarding that homeward bound C-141, the departing individual would initial the spike and bestow it upon the short-timer next in line to leave the island.

Another tradition involved the ceremonial "Signing of the bomb" by all the assigned members of the det. Det 372 closed in March 1981......M. Welch



LAST CALL - LAST CALL

All recipies for the Aftac Alumni Association Cookbook must be submitted by 31 August 1993. We plan to have the cookbook printed and ready for sale by October!!!!

Individual contributors will be identified by name and address, with their culinary specialty.

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REUNION bits



Was that A1A?



Flo - You tell the best jokes!

Just a few of the goodies that did not show up in the reunion brochure we sent you.....after all we can not reveal all of our thunder!

Thanks for the supurb time you provided each of us gang.....Especially Ron who did a



Who Said Happyhour?



When is Breakfast?

August Mtg at Sweetwaters

Our August 1993 meeting will be a dinner meeting held at Sweetwaters on Wickham Road in Melbourne at 7PM. Dinner is NOT on the Alumni, but it will be a time to come out and enjoy dinner (DUTCH TREAT) with each and every one of the Staff and it will be a time for you to input your ideas......We need to pick next year's officers, we need to hear what you want, and we need to plan our future......So, we of the Executive Committee are inviting you to become a part of our monthly meeting. Please call either Carl Gailey or Clark Creery if you would like to attend:

Carl - 777-0569 Clark - 259-8140

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CUT ME OUT

9 August 1993 -Sweetwaters Restaurant Meeting of the Alumni.....

October 1993 - General membership meeting.....Vote on your officers for 1994.

December 1993 - AFTAC Christmas Party.....

DUES DUE - OCT 93.....

Buy a shirt or hat!

ALUMNI of the QUARTER

This is a little section of our newsletter that I think we ought to recognize the career's of some of our alumni? What do you think?

Our first candidate is a Colonel who never gives up, he believes in something and he just does not The Florida Alumni quit. Association was started back in the early 1980's and it just did not get off the ground. This particular person, took the bull by the horns (no pun intended Colonel's), but he started with nothing and today we have a wonderful group. fellow is always there, he is always supportive. and he always demonstrates that jewel leadership needed by all....whom?

Frank Hall we salute you, sir!



GOLF - JUNE 93



At One O'clock on 18 June 1993 some 116 duffers hit the greens, fairways, swamps, and ponds at Patrick Air Force Base. 59 carts leaving the clubhouse at the same time looks just like a le mons start, quite impressive.....When it all came to pass the number one team consisted of Pound, Bell, Andler, and Harris with a posted 62. Close behind in the number two slot were Archuleta, Brown, Jordan, and Whidden.

Our special thanks go out to all those who donated prizes for the tournament, and helped the day be a total success. See a special thanks elsewhere in this newsletter. We appreciate their support and the support of all who helped organize and run the event. The staff at the course went out of their way to assist us and we salute them. Tom Niquette, Judy Milam, Mary Welch, John Horsch, Carl Gailey, Don Whitney, Sam Newman, and a host of others devoted their time and it is darn well appreciated.

Tom Andler did an exceptional job when he lost 8 balls somewhere out there! The award for being in a trap 4 times was a really cute putter designed as a tooth. Cisco VanDyck managed to haul in the longest drive award. Closest to the pin went to Galen Pound and the longest putt went to Tom Andler.

We at the front table really loved it when Carol Warfield made a stop and somebody said that she went

GOLFING - Continued:

The biggest complaint heard all day was that Frank Hall was permitted to keep score but we went over his card when he reported in and did not find any erasures nor strike-overs on the card. Tom Eddleman managed to report that Mike Hoy really had a name like A-Hoy?????

At the sign-up table folks were presented with various amenities and those were donated by Frank Hall and Jay Sherman. I do believe that they really went out of their way collecting all those balls at midnight.

Tom Ciambrone and Chris Gaston were seen measuring noses during the festivities following the tournament.

Terry Hammond got a lesson in coin matching later in the evening from Tom Ciambrone, Tony Demarco, and this reporter. Thanks for the beer Terry!

It is refreshing to note that Gary Warfield came in from his permanent remote at Johnson Island for the tournament, Bill McCune came from Georgia especially for the event, and Jack Jackson arrived from Key West. Now those folks are really avid Alumnus!

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MORE LETTERS

Pagosa Lakes - I just received your newsletter. Both the wife and I enjoyed it very much, so we decided to join your group so that we may be kept abreast of the happenings at your end. Sorry that we were unable to attend the reunion at Patrick but we were saving our coins for our six week iaunt through Europe. We had a wonderful time and the weather was just great. When I was stationed in Spain many years ago, a few people from the Detachment, along with a group from the Squadron went to Octoberfest in Munich. We had always planned to go back someday, but other events prevented this until 1992. We pulled a General Douglas McArthur, we shall return and sure enough. we did. Bunched into our short time overthere, we were able to spend some time with our daughter and her husband who is stationed at Ramstein AB. Hope to see everyone soon, maybe next year in California?

Lindsay and Mary Miller

Ken Brauchle at North Pole writes: I work for the University of Alaska as a transportation specialist. We're getting quite a collection of ALUMNI here in Fairbanks..We are trying to get together this spring. We might just become the farthest north chapter soon!

Alumni Business

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ARTICLE 7 - AWARDS AND GIFTS

The Board of Directors may elect to purchase gifts or awards to recognize Association members. Special gifts for dignitaries will be determined by the Board of Directors and funds obtained from the Association treasury. (The board shall determine the dollar amount used for gifts and/or awards that will be distributed in the name of the Association.)

NOTE: For those of you who would like a current copy of the Constitution and By-Laws (As published in the last newsletter), feel free to contact us through our postal address as shown elsewhere in this publication. If you have changes, do not wait until October to tell us.....contact us now!

GOLF CONTINUED:

Our day was made brighter when Colonel Krebbs arrived and we thank you for coming out to share with everyone.

We learn more and more about running tournaments everytime we have one of these events. This time we decided to post the scores as the players passed the clubhouse and that appeared to work really well. We learned never to give Sam Newman the keys to the beer truck, and we learned to keep more soda available for those thirsty players.

All in all, we think that everyone had a good time even when it rained for a short period. We would like to thank each and everyone who attended and hope that our next one will be bigger and better.........

REUNION 1992

As of this mailing, the 1992 Reunion Yearbook is now a reality and was mailed to those who were here for the festivities in Cocoa Beach.

We do have about 30 extra copies and if you would like to have a copy, please feel free to contact us. The fee is \$10.00 per copy to cover the cost of the book and the postage fee. First come first served.......Write us at our postal address......

MEMBER LIST

Mary Welch reports that she has completed the mailing of the mini-list (Florida Alumni) that she had so aptly compiled and everyone should now have their copy. If you did not get one and need to check to see just why, please contact Mary.

Home: [407] 259-0629 Office: [407] 494-6867 or

Write us at the postoffice box!

IN MEMORY OF

In Memory of: This will become a place in the newsletter where you can inform members of those who have deceased.

Edgar Poe Allen Jr. - Sequim, Washington - April 7, 1993

May each and everyone of them **Rest in Eternal Peace!**