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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 reached the best of stages Being one of the Center's Sages





#### \*SAGE SALUTE\* AFTAC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PROUDLY PRESENTS

**ALUMNI OF THE YEAR, 2014** MSgt (Ret) Sean Ryan



Sean announced as the 'Alumni of the Year' 2014 at the Florida Association's annual SnowBall (Jan 31). At an event that Sean was the 'Major Arranger' the President, Lou Seiler, and the AFTAC CC, Col Worley, made the announcement.

Sean was surprised and touch ed by this honor and made a moving acceptance. He had been selected by previous recipients of this highest honor bestowed by the Alumni Association. To see a write-up of Sean's contributions, go to this link, https:// onedrive.live.com/view.aspx? cid=0C55E3BD8493EB1F&resid=C55E3BD8493EB1F%

21449&app=WordPdf Sean also received the 'Traditional T' and letter of congratulations from the Assn President and was our first recipient of the new 'Alumni Association coin' specially minted for the association and further refined for this selection and honor, see below. He was also honored at the 'Center Awards Banquet' on Feb 4th, Sean shares this experience on Page 4.



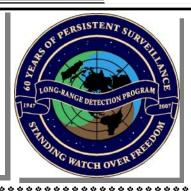
Coin design, with AOY designation, by association members and MSgt Taguba. See it featured on the back page of PoMo, 2014.08.

#### **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 ALERTS-WHAT'S COMIN' UP\*

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

#### AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015, May 29-31

'Standing on the Shoulders of Giants' Hosted by the Florida 'AFTAC Alumni Association.' Serving Those Who Served, and Those Still Serving, for over 30 years."

DEBORAH CARSON, 'MAJOR ARRANGER

Wow, it's hard to believe this is the last update for the Reunion. Only two more months to go before the big event. We hope you haven't put off signing up for the Reunion as time is running out. The cut-off date for res-

ervations is 25 April 2015. We must turn in our numbers to the hotel and confirm the guest list.

We presently have 195 people coming in from all over the country, 27 states to be exact. The contract with the Bus Lines for the Cape Canaveral >>> pq 3

#### \*ACTIVE-DUTY ALERTS\*

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#### 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:** 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.

NOTE: PoMo pictures (& more) are at our website (URL at banner above) on various pages/compiled on page 4. Also, check the Colorado & California websites for more pictures, reports and information, URL with chapter information on next page. ASSOCIATION INFORMATION <u>Deceased. (D)</u>
Honor Roll: Alumni Of The Year Recipients (20)
Sean Ryan/2014-Lonnie Gibbons/13-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 (AFTACAA) (chartered, 1986). (from 2001 to 2014, the Assn was renamed 'Long Range Detection' (LRD) to meet USAF requirements to operate on base) --The Association 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 is this Association and two Chapters

1. Florida 'AFTAC Alumni Association': (application-back page)-Dues, \$10/FY (1 Oct-30 Sep) payable in Oct/\$75 for life. Most monthly meetings are at 1600, second Monday of a month (verify if coming) at the AFTAC HQ (Bldg 10989), or other venue, at Patrick AFB, FL-details, see 'Sage Schedule' at back of issue. Contacts: Clark Creery, ccreery@cfl.rr.com, mailing address is: PO Box 254892, Patrick AFB, FL 32925-0892. The Association has several communications resources, the triannual newsletter, 'Post-Monitor' (namesake of prior active-duty publication, 'Monitor') & multi-page Website, see banner on previous page, with assn/alumni news and photoswe 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-Ird.'

"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, Mbshp 99-04; Joe Goldian, Treas, since 2003; Randy Vlassick, Mbrship 04-09; Sean Ryan-Secretary since 2009.

- **2. Colorado Chapter:** Formed 1991, **\$5/year**, they publish a newsletter, 'Echoes', have several meetings and social events a year. See website at <a href="http://www.aftacco.org">http://www.aftacco.org</a> for additional information and email contacts.
- **3. California Chapter:** Formed 1999, **\$10/year/\$75 life**time. For more, email, TOD.Alumni@AFTACWCC.org-mail, Alumni Assn, PO Box 3974, Citrus Heights, CA 95611-3974. The Chapter meets several times a year, publishs a newsletter, 'Depot Fallout' & has a website, <a href="http://www.aftacwcc.org/">http://www.aftacwcc.org/</a>



1985 BYLINE BY COL CIAMBRONE (D). PICTURE BY JOHN'S IPHONE, LEFT, ME GETTING READY TO RIDE HONDA ELITE 80/RIGHT, BOCA RATON, FL, FAMILY, RICK, CATHY. KARLY, ME. QUENT.

I must start this issue congratulating Sean **Ryan** on his selection and recognitions (pg 1). Sean, you are 1 of 20 now spanning that same number of years!!

--and, as noted, Sean was also honored at the 'Center Awards Banquet,' and a major new initiative was announced at this event. A 'Wall of Honor' will be erected near the entrance of the HQ's Building. Each year several Center Personnel who pioneered and contributed in a superior manner to mission accomplishment will be selected and recognized on this wall. Twelve were announced this inaugural year:, see those, and more, at our 'Active-Duty' pages.

Moving on, I trust you all have your Florida Reunion suitcase packed and we'll see you there ... it's going to be a one-of-a-kind wing-ding with the new building and all, and to see the state of the old one ... if its still there!! And the planned activities, wow, new stuff to see everywhere.

We had an interesting discussion at the December meeting. It came up that now we are the 'AFTAC Alumni Associaton' again, what would be our acronym? AAA was already in use, and some other things sound awkward. I'm proposing, 'AFTACAA.' What do you think ... I might even use it in this issue. (see boilerplate to the left)

Along these lines, and at the same meeting, we had a lengthy discussion about whether Florida was actually a 'Chapter,' or the 'Association.' After thinking of us as a chapter for all this time, I had to come around, after much thought and pondering, to agree, we are an Association, and not a Chapter, per se, by the strictest reading of our constitution. So, I have made every effort to incorporate that thinking in this PoMo, if you read where I've written 'chapter' please let me know!!

And more 'along these lines,' some have asked about our website URL still reflecting 'Long Range Detection (LRD).' For the time being, Clark (Creery, Membership Chair/fellow Webmaster) and I, along with the board, have decided to leave it as is. It's called that in places we know of, and some we probably can't remember, it may be technically difficult to change, and we are all used to it now. We'll see down the road if it needs to be changed or not. --there's even the point we include the Florida Association, and the Chapters, information on the website. Maybe LRD

is more inclusive of what we actually are trying to do. Finally, a last word about the reunion. It's going to be a good one with the new Headquarters Building, and the improved 'Hall of Heritage.' I hope to see you there.

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

### \*ALERTS-WHAT'S COMIN' UP\* <<< Pg 1

demand and is currently sold out. The up side?? There are other activities that are

And don't forget about the AFTAC WWR2015 Golf Extravaganza at the Cocoa Beach Country Club (details below).

There are a few spaces left for the mission briefing by the AFTAC Commander and a visit to the Hall of Heritage in the new AFTAC operations facility. There will also be a formal presentation of the Wall of Honor. Following the briefing and presentation, the active duty folks will provide "a pay-as-you-go" picnic lunch for those interested.

Remember, in Florida there is always something to do. If you've missed the Cape Tour, give "Andy" Anderson, our former AFTAC member, now travel agent at Air Land & Sea Travel, 1-800-799-1094, a call to ask about the many things to do in the area.

If you've been keeping up on the Reunion web page, you'll note that AFTAC's former Superintendent, retired CMSgt Ken **Myers**, is offering a private plane ride (for a nominal fee) over the Space Coast and AFTAC building. Please contact him directly for reservations (myers kenneth@yahoo.com). Not far away is the Lone Cabbage Fish Camp which excels in their chicken, shrimp, and alligator baskets and cold beer. And while there, for \$20, you can experience an exhilarating ride on one of their air boats through the St John's river estuary. Also, the newly built Exploration Tower in Cape Canaveral (<a href="http://www.explorationtower.com">http://www.explorationtower.com</a>) is worth taking a look at.

Finally, there is the hospitality room that will be open at convenient times where you can brush shoulders with your peers and their significant others. Many people have told us that other than the existing events, they will be spending a LOT of time sunning at the hotel pool or on the sandy beach. Can't say we blame them. As mentioned in our last update, rooms are being reserved quickly so we will soon exceed our contracted numbers. We negotiated for additional rooms, but even those are running out. We are currently anticipating over 200 attendees. Sign up on our web site (https://sites.google.com/site/

IrdAlumniassnneedtoknownow/Home) or select the link to print out a hard copy registration form and get into the action for this Worldwide Reunion. Remember, we must receive your registration and payment by 25 April 2015 or we cannot guarantee your attendance. We encourage our local alumni to sign up for activities soon to better help us plan this great event. **Schedule of Events** on the last page of this PoMo.







#### AFTAC WWR2015 Golf Extravaganza

**Location**: Cocoa Beach Country Club, Tom Warriner Boulevard (at the end of Minutemen Causeway). Cocoa Beach, FL 32932-2430. **Time/Date**: Shotgun start, 12:45p, Friday, 29 May 2015.

Format: Individual play for points of 9 holes of golf as determined by the WWR2015 Golf Committee. This will be a test of individual social skills, strategic acumen, and camaraderie. Each hole will have a challenge for points. Golf Club(s) and 3 balls will be provided to each player and the rules determined before the event. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 players with the most points.

What to Bring: Bring a relaxed demeanor, an appetite for fun, and a thirst for beverages. We look forward to seeing you there. Direct any questions to: Tony Calenda (acalenda@cfl.rr.com) and/or Ed Lindsay (piston\_horse@hotmail.com).

#### Scene Sages, 'SnowBall XVII, Jan 31st Sean Ryan, AOY 2014



Sean's (left) selection is announced by AFTAC CC, Col Worley (center) and Assn President, Lou Seiler. Sean receives the 'New' 'Alumni of the Year' Coin, our first selectee to do so.



The 'Harbor City Harmonizers' harmonize and entertain. Dan Brinkman, far left, one of our own, is a part of this group.

PICTURES BY CLARK CREERY, BOB WILEY AND LOU SEILER

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#### \*EVENTS-WHAT'S GONE OFF\* <<< Pg 1

#### DEC 12TH, CENTER WINTER SOCIAL

THE EDITOR

Another good one, the 'AFTAC Booster's Club' does it again ... and this time the Alumni Assn was very involved, from attending the planning meetings to running the basket raffle, we were there, we thank them for thinking of us for these duties.

There were many attendee's, Active and Sage's, too numerous to mention, but check the presentation at our website, Page 4, 'Scene Sages,' here's one to get you started. https://drive.google.com/viewerng/viewer? a=v&pid=sites&srcid=ZGVmYXVsdGRvbWFpbnxwZXJzb25uZWxsa XN0aW5nfGd4OjIzNzRkZDk1NThINTIIMA

As you will see, Sean Ryan, our AOY 2014 and longtime Assn Secretary, and wife, Michelle, did it again ... best basket of the bunch!! Of course I'm prejudiced. And, again as last year, as if rigged, a Sage, walked away with our basket. Steve Herrick was the lucky one this year!!

The food was good, as was the company. The **Eddle**man's, the Ryan's, the lucky Herrick's and my gracious neighbor, Kathy Vannucci and I, sat at a very well placed table, I appreciate that Kathy even shared some food, when I asked!!

Plan to be there next year, you won't be sorry.

### JAN 09, ACTIVE-DUTY WINDDOWN, ASSN SPONSORED CLARK CREERY, OUR EVER FAITHFUL ROVIN' REPORTER REPORTS, PICTURES, HE & BOB WILEY, OUR EVERY FAITHFUL ROVIN' DIGICAM MAN!!

Thanks to Chief **Brown**, he reminded the Commander that the Alumni was responsible for the support. The Chief also conned the new Chief of the 'Ciambrone Lab' into joining the Alumni. Frank **Calenda** and Bob Wiley did the honors of taking pictures and I am sure those will be great. (see link to Franks outstanding video at the end of this article). Overall, great afternoon – The booster's Club held elections and announced 'Stonehenge' will be upgraded for cookouts. Our thanks to Sean Ryan and the Active Duty personnel for doing a bang-up job. See Franks' outstanding video of this event, <a href="https://">https://</a> picasaweb.google.com/101921526656470861638/ January92015?authkey=Gv1sRgCJ-O5rexsZaAdg&feat=directlink#6104005197343069394

#### DEC 12, AFTAC LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON JUDY (MILAM) HENDERSON

AFTAC Ladies – active duty and retired – gathered for a Christmas Luncheon at Mimi's Restaurant in Viera. Even though we had a small turnout this year, it was a fun group, and we were able to do some "catching up."

A couple of years ago we started a new tradition collecting toys for Toys for Tots, and this year we collected a nice selection of toys to be distributed to needy kids in our local area. We also do an ornament exchange. Attendees are invited to participate in the ornament exchange and the collection of toys, or they may do only one, or neither. It seems the Toys for Tots is the most popular. We're hoping for a larger turnout next year. If you're a female AFTACer – active duty or retired - and would like to get on the list to be invited next please send email year, an jem2415@earthlink.net (or call 321-327-3175) and we'll be sure to get the details to you.

Judy, thank you. It so great we have such a group, keep it up. Front Row: Pat Snyder, Eunice Harris, and Eileen Best. Row: Judy Henderson, Deborah Carson, Lois Stephano, Suzanne Cahill, Tina VanKirk, Renee Clary, and Rebecca Lehnerz. Pics by Judy. Shadowed Picture, toys collected.



Snowball XVII, Saturday, 31 January 2015

SEAN RYAN, 'MAJOR ARRANGER,' FLORIDA ASSN SECRETARY



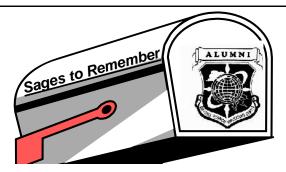
It was my true honor and privilege, in total surprise and awe to receive the 2014 'Alumni of the Year (AOY)' at the recent Snowball. An award, chosen by the Alumni Association and Chapters selectee's of past years.

WOW! Last year was CO. I did not, by any means, not or nor, expect, or sense a person, of knowing, to receive it, by me, as AOY. To be further acknowledged by the unit at the Annual Awards Banquet later that week, by the Commander and Staff. I, am still in total surprise, of receiving this award. As is Michelle. (She, is there 24/7, for me thru thick and thin, 30+ years later; she never stops supporting me, no matter the hour of day, or duty, in or out of Active Duty or Retired, USAF, or the Alumni).

It is not one, it is a Team effort to achieve it, and be recognized as such. That takes not just a Spouse, but others in Teamwork in the Alumni, to achieve it. I spoke of those words at the dinner and recognized many of them, if not others thru other communications. As a member's Wife and others in room said, after I returned to table, "'Bout Darned Time Sean, truly well deserved,

You earned it"!. I take no credit for what I have done in 6 years for the Alumni, in a variety of duties and events. I am so humbled to receive this award, as it is decided from a lot of folks to be chosen.

Not waving the flag, of an award received. It is truly appreciated to be honored as the 2014 Alumni of Year (AOY). Thank you. More, see 'The Back Page."



#### Personals ...

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

#### In Memoriam

- 1. Paul Dettmer
- 3. Richard Chamberlain
- 5. Frank McGuire
- 7. Robert Faulk
- 9. John Charette
- 11.Hank Raymond
- 13. Richard Rudolph
- 15. Rich Krebs
- 17. Satch Satterlee
- 19. Clifford Walters

- 2. James Flener
- 4. Richard Burns
- 6. Jerry LaBarre
- 8. James Hawkins
- 10. Thomas Bressan
- 12. Jerry Collins
- 14. George Thompson
- 16. Al Gomes
- 18. Harvey Shaw
- 20. Frank Winter

#### Rest in Peace

Memoriam, Steve Cook (last issue)

**DEVIN SAPPINGTON, 12.08** 

The world has definitely lost a special person. As sad as I am I agree that its good that he is no longer suffering. I will look forward to seeing you all when we get together to celebrate his life.

STEVE NOE, FACEBOOK, 'AFTAC ALUMNI OF THE WORLD UNITE' ... STEVE WAS FIRST BUT MANY FOLLOWED.

We lost another good one...my friend Steve Cook passed away at home yesterday...keep his wife Joanne and his son Jeff in your prayers...

RON PRUDHOMME

I just learned that our good friend, Steve Cook, is now in the arms or our lord. Steve battled a serious illness for several years. Please say a prayer for Steve and his family.

TOM CAMERON

We definitely lost a good friend and brother with Steve's passing. Their family has been through so much. Although he is now gone, he is no longer suffering. Deb and I have known their family for so many years. We will continue to pray for JoAnne and Jeff that there will be no more suffering and that their family gets through this. Please pass our condolences to the family and keep us informed about any services. May God guide them through their time of sorrow.

RUSS FORTENBERRY

God Bless you Steve.

FRANK AND EDNA CALENDA

We didn't know Steve very well but in reading all the

responses, it's hard not to understand that he was a special person. It's always hard to lose one of our own and we send our condolences to his family.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them."

So sad and painful to lose a Brother, always too soon. Forever and always remembered.

ED LINDSAY

I did not know Steve Cook very well, but had the opportunity to work with him on a few projects...the times I was with Steve and met him the past few years, I knew and felt I was in the presence of a special Man...he was one of those people that we have the honor to encounter during our time on this rollercoaster ride...he made it fun and exhilarating...God Bless and Rest in Peace Steve Cook.

DIANA TROMBLEY

Thank you for letting us know and keeping us all posted Roger. Steve was one of the best bosses I worked for over the 16.5 yrs at CTI/MTC/BAE. He made a joy to come to work. Rest in Peace Steve. Continuing to pray for the family.

MARIA LONDONO

Cesar and I are truly grateful for the time we had with Steve. We will all miss him and know that he is healthy now with the Lord in heaven. All our love to JoAnn and the rest of the Cook family.

#### 1. Paul Dettmer

POSTING BY MARK SMITH @ FACEBOOK SITE, 'AFTAC ALUMNI OF THE WORLD UNITE,' FOLLOWED BY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM ROY HORTON III, ALSO A PREVIOUS AFTAC COMMANDER.

"12.30 Per Col **Worley/**AFTAC/CC: Maj Gen Paul Dettmer, former AFTAC Commander, passed away this morning after bravely fighting cancer this past year. For those that knew him, you'll recognize what a great, caring and dedicated man Gen Dettmer was ...and through his passion for Airmen set the standard and served as a role model for so many of us in the Air Force. Please keep his family, wife Cathy and children Ali and Andrew, in your thoughts and prayers."

LATER ÍN THE DAY, ADDITIONAL WAS PROVIDED BY ROY E HORTON III

Major General Paul Allen Dettmer, United States Air Force, Retired, age 59, died peacefully at home with his family in Centreville, Virginia on Monday, December 29th, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer. General Dettmer was born on October 6th, 1955,in Bakersfield, California, to Paul and Barbara Dettmer. He was a 1977 graduate with honors of the United States Air



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Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he earned a degree in Biological Sciences and was commissioned upon graduation. He served 33 years in the Air Force, retiring as a Major General. He married the former Catherine Marie Brucia in 1992 and served in critical

leadership positions in Korea, Germany, Panama, and many other locations over his distinguished career. Major General Dettmer retired in 2010 during his final military assignment as the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, The Pentagon. In that capacity, he was responsible to the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force for policy formulation, planning, evaluation, oversight, and leadership of Air Force intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance capabilities. During this tour, he played a key leadership role in the development and fielding of the MC-12W Project Liberty program, a unique nontraditional ISR reconnaissance asset needed for protection of U.S. and allied forces engaged in the global war on terrorism. He was also responsible for the overall strategy and implementation of ISR personnel and assets supporting deployed U.S. and Allied forces in Iraq and Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. While Director of Intelligence at Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe immediately following the 9/11 terrorist attacks in the United States, he spearheaded the development and fielding of critical intelligence systems supporting U.S. military operations in both Iraq and Afghanistan. His efforts resulted in the successful prosecution of key targets, the protection of key critical assets and the saving of American and Allied lives. Major General Dettmer achieved recognition as a leader in all areas of military intelligence, particularly in airborne ISR operations. Early in his career, he was hand-picked to establish a new detachment in Panama of military flyers supporting ISR missions in Central and South America. He was responsible for high tempo operations in the 1980s that were critical in supporting U.S. military operations during Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada and Operation Just Cause in Panama. Paul held a variety of other key intelligence leadership positions, including Intelligence Assessments Division Chief in the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Director of the Tactical Signals Intelligence Program Office for the National Security Agency: and the Vice Director of Intelligence, Joint Chiefs of Staff, where he was responsible for the daily intelligence briefing to the Secretary of Defense and key Pentagon staff. In all these positions he played a leadership role in developing and deploying significant new intelligence collection capabilities to support ongoing military operations throughout the world. General Dettmer also commanded the 27th Air Intelligence Squadron at Langley Air Force Base, Virginia; the 607th Air Intelligence Group at Osan Air Base, South Korea; and the Air Force Technical Applications Center at Patrick AFB, Florida. He was a highly respected Commander of forces who always put the welfare of his people first. General Dettmer is the recipient of the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, seven Meritorious

Service Medals, two Air Medals, and numerous other significant awards and decorations. General Dettmer was one of the most distinguished Air Force military intelligence officers of his time. He answered the clarions call to duty with distinction. After his retirement from military service, he was recognized in September 2013 as an inductee to the Air Force ISR Agency's Freedom through Vigilance Hall of Honor. Survivors include his loving wife, Cathy, and two children Ali and Andrew. He is also survived by two brothers, Tom and Bob, and a sister, Susan. He was preceded in death by his parents. A viewing will be held at Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home, 9902 Braddock Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on Sunday, January 4th, from 2 - 6 p.m. and a mass of Christian burial will be held at Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, Virginia, at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 5th, with a reception to follow. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery with full honors at a time to be announced at a later date. Relatives and friends are welcome at the viewing, the mass of Christian burial, and the interment. Memorial contributions in Paul's name are welcome at the Air Force Aid Society in lieu of flowers, by clicking on Paul's name at the following link: https:// www.afas.org/memorials, or by mail to Air Force Aid Society, 241 18th St. S, Suite 202, Arlington, VA 22202 and please include Paul's name with your contribution. Flowers may also be sent to the Funeral Home, and should be scheduled to arrive no later than noon on Sunday, January 4th. Paul was a real gentleman and a fine officer: he will be missed.

#### 2. James Flener

CONTACTED BY CLARK CREERY, OUR PAR EXCELLANCE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, WITH HIS INSTINCT FOR A STORY AND INVESTIGATIVE SKILLS, FOUND THIS AS HE EXPLORED A MAILING PROBLEM.

James Blakley Flener, who was born in Welch's Creek, KY the son of the late JW and Claudia Flener and a retired air force master sergeant, died peacefully Saturday, November 17, 2012. Service: Dermitt-Joyce Funeral Home, Caneyville, KY. November 27th and funeral service November 28th. Burial (was) in the New Hope Cemetery. Memorials: Gifts in Blake's memory may be given to the Gregory B and Pamela G Flener Scholarship fund at Murray State University (106 Development Center, Murray, KY 42071-3313). Blake received his MBA with an emphasis in finance from MSU in 1977, earning his undergraduate degree in technical education from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1974. He served nearly 22 years in the U.S. Air Force and two years in the Kentucky Air National Guard



between September 2, 1952 and August 31, 1976. During active duty he was engaged in electronic signal intelligence and also taught electronics to entry level technicians. He finished his career as an electronics technician and an ILS instructor for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Though he had not lived in Kentucky for several years, he held a special place for Kentucky and MSU. Childhood memories stay with us all, and it's those people and places in Kentucky that he remembered the most. He was preceded in death by his children Gregory Blake and Pamela Gail Flener. Survivors: His wife of 34 years, Jahron (Ronnie), Brother-in-law Thomas Sellars and his wife Mary Ruth and their daughter Allison, Mother-in-law LaVerne Bierman and many relatives and friends. http://www.dermittjoycefuneralhome.com/obits/

obituary.php?id=228053 Clark also posted this information. Murray State University is proud to announce the Gregory Blake Flener and Pamela Gail Flener Memorial Scholarship, established through generous gifts of their father, James B. Flener of Arlington, Texas, formerly of Butler County, Ky. The scholarship was established for full-time MSU undergraduate and graduate students from Butler County. Gregory and Pamela Flener had the condition amyotonia congenita, a rare muscular affliction, and both passed away in the 1950s from pneumonia, a common cause of death of those with this affliction. As a memorial to their lives and in support of higher education, Flener anticipates this scholarship to be helpful to Butler County students attending or planning to attend MSU.

#### 3. Richard Chamberlain

CONTACTED BY DALE KLUG, CA CHAPTER

CHAMBERLAIN, Richard Eugene "Dick" Of Sacramento, died January 1, 2015, at 90 years of age. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Virginia; son Richard Jr. and his wife Cheryl, son Shawn, and daughter Rebecca and her husband John; four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, sister Evelyn, brother Jack, and many nieces and nephews. Services (were) held on , Jan. 9th at Mount Vernon Memorial Park, preceded by visitation. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch near Amarillo, Texas.

Dick was born in Norfolk, Nebraska, the third child of John Harold Chamberlain and Clara Belle Dobney. With the onset of the Great Depression, his family moved to a farm where he grew up during the dust bowl years. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1942 and graduated from pilot training in Texas in 1945. He was transferred to Williams Field, Arizona, where he met Virginia Bowman who became his bride on November 16, 1945. One month prior to their marriage, he was released from active duty.

He served in the Air Force Reserve until he was recalled to active duty in April 1953. Dick had assignments throughout Texas, Mississippi, Kansas and Mas-



sachusetts in addition to deployments to Korea, Turkey and Southeast Asia. He was a command pilot with over 8,000 hours of flying time, which included more than 700 hours of combat flying time. He flew 23 different military aircraft and received numerous awards and decorations.

including the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

He retired in 1974 after 31½ years of military service. He was a local volunteer in state and federal politics after his retirement. He liked traveling, playing golf, collecting clowns and model cars, vegetable gardening, and, most of all, spending time with family. Read more at the website, <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?n=richard-chamberlain&pid=173758819&fhid=6999">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?n=richard-chamberlain&pid=173758819&fhid=6999</a>

Bob **Fitzgerald**, CA Webmaster, added two updates: 1. LtCol Chamberlain worked with Lew Horne in Logistics at the 1155th Tech OpsSq back in the 1970's." 2. Birthdate, 12 Sep, 1924.

#### 4. Richard Burns

CONTACTED BY DOUG AND NANCY BARR, DOUG WROTE:

Unfortunately, I recently heard of the "passing" of Richard "Dick" Burns from his wife, Ursula Burns, in Sacramento, California. Dick Burns passed away August 25th, 2014 from a heart attack. From what I remember, Dick was in the Research Department in Supply from 1972 to his retirement from the Air Force in 1977. I am not totally sure of the dates. I was stationed in supply at the 1155th from August 1972 to September 1976 in item accounting and then supplies management. I came to know Dick at that time. He and I have stayed somewhat in touch via mail or emails over the last 37 years. Anyone stationed in the 1155th lab or maintenance during that time and had a need for a "part" would probably have talked to Dick. Once Dick had left the Air Force, he obtained a bachelors degree and then a masters in Sacramento. He eventually went to work in the McClellan ALC transportation directorate. As I recall, he advanced to either a GS 12 or 13 department manager. When McClellan closed, he totally retired. Dick's remaining family are wife Ursula Burns, son Shaun Burns and brother Donald Burns. Regretfully submitted, Douglas Barr, Lt. Col. USAF (ret.), Jasper, Ga. Editor's Note: Obituary follows:



"BURNS, Richard A. Ret. MSGT, United States Air Force (USAF) Born in Philadelphia, PA 11-19-40 to Richard A. Burns Sr, and Delphine Marie Burns. Passed away in Lincoln, CA 08-25-14. Survived by his beloved wife of 37 years, Ursula, brother Donald Burns (Marie) of Havertown, PA, sisters Delphine Fecca of Boothwyn, PA and Kathleen Paffett (Bill) of

Drexel Hill, PA., sons Shaun Burns (Cindee) of Sacramento, CA, Richard A. Burns III of Seaford, DE, and daughter Michelle Burns of Pollock Pines, CA.

Also beloved grandfather, great-grandfather and Uncle to numerous grandchildren, great-grand-children, nieces and nephews. Richard retired from the USAF after serving 20 years before becoming a dedicated Civil Servant at McClellan AFB, Then retiring to Lincoln, CA, were he got involved with Citizens on Patrol (COP) unit assisting the police department on numerous occasions. He obtained a Masters Degree in Business from the University of San Francisco, CA, There will be a "Celebration of Life" service in honor of Richard at a later date." Published in The Sacramento Bee from Aug. 29 to Sept. 11, 2014 Obituary Link (Guest Book) <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?pid=172285273">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?pid=172285273</a>

#### 5. Lt Col (Ret) Frank McGuire

NOTIFIED BY JON AND VI RICHARDSON WHO WROTE:

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I'm not sure if AFTAC has received this word or not. Franks wife Donna sent out an E-Mail that Frank (Mac) had died Sunday Jan 25 at 6:25 am in Sioux Falls

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SD. Could you please put this in the E-Mail Obituary. Donna said Frank wanted to be buried in his uniform because even after 40 years of retirement he still wanted to be back with his old friends from AFTAC. Frank was an Airborne Systems Officer with AFTAC F Systems as well as a bomb /navigator.

CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, LOCATED

THIS OBITUARY, LINK FOLLOWS:

A good man, Francis L. "Frank" McGuire died on Sunday, January 25, 2015 at Avera McKennan Hospital. Visitation will begin at 2:00PM on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at George Boom Funeral Home with the family present from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. A Liturgical Wake and Rosary will be held at 7:00 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, followed by interment at Holy Name Cemetery in Rock Rapids, IA.

Frank was born on April 9, 1932, in Rock Rapids, IA, to Cecil and Abbie (Lee) McGuire. He went to St. Thomas College in St. Paul. He married Donna M. Summers on August 1, 1953. After graduating in 1955, he was commissioned in the United Stated Air Force. He served for over 20 years, including tours in the Philippines, Kwajalean, British Guyana, Thailand, Spain, Vietnam, and South Korea. After retiring in 1975, Frank and Donna moved to Sioux Falls where they operated Valli Hi Skating Rink for two years.

He was business manager for GKR Realty then worked part time for the IRS. Frank furthered his education by completing his Masters in Secondary Education from Augustana College. He worked as an independent business consultant and officially retired in 2007.

Frank was a proud member of the American Legion and Retired Officers association. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus and Holy Spirit Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife, Donna, of Sioux Falls; children: Timothy McGuire, of Dublin, TX, Teresa Zuraff, and her husband, Tom, of Garretson, SD, Michael McGuire and his wife, Carina, of Lauderhill, FL, Joseph McGuire, of Mitchell, SD, Kathleen Godfrey, of Sioux Falls, SD, Patricia Huizenga and her husband, Toby, of Harrisburg, SD and Mark McGuire, and his wife, Lisa, of Broken Arrow, OK; thirteen grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. NOTE: Link to Obituary, Guest Book, and more: <a href="http://www.georgeboom.com/sitemaker/sites/georges/oblt.cgi?user=1509460McGuire">http://www.georgeboom.com/sitemaker/sites/georges/oblt.cgi?user=1509460McGuire</a>

6. Jerry LaBarre

CONTACTED BY EUNICE HARRIS AND JIM DAVIS. JIM HAD CALLED JERRY'S SON, MIKE, AND, AS BEST HE COULD UNDERSTAND ON A GARGLED LINE, REPORTS:

I talked to Mike LeBarre (Jerry's son) and he filled me in



'20-Year Wall' pictures, Jerry and Terry, and Jerry at a younger age!!

on Jerry's death...Jerry died Jan 5th of complications from diabetes and pneumonia. A small family service was held and Jerry was cremat-

ed. Another service will be held later also and his remains will be interned in New York. Jerry's wife Terry is in a nursing home there in Florida and is doing quite well physically...they have taken her off some medication and it has helped...That's about all I know....I served with Jerry at different locations and enjoyed our association...a lot of work and of course a lot of good memories as well. We enjoyed using "SKYPE" communicating over the years....I will miss him and our association.

CLARK CREERY, FLORIDA AFTAC ALUMNI ASSN MEMBERSHIP CHAIR RESEARCHED AND FORWARDED THIS OBITUARY LINK, <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/woonsocketcall/obituary.aspx?pid=174047231">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/woonsocketcall/obituary.aspx?pid=174047231</a>, TEXT READS:

SARASOTA, FL - Gerald R. LaBarre, of Sarasota, Fl., passed away on January 5, 2015. He was born in Woonsocket, RI, on July 5, 1931. Son of the late Armand LaBarre and Edna Boisseau. Survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Therese S. Castonguay. Preceded in death by a son, Gerald LaBarre, Jr.. Survived by his children, Michelle Pennock, her husband John, of Ecuador, South America, Suzanne Robinson, and Michael LaBarre of Florida, 11 grandchildren, 16 greatgrandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Survived by his brother, A. Robert LaBarre, his wife Nancy of Greenville, RI, and his sister Claire Lachance, her husband Charles of North Smithfield, RI.

Gerald served in the United States Air Force from 1951 until honorably discharged as Senior Master Sergeant on January 1,1975. His second career was for Bechtel Corp. during construction of the Alaska Pipeline and then for Alyeska Pipeline Service Company (operating pipeline for the Alaska Pipeline) until retiring on October 31, 1992.

A memorial mass, celebrating his life, will be held on Saturday, February 7th at 10:00 AM at St. John the Evangelist Church in Slatersville, RI. Family and friends are invited and welcome to attend. Published in The Woonsocket Call on Feb. 4, 2015.

Memoriam-Jack O'Connor, 1009th SWS email, 01.27 I flew with Jerry out of McClellan and Eielson AFB's in the mid-50's. We both survived the transition from WB-29's to WB-50's. Not everyone did! He was a great man and a favorite of Buck Copeland. One of the best hunters we had!

#### 7. Robert G. Paulk

CONTACTED BY SPOUSE, MARIE. CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, LOCATED THIS OBITUARY. MARIE WROTE:

"I am the wife of M/Sgt. Robert G. Paulk, AFTAC group. Robert passed away November 30, 2014. He would want his AFTAC buddies to know of his passing.

OBITUARY, for Guest Book and Picture. <a href="http://www.shackelfordfuneraldirectors.com/obituaries/Robert-Paulk/#!/Obituary">http://www.shackelfordfuneraldirectors.com/obituaries/Robert-Paulk/#!/Obituary</a>, Text follows: Robert Gene Paulk was born on October 3, 1934 in Hardin County, the son of the late James and Emma Higgins Paulk, who preced-



ed him in death. On November 26, 1976, he was united in marriage to Marie Horton Paulk. Mr. Paulk was a retired US Air Force Master Sergeant. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1954 and served for a period of twenty years retiring in 1974. He was stationed at Air

Force bases in Texas, Nevada, Tennessee, Alaska, Virginia, Florida, France, and Easter Island, Chile. He was an administrative supervisor and for the last eleven years of service was assigned to the Air Force Technical Applications Center headquartered in Alexandria, Virginia. He served at the headquarters and subordinate units in Alaska and Chile. This organization's mission was the operation of the US Atomic Energy Detection System which monitored the nuclear capability of Russia, China, France, India and other countries developing nuclear weapons. Following retirement from the Air Force he returned to Savannah. He was employed by the US Postal Service in 1977 and for the next twenty years served as a postal carrier and clerk at the Savannah Post Office. He was the local American Postal Workers Union Stewart for ten of the twenty years employed by the Post Service. He retired from the Postal Service in 1997. Mr. Paulk was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Savannah, Savannah Masonic Lodge 102, the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry (32nd degree), of Corinth, Mississippi, Al Chymia Shrine Temple of Memphis, and the Pickwick Shrine Club of Hardin and McNairy Counties. He had served in the offices of President and Secretary of the Pickwick Shrine Club and was active in their annual Hospitals Benefit Drive raising funds for the Shriners Hospitals for Children. He was also a member of the Air Force Association. Mr. Paulk departed this life on November 30, 2014, at Baptist East Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. In addition to his wife Marie, he is survived by two children Donna Paulk Wilkes and husband Kevin of Savannah; John A. Paulk of Pickwick; one sister Carolyn Paulk Strobl of Houston, Tx.; and five grandchildren: Bethany Wilkes, Jennah Wilkes, Callianne Paulk, Halle Grace Paulk, and Elijah Paulk; nephews James W. Paulk, Robert A. Paulk and Thomas J. Paulk; and one niece Laura Ann Paulk Gipson. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife Janey Vinson Paulk and brother, William J. Paulk. Memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Children's Hospital or to the Darryl Worley Foundation. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Robert Gene Paulk please visit our Sympathy Store. NOTE: Marie later wrote, "He loved AFTAC and will rest in peace knowing that his information has been disseminated to all his buddies.

#### 8. James R 'Bob' Hawkins

CONTACTED BY EUNICE HARRIS, WHO WROTE:

Bob worked in my office. He was a Lifetime member of the Alumni. He had Huntington's Disease. The URL for this listing, <a href="http://obitsforlife.com/obituary/1035817/Hawkins-James.php">http://obitsforlife.com/obituary/1035817/Hawkins-James.php</a>

USAF Ret. MSgt. James R. "Bob" Hawkins, 62, husband of Janice Callahan Hawkins, died Friday, January 16, 2015 at his home.



Born in Florence County, he was a son of the late Jesse T. Hawkins, Jr. and the late Lollie Newman Hawkins. Mr. Hawkins was a member of Wise Drive Church of the Nazarene. He was a quarterback on the 1969 undefeated, State Champion Edmunds High School Football team. **He retired** 

from the U.S. Air Force after 20 years of service and was a veteran of Operation Desert Storm. During his military career he received numerous awards including the Meritorious Service Medal. Air Force Commendation Medal with four bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with five Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, National Defense Service Medal with 1 Bronze Service Star, Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with four Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, NCO Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with one Bronze Service Star, and Air Force Training Ribbon. Mr. Hawkins also retired from Sumter Machinery Co. after fourteen years of service. He was an avid South Carolina Gamecocks fan. Survivors include his wife of Sumter; two sons, Robert A. Hawkins (Becky), and Adam C. Hawkins (Desiree) both of Sumter; two step-children, Angela Mahoney (Robert), and Keith James Hammond both of Sumter; nine grandchildren, Matthew Hawkins, Alex Wells, Kaezlyn Hawkins, Brice Cornett, Savannah Mahoney, R.J. Mahoney, Austin Mahoney, Lollie Marie Hawkins, and Adam Jesse Hawkins; and one half-sister, Sheila Blackwell (Ted) of W.Va..

Funeral services will be held at Noon Monday at Wise Drive Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Sammy Geddings and the Rev. Harold Kirkland officiating. Burial, with full military honors, will be in the Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Chet Dinkins, Phil Prescott, Frankie Frye, Kevin Suggs, Wayne Rucker, Donnie Lovelace, Sam Smith, and Brandon Bowman. Honorary pallbearers will be the Wise Drive Church of the Nazarene Men's Softball Team. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to Noon Monday at Wise Drive Church of the Nazarene and other times at the home. Memorials may be made to Wise Drive Church of the Nazarene, PO Box 1405, Sumter, SC 29151, or Huntington's Disease Society of America, 505 Eighth Avenue, Suite 902, New York, NY 10018, Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter is in charge of the arrangements.

#### 9. John E. Charette

CONTACTED BY SON, JOHN

John Edward Charette, 73, of Alfred, Maine, died on February 1st at Maine Medical Center in Portland resulting from a tragic accident. John was born and raised in Sanford, Maine, to parents Edville and Alice Charette. He grew up on Errol St, attended Holy Family School and graduated from St. Ignatius High School, class of 1959. He meritoriously served 21 years and retired from the U.S. Air Force in Denver, Colorado. With Angie, his wife of 54 years, they owned and operated Lakeside Sport and Marine on Lower Mousam Lake, in Shapleigh for 17 years from 1983-2000. John was a

devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a man of deep character who was admired and sought out by many for his selfless acts of kindness, advice and assistance to others.

He is survived by his wife Angie, three sons, eight grandchildren and two sisters: son John and his wife Lorrie of Nashville, TN; grandchildren Jacob and



Rachel; son Steve and Renee of Amesbury, MA; daughter-in-law Denise of Wells; grandchildren Ryan and Jason; son Scott and his wife Sherri of Scarborough; grandchildren Ethan, Lucas, Mason and Connor; and, sisters Beatrice Long and Bette McGlincey both of Sanford, Maine. Visiting hours will be on Thursday from 5 to 7PM at the Carll-Heald & Black Funeral Home, 580 Main Street, Springvale. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday at 10AM at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish, Holy Family Church. Burial with military honors will follow at the Southern Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Springvale. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to The Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675 or <a href="https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org">https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org</a>

Condolences may be expressed at <a href="http://www.blackfuneralhomes.com/cgi-bin/heald-obit.cgi?Name=John%">http://www.blackfuneralhomes.com/cgi-bin/heald-obit.cgi?Name=John%</a> 20E.%20Charette

Memoriam-Jim Davis, 02.03 Sorry to hear about the death of John Charette...He indeed was a fine person, one of our best...I well remember John when we were assigned to the Prompt Data Analysis Section, I am sure you remember him as well...John always kept me well informed as to what was going on in the "O" Systems ... Thanks, Jim, I do, and he was indeed a very good troop.

#### 10. Thomas Bressan

CONTACTED BY DALE KLUG, CA CHAPTER. WHO WROTE:

Tom was a life member of AFTAC Alumni Association, West Coast Chapter and a frequent attendee at our spring picnics. Born just 12 days after me, he was a personal friend of mine as we worked together as "C" and "U" system technicians in the 1960's. We reminisced about old times during our occasional meetings while shopping in the McClellan commissary. I'll miss his always-friendly attitude and warm smile.

http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?n=thomasrenzo-bressan&pid=174075988, text of that follows:



BRESSAN, Thomas Renzo Thomas Renzo Bressan born December 16, 1942, to William and Bruna Bressan, passed away on January 28, 2015. His battle with cancer ended suddenly surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife Raissa Bressan, brother William Bressan, sister Elaine Richer, children-Lynne Bressan, John Bressan, Tanya Mackie, grandchildren-Serena Anderson, Tristen Anderson, Arian-

na Anderson, great granddaughter Vanessa Anderson along with multiple cousins, nieces and nephews. Thomas was born in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and joined the **US Air Force in 1960. He served for 22 years and retired in 1982.** He loved spending time with his family, camping/fishing and traveling. He was a mean harmonica player and enjoyed late nights with friends playing music and enjoying life. He was loved by many and could strike up a conversation with anyone. He will be greatly missed by many. In honoring his wishes, there will be no service or memorial. In lieu of flowers/cards, please make a donation in his name to the American Cancer Society.

#### 11. Wilbur C. Raymond

CONTACTED BY BOB WILEY AND CLARK CREERY

Satellite Beach, FL. Wilbur C."Hank" Raymond, Jr. 85, of Satellite Beach, FL, passed away on Feb. 10, 2015. He was born on Dec. 5, 1929, in Stratford, CT to Wilbur and Anna Raymond. Hank served his country



honorably in the USAF, retired MSGT. He is survived by his beloved wife; Jane, children; Laura Raymond and Joyce Isaacs, sisters; Barbara Perham, and Mary Jane Knecht, grandchildren, Nicholas Thomas, Angela Richardson, Philip Guccione and great-grand children, Alyssa and Juliana Richardson, Collin, Owen, Mason, Addisyn and Adreeyan Thomas. A memorial service

will be held at the Oceanside Community Church, 305 Cassia Blvd. Satellite Beach, FL 32937 on Sat. Feb. 21, 2015 at 4pm/ Hank's memorial page may be visited at <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?">www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?</a> n=wilbur-

raymond&pid=174128772&fhid=10204#sthash.R0XwZwyg.dpuf

Memoriam-Jim Davis, 02.14 Am truly sorry to hear of the death of Hank Raymond....Hank was a special person assigned to Det 407 back in the mid 50's He was a true "team' person with a positive attitude in meeting mission requirements... He always shared all the delicious cookies Jane prepared for the men...Yes, I am sure he will be missed by many who knew him.

#### 12. Jeremiah James Collins

CONTACTED BY JOE JOHNSON, CA CHAPTER, WHO WAS CONTACTED BY ROBERT ALLENDER AND JERRY'S DAUGHTER, MARY BETH COLLINS-COOK.

Joe added, "Jerry Collins was a life member of the FI Assn. He was in the group of 60 of us that started with the outfit in 1951. He served for 4 years and returned to civilian status. I knew Jerry well and will miss him. Jerry helped organize reunions of the group of 60 in Las Vegas and Kessler AFB."

Mary Beth wrote, "I am writing to tell you the sad news of the passing of my father, Jerry Collins, on January 23. He died peacefully in his chair. He was happy and healthy until the end. I know he would have wanted you to know he's at peace with my mother." The Obituary reads-Jeremiah James Collins, Jr., 83, of Simsbury, beloved husband of the late Kathleen (Scott) Collins, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, January 23, 2015, at his home. He was born August 5, 1931, in Hartford, son of the late Jeremiah James and Nora (Harris) Collins and had lived in Voorheesville, NY, for many years prior to moving to Simsbury 37 years ago. Mr. Collins was a graduate of the University of Hartford, earned his Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) designation, and was a commercial underwriter. He was a senior executive with the insurance commission of the State of New York before working as an officer for The Hartford Insurance Company for over 30 years prior to his retirement. **Jerry** proudly served in the United States Air Force in Korea and Nevada on the "Buster Jangles" project. In addition, he was a Trustee for the town of Voorheesville, NY, a Cub Scout leader, and a baseball coach. Jerry was a member of St. Mary's Church in Simsbury and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, swimming at Craigville Beach on Cape Cod, playing softball, and watching the Red Sox. He is survived by his four children, Noreen Collins of Simsbury, Michael J. Collins and his wife Junko Roberson of Pleasanton, CA, Scott E. Collins and his wife Susan Edison of Bellevue, WA, and Mary Beth Cook and her husband Walter J. Cook, II of Garden City, NY; his grandchildren, Michael Ryan Collins, Carolyn Collins, Andrew Roberson, Adrian Roberson, Julia Collins, Griffin Collins, Owen Collins, Wally Joe Cook, Caitlin Cook and Nora Collins; his great grandchildren, Jacob Pino and Ray-

den Roberson; his brother-in-law, Bernard C. Scott and his wife Mary Kaye of Wethersfield; his sister-in-law, Mary "Misty" Scott of West Hartford and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife of 52 years, he was predeceased by his siblings, Edward Collins and his wife Doris, Barbara Fitzgerald and her husband William, and Geraldine Tomkiel and her husband Anthony, as well as his nephew Keith Collins. Friends may call at the Vincent Funeral Home, 880 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury, TODAY, Thursday, January 29th from 3:00PM to 7:00PM. Funeral will be Friday, January 30th, 9:15AM from the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, 10:00AM at St. Mary's Church in Simsbury. Burial with military honors will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield. Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Please visit Jerry's "Book of Memories" at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online condolences. Published in The Hartford Courant from Jan. 28 to Jan. 29, 2015 - See at: http://www.legacv.com/obituaries/hartfordcourant/ more obituary.aspx?pid=173992846#sthash.H4qLOF6F.dpuf

#### 13. Richard Rudolph

CONTACTED BY FRANK CALENDA WHO HAD INFORMATION FROM DICK GRIM. Dick also wrote, "I talked to Rudy's son yesterday evening and he gave me some info and will contact me with more. I knew Rudy worked for Unisys Computer Systems (after retirement), in Denver for about 10 years. He took care of several commercial accounts. After that he became the 'Rubber Hobo,' see link, http:// rubberhobo70.bravejournal.com/profile.php bought a trailer and traveled all over the country, including a trip across Canada, one down the California coast to see all the lighthouses, as well as a trip up the East coast. One time when he called he said he was thinking about going to Florida and purchasing a Sailboat. Guess what? He did. He wanted to sail some of the Caribbean but soon found that his boat was not a one man operation and sold it. While in Tech School he earned a pilot's license. While in Japan he flew every chance he got. After Misawa he became an instructor at Lowry and often flew East of Denver, landed in a field, next to Bob and Carol Schley's house and visited. Rudy was a real people person and wanted to do and see everything. He never had a job he didn't like. He did a lot during his lifetime and Robbie and I miss him.

RUDY'S SON LATER SENT A COPY OF THE OBITUARY:

Harlingen Texas-Richard Rudolph, 78, of Harlingen, Texas, formerly of Sandoval, died at 6:31am Sunday, Nov 23, 2014, at Harlingen Medical Center in Harlingen, Texas. He was born June 7, 1936, in Detroit, Mich, son of Harold and Geraldine (Shivel) Rudolph. Survivors include two sons, Gary and wife Leah of Sandoval and Mark and wife Theresa of Junction City; a daughter, Deborah Bosler of Central City; grandchildren, Brandon, Zachary, William, Davie, Shane and Tressa; A sister, Judy White of New Hampshire: and a brother, Jerry Rudolph of South Carolina. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson, Michael Mansker.

Mr Rudolph retired from the US Air Force in 1974. He worked for Unisys until he retired. After retirement he bought a fifth-wheel and traveled the country for the last 20 years. He always enjoyed his family get-togethers. Mr Rudolph was cremated in Texas. A memorial service was held on Dec 7th at the General Martin Building in Sandoval.



CONTACTED BY BOB FITZGERALD, CA CHAPTER WEBMASTER WHO HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY TOM OSBORNE AND BUTCH KEMNA

George John Thompson, born on Flag Day, June 14, 1930, in White Plains, NY, entered into rest in Clearlake, CA, on Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at the age of 84. George was a 1st Vice Command-

er of Konocti Post 437 the American Legion, Past Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2337, 40 & 8 Voiture 912 of Lake County and belonged to an Air Force Retiree group. George served his country and retired from the United States Air Force as a Senior Master Sergeant being awarded the National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star, Air Force Longevity Service Award with four Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, SO GB-260, Desert Air Force, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, SMA-MA, Air Force Good Conduct Medal, and the Air Force Medals. He was very active in the veteran service organizations and involved with the Lake County Vet Connect along with being a teacher at the library's Literacy Program. George is survived by his nephews, Harold Schaefer of Brewster, NY, and Frank Fernandez of New Fairfield, CT, a niece, Judy Lyons of Brookfield, CT, along with many friends in Lake County. Friends are invited to attend Funeral Services on Wednesday, January 28, 2015, beginning at Noon at Jones & Lewis Clear Lake Memorial Chapel in Lower Lake. Interment will follow at the Lower Lake Cemetery under the auspices of the US Air Force and the Lake County Funeral Honors Team. Please share your memories of George hν sianina his on-line auestbook at www. jonesandlewis.com and legacy.com. Arrangements under the care of Jones & Lewis Clear Lake Memorial Chapel. Published in Lake County Record-Bee from Jan. 24 to Jan. 30, 2015 More, with Guestbook at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/recordbee/obituary.aspx?n=George-John-

Thompson&pid=173952322#sthash.l0j1yHmE.hg8MGOUu.dpuf

**Bob added:** "George was always active in all our chapter activities, including faithfully attending almost every WCC business meeting and social activity since the inception of the WCC even though he had to drive over 2 hours from his home in Clearlake to attend. George has been on a number of our WCC sponsored AFTAC Worldwide Reunion committees, including the one held here in Sacramento by the newly formed WCC in 1999. At our reunions, you would almost always find George's smiling face 'guarding' the booze as the one in charge of our hospitality suite. In addition to all his help, we will miss his smiles and good humor. May he rest in peace!"

FL Editor's Note: This information was taken from the CA Chapter Website http://www.aftacwcc.org/

Memoriam-Frank Szachta I was saddened to learn of George Thompson's passing. He was one of my Top Special Equipment Operators in the 1155th Air Operations Group while I served as an engineer for acceptance of the new "J System" we were adding to the long wing B-57 fleet, with an additional assignment as an Air Operations Officer with our SEO's on Weather Service 707's on our Sampling Missions. He was an instructor and leader of our SEO men on that mission. I stayed in touch since we were together from 1965 through 1966 and later from 1967 through 1970 as I served again as an engineer at the 1159th TOS at McChord AFB, WA, with an additional duty as an Air Operations Officer during Alerts from Eielson AFB, AK. again during Airborne missions. George was a superb Instructor and a great NCO for AFTAC in all respects. I will miss him.







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#### 15. Rich Krebs

CONTACTED BY DON WHITNEY, 03.01. DON WROTE: RICH PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT...I AW SURE THERE WILL BE MORE DETAILS (E.G.FUNERAL SERVICE ETC) TO FOLLOW. DON FOLLOWED UP, 03.04. THE VIEWING FOR COL (RET) RICH KREBS WILL BE 3PM ON SUNDAY, 8 MARCH AT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ON LEE AVE IN SATELLITE BEACH WITH FUNERAL TO FOLLOW AT 4PM. AND A LITTLE LATER WITH THE OBITURAY (LINK, http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/floridatoday/obituary.aspx?n=richard-krebs&pid=17432103s&fhid=10204):



Colonel (Retired) Richard (Rich) Allen Krebs, born January 25, 1943, passed away on February 28, 2015, at the age of 72 due to complications following a twenty-four year battle with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. Rich was a graduate of Washington High School in Massillon, Ohio,

Indiana Institute of Technology in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and Florida Technological University in Orlando, Florida. While at Indiana Tech, Rich was one of the founding fathers of the local chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Rich was a 26 year veteran of the United States Air Force. Rich spent much of his career in research and development, most notably as part of the AMRAAM (Advanced Medium Range Air to Air Missile) team. He retired from the position of Vice Commander of the Air Force Technical Applications Center at Patrick Air Force Base. Rich is survived by his wife Linda Hartline Krebs, along with daughters Lara Kimbrell (Rob) and Jennifer Pafford, grandchildren Robby and Grace Kimbrell, sisters Burdine Mowery (Denny) and Shirley McCann (Jim), sister-in-law Marcia Schmidt, and numerous nieces, nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews. Rich was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Dorothy Krebs, his parents-in-law Warren and Betty Hartline, and sister and brother-in-law Norma and Jack Isler. A visitation hour will be held on Sunday, March 8 from 3-4pm at Satellite Beach United Methodist Church (450 Lee Avenue, Satellite Beach), immediately followed by services at 4pm. An internment with full military honors will be held at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the ALS Association or a charity of personal choice.

#### Memoriam-'Mouse' James Neumeister

Thank you for sharing this news on Col Rich Krebs, albeit sad. He was the Director of AQ when I first came to DO to work for Col Don Whitney in 1990. About a year and a half later, he pulled me into AQ, which was a welcome new opportunity, but quite short-lived as Col Chuck Culbertson then pulled me to XP.

Rich went on to be CV before his retirement from active duty. He was a great leader, person, and crud player. I recall how unjust it seemed that he was diagnosed with ALS just as he approached retirement. He and his wife, Linda, have remained in my prayers ever since. At least he no longer suffers the ravages of ALS now that God has called him home.

# 16. GOMES, Alfred J (AJ), MSgt, USAF, Retired CONTACTED BY DALE KLUG, CA CHAPTER

AJ Gomes (22 Jul 1933 - 28 Feb 2015) of Sacramento CA passed away on February 28, 2015, at Mercy San Juan hospital. Arrangements are being made for a Mass of Christian burial to be held in West Sacramento very soon and Internment with full military honors at the



Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon CA in late April. Dates and times of both events will be provided as soon as they are finalized.

03.08 DALÉ ADDED THIS INFORMAITON:

A Mass will be held, Saturday March 14th, 7 PM, at Holy Cross Parish 1321 Anna St, West Sacramento 95605. Date & time of

internment with full military honors at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon CA, in late April to be announced.

#### 17. Satch Satterlee

CONTACTED BY JOE JOHNSON WHO RECEIVED THE NOTICE FROM THE FAMILY



Good afternoon everyone. This is Julie, Satch & Peggy's daughter. I know that this is an unfortunate and impersonal way to share the news with you, but we were not sure how else to do so. This morning (Ed: March 10th), after a quick illness, Dad passed away. Mom was by his side and they

were surrounded by loving family. We know in our hearts that he was welcomed by his Son, Larry as he passed here at home. Anyone wishing to send condolences, please contact me directly at (916)416-2069. Peggy asks that no one call the house at this time to allow her some peace and privacy. Thank you for being a part of Dad's life and for your prayers during this time. Julie & the entire Satterlee Family. Picture, Bob Fitzgerald from Family. Editor's Note: Please see followup on 'The Back Page.'

#### 18. Harvey Shaw

THE FAMILY



MSgt (Ret) Harvey Shaw passed away on 03.15.15 after a short battle with cancer, Harvey retired from the US Air Force, AFTAC, and then from the US Post Office. A celebration of life will be scheduled later. Harvey and Carol have beenclose friends for over 50 years. Harv will be sorely missed. John Horsch

Memoriam, Jim Davis - Sorry to hear about the death of Harvey....I have a lot of memories of working with Harvey in "Zip Room"...The Prompt Data Analysis Section at AFTAC...Harvey was always a very serious minded responsible and dedicated member who contributed much to the mission of AFTAC

#### 19. Clifford Walters

BILL SCHMIED, CO CHAPTER

(1934 - 2015) Obituary. Survived by his loving wife Darla; children Greg, Brent, Bryant and Laura. Service at 11am, Thurs. 3/19/15, Harvey Park Christian Church, Denver. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Rocky Mountain Stroke Center/Aphasia Group 5666 S. Bannock St., Littleton, CO 80120 Published in Denver Post on Mar. 15, 2015 Website, <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/denverpost/obituary.aspx?">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/denverpost/obituary.aspx?</a>

Clifford Walters NOTE: Cliff retired from the Air Force in 1971 after serving AFTAC assignments overseas and stateside, including duty as a B Technique instructor at SPINSTRA.

Reference Satch Satterlee- The Family followed up with this thank you, "Hi All, The family wanted to thank you for all the heartwarming thoughts, prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, flowers, etc. over the past week. We can't express how much they meant to us. We have been informed of the date that Dad's ashes will be laid to rest with full military honors. The ceremonv will be at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery located in Dixon, CA on Monday, March 23rd at 2:00 pm. We welcome all who wish to come. Because the celebration of Dad's life was last Saturday, there will not be a wake after the ceremony. Thank you, Peggy, Julie and Donna

#### 20. Frank Winter

CONTACTED BY JOE JOHNSON WHO WAS NOTIFIED BY SON, PETE WINTER I'm Pete, Frank's son and writing this email to let you know he passed away Friday March 20. Very sad to have to let you know this way but I thought you would all like to know. NOTE: Sometime later Pete sent the link to (picture/Guestbook), Frank's obituary www.mohnkefuneralhome.com/memsol.cgi?user\_id=1546562 Frank E. "Buz" Winter, July 31, 1930 - March 20, 2015, Big Rapids. Frank E. "Buz" Winter, 84, of Big Rapids, died peacefully at home on Friday, March 20, 2015. He was born on July 31, 1930 in Big Rapids, the son of Raymond M. and Pearl E. (Young) Winter. Frank graduated from Big Rapids High School in 1948. He married Monai M. Lyle in 1950. In April of 1951 Frank enlisted in the United States Air Force. He served for 25 years achieving the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. Following retirement he returned to Big Rapids where he earned a bachelor's degree in Public Administration at Ferris State He then worked for MOISD where he set up the truancy program and was supervisor of transportation. Frank's interests were fishing, hunting, wood working and family cookouts. He had a massive collection of elephants. Frank loved college football, the Tigers and wintering in the south. He is survived by Monai, his wife of 64 years, five children, Michael (Cindy) Winter of St. Anthony, MN, Thomas(Debbie) Winter of Lawrence, MI, Peter (Brenda) Winter of Paris, MI, Marian (Tom) Benedict of Big Rapids and Russell (Michelle) Winter of Howell, MI: 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Also surviving are five brothers and sisters, Ellen Murphy of Whitehall, Donna Winter, Katie Martz and Diane (Gene) Bongard, all of Big Rapids, Stephen (Cheryl) Winter of Grosse Point, plus brother-in-law Richard (Sara) Mursch of North Carolina. Frank was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Marian

Mursch, brothers-in-law, Raymond Hernandez, John Murphy and Alvin Martz. Graveside services for Frank will be announced at a later date.

Memoriam, Jim Davis - It is always sad to receive information when one of your comrades passes on, but it especially sad when it is someone special.

Frank Winter to me is one of those that is special.

Not only do I have a lot of memories of Frank, but Frank was one of those that had a big part of my being successful in the Air Force. I recall a TDY assignment where Frank taught me a lot not only technically but how to be patient. We were assigned jointly on a "two or three" week assignment to install the Long Period seismic equipment at one of our locations. This two or three week assignment turned out to be more like two months! Neither he nor I really knew much about the equipment since we had only seen it and had never received any training on the installation or operation...Never-the-less, we were assigned to install it and make sure it was operating.

Equipment from the "factory" did not show up when expected and unforseen problems cause delays which extended our TDY. Frank would always say, "stay calm" it will give us a little more time to figure things out! After we had the equipment installed, we were notified to proceed to go to and install the equipment at another location since we were now the "experts." This assignment lasted for another month.

During this period, I quickly learned what "the blind leading the blind" meant....but we got the job done.I somehow feel that AFTAC never really realized what super people they had at a bargain price...Frank was a true example of his value to the Air Force and to AF-TAC...He was a "SAGE"



#### **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.

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# MAIL - CALL



Any requests for action should be sent to AFTAC Alumni Association (AFTACAA) PO Box 254892 Patrick AFB, FI 32925-0892

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).



12.09-CLARK CREERY SENT THE EPOMO LINK TO ESUBSCRIBERS AND WROTE: "Once again, John Horsch, our editor, has outdone himself! Great publication. The December issue of the AFTAC Alumni Association newsletter was released to our automated subscribers at 10:39 this morning. We hope you all enjoy such a great pub." Thanks, Clark, without you it would not have gotten to our readers so efficiently, and not near so informatively without all those who sent items in and our reviewer quick turnarounds, Frank Hall, Judy Henderson and Susan A Romano/CC/PA.

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

Comment(s) written at 'link site,' 'Box.com':

Wally Jones-1111, Thank you for the excellent work!

**Jim Closs-1301**, Another great edition. Thanks for all the fantastic work keeping everyone well informed.

While we prefer direct email as it is a little easier to post here, we take both your great compliments any way we can get them, thank you!!

Jimmie Davis, email-1515 I just received the latest edition of the Po/Mo. I found it difficult to down load ...don't know if this was a new format or that my computer was/is having problems...but I got through it.....Thanks again, it is always a pleasure. Thanks, Jim, and I always look for you to be one of our early repliers. I'm sorry you

had problems. Nothing different in our format of software, and some 100 visitors to this point. Did you try one of the others you did not have problems with before? Thanks for compliments. LATER Jim wrote it was not a big problem and thanks us again.

Jim Closs, email-1621 Yet another superb POMO. Thanks for all your efforts. Jim, you Jim's are always so kind ...

**Frank Hall, email-1800** It is a terrific read. Well done John. Wow, the assn godfather speaks, I listen ... thank you Frank

#### **MAIL-CALL**

**Gene McKay email-12.18** Gene notified Clark he was having problems with his computer viewing ePoMo's ... while providing assistance he mailed the missing PoMo's to Gene.



Thanks to you (Clark) I have spent the fading light of this Winter day reading the PoMo's you graciously sent. I have not enjoyed an afternoon like this in ages; but, I must say, I was sad to read obits of old friends & comrades.

I have not yet been able to read the downloads of PoMo but will con-

tinue to try. If I finally succeed I will let you know immediately and you can stop the snail-mail copy. Until then, I'll be very happy to pay the freight, so to speak. Just let me know. I'm positive others feel the same way. I would love to attend the reunion in May; but, I will have to remain here in Maine.

I read Joe **Johnston's** (Johnson) note regarding Dr. **Romney's** books and have ordered the last one. I started out in the "B" groups in the early '50's and will undoubtedly find it a great read. Its a bit dear at \$40.00 and only (apparently) available by "printed on demand." I hope a single copy will be printed quickly and be on its way soon. Thanks for your assistance in this. Once again you seem to have gone beyond the call of duty. Wow, Gene, what a compliment ... its readers like you that make our Editor/Publisher work so pleasant. As a follow-up, we asked Gene for a picture to remind everyone if they do not recognize the name, he replied as follows. Thanks again, Gene.

This is me at 84, in my old shop here in Maine. I no longer have a big shop but have a room my wife established as a "studio." She calls it the Bird Room as I carve birds in it. Getting old can be fun! You can certainly use the photo but I doubt anyone will recognize me from it. Gene wrote more and we post that in Feature Articles.

Jay Bilyeu email-01.09 Lady of the Lake' continued from last issue's mail call. Jay writes, "in response to Jim Davis, email - 10.23 l can add the following. I was in second grade at Eielson when the B-29 crashed. One crew member was killed (I think the co-pilot), and he had a son who was a classmate of mine. This would have been about 1953. I remember seeing the smoke from the crash on an overcast dreary day. I think I also remember later seeing the survivors on the dispensary porch.

I also think I remember my Dad saying (recently) that a propeller reversed after take off, and the plane nosed in to the right not far from the runway.

The Lady of the Lake was a cannibalized B-29 that was

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put into the lake (gravel pit?) for water rescue training. Thanks to you all arranging for me to visit Eielson, I have some pictures that I will send by separate Email. PS The only way to read the sign (due to the mosquitoes) was to jump out of the car, run in front of the sign, snap a picture, and then rush back to the car to read the sign on the camera:) Thank you, Jay, here's the picture, I found the link we ran last issue most interesting, <a href="http://www.newsminer.com/news/local\_news/eielson-s-lady-of-the-lake-had-role-in-cold/article\_8474bfb2-25e3-11e4-9d79-0017a43b2370.html">http://www.newsminer.com/news/local\_news/eielson-s-lady-of-the-lake-had-role-in-cold/article\_8474bfb2-25e3-11e4-9d79-0017a43b2370.html</a>
There are lot 's of items when you search this term.



Sage Report(s)

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

'Via Facebook'-'AFTAC Alumni of the World Unite' Steve Clark-1:42am Dec 29 A good resource, <a href="http://www.osti.gov/manhattan-project-history/publications/">http://www.osti.gov/manhattan-project-history/publications/</a> DOENTSAtmospheric.pdf

**Sean Ryan email-01.14** Interesting read...Learn something new every day. <a href="https://www.vetshq.com/herbicide-tests-usage-storage-outside-vietnam/">https://www.vetshq.com/herbicide-tests-usage-storage-outside-vietnam/</a> Sean, thank you, I agree, many in AFTAC did not serve where this was used, or stored, but some may have. It was interesting to read of the numerous storage areas and testing, and the rapid assessment provided here.

**Dale Klug email-01.23** E-Prescribing, Coming Soon to a Military Pharmacy Near You! <a href="http://www.health.mil/News/Articles/2015/01/08/EPrescribing--Coming-Soon-to-a-Military-Pharmacy-Near-You">http://www.health.mil/News/Articles/2015/01/08/EPrescribing--Coming-Soon-to-a-Military-Pharmacy-Near-You</a> Thank you, Dale

Clark Creery email-01.23 Yesterday I received a card that allows me to use qualifying medical care outside the Department of Veterans Affairs. This allows providers to submit claims to the Veterans Choice Program. Information is available at <a href="http://www.va.gov/opa/choiceact/">http://www.va.gov/opa/choiceact/</a> Clark, I got one also. I plan to try it out to order some ears ... turns out my ears are eligible now to see if I am!!

#### MEMBERSHIP NEW/RENEWAL

We moved Clark's (Creery, Membership Chair) Report to the Association/Chapter section of the PoMo. That gives him more room to explain, something he is very good at doing, and we enjoy reading.

Scene Sages, Center Awards Banquet, Feb 4th



Sean enters thru raised swords as the selectee's are announced. Below, Sean is recognized by CC Col Worley, and the Superintendent, CMSgt Matthew Brown. As always, these pictures, and so many more, and much more information, are available on our website.





'Alumni of the Year' Attending SnowBall XVII, Jan 31st. Bob Wiley-2008, Judy Milam-1997, Jack Jackson-2009, John Horsch-1999, Frank Hall-1998, Jim Payne-2001, Deborah Carson-2006, Gene (Dee not pictured) Melchior-2012, Pat Snyder-2003 and Sean Ryan, 2014



Once again it is time to pen a few words on the happenings/status of your Florida AFTAC Alumni Association.

Since the last PoMo edition, much has been accomplished by a dedicated membership. The annual **Snowball** event was held in the end of January where we recognized the latest 'Alumni of the Year.' The honored selectee is Sean **Ryan**, our current secretary. His history of service to the Association makes him a worthy addition to that select group.

And as has been noted by our **World Wide Reunion 2015** Chairperson, Deborah **Carson**, we are only two months away from that big event. As I pen this column, we are at the 200 mark for attendees from across the country.

Please check elsewhere in this edition of the PoMo or at the Florida AFTAC Alumni Assn Website for up-tothe-minute coverage of needed information and a link to the electronic registration site (or you can get a paper copy to fill out and mail).

Col **Worley**, the AFTAC Commander, is working hard with his staff to have the grand opening of the 'Hall of Heritage' in coordination with the World Wide Reunion. Included in this grand opening will be recognition of the 12 initial honorees to the Wall of Honor, being recognized for their exceptional contributions to the AFTAC mission.

With this, and all of the other exciting offerings that the committee has put together, this reunion is sure to go down in the history books at the top of the list. All the while these activities were in the planning, the Association also hosted a 'WindDown' in January for the active duty AFTACers. Everyone had a great time. 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/Irdalumniassnneedtoknownow/'-'Pg 07.'
Directories available via email to requesting paid-up members.

# **BOARD MEETINGS**

#### Board Members *Elected*

President-Lou Seiler Secretary & Publicity-Sean Ryan

Vice-**Ed Lindsay**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 PostMonitor Editor/Alumni of the Year Coordinator-John Horsch
Sage Shop-Steve Revels/HQ IG

# A Minute with the Minutes

**AFTAC Cares:** Program supports deployed AFTAC members. Sages are thanked for their support. (see active-duty section/Assn website for more information)

**Golf**: Ed **Lindsay**: There will be a 'Golf Extravaganza' during the WorldWide Reunion, see pg 3. Join us there.

Hall of Heritage: Mike Young (Historian)/CC HO, reported on several projects going on to make the new building a showplace for all the history of AFTAC, to include many artifacts collected over the years highlighting AFTAC's unique mission. The names of the 12 inductees into the Hall of Honor will be highlighted in the showplace, and a 25<sup>th</sup> AF film crew is making a virtual tour film of the building. There are a lot of exciting things happening to highlight the history of AFTAC.

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

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

--Website report, Visitors/Average 3-pages/Avg Time spent 3:22/From USA 328/1-several from other countries, eg, Australia, Canada, Iran and Italy

#### 'Membership Musings'

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CLARK CREERY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

**Serial Sages**: (NEW LT Members), Michael Sparks went LT **Sustaining Sages**: (Annual Members, new and renewals), New Member: Scott Gaumnitz, Paul Stack changed to electronic Post Monitor

**Complimentary:** (Active-Duty, Assn Meeting Presentor) Sebastian Forester. Aaron Lefevre

Special Rate: None this issue.

**Lost Sages**: During this reporting period we lost over 20 members, May they rest in peace (Obituaries listed in Post Monitor)

Of interest: Each year I strive to validate the listings we maintain on Google and how they compare to what we have in our official listings. For example: our Database tracks 4,653 personnel who were or are part of our AFTAC family. Of this listing we show 505 personnel who have passed on, Names from Colorado and

California and anyone else we can find. The Google listings are used to identify personnel who use the computer from time to time. (In other words they have an Email address.) Of the 4653 personnel listed in our database, Google only lists 775 in what we term our E-All Listing. (And I have found that some of those are way out –of-date or totally gone).

Our overall listing does not include e-mail addresses if that person does not have one, and often we have data that was submitted back in the late 80's or early 90's. I often find changes and it gets creative when folks notify us that so and so has passed away. When you write to us try to give us a City, State, and Funeral Home if possible. We spend oodles of time contacting friends and beating the California and Colorado database monitors trying to find the appropriate data to report in the Post Monitor or release to the airways to keep you all informed.

When Post Monitor time rolls around, we send out an electronic notification to 346 personnel and then we supply postal addresses to 294 folks who want hard copy. So you can see that it is a numbers game and I just went through and validated Google names and addresses and our Database names and addresses (I have found errors, pray tell.) However, I am working on testing all of the over 4000 names that we have in the file. The deceased are there but they will be identified and are not part of our final numbers as are the California and Colorado listings (we let you folks take care of your own!)

The validations for the upcoming reunion are in great shape thanks to Bob Fitzgerald, Don King, Bill Schmied, Dale Klug and especially Frank Calenda and Bob Fitzgerald and I thank you gents. We will have a listing of all of our data at the Reunion so ensure that you check your data and make sure we are in great shape. Above all, thank you for your patience.



#### COLORADO NEWSLETTER, 2015.01 EXTRACTS

# ECHOES

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



FL Editor Note: Jerry Moxley (Moxi), ECHOES Editor, advises Sages can request a complimentary 'electronic' issue via email, mox@wispertel.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, last held in February, check the website for the next and much more.

## Colorado Chapter First Newsletter?

FLORIDA EDITOR

Charles Toner has an interesting report in this ECH-OES that contains the possible first newsletter of this Chapter, written by Ben Vlassick (D) in Nov 1986. There was a mailing list of ~115 names. From this he apparently received 18 responses and put together a 'SAMPLER', dated Mar 1987 with three forwarding \$5.00 to become the first dues-paying members.

See Jerry's offer above, this might be a good copy to ask for if you are interested.





# September Breakfast

Top Left Picture: Both Frank and Jeanne **Barbosa** are former AFTACers residing in Aurora and joined our alumni chapter at this meeting.

Top Right: Bill **Yohman** lives in San Angelo, Texas, and just happened to be visiting our area when he heard about

our breakfast. He too joined our alumni chapter at this meeting.

Left: MSgt **Brown**, the new superintendent at Det 46 made the trip from Colorado Springs and was introduced to and received a welcome from our members.

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CALIFORNIA NEWSLETTER, 2015.01 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; Bob Fitzgerard (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 @ <a href="http://www.aftacwcc.org">http://www.aftacwcc.org</a>. 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, <a href="http://www.aftacwcc.org">http://www.aftacwcc.org</a> or call ahead to our President to confirm time & place.)

#### A Word from the President

DAVE TARQUINO

Happy New Year and best wishes to all! We held our Fall Social on 8 November 2014 at the China Buffet and had a nice turnout. We shared stories, food and drink, and a good time was had by all. We elected Bob **Fitz-gerald** to the Director at Large position, replacing departed member Steve **Fritts**. Bob Fitzgerald took photos of the event and filled in the names to go with the photos. As usual, he did a great job. Thanks Bob. Up-

coming events for the year are our spring picnic on 16 May, the WWR in Florida on 29-31 May, and our fall social (TBD) in November. 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 9-March at 7:00 PM at the Lions Gate Hotel, at McClellan Park. Excerpted

#### **Website Activity Report**

BOB FITZGERALD, WEBMASTER, WWW.AFTACWCC.ORG

NOTE: Florida Editor's compilation of Bob's report: Oct-Dec, unique visits, almost about 20K, Avg per day, 214, Most visited page, Spring Photo Page. Check it out, see what those thousands are seeing.

#### **Membership News**

DAVE PRICE, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Members = 148 Life Members = 136. Annual

#### And More ...

MEMORY TIME, DON KING, WCC NEWSLETTER EDITOR

For all of you 99ers and alphabet soup guys, we all found our way into AFTAC through a variety of paths that we usually had no hand in.

For me, half way through basic in the summer of 1955, I volunteered to be a TI after boot camp. Once I saw how high my scores were on the various tests, I changed my mind (much to the displeasure of the assignments NCO) and he graciously gave me electronics. My orders out of basic were to Atomic Weapons School at Lowry. WOW! Learning upon arrival that the class was cancelled, I spent three months of introspection (KP) until told to report to a thing called SPINSTRA.

So there I was at the Harry Potter door of USAF, only to reappear at unusual hours and days until, after two years as instructor, I calmly requested to leave the KP of ATC for the real world of WFO.

Arriving to enter the exciting USAF and unbelievable camaraderie of the 1009th SWS and the total secrecy surrounding it, my Walter Mitty side emerged. Although this was an unusual path to get there, I treasure each





\*\* Thirty Four of our AFTAC-WCC Family \*\*The 2014 Fall Social Luncheon was arranged by Dave Tarquino, WCC President. Photos by Bob Fitzgerald. See these enlarged in a full color outline sideshow on our 'Albums' page at <a href="https://www.AFTAC.org">www.AFTAC.org</a>.

# MONITOR ing Active

# Duty Doins' 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



CMSqt Matthew Brown

Superintendent/CCS/2014.05, AF/AFTAC1988

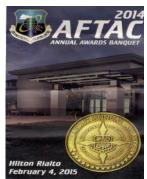
The Chief grew up in Raleigh, NC. He has served in various positions in AFTAC including S. Korea, Australia, Alaska, Thailand, Germany, Nebraska and the Center. Additionally, Chief Brown has deployed with the WC-135 and operated in a wide variety of mission techniques within AFTAC. Education: All NCO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





#### **AFTAC 2014 Annual Awards Banquet**

IN CMSGT MATTHEW BROWN'S ABSENSE,, CHIEF MCFADDEN, SUPERINTENDENT, DISTRIBUTED MISSION OPS, WAS KIND ENOUGH TO WRITE THIS REPORT; NAMES, CAROL SNYDER



Pack-n-Wrap for the Troops

What a great night!. AFTAC's finest shined bright at the Hilton Rialto in Melbourne where the night started with the nominees and their guests walking through the saber arch. The festivities continued with a presentation of the colors by the AFTAC Honor Guard and the singing of the National Anthem by AFTAC's own 'Atomic Blue.' After a great meal and even better conversa-

tion, we recognized our finest military, civilian and alumni members. The night culminated with closing comments by the AFTAC Commander, Col Christopher **Worley** who reflected not only on the accomplishments of the individual awards winners, but also the accomplishments of the Center as a whole. It truly was a night to remember. The selectee's were:

Alumni of the Year-Sean P Ryan, MSgt, USAF Ret; Airman of the year-A1C Thomas Vera; NCO of the Year-TSgt Timothy Presley; SNCO MSgt Shebon Goldsboro; CGO Miguel Vasquez; FGO-Maj Timothy Higley; CIV CAT I NON-Rachel Cox; CIV CAT IIA NON-Souphaphone Clark; CIV CAT IIA SUP-Jeffery R. Stanley; CIV CAT IIB NON-Ward I. Dougherty; CIV CAT IIB SUP-Douglas E. Dale; JUNIOR TECH-SrA Sean Rhode; **SENIOR TECH-**TSgt Sean Phillips

JR CIV SPEC-Betty A. Greer; MID GRADE CIV SPEC-Paul W. Hamrick; SR CIV SPEC-Donald W. Barton; 9S100 TECH-SrA Donald Moon; 9S100 SUP-SSgt Jeremiah Loop; 9S100-MSgt Eric Reynolds; DET-319; TEAM-Milcon & Transition Team; VOLUNTEER-1Lt Jennie Wood

And the evening was capped off by a major new command initiative. A 'Wall of Honor' will be erected near the entrance of the HQ's Building. Each year several Center Personnel who pioneered and contributed in a superior manner to mission accomplishment will be selected and recognized on this wall. Twelve were announced by Col Worley for this inaugural year:

Walt Singlevich, Tom Ciambrone, Doyle Northrup, Delbi Solari, Frank F. Pilotte, Carl Romney, Charles McBrearty Jr., CMSgt Kathy Leggett, Marv F. Owen, Tom Niquette, Marcel Kniedler and Howard Hayden. Congratulations to these men and women for their noteworthy contributions to our mission.



# AFTAC Cares

Packages for Deployed

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

'Cares' Contact: Carol Snyder, Car-

ol.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. 'Thank You('s') follow:

12.09 Posting. Dear AFTAC Spouses, Assn), Being a first time deployed and with the Holidays finally upon us, I thought these would be series of depressing days away from family and friends. To my

\*EVENT/\*\*\*\*ALUMNI INVITED\*\*\*\*\* DATE/TIME LOCATION WindDown 1st Friday Each Month/1530 Outside HQ's Building AFTAC Alumni Assn Monthly Meet 2nd Monday/Ea Month/1600 1545 HQ's Lobby or other designated time or other Venue Every Thursday/1100 -1230 Burger Burn

Bi-Monthly/1830

Various, contact POC

POC/REMARKS See website/calendar note below.

See website/calendar note below.

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See website/calendar note 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/Irdalumniassnneedtoknownow/4-active-duty-schedule.

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astonishment, this deployment has taught me invaluable lessons about family, friendship, courage, and relationship we build throughout our Air Force careers. Let me tell you how Thanksgiving Day went... we grabbed our co-workers, friends, roommates, gym spotters, fellow Cross-fit rats, and even some coalition partners for our Holiday dinner. We took a whole table at the local DFAC and feasted on turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and dessert in company of great friends. To top that, later I found a great surprise waiting for me in my work area: The AFTAC's Spouse Care Package along with special note from Col Worley! Needless to say... It brought a big smile to my face (and maybe a tear - just don't tell anyone). Please convey my deepest gratitude to all the spouses, volunteers, donors, and wonder kids who helped with these exciting packages. As for me, I am thankful for my loving and supportive family back home in Florida and North Carolina, for a tremendous team of deployed colleagues to work with, some incredible folks I have the pleasure to work with back at AF-TAC, and for being blessed with another healthy day on this earth. Lastly, I challenge you to keep making a difference in the lives of our Airmen and to continue bringing BIG smiles to our deployed personnel. You are truly amazing. Very Respectfully, Lt Vasquez

The Boosters Club, Officers (elections, Jan)/Report President: SSgt Bruno-Vice: SSgt Doerr, Secretary/PA: A1C Vera-Treasurer: A1C Scarber-Clothing Sales: SSgt Vanzandt-Fundraising; A1CStinson SSgt Bruno's report for this issue: The Burger Burns are back! We bought a new grill that has been assembled and the plan is to start the Burger Burns back up again on Friday's at the west side of the HQ's building fondly referred to as 'Stonehenge.'

**PoMo EDITORS NOTE**: 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 <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/Irdalumniassnneedtoknownow/Home">https://sites.google.com/site/Irdalumniassnneedtoknownow/Home</a> '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/LRDALUMNIASSNNEEDTOKNOWNOW/ '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/

**02.24 Posting**. AFTAC engineer earns Air Force-level accolades By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. – An engineer with the Air Force Technical Applications Center here has been named the Air Force's 2014 winner of the Arthur S. Flemming Award for Basic Science. Capt. Douglas E. Thornton, chief of Space Programs Branch for AFTAC's Operating Location-Technology Coordination (OL-TC), learned of his selection through a message from the commander of Air Combat Command, Gen. Herbert J. "Hawk" Carlisle, Feb. 5, 2015. The Flemming Award recognizes outstanding federal employees who

have made significant contributions in service to the federal government. Winners are selected from all areas of federal service, and are ultimately recognized by the president of the United States. http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123439977

02.14 Posting. 3-star returns to AFTAC for mission update By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. - The Air Force's Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance paid a visit to the Defense Department's sole nuclear treaty monitoring center Feb. 11 for a mission update and tour of the facility. Lt. Gen. Robert P. Otto, charged with leading the Air Force's ISR strategy, came to the Air Force Technical Applications Center here where he met with the center's senior leaders and talked to Airmen on the leading edge of nuclear debris analysis and seismic operations. Prior to his current position, Otto was the commander of the Air Force ISR Agency – now 25th Air Force – AFTAC's higher headquarters. Although very familiar with AF-TAC's global mission, the general wanted to see firsthand center's newly operational chemistry lab and clean room and tour the \$158 million facility that opened its doors in March 2014. http:// www.25af.af.mil/news/storv.asp?id=123439209

**02.09 Posting**. Local elementary school students impress AFTAC scientists By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. – From irradiated bean plants to acid-soaked teeth, nearly 270 scientific hypotheses were on display as students from Croton Elementary School in Melbourne, Fla., showcased their knowledge during the school's annual Science Fair Jan. 29, 2015.For the third year in a row, members of the Air Force Technical Application Center here volunteered their time to serve as judges for the fair. <a href="http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123438601">http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123438601</a>

01.06 Posting. 25th Air Force Command Chief visits AFTAC By Susan A. Romano, AFTAC Public Affairs PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. - The 25th Air Force Command Chief Master Sergeant paid a visit to the Air Force Technical Applications Center here Dec. 16-17 to get a first-hand look at the mission of the nuclear treaty monitoring center and its people. Chief Master Sgt. Roger A. Towberman, a career cryptologic language analyst, took over as 25th AF's senior enlisted leader in September 2014 and wanted AFTAC to be one of the first subordinate units he visited. "I needed to educate myself on AFTAC's mission as early in my tenure as possible," said Towberman. "It's important for Airmen to constantly check their blind spots and recognize your peripheral weaknesses. In my case, I've had no personal connection to AFTAC throughout my career, so I wanted to visit the center to get educated on its mission and get to know its people. http://www.25af.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123435644

- 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"/(This Issue)
- 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 Mikkelson, 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

#### Gene McKay Reports (see email at Mail-Call):

Merry Christmas, hope you are enjoying this day with family and will enjoy the New Year with them as well. As I re-read the PoMo's I was amazed by the memories I was rewarded with. It reminded me of memories with my AFTAC family a lot.

In the August issue I was again saddened with the obit of Pete **Wigington**. Pete and I shared a lot through our AFTAC times, we were both "B-types" who were trained as "Q-types," we went to advanced B-Q training together, we both spent at least one tour at Telegraph Road, and he followed me, after one other tour, at Det 418.

However, it is memories I recall most that we shared in support of a Nevada test series in the '60's. We were sent to Nellis AFB from Lowry to meet with the former Commander of Det 204, then Major Frank **Galiney**, at Nellis. We were outfitted with equipment, including a vehicle, and dispatched to the little town of El Portal. We set up a B site a bit into the dessert a few miles away and recorded the tests.

We resided at a rather small motel called the El Portal motel for the entire exercise period. We would leave the motel very early in the mornings in order to make certain "our" site was ready to go. We had two folding cots that we carried to the site and, after assuring ourselves we were set to go, operationally speaking, we

would unfold the cots a bit away from the equipment trailer, lay down to rest in the coolness and watch the brilliant display of stars the clear dessert atmosphere presented to us.

One day, a day or so before we were to return to Lowry after the tests, I captured a wee horn toad, that I thought would be enjoyed by my children in Denver. Pete and I prepared a small box that would keep the little critter alive but one I could carry on the plane home. My kids were surprised and very excited when I told them about the lizard. I was even more surprised when we opened the box ... it was empty! Somehow the little fellow escaped as Pete and I wrapped the box in Nevada. It is memories such as this that I recall every time I read a PoMo, and that seem like a magnet that draws me back to my life with AFTAC. Good memories, for the most part.

#### "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!!'

#### **Clark Creery Reports:**

CLARK SHARED THIS STORY IN HIS CORRESPONDENCE WITH GENE. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIS TIME IN AFTAC, WHICH WE WOULD NOT NORMALLY PUBLISH, BUT, IN THIS CASE, DOES GO FAR TO ILLUSTARTE WHY HE WAS A GOOD CANDIDATE FOR BEING A 99!!

Before I was in AFTAC I was a Combat Defense Troop guarding the B-47's with the nukes in Morocco. Of course out there in the desert there is very little to do and most often younger troops manage to let their curiosity get the best of them.

While I was there I managed to capture a large Scorpion which I coated in nail polish (not mine but some purchased from the BX). I sent that critter via the US Mail to my mother in Pennsylvania! My father wrote back and reminded me that if I ever pulled a stunt like that he would disown me. We never spoke of it again. I know when to keep my secrets to myself.

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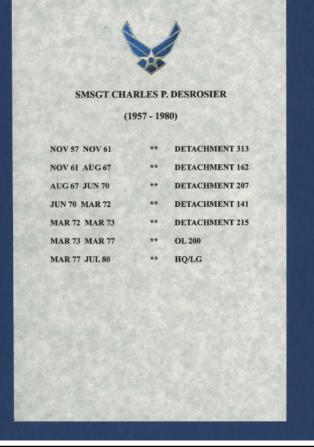
#### "20-YEAR WALL OF HONOR"

#30/31 of our presentations of these 50-plus 'Rangers.' Planning is underway for their presentation in the new building, 10989. Formatting/standardization-MSgt (Ret) **Highsmith/AFTAC/DAFC**, Copied/Transferred to CD, CMSgt (Ret) **Revels/AFTAC IG** 









#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*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), and off-base sites, 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' May

**01, 1530-**WindDown at the Outback **11, 1600**-Board/Membership Meeting **June** 

**05, 1530-**WindDown at the Outback **08,** 'Off-Site' Board/Membership Meeting, time/site, TBD **July** 

03, 1530-WindDown at the Outback13, Board/Membership Meeting

August 07, 1530-WindDown at the Outback 10, 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. SnowBall XVIII
- 2. Center Annual Awards Banquet, see page 15
- 3. Center Annual Picnic
- 4. May XXVI Annual Association Spring Golf N'Getogether is scheduled for one day during the reunion (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. 11 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.
- --Alumni of the Year (AOY) Selection Committee (prior AOY's) meet following this annual meeting
- 2. Oct/Nov, XXVI Annual Association Fall Golf N'Getogeter
- 3. Oct 1st, Alumni Assn ANNUAL FY DUES DUE
- 4. Dec, usually the second Tuesday, Center Winter Social

#### D. WorldWide (WW) Alumni Reunions

Normally scheduled 'every other year.' Hosting rotates between the Association and the two chapters, lastly hosted, CA -2011.05, CO-2013.06, and FL-2015.05 (see pg 1). Following the Florida WorldWide this year, the next is scheduled to be hosted by the

California Chapter, mid-2017

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*SAGE SHOP\*\*\*\*\*

Orders, unless otherwise instructed, to: AFTAC 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

<u>SHIPPING:</u> 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?

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NOTE: <u>'Sage Shop' Chair, Steve Revels, has taken pictures</u> of some of the inventory and Clark Creery, <u>'Membership/Web'</u> Co-Chair has posted same at URL above.

#### ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SALE

<u>SHIRTS</u> 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 50<sup>a</sup> 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

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**♦** 

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**Editors Note**: Sean has created some stunning, very well done postings on the internet of his experience:

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Congratulations again on this honor ... you truly deserved this recognition for what you have done in service to this 'Alumni Association.'

#### Sean adds these details of the evening:

In addition to being the AOY Selectee (pg 1), I was also the 'Major Arranger,' in effect, managing and organizing my own recognition!! Notably, with the new HQ's Building, our theme was "AFTAC, Then and Now."

The evening began with a Social Hour and awesome slide show graciously provided by Bob Wiley. Before dinner, our own, Rebecca Payne Lehnerz, beautifully sang the National Anthem. Lou Seiler, President, made the opening remarks and introduced distinguished guests and provided a 'Sages Remembered' video of those who had passed since the last SnowBall. Sean Ryan provided a recognition speech of the POW/MIA table and delivered the invocation for the evening.

The dinner buffet, prepared by Chef Zoran Stanojkovski and his staff at the 'Palm Café', was great. After dinner, Colonel Christopher Worley, AFTAC/CC, gave us a Unit Status of Command (SOC)

and overview briefing of the unit. The AOY announcement followed with Lou **Seiler**, our Assn President, and AFTAC/CC Colonel **Worley**, doing the honors.

Our entertainment of "The Harmonizers," was a highlight to the evening with group participation, it is of special interest, Dan **Brinkman**, one of the group, is one of our own.

Of special note, Frank Calenda, Clark Creery, Bob Wiley, Lou Seiler, Judy Milam-Henderson and John Horsch, were a great asset, support, and assistance, as others, for an outstanding event, enjoyed by 67 guests. An awesome evening was enjoyed by all of those in attendance.

#### **AFTAC Alumni Association Coin**

On page 1 of this issue we mention the Association Coin in conjunction with the AOY Coin. At the reunion planning meeting on 03.26, the designer, with input from alumni assn personnel, SMSgt **Taguba**, presented the finished images for the first time (see below).

These images are approximately the size of the coin, 1.75 inch. The finish is 'Polish/Shiny' in the words of the minter. Several hundred of these coins will be minted and for sale at the reunion ... you are going to want some of these, buy early to be sure and have one. We will also take orders if/when we run out.





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FLORIDA Alumni Association dues	(check one, enclose sum)	: <b>\$10</b> annual dues	\$75 lifetime

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

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_\_CITY/STATE/ZIP:

PHONE NUMBER: EMAIL/HOME PAGE (optional)

NOTICE: Membership information will be passed to other 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 \_\_

# IN GOD WE still TRUST - ALL OTHERS, WE used to MONITOR!



# **AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015**

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

### DOUBLETREE HOTEL OCEANFRONT COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA 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 Ple	ease Print All Information
We MUST Have Accurate,	Legible Information In Order To Contact You
*Attendee First Name*Last Name*	Name
*Are You A Current Alumni MemberYesN	lo *If Yes What ChapterFICoCa
Spouse First Name*V	Vill Spouse Attend? Yes No No Spouse
Guest First NameLas	st Name For Additional Guests
*Your Address	See Below
*City/State/Zip Code	* If No Email Please
*E-Mail Address Please Print Legibly	Provide A Phone
Phone Number - Include Area Code: ()	# On Next Line Cell Phone: ()
*Can we share the above information with other membe	rs? Yes No Note: Names Will Always Be Shared
FOLLOWING	RATES ARE PER PERSON:
Registration Fee Per Person (Required If Attending Al	<u>  Y Function)</u> x \$10 =
Ice Breaker (Friday Evening, May 29, 2015 – Doubletree	e Hotel)x \$35 =
Banquet Dinner (Saturday Evening, May 30, 2015 - Dou	ubletree Hotel)x \$45 =
WWR Golf Extravaganza, May 29, 2015 @ 1pm Cocoa	Beach, Clubs Providedx \$25=
Cape Canaveral AFS Tour (Requires additional perso	nal information)x \$15 SOLD OUT
AFTAC Building/Unclassified Briefing (Requires addition	nal personal information) How Many Only 250 Spaces
Important: If either or both Cape Tour or Building Event are selected, notate the requested information on the second page of this form.	
BANQUET Offers (Show How Many of Each):	All Meals Served With:
Chicken Breast stuffed w/Apple and Cheddar Che	ese Caesar Salad Chef's Choice of Starch and Vegetables
Grouper with Lime Tortilla Crust	Warm Rolls and Butter Dessert
Garlic and Rosemary Roasted Pork Loin	Chocolate Ganache Cake W/Raspberry Drizzle Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: AFTAC Alumni Associa Note On Check: "For 2015 Reunion"	tion MAIL WITH THIS FORM TO: AFTAC Alumni Association P.O. Box 254892 Patrick AFB, FL 32925
For more quests, check here and enter names on the	e 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 <u>each</u> person: Note: This information is <u>required</u> for this event.

First Name	Last Name	Drivers License State	Drivers License Number
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If not a US citizen, provide Passport Number instead of Drivers License

\*If you selected the AFTAC Building Event please provide the following for <u>each</u> person: Note: This information is <u>required</u> for this event.

First Name	MI	Last Name	Suffix	Date Of Birth	Social Security Number	Citizenship (US, Canada, etc.)
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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		
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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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IMPORTANT: Register early, registration is needed to monitor our contractual obligations with the hotel or changes required in any of our offered venues.



Here is our most recent schedule for events.

#### **AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015**

29 - 30 - 31 MAY 2015

Reunion Headquarters: DoubleTree by Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront 2080 North Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida

28 May -- Thursday

3:00pm - 6:00pm Hospitality Room Open Meet and greet friends

3:00pm - 6:00pm Reunion Check-in (Lobby next to hotel registration desk)

Early Check-in for Friday Cape Canaveral Tour

Requires Reunion Buttons and Information for the Tour

29 May -- Friday

6:30am Hospitality Room Opens 6:00am - 10:00am Reunion Check-in Table Open

6:00am - 7:30am Early Check-in for Cape Canaveral Tour

(Pre-approved Attendees Only, Requires Reunion Buttons)

7:30am Start Boarding Tour Buses

8:00am Buses Depart promptly from DoubleTree for Cape Tour

12:15pm Buses Return to DoubleTree

12:45pm 9-Hole Golf Extravaganza, Cocoa Beach Golf Course

3:30pm - 4:30pm
4:30pm
Hospitality Room Closes
5:30pm
Ice Breaker Social (Cash Bar)
Hors d'oeuvres Served for 2 Hours

8:30pm Hospitality Room Open

30 May -- Saturday

8:00am Hospitality Room Opens 8:00am - 10:00am Reunion Check-in Table Open

10:30am AFTAC Briefing at AFTAC Operations Facility

(Pre-approved Attendees Only, Requires Reunion Buttons)

12:00noon Burger Burn (pay-as-you-go grilled lunch served

by active duty personnel at Stonehenge adjacent to the Facility)

1:00pm - 4:00pm Free Time

4:00pm - 5:00pm Reunion Check-in Table Open 5:00pm Hospitality Room Closes 6:00pm Banquet Social (Cash Bar)

7:00pm Banquet Seating 8:30pm Banquet Program 9:30pm Hospitality Room Opens

31 May -- Sunday

7:00am - 10:00am Farewell Breakfast Buffet (Self Pay)

Room Provided by Hotel

Check Reunion Information and Registration at: <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/IrdAlumniassnneedtoknownow/Home">https://sites.google.com/site/IrdAlumniassnneedtoknownow/Home</a>. Click on "Reunion General Information" at top of page. All the information you need is there. Scroll to the bottom of the page and find the "On Line Registration, Click Here" button. For hotel reservations click on "Hotel Info" but if you need additional days before or after the Reunion dates, you have to call the hotel directly (321) 783-9222 and ask for Morgan Childrey. Tell her you are with the AFTAC Alumni Reunion, Group Code AFT. Hope to see you at the Reunion.

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