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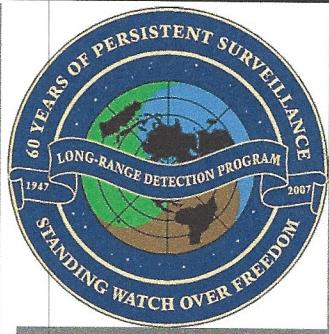


The Alumni Anthem
Over the years and
at younger ages ...
'GS,' 'E' and 'O'
were our gauges

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

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

Recognized for 60 years
of service to our country
16 September 2007
1947 – 2007



SAGE SPOTLIGHT

THE LONG RANGE DETECTION ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PROUDLY PRESENTS



**Our 'New' Board Member,
CMSgt Dave Melton
Vice-president, FY2011**



CMSgt Dave Melton/
Superintendent, Materials
Technology Directorate/TM
entered the AF in 1984 and
served AFTAC 1988-1997
at Technical Operations
Division, McClellan AFB,
CA, 1997-2001 at Det 419,
Hickam AFB, HI, 2007-
2009 at Det 46, Schriever
AFB, CO, and arrived at his
current assignment in 2009.

During his AF career Dave had two assignments outside AFTAC, from 1985-1987 he was a communications specialist at 2154 CS, Whiteman AFB, MO, and Dave worked in Information Operations at the 613 Air Operations Center, Hickam AFB, HI, from 2001-2007.

Dave was born in 1962 in Gary IN. In 2009, Dave married Kimberly McCormack from Middletown, NJ. Kimberly is a MSgt in the AF assigned to 324 ISRS, Hickam AFB, HI. Dave has two children; Trevor, 19, reported for basic training at Lackland AFB, TX, on 15 Mar 2011 to begin his career as a loadmaster, and Tara, 14, lives in Peoria, AZ, and is in the 8th grade.

Dave has twice been recognized as an Air Force award winner. In 2003, he was selected as the USAF Outstanding Active Duty Information Operations NCO of the Year and in 2004 was selected for the USAF Military Deception Outstanding MAJCOM Program of the Year. He is an avid fisherman and likes to golf as well.

DAVE, THANKS FOR THE INFORMATION AND ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR THE US AIR FORCE AND AFTAC. GLAD TO HAVE YOU ON BOARD AND JOINING US AS WE CONTINUE OUR JOURNEY 'SERVING' SAGES AND ACTIVE DUTY.

ALUMNI ALERTS-WHAT'S COMIN' UP

WHERE, IN THE BEST CENTER ALERT TRADITION, WE ASK YOU TO 'REPORT IN'

MAY 12-15, WORLDWIDE REUNION-2011

HOST, CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

'WorldWide' is an event hosted every other year by one of the three chapters on a rotating basis. 'WorldWides' welcome all who served the LRD/AFTAC Mission over the years. Please find information and a registration form at page 15.



MAY 20, 21ST ANNUAL ASSN SPRING GOLF N'GETOGETHER COCOA BEACH COURSE, 1300

CHIEF MELTON-AFTAC/LSM

SPRING 2011 LRD Alumni Association
Golf Tournament 20 May - 1300 Shotgun Start at Cocoa Beach CC. Cost is
\$40 for Alumni members and \$45 for
non-members



Format is a 4-person scramble (also known as better-ball) Fee includes golf, cart, and BBQ (continue on pg 3)

ACTIVE DUTY SCHEDULE, SAGES WELCOMED APRIL 23RD, ANNUAL SPRING PICNIC, WICKHAM PARK Center Picnic-mingle with the 'old' & the 'new!!'

More details, if any, at the 'Active-Duty' section of this issue
and/or at the assn website (URL below).

NOTE: Any updates/changes are at the assn website,
<http://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/>

'Breaking News' (pg 01) and/or the
'Active-Duty-Schedule of Events' (pg 05).

Auto-Receive eALLerts (deaths, breaking news, etc) by signing up
for this service @ <http://groups.google.com/group/aftac-lrd>

ALUMNI EVENTS-WHAT'S GONE OFF

WHERE, AGAIN IN THE BEST CENTER TRADITION, WE REPORT 'EVENT DATA'

'Event' articles, when published, follow 'Alert' articles.

ASSOCIATION INFORMATION**Honor Roll: Alumni Of The Year Recipients**

Jack Smith, 2010-Jack Jackson, 09

Robert '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 00 (deceased)-John Horsch 99
 Frank Hall 98-Judy Milam 97-Carl Gailey 96-Clark Creery 95

Long Range Detection (LRD) Alumni Honorarium

Several ongoing projects representing and honoring center people and its history exist: Two of these, '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.

ASSOCIATION HISTORY A group of retired & active duty AFTACers, by invitation from then CC, Col **Clapper**, met at the Patrick AFB, FL, NCO Club on March 12, 1985, and formed the association (chartered in 1986). Originally '**AFTAC Alumni Assn**' a name change was necessary in mid-2001 due to AF rules to continue operating 'on base.'

The assn provides a forum for those wishing to maintain a relationship with the center and its people, active-duty and retired. Membership is open to past/present employees of all organizations associated with Long Range Detection (LRD) (AFMSW-1, 1009th SWS, AFOAT-1, 1035th FAG, and AFTAC), and any subordinate field detachment.

There are three chapters.

1. Florida: (application on back page)-**Dues, \$10/FY** (1 Oct-30 Sep) payable in Oct/**\$75 for life**. Monthly meetings at 1700 on the second Monday of each month (verify if coming) at the AFTAC HQ's building (989) at Patrick AFB, FL. Contacts: Clark Creery, ccreery@cfl.rr.com, mailing address is: **Long Range Detection Alumni Assn, PO Box 254892, Patrick AFB, FL 32925-0892**. There is this triannual newsletter, '**Post-Monitor**' (namesake of prior active-duty publication, 'Monitor') & a multi-page Website, '<http://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknow/>', full of assn/alumni news and photos-we also provide a 'Breaking News' service at the website and thru instant notification at '<http://groups.google.com/group/aftac-lrd>'.

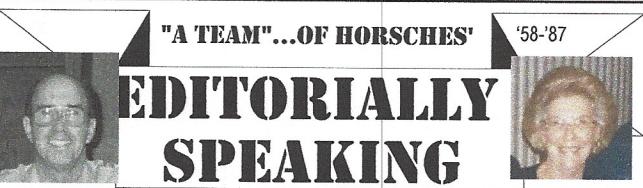
Florida Chapter "PERENNIALS" (5+ years board service) Clark Creery-Newsletter, 85/89-95, Pres 94/95, Webpage, 01-07; Frank Hall, Pres/Vice 89-98/01; Judy Milam, Sec 89-00/since 06, Hospitality since 01 Pres 04; Eunice Harris, Hosp 89-00; Mary Welch, Mbrshp 91-99; Carl Gailey, Treas 91-99; Swede Swansen, Pub 93-06; John (Christel) Horsch, Newsletter since 96; Pat Snyder, 'Insider/Sage Shop' since 96, VP 04, Sec 05; Mike Black, Webmaster since 96; Jim Payne, Mbrshp 99-04; Joe Goldian, Treas since 03; Randy Vlassick, Mbrship 04-09.

2. Colorado: Formed-1989, **\$5 year**, payable in February; chapter publishes a newsletter, '**Echoes**' and a website, 'www.aftacco.org'. They meet several times a year-for information, see Website or Bill Schmied, (303) 367-0625.

3. West Coast (CA): Formed-1999, **\$10 year/\$75 lifetime**; for information-email, TOD.Alumni@AFTACWCC.org-mail, Alumni Assn, PO Box 3974, Citrus Heights, CA 95611-3974. They meet several times a year, publish a newsletter, '**Depot Fall-out**' and a website, 'www.AFTACWCC.org'.

Sage Communicators: Newsletter Editors: John/Christel Horsch; Information/Proofing: Judy Milam/Pat Snyder/Deborah Carson; Executive Review: Frank Hall; Rovin' Cameras/Reporters: Judy Milam/Bob Wiley/Clark Creery; Printing/Mailing: Editors/Jack Jackson/Terry Hammond/Curt & Eunice Harris; Web/Electronic Media: Mike Black, Clark Creery, Editors

Note: We post pictures as provided and as possible ... the size/quality/quantity of these photo's are restricted by available space. Picture size can be increased and enhanced in electronic issues (ePoMo)-often times available in 'Sampler's' posted at the Florida Chapter website..



THERE ARE FURTHER REPORTS ON THE EVENTS BELOW LATER IN THIS ISSUE. Wow, what a six-day period we had, Feb 05-10! It started 'rollin' with the 'SnowBall' and marched forward to the 'Center Annual Awards Banquet.' These are annual events made very special this year when our 'Alumni of the Year, 2010,' **Jack Smith**, CO Chapter President, showed his considerable respect for this once in a lifetime honor. He, and his wife, **Helen**, traveled from their home in the Denver area to be here in person to express their unbridled appreciation and humility for this selection. (NOTE: Jack's selection was announced at a November Dinner/Social reported on in the last issue.)

In honor of this travel, and subsequent recognitions, we have coined a play on an old poem:

"Jack and Helen went up the hill to fill a pail of trophy's, Jack came down, with all but a crown, and Helen came thereafter"

Jack and Helen started the recognition period by moving into base dig's right on the ocean arranged by CMSgt John Nederhoed/CCS, with assistance from CMSgt Dave Melton/TM, our assn vice. They were also treated to a HQ Building and 'Hall of Heritage' tour by CMSgt Steve Revels/IG. These experiences were just the beginning as they were recognized at both the 'SnowBall' and the 'Awards Banquet' in a grand style.

A portion of the well attended 'SnowBall' (02.05) was dedicated to Jack's accomplishments and he had time to speak to the group about what the honor meant to him. It was very moving to hear him speak, meaning all the more because of their efforts to be here. (much more on the 'SnowBall,' with pictures, later in the issue, 'Alumni Events')

Jack, and others to be honored, made a grand entrance into the 'Center Awards Banquet' on the following Thursday by entering the room through 'Arched Sabers,' pictured here.



Other military ceremonies performed prior to dining was the 'Presentation of Colors' by the 'Honor Guard' and the 'POW/MIA Table' ceremony ... these presentation's are made all the more special as they are being done by our successor's, those currently serving AFTAC's mission. There was also an invocation by Chaplain Capt **Williams** and the 'National Anthem' by Ms **Rebecca Lehnerz**, a member of the 'Greenlight Band' who has performed at numerous AFTAC and Alumni events.

Following dinner, and comments by Guest Speaker,

CMSgt **Ronayne**, Command Chief, National Air and Space Intelligence Center, noting the accomplishments of some of those assembled, we moved into the recognition/award phase. Some 17 AFTAC personnel, and one Sage,



Jack accepts trophy from Col Prupas, with Lloyd French, Alumni President and John Nederhoed in attendance.

were recognized by Col **Prupas** and Chief **Nederhoed** during this period. It was our honor to be with Jack and Helen during both of these proceedings. NOTE: more on this event later in the issue, 'Active-Duty' section).

Let's see, what else, aha, one very important event, made even more important as the CA membership base declines, and there is concern this may be their last, is the **WorldWide Reunion occurring May 12-15th at Sacramento!!** Be there, see CA Chapter News to plan/Setup.

ALUMNI ALERTS-WHAT'S COMING UP FROM PAGE ONE

ANNUAL ASSN SPRING GOLF N'GETOGETHER

(cont, pg 1) from Smokin Joes served for dinner. Mulligans will be on sale 3 for \$5. Each mulligan is an entry into the drawing of door prizes. Active-duty military, retirees, civilians, and contractors are welcome to participate.



Enter by calling CMSgt Dave Melton at 321-494-3242 or by e-mail at damelto@aol.com

ALUMNI EVENTS-WHAT'S GONE OFF FROM PAGE ONE

DEC 17, AFTAC WINTER SOCIAL, CROWNE PLAZA

CLARK CREERY, 'ROVIN' REPORTER/DIGICAM MAN' FRI, DEC 17, 2010 AT 10:07 PM
AFTAC always does things up first class. From our complaints about being in the back – we were given table number 4, right next to the dance floor. There were 10 at our table to include, Ruth and I, Mike and Debbie **Winchester**, Mike **Dobrin** and his wife and the **Wester-grens**.

I talked to Lloyd **French**, Alumni Assn Pres, and noted that we of the alumni presented a rather poor showing. However, there were quite a few alumni sitting elsewhere. I saw Terry **Hammond**, PoMo Transport, Randy **Vlassick**, past Assn Membership, Sean **Ryan**, Assn Secretary, Larry **Silhanek**, MSgt **Sutton**, Chief **Revels**, Pat **Snyder** and her husband, Duke and Dr **O'Brien**.

The main ballroom was totally full, they had a DJ playing the guitar during the dinner (never heard some of the songs he was playing), the dance music went well and quite a few were dancing, not sure how the door prizes went but they were selling tickets for the baskets. We think we saw the Alumni Basket but it was not



labeled. Looked pretty nice if they stuck with the brews from all over the world? The door prizes were great—I guess they either sold tickets or picked names from the attendees for those? Col **Pupas**, AFTAC/CC, spoke and recognized the Alumni. Also, I got a classic shot of our new Vice, Dave Melton, CMSgt/TM, looking very dapper indeed.

FEB 05, 'SNOWBALL XIII' REPORT

CLARK CREERY ALSO PROVIDED SUCH A HEART FELT AND EXCELLENT EMAIL FOLLOWING THE SNOWBALL WE GOT HIS PERMISSION TO USE IT AS THE 'SNOWBALL REPORT-TWEAKED BY DEBORAH CARSON, 'MAJOR ARRANGER,' BILL SCHMIED, CO CHAPTER TREASURER AND YOUR EDITORS.



The wife and I have attended quite a few 'SnowBalls' over the years; however, this year the experience was especially pleasing! From the opening remarks by Alumni President, Lloyd **French** at 7PM on the dot followed by the song "Rocky Mountain High" by John Denver set the stage for an exceptional gathering. Of course in keeping with the "theme" the café was appropriately decorated in the Colorado motif by Dee and Gene **Melchior** and the 'Atmosphere and Space Directorate' donated the use of their "GPS" satellite model. To begin, 5:30PM was the bewitching hour whereby alumni and invited guests could celebrate a social hour, enjoy some of Chef Braun's famous hors d'oeuvres and engage in conversation. When the festivities began and all were seated I managed to attempt a head-count of those in attendance. I counted 70 but 'Major Arranger, Deborah **Carson**, let me know that it was more like 77. That is amazing and we feel that the date finally selected, the new location and the lack of a blizzard counted for something.

Sean **Ryan** presented the invocation for the evening and the words came from the heart, thank you Sean.

Lloyd made introductions of the VIP's in attendance and soon summoned us to a buffet dinner by 'playing' a small chime made for that purpose—he amazed everyone with his musical talents! We did not mind standing in line (something we learned in the military) awaiting chow. I caught Dr. **O'Brien** attempting to dislocate a cordon-bleu but the chef captured the spoon and brought a fresh pan and we were able to partake of a very good 'bleu'. Chef Scott Braun even appeared in the traditional chef hat and uniform as the meat carver at the end of the line—you could obtain a choice cut of prime as desired. One must say the food was absolutely delicious and definitely plentiful. One great job by the staff who attended to all of these folks. I cannot say enough about the service 'with a smile'!

Following 'grunts' (as we ground pounders used to term eating) Colonel Aaron **Prupas/AFTAC CC**, rose to address the crowd. He told us that the New AFTAC



Jack (Left) accepts award letter from FL Chapter President, Lloyd French.. Picture from Bob Wiley

building would be started on June 17th at Patrick AFB. This new building will house a lab similar to the one that we had at McClellan AFB, CA, years ago. The Colonel then turned the festivities over to Lloyd who introduced the Detachment Commanders from Det 45 and Det 46 which are located in Colorado (recall these detachments, along with OLGT, were a part of our 'Colorado' SnowBall Theme this year). Since the Snowball was kicked off during the Commander's Conference that is held on an annual basis at Patrick we were glad that our Det 1 Commander, Lt Col Jason Riera, Offut AFB, NE, was also in attendance.

The Detachment Commanders from Det 45, Capt (Maj Select) Paul Muller, Buckley AFB, CO, and Det 46, LT Col Bradley Graves, Schriever AFB, CO, presented a staff briefing about their tasks. Note was made of the 'Coors' connection and how that great brew was started in their neck of the woods.

We did not hear a drum roll and none was needed for our recognition of the 'Alumni of the Year, 2010,' Jack Smith (CO Chapter President). What a deserving award winner and we were glad that both Jack and his wife Helen were able to travel to Florida for the 'Snowball' and 'Center Awards Banquet' that is held each year. Jack had also invited Maggie Nagel & Marlene Couch, people important to him during his Career.

Jack gave us a rundown on his service career and of note was the name of his son, Patrick. No, it was not planned to honor the Headquarters location, it just happened that way! Jack is too kind and his service to our organization is beyond reproach while on and off active duty. I am proud to know him.

Later in the evening attendees were treated to a Colorado Trivia exercise which involved 10 questions about the State. I am old, so that is my excuse for only getting one! That exercise was followed by a 'Colorado High' Word Puzzle which required each of us to find hidden words. I was busy taking pictures for the new Website so I missed most of those – Well that is a pretty good excuse anyhow!

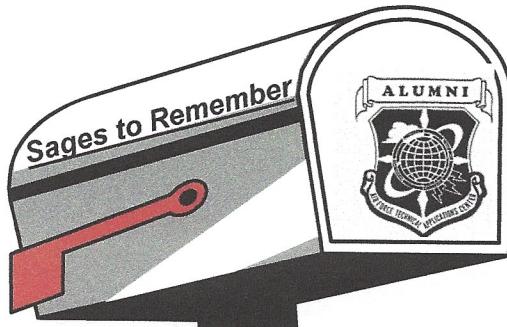
It was a night to remember and it could never have happened if Gene and Dee Melchior, Deborah Carson, Bob Wiley, Sean Ryan, Jack Jackson and others had not stepped up to the plate and done such a wonderful job. Any outing like this has to have planning, worker bees and creativity – those folks need to rest because they have taken the Florida Alumni way over the top. My personal appreciation to each and every one of them. It is folks like this who make me proud to call myself an AFTAC Alumnus. Thanks, Clark, your report really takes us back to that evening.



Sagey Sez, 'See Ya' at the Annual Spring Golf N'Getogether, Or, at the very least, in the Buffet line ...' and the Center Picnic ... And, it was great seein' so many at SnowBall XIII and the Center Awards Banquet.



A BONUS FOR THE 'SNOWBALL' EVENING WAS A CHANCE TO GET A GROUP PICTURE OF THE 'ALUMNI OF THE YEAR' SELECTEES IN ATTENDANCE....THIS ONE WAS PASSED ON BY JIM PAYNE-BACK ROW, L>R, JACK SMITH, 2010; JOE GOLDIAN, 04; CENTER ROW, L>R, CLARK CREEERY, OUR FIRST SELECTEE, 1995; JUDY MILAM-HENDERSON, 97; DEBORAH CARSON, 06; JACK JACKSON, 09; FRANK HALL, WHOM WE LIKE TO REFER TO AS THE GRANDFATHER OF THE ALUMNI ASSN, 98; JIM PAYNE, 01; BOB WILEY, 08; FRONT ROW, L>R, PAT SNYDER, OUR INTREPID INSIDER' UNTIL HER RECENT RETIREMENT, AND YOUR'S TRULY, JOHN HORSCH, 99.



Personals ...

Wherein alumni let us know of events in their lives Sages should be aware of. Please send us deaths, births (children, grandchildren), weddings, retirements (military or otherwise), and other events.

In Memoriam

Nancy Newman

Ishmael E. Lawlis, Jr

Kenneth Struve Jr.

Ed Koschalk, pg 22

Fred Chigazola

Bill Griffin

Rex Hollis



Rest in Peace

Nancy Newman

NOTIFIED BY EUNICE HARRIS, 12.16, OBITUARY, FLORIDA TODAY, 12.17



SATELLITE BEACH, Fla. Nancy Brown Newman died Tuesday, December 14, 2010. Born the daughter of Retta Spangler Brown and Robert Sidney Brown at St. Lukes Hospital, Bluefield, W.Va., she attended and graduated from Memorial Elementary School, Fairview Jr. High School and Bluefield High School. She was a member of the Bluefield Choir while attending her high school.

Nancy was a member of a Second Miler's, Yteens and a counselor for many summers at Camp Iva. She graduated from Emory and Henry College in 1964.

There she was a member of the E&H Choir, Kappa Phi Alpha Social Sorority and Kappa Epsilon Education Society. Nancy was an active participant in many Air Force Officers Wives Clubs as a publisher of a newsletter, social chairman and other roles. She was a school teacher at Itazuke AFB, Japan, New Delhi, India, Tazwell, Va. and a substitute teacher at Holland and Surfside Elem. Schools. Nancy was also one of the founding officers of the P.T.O. at Holland Elem. She was a member of the Indian River Players and the American Embassy School Productions. Nancy worked at the Satellite Beach Recreation Department from 1985 until 1998.

She is survived by her husband, **Samuel**; children, Susan Bonilla, Christopher Newman and Jill Scribbins; her sister, Sara Crews; and

grandchildren, Grace and Jacob Newman and Trevor Scribbins. Funeral service was December 18, 2010; Interment at Florida Memorial Gardens, Rockledge. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Association and South Brevard Animal Shelter. Condolences may be sent to www.beachfuneralhome.com.

Fred Chigazola

NOTIFIED BY CA NEWSLETTER, 2011.01



CHIGAZOLA, Fred (Chick), USCG & GS-11, USAF, Ret. Passed away on December 28, 2010, in Santa Rosa, CA, at the age of 91. Chick was born in Mobile, Alabama, on October 2, 1919. After joining the U.S. Coast Guard at the age of 18, he proudly served his country as a radioman on both USCG ships

and aircraft. Station assignments included Port Angeles, Washington, Annette Island, Alaska, and San Francisco, CA.

It was during his assignment in San Francisco that he met his bride Doris Elaine Lybrand. Chick and Elaine lived in Millbrae, CA, Annette Island Alaska, and Port Angeles, WA, where he retired after 23 years in USCG. Following Chick's retirement, they moved the family to Citrus Heights, CA in 1962.

Chick and Elaine were very active in community groups including the San Juan and Daylight Masonic Lodges and the Carmichael Elks Club. Chick and Elaine were married until 1998 when Elaine passed away. He remained in Citrus Heights enjoying his many friends and his music.

Chick enjoyed a lifelong passion for music and played multiple instruments including the clarinet, saxophone, piccolo, and flute. He especially loved the sounds of Dixieland Jazz and Big Band Era. Chick was a member of multiple bands throughout his life, including the Sacramento Shrine Band. Most recently he played with the Capital City Concert Band in Sacramento, CA. Ham radio was another favorite hobby and daily activity. W6JWW had acquaintances around the world. His loving daughter Laureen Dunn predeceased Chick. He is survived by sons Robert Chigazola and his wife Frances of Somerset, CA, Don Chigazola and his wife Debbie of Santa Rosa, CA; and son-in-law Jerry Dunn of Sacramento, CA. Chick is also survived by grandchildren Stacy Ricks, Christopher McElroy, Cara Chigazola, Tony Chigazola, Angela Chigazola; and great-granddaughter Taylor Lani. A memorial to honor Chick's life will be planned for the later part of January in Sacramento, CA. In lieu of flowers, Chick requested that donations be made to the Shriner's Childrens' Hospital in Sacramento, CA. Arrangements under the care of: SANTA ROSA MORTUARY EGGEN AND LANCE CHAPEL. 707-545-3747 Published in the Press Democrat from January 2 to January 5, 2011 *Editor's Note: Chick was a member of the 1155th Tech Ops Sq technical writing section in the late 60s/early 70s. See emails/memoriam from Joe Amerena & John Lanigan at the CA Website)*

Ishmael E. Lawlis, Jr

INTERNET SEARCH, 2011.01.23-FROM 'INDY STAR,' 2011.01.18

Ishmael E. Lawlis, Jr. 54, passed away December 28, 2010 in Tomah, WI. He was born July 31, 1956. He graduated from Ben Davis High School in 1974. Ish proudly served 20 years in Applied Geophysics in the U.S. Air Force. Ish received many citations including Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster).

He was recognized for his outstanding contributions while assigned to the Air Force Technical Applications Center. Ish led an intensive training initiative that significantly increased the mission readiness of the subsur-

face arm of the United States Atomic Energy Detection System. His skillful processing of a foreign nuclear explosion resulted in the most rapid notification of national authorities in AFTAC's 45 year history. Ish was preceded in death by his parents, Ishmael E. and Lena (Brent) Lawlis and his brother, Gerald (Jerry) Lawlis. He is survived by his son, Ian C. (Stefanie); grandchildren, Gavin and Gabrielle Lawlis; sister, Judith Bunch; brothers, Thomas Lawlis and Frederick Lawlis; nieces, Debra and Janet Bunch, Lorraine Hamidi; nephews, Jeffrey Lawlis, Brent Lawlis, Gerald and Edward Bunch. Memorial services will be at a later date.

In Memoriam

CLARK WILBERG

It's always a shock to me when I read of the passing of one of AFTAC's alumni that I worked with--particularly those who were younger and that had worked for me. Ish was one of Belbasi Seismic Research Station's operator/analysts while I was stationed there as superintendent. I remember him and his analytical skills well.

I also remember his penchant for reading Stephen King novels--even when he was alone as the night-shift operator atop that hill that was a documented Hitite burial site; Ish couldn't fall asleep if he wanted to with the stirrings of imagination, the creaking of that old stone/concrete building, and the various noises of the weather and elements. I remember Ish sliding into third base during a softball game with JUSMMAT (Joint US Military Mission to Turkey) and breaking his ankle. The pain over the next week or so was more than Ish could bear; raki made it a little more tolerable for Ish, but not without some serious side-effects. He was a good, hard worker with a great sense of humor. Very sorry to hear of his passing.

William 'Bill' Griffin

NOTIFIED BY TOM EDDLEMAN, 02.16

Tom received a letter from Joyce Griffin that Bill died in Jan, 2010. Dale Klug, in a later conversation with Joyce, learned that Bill was in Texas at the time.

In Memoriam

JOHN HORSCH

Tom and I served with Bill when he was working at the HQ Maintenance Shop. I recall Bill as having a good sense of humor and playing an important role there.

Kenneth Struve Jr. (1943 - 2011)

Kenneth D. Struve, Jr. of Palm Bay died February 13, 2011. Born in New Jersey on June 3, 1943, he served in the USAF for 20 years, retiring with honors from Patrick Air Force Base. He was self employed after his retirement for over 25 years. He will be interred in South Carolina with full military honors. He will be missed by his wife of 47 years, Linda, and is survived by his two children and his grandson, Skyler. A memorial service was held on March 22, 2011 at the New Hope Sanctuary, 3150 Milwaukee Avenue, West Melbourne. Published in FLORIDA TODAY on March 9, 2011.

In Memoriam

JOHN HORSCH

'Our Times' with Ken span many years, miles and positions from HQ, VA, to HQ, FL. We first worked together in the 'Ziproom,' and many other's will recall Ken's days there, to replacing him on the IG Team. It seems Ken

always had a job 'on the side' also ... we recall he installed storm windows on our home in VA. We had not seen Ken for awhile, but our memories with him are recalled often.

Rex Hollis

NOTIFIED BY POLLY HOLLIS, 04.07 WEBSITE [HTTP://WWW.LEGACY.COM/OBITUARIES/MOORESVILLETRIBUNE/OBITUARY.ASPX?N=REX-HOLLIS&PID=147195260](http://WWW.LEGACY.COM/OBITUARIES/MOORESVILLETRIBUNE/OBITUARY.ASPX?N=REX-HOLLIS&PID=147195260)



Rex Hollis, Lt. Col. USAF, "How can we excel today?" Beloved wife Polly, family, and friends lost a true all-star, a champion, and a hero when Rex Reginald Hollis passed away on Dec. 15, 2010 at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center. Earning both his Bachelors and Masters degrees in electrical engineering from Oklahoma State University, Rex served in the U.S. Air Force for 23 years, serving extended tours in both Pakistan and Panama in intelligence communications. He finished his Air Force career in Washington, D.C. as Chief of the Technical Branch of the Defense Communications Agency, holding the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and receiving the Joint Services Commendation Medal. Following retirement from the Air Force, Rex joined the Southern Pacific Company to help them develop their business-class long distance telephone service. While there, he became one of the creators of a residential long distance service that he named Sprint, which ultimately became the telecommunications giant known today by the same name. Rex then returned to Washington, D.C. and entered the satellite telecommunications industry with Ford Aerospace, where he met and married Polly Reed, eventually becoming president of Ford Aerospace Satellite Services Company. During this time, he served on the board of directors of the Institute for Systems Research at the University of Maryland, as a member of the Executive Council of the Satellite Broadcasting & Communications Association, and as chairman of the Satellite Industry Association. He also served 6 years as a member of the Industry Sector Advisory Committee for the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, and worked with key members of both the Transportation Dept. and the State Dept. Rex ended his career with the sale of the first satellite telecommunications system to the country of Russia, making over 29 trips to Moscow until his retirement to Lake Norman in North Carolina in 1996. During the last 14 years, Rex and Polly traveled extensively, visiting every continent in the world and enjoyed their lakeside home, ballroom and Latin dancing, and a wide circle of devoted family and friends. Rex worked on his memoirs of an exciting and fulfilled life, which will be published for family and descendants at a later date. A proud member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Rex is survived by his beloved wife, Polly Reed Hollis; sons, Rex Reginald Hollis Jr. and Richard Laird Hollis; daughter, Rhonda Hollis Livermore; sister, Clara Hollis Hargreaves; nephew, Robert Wallace Jr.; niece, Sherrilyn Wallace Wilson; step children, Holly Ann Ruehlin and Rex James Ruehlin; grandchildren, Kristen Hollis Rhodes, Alicia Hollis, Jennifer Hollis Wotherspoon, Mary Marlene Maryanopolis and Logan Livermore; and step grandchildren, Chelsea Baumgartner and Casey Baumgartner. He is preceded in death by father, Festus Flint Hollis; mother, Cora Laird Hollis; and sister, Frances Hollis Wallace. Rex was born on July 28, 1929 in Fayette, Ala. and lived his magnificent life with honor, patriotism, joy and integrity. He was a true "Southern gentleman" who was at home anywhere in the world. He will be terribly missed by all who knew him. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, DC. date. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville is serving the family of Mr. Hollis. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com Published in Mooresville Tribune on December 19, 2010

In Transition, Pat Snyder

CLARK CREEERY, ROVIN' REPORTER AND DIGICAM

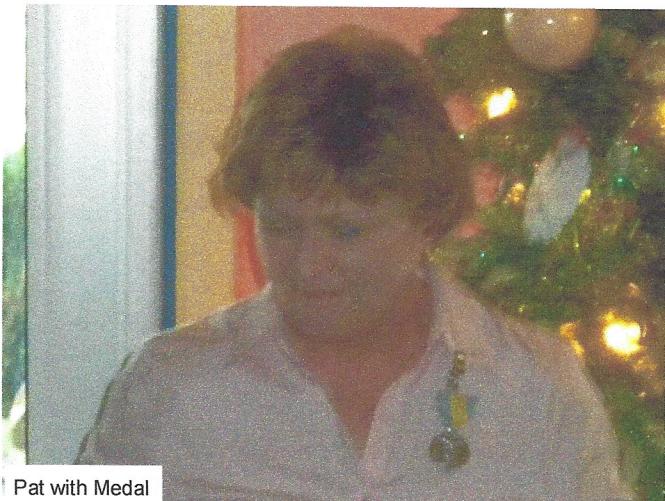


Mr Whidden, Director of Staff, Pat's boss, presents the Civilian Achievement Medal .

As 2010 closed, Pat opened a new phase of her life by retiring, often defined as a point where employment stops. We hope this also mean Pat will have more time for the assn!

Pat did not desire to have a celebration but the active duty force did not give her an out. Her luncheon was conducted at the Enigma Restaurant in Satellite Beach and it was attended by a host of active duty and retired personnel. What a beautiful location for a ceremony and Chief Revels evidently was the guilty party who made the arrangements.

Pat greeted everyone as they entered the establishment and the tables were arranged in the dining room with a buffet line at the rear of the room. Festivities began with words of congratulations from members of her office as they explained her service in all the years she dedicated to her service. We in the Alumni were benefactors of such services and Pat was always one to help. She was recognized as an Alumni of the Year in 2003 and always contributed her talents to the organization at the meetings, the golf outings or other events that needed her attention. She maintained the selling of



Pat with Medal

the hats, shirts, patches, etc. and was often found checking mail at the base Post Office to ensure that our members received that personal touch.

The buffet lunch was served and what a spread - everyone received their fill. Pat was presented with gifts thanking her for her service and letters of congratulations. Pat was presented the Civilian Achievement Medal for her service. A short film of her retirement luncheon can be opened by using the Alumni Newsletter link to the YouTube movie, "<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jh9bTk8od4A>".

Pat shed a few happy tears and let us all know that she would be around and we could count on her continuing her support in retirement. We of the alumni thank Pat, congratulate her on her retirement and look forward to her assistance in the days that follow.

YOUR EDITORS 'HOOK ONTO' CLARK'S EXCELLENT REPORT TO ADD A COUPLE OF WORDS OF OUR OWN.

Ever since we made the decision, in 1996, to do our best to deserve the trust you put in us to be the editors' of your newsletter, we have had excellent support from inside the building to the Sages around us. Pat was one of those 'insiders' - 'Intrepid Insider's' we like to say.

Not only has Pat taken care of what was earlier mentioned but she made herself available for anything we needed, and we mean anything—there was nothing we could not ask Pat, she never failed us!!!

Thanks Pat, you may not be our #1 'Intrepid Insider' any longer but you are still #1 in our books!



Pat mingles

... the happenin' place ...



Pat with 'Dolphin' Gift

MAIL - CALL



Any requests for action should be sent to
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Patrick AFB, FL 32925-0892

Missives requesting no action may be emailed to the editors, chrisjohn2@gmail.com. They 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 write!! 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).

MAIL

MOST 'MAIL' IS 'EMAIL'-IF NOT, WE WILL IDENTIFY WITH 'USPS'

HELP ... SAGE ASSISTANCE NEEDED ... HELP

ePoMo 2010.12 address failures (Hard-Copies mailed): Harry Adams, John Allred (total failure-email/USPS), Wayne Brasure, William Hardester (total failure), Charles Hosier, and Tim Mecham

Need Email addresses for all of those above

USPS PM2010.12 address failures: William W. Merkel, Robert A. Finley, Leo Deville, Craig L. Adams, Arthur H. Whi en, Charles L. Copeland, Keri L. Robinson, Chris na A. Jones, Harvey L. Logue, John S. Allred, Raymond P. Leniz III, Dee E. Griffin, and Timothy C. Tiches. Other failed USPS notified via e-mail. **Each failure costs** your assn \$.50

Need USPS addresses for all of those above

Please send corrections to our Membership Chair,
Clark Creery-ccreery@cfl.rr.com,
or to the Assn address on Page Two.

FIRST eSAGE(S) TO 'REPORT IN'

ePoMo 'posted' 2010.14 @ 1051. We advised Mike Black, fellow Media Co-Manager, and Clark Creery, Co-Manager, Membership Chair and ePoMo 'poster,' at 1041, "Let er rip, Clark ... our first issue using our new system ... way to go guys. Let's taste the pudding!" Clark humorously replied at 1051 (just 7-minutes later): 'I held my breath and the message has been sent out to a zillion members.' Ed Note, "well, actually some 250 or so eSubscribers!!" We always suffer this moment of panic because of 'kick backs' caused by out-of-date addresses ... we were especially 'breathless' this time as we transitioned to our 'new' ePoMo' distribution method. We 'breathed easier' a bit better when our first responder' replied just 13-minutes later! Beats the heck out of waiting 2 weeks for the USPS delivered hard-copy.

Geno Wagner **Dec 14, 2010 at 11:04 AM**

Rcvd December pomo - no problem. Thanks, Geno, you beat out Jimmy Davis for the honor of being our first reply!!

Clark Creery **Dec 14, 2010 at 12:00 PM**

Once again, you two have created a masterpiece. I just printed out the 24, in color, pages and now I can spend an enjoyable day reading every tidbit contained. Such a great issue and I personally thank you for your efforts to create this document. May you and Chris enjoy the Holiday Season and know that you have contributed to the light in hearts all over the world. Thank you and God bless. Thank you, Clark, and of course it could not be done without you and others.

Bob Wiley **December 14, 2010 3:46 PM**

Just wanted you to know that the new PoMo distribution approach worked just fine for me. Good work. Thanks, Bob, and there's plenty you did to help us "along the way."

Bob Fitzgerald, WCC Webmaster **Dec 15**

The link worked fine and the download was successful. And as you said: "John & Chris ... have outdone themselves with this issue" ... again!! And we certainly do thank them for their efforts. Thank you, Bob, you are always so kind but we never tire of hearing it!!!

Bill Schmied **Dec 15**

it's another outstanding issue from you folks. Maybe there really is something about getting better with age !! Thanks, Bill we just follow your lead ...

Jim Davis **Dec 16**

Yeah I got the PoMo right on time and everything was super perfect....thought I had responded, but could have done something wrong in my reply....thanks for being concerned...know someone is keeping an eye on me...at this age anything can happen...thanks John for your concern.....yeah, Jim, we get so used to hearin' from you immediately we became concerned ... glad all is well and PoMo was 5-by, appreciate your appreciation.

Ed Lindsay **Dec 20**

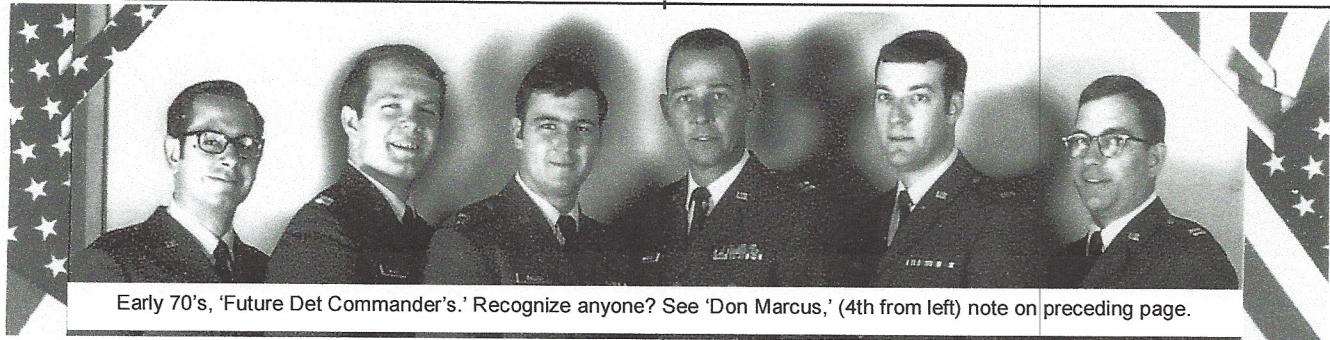
Thanks for the hookup! Took a look at the latest ePoMo and it is a gem. Glad to finally get back here to be part of the Florida Alumni Chapter. Left here in March of 1999 and I know there has been many changes and improvements to the organization. Have a wonderful Christmas and see you at the next mtg. You betcha, Ed, and its good to have you back in FL ... and it's a neat coincidence that the Sage below was involved in the hookup!!

Don Marcus

USPS, Jan

Don and Martha dropped us a private note about their visit to our area for our 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sept 25th and the possibility of coming our way again in March (that did happen and we enjoyed seeing them again so quickly).

In that mail, Don included a 'Class Picture' (next page) taken while attending 'Det Commander's' training at Lowry in the early 70's (71/72). He also asks for help identifying his classmates. Please drop us a note if you can help.



Early 70's, 'Future Det Commander's.' Recognize anyone? See 'Don Marcus,' (4th from left) note on preceding page.

Jim Johnson

JIM WAS EMAILING WITH OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, CLARK CREEERY AS HE AND ANDY ANDERSON PLAN A DP (PERSONEL REUNION).

I got my Ham Radio license in 1978 after serving (Jun 76-Jun 77) at Det 423 and running the MARS station there for most of my tour. I learned operating protocol on the fly working with the MARS stations in Hawaii, California and Arizona (the Barry Goldwater station).

I have been licensed continuously since that time but was inactive from about 1984 to 1991 at which time I got interested again and have had loads of fun with it still today. My interest is mostly contesting and DXing. My CW skills are not real good, but still have fun with it. I have worked a clean sweep (all 80 ARRL sections and VE Provences) in the ARRL November Sweepstakes CW the last two years. Last year I won the Southeast Division Single Op Low Power category in the ARRL RTTY Roundup last year. Unfortunately I was not able to participate this year because of other commitments. Ham Radio is still alive and well, although there have been many changes in the licensing process. CW is not required any longer! I regret this. I wish it would have been retained as a requirement at least to 5WPM. Oh well, I enjoy it as a great pass time. If interested you can see what my station has evolved to so far here in Slocomb take a look at <http://www.kc4hw.net>, still got lots of work to do!

BTW I am James P. Johnson and served in AFTAC from 1974 to 1988, when I retired. I was living in Melbourne until 2004 and took a job with Richards Paint, Rockledge, FL, and relocated to Slocomb Alabama. I am native to Alabama being born and raised just outside of Birmingham. So it was sort of like coming home. I miss my good friends in Florida, but really enjoy the life that we have in the countryside of Alabama.

I am retiring effect Jan 15th and will begin that stage of my life. I have been working for 48 years and as you can imagine, often two jobs while I was in the military. I probably won't last very long as a, so to say, "retiree" because I really can't sit still very long. My wife has several projects and I still have work to do on the radio station, but probably will be looking for something part time down the road later this year.

We are looking forward to a great get-together with the DP Family this Spring. Thanks for the 'life' update, Jim, and wondering if your DP reunion could be in conjunction with the WorldWide in CA, May 12-15?

Jan 10

Jack D. Wagley, USPS

Feb 10

Wonder of wonders, my wife and I have been married to each other for 62 ½ years now. I have been an outpatient at VA Ann Arbor Healthcare system here in Ann Arbor since 2002. I have an advocate now – one day a week but I have not heard from her since they appointed her. I also have a facilitator – whatever that is! Jack also wrote of some of his adventures he had reported on before and provided this update.

L & M Neumeister

Feb 20

Just wanted to provide you my new mailing address in case you haven't received it from USPS. Yes, I still receive my Post-Monitor by snail mail, but having the hard copy for when I'm away from the computer is the only way I'd ever have time to read it—too much time already spent on the computer doing work for work and homework for school. However, the Post-Monitor is about the only publication (of numerous ones I receive) that I read cover to cover—I never seem to tire of hearing about the great people and heritage of AFTAC. Keep up the outstanding job. V/R, Mouse Thanks for thinking of us with the updated info and we appreciate your kind words ... the newsletter duties are duties we love ...

MBRSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL/CHANGE

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE OR LAST PAGE OF THE POST-MONITOR
NOTE: PLEASE FILL OUT APPLICATIONS IN FULL. WE GET SOME THAT ARE NOT COMPLETE AND YOUR HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

'Serial Sages'

(New Lifetime Members)

Lou Seiler

'Sustaining Sages'

(Annual Members, new and renewals)

Charles Schuster, Michael McCarty, Robert Miller, Deborah Carson, John Perry, John Nederhoed, Bob Morton, Charles Desrosier and Sam

Sage Report

Kenneth Myers

Dec 13

EVERY ONCE IN AWHILE I SAY HOWDY TO MY FELLOW CENTER SENIOR ENLISTED ADVISORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS ... 'HOWDY' THIS TIME GOT THIS GREAT REPORT FROM KEN, (#8 OF 12 IN THE LINAGE). KEN IS WORKING FOR TASC (THE ANALYTIC SCIENCES CORPORATION, [HTTP://WWW.TASC.COM](http://WWW.TASC.COM)). HE HAD SEVERAL THINGS TO 'SAY' OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS AND I ASKED HIS PERMISSION TO 'REPORT' SAME IN POMO ... HE KINDLY AGREED.

I work for TASC here in northern Virginia. I wear two hats. For the customer, I'm on a contract supporting the Director of National Intelligence (Gen Clapper). Specifically I'm supporting some efforts in his Chief Information Officer's area.

It's a small world. So small in fact his daughter lived next to me for a couple of years before I moved to a different place. I never knew her when the Clapper's were in FL, but I was a young SSgt then and didn't hob-knob a lot with the CC's kids. :-) I see Gen Dettmer every once in awhile too. He's doing well.

For TASC and my other hat, I'm a Department Manager. Get all the fun duties of care and feeding of the troops (I mean employees), hiring and firing for our current contracts, and working on proposals for work we are going after. Not a lot different then being a Chief and an AFTAC Superintendent. :-)

Speaking of that, I was talking with Patrick's CCM last week, Calvin Williams (he worked for me when he was in AFTAC and a SSgt) and he brought me up to speed on the Chiefs now at AFTAC. It was great to hear the names of all those I had worked with over the years. Thanks for keeping us all in touch.

'Sage Information'

Harry Joseph

HARRY ASKED WE POST THIS IN THE POMO ... WE HAVE ALSO POSTED IT AT THE WEBSITE, 'SAGE INFORMATION' PAGE

Medicare Part B Premiums Update 06: The Military Retiree Health Care Relief Act of 2011 (H.R.238), was introduced in the 112th Congress by Representative Jo Ann Emerson (R-MO-08). The bill would restore a long broken promise relating to free life time health care by amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable credit to military retirees and their spouses/widows for premiums paid for coverage under Medicare Part B. Veterans are encouraged to contact their legislators and request they actively support this bill and urge their colleagues to do the same. One method to accomplish this is to access the USDR Action Alert site [http://capwiz.com/usdr/issues/alert/?alertid=23523796&queueid=\[capwiz:queue_id\]](http://capwiz.com/usdr/issues/alert/?alertid=23523796&queueid=[capwiz:queue_id]) and forward the editable message to their representatives.

[Source: USDR Action Alert 23 Jan 2011 ++]

Det 46 Dining Out/20th Anniversary

Air Force Technical Applications Center

Detachment 46 Dining Out/20th Anniversary



Bill Schmied, CO Treasurer, sent a presentation for display during Snowball XIII at which, among the other festivities, the CO Det Commanders, here on official business, briefed

attendees and were recognized. He also sent a pdf file with several of those detachment's history.

Clark Creery, 'FL Chapter Membership' and Web/Electronic Media Manager, has posted them to the FL Website, 'Scene Sages,' page. Have a look at these most interesting slides of the dining out and detachment history, and all the other great things at our site.

Scene Sages

Colorado Chapter, September Breakfast Rogues Gallery

THIS POSTING IN THE LATEST (2011.02) COLORADO CHAPTER NEWSLETTER, ECHOES, WAS JUST TOO GOOD NOT TO USE IN THIS NEWSLETTER. WE DID NOT HAVE ROOM AT THE 'CHAPTER NEWS' SECTION SO WE HAVE REPLICATED IT FOR YOUR VIEWING PLEASURE! JERRY MOXLEY IS THE EDITOR OF THE COLORADO MISSIVE.



Tom Ware



Jerry Moxley



Ed McKenna



Bill Rogers



Rick Phillips



Bill Milnor



Earl Pierce



Tom Greene

◆ Long Range Detection Alumni Association, Patrick AFB FL

CHAPTER NEWS



We hear from many sources that "membership has its privileges" when it comes to belonging to a group. Group membership has its responsibilities, too. If you hold a particular credit card, the group (and the credit card company) wants you to pay your bill. If you are a member of a club or association, the club wants you to pay your dues. However, clubs and associations rarely survive on dues alone; they count on the relatively small percentage of members who come to meetings, hold office, lead or participate in committees, or just offer their opinion (and vote) on general club business.

The usual percentage of participation in a healthy organization is (in my opinion) a dismal 10 to 20 percent of membership. Certain factors contribute to this such as scheduling conflicts and meeting locations; but by and large, there is little variation in the percentage of participation except during elections. During elections, there is a surge in attendance—not necessarily because some particular faction of the group wants to put "their person" in the seat, they just want to feel they've made a strategic input to the organization. I personally appreciate that desire and hope their votes are well spent this September when elections come around again for the LRDA.

Three terms as your president is certainly no record; others held the office longer and perhaps more productively. In the coming months, I ask you to look around and inspire some "new blood" to lead our organization and sustain it—better yet, **advance** it!

There are new AFTAC retirees every year who are (and were) leading contributors to the success of LRD and their professional peer groups such as the Top 3, Chiefs Group, CGO Council, and others. They take vast amounts of ideas and leadership skills with them. Those skills are critical to our continued viability, to be sure; but their **membership** is critical to our growth. If just 10 percent of our membership came to meetings, we would need a theater to seat them all. Imagine the impact to the LRDA if we increased our membership by 10% or more!

The LRDA continues due to the Herculean efforts of less than 10 percent of our members. Examine your schedules, examine your priorities—give us an hour of your time a month. Meetings are every 2nd Monday at 5PM—come discover the privileges of membership!

Florida Membership/Sages WorldWide (WW) Directories: WW is an expanded listing of all who serve/served and we have record of it is 'searchable' at the Florida Chapter website, '<https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtobknownow/>'-'Pg 07.' Directories available via email to requesting paid-up members from the Florida Membership Chair, Clark Creery, 'ccreery@cfl.rr.com'.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board Members *Elected*

President-Lloyd French	Vice-CMSgt Daivid Melton/TM
Secretary-Sean Ryan	Treasurer-Joe Goldian

Appointed

Activities-CMSgt Nederhoed/CCS	Hall of Heritage-Await Historian
Hospitality-Judy Milam	Web/Electronic Media-Mike Black, Clark
Creery, Editors Membership-Clark Creery	Newsletter (Post-Monitor)
Editors-John and Christel Horsch	Publicity-VACANT
Sage Shop-CMSgt Revels/IG	

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A Minute with the Minutes

AFTAC Cares Program: This ongoing program supporting deployed active duty AFTAC members continues to receive good support from Sages. (see active duty section and alumni assn website for more details) Phone cards are especially needed and welcomed.

Membership: Clark Creery reports, **FL Membership:** 624/562LT; **ePoMo/USPS**, 252/372; **WorldWide**, 4592

Post-Monitor: Editor's report, on schedule

Hall of Heritage: Per previous reports, plans are being worked to have the AFTAC Hall of Heritage approved by the AF Museum. Alumni members may be asked to help with identification of items and provide stories of their experience using the items.

Golf: Chief Melton/TM, 'Major Arranger' reports, the 21st Annual Spring Golf N'Getogether will be played on May 20. See page 1-follow any changes at our website.

***** Membership Thoughts

CLARK CREERY. 2011.01.05

We hope that our new E-mail Alerting system has not hit you as a surprise and that you have found it satisfactory. We just completed our first Electronic Post Monitor (ePoMo) alert telling everyone who has signed up that the Electronic Color PoMo was available for download. This release was for 253 members who have paid their dues and are signed up to receive the issue via their E-mail and we certainly hope that our alert did not end up in your spam bucket or worse yet, you have ignored the message and not received the notice.

Our alerting system consists of two independent Google Groups: One listing (contains the Florida Association Paid up memberships) and this is strictly a notification email. This system has made it so easy because we just validate all the addresses knowing that you have accepted an invitation and when we have a release you receive a message similar to this:

'ATTENTION—Month and Year—ALUMNI NEWSLETTER'
This E-mail contains the link to the current Association Newsletter and you can view it, download, and above all print, so you can enjoy it until the next alert (PoMo).

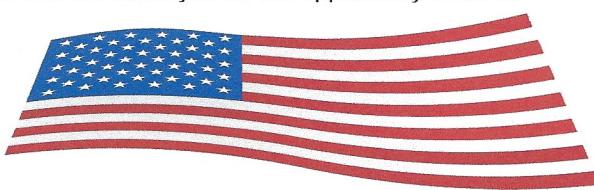
Our second notification system was made up of all the E-mail addresses contained in our previous, but now extinct, website (www.aftacalumni.org). This system

allows us to send important notifications to anyone who has signed on and listed their name and address. This system is moderated to prevent back and forth communication to all members when it only applies to one. This cuts down on electronic traffic and to be honest, we do not have the time to respond to questions unless they are addressed to our singular E-mails (As noted in the PoMo) so do not hesitate to contact us when you have the need.

Snail Mail Subscribers (~389) see what you are missing! Please – please ensure that your home addresses are correct because if the mailing fails we receive a postal notification (\$0.50) telling us that the address failed and then we must hunt you down. Printing costs, mailing costs and this postal cost adds up and we strive to reduce this to zero. Think seriously about opting for the electronic edition because it is more efficient and if it is printed by you, then you can take it for your morning or evening visit to your throne. Or, better yet, share it with the family, take notes about tales and contact our editor for inclusion in our next issue-electronic notifications go out instantly (at the same time it is sent to the printers) while snail mail processing takes several weeks to even get them into the postal system, let alone how long that may take ... we are told by our bulk mailers anywhere from 2-days to 2-weeks.

Another plus to our system is our NEW WEBSITE: <http://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknow/>. This site enables us to remove the load of management from our Webmeister, Mike **Black**, and eliminate the cost of an independent site. It also permitted us to update information that eliminated the time difference of having you wait for the information until the next newsletter. Most often this information was late and we had received many comments about a quicker notification system.

Our budget and the postal costs just did not support that option so we went with electronic information – be sure to sign in and let us know how we can improve, what would you like and is the information relevant to you? Above all, thank you for putting up with our attempt to improve service and be more efficient. This is your Alumni Organization and we thank you for the opportunity to serve.



Sage Shop News-Coins

EDITORS WITH INPUTS FROM CHIEF REVELS/IG, SAGE SHOP MANAGER AND MSGT CHAD TAGUBA/TMNT, 99/9S COIN CREATOR

Recently Bill **Schmied**, Colorado Chapter Treasurer, asked about a coin he had purchased at 'WorldWide 2009,' (image following). We turned to one of our 'active-duty' cohorts, Chief **Revels**, and he, as always, quickly tracked it down being for sale by the 'Boosters Club' and advised us he would handle it thru the 'Sage Shop.' So, another beautiful coin in our collection. We call the coin 'Traditional' because it has the HQ building with flyovers of the plane/spacecraft with motto on one side and the emblem on the other. More on MSGt Chad Taguba's coin following that.



While we continue on the subject of 'new coins' we have exciting news, see MSGt Taguba's '99/9S' coin/meaning following, and learn more on the next page.



Obverse Side



Reverse Side

The Arms: Argent, an eagle displayed proper, surmounted by an in escutcheon of the Old Shield bearing the inscription "MCMXLVII." The dexter talon holds a scroll proper and the sinister talon grips a sword proper, pommel downwards. In the beak is held a banner with the motto "Dominus Arcani", letters argent. Encircling the eagle in letters argent inscribed the Seven Titles.

The Crest: A mullet encircled by an annulet, both argent

The Arms: Azure, a sword pale ways argent with wings erect argent conjoined at the hilt. Sable, surmounting the sword in fesse point, atomic orbitals argent. Encircling, nine mullets argent and the proof in letters argent "Let this coin signify its bearer is a member of an elite and noble group of Airmen who stand in silent vigil for the good of all humankind."

Encircling the Arms in letters argent is the motto "In God We Trust, All Others We Monitor."

The Symbolism of the Obverse

The eagle is the American bald eagle, the symbol of our country. On its breast is borne the Old Shield, which represents the original mission responsible for the genesis of the Reporting Identifier. Its banner reads "MCMXLVII", which is the year the mission began. The inner feathers are white, indicating the wisdom accrued from performing a mission older than the Air Force itself. The eagle's right talon is holding a scroll, symbolizing knowledge and the left talon holds a sword, a token of military duty. The eagle looks to knowledge before it wields the sword. The eagle is also clutching a banner that reads in Latin "Dominus Arcani". This is loosely but correctly translated to *Lord of the Unseen Way* (or *Master of the Unseen Way*). It is a comment to our mastery of the sciences and technical arts and our uncanny ability to innovate. Above the eagle is a bounded star that serves to represent our enlisted service. Surrounding the eagle and star are the seven reporting identifiers we've held over the decades.

The Symbolism of the Reverse

The winged sword represents the 9S100's commitment to, and membership in, the United States Air Force. It is surrounded by nine stars, a comment on the naming convention of the Reporting Identifier – the number nine is always involved. The atomic orbitals over the sword represent the scientific methods we employ to discharge our duties. Additionally, the winged sword is

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a stylized Ψ, symbolizing Schrödinger's wave equation. This side also bears the Proof, a statement that authenticates the bearer as a participant in the mission. The circumference of the coin bears the motto, "In God We Trust, All Others We Monitor", a statement that holds true no matter where we go.

WE FIRST BECAME AWARE OF MSGT TAGUBA'S COIN WHEN JACK SMITH (SEE COLUMN ON RIGHT) SHOWED IT TO US THE NIGHT OF THE BANQUET. IT SEEMS CHAD, ALSO IN LINE FOR RECOGNITION, HAD THOUGHTFULLY HONORED JACK'S 'SAGE' SERVICE BY PRESENTING HIM ONE OF HIS COINS. UPON SEEING THE COIN, YOUR EDITOR'S IMMEDIATELY WANTED TO KNOW MORE AND CONTACTED CHAD ABOUT THE COIN AND THE POSSIBILITY OF OFFERING SAME THRU THE POMO. HIS VERY THOUGHT REPLY FOLLOWS:

Chief, Glad to make your acquaintance! I'm honored you wish to include this coin with the others in the Sage Shop. I would very much like to see this coin made available to all those who preceded me – as I told MSgt (Ret) Smith, I'm standing on the shoulder of giants and this coin is a tribute to that great heritage. But offering the coin for general sale does conflict with my rules for the coin. They are:

1. Available only to those who have held the RI 99/9S (or earlier) designations. Though not to be purchased by non-99/9S's, they may be presented one by a 99/9S.
2. The first coin is free. Others are available on a donation basis only.

I fully understand that these rules are difficult to follow outside the active duty contingent of 9S personnel. I'm open to any suggestions you may have on how to distribute the coins – however, this coin is not for everybody (wow...that sounds harsh). If you would like, I would be more than happy to come by and discuss the coin at the next Alumni meeting (or sooner, if you'd prefer). And indeed MSgt Taguba attended the March and April meetings and presented his coin to the assn board and attending members. As a result of the discussions over these two meetings it was decided the 'AFTAC Top-3' would be the most fitting group to handle the distribution of this coin in a most distinguished manner; details as they are available will be published.

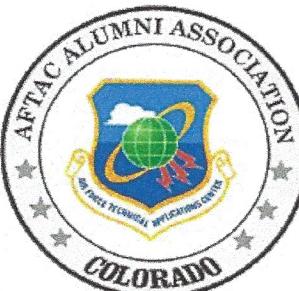
COLORADO NEWSLETTER EXTRACTS, 2011.02**ECHOES**

President, Jack Smith-Vice, Earl Pierce-Treasurer, Bill Schmied-Newsletter Editor, Jerry Moxley/Publisher, Ken Behrens-Webmaster, Bill Harris-Website @ <http://www.aftacco.org/>.

Membership: 87

Events Calendar

SEE WEBSITE FOR LATEST INFORMATION (URL ABOVE) CHECK BEFORE COMING
General Membership Breakfast September 2011 0830
Hours Aurora Hills Golf Course Club House
Date TBD



Florida Editor's Note: The CO Newsletter Editor, Jerry Moxley (Moxi), publishes many articles of interest to retirees concerning Tricare, DEERS, and other information. Sages can request a complimentary 'electronic' copy via email, mox@wisptel.net, on a one time basis for review and consideration of joining the Denver Chapter also.

**Jack Smith, Colorado Chapter President,
'Alumni of the Year, 2010!'**

Col Prupas, AFTAC CC, made the announcement at the Colorado Chapter's Dinner/Social. Col Prupas surprised Jack with this honor and noted his many accomplishments serving not only the Colorado Chapter but Sages in general as that Chapter hosted WorldWide Reunions and involved the active duty in the area in the chapter's events during his tenure.



Florida Editors Note: Many of ECHOEs pages for this issue were filled with picture's and article's concerning Jack's 'Alumni of the Year, 2010,' recognition events-at this Dinner/Social and the two events in Florida, that chapter's 'SnowBall XIII' and the Center's 'Annual Awards Banquet.' The issue also contains 'Guest Editorial's' from these editor's and Clark Creery, Florida Chapter Membership Chair. Those articles appeared earlier in this issue.

CALIFORNIA NEWSLETTER 2011.01, EXTRACTS**DEPOT FALLOUT**

Charlie Penn, President; Dave Tarquino, Vice; Ken Denbleyker, Chairman of the Board of Directors (COB); George Thompson, Asst. COB; Steve Fri s, Director At Large; John 'Butch' Kemna, Treasurer; Dennis Nolan, Asst. Treasurer; Bob Baker, Secretary; Ken Breitwieser, Asst. Sec, Dave Price, Membership; Newsletter Editor-Dale Klug; Webmaster/Asst Editor-Bob Fitzgerald-Website @ <http://www.aftacwcc.org/>. Membership: 145/133 are Lifetime

FLORIDA EDITOR NOTE: WE JUST LEARNED IN THIS ISSUE OF LONG-TIME EDITOR, DALE KLUG, STEPPING DOWN. PLEASE SEE OUR TRIBUTE TO HIS SERVICE LATER IN THIS ISSUE, CONCLUDING ON PG 24.

BACK ISSUE'S OF THIS NEWSLETTER ARE POSTED AT THE CA WEBSITE (URL ABOVE). VISIT TO VIEW PICTURES, MAIL, AND MORE. FOLLOWING, WE EXTRACT PORTIONS OF THE LATEST 'FALLOUT' RECOGNIZING THAT NOT ALL SAGES ARE REGULAR INTERNET USERS.

Events Calendar

SEE WEBSITE FOR LATEST INFORMATION (URL ABOVE) CHECK BEFORE COMING Meetings, 1st Tuesday quarterly (06.07, 08.06, 12.06, 03.06) at the Lions Gate Restaurant at McClellan Park.

12-15 May, 2011 AFTAC WorldWide Reunion, Lions Gate Hotel, McClellan Park, CA; registration and pre-pay required, information and registration forms follow and are also available at all chapters' websites, CA Chapter URL above.

Confirm before coming-call ahead to our Vice President or check 'Events' page, URL above

Mail-CallNOTE: OUR MAIL CALL E-MAIL ADDRESS: FALLOUTEDIOR@AFTACWCC.ORG**Chechon Children's Home Christmas Message**

FL EDITOR'S NOTE: MANY OF US WHO SERVED DET 452 RECALL THE CHILDREN'S HOME. WHAT FOLLOWS IS AN EXTRACT OF THEIR CHRISTMAS LETTER.

December is always a busy month for us. The children practice for the Christmas programs they give for some of our "Special" guests. Santa continues to come each year in the blue vans of the Det. Air Force people with gifts for each of the children. We are thankful for all the gifts, extra food, treats, and visitors. At CCH we had ninety children (including thirty-eight teenagers!) and thirty one caregivers who do our best trying to meet the needs of our children. At our Child Abuse Protection Center we have seven Social workers and two helpers - they often work 24 hours a day. PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS. **We Thank Him and You for Blessings Abundant MAY THE QUIETNESS OF CHRISTMAS, EASE THE STRESS OF TROUBLED HEARTS IN THESE TROUBLED TIMES WITH HIS PEACE AND QUIETNESS. MAY HIS LOVE, JOY AND PEACE GUIDE YOU THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON AND THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR.** Jane and Chechon Children's Home

Editor: Jane is still at the Children's Home, if you would like a copy of the full text of her two-page 2010 Christmas newsletter, with pictures, just email me & I'll forward it to you.

'Way Back When'

FL EDITOR'S NOTE: RECALL 1155TH TOS BASKETBALL TEAM PICTURE FROM LAST ISSUE ASKING FOR IDENTIFICATION OF PLAYERS. THIS ISSUE ADVISES:

With the help of Dave Price and Clay Lemire we have determined the picture was taken in 1963. The players have also been identified:

L-R Back row, Lt Regiera, Ray Schulstad, (Coach)

Fred Fisher, Ed Slover, Tony Gallo

L-R Front row: Lt. Hauschild, McCain?, Clay Lemire

*******2011 AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION*********12 May – 15 May 2011**

The cutoff date for reunion registration is May 1, 2011

CHARLIE PENN, PRESIDENT, WEST COAST CHAPTER



It is time to make your plans to attend the 2011 AFTAC Worldwide reunion which is being hosted by the AFTAC Alumni Association-West Coast Chapter. The site selection committee searched throughout the Sacramento region to find the "perfect" location for this event. For nostalgic and practical reasons the Lions Gate Hotel (formally the "O" Club at McClellan AFB) was selected. This facility offers registered guests complimentary buffet breakfasts, will set up transportation to and from the Sacramento International Airport (\$14/person), and has rooms ranging from refurbished BOQ's to the SMALC General's quarters (4 bedrooms). Prices for lodging range from \$89-\$349/night with some quarters offering full kitchens and multiple bedrooms. The bar and restaurant facilities are revamped and very accommodating.

Hotel Information: Lions Gate Hotel and Conference Center, 3410 Westover Street, Sacramento (McClellan), California 95652, Phone: 866-258-5651 Website: <http://www.lionsgatehotel.com/>, mention you are attending the AFTAC Reunion. So, what is on tap for our reunion?

Thursday, 12 May 2011: Early sign-in and hospitality suite activities. George Thompson, the maestro of the hospitality suite, has toured the facility for this function and gives it two thumbs up. It is a former one bedroom base officer's quarters that has a full kitchen, living room, bathroom, and access to a large patio area. This will handle at least 80 sages that want to swap some lies and perhaps imbibe in some liquid refreshments. Any group that would like to have a mini-reunion (dets, systems, etc.) contact George at AsstBdChmn@AFTACWCC.org and he will make sure the proper notification and advertising is accomplished. i.e., Detachment 202 would like to host an alumni function; done! Registration for these mini-reunions can be accomplished either in the hotel lobby or at the hospitality suite.

Friday, May 13, 2011: Sign-in continues and there will be a docent guided tour of the Aerospace Museum of California starting at 1:00. This facility used to be located close to the new commissary and has since relocated north of McClellan Park on Freedom Park Drive in a new building and grounds area. The Lions Gate Hotel will provide transportation to and from this museum for those who need it. The reduced price for this guided tour will be \$5.00 that you pay at the entrance to the museum. You will be impressed at this new facility and exhibits; visit web site www.aerospacemuseumofcalifornia.org. You can get further information by contacting Gary "Steve" Fritts at DirectorAtLarge@AFTACWCC.org. Starting at 5:00 there will be a no host reception at the "O" Club or General's quarters depending on weather and the number of participants. This event will have both cold and hot hors d'oeuvres and will give everyone a chance to mingle and reminisce with their brethren and friends. This event "officially" will close at 7:00 and the hearty will adjourn to the hospitality suite. Dinner, for those who need to put on the feed bag, will be non-hosted and left to your discretion. **Saturday, May 14, 2011:** Yes, the hospitality suite is still open and registration continues either at the hotel lobby or the suite. Formally, today starts out with a trip to the Thunder Valley Casino with their free bus(s) arriving in front of the Lions Gate Hotel at 10:00. Transportation will take you to the casino where you will be afforded the opportunity to "recoup your expenses for this reunion". The bus will return to the Lions Gate Hotel around 3:00. This will allow you the time to prepare yourselves for the banquet which formally starts at 7:00. The banquet will be the formal finale of this reunion and a chance, once again, to mix with the folks that were an important part of your life. The banquet will have a no host bar opening at 6:00, pre dinner entertainment, color guard presentation, and keynote speaker. After the dinner you will have further opportunities to mingle with attendees, and yes, once again visit the hospitality suite.

Sunday, May 15, 2011: Time to say goodbye at the no host breakfast. Time is at your leisure. The Lions Gate Hotel will arrange ground transportation to the airport for those who need this amenity.

MONITORing Active Duty Doing's from around the AFTAC world

Command Section



Col. Aaron M. Prupas

Commander (CC), 2010.06. AF1990/AFTAC2010. The Col served the AF in many capacities before coming to AFTAC. Most recently as deputy chief, Commander's Initiatives Group, US Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla. Col. Prupas has several Master's with latest in national security and strategic studies, Naval War College, Newport, RI. Complete Bio, <http://www.afisra.af.mil/>



CMSgt John Nederhoed

Superintendent (CCS), 2008.04. AF1983/AFTAC1987. The Chief has served AFTAC in many capacities and at many locations to include TOD, multiple detachments/positions and recently, First Sergeant and Superintendent, DO. Education: All NCO Academies (Distinguished Grad, NCO Acad) and has earned several AS of Science Degrees. Complete Bio, <http://www.afisra.af.mil/>



Center Annual Awards Banquet, 02.10, Tides Club

YOUR EDITORS ATTENDED THIS IMPORTANT ACTIVE-DUTY EVENT TO CELEBRATE WITH OUR ALUMNI OF THE YEAR, 2010, JACK SMITH. NORMALLY, THE AFTAC/PA WOULD PROVIDE A REPORT BUT THAT POSITION IS NOT YET FILLED. WE CONTACTED OUR 'INTEPID INSIDER,' CAROL SNYDER FOR SOME HELP AND SHE PROVIDED A LIST OF THE AWARD WINNERS. WE HAVE ALSO REPORTED SOME OF THE DETAILS OF THIS OUTSTANDING EVENT IN OUR EDITORIAL FOR THIS ISSUE.

AFTAC Category and Award Winners

AMN, A1C Caron (7-Nominations); **NCO**, TSgt Carpenter (6); **SNCO**, MSgt Sutton (9); **CGO**, Lt Wong (5); **FGO**, Maj Davis (2); **Jr TECH**, SrA Robertson (7); **Sr TECH**, TSgt Hutchinson (4); **Civilian CAT I Non-Supervisory**, Mr. Jennings (4); **Civilian CAT II Non-Supervisory**, Mr. Bertrand (7); **Civilian CAT II Supervisory**, Mr. Dancy (4); **Alumni of the Year**, MSgt (Ret) Smith; **Military Volunteer**, TSgt Lopez (2); **Civilian Volunteer**, Ms. Snyder; **Detachment of the Year**, Det 1

9S100 Functional Area, Technical Applications Specialist of the Year, Air Force Level Awards

Technician, A1C Graham; **Supervisor**, MSgt Taguba; **Manager**, SMSgt Howorth

There were some 160 people in attendance and award winners were greeted with touting and tooting.



AFTAC Cares

Packages for Deployed

Details and needed items, at Alumni Assn website, 'Need To Know Now' link. POC: Carol Snyder, Carol.Snyder@patrick.af.mil

Update

SUBMITTED BY CAROL SNYDER-EMAIL 03.15

This month we mailed out 15 Care packages and have received several letter's of appreciation. As always, thanks for all the Phone Cards

Thank You(s)

CAROL HAS BEEN SENDING THESE NOTES AS SHE RECEIVES THEM AND WE POST THEM AT THE WEBSITE NOTED IN HEADING. THEY MAKE FOR VERY GOOD READING AND, IN MANY CASES, PROVIDE INSIGHT INTO WHAT OUR DEPLOYED EXPERIENCE. WE ALSO POST THEM HERE FOR THOSE NOT USING THE INTERNET. THEY ARE REPRINTED JUST AS RECEIVED. IN MOST CASES, NAMES FOLLOW THE NOTES.

02.22 AFTAC Spouses, Alumni & Booster Club, I want to say thank you very much for the care packages I have received during my deployment. I left AFTAC in June and arrived here at the Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyzstan, in July, planning to be back to Florida this coming July. I'm on the back side of my deployment, but wanted you to know that I have appreciated getting your care packages in the mail. I may be on the complete other side of the world...mail takes about 3 weeks to get here... but it was nice to get some indulgences from home. They made home seem not so far away. Our mission here involves refueling aircraft flying over Afghanistan and serving as the Gateway to Afghanistan for most of our American and Coalition service members. I've included a few pictures of the Transit Center as well as me in 2 group photos (one below). I'm flying the KC-135 while here...so I'm the guy in a tan flight suit. The photo in front of the plane on the ground is



after we flew 12 members of the Kyrgyz Parliament that were just elected in the country's first democratic elections three months ago.

Thanks for the packages you've sent me...as well as those you've sent to all deployed AFTACers! It's a labor of love...and well appreciated! **Todd Dierlam**, Colonel, USAF 376 Exp Operations Group Commander Transit

Center at Manas, Kyrgyz Republic. "Flying the Hump of the 21st Century: Liberados Deliver!"

02.15 Dear AFTAC Spouses, Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness to the needs of our troops. Your kindness has certainly made a positive impact on the lives of our service members. Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines visit our chapel daily to pick up the donations that we receive from generous organizations like yours. I realize that you sent your care package to "Jay Crow," but you marked the customs form correctly and it was redirected to the Chapel. When you send it that way we are able to give the items out to our troops stationed here, heading home and heading down range. Your efforts were not in vain, people that needed the items, got them.

Our mission at the Wings of Hope Chapel stays strong through the support and kindness of caring individuals back home. Thank you for serving with us! Your contribution has indeed improved the morale of our deployed military personnel and provided an encouraging reminder of home. To learn more about our efforts, go to www.manas.afcent.af.mil.

On behalf of our entire chapel staff, thank you for your tremendous support! Sincerely, **Michael W. Dinneen**, MSGt, USAF, 376 AEW/HC, APO AE 0935

02.08 Please pass onto the Spouses Group, that I have received my care package and that I am GREATLY appreciative for the package. Hope all is good there. Looks like I will be returning around the end of May and hopefully 2 weeks of use/lose leave plus the 14 days of recoop time. Tell all I said hello. All is good here.

:-) V/R **ROBERT E. GOOD, JR., TSgt, USAF**

01.27 AFTAC Spouses Group, I just wanted to send my sincerest appreciation for the 2 care packages I have received. I received my first one in December right around christmas and today I received the valentine's day care package. Both were a surprise and both were very useful. Thank you for the toiletries and the magazines and the pj's. I use the calling cards everyday to call back home and I've also shared the snacks and candy with all the members in my squadron. It's always nice to get a piece of home sent out here and receiving care packages makes for a better day. Everything is going well here, I'm half way through my rotation and am looking forward to returning home. Thanks again for all you do, your generosity is greatly appreciated. v/r, **SrA Brandie Hunter** Brandie also sent a Christmas Card

01.14 AFTAC Spouses Group, Thank you so much for the care package. It couldn't have come at a better time. I shared all the goodies with my fellow airmen and your help brightens our holiday season. Thanks again for all you do , you really do much such a huge difference. **Brandie Hunter**

12.01 I received the care package from the spouses. Please express my thanks to them. I think it's wonderful what they do for the deployed members. I am particularly excited about my Christmas decorations. I can't wait to hang them up. Thanks again!!

Sincerely, **Terri Johnson**

12.09 I got another CARE package from the AFTAC Spouses Group. This one had a few Christmas decorations, so we decorated our office door. Please pass on my thanks for their thoughtful gifts, and thank you for adding me to their list. All is well here. We stay very busy, and the time goes by quickly. It's getting cold at night (20s) and there's snow on the mountains around Kabul. Merry Christmas to you and yours and a happy New Year. **Jay Crow**

12.17 I just received the care package. The items in it have helped raise my morale and the troops currently surving under me as well. Thank you for the Christmas lights as I will use them to make my CHU more festive for the holiday season. The phone card will come in handy with keeping in contact with my wife and family back home. Thank you. Respectfully, **Roy T. Lasley**, SSgt, USAF, Warrior Service Desk Night Shift NCOIC, HHC, 151st ESB, "Task Force Palmetto"-Kirkuk Iraq

Booster Club Officers (Nov Elections)/Report

President: Lt Michele Coy-Vice: SSgt Samantha Ennesser
Treas: Lt Kevin Pastoor-Secretary: A1C Aaron LeFevre
Public Affairs: SSgt Jose Rodriguez-Hot Dog Sales: SrA Camei Graham-Top Banana Rep: SSgt Damon Wolford
Clothing Sales Rep: TSgt James Collins

The Booster's Club Prez Reports

ALERT: 23 April, 1100, The 'Center Annual Spring Picnic'-Wickham Park, large pavilion. TSgt Sanger, 494-8717, POC-Alumni Ticket Contact, **Carol Snyder**, AFTAC/CAA, carol.snyder@patrick.af.mil. Price before/after 04.15, Person, \$5/7-Family, \$25/35, Food, prepared by your favorite Booster's Club, BBQ Ribs/Chicken, Baked Beans, Corn and more. **Activities**, Badminton, Horse Shoes, Tug of War, Volleyball, Softball, Various youth activities.

EVENT: The Daytona 500 effort was a huge success, thanks to all active and sages who volunteered and assisted. we're anticipating around \$2,200 (not including \$800 in tips).

ALERT: Upcoming fundraiser (tentative): The Coke Zero 400 will be on July 3rd and it looks like we may be invited back to support the event. More to follow on a later date. Editor's note: We will pass on any information we receive via eALLert 's to subscribed members (open to all) and at the alumni assn website, 'Breaking News' and/or 'Active Duty Schedule.'

Headquarters' Active Duty Schedule: *NOTE: Sages are invited to participate*****

PROVIDED BY SEAN RYAN, LRD ALUMNI ASSN BOARD SECRETARY, MAINTAINED BY JEANNINE KEPNER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE COMMANDER

EVENT	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	POC
WindDown	1st Friday Each Month/1530	Outback	Various
LRDAA Monthly Meeting	2nd Monday/Ea Month/1700 or other designated time	1645 HQ's Outback or other Venue	Alumni Website, URL listed below.
Burger Burn	Every Thursday/1100 -1230	Outback	Various
Pack-n-Wrap for the Troops	Bi-Monthly/1830	Various, contact POC	aftacsposse@yahoo.com

Ed Note: this lists only recurring events ... for a complete list of all events, current and recurring, see the 'Active-Duty Schedule of Events' kept up to date, and complete, at the website, '<https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/4-active-duty-schedule>'

FEATURE ARTICLES

NOTE: 'FEATURE ARTICLES' CATEGORIES LISTED ON OUR CONTENTS PAGE, AND BELOW, DO NOT ALWAYS HAVE INPUTS. We list them in the hope it will trigger a **Sage or two to sit down and share a tale or two.** It is also a powerful 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)-Categories/Last Input follow:

1. "Commander's reCall"/2007.09
2. "I Remember ... "/2010.12
3. "A Family Affair"-Parent/Child Serve LRD/2007.09
4. "Sage Stars"-Post LRD Success/2010.08
5. "BS Tales"/This Issue
6. "Where In The World Is"-From Website/2008.12
7. "Tom's Trivia"/This Issue

"BS TALES"

PREPARED FROM READER INPUTS. We solicit your **unclassified humorous** tales about LRD events and people - recognizing these anecdotes may be '**Barely Substantiated**' and/or '**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 story), John Horsch (6), Ben Vlasick, (deceased), Brian Berenbach, Mike Gingrich (2), Frank Liberatori, Bill Taylor, Frank Calenda (6), Ron Cook (2), Walter Franks, Ken Oyer, Bob Chadwick, Frank and Nedra Szachta (4), Chuck Wallace, Jon Kempe, George Kraus (2), Bud Horrell, Mike Steskal, Ray Copeland (4), Geno Wagner, Harold Huhs, Jack Wagley, Leroy Jones, Jack Dorneden (7), Clark Creery (4), Richard (Alkie) Summers (2), Les Miller, Jon Richardson Mike Higgins, Kenneth Stanford. Dick Grim, James Gindleperger, Bob Chadwick, Harry Joseph, Brent Braud

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR 'BS' INPUTS.

**Jim Davis, Eugene McKay, Ed Gardiner Report,
Part II**

RECALL WE STARTED THIS EXCHANGE OF EMAIL IN THE 2010.12 ISSUE AND PROMISED A CONTINUATION IN THIS ISSUE. HERE WE KEEP THAT PROMISE...IN THESE EXCHANGES, JIM DAVIS STARTED A LENGTHLY AND HUMOUROUS, RECALL ABOUT HIS TIME AT DET 204, AND DREW SEVERAL OTHERS INTO HIS WEB WHO HAD SERVED AT DET 204 AND HAD FOND MEMORIES.

Eugene 'Gene' McKay, upon reading Jim's adventures, replied: Yes, it was 1957 when I first drove Farmers Loop Rd. We solved the problem a bit different by putting in bunk rooms and a kitchen (probably that which was used to have donuts in) and the men voted to change crews once each week, with only the supervisors driving up each day. I was NCOIC for the Q-system then. Del Solari was NCOIC of the B-system while Ed Gardiner was overall NCOIC. We installed the first system there, even hiring a well digger to drill the "well" for our Q-system clock driver.

The system was complex and most maintenance men used the shotgun approach like "Red" did. I used a slightly different approach, at least that's what the crews thought. Before leaving each night I would stand in front of the racks and quietly tell the systems to be-

have or I'd be back that night to give them hell. For the most part that worked for me as we had a very vigorous P.M. (preventive maintenance) system.

We did have a lot of good times up on the hill! The following is only one of many.

Our team mascot at the time was a somewhat flea-bitten dog named **Snowball**. A super animal and loved by all. One Spring we had a large black bear sneaking around and the bear took a swipe at Snowball causing her some injuries. Ed Gardiner, and I decided we should shoot the bear to protect Snowball so we brought our rifles up to the site to accomplish that. Ed had an H&R 300 while I had my trusty Remington 720, I believe.

About a week later, we learned that there were bets going on by some of the men as to who would kill the bear. About noon one day one of the men ran in to say the bear was around. Both Ed and I ran for our rifles but Ed, with his office further away than I was, was late in arriving on the scene and had to be content with assisting me to put the bear's body in the back of my old Willies to take to town to be made into a rug. (My son Bill inherited the rug but a couple of years ago tossed it away because it was so moth eaten). I still don't know who won the bet but I suspect that then Capt. **Galiney** was the winner.

There are so many stories to tell about that team by everyone who was ever there. It was the toughest location I can recall, except for possibly the Team 205 on Shemya, but it was the team that had more camaraderie than any other I'm aware of. Keep the stores coming. You guys just keep getting better ... thanks so much for being one of our great 'reader's' and especially, 'writer's.'

Jim responded: You know it would be great if you could get Ed Gardiner to add a few lines...ask him if he can remember a place called **Ma Fowlers** on the Farmers Loop Road where he and Maj (Capt) **Galiney** often stopped to taste the "spirits" she had to offer....and I am sure Ed would have some great comments to give you regarding his stay there....believe he has one about when "mid-night" requisitioning was in style if you needed things to get a job done quickly...he'd know all about that as well.

Gene jumped back in: Ma Fowlers hosted a wild food dinner for the team around 1959 or so. I even brought some bear which was roasted I think, some moose was brought, salmon, caribou, and etc. None of the dishes prepared was identified as to content until after we ate. Everything was provided by the team meat wise and all the guys and families were invited. My wife, who witnessed my cleaning of the bear, would not eat what she thought was the bear, but did have caribou (she thought)! She never admitted that she ate any of the bear even though she was there when the dishes were ID'd! It was quite a meal. It seems that most of the team attended except for volunteers who remained on duty on the hill.

And then added: Capt. **Galiney** was commander of a Q -team in Vermont (I can't recall the number now) where the Q members for the new system at 204 came from. I recall setting up a basic electronics course for them in a barracks-type building on the base, Ethan Allen AFB. We then left for leaves and the trip to 204. Capt. Galiney left at the same time. Ed Gardiner was not in attendance at Ethan Allen but he arrived at Ladd AFB a few days or weeks after the Capt. and I arrived. The three of us drove but only Ed pulled a trailer. We all had great experiences to tell. This was in the Fall of '57 if I recall right, and the roads were really a huge mess, mud, dust, pot holes and so forth.

We departed 204 about the same time, Capt Galiney drove to Sacramento for his assignment at WFO and I drove to Lowry for more training prior to heading to Headquarters in Alexandria. Ed ended up at Headquarters as well, along with Del **Solari** too.

NOTE: The only crew members staying on site were the single guys. Those who were married drove back and forth too. We even built a day room across from the main building, including TV. The way we "financed" this was a bit of a problem.

As we used a lot of film that eventually had to be destroyed, we dug a big pit for burning the film. While digging around in it one day we discovered globs of silver which had formed as the film burned. This got us to thinking that a lot of silver was going down the drains during processing. A company that recovered silver for the film industry was contacted and gave us metallic-like sponges that were slid into the hypo tanks. The silver was attracted to the sponges and, when full, they were sent off to the recovery company who sent us checks for a good portion of the silver. This money was used to purchase the TV, audio system and other "goodies" that made the Day Room what it was.

Edward 'Ed' Gardiner checks in: When I departed Team 204 in late summer of 1960 we had an absolutely beautiful road going to the Det. Then in 1961 Jim **Davis** arrived and proceeded to destroy that beautiful road. Then he started a war with some poor L/C who was only doing his job. By the way that L/C must have really screwed up to have his office at the motor pool. But Jim's bad driving is what really tore up that road. I heard that the finance officer was looking for Jim to sign a statement of charges for the damages. I also heard that Jim is the one who convinced President **Obama** that Canada (Note: Recall Jim lives in Canada) had a better Health Care Plan than the U.S., and look what happened.

Also Jim was able to spend so much time at that beer joint because he had the best B and Q NCOs in the business and never had to worry about down time. Del Solari and Gene McKay protected his behind (just like they did mine.)

Ed later added: About old Frank **Galiney**. He was one fine officer. Hard and tough, but we got along fine and I

enjoyed working for him.

We had a meeting at team 204 and agreed that we should increase the fuel capacity for our heating furnace. The fuel supplier was servicing our Det about once a week. During a bad snow storm we could run out of fuel before the fuel truck could reach us.

I forgot why the base did not feel we needed a larger tank, but they were not willing to help us. So we started looking around to see if we couldn't help ourselves. One day Galiney told us that he spotted three large fuel tanks in the army depot right next to Ladd AFB. We prepared a work order and called the Motor Pool to have them meet us at the army depot with a flat bed trailer and a crane. We gave copies of the work order to everyone who wanted one. We loaded the 1000 gallon tank and took it to the Det. Our men had prepared a sturdy beam and stone base which the crane set the tank on. After we said 'goodby' to the motor pool boys we hooked up the new valves and pipe which we had provided.

Within four hours our guys painted the new tank a nice aluminum color, and we were calling the fuel supplier to fill us up. We never heard another word about a missing tank or stuff like that. Frank never said a word about it. Thanks so much for these humorous recalls ... and, they remind us how we always 'got er done' no matter the challenges.

"TOM'S TREASURE OF TANTALIZING AFTAC TRIVIA"

IN HONOR OF TOM CIAMBRONE (DECEASED)



'Trivia' was suggested and initiated by Ex-CV (9/81-5/87), Col/CMSgt (Ret/Honorary) Tom **Ciambrone**, who, in the '80's, knew the organization like no one else. He asked all Sages to send unclassified ideas for this series and to provide additional information, or corrections, when appropriate. We ask 'those who remember' to provide content to continue 'Tom's Trivia.'

Answer(s) at bottom of the 'Sage Shop'

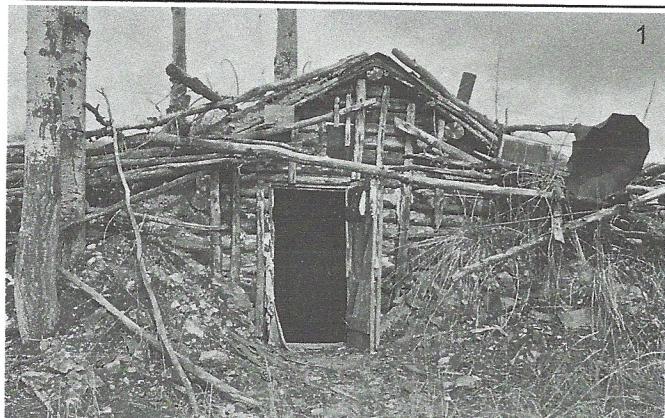
HONOR ROLL: Tom Ciambrone (4 trivia), John Horsch (8); Dale Klug (5), Bob Wiley, Don Moore, Steve Herrick, Hank Raymond, Chuck Schuster, Clark Creery, Bob Long, Joe Johnson, Les Miller, and this issue, John Nederhoed, Eugene McKay.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO TRIVIA INPUTS AND REPLIES.

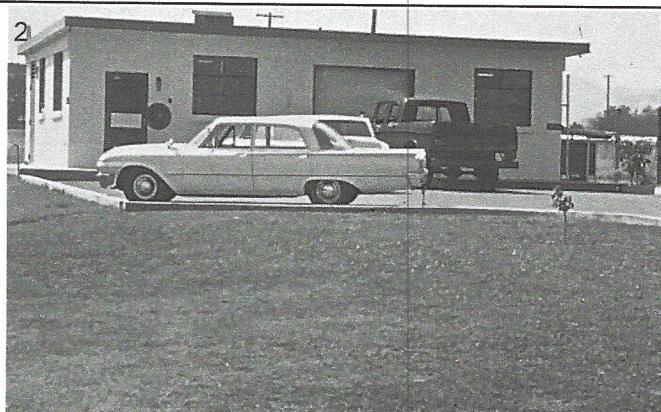
Gene McKay checks in this issue

Gene sent these pictures (next page) a year ago this month. We thought this issue was most fitting for their use since he was a part of the conversation you just read!!

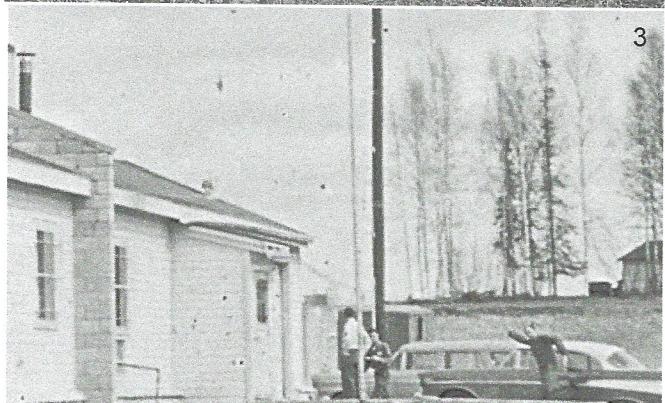
Thus, this is a pictorial trivia, maybe the best kind, eh. There are 4-pictures. The Sage with the most complete information about each picture, and after consultation with Gene, will be declared the winner. Clue: they may not be from the same detachment.



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SPECIAL SHOWCASE: DALE KLUG, 'RETIRING' AS THE CA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER (DEPOT FALLOUT) EDITOR.



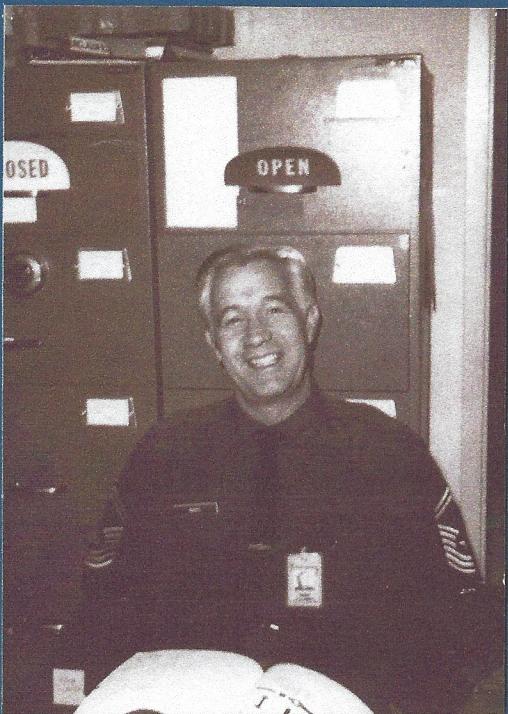
SMSGT DALE E. KLUG

(1964 - 1991)

DEC 64 FEB 67	**	1155 TCHOS
FEB 67 MAY 68	**	DETACHMENT 360
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AUG 71 AUG 73	**	DETACHMENT 428
SEP 73 SEP 76	**	1155 TCHOS
OCT 76 OCT 77	**	DETACHMENT 372
NOV 77 FEB 80	**	1155 TCHOS
MAR 80 JUL 84	**	HQ PACTOA
AUG 84 SEP 86	**	DETACHMENT 315
OCT 86 MAR 90	**	TECH OPS DIV
APR 90 MAR 91	**	DETACHMENT 452

"20-YEAR WALL OF HONOR" (page 2 for information) #9 of our presentation of 50-plus 'Rangers' currently featured on the wall in the 'Hall of Heritage' area at HQ's. Formatting/standardization-CMSgt (Ret) T Highsmith, Copied/Transferred to CD, CMSgt S Revels
We feature Dale here for several reasons, not only to recognize his long-time service to the AF/AFTAC but also as we bid farewell to him as a 'Fellow Editor' of an Alumni Assn Newsletter. (continues on pg 24)

"20-YEAR WALL OF HONOR" (page 2 for information) #10and 11 of our presentation of 50-plus 'Rangers' currently featured on the wall in the 'Hall Of Heritage' area at HQ's. Formatting/standardization-CMSgt (Ret) T Highsmith, Copied/Transferred to CD, CMSgt S Revels

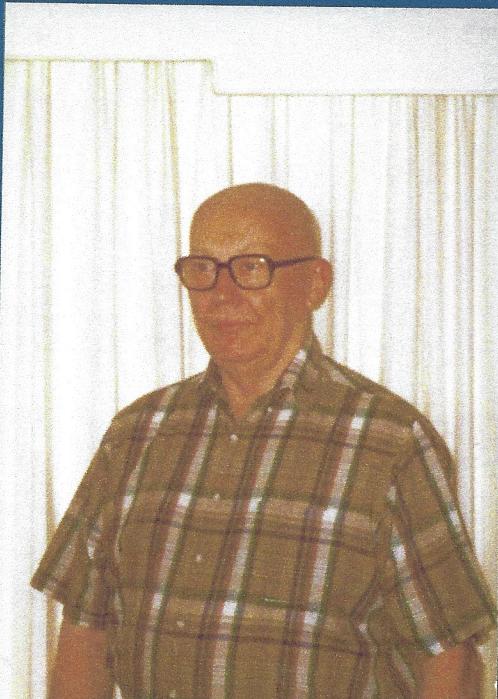


CMSGT JAMES C. DAVIS

(1953 - 1973)

MAY 53 AUG 55	**	WESTERN FIELD OFFICE
AUG 55 MAR 57	**	TEAM 407
MAR 57 JUN 60	**	SPINSTRA
JUN 60 AUG 61	**	1155 TCHOS
AUG 61 JUN 64	**	DETACHMENT 204
JUN 64 JUL 68	**	HQ (VIRGINIA) & LOWRY AFB CO
JUL 68 JUL 69	**	DETACHMENT 517
JUL 69 MAY 73	**	HQ (VIRGINIA) & VELA

This issue we present two Gentlemen who go back a long-way, truly 'Long-Rangers' in the truest sense of the word, CMSgt James 'Jimmie' 'Red' Davis, one of our 1st Chiefs, and SMSgt Joe Johnson. We were lucky enough to work for Jim in our later years and receive pointer's from Joe in our early years when he would visit from squadron and 'challenge' our operator skills. Jim often recalls his LRD days in articles to the PoMo. Long time 'remembering readers' have enjoyed his tales for years, to include this issue!!



SMSGT JOSEPH M. JOHNSON

(1951 - 1974)

JUN 51 MAY 52	**	1009 SWS (NOL; HAWTHORNE NV; FORT MYER VA; FORT SILL OK)
JUN 52 DEC 54	**	DETACHMENT 142
JAN 55 DEC 56	**	DETACHMENT 204
JAN 57 MAY 60	**	HQ (VIRGINIA)
JUN 60 MAY 61	**	1155 TCHOS
JUN 61 MAY 62	**	DETACHMENT 423
JUN 62 MAY 66	**	1155 TCHOS
JUN 66 JUN 67	**	1159 TCHOS
JUL 67 JUL 70	**	1156 TCHOS
AUG 70 MAY 74	**	1155 TCHOS

NOTICE: Judy and Eunice were featured in our last issue but those pages failed to be printed.

This issue we present two of our long-serving and illustrious civilians, Judy Milam and Eunice Harris. Both continue serving the Center as long-time and 'Lifetime' members of the LRD Alumni Assn. **Judy** was our perennial 'Secretary' until 2009, and now serves in 'Hospitality.' **Eunice** serves as she can and is a 'back-up' team-member (husband Curt is her 'partner') of our group that ensures the PoMo gets into your hands as quickly as possible by making the trip to transfer the PoMo from the printers to the mailers and then to the HQ staff.



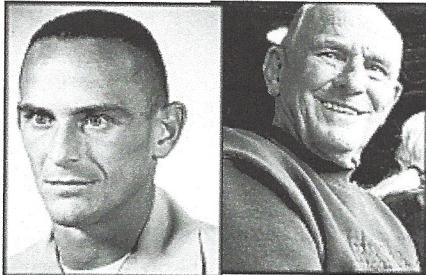
Judithe E. Milam, 1965-71, HQ/TD-1B/NYGI (VA)
1972-99, HQ/TD-2/TAI/TD/TDM/CA/TT/DO/CAS (FL)



Eunice P. Harris, 1972-96, 1972-92, HQ AFTAC/TN
1993096, HQ AFTAC/TM

Last Minute Notices ...***In Memoriam*****KOSCHALK, Edward "Ed"**

NOTIFIED BY POLLY KOSCHALK, 04.08



Ed passed away on Friday, March 18, 2011 after fighting pulmonary fibrosis and lung cancer. Ed was born January 18, 1936 in Belle Vernon, PA, to Andrew and Stella

Koschalk. After graduation from high school, Ed joined the Air Force. He married Ann Fulton in 1958. Ed retired from the Air Force in 1974, and became a rural letter carrier in Liberty Lake until his retirement in 1998. Ed was very involved with his church, Peace Lutheran, Thrivent for Lutherans, and Meals on Wheels. Ed served as vice president and president in both the local and state Rural Letter Carriers Association. Ed's smile and friendliness will be missed by all who knew him. From him, his children learned honor, dignity, compassion for others, respect, love of God and country. Ed's family was the most important part of his life. Ed was also passionate about his Pittsburgh Steelers

and enjoyed traveling with Ann. Ed is survived by his wife of 52 years Ann; his children Cheryl (Dan) Comsia, Cathy (Dennis) Hickman, and Robb (Tammy) Koschalk; and his grandsons Mike, Sean, Steve, Kyle, Keegan and Sam; as well as his mother Stella; sister Shirley; brother Phil and many nephews, nieces and extended family members. A Celebration of Life for Ed was held on March 26 at Peace Lutheran Church, 4124 N. Harvard Road in Otis Orchards. Pastor Dennis Andersen officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Peace Lutheran Church, Coalition for Pulmonary Fibrosis or Spokane Valley Meals on Wheels. Military Honors were at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery on Monday the 28th.

NOTE: Obituary Web Site, <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/spokesman/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=149569081>

NOTE 2: Ed was also honored as a 'Mail Carrier,' http://warlca.com/pages/evntclndr_stconv2010.html

In Memoriam

JIM DAVIS, 04.08

I was fortunate to have known him personally and I have a lot of good memories, one especially as I was passing through Panama, Rex invited me over for dinner. I remember the dinner of "Old El Paso Toccas" were especially good ..cooled down with a few good cold beer. Rex was fun loving, a person who enjoyed taking care of and looking after his associates...I am sure he will be sadly missed by all who knew him..

SAGE SCHEDULE

- WindDowns**-(normally sponsored by the active-duty force) are scheduled for **1st Fridays** at 1530 taking place behind the HQ's building, fondly referred to as 'Outback.'
 - Alumni Assn Board/Membership Meetings**
- a. **Normally-2nd Mondays** at 1700 gathering behind HQ (Outback) at 1645 for escort into the building.
—other Patrick AFB venues may be considered.
- b. **Quarterly-meeting** during the last month of a quarter (Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec) may be a luncheon, or a dinner, at a Patrick venue (Tides, Golf Course, Dining Hall).
- NOTE:** Venues/Times will be determined at the preceding meeting and announced via eALLert and posted at the association website.

Active-Duty & Alumni are invited to all events.

BEFORE COMING VERIFY DATE/TIME/VENUE ONLINE

AND/OR WITH YOUR EDITORS

'chrisjohn2@gmail.com'

May

- 6, 1530-WindDown at the Outback
9, 1700-Board/Membership Meeting

June

- 3, 1530-WindDown at the Outback
13, 1130-Board/Membership Meeting, venue TBD

July

- 1, 1530-WindDown at the Outback
11, 1700 -Board/Membership Meeting

August

- 5, 1530-WindDown at the Outback
8, 1700-Board/Membership Meeting

3. Traditional Annual Event Timeframes

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

January-April, two events

- a. SnowBall XIV, PAFB Golf Clubhouse, details TBD
b. Center Annual Awards Banquet, details TBD

May-August, two events

- a. April 23rd, Center Annual Picnic, details, pg 1
b. Assn 21st Annual Spring Golf N'Getogether

September-December, 4 events

- a. Annual General Membership & Elections Meeting, 'Sociable September IV,' held at the 'Tides' Club (vs. HQ's Building) on the 2nd Friday at 1130 to encourage attendance by all members and all other alumni and active-duty
b. Assn 21st Annual Fall Golf N'Getogether
c. Oct 1st, Alumni Assn ANNUAL FY DUES DUE
d. Dec, AFTAC Winter Social

WorldWide Alumni Reunions

Normally scheduled on an 'every other year' basis. Hosting rotates between the three chapters. Last hosted by FL-2009.05, before that, CO-2007 and CA-2005.

CA hosts 'WorldWide Reunion, 2011,' May 12th thru 15th.

Information and Registration forms are available in the 'Chapter News' section, 'California Chapter,' and at any chapters website.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW

SAGE SHOP

Mail orders, unless otherwise instructed, to: Long Range Detection Alumni Assn, ATTN: Sage Shop, CMSgt Revels/IG, PO Box 254892, Patrick AFB FL, 32925-0892. Add \$5.00 for shipping and handling plus \$1.50 for each additional item. No s/h charged on logo pins

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SALE (as of 2010.11)

	MED	LG	XL	XXL
GOLF SHIRTS , with pocket and collar, \$14				
Sea Teal (aqua blue)	1	0	2	1
Jade (medium green)	2	5	2	2
Navy	1	1	0	0
Red	2	1	0	2
White	1	0	0	2
Royal Blue	1	1	0	0
Blue, w/word 'Alumnus'	0	7	7	0
Teal (dark aqua)	2	1	0	3
Maroon	2	2	0	0
Black	1	1	0	1
T-SHIRTS , no pocket - \$7.00				
Light Blue	1	2	3	3
Royal blue	2	1	2	1
Navy	2	1	2	1
Ash Gray	2	0	2	2
Purple	1	1	2	2
Red	2	2	3	2
Fuchsia	1	2	2	0
Stone Washed Green	1	0	0	0
Mint Green	1	2	1	2
Jade Green	2	1	1	1
Black	4	0	0	3
SWEATSHIRTS , Ash Gray, \$15	1	0	0	0
NYLON JACKET , Blue, \$20, colored emblem with 'AFTAC Alumni,'	0	0	0	3
White emblem with 'Alumnus'	0	0	1	0
HATS - \$8.00	#			
Blue/White	18	-50th Commem Coin	\$3.00/57	
Blue/Grey	5	-60th AF/LRD Com Coin	\$4/129	
Red/White	2	-60th flaw: AF Date, Sep 12 vs 18th		
'Hat' Pictures Below		-Traditional Coin (HQ w/aircraft & motto & 'logo' on other side)	\$8.00	
		-Logo Pin:		\$3.25/217

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AFTAC SEO Airborne Coin. To order, contact SSgt Suberlak, david.suberlak@offutt.af.mil/402-232-9184 or SSgt Wilkens, matthew.wilkens@offutt.af.mil/402-232-9146. \$7 each. Shipping is \$1 a coin, up to \$5, then on an as needed basis for more than 15-20 coins.



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SUGGESTED BY RON COOK

'Tom's Trivia' (preceding page[s])

Answer: We have questions for our readers in this issue
From a great 'pictorial' trivia from Eugene McKay

READ AND REPLY!!

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Patrick AFB, Florida 32925-0892

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(continued from Pg 21) In this 'Depot Fallout,' longtime friend and fellow editor (CA Newsletter), Dale Klug (bio picture above), wrote: "**My Last Issue**" Yes, this issue of the Depot Fallout is my final one as your editor. After over ten years serving as editor, I'm stepping down. My first issue was the March 2000 newsletter. It was a whopping one-page edition, printed on both sides and mailed out to all our members, back when first-class postage was less expensive than today. None of them were emailed. We are looking for someone to take over as the new editor. I am willing to help all I can. My knowledge gained from my experience is at the disposal of whoever takes on the task. I'm only an email or telephone call away should the new editor want help. I also have the latest updated edition of *The Tongue and Quill*, originally written by my mentor, Lt Col H A Staley, it is widely used by Air Force military and civilian members, professional military school educators and students, and civilian corporations around the United States. I will donate my *Harbrace College Handbook* should anyone need it. I will also be available to do any proof-reading, a job now performed by that sweet young thing I married 40 years ago. Dale, we will miss you. We have a long history together, from active-duty to retirement to being fellow editor's of chapter newsletters. Over the years we have done a lot together and have come to count on you for information from your 'side of our country.' Please stay in touch as you can.

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Feature Articles "Headings" are listed even when there are "none" as a reminder/solicitation to our readers/writers

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**SNFE Sez: We solicit your unclassified organizational memories and tales - you've got a story fellow Sages would enjoy.
Send them by the 1st Monday in month of publication (April, September and December) Thanks!**

Membership Application

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

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

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

NAME _____ (Spouse) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

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

**AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 12-15 MAY 2011
REGISTRATION REMINDER**

Names: _____

Our reminder: I/we paid & signed up for the following number of people and reunion events:

Fri, 13 May Guided tour of Aerospace Museum x ____ people (pay \$5.00 at museum)

Sat, 14 May Bus Trip to Thunder Valley Casino x ____ people (free)

Sun, 15 May Farewell Buffet at Lion's Gate x ____ people (pay at Lion's Gate)

Reunion Admin Fee ____ people x \$5.00 = \$_____

Fri, 13 May Cocktail Party/Reception ____ people x \$25.00 = \$_____

Sat, 14 May Banquet Dinner ____ people x \$45.00 = \$_____

My Check # ____ for \$ ____ was made out to "AFTAC-WCC"
and I/we mailed check & the registration form on ____/____/2011 **(before 01 May 2011 deadline)**
to:

AFTAC Alumni Assoc.-WCC, P.O. Box 3974, Citrus Heights, CA 95611-3974

CUT HERE... (Please fill out the above to keep for your file/reminder. Also fill out the following form and mail it soon.) CUT HERE

**AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 12-15 MAY 2011
REGISTRATION FORM**

Please Print

First

Last

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone#: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

(Note: We need to have a head count for every activity listed as follows:)

Reunion Admin. Fee (for Badges, Forms, Mailing, Reunion Programs, etc.) \$5.00/person x ____ = \$_____

Friday Guided tour of the Aerospace Museum of California [Pay \$5.00 at the museum] (# of guests = ____)

Friday Cocktail Party/Reception (no host bar with hors d'oeuvres) \$25.00/person x ____ = \$_____

Saturday bus trip & 4 hrs at Thunder Valley Casino [Freebee but limited bus seats] (# of players = ____)

Sat. eve. Banquet (enter # of each) Salmon [] Chicken[] Steak[] Vegetarian[].. \$45.00/person x ____ = \$_____
(All Meals Include: Salad, Chef's Selection of Potato or Rice, Vegetables, Rolls, Dessert & Coffee)

Farewell Brunch Buffet (Sunday 9:00am - ?) [No host or agenda, Lions Gate Hotel guests eat free] (# of guests = ____)

Total = \$ _____

Make your check payable to "AFTAC-WCC"

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PLEASE REGISTER EARLY but the DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS 01 MAY 2011

[From WCC Web Site]

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