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The Alumni Anthem
Over the years and
at younger ages ...
'GS,' 'E' and 'O'
were our gauges

But now we've all reached
the best of stages
Being one of the
Center's Sages

Long-Range Detection
denotes and represents
all who served the
mission throughout its
inception and history

Recognized for 65 years
of service to our country
16 September 2012
1947 – 2012

A 65TH COIN WAS NOT MINTED



SAGE SPOTLIGHT

AFTAC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PROUDLY PRESENTS



AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015, May 29-31

"Standing on the Shoulders of Giants"

Hosted by the Florida Chapter of the

**AFTAC Alumni Association, "Serving Those Who Served,
and Those Still Serving", for over 30 years."**

DEBORAH CARSON, 'MAJOR ARRANGER'



Yes, it's reunion time again ... time to come back to Florida for fun in the sun! Many of you may have already received our special Reunion Newsletter containing information about the reunion and how to register. If not, all the information you need is here and we are updating our Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site regularly. As General Chairperson, I welcome everyone to what promises to be the best reunion ever. The theme for the upcoming reunion is "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants." Some of those giants include (but of course are not limited to) Carl A. Spaatz, A. F. Hegenberger, Morris Nelson, Ellis Johnson, Doyle Northrup, Carl Romney, Gerard Leies, Thomas Ciambrone, Howard Dibble, John Horsch, Clark Creery, Nicholas Lewis, James Clapper, Walter Singlevich, Marcus Zaharko, Glen Shaffer, Lisa Onaga, just to name a few. And I'm sure some of you have names to add to this list.

Just a little history. As you know, there are three alumni chapters; one in California, one in Colorado, and one in Florida. In December 1984, then AFTAC Commander, Colonel James R. Clapper, Jr., sent out a questionnaire asking about interest in establishing an Alumni Association at the "Headquarters" AFTAC at Patrick AFB FL. There were so many positive responses that the Florida AFTAC Alumni Association was created in March 1985 with a published charter in 1986.

Since then, the Florida Chapter has hosted the reunion in 1987, 1992, 1997 (<<<Pg 3, right column)

SAGE ALERTS-WHAT'S COMIN' UP

IN TRUE ALERT TRADITION, WE ASK SAGES AND ACTIVE-DUTY TO 'REPORT IN'

Snowball XVII, Saturday, 31 January 2015

SEAN RYAN, 'MAJOR ARRANGER,' FLORIDA CHAPTER SECRETARY

"WE'RE GONNA THROW A SNOWBALL"

Since 1999, the Alumni Association has 'thrown a themed Snowball' at the start of the new year. We like to have an event when our 'Sage Snowbirds' are in town and everyone is in a holiday mood. We also believe it is a grand way to introduce the newly elected and appointed board members, recognize alumni and alumni accomplishments, hold a festive get-together and wish old friends a great beginning to a new year. As in past years, a highlight will be the recognition of our 'Alumni of The Year (AOY)'.

It is also tradition where we welcome the AFTAC Commander, Vice Commander, Chief Scientist, Director of Staff, Superintendent, (>>>Pg 3, left column)

ACTIVE-DUTY ALERTS

IN TRUE ALERT TRADITION, WE ASK ACTIVE-DUTY AND SAGES TO 'REPORT IN'

ACTIVE DUTY SCHEDULE, SAGES WELCOMED



'Annual Awards Banquet' and 'Picnic,'
TBD. See 'Active-Duty' section for more, if any, information. **Sage Contact for tickets,** our Carol Snyder, carol.snyder@us.af.mil

NOTE: All Alert updates are posted at our website: URL above in 'Banner' Area. **Pg 5, 'Calendar,'** has a complete listing of alumni and active-duty events. You can also **'Auto-Receive' 'eALLerts'** (deaths, breaking news, etc)-contact your editors, chrisjohn2@gmail.com

SAGE/ACTIVE-DUTY EVENTS-WHAT'S GONE OFF

IN TRUE ALERT TRADITION, WE REPORT 'EVENT DATA'

'Event' reports, if any, follow 'Alert' reports later in this issue.

ASSOCIATION INFORMATION *Deceased, (D)***Honor Roll: Alumni Of The Year Recipients (19)****Lonnie Gibbons/2013**-Gene & Dee Melchoir/12

Dale Klug/11-Jack Smith (D)/10-Jack Jackson/09

Bob Wiley/08-Bill Schmied/07-Deborah Carson/06

Mike Black/05-Joe Goldian/04-Pat Snyder/03

Joe Johnson/02-Jim Payne/01-Ben Vlassick (D)/2000

John & Christel (D) Horsch/99-Frank Hall/98-Judy Milam/97

Carl Gailey (D)/96-Clark Creery/1995

AFTAC/Long Range Detection (LRD) Alumni Honorarium

Several ongoing projects representing and honoring Center people and its history exist: Two, 'Hall of Heritage' (data/artifacts) and the 'Wall of Honor' of alumni who served the Center for 20+ years (and have mailed in their photos/bios), are housed at AFTAC Headquarters. Another is an **AFTAC display at the Encampment, Wyoming**, Museum, and plans are ongoing to add LRD artifacts at HQ, Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency. (AFISRA).

ASSOCIATION HISTORY A group of retired & active duty AFTACers, by invitation from then CC, Col **Clapper**, met at Patrick AFB, FL, on March 12, 1985, and formed the **AFTAC Alumni Association (AAA)** (chartered, 1986). From mid-2001 to mid-2014, the chapter was renamed 'Long Range Detection' to conform to USAF requirements to operate on base. The assn provides a forum for those wishing to maintain a relationship with the Center and its people, active-duty and retired. Membership is open to all who serve/served our mission in any organization associated with LRD (AFMSW-1, 1009th SWS, AFOAT-1, 1035th FAG, and AFTAC), and any subordinate field detachment.

There are three chapters.

1. Florida (FL): (application on back page)-**Dues, \$10/FY** (1 Oct-30 Sep) payable in Oct/**\$75 for life**. Most monthly meetings are at 1700, second Monday of a month (verify if coming) at the AFTAC HQ (Bldg 989), or other dining venue, at Patrick AFB, FL. Details, see 'Sage Calendar' at back of issue. Contacts: Clark **Creery**, ccreery@cfl.rr.com, mailing address is: **PO Box 254892, Patrick AFB, FL 32925-0892**. There is this triannual newsletter, 'Post-Monitor' (namesake of prior active-duty publication, 'Monitor') & multi-page Website, <http://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/> with assn/alumni news and photos-we provide a 'Breaking News' service at the website and thru instant notification, what we term, 'eALLert,' for time sensitive data at <http://groups.google.com/group/aftac-lrd/>.

FI Chapter "PERENNIALS" (5+ years board service) Clark Creery-Newsletter, 85/89-95, Pres 94/95, Webpage/Mbrshp, 01/10-Current; Frank Hall, Pres/Vice 89-98/01; Judy Milam, Sec 89-06, Hospitality since 01 Pres 04; Eunice Harris, Hosp 89-00; Mary Welch (D), Mbrshp 91-99; Carl Gailey (D), Treas 91-99; Swede Swansen, Pub 93-06; John & Christel (D) Horsch, Newsletter since 96; Pat Snyder, 'Insider/Sage Shop' 96-2010, VP 04, Sec 05; Mike Black, Webmaster since 96; Jim Payne, Mbrshp 99-04; Joe Goldian, Treas, since 2003; Randy Vlassick, Mbrshp 04-09; Sean Ryan-Secretary since 2009.

2. Colorado (CO): Formed 1991, **\$5/year**, the chapter publishes a newsletter, 'Echoes', and has several meetings and social events a year. See website at <http://www.aftacco.org> for additional information and email contacts.

3. West Coast (CA): Formed 1999, **\$10/year/\$75 lifetime**; for information-email, TOD.Alumni@AFTACWCC.org-mail, Alumni Assn, PO Box 3974, Citrus Heights, CA 95611-3974. The Chapter meets several times a year, publish a newsletter, 'Depot Fallout' & have a website, <http://www.aftacca.org>

"FROM THE HORSCHES MOUTH"
AFTAC, 58-87**EDITORIALLY
SPEAKING**

1985 BYLINE BY COL CIAMBRONE (D). LEFT PICTURE BY SUSAN A ROMANO, AF-TAC/CC/PA, WINTER SOCIAL, 2011. RIGHT CHICHI, WODBRIDGE, VA, MID-60'S.

I must start this issue by encouraging everyone to consider attending the upcoming Florida Chapter Hosted World-Wide Reunion 2015. This is really going to be special with the new building to peruse a bit and all the events we have arranged. Besides the social gatherings we have a chance to fly and see the Cape as very few do. Read all about this important event in this issue, registration forms are on the last pages & changes/updates at our website.

Secondly, due to popular demand we are again the 'AFTAC Alumni Association!!' We had to change to 'Long Range Detection Alumni Association' in mid-2001 to continue having meetings on base per Air Force requirements at that time. We believe the name changes will relate better to those who served most of their time under that name, plus the Active-Duty whom we hope to attract to our assn as some point.

On that subject, time flies by for this association chapter, no matter the name!! The Florida Chapter is coming up on 30-years of service to alumni and Active-Duty. The forming meeting was in March 12, 1995 and the charter came the next year, please see the boiler-plate to the left.

The alumni coin was mentioned in the last issue. MSgt Chad Taguba, an Active-Duty Association Member, has been working diligently to design and manufacture a special coin for the alumni association, and a picture was in that issue. We are nearing minting of that coin.

That coin will be further designed for presentation to our future 'Alumni of the Year.' We hope to make the first use at the January SnowBall when the selectee is first announced and recognized!! Be there for that also, seating is very limited so get on-board as soon as possible.

Lastly, we have noticed our URL 'Links' are not always 'active' when we go from creating the PoMo with MSPub2010 and 'pdfing' for the website and printing, sometimes this is due to a change or deletion of the link.

--in any case, one can usually 'cut and paste' with what is provided, or search the web for the subject matter. In any case, let us know when you have problems so we can further refine the process of getting the PoMo to you in a flawless manner!

--We end with a Happy Holidays and New Year wish to all our readers. We so appreciate those who are always there and the occasional drop-in, we need all of you to continue with what we try to provide here.

Sage Communicators-Newsletter Editor/Publisher John Horsch; **Information/Proofing:** Judy Milam-Henderson/Susan A Romano/GG12/AFTAC PA; **Executive Review:** Frank Hall; **Rovin' Cameras/Reporters:** Judy Milam-Henderson/Bob Wiley/Clark Creery; **Printing/Mailing:** Editors/Clark Creery/Jack Jackson/Terry Hammond/Curt & Eunice Harris; **Web/Electronic Media:** Editor/Clark Creery/Mike Black

ALERTS-WHAT'S COMIN' UP <<< Pg 1



(<<< Pg 1) Directors, all active-duty military and civilian, and those who might be here TDY for any reason.

This year's theme will be "AFTAC, Then and Now", joining previous themes honoring Hawaii, Germany, Florida, Wyoming, Thailand, Australia, Korea, Nebraska and Colorado ... locations where AFTAC had or has a presence. Anyone who would like to contribute stories, memorabilia, photos, or speak, please contact individuals below.

Our Sages, Sean Ryan and Frank Calenda have been working on arrangements with the The Palm Cafe at the Kiwi Tennis Club, with help from other members (like fellow Sages, Dee and Gene Melchoir, John Horsch, Judy Milam and Carol Snyder). All of these people have been helping to make this another outstanding SnowBall.

An important note, because of limited room size, attendance will need to be limited to 80 people, so please sign up and submit your payment promptly - cut-off date for doing so is Friday, 23 January.

Pertinent info: Location: The Palm Cafe at the Kiwi Tennis Club (30 Tradewinds Drive, Indian Harbor Beach, FL, 32937). **Theme:** "AFTAC, Then and Now".; **Date:** 31 January 2015 (Saturday); **Cost:** \$17 pp (all inclusive dinner buffet, with tip included).(Note: (The Palm Cafe has graciously waived the Room Rental Fee of \$300 for our event). Awards and presentation to follow. **Cash Bar:** 5:30-11:00 PM on the Patio/in the Dining Room; **Dinner:** 7:00 PM served in the Dining Room; **Menu:** Mini-Salad Bar, Chicken Marsala, Broiled Mahi Topped With Lemon Dill Sauce, Baby Bakers Potatoes and Green Beans Almondine, Assorted Selection of Cookies and Brownies, Iced Tea, Coffee, and Water. **Entertainment:** This year we are having entertainment following dinner. John Horsch has contracted with the Melbourne Harmonizers to have a Barber Shop Quartet put on a show. One of the singers is our own AFTAC Alumni Member, Dan Brinkman.

For further information please call/send email: Sean, AFTAC Alumni Association Secretary/Publicity, 321-591-9053/oceanblueview@yahoo.com (Unlisted).

To purchase tickets: Please call/email Ms. Carol Snyder, 321-494-402 or carol.snyder@us.af.mil. **Sales** start Monday, 15 December 2014 - 1200 PM, Friday, 23 January 2015. (Note: No refunds after 23 January).



Sagey Sez, 'See Ya' at the 'SnowBall', 'Center Awards Banquet,' and another of our annual Spring 'Golf N'Getogether' and the 'Center Annual Picnic' ... follow all this on the assn website!!



AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015

(<<<Pg 1) (AFTAC's 50th Anniversary), 2003, 2009, and now 2015. At this reunion, the Florida Chapter is celebrating our 30th anniversary and we are proud to share this celebration with you.

You do not have to be an alumni chapter member to attend this reunion—just have common interests to share with old friends, make new friends, and see what everyone has been up to in the recent times. We have an amazing team of active Florida alumni members planning a spectacular weekend. Your committee chairs are: General Chairpersons, Deborah Carson and Arlin Massey; Venue/Dates, Bob Wiley and Sean Ryan; Registration/Finances, Frank Calenda, Clark Creery, and John Horsch; Publicity/Programs, Eric Lam and Tony Johnson; and Hospitality/Activities, Judy Milam-Henderson and Dee and Gene Melchior. We are extremely pleased to announce our guest speaker is one of our own alumni, Dr. Glenn Sjoden, current AFTAC Chief Scientist. Dr. Sjoden served almost 9 years as an AFTACer during his tour in the Air Force. His selection as guest speaker fits very well with our theme. You can read his biography at our Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site, <https://drive.google.com/viewerng/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=ZGVmYXVsdGRvbWFpbmxwZXJzb25uZWxsaXN0aW5nfGd4OjMzNDYyZiYyMWRkN2ZhMzA>

The DoubleTree by Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 2080 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931, is our reunion headquarters. Each room has a balcony with a view of the ocean; you receive free parking and WiFi (usually extra cost). The room rate is \$103.00 (plus applicable taxes) per night for a standard double room. Our Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site provides a web hotel reservations link especially for our reunion dates. However, if you want reservations on other days (within + or - 3 of the reunion dates) at our reduced rates you need to call the hotel directly during normal business hours (EST) at (321) 783-9222 and ask for Lauren Edwards or Morgan Childrey. Explain that you are with the AFTAC Alumni Association Reunion and what days you want to get the special rate outside the reunion dates. If you don't want to make internet reservations, please call the number above and ask for AFTAC Alumni Reunion, Group Code AFT. We have a hospitality room reserved starting Thursday afternoon, 28 May, where you can catch up on all the personal events that have happened since the FL 2009 reunion. The Friday night Ice Breaker and Saturday evening Banquet are limited to a 300-person capacity so plan to fill each room both nights. The casual Ice Breaker starts with a social gathering at 5:30pm with hors d'oeuvres served at 6:00pm for 2 hours. Our formal Banquet starts with a 6:00pm cocktail hour followed by posting of the colors, an invocation, a delicious dinner, and entertainment. We have a room set aside starting at 7:00am for Sunday breakfast buffet (discount coupons provided for

each morning) for those who wish to get together one last time before heading home.

The web-based registration process is finalized and we are already processing registrations. Links are provided at the Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site that will direct you to the reunion registration web page. Also provided is a link to print out a hard copy registration form to mail with your payment. Finally, as part of this Newsletter (last page) we are providing a hard copy registration form for those not having access to or receiving a computer copy or link. Using any one of these options will get you registered. Early registration is imperative as we are limited to a 300-person capacity. This allows for better planning by the reunion committee for our scheduled activities. We ask that you PLEASE READ ALL the information on the registration web page prior to entering your data. If you do not do this, your registration process may fail. To prevent internet hackers from entering our web page, you will be asked to enter your preferred email address to be verified. If you are not in our data base, you will be asked to send an email to the data center where you will be qualified and entered into the data base. You will receive a follow-up email telling you that you are now able to sign-in. If you register properly you will receive a prompt stating "Your Registration Successfully Completed." If you don't see this prompt, your registration was not saved. In this case, you have three options; try again, send an email to the data center for assistance, or return to Florida Alumni Association Reunion web page and print out a hard copy to mail in your registration. You may re-enter the registration page whenever you want after you register, but will not be able to change your information. The only way to make post-registration changes is to email the Data Center. Please note that an "Attendees" list is provided on the reunion registration page with a search function so that you can periodically check to see which of your friends will be attending.

For those of you electing to take the Cape Canaveral tour and/or the new AFTAC Building event, be sure to send the additional requested personal data. You or your guests cannot attend these functions unless we have received this required information prior to the cut-off date of 25 April 2015. We cannot accept registrations or payments after April 25. Because of the early Friday morning activities, we plan to have a reunion check-in table set up in the lobby adjacent to the Hotel registration desk on Thursday afternoon from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. This provides an opportunity to get your welcome packages with your badges and information. You will need your badge to take the Cape Tour Friday morning and the AFTAC Building event on Saturday. The reunion check-in table will also open early Friday morning at 6:00am and will close promptly at 7:30am for those people arriving late Thursday evening or early Friday morning who signed up for the tour.

Check our AFTAC Alumni Association web site regularly for updates to activities.

We are using all available social media to keep AFTAC alumni and friends informed. Look for us on FaceBook, LinkedIn, and, of course, the Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site. As we get closer to the dates, we will advertise in the AF Times and web site, our local newspaper, base paper, and California and Colorado alumni chapters' web sites. This information is also being sent out by eAlert to our listed members. If you wish to be added to our eAlert list, please provide your email address to our web site monitors: John Horsch chrisjohn2@gmail.com or Clark Creery cceery@cfl.rr.com.

The hospitality committee is planning additional activities to make the 2015 Worldwide Reunion more enjoyable. Starting early Friday morning, a narrated bus tour of restricted areas of Cape Canaveral Air Force Station is planned, with pick-up and drop-off at the DoubleTree Hotel (depart 8:00am, return 12:15pm); cost of the Cape tour is \$15 and attendance is limited so you need to register early. Bus tour participants will arrive back at the hotel in time to attend the 1:00pm Golf Event at the Cocoa Beach Golf Course. This is an "event" rather than a "tournament" and will include some unusual twists for this 9-hole event. Golfers will get back to the hotel in time to attend the Friday night Icebreaker. An AFTAC Briefing is planned for Saturday morning at 10:30am for those who register for that event, which will include an opportunity to see a little of the new AFTAC building and the Hall of Heritage as designed by the AFTAC Historian, Dr. Mike Young. After the briefing and Heritage tour, active duty personnel will set up a pay-as-you-go grilled lunch.

As a special mid-day side bar, anyone interested in seeing an aerial view of the AFTAC buildings (old and new) along with other surrounding Brevard county landmarks, AFTAC's former Superintendent, CMSgt Ken Myers (retired), has offered to take people for a 30-45 minute flight around the area. Cost will be in the neighborhood of \$75 p/person. As the reunion gets closer, we will put additional details on the Florida AFTAC Alumni Association web site on how to sign-up. For ideas or questions, please contact Ken directly at myers_kenneth@yahoo.com.

Not to leave anyone out, we allowed time for beach goers to enjoy our fabulous beaches and soak up some of this Florida sun. For people interested in doing other activities in the Space Coast area contact Mr. Andy Anderson (a former AFTAC'er), Air Land & Sea Travel, 1-800-799-1094, Cocoa Beach FL, for local tourist activities, gambling cruises, and off shore fishing. If you choose to forego any or all of the above events, you can hang out at the Hospitality Room at the hotel, have a drink or a snack, trade stories, share laughs, check out the photos, talk with old friends, or make new friends. We will also have items for sale from the Sage Shop (as mentioned in this PoMo). The hospitality room

will be open starting Thursday evening; however, the room will be closed one hour before and during each hotel activity.

Looking forward to seeing you all at this next AFTAC Alumni Reunion! For additional information contact: Deborah Carson, WWR 2015 Chairperson; deborah@aftac2015wwr.com, or Arlin Massey, WWR 2015 Co Chair; amassey1@cfl.rr.com.

EVENTS-WHAT'S GONE OFF

SEP 26, 1130-VII ANNUAL 'SOCIAL SEPTMBER'

Membership/Elections Meeting - Manatee Cove

EDITORS



We want to congratulate those who offered their services for one more FY (2015) and our 'new' Board Members, CMSgt/CCS Matthew **Brown** and Ed **Lindsay**. We introduced you to Chief Brown in the two previous issue (letters/Monitoring Active-Duty). We introduce Ed briefly below and expanded on page 22.

Election Results:

YOUR FY2015BOARD

Office (Tenure) Name, AF/AFTAC dates, last active -duty position (rank), prior Assn position(s)

ELECTED: President (2014) Lou Seiler, Jr., AF69-89/AFTAC/76-82 & 85-89, Chief, Alert Operations and Evaluation Branch/DOOA (Maj)

Vice (2015) Ed Lindsay, AF83/AFTAC88-00/07-13, Superintendent of Maintenance/LSM(CMSgt) (Ed is new to the board; learn more on page 22)

Secretary (2010)/**Publicity** (2014) Sean Ryan, AF82-08/AFTAC98-08, NCOIC, Information Management/DO (MSgt)

Treasurer (2003) Joe Goldian, AF/AFTAC68-91 (MSgt), Manager, Treaty Monitoring Operations, Vice, 99

APPOINTED: Activities (2013), CMSgt Brown. AF88/AFTAC88, Center Superintendent (CCS), Introduced in PM2013.08, PoMo, Active-Duty Section

Hall of Heritage: (2011) Mike Young/CC HO, Army73-05/AFTAC11

Hospitality (2001) Judy Milam-Henderson, Civilian, AF65-99/AFTAC65-71&72-99, Scientific & Technical Information Officer (GS-11), Sec 90-2000 & 06-09, Pres 04

Web/Electronic Media (1997) Mike Black, AF72-92/AFTAC81-92, NCOIC Test and Analysis Branch (MSgt), NOTE: Horsch and Creery (info follows) have been, and continue as, mainstays since inception (97)

Membership (2010) Clark Creery, AF60-80/AFTAC66-75 & 77-80, J Technique Acquisition/LGEQ (MSgt), Original newsletter editor 81-84/89-95, President 94/95

Newsletter (1996)/**AOY** (2013) John Horsch, AF/AFTAC 58-87, Sen Enl Adv (CMS), Publicity, 87-90

Sage Shop (2010) Steve Revels, AF/AFTAC 87-2012, Inspector General/IG (CMSgt)

'Sage Spotlight'

Introducing our new Vice, Ed Lindsay

Ed retired from the Air Force in June of 2013 as CMSgt and the Superintendent of Maintenance at (>>>Pg 22, left)

OCT 17, XXVI ANNUAL ASSN SPRING FLING

Golf N'Getogether, Manatee Golf Course, Patrick

MAJOR ARRANGER, ED LINDSEY

EDITOR: WOW, WE'VE NEVER HAD SO MANY WHO WANTED TO WRITE ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT BEFORE ... ED, ARE YOU REALLY THAT MUCH BETTER LEADER THAN DAVE (MELTON)? CLARK CREERY WROTE, FOLLOWED BY FRANK CALEDA ... WE WILL POST THESE TWO SAGES WRITINGS AND ED WILL PROVIDE MORE DETAILS. BTW, THANK YOU SO MUCH, CLARK AND FRANK, AND FOR BOB WILEY TAKING ALL THE EXCELLENT PICTURES, SEE OUR WEBSITE, PAGE 4.

Clark's came first: Let me be the first to thank our new Vice Ed **Lindsay** for a great Golf Tournament today. The weather could not have



been any better. The sign-up crew worked themselves to the core. Sign-in, check your status (Alumni Assn or not), purchase a mulligan, purchase a team ball (mulligan) and receive your bag of goodies. Naturally everyone shows up wanting instant action and the team did one heck of a job getting all that administrative stuff done and moved them on their way. The best part was Bob **Wiley** running around, camera in hand and taking many great pictures. Workers on the sign-up crew consisted of Frank **Calenda**, Clark **Creery**, Gene **Melchior**, Frank **Hall**, Bob **Wiley** and naturally Ed Lindsay.

With that, we signed up 16 electronic members (see Mail-Call) for a one year stint in the alumni and we thank all those who let us sign them up. Now the fun begins with me trying to decipher their writing (and I thought my penmanship was in need of help!) We will sort it out and we thank those folks.

Once the teams had departed a gentleman came over to the table and threw down his wallet. He wanted to know if we needed a donation? Well - it is a very small world because it took me a second or so to recognize Bill **McCune** (a long time AFTAC member). He said he has moved back to the Melbourne Area and he has given us his data for update in all of our listings.

All in all - a wonderful day and my personal thanks to all who helped and suffered through the throes of excited golfers. Ed Lindsay will add the particulars.

Frank's memories came next: Well you know I can't let these emails go by without adding my two cents. It was a great tournament and I saw lots of smiling faces and laughter (except from Dave **Money**...does he ever laugh?).

I really enjoyed interfacing with all of the active duty folks but I really didn't like the fact that the guy that was supposed to be running this event and had all the answers deserted us and played golf himself. How's that for delegation of authority and passing the buck???? No matter, us work horses managed things with only one or two calls to his cell phone.

We got new members (new, young blood) signed up and hopefully we can keep their interest enough to get them to sign up for a lifetime membership. We'll have to train them right though...hey, look at how Ed turned out...

So, thanks for giving me the opportunity to help and I'll probably continue to volunteer for these menial tasks in the future although my dad told me NEVER to

volunteer for anything. Where did I go wrong?

And finally thanks to Ed, you really worked up a fine event and did a good job of it too. Kind regards

And the 'Major Arranger,' Ed Lindsay, followed: A very quick thank you to the team...Frank **Calenda**, Clark **Creery**, Gene **Melchior**, Frank **Hall**, and Bob **Wiley**. The tournament was a overwhelming success and it could not have been without their help. They were real troopers putting up with my shenanigans and they are quite the overachievers. Bob was all over and stayed until the end taking pictures on the course and the prize giveaways. Awesome!

Later Ed added a complete report: On Oct 17th, 2014, a large group of men and women descended upon the Manatee Cove Golf Course, on Patrick AFB, Florida for some fellowship and to beat a little round object around.

The set up began early, with Frank **Hall**, Frank **Calenda**, Ed **Lindsay**, Clark **Creery**, and Gene **Melchoir** preparing for the onslaught of (<<< Pg 22)

A Sage Perspective, AFTAC Toilet Bowl (TB)

ROVIN' REPORTER-CLARK CREERY



As an alumni I am invited to the active-duty annual TB and, as an Assn Member, often blessed to be a volunteer thereto. As before, this took place at the Viera Sports Complex. This year it was even better than the last. This softball outing pits AFTAC directorates against each other and is a carry-over from the 1155th Tech Ops Squadron days at McClellan AFB

This year, CCS/Chief **Brown** told me that they had at least 500 folks there. I can believe that because when I toiled up in my trusty old truck I had a devil of a time finding a parking place. But I squeezed in and trekked to a pavilion where I presumed that most of the off-field activities would take place. I was correct, and found Alumni President, Lou **Seiler** talking with several folks one of which was George **Mirda** who I have known for ages. Since I retired from AFTAC back in 1980 I have a heck of a time knowing folks who are part of this great legacy. There were quite a few Alumni Assn members at the games but I cannot remember them all, Carol **Snyder** was one, and her sister, and others too numerous to mention. It was a welcome day for all.

The weather was great, the 'AFTAC Booster's Club' had set-up the festivities and I found a place to give

away some hard earned cash to purchase a wrist band to show that I was an authorized participant in the day. Ice, Drinks, Cups, Plates, Cookers and all the fixings were arranged and workers were enjoying themselves. You see, this event is not only for the Active Duty folks, but also for the wives, kids and girlfriends to boot. It was such a great day and such a variety of sneakers and T-shirts worn by everyone. Made me proud to have been invited and I was lucky enough to take a few pictures for 'Alumni Annuals.' Assn Prez, Lou Seiler, had his Canon at the ready and took some great shots. I cannot wait to share them with anyone who will have a look at our assn Website, <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/>, Page 04.

I talked to Chief Brown and his wife and they mentioned that this event had quite a sell-out of tickets by the booster club. A bit later on I talked to Kathy **Querry** who was termed "The Potty Princess" and she had the whole operation moving like a top. She is to be congratulated. Sage, Frank **Calenda**, and wife, **Edna**, were in attendance and Frank was an umpire at several of the games. He is a fellow assn member of many talents and his participation was spot on.

As the day progressed, I noted that six troops had assembled under one of the large shade tents and later marched on to the main pavilion. Not something you see all the time but quite ingenious to say the least. The game for the championship was held at the main field and most folks had moved to the area and taken up the bleachers and they were ready for a winner.

The Patrick AFB Base Honor Guard showed up and presented the colors prior to the game. CC/Col **Worley** had said he would have a commanders call at 1400. He spoke to the crowd, both teams in contention took to the field baselines and stood at attention while the colors were presented. Four folks sang the anthem and The whole thing was quite a success. However, I sadly had to depart early and I am waiting to find out who won. Keep your eyes peeled and our editor, John Horsch will let us all know! **LATER REPORT**, even tho late, Clark gave me this important task!! LS and DO fought it out at the end of the day for the valued 'Bowl.' When the dust settled, LS was the proud directorate to 'take it all' - it was a close game and won by 8-7 in the final inning. They proudly accepted 'Golden Bowl' until that treasure is contested for next year. Second place, cherishing the 'Golden Roll,' (picture), and dreaming about next year, was DO.

Ed Lindsay later added, and we the editors add his name, "Personnel making this event work was our Assn Vice, Ed **Lindsay**, who with Sage, Jerry **Rice**, arranged the beer and special kudos to Kathie **Querry**, Sage Frank **Calenda**, who officiated as best he could, and Rob **Christman**. (X-Man). They paved the way and kept things rolling down the road."





Personals ...

Wherein alumni report major events or turning points in their lives that are of interest to fellow Sages. Please send us information about awards, births (children, grandchildren), weddings, retirements, illness, deaths and other events (military or otherwise).

11.04, Steve Cook We were initially emailed about Steve's health. He was known by many and a notice sent accordingly. Knowing others would want to know, Steve and JoAnn said yes when I called about putting the info on our webpage and this PoMo. Email read, "JoAnn and Steve want others be aware of his situation. He has decided to forego any more Chemo. Hospice is providing care. Please put their family in your thoughts and prayers. **Steve passed 12.06, see page 8 for the information we have at this time.**

In Memoriam Rest in Peace

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| 1. Irene Starzinger | 2. Carl Albright |
| 3. Jerry Wampole | 4. Horace L. Loftis |
| 5. Robert E Jackson | 6. Charles H. Wallace |
| 7. Christopher O'Brien | 8. Steve Cook |

Memoriam, Carl Romney (last issue)

Just received the Monitor with the sad news of the passing of Carl Romney. I worked for Carl in the 60's on Telegraph Road and at the Vela Center in Alexandria and at DARPA in Arlington in the 70's just before I retired. One of the most professional persons I ever had the pleasure and fortune to work for. I read his book Detecting the Bomb. The last time I saw Carl was at the retirement dinner and functions for Dr. Frank Pilotte in September 99, who also passed away not too long ago. He was one of the best Directors AFTAC and DARPA (ARPA then) ever had.

Ann Kerr put together as Editor the book 'The Vela Program' which was a compilation of technical and scientific papers by many of the scientists working on the program at that time. I was fortunate enough to receive a copy since I was one of the ARPA Program Managers. The point is she dedicated the book to Carl and Bill Best. Lt.Col. Orsini

1. Irene Starzinger

CONTACTED BY KARL IN A NOTE WITH HIS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



My wife, Irene, passed away April 8th. I do hope to make the reunion this year. Ground Air Sampling 1950-51, Pt. Barrow AK. So sorry to hear the news, Karl, and we will hope to see you there.

OUR INTREPID MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, FOUND THIS AND PASSED IT ALONG:

Irene R. Starzinger, 86, of Inverness, Florida, passed away April 8, 2014, at Hospice of Citrus and the Nature Coast in Lecanto. Irene was born Jan. 10, 1928, to the late John H. Reeder and Minnie Spruell Reeder. Her career highlights include owning a business, managing traffic for radio and TV stations in the Midwest and auditing for state and local governments. She lived for 30 years in Cocoa Beach and was part of the space program, working for Aerojet and Convair. Irene completed her baccalaureate in industrial relations from Florida International College. She moved to Tampa, Florida, in 1956 to work for WTVT, where she met her beloved husband, Karl J. Starzinger, marrying on Aug. 9, 1957. Their space and defense work took them throughout the Caribbean, and Irene was always game for another adventure. Her volunteer activities included Tri-State Christian Camp and working with children. Irene was a member of the First Christian Church. Survivors include her husband of 56 years, Karl Starzinger of Inverness; son Erich Starzinger of Marietta, Georgia; daughter Tanya Davis and her husband Chuck of Hughesville, Maryland; grandchildren Charles and Jenny Davis of Hughesville, Maryland; sister Ruby Swinford of Woodward, Oklahoma; as well as many extended family members. Irene was preceded in death by three siblings who died in infancy, and her brothers Col. John H. Reeder Jr. (USA, ret.) and Hobert Reeder. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Hospice of Citrus and the Nature Coast, P.O. Box 641270, Beverly Hills, FL 34464 in appreciation of their loving and compassionate care. Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness. Published in Citrus County Chronicle on May 4, 2014

2. Carl H. Albright

CONTACTED BY HARRY JOSEPH

Lt. Col. Carl H. Albright USAF (ret.) died on September 7, 2014, at his home in Albuquerque after an extended illness. He died peacefully sitting on his back porch looking at his flower garden. He was the third child of Charles and Lillie Albright – born at home in Springfield, Illinois on, March 1, 1921. His brothers and sisters, Charles, Ruth Stoops, Vernon, Marguerite Taylor and Dorothy Harper, preceded him in death, as did his parents. Carl and all of his siblings had newspaper routes with the Illinois State Journal Register as they grew up. Carl wed Mary Elizabeth "Liz" Howard in 1943 and a short time later left Western Illinois University to enlist in the Army Air Corps. He was commissioned a 2nd Lt., trained to fly B-24s, and was soon in England, assigned to the 8th Air Force's 446th Bomb Group. He and his crew flew 35 successful missions to disrupt the Third Reich. After the



war, Carl finished his BA and MA degrees. He then joined the new United States Air Force, where he worked as a nuclear chemist and pilot until his retirement in 1969. He then went to work as a chemist for the state of Illinois before his final retirement to Albuquerque in 1981. Carl was active in the Albuquerque community. He volunteered for many years, working with a number of organizations including The Gray Gladiators, AARP, NM Department of Corrections and the 8th AF Group. Carl was married for 58 years to Liz, who died in 2001. He is survived by three children and their spouses, Carl F. "Rick" and LaWanda Albright of Tijeras NM, Col. Wayne H. Albright (ret.) and Geraldine "Geri" Albright of Phoenix AZ, Carla Furry and Sr. Master Sgt. (ret.) Roger Furry of Albuquerque, NM. In addition, there are seven grandchildren, Tracy Pater of VA, Heather Leiby of San Antonio TX, Vanessa Helton of Edgewood NM, Jeremy Albright of The Dominican Republic, Ryan Furry of Albuquerque, NM, Charlene Andrusyszyn of Aurora, CO, Scott Albright of Albuquerque, NM; 14 great-grandchildren and numerous nephews and nieces. A viewing (was) Sept. 15, 2014, at FRENCH - University, 1111 University Blvd. Services (were) Sept. 16, 2014 at FRENCH - University. Interment (followed) at the Santa Fe National Cemetery, where Carl will receive full military honors. Please feel free to donate to your favorite charity in Carl's name in lieu of flowers. Carl had a twinkle in his eye that spoke of mischief, a great sense of humor and love in his heart. He was a positive influence on many lives, demonstrating how to be a man, a father, and how to care for others. He was loved by all that knew him and will be missed. FRENCH - University, 1111 University Blvd. NE, 505-843-6333. Obituary, Guest Book, and pictures at URL, <http://www.frenchfunerals.com/obituaries/Carl-Albright/#/PhotosVideos/00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000> Harry wrote in a note about Carl, "Carl was my boss at 202 and 407. Always smiling even as the world appeared to coming apart. We had a min-reunion lunch some years ago with a few AFTAC troops here in Albuquerque. Time waits for no one."

3. Kermit Gerald "Jerry" Wampole

CONTACTED BY DALE KLUG

MSGT Kermit Gerald "Jerry" Wampole, USAF, Retired. Jerry was born June 8, 1943, in York PA to Kermit and Emma Wampole and departed this life September 22, 2014 in Roseville CA. Raised in Windsor, PA; he graduated from Red Lion High School.

Jerry joined the US Air Force shortly after high school, where he worked in electronics as a Systems Repair Technician. He traveled around the world and enjoyed living overseas. Some of the favorite places he lived were in Australia, Thailand and Turkey.

In Turkey, Jerry met his true love, **Mutlu**, and they were wed there in Ankara, August 10, 1979. Jerry moved to McClellan AFB CA in 1983 and retired in 1987, serving 26 years in the Air Force.

Jerry then began his career with the State of California, Department of Conservation, where he worked as a Seismological Instrument Technician and later with Geographic Information System Maps. Jerry retired after 20 years with the department.

2014 was a difficult time for Jerry and his health deteriorated rapidly over the past few months. He survived lung cancer, but the COPD and damage from radiation

therapy proved to be too much and Jerry passed at 71 years of age. He is survived by his wife Susan Mutlu Wampole; children Diane Wampole and Asli Kaptan-Roberts; and grandchildren Ciarra & Alexis Roberts and Emma L Wampole.

Jerry enjoyed world history and keeping up to date on world news and events. Jerry loved his sports car and Harley motorcycles, vacationing in Hawaii and home improvement projects. Jerry was a good man; loving husband, father and grandfather. We will miss him dearly.

A funeral service was held October 3rd, at East Lawn Mortuary Chapel, 5757 Greenback Lane, Sacramento CA with Pastor Tom Norvell officiating. A private interment will be held at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, Dixon CA. **MSgt Wampole was assigned to the Technical Operations Division at the time of his Air Force retirement in 1987. You may view/sign the Guestbook at: http://www.eastlawn.com/obituaries-services.html?obituary_id=1040005**

4. Horace L. Loftis

CONTACTED BY SEAN RYAN WHO RECEIVED AN EMAIL FROM BROTHER JOHN LOFTIS, SPARTANBURG, SC.

Horace Leland Loftis, 77, husband of Becky Pruitt Loftis, died after a brief illness October 16, 2014, at Spartanburg Regional. Born in Inman, SC, he was a son of the late William Clyde and Carrie Arvenia Brannon Loftis. **A veteran of the Vietnam War, he retired as a Technical Sergeant after serving 20 years with the U.S. Air Force.** He then worked 20 years for BI-LO retiring as Assistant Manager. He also worked for NA-PA and Advance Auto. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and loved animals. He was a great teacher and loved by everyone. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Dana A. Loftis of the home, Silas W. Loftis and life partner, Russell Brannen of Taylors, SC; two daughters, Lisa L. Horton and husband, Todd, of Spartanburg, SC, Sonya R. Loftis of Greenville, SC; two brothers, John Loftis and wife, Mary of Melbourne, FL, Arvin C. Loftis and wife, Cassandra of Portland, OR; a sister, Melba L. Hayes and husband, Phil of Atlanta, TX; a granddaughter, Tasha R. Waters and husband, Chad, of Reidville, SC; two great grandsons, Cody J. Richardson of Reidville and Atticus C. Waters of Reidville. Funeral services were October 19, at Bobo Funeral Chapel with eulogies by family. Visitation was before the service. Burial at Good Shepherd Memorial Park, 4164 Hwy. 9, Boiling Springs, SC. **NOTE: Website is <http://www.bobofuneralchapel.com/mindex.php?id=504014&type=obit>**

5. Robert E Jackson

CONTACTED BY MSGT (RET) ROBERT G PAULK, ROBERT ADDED: HERE IS THE OBIT FOR TSgt (RET) ROBERT E JACKSON. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE AND MANY OTHERS. HE WAS ONE OF THREE SUPPLY MEN AT DET 207 (NOW 460) FROM SHORTLY AFTER THE DET'S ACTIVATION IN 1963 UNTIL DECEMBER 1965. HE WAS REASSIGNED BACK TO THE AIR FORCE FOLLOWING HIS TOUR IN AFTAC. BREMEN IS IN GEORGIA.

Robert E. Jackson August 11, 1933 - October 10, 2014 of Bremen (passed away Friday, October 10, 2014 in a Rome hospital). He was born in Carroll County, August 11, 1933, son of the late Ralph Martin Jackson and Mae Barr Jackson. Mr. Jackson retired from the United States Air Force as a Sergeant after twenty years of service. He was, also, a twenty year retiree of the Southwire Company and was a Baptist by Faith. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife in 2000, JoAnn Browning Jackson. Survivors include daughter, Debra and Skipper Kent of Bremen; a son, Bobby and Michele Jackson of Bremen; a grandson, Jackson Lee Kent, Bremen; sister, Glema Jackson Wright, Douglasville and a brother, Ellis Jackson of McDonough. Services October 13, at at Forest Lawn Memorial Park with Reverend David Ginn officiating. The Air Force furnish(ed) full military honors.

6. Charles H. Wallace

CONTACTED BY BOB FITZGERALD WHO WAS INFORMED BY RICHARD L. GORBY



YORK Charles Howard Wallace passed away at York Hospital with his family by his side, just 5 hours shy of his 78th birthday. Chuck was the son of the late R. Earl and Catharine (Eckhardt) Wallace and the loving husband of nearly 57 years of Flo L. (Strayer) Wallace. A 1954 graduate of William Penn Senior High School, Chuck attended the University of Pennsylvania before enlisting in the United States Air Force. **He began his 15 year career as a member of the elite Air Force Technical Application Center (AFTAC).** After postings to Sacramento, CA, Fairbanks, AK, Japan and Washington, DC, Chuck retired from military service and moved his young family back to York County to Wellsville. Chuck became employed at the then York Borg Warner Corporation and later became the Corporate Communications Director for the McCrory Corporation. In 1983, Chuck left McCrory's and founded a long-distance telephone company called Capital Telecommunications, Incorporated (CTI).

In addition to his wife, Chuck is survived by his daughter, Lorena E. (Wallace) DiZio and her husband, Joe; his son, Bret A. Wallace and his wife, Mary; daughter-in-law Yvonne D. (Taylor) Wallace, having been preceded in death by a son, James H. Wallace. He will be fondly remembered by seven grandchildren. A Celebration of Life Service (was) at Heffner Funeral Chapel & Crematory, Inc., 1551 Kenneth Road, York, with the Reverend Roger Mentzer officiating. A viewing (was) held prior to the service. Graveside services (were) at the St. Paul's Red Run Church Cemetery. Full military honors (were) provided by York County Veterans Honor Guard. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to donate in his memory to the building fund of his church, Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 109 E. Main St., Dallastown, PA 17313. Send condolences at BestLifeTributes.com - See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/york/obituary.aspx?n=charles-h-wallace&pid=173026218&fhid=28191#sthash.J36JSewB.dpuf>

Memoriam, Jim Davis: I am sad to learn the death of Chuck Wallace. Chuck was assigned to Det 204 while I was there and I always found Chuck to be a responsible and dependable member of our unit there. I also remember Chuck while assigned to AFTAC in Alexandria, Va.

7. Christopher John O'Brien

CONTACTED BY JUDY HENDERSON - FROM THE FLORIDA TODAY PAPER



Melbourne, Christopher O'Brien, 42, died at the Viera Hospital after a brief illness on October 29, 2014. Chris was born in Fort Belvoir, VA, in 1972. He moved with his family to Satellite Beach in 1979 and later to Melbourne in 1991. He attended Satellite High School where was a

member of the Satellite High band and won several awards as a member of the jazz band. In his youth he loved playing soccer and softball and was a devoted fan of World Cup Soccer and College Softball World Series. He attended University of Colorado and ob-

tained his Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from University of Central Florida. He subsequently earned a second degree from UCF in computer science. **He was a computer network administrator for Mission First under a contract with the Air Force Technical Applications Center** at Patrick Air Force Base. He was recognized for his expert ability to troubleshoot difficult computer problems. For many years he did volunteer work at the annual Melbourne Arts Festival. He loved his cats, Puddy and KC, enjoyed cooking and Karaoke. He was preceded in death by his mother Alice (PJ) O'Brien and is survived by his father, **David O'Brien (at one time, AFTAC Chief Scientist)**, his sister, Theresa Pettinger, and his brother, Kevin O'Brien. Funeral arrangements (were) with Beach Funeral Home, 4999 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, a visitation (was) on November 11th. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Ascension Catholic Church, 2950 N. Harbor City Blvd., Melbourne on Wednesday, November 12th at 11:30 am, followed by internment at Florida Memorial Gardens. After the services, family and friends (were) invited to the family's home for a celebration of Chris' life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), <https://givalike.org/dm/Christopher%20O'Brien/R/1960968/Nonprofit-Directory/Nonprofit/131623829/American-Society-for-the-Prevention-of-Cruelty-to-Animals?egg=1> Condolences may be sent to www.beachfuneralhome.com - See 'Guest Book,' Photo and more at :<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?n=christopher-obrien&pid=173087954&fhid=10204#sthash.JnzP3wSE.dpuf>

8. Steve Cook

CONTACTED BY ROGER HORNSBY

All, we lost our Brother Steve yesterday (12.06), no more pain for him. JoAnn is doing OK. She is planning a memorial service sometime in early January. Please pass on to everyone that you can. Home: [321 482 0008](tel:3214820008) JoAnn Cell: [321 412 8668](tel:3214128668), 824 Potomac Drive Melb, FL 32904 NOTE: Obituary will be posted at our website when available.



TAPS

**In Memory of Those We
Knew Well Now Gone
But Never Forgotten**

Gen. Daniel Butterfield, 1862

Day is done; gone the sun,
From the lakes, from the hills,
From the sky.
All is well, safely rest,
God is nigh,

Fading light dims the sight,
And a star lights the sky, gleaming bright;
From afar, drawing nigh,
Falls the night.

Thanks and praise for our days,
'Neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky;
As we go, this we know:
God is' nigh.

MAIL - CALL



Any requests for action should be sent to

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Missives requesting no action may be mailed/emailed to the editor, 'chrisjohn2@gmail.com.' Those may be edited for clarity and space but not normally for punctuation, wording, etc; opinions are those of the writer(s) and may not reflect Association belief or policy.

Thanks to all who contact us! We publish all correspondence, unless otherwise requested, so your name, and the memories it invokes, may be recalled.

Normally, we will not include personal information, e.g., address, phone number, etc, unless you ask or seemingly appropriate (e.g., follow-up).



CLARK CREERY SENT THE EPOMO LINK TO ESUBSCRIBERS ON 08.12 AT 1624 EST, EARLY RESPONDER(S):

FIRST eSAGE(S) TO 'REPORT IN'-FIRST 24-HOURS

There were several early notes on Facebook about the issue being published, George **Cronin** and Bob **Long** were among the first.

MAIL-CALL

John McGettigan, email-08.16

I received my Post Monitor today and was very surprised to see my retirement photo. Thanks for the memories. I guess I made the wall. Mac Thanks, John, for taking the time to write. You sure did, and anyone with more than 20-Years of service to our mission and send in their picture and assignments, by location number, and they will join the other on 'The Wall!'

Sage Report(s)

ITEMS OF INTEREST SHARED BY SAGES. HYPERLINKS WERE ACTIVE WHEN CHECKED. IF THIS IS NO LONGER TRUE, RECOMMEND A WEB 'SEARCH.'

Jack O'Connor, email-08.18

Highly recommend everyone to view and share, especially the children. God Bless America and the ones who did then.....and others who still....serve to keep her strong!!! Our national anthem - a fresh look at the

origin. Star Spangled Banner As You've Never Heard It, <https://www.youtube.com/embed/YaxGNQE5ZLA> Jack, thank you, it is good to renew our knowledge of our flag.

Jack Jackson, email-08.16

(staying on this subject, 'another Jack' had sent this a bit earlier) This is about 5 minutes long, and it isn't a "sappy" patriotic shtick, but oddly serious with a few sprinkles of classic Robin Williams. Please take a few minutes to enjoy it. It really is GREAT! <http://biggeekdad.com/2012/03/robin-williams-american-flag/#.U-n9PYIMz1k.aolmail>

Frank Calenda, email-08.24

All of you involved always do an outstanding job. This publication is one of the prime reasons our Alumni group is so close with each other. What will we do when these functions are passed on to others. Your efforts will always be remembered...thanks for that. Thank you, Frank.

FL Website: 'Breaking News' &/or 'News to Know'

10.07 Posting. Richard Marchand 'Original AFTAC building will soon come down' Facebook Posting 'AFTAC Alumni of the world unite!' 09.25/1030PM/Norman Moody, FLORIDA TODAY 5:36 p.m. EDT September 25, 2014 - <http://www.floridatoday.com/story/news/local/2014/09/25/original-aftac-building-will-soon-come/16226635/> Thank you, Richard.

10.02 Posting. Clark Creery **AFTAC now officially falls under 25th Air Force** AFTAC PA Susan A. Romano at Facebook page, 'AFTAC Alumni of the World Unite' 25 AF: New chapter in a storied legacy by Wayne Amann 25 AF Public Affairs 9/29/2014 - JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO - LACKLAND, Texas -- As the Air Force's premier intelligence organization approaches its 66th Anniversary, it will mark the occasion under a new unit name and structure. The Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency is now the Twenty-Fifth Air Force, following its re-designation ceremony Sept. 29 in the headquarters Ardiana Courtyard here on Security Hill. It's the sixth iteration of the organization which was activated as the United States Air Force Security Service in October 1948. See the full report <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123426473>

10.26 Posting. Contacted by Steve Clark, CO Chapter President, making us aware of a posting by Scott Morgan, on Facebook, 'AFTAC Alumni of the world unite!', on Oct 23 at 4:17pm. **Confirmed that this is the A/C that detected "Joe 1"** http://www.newsminer.com/news/local_news/eielson-s-lady-of-the-lake-had-role-in-cold/article_8474bfb2-25e3-11e4-9d79-0017a43b2370.html

EDITOR NOTE: READER BEWARE: WE HAVE LEARNED THERE ARE DOUBTS ABOUT THE FACT THIS HAS BEEN CONFIRMED.

Jim Davis, email-10.23

I don't know anything about this. I have heard that Gene **Tews** was the first AFTAC'er to collect debris from one of the early Russian tests, don't recall specific details but think it was on a flight from Eielson to Japan, don't know dates or other details. **Jim later wrote:** Got to thinking about the WB-29 at Eielson and the following just might be a connection. When I was assigned to the 373rd WRS (later 53rd) in Bermuda in 1950 our primary mission was weather recon with hurricane recon as a part during the hurricane season, and debris collection for the 1009th as an added responsibility...we had a

Capt **Eichelberger** (spelling) who was a weather forecaster and flew as a weather observer on these missions. He received training and was a pilot during WW2, I believe, but at the end of the war they released a lot of pilots and he retrained as a weather forecaster. When I left I lost track but think he applied to return to his pilot duties and was assigned to I believe the 57th WRS at Eielson as a pilot there. On a mission out of Eielson he crashed on take off, and I don't think there would have been any survivors since it crashed on take-off near the base. I don't think there would have been any attempt to recover the plane. This may possibly be the plane referred to... I do not know any detailed information, only what I have heard and am able to remember. I think this occurred in the mid 1950's and I'm not even sure about that, maybe 1956/57 around there. An interesting story never the less. Thanks, Jim, maybe one of our readers can help out. I have tried to contact Gene to no avail.

Clark Creery, email-11.17

Subject: AFTAC stuff, http://www.ebay.com/sch/i.html?_mPrngCbx=1&_nkw=Air+Force+Technical+Applications+Center - This link is interesting! Thanks, Clark

MEMBERSHIP NEW/RENEWAL

UPDATES BY CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR. APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT OUR WEBSITE & THE LAST PAGE OF POMO. **NOTE: PLEASE FILL OUT APPLICATIONS IN FULL. WE GET SOME THAT ARE NOT COMPLETE AND YOUR HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED.**

'Serial Sages' (New Lifetime Members)

Glen Sjoden; Curt Smith; John Perry; Rusty Ridens

'Sustaining Sages' (Annual Members, new and renewals)

New: Richard Rudolph, Jeffery Duball

--**Complimentary** (Active-Duty, Assn Meeting Presenters):

Sebastian Forster, Derrick Johnson

--**Special Rate** (signed up at Golf N'Gettogether): Volker Bitter, Clayton Cole, Brandon Compeau, Douglas Dale, James Denbow, Alex Lake, Mark Lambert, Daniel Mackney, Brett Mapston, Robert McLaughlin, Cathy Mounts, Brad Neihart, Chevis Stanley, Jeff Stanley, Frank Woodard, Troy Lawson, William Metts.

Note: Interesting backgrounds: Some served on the USS Nautilus, some Active Duty and then went Civil Service, Senior Scientist in the group.

Renewals: Anderholm, Carson, Dibble, Disanto, Dobbins, Doberstein, Folts, Gehman, Goldian, Gullett, Harris, Hartman, Heenan, Hopkins, Jordan, Kane, Massey, Metts, Moran, Morton, Newman, Orsini, Oyer, Peake, Perry*, Querry, Renfrow, Ridens*, Schuster, Smith*, Smith, Starzinger, Toth, Waterhouse, Young

Renewals who went Lifetime: Perry, Smith, Ridens

'Lost Sages' (Awaiting Dues Payment)

Lost Sages (Awaiting Dues Payment): Boyle, Covert, Fraze, Gilbert, Jacobs, Kretzschmar, McCarty, Merlone, Morton, Nederhoed, Martin Alexander (No longer uses a computer but we are sending him Postal Data.)

THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE CHANGED FROM ACTIVE TO INACTIVE STATUS AT THE END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

'Help' (Missing Sages)

Found: Cary Dobins,

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Alumni Master Database has 4,666 listed personnel who were in AFTAC for who we have addresses. We use our Google account to keep in contact when the Post Monitor is not appropriate for general information. Our use of Google for information consists of 776 email addresses; however, when we send out a link to our latest Post Monitor Newsletter that link consists of 354 emails addresses (that changes frequently as you might guess.)

New/Renewal, Sage Shop and Notes of Interest

WE'VE REQUESTED CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR/MAJOR MAIL BOX' CHECKER, TO PASS ALONG NOTES HE RECEIVES.

Terry Jordan, Renewal, 09.05 - I have no computer, fully retired and no email. Please continue sending (PoMo) by regular mail and if you decide to charge us extra for mail service - than by all means - so be it! Terry, you and I served at 301 together, right? We've not reached that point yet and understand your situation. John

Robert West, email-09.26 - Hello Clark, I received your letter today and do have a new email address. I was wondering what happened to the Alumni Assoc. Wasn't sure if it went out of existence. Betty and I live in FL and I wonder how the Assoc is doing. I had started to make some notes on how things were when I was in DC. The first officer whom I worked for was Capt. Clyde P. **Evely**. Maj. Evely went on to set some flight records in B-52's. Anyway, I am still here, Wonder if the HQ can be visited, or, are things still too classified? Clark replied, "As for classified, yes we still have some things that are no talk about but what is unique is that there will be an unclassified briefing at our Worldwide reunion, a video presentation and the powers are now working on the lobby area of the new building. That will have a display and quite a bit of history. Think about attending.....Above all, welcome back.

Clark Creery, email-09.25 - Outstanding Air Force One report. 'The First Air Force One, Columbine II,' <https://www.youtube.com/embed/ehwvZXVKmPU>

Richard Marchand Facebook Posting 'AFTAC Alumni of the world unite!' 09.25/1030PM, 'Original AFTAC building will soon come down' Norman Moody, FLORIDA TODAY 5:36 p.m. EDT September 25, 2014 - <http://www.floridatoday.com/story/news/local/2014/09/25/original-aftac-building-will-soon-come/16226635/> Thank you, Richard.

Curtis E Smith, email-10.09 - 'Lifetime' with a note he is going against all the odds. Smithy, good note, 7.5 years and it's paid for itself, go for it!!





Time sure does have a way of passing quickly. It seems like only yesterday that....but I digress! Your Alumni Association continues to be a busy organization.

We are quickly coming up to the annual SnowBall event, this year set for 30 January 2015. Since we are also hosting the World Wide Reunion in 2015 (officially called Word Wide Reunion 2015, WWR 2015), the SnowBall will be a little more casual than previous years, but no less a wonderful opportunity to enjoy continued fellowship with your fellow AFTAC Alumni and we will announce, and recognize, the Assn's top honor selection, 'Alumni of the Year, 2014.'

And speaking of the WWR2015, the on-line registration is now fully open for business. For those who do not wish to register electronically, there is still the basic paper trail. Each of you should have received a special edition newsletter about the Reunion by now as well. The whole event has been planned to make it THE EVENT TO BE REMEMBERED! So don't miss it!

In the last edition of the PoMo, I stated that we were waiting the word on our name change. Well, this is now fully approved and we are once again the AFTAC Alumni Association, so when you see "AAA" mentioned, there may be more than one possible representation!

In a coordinated effort with Chief Matt Brown (AFTAC Superintendent) we are now having some of the younger/newer active duty AFTAC members speak at our monthly meetings so that we Old Timer's can hear of all the new fangled methods in use to support the AFTAC mission, and they can hear how some of these methods/processes were derived from some very old capabilities. So far we have one "B" troop, and one Lab type from the newly set up in-house laboratory. Everyone found these to be highly motivating, generating lengthy discussions. We have a couple more speakers lined up for upcoming chapter meetings, so if you are one of those who doesn't usually attend, it might be worth another try.

The rest of this PoMo is chock full of useful and up-to-date information, so it's time to turn that page and read the rest. Until next time.....



Florida Membership/Sages WorldWide (WW) Directories: WW is an expanded listing of all who serve(d) and we have recorded. See at '<https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/>' -Pg 07.' Directories available via email to requesting paid-up members.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board Members

Elected

President-**Lou Seiler** Vice-**Ed Lindsay**
Secretary & Publicity-**Sean Ryan** Treasurer-**Joe Goldian**

Appointed

Activities-**CMSgt Matthews/CCS**, Hall of Heritage-**Mike Young/CC HO**
Hospitality-**Judy Milam-Henderson**, Web/Electronic Media-**Mike Black**, Clark **Creery**, John **Horsch**, Membership-**Clark Creery** Post-Monitor Editor/Alumni of the Year Coordinator-**John Horsch**
Sage Shop-**Steve Revels/HQ IG**
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A Minute with the Minutes

AFTAC Cares Program: This ongoing program supporting deployed active duty AFTAC members continues to receive good support from Sages. (see PoMo active-duty section and alumni assn website for more).

Golf: Ed Lindsay, 'Major Arranger' reports, pg 1.

Hall of Heritage: Mike Young/CC HO, We are moving slowly ahead with creating an AFTAC display at HQ, AFISRA. Right now we are in the process of planning the mock-up of a foil (to highlight airborne sampling) and procuring an older seismometer (to highlight seismic). Next steps will then be to work with the AFISRA HO display expert to put all of this together. It will probably be completed sometime this summer.

The design of the new building is 100% complete. I am satisfied at this point that our new 'Hall of Heritage' will have adequate space to tell our (your!) remarkable story and to preserve our heritage.

Membership: Clark **Creery**, WorldWide-4621, SEO-170, Deceased-475, FL/LT-632/570, ePoMo/USPS, 312/320, eALLert Subscribers, 808.

Post-Monitor: John **Horsch**, our 300+ eSubscribers 'clicked' the August issue posted at 'Box.com' nearly 300 times, for 'Previews' and 'Downloads,' - meaning, try ePoMo, you'll like it., you 'see/do more' with ePoMo!!

'Membership Musings'

CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

The AFTAC Alumni is enjoying a brand new membership year. We enjoy a 52.3% of our Florida Membership using the electronic Post Monitor notification and we thank you for that. We continue to drum up business asking you to please think about saving us Postal Rates by using the electronic capability. We know that not all of you have computers, understand computers, or could care less but by going electronic you are subjected to a world of color and up to date news. If you really have to have a copy to take with you to the half-moon house in the mornings try purchasing a brand new printer.

Printers used to cost an arm and/or a leg and now they are in the 60-120 dollar range and they function well. However, I wish I had invested in ink modules because that is how manufacturers make their money. We have 632 card carrying members in the Florida Chapter and we thank you for that. 331 currently have elected to

go electronic so we are on the upswing. I continue to get excuses telling me that the member is old.....Well, I have news for you...so is this membership chair.

Ok, lets talk to those with electronic capability! Our editor places links into the publications and often they look confusing. Most start with http:// or www.blah-blah, this is a language that these new computer programs use as traffic directors. On-line you can just click your mouse on that blue looking address and if your computer is set-up correctly it will take you to that address so you can see what the hay we are talking about.

On the USPS copy, links are black print and can be confusing but hang in there, those links do open and you can see what is going on. When you want to see the link you must type that into your computer. That is called a URL and you just type it into the location that wants the electronic address. Be careful, I often 'fat finger' the addresses and I get errors telling me that China is closed or the Defense Department cancelled my insurance. These are only errors so start over! On the electronic copy we hide this foreign looking address behind a term like: "CLICK HERE". That is the beauty of trying the KISS method to make things easier for you. If you run into a problem, do not hesitate to call or write us. We are not experts but, no doubt, have someone we know who can assist you. After all, you are our members and we value your membership - -Active Duty - Civilian Workforce - or retired personnel. Above all keep computen!

HAVING ROOM FOR MORE MEMERSHIP MUSING CLARK SENT ALONG MORE

As I settle down to write a short note to all or our readers I notice how quickly the year has passed. Must have something to do with my advancing age? (No comments please!) We have had a pretty special year in preparation for our Worldwide reunion which will take place in May of 2015. My addition to that planning was to sort out all of our membership from Florida, Colorado, and California from the data that I have been maintaining in our Master Database. We thank all of you who remember to let each chapter know when your address or email address has changed. It is almost a full-time task tracking down the right place to find you.

Personally I cannot believe the AFTAC entry into the Social Media because every time I turn around I find another group. That does my heart good to see all those folks and watch their comments; however, if they ever all sign up with the Alumni I will have to hire a staff.

We hope that our website entries are both informative and easy to use. We know that not everyone is an expert with computer links or some of the ways that must be used to access what we have buried in those hallowed halls called Google. If you have an issue please let us know so we can either; help you, ignore you, or change things. Communication is necessary in this day and maybe often too much!

Membership sign-up this year has gone well and we only have 5 or 6 who will be removed from our active

rolls. That does not mean they are gone forever, just that we will not send notifications of the Post Monitor or special items any longer. Those folks will remain in our overall Google listing of those we know are or were in AFTAC and have email addresses. Please have a safe holiday and don't forget to write - our editor loves your notes. Thanks much...Clark And thank you, Clark for always having something important to write!!



PoMo Editor Note: The following was published in the previous PoMo ... at this writing, a later ECHOES has not been published.

COLORADO NEWSLETTER, 2014.07 EXTRACTS

ECHOES

President, Steve **Clark**-Vice, Darrel **Kline**-Treasurer, Bill **Schmied**-Newsletter Editor, Jerry **Moxley**/Publisher, Ken **Behrens**-Webmaster, Bill **Harris**-Website @ <http://www.aftacco.org/> Membership: 87



FL Editor Note: Jerry Moxley (Moxi), ECHOES Editor, advises Sages can request a complimentary 'electronic' issue via email, mox@wisptel.net, on a one time basis for review and consideration of joining the Denver Chapter.

Events Calendar

WEBSITE (URL @ OFFICER LISTING) HAS INFO/UPDATES-CONTACT IF ATTENDING
-General Membership Breakfast 13 Sep 2014, 09:00, Aurora Hills Golf Course Club House. 50 S Peoria St, Aurora, CO 80012. cost \$12.00 - Buffet Breakfast. Eggs, potatoes, meats, toast, chili, etc., juice and coffee. Please RSVP to Darrel Kline vicepres@aftacco.org or 720-439-9939 NLT 5 Sep 2014. **Winter Dinner** 15 Nov 2014, 1700

CALIFORNIA NEWSLETTER, 2014.10 EXTRACTS

DEPOT FALLOUT

2014-15 Board: Dave **Tarquino**, President; Joe **Johnson**, Vice; Ken **Denbleyker**, Chairman of the Board of Directors (COB); George **Thompson**, Asst. COB; Steve **Fritts** (D), Director At Large; John 'Butch' **Kemna**, Treasurer; Dennis **Nolan**, Asst. Treasurer; Bob **Baker**, Secretary; Ken **Breitwieser**, Asst. Sec; Dave **Price**, Membership; Don **King**, Newsletter Editor; Bob **Fitzgerald**, Webmaster - Website @ <http://www.aftacwcc.org>. **Florida Editor's Note:** *The 1st Page of this 'Fallout' is available at the website, full issues preceding this are also available. This editor can personally attest to the value of reviewing CA's posted issues. There are articles of high interest for Sages not available elsewhere, better yet, become a member..*



Events Calendar

Just a reminder business meetings are the 2nd Monday of March, June, September and December at 7:00 PM at the Lionsgate Hotel on McClellan Park. The meetings last about an hour and all Alumni are welcome.

(Always check our 'Events' page, <http://www.aftacwcc.org> or call ahead to our President to confirm time & place.)

A Word from the President

DAVE TARQUINO

Our Fall Social will be on 8 November at the China Buffet (see article below). Please join us for a good time and bring a friend. We will have an election at the Social to fill the vacant Director at Large board position. If you are interested, contact a board member. Our business meetings and social events are open to the entire AFTAC family. Put the dates on your calendar and join us if you can. Our next business meeting is 8 December at 7:00 PM at the Lions Gate Hotel, at McClellan Park.

Website Activity Report

BOB FITZGERALD, WEBMASTER, WWW.AFTACWCC.ORG

NOTE: Florida Editor's compilation of Bob's report: Jul-Sep, unique visits, almost 20,065, Avg per day, 218, Most visited page, Albums/Departed. **Check it out, see what those thousands are seeing.**

Membership News

DAVE PRICE, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Members = 147 Life Members = 136. Annual membership fee of \$10 is due by 01 Jan each year. Check your mailing label, or check the "WCC Roster" from our website "Forms" page. Life memberships are available for \$75. You can use the "Membership Application/Roster Update" form on the last page of this newsletter or the

one from our web site "Forms" page to send with your dues. Don't let your membership lapse. Those alumni who are not current with their membership dues will be dropped from the "active" roster along with our newsletter distribution & email notification lists. (See our web site "Forms" page, "WCC Roster" link to check status.)

And More ...

JOE JOHNSON

This is a special note for old time B types (early 1950s) and others that may have known or worked for Dr. Carl **Romney**. I noted in his obituary that he had written 3 books. I have read 2 of them (Recollections and Detecting the Bomb). I am sure many would enjoy the read as much as I did.



"It is part of my responsibility as Commander in Chief of the Armed forces to see to it that our country is able to defend itself against any possible aggressor. Accordingly, I have directed the AEC to continue its work on all forms of atomic weapons, including the so-called hydrogen or Super bomb."

President Harry S. Truman, 31 January 1950

(Nevada Site Office)

PoMo Editor's Note: The 'Fallout' often has stories of interest. This recent issue had these pictures. The first is captioned as you see. The second picture:

INTO THE MUSHROOM CLOUD

Excerpted from an article By Mark Wolverton
Air & Space Magazine

We present this information to tweak your interest in membership in this chapter. They also have several meetings and social events every year.

MONITORing Active

Duty Doing' from around the AFTAC world

Command Section



Col. Christopher A. Worley

Commander/CC/2012.05 The Col served the AF in many capacities before AFTAC. Recently chief, requirements & assessments, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance at the Pentagon. He was commissioned in '92 from the Officer Training Group and was a distinguished graduate. NOTE: Complete Bio: <http://www.afisr.af.mil/units/aftac/index>



CMSgt Matthew Brown

Superintendent/CCS, 2014.05, AF/AFTAC1988 The Chief grew up in Raleigh, NC. He has served in various positions in AFTAC including S. Korea, Australia, Alaska, Thailand, Germany, Nebraska and the Center. Additionally, Chief Brown has deployed with the WC-135 and operated in a wide variety of mission techniques within AFTAC. Education: All NCO Academies. Complete Bio, same as CC above.



FEB 5TH, CENTER ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Chief **Brown/CCS**, advises the banquet is Feb 5th. - Additional information will be provided at the Assn website, as available, <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassneedtoknownow/1d-association-newsletter-post-monitor/5a-breaking-news-updated-07-30>

AFTAC, In The News

AFTAC officially falls under 25th Air Force

WAYNE AMANN, PAFB PA, 09.29 - CLARK CREEY ALERTED WITH AN EMAIL, AFTAC PA SUSAN A. ROMANO AT FACEBOOK PAGE, 'AFTAC ALUMNI OF THE WORLD UNITE'

25 AF: New chapter in a storied JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO - LACKLAND, Texas -- As the Air Force's premier intelligence organization approaches its 66th Anniversary, it will mark the occasion under a new unit name and structure. The Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency is now the Twenty-Fifth Air Force, following its re-designation ceremony Sept. 29 in the headquarters Ardisana Courtyard here on Security Hill. It's the sixth iteration of the organization which was activated as the United States Air Force Security Service in October 1948. See the

report, <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123426473>

Original AFTAC building will soon come down'

NORMAN MOODY, FLORIDA TODAY 5:36 P.M. EDT SEPTEMBER 25, 2014-ALERTED BY RICHARD MARCHAND FACEBOOK POSTING 'AFTAC ALUMNI OF THE WORLD UNITE!' 09.25

Read it all here: <http://www.floridatoday.com/story/news/local/2014/09/25/original-aftac-building-will-soon-come/16226635/>

Pearl Harbor Remembered

R NORMAN MOODY, FLORIDA TODAY, 12.06

<http://www.floridatoday.com/story/news/local/2014/12/05/pearl-harbor-attack-remembered-pafb/19958959/>

PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE – As they have for nearly two decades, men and women from Patrick Air Force Base gathered to honor survivors and pay tribute to those who perished in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor 73 years ago. The Air Force Technical Applications Center at Patrick Air Force Base held the Pearl Harbor and Pacific Theater Veterans Ceremony Friday morning outside The Tides club. PoMo Editors Note: See the rest of the article, with pictures and video, at the URL aboe.



AFTAC Cares

Packages for Deployed

Details and needed items, at Alumni Assn website, 'Need To Know Now' link. <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassneedtoknownow/aftac-cares-program-support-our-deployed>

'Cares' Contact: Carol Snyder, Carol.Snyder@us.af.mil, We currently have 7 AFTAC deployed, some have written 'notes of appreciation,' see following.

NOTE: Carol forwards these notes and we post them at the association' website (URL above), and, as possible, in the PoMo. Often, these 'Thanks' make very good reading and provide insight into what our deployed experience. **Several of those 'Thanks You's' follow:**

10.01 Posting. Please pass along my sincerest thanks to the spouses club (and the alumni). I am so appreciative of the box that everyone took the time/effort to put together for me. The little things here in the desert really count. It shows that you are not forgotten. Please tell everyone that I am extremely grateful. v/ r **RAYANDRIA L. JILES**, SSgt, USAF R&R Leave, CAOC/CS

EVENT/*****ALUMNI INVITED*****	DATE/TIME
WindDown	1st Friday Each Month/1530
LRDAA Monthly Meeting	2nd Monday/Ea Month/1600 or other designated time
Burger Burn	Every Thursday/1100 -1230
Pack-n-Wrap for the Troops	Bi-Monthly/1830

LOCATION	POC/REMARKS
Outside HQ's Building	See website calendar noted below.
1545 HQ's Lobby or other Venue	See website calendar noted below.
HQ	See website calendar noted below.
Various, contact POC	See website calendar noted below.

Ed Note: Active-Duty recurring events, Alumni Always Invited ... for a complete current and recurring listing, see the 'Schedule of Events' kept up to date by the Chapter Secretary, Sean Ryan, <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassneedtoknownow/4-active-duty-schedule.>

The Boosters Club Officers/Report

President: SSgt Gray-**Vice:** SSgt Doerr, **Secretary/PA:** A1C Pham-**Treasurer:** SrA Helms-**Clothing Sales:** SSgt Vanzandt-**Fundraising:** SrA Warfield

SSgt Gray reports the 'Center Winter Social' is Dec 12th and the annual picnic April. Please see below for more information on the 'Winter Social' and on the picnic as it is available.

PoMo EDITORS NOTE: Center Annual Award Banquet is also usually during this triannual period. To follow all events at the Center we pass on information via eALLert's to subscribed members (open to all, email 'chrisjohn2@gmail.com' to enroll) and/or the <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassneedtoknownow/Home> Breaking News' and/or 'Calendar of Events,' Page 05. Check often

AFTAC 'Now'

SUSAN A. ROMANO, AFTAC/PA, PROVIDES ITEMS OF INTEREST ON A REGULAR BASIS AND WE POST THEM AT THE ASSN WEBSITE, [HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/SITE/LRDALUMNIASSNEEDTOKNOWNOW/](https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassneedtoknownow/) 'PAGE 1-BREAKING/NEWS TO KNOW,' CHECK THERE OFTEN. AS SPACE PERMITS, ABSTRACTS FOLLOW WITH A LINK TO THE COMPLETE STORY, OFTEN WITH PICTURES. LINKS WERE CURRENT AT THE TIME OF WRITING BUT MAY BE MOVED, IF SO, CHECK 'NEWS/ARCHIVES.' SUSAN'S ITEMS MAY ALSO BE POSTED AT THE [HTTP://WWW.25AF.AF.MIL/](http://www.25af.af.mil/)

09.24 Posting. Conference Room posthumously dedicated to 'IT whiz kid' "What would you do if you were told you might only have six months to a year to live?" This poignant, sobering question was posed by Damon Flores to followers of his blog after he learned he was diagnosed with recurrent thymic carcinoid, a rare type of malignant cancer. In March 2013, he had just come back from an appointment with his oncologist who had delivered the devastating news that his cancer was increasing in size and scope, despite the treatments he was undergoing. Point blank, Damon asked him, "How long do I have to live?" The oncologist's somber guess was, "Six months to a year." Turning to his blog, he wrote, "I have no idea how any of this will turn out, but no matter what, I'm determined to make the best of whatever time I have left." Read complete story here, with picture(s) <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123425886>

09.24 Posting. Symbolic visit provides closure for family Several months ago, a few members of the Air Force Technical Applications Center brought a bit of vindication to a former scientist who was seeking a concrete answer about a prediction he made in 1953. Dave **Merker**, director of the U.S. National Data Center here and members of his directorate responded to a request from Dr. Carl **Romney**, a geophysicist who served as an assistant technical director for the Air Force Office of Atomic Energy-One and later as a technical director for AFTAC. Romney had asked the nuclear treaty monitoring center if it could confirm if his calculation of a Soviet thermonuclear detonation at the "Joe-4" test site on Aug. 12, 1953, had been accurate. Read complete story here, with picture(s) <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123425874>

09.13 Posting. AFTAC hosts Women in Science & Engineering Symposium The Air Force Technical Applications Center hosted a two-day Women in Science

and Engineering (WISE) Symposium Sept. 10-11, whose central theme was to support and foster a diverse science, technology, engineering and mathematics workforce. Nearly 230 people attended the event that was open to the general public, despite being held on a military installation. Read complete story here, with picture(s) <http://www.military.com/veteran-jobs/career-advice/2014/09/25/aftac-hosts-women-in-science-engineering-symposium.html?ESRC=careers.nl>

08.29 Posting. AFTAC to conduct medical tests after possible exposure Preemptive steps to ensure the health and well-being of a group of **base employees** here are being taken. https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B00G_kI02bKbeHQxUVFnQVVLvWZTV2Vka0NrR_DJQS2dNckpv/edit

11.03 Posting. Retirement leads to surprise wedding vows A military retirement ceremony is steeped in tradition that usually includes a medal presentation, a flag-folding ceremony and a shadow box gift for the retiree. But one senior noncommissioned officer from the Air Force Technical Applications Center here took his special event one step further: he renewed his wedding vows with his wife. Master Sgt. Thomas **Arevalos**, AFTAC's heating, ventilation and air conditioning project manager, surprised his wife, Melissa, at his ceremony Oct. 17 in the Doyle Northrup Conference Center ... <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123430334>

11.18 Posting. 25th Air Force Chaplain visits Treaty Monitoring Center By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs Twenty-fifth Air Force's senior chaplain visited the Air Force Technical Applications Center here Nov. 10 to learn more about the center's nuclear treaty monitoring mission, meet with its personnel and deliver an uplifting briefing aimed at dealing with stress. Entitled, "Riding the Dragon," Chaplain (Col.) Clifton Perry's presentation contained several interactive slides that were based on an inspirational book by Robert J. Wicks. The book's subtitle is, "Ten Lessons for Inner Strength in Challenging Times," and Perry's briefing focused on four of the 10 lessons. <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123431801>

11.21 Posting. Diversity key to treaty monitoring center's success By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. -Diversity in thought and approach is critical to innovation, and is a military necessity. It empowers Airmen to overcome challenges the service members face with executing global missions and growing responsibilities. However, gaining the innovative edge requires commitment to fostering and empowering a diverse team to bring together different experiences, cultures and perspectives. See the complete release, with photo(s), <http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123432120>

1. "Commander's reCall"/(2007.09) (last report)
2. "I Remember ... "/This issue
3. "A Family Affair"-Parent/Child Serve LRD (2007.09)
4. "Sage Stars"/Post Service Success (2013.08)
5. "BS Tales"/(2013.12)
6. "Where In The World Is"/(2012.08)
7. "Tom's Trivia"/(2014/04)

NOTE: 'FEATURE ARTICLES' DO NOT ALWAYS HAVE INPUTS.
We list them in the hope it will trigger you to sit down and share a tale or two. It is also a reminder of our dependence on you, our readers AND WRITERS!!
 Send inputs to 'chrisjohn2@gmail.com' or mail to the Alumni Address (see pg 2, left column).

"I REMEMBER ... "

LRD HISTORY BY THOSE WHO WERE THERE

PREPARED FROM YOUR INPUTS. We solicit your **unclassified** career memories (events, people, etc.).

HONOR ROLL: Jack Binkerd, John Horsch (3 reports), Jim Payne, Tom Ciambrone (D), Robert Jones (D), Mary Miller, Jim Davis (7), Rick Holderman (2), Carl Raines, Dan Burk, Harry Bedsworth, Walter Franks, Bill Braukman (D), George Kraus (2), George Waters (2), Marvin Ross, Joe Marshall, Chuck Conrad, Joe Johnson (2), John Bright(3), Robert Mason, Curt Smith (3) Jim Lillethun, William Koerschner, Glenn Kennedy (D), Tom Dunn, Bob Long, Vern Mikkelsen, Brian Swan (D), Bruce Deffler, Les Miller, Clark Wilberg, Lloyd French, Tony Balentine, Wayne Myers, Clark Creery, Gary Warfield (D), Clentis Bailey, Dr. Romney, Bob Chadwick, Dave Wingfield, Bill Moran, Ron Geleta, Harry Hodges, Mary Welch (2, D), Karl Starzinger, John Johnson, Buford Clendenen, Brian Berenbach

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR 'I REMEMBER' REPORTS

Brian Berenbach Update/Reports:

BRIAN IS CONSIDERING WWR2015 AND WROTE ASKING ABOUT SAME AND IF HE'D KNOW ANYONE. SEVERAL OF US RESPONDED ADVISING TO LOOK AT REGISTRANTS AND INVITING HIM. HE WROTE BACK:

Thank you all for contacting me. I will most likely come with my wife as we love Florida, especially after a NJ winter. We don't golf, but all the other activities look good.

As I was a manager of one of the small labs I am quite curious to see how things have gotten on. Major Frank **Liberatori** was my supervisor at McClellan, and I am the guy who first introduced the concept of pressurizing the separation columns to reduce analysis time (I don't know if they still do that).

I will confirm with my wife and then register. We are going to stick around for a full week and do the beach thing and sightseeing. Hope to see you all there.



"BS TALES"

PREPARED FROM READER INPUTS. We solicit your **unclassified humorous** tales about LRD events and people, recognizing anecdotes may be, 1. '**Barely Substantiated**' and/or 2. '**Boldly Stated (BS)**.' Forward yours' to us at 'chrisjohn2@gmail.com' or ATTN BS column, to the Alumni Address (page 2, left column) - we will publish them in the order received and as soon as we can. Thanks for your help.

HONOR ROLL: Jack Binkerd (1), John Horsch (6 reports), Ben Vlassick, (D), Brian Berenbach, Mike Gingrich (2), Frank Liberatori, Bill Taylor, Frank Calenda (6), Ron Cook (3), Walter Franks, Ken Oyer, Bob Chadwick (4), Frank Szachta (4), Chuck Wallace, Jon Kempe (D), George Kraus (2), Bud Horrell, Mike Steskal, Ray Copeland (4), Geno Wagner, Harold Huhs, Jack Wagley, Leroy Jones, Jack Dorneden (7), Clark Creery (5), Richard (Alkie) Summers (2), Les Miller (2), Jon Richardson Mike Higgins, Kenneth Stanford, Dick Grim, James Gindleperger, Harry Joseph, Brent Braud, Charlie Penn, Joe Johnson, Bill Moran, John Griffiths, Dave Jarman, Guenther Lang, William Flowers, Tony DeMarco

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR 'BS' INPUTS, AND, WE ALWAYS LET OUR READERS DECIDE THE MIX OF '1' AND '2!!'

Tony DeMarco and Clark Creery, Report:

TONY EMAILED CLARK AND I ABOUT AN AFTAC COIN HE HAS WITHOUT 99103 ON IT, HE WAS WONDERING WHY AND INFO ABOUT 103'S. IT'S INTERESTING WHAT CAME OF THAT QUESTION, TO THIS POINT. **CLARK WROTE:**

"I found out a bit. 9E000 -- Command Chief Master Sergeant; 9G000 -- Airman Aide; 9J000 -- Prisoner; 9L000 -- Interpreter/Translator; 9P000 -- Patient; 9R000 -- Civil Air Patrol (CAP)-USAF Reserve Assistance NCOs; 9S100 -- Technical Applications Specialist; 9T000 -- Basic Airman. 9L000 replaced 99103 which covered on-site inspection as a part of AF OSIA governed by AFI-36-2605.

I do believe I was made aware of this RI back at TOD because some of our troops did stuff like that. "

Tony replied: "Not sure about the 9L to 99103 relationship but here is what I know or at least what my memory tells me I think I know. Back in the late 60s, as I remember the events and timeline, an overseas Det's operations were shut down, and the staff and equipment pulled out, after a period of being under a modified form of house arrest. At some time later, the Q-4 equipment and 99s were able to be relocated back into the same country but to a different geographical location. This time however, I believe the 99s went in as 99103s.

Another part to the story is that this new RI was not considered during the first promotion cycle after the 99s went in and as a result, all eligible 99s at this new Det location wound up getting an automatic promotion out of the error. I know this because one of the Q types affected by this error and I originally went to the Q-4 School at Lowry in early 66. This individual wound up being reassigned to my Det at the time as very green E-5.

My memory is also telling me Jon S. (RIP), carried this



Tony operating the Q-4 equipment circa 1968

99103 when he spent some time up North working on the VELA Program way back when. Jon was a good friend and also a fellow Det Alumni.

Guess this all falls into the "Barely Substantiated Tales" category uh. Anyway, this is what I remember on part of the 99103 history."

One good story begets another, Tony writes:

Clark, My Fellow J Survey Partner...I know we've talked in the past on what you went through on the book....glad you finally overcame all the obstacles. I plan on getting a copy after I retire and hopefully what you have in there will give me a chuckle or two. Good plug for Clark's book!!

You're definitely correct on the changes in AFTAC and the impact technology has had...most for the good but some not so. I know I'm proud of my 23 years in the Org and wouldn't change a thing. At the time we were in, we all had hands on the specialized equipment. From a Q-4 Standpoint Maintaining/Operating the technique hardware 24/7 was a real challenge, looking forward to the next teletype ZYA, reducing the data, and then getting it off to mother AFTAC was what it was all about.

This Dec 27th will be the 46th year since I reduced the Q-4 film data as the Apollo 8 Capsule made its first circle of the Moon and was returning home. As I remember, the concern was that an atmospheric event could disrupt communications as the capsule reentered.

I remember being on shift when the ZYA India was received on the TTY, doing an immediate channel change, pulling the film off the on line channel, processing it, slapping the film on the viewer, identifying the obvious signal that matched the time window called out in the ZYA message, reducing the Phase II data onto a DD-173, and then having it ready for team review before the Flash (ZZ) Message call came in from the Comm Ctr. As I remember it, I took the reviewed reply Flash Message back over to the Comm Ctr within 20 minutes receipt of the initial Search Message. Gotta love it!!

Too many good memories not properly documented. That's why the PoMo is here, Tony, thanks for your several articles over the years.

Scene Sages (from Pg 4 of our website



Oct, Fall Golf N'Gettogether, photo by Clark Creery. Gene Melchior (spelling is never guaranteed with Gene and Dee's last name, Dee once told me think of 'choir' and spell it wrong!!) and Frank Calenda, two of our splendid members, and volunteers, do something!!



Bob Wiley (I cropped Gene so as not to deal with that spelling!!), one of our 'rovin' digi-cam and reporters' checks out the prizes. Another splendid members, and volunteer.



1st Place Team - Bruce Snelgrove, our G & G leader-Ed Lindsay, Brad Neihart and Dave Money,

"20-YEAR WALL OF HONOR"

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MSGT STEVE NOE

(1984 - 2007)

JUL 84 Mar 2007

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HQ/XPM



CAROL WARFIELD

(1980 - PRESENT)

1980	1982	**	HQ/TFD
1983	1984	**	HQ/DO
1985	1988	**	HQ/SC
1988	1990	**	HQ/DO
1990	PRESENT	**	HQ/CC



CMSGT HARM F. ANING

(1970 - 1998)

JUL 1970	JUN 1971	**	STUDENT LOWRY AFB CO
JUL 1971	DEC 1974	**	DETACHMENT 370
JAN 1975	DEC 1990	**	155th TCHOS/TECH OPS DIV
JAN 1991	JAN 1992	**	DETACHMENT 452
JAN 1992	1998	**	TECH OPS DIV

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ROBERT O. BLAU

(1949 - 1972)

SEP 49	JAN 57	**	ASSISTANT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR
JAN 57	MAY 60	**	ASSOCIATE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR
MAY 60	MAR 72	**	DEPUTY TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

*******SAGE SCHEDULE*******

1. **WindDowns**-(normally sponsored by the active-duty force) are scheduled for **1st Fridays** at 1530 taking place to the west of the HQ building, fondly referred to as 'Stonehenge.'
2. **Alumni Assn Board/Membership Meetings-Normally-2nd Mondays** at 1600 just inside the HQ Building, #10989. Park across the street and the meeting will be in conference room just to the left as you enter the front entrance lobby.
 - a. If a **Federal Holiday**, the meeting will be the next day.
 - b. **Quarterly**-meetings during the last month of a quarter (Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec) may be a luncheon, or a dinner, and at the venues noted below. **NOTE:** Sites/Times will be determined at the preceding meeting and announced via eALLert and posted at the association website. Other Patrick dining venues (Tides, Golf Clubhouse, Marina, Dining Facility) may be considered for any meeting

Active-Duty & Alumni are invited to all events.

BEFORE COMING VERIFY DATE/TIME/VENUE ONLINE

AND/OR WITH YOUR EDITOR

'chrisjohn2@gmail.com'

January

None Scheduled-WindDown at the Outback

12, 1600-Board/Membership Meeting

February

06, 1530-WindDown at the Outback

09, 1600- Board/Membership Meeting

March

06, 1530-WindDown at the Outback

09, 'Off-Site' Board/Membership Meeting, time/site TBD

April

03, 1530-WindDown at the Outback

13, 1600-Board/Membership Meeting

3. **Traditional Annual Event Plans and Timeframes**

(Bold Dates may be tentative-others for planning only)

A. January-April, four events (months may vary)

1. **Jan 31**, SnowBall XVII, see page 1
2. **Feb 05**, Center Annual Awards Banquet, see page 15
3. **Apr**, Center Annual Picnic
4. **May XXVI** Annual Assn Spring Golf N'Getogether, pg 1

B. May-August, one event (months may vary)

Nominating Board (ex-prez+2) selects slate for publication

C. September-December, 4 events (months may vary)

1. **Sep**, Annual General Membership & Elections Meeting, '**Sociable September VIII**'-will be held on a **Friday at lunchtime** to enhance the opportunity for, and encourage attendance of, members and all alumni & active-duty.

--**AOY Selection Committee** meets following the meeting

2. **Oct/Nov**, XXVI Annual Fall Golf N'Getogether

3. **Oct 1st**, Alumni Assn **ANNUAL FY DUES DUE**

4. **Dec 12th**, Center Winter Social, see page 16

4. **WorldWide (WW) Alumni Reunions**

Normally scheduled 'every other year.' Hosting rotates between the three chapters. Lastly, CO-2013.13, before that, CA -2011.05, and FL-2009.06. The next WorldWide is scheduled to be hosted by the

Florida Chapter, 29-31 May, see page 1.

*******SAGE SHOP*******

Orders, unless otherwise instructed, to: Long Range Detection Alumni Assn, ATTN: Sage Shop, Steven **Revels**/IG, PO Box 254892, Patrick AFB FL, 32925-0892. Also reach Steve, by phone:321-494-6867 or Email: steven.revels.1@us.af.mil

SHIPPING: Add \$5.00 for shipping/handling of 1 Item & \$1.50 for each additional. (no shipping cost for Logo pins)

The shop can also be perused on our website:

<https://docs.google.com/viewer?>

[a=v&pid=sites&srcid=ZGVmYXVsdGRvbWFpbm9zaXRlc2FsdW1uaWZpbGVzfGd4OjMwMjQ1NTI5MWRkOTZkNjI](https://docs.google.com/viewer?)

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SALE

SHIRTS NOTE: Most shirts are available in any size/color, including women's sizes. The AFTAC alumni patch can be either appliquéd (pocket remains) or embroidered (not on pockets). Colors listed are on-hand; if items are not on-hand, they will be ordered. Call/email to verify availability.

Golf/Polo Shirt - 50/50 w/pocket; \$18: Sea Teal (aqua blue), Jade (medium green), Forest Green, Navy, Red, White, Royal Blue,Teal, Maroon, Black

Golf/Polo Shirt – Dri-Fit Fabric w/pocket - \$24: Navy, White w/o pocket - \$22: Navy, Red, Royal Blue, Maroon

50/50 T's – w/o pocket - \$8: Light Blue, Royal blue, Navy, Ash Gray, Purple, Red, Fuchsia, Stone Washed Green, Mint Green, Jade Green, Black

Dri-Fit T's – w/o pocket \$13: Royal Blue, Navy, Red, Maroon, Tropic Blue

SWEATSHIRTS/WINDBREAKERS/HATS

Long sleeve fleece sweatshirt - \$18 (most sizes/colors)

Windbreakers - \$24 Royal Blue, colored Alumni emblem

Hats – \$8.00 Blue/White

COINS/PINS

50th LRD Commemorative Coin \$3

60th LRD Commemorative Coin: \$4

(NOTE: 60th Coin flaw: AF Date, Sep 12 vs. 18th; vendor refused to change)

NuDet NDS 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin, supply very limited - \$10

99/9S Coin - \$8

AFTAC 'Traditional' Coin-HQ w/aircraft/motto/logo on reverse \$8

AFTAC Top 3 Coin - \$7

AFTAC Logo Pin: \$3.25

CLEARANCE ITEMS:

Golf Shirt \$5 - Blue, w/word 'Alumnus'; 2-Large, 4-XL

Nylon Jacket: \$10 – Royal Blue, w/white emblem with 'Alumnus'; 1-XL

SAGE SHIP MERCHANDISE FROM OTHERS

AFTAC SEO Airborne Coin - SrA TJ Benscoter - 402-232-1917/Theodore.benscoter@us.af.mil or SrA Chris Hayes 402-232-9182/Christopher.hayes.13@us.af.mil

Det 45 has minted a commemorative coin. Contact the CO Chapter Treasurer, 'Bilschmied@aol.com,' for info/purchase.



"Tom Trivia," if any, Answer:
None this issue

OCT 17, XXVI ANNUAL ASSN SPRING FLING (<<<Pg 5)

of rabid, or is it avid, golfers. They packaged up goody bags and set up the table for the registration. Bob Wiley was a constant blur taking pictures for posterity.

It was a beautiful day and the golfers soon began to arrive. A trickle at first, then waves. The original group was to consist of 72 individuals. The word must have gotten out, because 84 people ended up arriving, but the stalwart gang of volunteers weathered the barrage of queries and confusion. With everyone registered for the day's adventure, Rene Uzee, ex-AFTACer, provided the Rules of Engagement for the event. At 1300hrs, the 21 teams headed to their designated holes and the fun began. All the while Bob Wiley could be seen snapping photos of the grand procession...he was everywhere. We should call him "Flash." (pictures at website)

After a little over 4 and a half hours of chasing the little ball around the course, everyone met back at the clubhouse for a BBQ dinner. Stories were swapped and tales told. People collected their door prizes and waited for the tally of the days event to be presented.

It was a close competition, with the top three teams having the same score of 55, that is 17 under par. It was determined by some kind of voodoo magic that the final standings were: **1st place** team of Dave Money, Don Gilbert, Bruce Snelgrove, and Brad Neihart (see picture, page 18) **2nd place** team of Ed Lindsay, Dennis Kauffmann, Davis Kauffmann, and Gary Killian **3rd place** team of Jeff Stanley, Ric Matus, Mark Lambert, and Addison Mitchell

Other notable achievers were the **Closest to the pins:**

Pete LaJoie, John Corcoran, Chevis Stanley, and Marv Crumpton. The **long drives** were Rebecca Lehnerz and Dave Money. Great day with great friends...can't wait for the next one. **NOTE:** We had one cash sponsor, **Kegman, Inc.** and several donations, **Golf USA**, **Fiesta Azteca** and **Charlie & Jake's**.

"Sage Spotlight" (<<<Pg 5)



HQ AFTAC. Ed served 30 years and was a '99 his entire career. He started out as a 99105 and was a seismic analyst in the Zip room (HQ AFTAC) and also did a year tour in Korea. In 1987 he decided to broaden his experience and cross trained to be a 99104, Maintenance troop.

He had duties as a maintenance technician at the Technical Operations Division, McClellan AFB, California, and other assignments to Thailand, Korea, and Germany. Ed had two tours outside of AFTAC. One as a 99104 Instructor at Lowry AFB, Colorado, from 1991-93 and at the Air Intelligence Agency from 2000-2007, serving as the logistics liaison between AFTAC & AIA for 3 years and was the 9S ('99) career field Functional Manager for 4 years. He went to Germany to be the Detachment Chief of Det 319 in 2007.

Ed was born in 1962 in East Los Angeles, Calif. Ed is married to Mi Kyong (Connie) Lindsay of Pohang, South Korea since 1991. Ed has one daughter, Angelina, who is currently going to Eastern Florida State College and will be transferring to University of South Florida.

Ed loves spending time with the family, golfing, working outside, playing sports, volunteering, and just chilling.

Ed says he loved his entire time with AFTAC and did not have a bad assignment. All great missions and locations working with great people.

Wow, Ed, great career. Thank you for your service to the AF, AFTAC, and now the assn as Vice. Welcome aboard and hope you stay awhile.



Membership Application

(complete and mail to ATTN: Membership Chair) (address/contact information on Page two, left panel)

FLORIDA Chapter dues (check one, enclose sum): ☐ \$10 annual dues ☐ \$75 lifetime

SPECIAL OFFER, for first time (new) members only, 3 year's dues for **\$20** ☐

NAME Spouse

ADDRESS:

CITY/STATE/ZIP:

PHONE NUMBER: EMAIL/HOME PAGE (optional)

NOTICE: Membership information will be passed to other Alumni Chapters and members, and may be made available on the association website unless you state this information is not to be released.

SELECT PUBLICATION DELIVERY MODE: I choose to receive the triannual newsletter, **Post-Monitor** via ☐ (X one) (Same Day as 'Printer') Electronic (Link/PDF) ☐ (Hard-Copy, Several Weeks Later) USPS ☐

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Standing on the Shoulders of Giants
May 29-31, 2015

DOUBLETREE HOTEL OCEANFRONT
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321-783-9222



This form must be returned with payment NLT: **April 25, 2015**

Applications will be returned and Refunds Cannot Be Made After This Date – Attendance Is Limited To 300

*** Indicates Required Fields**

Please Print All Information

We MUST Have Accurate, Legible Information In Order To Contact You

*Attendee First Name _____ *Last Name _____

*Are You A Current Alumni Member ____ Yes ____ No *If Yes What Chapter ____ FI ____ Co ____ Ca

Spouse First Name _____ *Will Spouse Attend? Yes ____ No ____ No Spouse ____

Guest First Name _____ Last Name _____ **For Additional Guests See Below**

*Your Address _____

*City/State/Zip Code _____ - _____

*E-Mail Address **Please Print Legibly** _____ *** If No Email Please Provide A Phone # On Next Line**

Phone Number - Include Area Code: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

*Can we share the above information with other members? Yes ____ No ____ Note: Names Will Always Be Shared

FOLLOWING RATES ARE PER PERSON:

Registration Fee Per Person (**Required If Attending ANY Function**) x \$10 = _____

Ice Breaker (Friday Evening, May 29, 2015 – Doubletree Hotel) x \$35 = _____

Banquet Dinner (Saturday Evening, May 30, 2015 – Doubletree Hotel) x \$45 = _____

WWR Golf Extravaganza, May 29, 2015 @ 1pm Cocoa Beach, Clubs Provided..... x \$25= _____

Cape Canaveral AFS Tour (**Requires additional personal information**)..... x \$15 = _____

Only 90 Spaces Available
Only 250 Spaces Available

AFTAC Building/Unclassified Briefing (**Requires additional personal information**)..... How Many _____

Important: If either or both Cape Tour or Building Event are selected, notate the requested information on the second page of this form.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

BANQUET Offers (Show How Many of Each):

____ Chicken Breast stuffed w/Apple and Cheddar Cheese

____ Grouper with Lime Tortilla Crust

____ Garlic and Rosemary Roasted Pork Loin

All Meals Served With:

Caesar Salad

Chef's Choice of Starch and Vegetables

Warm Rolls and Butter

Dessert

Chocolate Ganache Cake W/Raspberry Drizzle

Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: AFTAC Alumni Association
Note On Check: "For 2015 Reunion"

MAIL WITH THIS FORM TO: AFTAC Alumni Association
P.O. Box 254892
Patrick AFB, FL 32925

For more guests, check here and enter names on the second page of this form ☐



AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants



***If you selected the Cape Canaveral Tour, please provide the following for each person:**
Note: This information is required for this event.

First Name	Last Name	Drivers License State	Drivers License Number

If not a US citizen, provide Passport Number instead of Drivers License

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Note: This information is required for this event.

First Name	MI	Last Name	Suffix	Date Of Birth	Social Security Number	Citizenship (US, Canada, etc.)

If not a US citizen, provide Passport Number instead of Social Security Number

List Additional Guests Not Entered On Page One:

First Name	Last Name

For Questions, Please Call/Email the below between the hours of 0900 – 1900 Eastern Standard Time:
Data Center 321-773-2046 Cell 321-987-7557 datacenterwwr@aol.com
Reunion Committee Chairman 321-242-9017 deborah@aftac2015wwr.com

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