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Association
Newsletter**

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As this is our first USAFSS/ESC Alumni Association newsletter it is perhaps fitting that I describe to you what it is all about and how it got that way. In July 1981 Major General Doyle Larson, present commander of the Electronic Security Command, asked a number of us old timers if there might be sufficient interest by those who previously served in USAFSS or ESC to formalize an alumni organization. General Larson recognized that while there had been activity by many alumni for years, a structured organization might serve us better, with support from the command and members who would be willing to put a few hours into it. After some inquiry it was determined that indeed there was interest in such an organization.

To get started we formed an Ad Hoc group designed to set up some ground rules, establish a constitution and by-laws and determine the scope and nature of the association. The names of those on the Ad Hoc committee are listed in the flyer accompanying the application for membership, and the constitution and by-laws appear elsewhere in this newsletter. Once the work of the Ad Hoc group was completed the organization was handed over to the Executive Officers and the chairpersons of the various functional committees. These folks will keep the organization running until formal elections are held later this year.

The line up looks like this:

President.. Bill Ballard
Vice-president...Fred Barrett
Secretary...Mary Holub
Treasurer...Jim Johnson
Committee Chairpersons (who are appointed members to the board):
Membership... Buck Rogers
Activities...Max Giovannini
Social...Grover (Mac) McMakin
Sports...Earl Carlile
Publicity...Bill Ellerson
Administration...George Parr
Newsletter...Dennis Thole

We are in constant need of help to work on any one of these committees. So if you are able, give one of these folks a call and volunteer some time. Try it you'll enjoy it.

One very interesting aspect of the association falls under the general category of "activities" and includes a number of chores which will enable us to work with Hq ESC. We will be able to use the vast historical knowledge stored in our mental memory banks. To give you an idea of the kinds of things I am talking about, we would recommend to ESC the names of those personnel whose service to USAFSS/ESC was so extraordinary they deserve to be honored in the USAFSS/ESC "Hall of Fame," we would help name the streets on Security Hill, we would participate in civic actions by promoting awareness of significant issues that may be of interest to the members and to the ESC, we would promote operation Home Cooking to invite single airmen into private homes for Thanksgiving or Christmas, we would support USAF policies becoming well informed on policies and issues, we would recognize special programs such as COMFY OLYMPICS and outstanding airmen programs, we would assist in charitable/humanitarian activities, etc. The list could go on and on and really depends on how much we can bite off and certainly depends on the volunteer help we get from our membership. For example, Gen Larson asked that we consider a program to enhance the history of various activities and units by interviews with those who were on the spot at the time.

Of course we will have social functions, publish membership rosters and we will receive briefings provided by the command on matters of current interest. Sports tournaments sponsored by the association will also give

us an excuse to get together and we will provide a member service to provide lists of those members who want to be identified with certain units. Lots of things are planned and we are confident we can peak and maintain your interest.

A final note. We are getting members from all over the country. Remember you do not have to be retired or out of the Air Force to be eligible for membership. You simply have to be a "former" member of USAFSS or ESC. No time limit is set for that former association and it is open to all former military and civilian members. Since there are large pockets of former members in San Angelo and the Washington DC. area we hope there will be association sponsored organizations in those areas. Bob Augustinus is the key man in the San Angelo area and, at least temporarily, Frank Pinkston is the key man in the Washington area. Lastly, as you talk with or write to former members, tell them about the association and suggest they might be interested in joining. For information they can write to 6960 ESW/CC, Attention Alumni Association, San Antonio, TX. 78243.

We are indeed grateful for all the help provided the association by the Security Service Federal Credit Union. They pulled out all stops to help us get started. You might remember to thank them personally when you write or drop by the credit union.

If you have any ideas that would help us improve our association, let us know; and if you will volunteer some of your time, get in touch right away. We need you.

Remain in Touch and You'll Enjoy It.

Sincerely

Bill Ballard

ESC/CC REMARKS

Heritage is a prime contributor to comradery and esprit de corps, especially when it is long and proud like ours. In the past, our command heritage has been kept alive with informal organizations like the old Marching and Chowder Society, Salute El Sayonara, and various hail and farewell clubs. I think the time has arrived for us to formalize these efforts and to add some professional goals to this fraternal organization. The alumni association can play an important role in both of these areas, retaining our heritage by keeping the USAFSS/ESC families in close touch while embarking on tasks to further the mission of ESC and the Air Force. The alumni have already made plans for support of the memorialization program and the Hall of Honor in Ardisana Hall. I intend to ask the alumni for even more, such as developing briefings, writing professional book reviews, correcting and adding to unit and command histories, participating in command recognition programs, etc. I'm very excited about the great start we've had, and look forward eagerly to our future activities.

Doyle E. Larson, Major General
Commander, ESC

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Your membership committee needs the help of all current members in locating former USAFSS/ESC personnel. Forward name and complete address of eligible friends to:
6960 ESW/CC, Attn. USAFSS/ESC Alumni Association, San Antonio, Tx. 78243.
Also encourage all eligibles to join and enjoy the participation in a worthy organization. As of 10 Feb 82 we had 408 members and expect many more.

ACTIVITIES CORNER

When alumni members gather, inevitably the question comes up;" where is ole so and so and what is he or she doing now?" Therefore we thought this subject would make an interesting column for our newsletter. We want to hear from everyone, but especially those who have settled outside the San Antonio area. It doesn't have to be earth shattering news, just tell us where you are and what you are doing(golfing, fishing, working). Also you may add any recent events or achievements you want your friends to know about such as promotions, honors, social/civil work, church service, reunions, etc. Provide the same type info about friends you have heard from. We do not plan to limit this column to members of the Association. We want to hear from and about anyone who was an ex-member of either USAFSS or ESC.

In order to make this a successful column, we need the volunteer services of a few good people to compile data and write the stories. Please contact any board member if you are willing to devote a few hours each month to this project.

SOCIAL CORNER

The first social of the Association we held 6 February at Kelly AFB. Roughly 225 members and guests turned out despite threatened icy weather. Consensus was that despite graying and or thinning hair, and a few more pounds all around, the old gang looked their usual healthy selves. This pay as you go affair saw lots of friendships renewed, old memories relived and included an emotional and stirring talk by Maj Gen Doyle Larson and a command mission briefing by the command briefing officer. Bottom line.. a good time was had by all.. and more will come.
Mac McMakin.

FLASH:We have ordered copies of the new ESC SPOKESMAN which is an Almanac Edition. Each of our members will receive a copy soon.

EDITOR'S CORNER

In this, our first issue of the Association's Newsletter, we hope to have provided our membership with a good idea of the goals of our new organization. In this first issue we have not yet firmed up a format and concentrated on getting the bulk of data out to you. We will work on a more distinctive and professional format for future issues. Also in future issues, there will be items of special interest including those of historical, informative and humorous content. We'll be asking your help in giving the Newsletter a distinctive name and, perhaps a motto and special crest to the Association. Items of news, nostalgia, memorabilia, etc., will be input primarily from within our membership. We expect our next publication in April. Please send your comments and input to the Newsletter by addressing them to Dennis Thole, 1323 Klondike Dr. San Antonio, Tx. 78245.

SPORTS CORNER

The third annual USAFSS/ESC golf tournament will be held Friday, 24 September 1982 at Kelly AFB Golf Course. All former members of USAFSS/ESC and current members of the Electronic Security Command (military and civilian) may participate.

All interested in participating in this tournament who were not on the tournament mailing list in 1981, please write to Earl D. Carlile, 163 Mountain Valley Drive, San Antonio, Tx. 78227, or in San Antonio call 674-1975 and you will receive an entry form.

If you play golf, plan to come out and enjoy yourself. We are looking forward to getting reacquainted with present and former members of the command.

USAFSS-ESC Alumni Association Constitution

Article I -Name:

The name of this organization is USAFSS-ESC Alumni Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association. It shall be a private, nonprofit organization, pursuant to the provisions of AFR 34-3, Volume XI, dated 5 May 1978.

Article II- Location:

The principle location of the Association will be San Antonio, Texas. Appropriate office space will be provided to the Association by Hq ESC thru 6960 ESW. Other locations to serve as chapter focal points may be authorized at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Article III - Objective:

The objectives of the Association are to foster continued awareness of the mission and accomplishments of the United States Air Force, in general, and of the Electronic Security Command, in particular; and to provide its membership a forum for desirable social, educational, and humanitarian services.

Article IV - Governing Body:

The governing body of the Association will be the Board of Directors. The board will be comprised of four elected executive officers and seven appointed members. The seven appointed members will also serve as committee chairpersons and will chair the following standing committees: Membership, Administration, Social, Activities, Sports, Publicity, and Newsletter.

The entire board is responsible for developing Association policy; the executive officers are responsible for carrying out Association policy and overseeing the routine day-to-day operation of the Association. The committee chairpersons are responsible for organizing and operating their committees and subcommittees as required.

Article V - Membership:

The regular membership of the Association will be open to all former military and civilian members of the United States Air Force Security Service and all former military and civilian members of the Electronic Security Command. Other membership categories may be established.

Article VI - Adoption:

The constitution and its attendant by-laws- will be adopted by a majority of the members present and voting at a scheduled meeting and approval of the installation commander.

Article VII - Amendment:

The constitution -and its attendant by-laws- may be amended by a majority of members present and voting at a scheduled meeting, provided a notice of said amendment has been provided to the membership at least 30 days in advance of said scheduled meeting.

Article VIII - Non-profit Association:

This Association is organized and operated exclusively for pleasure,

recreation, and other non-profitable purposes , and no part of its earnings shall inure to the benefit of any member.

USAFSS/ESC Alumni Association By-Laws

Article 1 - Membership:

a. Regular Members - All former military personnel and all former civilian employees who served in or were employed by either the USAFSS or the ESC.

b Application for Membership - An application to join the Association must be submitted by each prospective regular member. Upon verification that the applicant meets the requirements for membership, the applicant is considered a member in the Association effective the date of the application and dues are received.

c. Distinguished Members - Former Commanders of USAFSS or ESC will be identified as Distinguished Members.

d. Honorary Members - Military or civilian personnel, not otherwise eligible for membership into the association, but whose contribution to the USAF or to USAFSS/ESC are so significant as to warrant special consideration and recognition by the Association.

e. Honorary members will be identified by the Board of Directors and membership will be offered at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

f. Voting Right - Each regular member and distinguished member will be entitled to one vote on all matters pertaining to the Association at each regular or special meeting. Absentee ballots will only be used to elect Association officers.

g. Proxy vote - no voting member is entitled to exercise a vote for a member not present at a meeting.

Article II- Executive Officers:

The executive officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. All shall be members of the Board of Directors, elected by the membership. Eligibility for election to the Executive Officer positions will be limited to former military or civilian personnel not currently employed by the Department of Defense who are otherwise eligible for membership into the Association.

The president will preside at all meetings of the members and at all meetings of the board. The president shall perform those duties as customarily pertain to the office of President or as may be directed to perform by resolution of the Board. The President will vote on issues before the board only in event of a tie. The President is the Executive officer of the Association and will attend to the day to day operation of the Association with the assistance of the board.

The Vice President shall have and exercise all the powers, authority and duties of the President during the absence of the latter.

The Treasurer shall manage all Association funds and control their disbursement subject to the controls, limitations and delegations of the

board.

The Secretary shall prepare and maintain full records of all meetings of the members and the Board.

Article III -Directors:

The Board of Directors shall consist of not more than eleven members composed of the four executive officers and seven other directors. The four executive officers shall be elected by the membership. The Executive Officers will appoint the seven other Directors who serve at the pleasure of the Executive Officers. Director candidates will be representative of officer, enlisted and civilian components of the Association membership.

Article IV - Special Officers:

The Board of Directors may appoint, employ or designate an individual(s) to perform in the following capacity(ies):

Administrative assistant, auditor, legal counsel, chaplain, parliamentarian or any other position that may be required. Compensation and specific responsibilities of the special officers will be determined by the Board.

Article v -Meetings:

The meetings of the Association consist of an annual meeting and special meetings.
An annual meeting will be held during September of each year at which time the anniversaries of the activation of USAFSS and ESC will be celebrated. During the annual meeting the election of the four Executive Officers will be held.
Special meetings will be called as required by the Board.

Article VI - Dues:

Dues for regular members of the Association will be \$10.00 annually, payable within 30 days of the anniversary of joining the Association. The Board may adjust the dues amount as required. Distinguished and Honorary members are exempt from paying dues.

Article VII - Elections:

1. The nominating Committee:
 - a. Shall be appointed by the outgoing President, a minimum of ninety days before the annual meeting.
 - b. Will be composed of no more than five members, a quorum shall consist of three members.
 - c. Will be chaired by the immediate past President who will serve as elections chairman.
 - d. Will exclude any person who is running for a position on the new Board.
 - e. May be composed of both non-Board members and those Board members not seeking reelection.
 - f. Will review the total membership to identify candidates for the Executive Officer positions.
 - g. Will notify the general membership of the proposed slate of Executive Officers at least thirty days before the annual meeting via the Association Newsletter.

2. The elections will take place at the annual meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. An open ballot will be used with a simple majority required for election. The Association Newsletter will provide a ballot to permit members to vote who will be unable to attend the regular meeting.

3. The new Executive Officers will assume their responsibilities during the first Board meeting after the annual meeting. The first order of business will be to appoint the seven other Directors, if required. (Due to the nature of the functional duties of the seven other Directorsd as chairpersons, it is not required to replace them annually).

Article VIII - Committees:

Committees will be established by the Executive Officers and the Board.

Article IX -Dissolution

Upon dissolution or disbandment of this Association, all funds and properties, in excess of liabilities and expenses of dissolution, will be distributed as recommended by a majority of the membership at the annual meeting.

Approved on 26 January 1982 by the USAFSS/ESC Alumni Association Ad Hoc Committee.