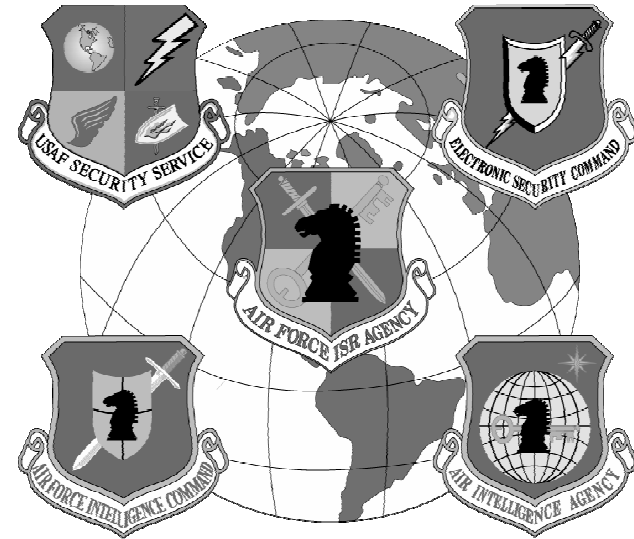


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The President's Corner



Dear Members,

As we approach our Association's busiest time of year, I urge each of you to attend our upcoming annual reunion scheduled for 23 – 25 September 2010. For those who've never attended, words can't describe the pleasure of renewing friendships, sharing old war stories, honoring those who have passed, and celebrating the accomplishments of our active duty ISR warriors. Reunion details will be sent separately from this newsletter and should arrive in early June. Contact me or any of our board members if you need additional information. We'll be glad to help!

Professional Organization Day on Security Hill was a success! The FTVA was represented by two of our “stellar statesmen”, Joe Hurst and Jim McClendon, and over 80 people learned about our organization and activities. We garnered a couple of new members, and enjoyed working with our fellow Security Hill-based organizations. I particularly appreciate Bernie Gavin's attendance and input during in the planning process. Thanks again to CMSgt Andrew Simanski for inviting the FTVA to this event!

The annual Spring Social was a great evening for over 70 attendees—a record-breaking number! All of us (especially me) are indebted to Ken Williams for his outstanding job of planning, coordinating, and executing this event at a new location, the Gateway Club. This has become one of my favorite evenings, and it again provided an opportunity to meet and hear from recently-deployed AF ISR Agency active duty personnel. 12 recent returnees from various theaters detailed their personal experiences in a manner that made all attendees extremely proud. We were again honored to have Maj Gen Bradley Heithold, AF ISR Agency/CC, share an exciting account of his recent “in-theater visit”. It left no doubt about the significance of our Agency and the accomplishments of this generation of airmen.

It is significant for you to know that Maj Gen Heithold is highly-cognizant of our association and always gracious and sincere with his appreciation for the FTVA's outreach and support to the AF ISR Agency. On multiple occasions during the past few months, he's specifically cited our work with the Ambassador Program, the AFISRA Awards Banquet, and the Pride Store. It's flattering to know that General Heithold takes such an extremely personal interest in our well-being, and I believe you'll be equally impressed with his “State of the Agency” remarks at the upcoming reunion.

I want to again thank you for your membership and contributions. Though we're currently healthy, the future relevance of the FTVA depends on your continued support and contacts with potential new members. Along these lines, I ask that you consider Jim McClendon's Vigilant Partners Program, which does so much for our general membership and support to “people programs”. Your participation can be a personal contribution, or it can be as simple as identifying

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a corporate/business entity that has a vested interest in the AF ISR Agency and the FTVA. Forward your information to Jim's e-mail jmclendon@sbcglobal.net.—he'll do the rest! September is rapidly approaching and we look forward to seeing you—make your plans today!

Remain In Touch,
Lee Anthony

The Editor's Desk

Dear Members,
Your RIT newsletter thrives on your feedback and depends on access to open unit website exchanges. Thanks to those members who provided their input to this June issue and in particular, Larry Ross for his Heritage Chapter contributions and reunion reports for the 6910th, FLAG and 6918th. Special thanks to Dap, who continues to compile the obituaries found in our Fallen Eagles section. In this issue, you'll find pix from the Spring Social and information on the annual FTVA reunion coming in September. Hope you enjoy this issue of your newsletter and RIT!

Sincerely,
Ross

Reminder: Reunion details will be sent separately from this newsletter and should arrive in early June.

Editor's Disclaimer

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NEOLOGISMS (Daffy-nitions)

Lymph (v.) to walk with a lisp.

Coffee (n.) the person upon whom one coughs.

Esplanade (v.), to attempt an explanation while drunk.

Name - Roger Eddleman- (roger.eddleman@googlemail.com)
Unit - 6949th ESS
Country - United Kingdom

Comment - Just surfed in. Great web site. A large hello to all my friends at the 6949th which has now been re-designated as well as those I served with in the RVN. Great to have seen you all at the Nashville reunion. Keep in touch.

Roger



Answer to Crypto-Jumble:

DIAGRAM//NETWORK//MISSION//AIRBORNE//OPERATIONAL
The equivalent of : "Quiet Fighters"? "**SILENT WARRIORS**"

Add-on Info for Mike Skutar

Name – Charles (Buzz) Hundley chundley@austin.rr.com
Comment - Mike Skutar is listed in Fallen Eagles as passing away in 2009. Added info: Mike was an A1C in the 2nd RSM in Darmstadt in '52-'55. Mike was my roommate there for about a year. Great guy; very popular with the men in the squadron. He was a 29352 (ditty bopper) on "C" trick and worked in radio intercept and toward the end of his assignment he was in RFP. He was a faithful attendee at the 2nd RSM reunions. I last saw him in 2006.

Add-on Info for Harry Mora

Name Gary Meek (gary.meek@dhs.gov)
Comment: Hello. Your Fallen Eagles list indicates “Need info on MORA, Harry J. A1C”.
Added Info: was assigned to the 6931ESS/Crete Greece between Dec 84-Jun 86 and remember Harry Mora. Believe Harry died on/about 11Aug 85 due to a moped accident occurring while stationed there. Harry was a 202 and believe Crete was his first duty assignment after graduating tech school @ Goodfellow AFB, TX. I could probably find others that have greater detail on the accident or on Harry.

Looking For 6925th RSM Ball Cap?

From: lexholland@aol.com
To: Loren Severning "FTVA Secretary" <ftva_secretary@yahoo.com>
Sir
I am looking for a ball cap or a picture of the ball cap from the old 6925th RSM, Clark AFB, Philippines. If your see or hear of one, I would be most grateful if you would keep me in mind and forward the information to me. Thanks again.
Lex Holland

-----*Response*-----

From: Joseph Hurst FTVA BOD
To: Loren Severning "FTVA Secretary" <ftva_secretary@yahoo.com>
Subj: 6925th RSM Ball Cap

There is a 6925th reunion group of the original guys stationed at Clark. Itis run by Bob Rennick. He lives in NC and has contact with a large number of the guys. They have made hats, coins, etc over the past few years.
Bob's email is Rennick@carolina.rr.com

Joe

FTVA Memorials

“...or Charity of your choice.”

We’ve all commented on the fact that our Fallen Eagles section seems to be growing with each issue. If you served with an individual or spouse in USAFSS, ESC, AFIC, AIA or the AF ISR Agency and you see “...or charity of your choice.” in an obituary, please think of FTVA as that charity. A donation to the organization that’s contributed over a quarter of a million dollars to the Command that provided some of the “best years of your life” is a great way to celebrate great friendships and honor shared Service. If you want the donation to be tax deductible, make the check out to the “USAFSS/ESC Memorial Fund”. If you don’t care about tax deductibility or don’t file a Schedule A, make the check out to “FTVA”. In either event, contact/mail it to Col (Ret) Jim McLendon, (jmclendon@sbcglobal.net.) 223 Blackjack Oak, San Antonio TX 78230 or FTVA (Official Activities), P.O. Box 691616, San Antonio TX 78269-1616. Please put the individual’s name you wish to memorialize on the “Memo” or “For” section of the check. It would help if you’d also put the honoree’s family’s address in a note. We’ll acknowledge your donation and advise the family that you have donated to FTVA in their loved one’s name (we won’t mention the amount). You can help this organization preserve the legacy of USAFSS and successor commands and celebrate your friendship and their Service at the same time—truly a win-win situation

Bob Cope

BEDSIDE MATTERS

Re: Health Status Update
Sunday, March 28, 2010 3:01 PM
From: "Lonnie Henderson" <greymountain40@gmail.com>
I was diagnosed with high-grade prostate cancer after a biopsy in January. Gleason score of 9, stage is T2a, PSA 9.11. Bone and cat scans and DREs indicate that the cancer is contained within the prostate. Seed radiation is not a option due to the advance stage. A radical prostatectomy is scheduled for April 9th at the VA hospital in Oklahoma City. That should get it all. Prognosis is good.

Appreciate all of your prayers. Lonnie

-----*Response*-----

Gordy H wrote:
To: Lonnie,
Prayers are surely with you. Just got out of Johns Hopkins Hospital yesterday myself, after triple by-pass surgery March 17th. Gordy

From Lonnie To Gordy:

Appreciate the prayers, and congratulations to you on your successful surgery. God is good! Lonnie

//Note: As of this printing, Lonnie had surgery. We continue to be optimistic as he remains in our thoughts and prayers during his chemotherapy. //rass//

//Follow-up: Recounting CMSgt (Ret) Tom Baker's journey through on-going chemotherapy (redacted in part)//

From: "tgbretired@aol.com" tgbretired@aol.com

Sent: March 27 and April 29, 2010

Hi everyone,

First of all, I thank you all for your cards, phone calls, letters, and above all, your prayers. It is wonderful to know that so many people care about another person.

During the summer of 2009, I began to lose weight without trying. On September 1, I became very nauseated for the first time in many years. Doctors; visit, tests were done, scans, blood work, EKG, etc. with no definitive answer. They thought about colitis, diverticulitis, etc. Finally, a colonoscopy in late October revealed a carcinoma. After a visit to the Pittsburgh VA to see a surgeon, surgery was scheduled for November 24. They removed 10-12 inches of my colon and I was in the hospital for a week. Went back for a follow-up visit in early December. The doctor said the results were stage III colon cancer and that some indication of cancer existed in nine of the 27 lymph nodes. After I was given a "power port" for easier ingestion of the chemo on December 30, the first of 12 treatments (every other week for six months) began on January 11. I receive a mixture of two drugs which takes about three hours. Then they hook me up with a pump to take home for 46 hours. Two days later I return for a disconnect. Before each treatment, blood work is done to see how the white cells are doing versus the red cells. So far, so good on that account. The first few weeks of treatments went ok. Now, as I progress further, the treatments are making me more tired with less energy. I have not been really sick, have not lost my hair (although it is a little thinner), and I am maintaining weight. The VA in Altoona runs a shuttle bus to Pittsburgh each day so I do not have to inconvenience anyone.

I cannot say enough about the care I have received. The doctors and nurses have been first rate I have now finished 8 of the 12 treatments. It does get a little harder each time. I get more tired as the treatments progress. //Tom describes a number of adverse reactions affecting his muscles, throat, fingers and the effects of cold weather.//

Hoping for warmer weather this week. Otherwise, I feel ok, eat ok, sleep whenever I feel like it. If there is any change after my visit next week, I'll let you know. Again, I thank all of you for your encouragement and good wishes!

Tom

The following inquiry forwarded per my initial e-mail. //pk//-----

To: popkivett2@aol.com

Subj: Angelo Search

Mr. Kivett:

Read your interesting Bio online and wonder if perhaps you could help me. I am desperately searching for a man who was on "Security Hill" at Kelly AFB in 1965 / 1966. All I know is that his name was James Coby / Cobey and have been told he was NCO. Is there any place that you know of that one could find info and possible location of this person?

Thank you for any help. M. Kapp
North Carolina

-----response-----

From: newsletter@ftva.org

To: popkivett2@aol.com

Subject: Angel Search

Okay with me Phil... the "looking for" may work in our Bits & Bytes section. - Hoping all's well with you and yours amigo. (Will post in June Newsletter.)

Do You Remember Me?

Name George Delma (gfd407@yahoo.com)

Unit - 6988 S S Yokota

Comment - Was at the 6988th May 1969 till March 1971 as an AMT. Got out of AF in 1971 and spent 30+ years in the Fire Service for 2 towns S. W. of Houston Tx. Retired now living about 20 miles S. W. of Houston Tx in Pleak TX. with my wife Carolyn and 2 German Shepherds dogs. If you were at the 6988th during 1969 to 1971 send me an Email, would like to hear form the old group.

Keepin' In Touch

Name - Glenn- Miller (aa5pk@hotmail.com)

Unit - 6941 ESS

Comment - Russian 203 at OLJA 6910 SG until it became 6913 SS in 1975, then a tour at Goodfellow. HUMINT special duty assignment at USDAO Moscow, followed by a tour at Ft Meade, then off again to the HUMINT world for 5 years in Munich. Retired at GAFB in 1989.

BITS & BYTES

Do You Remember Medardo "Mike" Gomez?

Date: Tuesday, March 23, 2010, 8:56 AM

From: Tony Cook e-mail address - zuofande56@gmail.com

Comment - There is a man trying to find out info on his cousin, a former MK and former officer named Medardo "Mike" Gomez. How do I tell him and what e-mail address should he use to put a query in the next newsletter?

-----response-----

From: newsletter@ftva.org

To: zuofande56@gmail.com

Tony

Will include in the June newsletter. Any query regarding the FTVA Newsletter should be sent to the editor using the address provided on the inside front cover: newsletter@ftva.org

Remain In Touch

From: Dan D." <fluteart@verizon.net>

To: newsletter@ftva.org

Hello, In regards to the photo on pg 31 of March 2010 newsletter from Dan Benson. Can't find my copy of this photo but do recall that the SMSgt is "Chick" Ryder who was the NCOIC of Wing Operations Staff. The Major is either Leonard Dubrow or Robert Powell. Maj. Powell was OIC of the Wing Operations Staff and Maj. Dubrow was his assistant. Would appreciate it if you forward this e-mail to Dan Benson. All the Best, Dan Dawidowicz

// I forwarded appropriate information as Dan requested.//Rass//

Angel Search

Wednesday, March 3, 2010 10:22 AM

From: Phil Kivett <Popkivett2@aol.com>

To: newsletter@ftva.org

Good Morning Rass,

Best to you and yours from Fresno.

I have a request of a type the organization may have had before this, but I doubt it. Instead of relating it to you, I would like simply to fwd the e-mails to you initially for your edification. After that, if you think you can place a note in the RIT, I would like to be liaison between RIT and "Angel Search" where the request originates. Without waiting for a response from this e-mail, I'll be just presumptive enough to fwd to you the first one I received from an "Angel Search" volunteer, "Falling Cradle" out of the blue. It will follow immediately via separate e-mail.

Thanks much, Phil Kivett

Annual FTVA Spring Social

FTVA civilians, retirees and active duty service men and women were all invited to enjoy a special evening at the Gateway Club on Lackland AFB for our annual Spring Social. On April 10th we recognized ten of AFISR Agency's recent returnees from Afghanistan, Iraq and AOR.

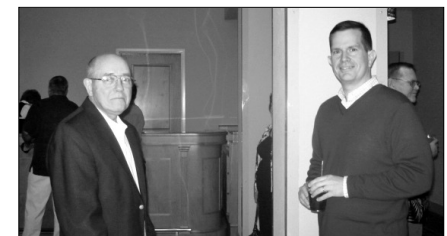
The familiar face of Ken Williams assisted by Bernie Gavin greeted everyone with a warm welcome. After Joe Hurst led the Pledge of Allegiance and AFISR Agency Command Chaplain presented the Invocation, FTVA President Lee Anthony recognized special guests and prominent attendees. Kenny O'Neal introduced ten AFISR Agency people representing the many who have served deployment(s) to Iraq, Kuwait, Quattar and Afghanistan over the last year or so. FTVA presented each one with a memorial coin to say, "Thank you for your service".

Those attending the Social enjoyed a buffet while visiting with old friends and meeting new ones. Maj Gen Bradley A. Heithold, AFISR Agency Commander, provided commentary on a video highlighting the accomplishments and duty challenges of current personnel assigned to the AFISR Agency.



(L-R) CCMS Weseloh, TSgt Sidney, MSgt Jennings, Capt Thompson, Capt Wilson, Capt Ferrer, Capt Daigle, Maj Freyermuth, Lt Col Filhoffer, Kevin Abney, CMSgt Toohey, Maj Gen Heithold.

(Right) FTVA Historian Bernie Gavin was the first to welcome Maj Mike Freyermuth (AFISR Legal Office) to the evening's gathering.



FTVA SOCIAL SCENES



(Left) Maj Gen Heithold , Bob Cope and Jim Mahoney shared their thoughts on the state of Air Force Intelligence.



(Right) Marco & Rachel Aldaz visited with recent returnee from Quattar Kevin Abney and wife Brenda.



(Left) Anita Jackson and Pixie Purkiss found a smiling Okey Warden in the crowd.



FYI: Maj Earl "Vic" Schwartz I received a letter from Helen Schwartz today. She informed me that Vic passed away on Feb 22, 2009. . It's been over a year,. I am sorry she did not inform us of his death before now. He was born May 24, 1929 in Birmingham, AL. Vic had an interesting military career, having attended Gulfport (MS) Military Academy and then enlisting in the Merchant Marines where he served one tour of duty. After his tour was up he joined the Air Force and served there for 17 years before transferring to the Army to finish out 30 years of military service. The Moriyama Marauders will remember Vic as their knowledgeable detachment clerk. He attained the rank of Major as a helicopter pilot in the Vietnam War. After retiring from the military, he moved to Billings, Montana where he worked for the State of Montana as an Investigation Auditor.// *Tony Lemons* //



MSgt Harvey Baker Comment: Ray, I wanted to let you and Red know that my dad, , passed away on Feb. 22. His funeral is this Monday, March 1 in Wendover, NV. My email is coyotech@coyotech.com I found your address while looking for addresses of people to contact on his computer.// *Lynn Provencio* // *Harvey Baker was a Member of the USAFSS6910th 50's group at Landsberg.. Lynn contacted Ray Thompson & Red Barthel for info on her dad who retired as a MSgt./Dap//*

In Memoriam

RB-50 Sea of Japan Mission
10 Sep 1956
Det 1, 6924th RSM,

- Maj Loren C. Disbrow
- SSgt Raymond D. Johnson
- SSgt Theodorus J. Trias
- SSgt Paul W. Swinehart
- A1C William H. Ellis
- A1C Harry S. Maxwell
- A1C Leo J. Sloan



Maj James Walter Tremblay On Wednesday, April 28, 2010, , beloved husband, father, grandfather (lovingly known as "Dootz") and friend to so many, was escorted into his Heavenly Home. Jim was born November 13, 1939 in Haverhill, Massachusetts to Flora and John E Tremblay. He married his high school sweetheart, Elaine, at the tender age of 20. He enlisted in the United States Air Force at the age of 18 and proudly served the country he loved so dearly for 22 years. His military career included ten years as an enlisted serviceman specializing in Russian linguistics with a degree from the University of Syracuse. He received his undergraduate degree from The University of Wyoming in Engineering and then achieved his Masters Degree in Bio Environmental Engineering from Stanford University in California. He served as the Project Officer responsible for the disposal of Agent Orange after the Vietnam War. He received the Bronze Star Medal for Meritorious Service as a First Lieutenant, the Legion of Merit and rose to the rank of Major before retiring from the Air Force in 1978. Upon retirement from the Air Force, he worked 10-12 years as a Consultant for various engineering groups in the San Antonio and Houston areas. He was also very involved with the City of Windcrest in San Antonio, Texas as a council member for several years and was able to share his leadership skills with his community that he loved. Jim belonged to the Knights of Columbus through St John Neumann Catholic Church, was an ACTS participant and lector through his Parrish, and attended weekly Adoration. He was also Knighted "Sir James" through the Equestrian Order of the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher and enjoyed his time with this group



Michael F. Morris, 76, of Nokesville, Virginia, died on April 28, 2010, at home surrounded by family. He was born on November 16, 1933 in Salem, Indiana, to the late Wendell and Eleanor Janicki Morris. On March 24, 1954, he married Elida Porter Morris in San Antonio TX. He graduated from Lincoln High School in ML., attended Michigan State University, Syracuse University and The University of Cambridge, in England; he received a Bachelor of Mathematics with honors and a Master of Business Administration in Computer Science. Mike served in the USAF



for over twenty years as a Mathematician, working in places such as Cape Canaveral, Florida and Royal Air Force Chicksands in Bedfordshire, England. In his post military career as a Computer Engineer, he traveled the world auditing and consulting with various governments on their computer needs. He worked with the Italian Department of Education and guest lectured at places such as the Weizmann Institute of Science in Tel Aviv, Israel. Mike co-authored a book, "*Computer Performance Evaluation*," which was used in college level computer courses. He tried his hand in politics in the 70's, running for Virginia House of Representatives and was referenced to as the "Energy Candidate."

FTVA Chapter Reports

Heritage Chapter, Goodfellow AFB, TX

Goodfellow Multi-service Fire Training Upgrade

The \$2.5 million large-frame aircraft live fire trainer has arrived and is being used instead of the dangerous and long-overdue-for-replacement aircraft trainer for firefighters from all branches of the military.

The new privatized housing just off base was completed in 2009, resulting in 194 new housing units open to Goodfellow service members and their families thanks to the donation of land from the city of San Angelo and other community support.

Goodfellow's \$4.8 million chapel, a budget insert in 2006 and the first one built on an Air Force base in 16 years, was dedicated last April, and in November a \$5.8 million, 15,500-square-foot expansion and upgrade of the Mathis Fitness Facility broke ground.

Two new dorms are in process at Goodfellow: Ground was broken on a 200-room, 400-person dorm in late 2009 at an estimated cost of \$28.4 million to be ready for occupancy in early 2011, and funding has been approved for a 100-room, 200-person dorm.

In December, word came that two other major projects long championed by the Chamber and community had been included in the fiscal year 2010 omnibus appropriations bill, thanks to the support of Rep. Mike Conaway and Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn. They included the \$18.4 million Joint Intelligence Technical Training Facility, 50,000 square feet of Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility space consolidating training for language analysts and funding for other intelligence needs.

Also, a new \$9.8 million, 27,965-square-foot Consolidated Learning Center combines a new base library, education office, family readiness, manpower and professional enhancement into one center.

Sebers Family Visits Goodfellow

From: Ronald "JJ" Graham, Heritage Chapter President

Sent: April 13, 2010

Greetings!

Good seeing everyone at the annual Spring Social again this weekend - thanks for putting together a great evening! It's always good to get back to San Antonio and see everyone again...of course, listening to the war stories is the best part!

Here is a recap of what we have planned for the Sebers' family visit later this week. Some of the times for the events are not set in stone, but we'll have that nailed down in the next day or so.

The family of Fred Sebers will be visiting Goodfellow AFB 14-17 April. The purpose of their visit is to visit Fred Sebers Hall (formerly known as building 519) and see the EC-47 memorial. The visitors include Fred's brother, Robert Sebers, and his daughter Laurie Bangerter, and Fred's daughter, Sylene Peterson, and granddaughter, Sarah Peterson. With the help of Mr Dave MacDonald, 17 FSS, we have secured Chief's Quarters for the family to use during their stay.

Sebers Hall is named after TSgt Fred Sebers who was an analyst stationed at Det 1, 6994th SS, Nha Trang, Vietnam. On 8 Sept 1967 he was mortally wounded when a claymore mine exploded near him and a group of his friends. He died two months later. In his honor, Building 519 was dedicated as Fred Sebers Hall on 22 Sept 2006. On 21 Aug 2009 the dedication was completed with the hanging of an inside display of his photograph, bio, and medals.

The FTVA Heritage Chapter will be hosting their visit. After a tour GAFB, the family will visit the memorial inside Building 519. The commander of the 316th Training Squadron, Lt Col Erick Lawson is a strong supporter of the Heritage Chapter's efforts to properly recognize our fallen heroes. The family will also visit the EC-47 on display in front of the wing headquarters. Robert, a WWII Navy veteran, is also scheduled to spend some time with Navy personnel from the Center for Information Dominance Detachment here at Goodfellow. The Heritage Chapter will also host a dinner in their honor at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, at Zentner's Daughter Steak House on Knickerbocker Road.

Hope this answers the mail...if you have any questions or concerns please let me know. Larry Ross will be taking pictures as well as our PA folks so we'll have more than a few pictures to share for the newsletter.

Take care and have a great Air Force day!
Cheers...JJ

On 7 November 1967 TSgt Fred Sebers, Det. 1, 6994th SS, lost his life as a result of hostile action in Vietnam. Fred Sebers Hall on Goodfellow AFB is dedicated in his honor and memory.

The 316th Training Squadron and the Heritage Chapter were privileged to host Fred Sebers' family - daughter Sylene Peterson, granddaughter Sarah Peterson, brother Robert Sebers, and

Robert's daughter Laurie Bangerter - during their visit to Goodfellow.



of another Eagle, Brad Chandler. Brad and I were roommates and 202s who worked together with the 6917th Scty Gp at San Vito dei Normanni, Italy in 1967-68. Brad PCS'ed to Fort Meade and I went on to the 6922nd at Clark and a 24-year career in the USAF. Brad separated after his first four years and we lost contact until about 10-12 years ago when we reconnected at a couple of the annual reunions in San Antonio, and planned to do more. Like many others, Brad's connection to USAFSS and the Air Force was short, but it left an indelible mark on his soul and he never forgot what he did and who he did it with. I too only spent four years in USAFSS because I married in the Philippines and that was that as far as my clearance went. I went on to a long, successful and rewarding career as an air traffic controller but I say, in all sincerity, that my best years were my years as a 202, and my best years as a 202 were with Brad. I will miss him greatly. // *Mike Morrone - 6917th 1967-1968 - 6922nd 1969-1970* //

Captain Clayton Davis, age of 79 a resident of Severna Park for 32 years died



on April 17th 2010. Clayton was born on Feb 27, 1931 in Fyffe, Alabama. He has been married to Irene Davis (Brink) of Redfield, South Dakota for 58 years. Captain Clayton served in the United States Air Force as a code-breaker and Russian linguist. He was awarded the Saint Ignatius Gold Medal by the Azov Academy of Russia. He retired from the Air Force to Laurel, MD where he taught math at Bates Junior High School. He holds the Airline Transport Pilot and Flight Instructor ratings with more than 10,000 hours logged in everything from gliders to jets. He has published flying stories in aviation magazines and many short stories elsewhere. He has published three books, *So, You Want To Be a Pilot; Kindness: A Little Drop of Water Cures Everything*, and *Where Pheasants Sing: Life in South Dakota 1900-2000*. Clayton Davis graduated from Syracuse University, BA '67, and is listed in Marquis *Who's Who in America*. //Obit //

SMSGt Phillip J. March All, It is with a heavy heart that I pass on the



following information: A former warrior of the 55th Wing, Phillip March, has fought his final battle. Phil served our country and the USAF as a great leader and an Airborne Maintenance Technician at the 6990th, 6949th, and Detachment 2 AFMC in Greenville, TX. For the past two years, Phil valiantly battled brain cancer. On Monday night, May 3rd, the Lord relieved Phil of his heavy burden. You will be missed, my friend. // *Ronald J. Schott, Jr., Maintenance Advisor 97th IS/MTC and Ground Systems* //

American Legion. He also belonged to Mensa. Airlee was a fairly good photographer and he loved to write. Occasionally he put both talents to work and had been published in several magazines. He was member of Pacific Community Church which he attended regularly for many years. He loved his church, the brothers and sisters therein, his country and his friends — mostly veterans. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Prop Wash Gang, P.O. Box 363, Bandon, OR 97411. // Source: Various E-mails from family and PWG Members. //

Rocklin "Rocky" L. Harvey, my dear husband and best friend has left this world on May 7, 2010 at the age of 60 to be in a better place with our Heavenly Father and Savior. He was born on May 10, 1949 in Indianapolis, Indiana and moved to Cornish, Maine when he was eleven months old. Rocky served in the U.S. Air Force for twenty-seven years as a Russian Linguist. Most of his military career was behind the Iron Curtain in Berlin, Germany. He also served in other parts of Germany, Japan, England, and the United States. Rocky, then, went on to



become an educator and worked for Northside ISD at Pat Neff Middle School for seventeen years. He has been involved in Boy Scouts as a youth for seven years and as an adult for thirteen years. He was a scoutmaster for Troop 228 for five years, a den leader, an adult leader and a Wood badge participant, a trainer, and a program director. He was pleased to earn Wood badge beads overseas as an "Owl" and here in San Antonio as an "Eagle". He strongly believed that education was "an on-going process", he earned three master degrees. // *Obit* //

FYI: Today I received a note from NORA ROSS telling me that her father, **BOBBY MARTIN** passed away on Dec 4th, 2009. He had heart problems and did not opt for open heart surgery. Bobby and his daughter NORA attended the reunion in Nashville, 2006 and he was sorry that was the first one he ever attended. The Moriyama Marauders will remember him as our supply clerk. // *Tony Lemons* //



Bradley G. Chandler Dap; I wanted to pass along that Brad Chandler, another former USAFSS member, passed away Dec 26, 2009, in Olympia, WA. Brad was a Russian Linguist and although his wife, Beverly, did not know his exact assignment dates, she knew he was assigned to Goodfellow, San Vito, Italy and NSA during the mid to late 1960's. After his Air Force service, Brad worked for the



State of Washington until retirement in the late 1990's. He was a life time member of the FTVA, MENSA, the NRA, in addition to various Veterans groups. I met Brad during one of our FTVA Reunions (we both were from Olympia) and remember him as being a very likeable and knowledgeable guy, who was very proud to have been part of our overall Command effort.// *Don Ritter* // This morning's e-mail brought me the heartbreaking news of the falling

The outstanding efforts of Heritage Chapter and base personnel culminated in an emotional and enlightening visit. Heritage Chapter President Ronald Graham arranged all aspects their visit: transportation, lodging, interviews, tours and social activities. The 316th Training Squadron Commander, Lt. Col. Erick Larson, enthusiastically provided personal tours of Fred Sebers Hall and training classrooms, including visits with student personnel. The personal involvement of Lt. Col. Larson and his staff ensured that the Sebers family left Goodfellow with a better understanding of Fred Sebers' military role.



Left: L-R Robert Sebers, Laurie Bangerter, Ed Bendinelli, Ronald Graham, Sarah Petersen, Sylene Petersen

Highlighting the family's visit was a visit to the training facilities. First stop was to Fred Sebers Hall (Building 519) to view the inside display honoring Fred's service. Afterwards the family toured classrooms where analysts are trained. As fully as possible the family was briefed about Fred's role as an analyst and of its importance. They met with students from eight classes undergoing analyst training. President Graham summed up this experience as "having you folks visit with the students was very special. It put a face on history for these young men and women. Knowing what [Fred] and Robert did in our nation's defense is so much more meaningful to them now. I'm sure it will continue to inspire each of them in their military careers."

While at Goodfellow the family visited EC-47 aircraft memorial (right) dedicated to who served in the 6994th SS. Robert Sebers, a World War II United States Navy veteran, was also given a tour of the Navy training detachment.



The Heritage Chapter hosted the family at a dinner in their honor [see photo below]. President Graham presented each an EC-47 memorial coin. During the tour of Fred Sebers Hall, Lt.Col. Larson presented each with a 316th Training Squadron coin.

Remain in touch,
Larry Ross, Heritage Chapter Secretary



Sitting L-R Kathie and Ed Bendinelli, Celeste and Bill Allen.
 Standing L-R Cindy Willey, Larry Ross, Sylene Petersen, Robert Sebers, Sarah Petersen, Laurie Bangerter, and Ronald Graham

//The following is an excerpt from messages Fred Sebers' daughter sent to the Goodfellow Monitor Staff and to the Heritage Chapter//

First, I want to thank the Freedom Through Vigilance Association Heritage Chapter, for honoring my Daddy. I was so very happy to meet Ed Bendinelli, Heritage Chapter Vice-President, as he knew my Dad personally. It was like a part of Daddy was with him. It has been a memorable privilege to have had this opportunity to see him through the eyes of fellow soldiers and friends.

I would like to thank Ronald "JJ" Graham, Heritage Chapter President, for all the arrangements he made that led us to gain a fuller appreciation of and understanding for what my Dad did and why he did it. We had imagined that our family was going to come, view my Dad's picture and medals, read the plaque, have a personal moment, and leave. But instead, the extra time and effort JJ took helped make sure we came away with so much more than that. [He] did an excellent job of making sure our experience was enriching & rewarding! So many questions have been answered!

Daddy loved the military life, he loved the Air Force, he was proud to be an American. I will always be proud of him!

Sincerely,
 Sylene Sebers Peterson

Origins in the English Language

(If you were ever assigned to Chicksands, you might already know this!)

As far back as 1800, at English taverns, pubs, and bars, people drank from pint and quart-sized containers. Part of a bar-maid's job was to keep an eye on the customers and keep the drinks coming. She had to pay close attention and remember who was drinking in 'Pints' and who was drinking in 'Quarts'... hence the term: "minding your 'P's and 'Q's."

Lt. Col. William Y. Powell, U.S.A.F. retired, passed away March 16, 2010 at the age of 81 years. He was born in Cairo, Georgia on June 15, 1928. Bill served 30 years and 7 months of continuous service starting in 1948 as a private and achieving enlisted grade of MSGT before attending Officer Candidate School in 1955. He served tours overseas in Canada, Pakistan, Germany, Italy and Vietnam. // **Obit** // Yesterday's Express-News carried an obituary on Lt. Col. **Bill Powell**, who spent a good chunk of his 30-year career in USAFSS and ESC ops. He was one of the



really good guys--a solid combination of competence, good humor, and graciousness. // **Grover Jackson** // Col Bill Powell passed away. He served in Command for 33 years as enlisted and as an Intel Officer. I knew him from Vito and the Hqs, but he served in many other places also. // **Ron Moyer – USAFSS Roll Call Site** //

William Lowell Wasserman, Wakkanai '53-54, Syracuse, C-5 20330. Passed away April 3 , after a long 8 year battle with deteriorative ALS. Besides his language duties, he also managed the PX at Wakkanai. The last 18 years he lived in Moreno Valley, CA. as a successful Real Estate Broker. Interment will be in Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside, CA. Bill and I were close buddies all our lives since meeting at Wakkanai, in Jan/Feb 1953. I will miss him.// **Ted Grinstead WAS '53-54 – USAFSS Roll Call Site**//





Comment -I regret to inform the Association that **Wilma L. Pickard** of Washington, D.C., passed away in October 2008. // **Richard J. Stepakof, CPA Lt. Col. USAF, Ret.**//

Airlee Owens, 68, was born Feb. 18, 1941, five miles north of Middlesboro, Ky. He moved to Bandon with his family at the age of 11. He died Feb. 17, 2010, in Portland, at the VA hospital Airlee was a passionate patriot and loved the United States of America. He joined the United States Air Force on Aug.17, 1959. He was sent to Syracuse University in New York where he was trained as a Russian linguist. He served



one tour of duty at a ground listening post in Karamursel, Turkey, just south of the Black Sea and served his second tour of duty at Eielson Air Force Base in Alaska. He has said that probably the best decision he ever made in his life, outside of his becoming a Christian, was to have joined the Air Force. Airlee was a proud member of a group of reconnaissance flyers called the Prop Wash Gang. He was a life member of the Freedom through Vigilance Association, made up of all former intelligence specialists in the Air Force. He was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans organization and a member of the

countless hours of his time to his favorite causes. He was a member of the AF Sergeant's Association, VFW, the American Legion and All Veteran's Council including serving as president. He volunteered many hours transporting local veterans to the VA hospital in Big Spring. One of his most passionate causes, which he was so proud of, was spearheading the restart of the Veteran's Day parade in San Angelo in 2002 in honor of those who serve their country. He volunteered in the Goodfellow AFB pharmacy for many years, finding great joy in working with such quality people. Jack always entered a room with a rousing "God Bless America," which was also his favorite song. In 1958 he met his "Sweet Thing", his Tillie. They were married Feb. 26, 1960, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year. // *Obit – San Angelo Standard Times* //

USAF Maj. Jerry H. Smith 1939-2010 Born in 1939 to the late Cornelia & Homer Smith, USAF Maj. Jerry H. Smith's life adventure ended on April 9, 2010. After a long, grueling, campaign, he lost his battle with brain cancer. He said he had lived a full life and had no regrets. He had seen all the world and back again and enjoyed (almost) every minute. Maj. Smith will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, generosity, extreme intelligence, his green thumb and his incredible sense of humor. He had an intense sense of right and wrong- no gray areas for him- often throwing political correctness to the wayside. He inspired his students, coworkers, friends and family to always "do the right thing". // Obit // *Rass*, the above obit is for a gent that spent some time in ESC as a logistic officer. // *Joe Hurst* //

Nathan C. Britt Gang, I just received the SAD news that our Silent Warrior brother passed away, apparently in his sleep three days ago (o/a 11 March). Nate was truly one of the good guys, and we are losing our gang before their time. Bob Barrow, who informed me, offers a tribute to Nate below. Nate was one of our original flyers at Rhein-Main in 1956 //Larry Tart // Dear Larry: You may recall that Nate Britt was a member of the Propwash Gang. Nate and I served together beginning with basic at Lackland AFB in 1954, then to Kelly AFB for Russian, then to Cornell U, then to Bingen in 1955, then to Hof, all the while we were roommates. Then, Britt, Bob Berry, and I were transferred to Rhein Main's Det. 1, 6911th RGM to join the first Recon Flights out of Rhein Main. Britt was a good guy and we shared many interesting times together from 1954 until he departed Rhein Main; I stayed on for another 10 months and departed for discharge, but not before Nate re-enlisted and came back to Rhein Main in time to see my new son who was born Christmas 1958 in Wiesbaden. Nate went on to serve many more years in Recon until his retirement from the Air Force. He then completed a Masters Degree and became an English teacher back in NC. Nate was never one to communicate, but I thought you'd like to know of the passing of a fellow Backender! His passing reminds me of just how short our tenure on this earth is! // *Bob Barrow* //

Gold Country Chapter, Yuba City, CA

First Project Liberty Deployers Return

by Airman 1st Class Chuck Broadway 9th RW Public Affairs

4/13/2010 -(Beale AFB, Calif) The first group of image-processing Airmen deployed to support Project Liberty returned to Beale April 8 after a six-month mission in Baghdad, Iraq. The eight Airmen, all from the 48th Intelligence Squadron, processed and maintained intelligence equipment on the MC-12 aircraft.



"We were the intelligence hub for the entire operation," said Senior Airman Cory Schwartz, 48th IS signals intelligence technician. "We got down and dirty watching people planting [Improvised Explosive Devices] and roadside bombs."

During their time in Iraq, the Airmen said they experienced an election which brought a higher threat and violence rate. The MC-12 and 48th IS personnel provided continued support during this time to deny any possible terrorist activity. "We had more missions during the elections," Airman Schwartz said. "Al Qaeda members were trying to deter people from voting, and we could sometimes hear the bombs going off. We worked directly with the Army, and I think they really appreciated us being out there and close to the fight instead of at a desk at Beale."

Those who deployed from Beale departed from their everyday missions with the U-2 and at times, the MQ-1 Predator, to assist with the MC-12. Airman Schwartz said the aircraft is much smaller than typical intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft. The MC-12 is a propeller-driven aircraft which flies at lower altitudes than any other aircraft flown from Beale. Equipped with several imaging devices, the aircraft's pilot and sensor operator on board communicated directly with the 48th IS Airmen to provide the best possible reconnaissance.

"It was an important and historic time for Iraq and the Air Force," Airman Schwartz said. "We were able to allow them to have a successful election and also try out new modes of doing business." Lt. Col. James Lawrence, 48th IS commander, greeted the Airmen upon their return to the squadron headquarters building and congratulated them on a job well done.

Richard "SAC" Sacchetti
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Aloha Chapter, Honolulu, HI

February 27, 2010
From: Tilly Toillion
Aloha All,

As many of you have no doubt heard, we here in Hawaii are awaiting a tsunami (tidal wave) of some sort (possible 12 ft) around 11:30am HST (3:30pm Iowa time).

We're up in central Oahu and in no danger of the ocean from here. We anticipate the damage will be minimal and pray no one loses their life (or cool). Lots of mis-information being put out by multiple TV and radio stations which can be expected in a place where we seldom experience such events.

Will provide updates if anything significant happens. Thanks (Mahalo) for your thoughts and prayers for us!

Aloha Always

John

((As we all now know, the Tsunami was smaller than expected with little damage to the Island or its population reported.//rass//))

May 3, 2010
From: Tilly Toillion, Chapter President

Aloha All,

Know it's been several months since we last met, so would like to see how many of you are available to meet Thursday, June 3 for Mongolian BBQ at the Hickam O'Club at 6pm followed by a short meeting to discuss where we're at in efforts to recharge our Aloha FTVA Chapter's batteries.

Also, wanted to pass along that I met yesterday with the 324th IS's Top 3 and had a chance to provide and share information about FTVA and our local Chapter. There were about 10 attendees who indicated an interest in knowing more about us.

When asked when would be our next meeting I told them I was looking at June 3rd. Soooo, if all/most of you can make it, then I'll get word back to the Top 3 and make a reservation for 6pm.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Mahalo,
John

their home and their two sons were born, as were their son's families. Alan's beloved wife of 50 years, Louise, preceded him in passing only 14 months prior. Alan was awarded commendation medals and several honors during his 21-year service in the USAF. Alan continued his higher education and obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Business while stationed in Texas. After his retirement from the USAF in 1979, he completed his Master's Degree and taught business classes for another 21 years at Angelo State University, having just fully retired from teaching only last year. Alan loved golfing, traveling in his R.V. with Louise, and spending time with his family. // *Obit* //

Jaime Torres Rass, just received word that my friend Jaime Torres passed away Saturday February 27, 2010. FYI are attached email from his daughter Lydia. That is all I have.// **MSgt Jim Williams USAF Ret.** // My father passed away this morning at 1:45 AM .(27 Feb, 2010) He passed peacefully. Thank-you all for your prayers and thoughts // **Lydia** //



MSgt Richard "Dick" Fitts this notice wasn't posted so I thought that I would report the passing of Dick Fitts on 5 Oct 2009 in Martinsville VA. He was a 202 stationed in Landsberg/Lech, Zweibrucken after being recalled to USAFSS in Birkenfeld. We had stayed in contact off and on for 55 years. He is missed.// **Blair Hoyt 55-57 (203) USAFSS Roll Call Site**//



SMSgt John "Jack" A. Lowery passed away on Saturday, April 10, 2010, surrounded by his loving family. He was born an Irish Catholic on Aug. 6, 1932, in Pittsburgh to Michael and Catherine Lowery. Jack loved people and he never met a stranger. His life reflected his three great loves: God, family and our country. His faith was very important to him. He was active in contributing to his faith community as a member of Sacred Heart Cathedral as an usher and served on the parish council. He expressed his faith through his deep



commitment with the Knights of Columbus for 42 years and was a 4th Degree. He held many positions including Grand Knight twice, Faithful Navigator, District Deputy and Former Master of the Sword. He spent countless hours volunteering for the Knights and received many awards and recognition throughout the years. He was known as "Jack the Knight." Jack was also a Cursillista. Jack remembered his parents pride in becoming U.S. citizens and was a true patriot. He served his country proudly for 30 years, two in the U.S. Army and 28 in the U.S. Air Force. One of his proudest achievements was becoming a first sergeant, a job that was a custom fit for him. Upon retirement, Jack volunteered for numerous military and veteran organizations giving

Aegean Sea, the Sea of Japan, the Tonkin Gulf - and then asked those gathered to consider those areas and the countries adjacent to them. Those countries were the targets and Bill's job was to help contain them. Unseen, unknown, unrecognized, he did just that and did it well. Perhaps he was unseen, unknown and unrecognized by the outside world, but we certainly saw him, knew him and recognized him. // **Lonnie Henderson** //

SMSgt Robert Dean Trump Dap; I have been informed by the family of Bob



Trump (SMSgt, Ret) that he died of complications following treatment for lung cancer on March 3, 2010, in Salem, Oregon. Burial was at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, OR., on March 10, 2010. Bob was born November 17, 1932 in Minturn, Colorado. He joined the Air Force during 1952 and went on to

serve 20 years in the USAFSS/ESC. His Security Service career began as a radio operator(292xx) before going back to school for further training as a analyst (202xx). Bob had assignments to the Philippines, Japan, Turkey, San Antonio (SPECOM), Elmendorf AFB, AK and NSA, before retiring, in 1972. He and his family settled in Salem, Oregon. He then went back to school (Western Oregon State College, Monmouth) got his degree, and worked for the State of Oregon until 1995, before retiring again. I served with Bob at Karamursel, Turkey (1958-60) and was able to maintain contact with him and his family during subsequent assignments. As one of the key USAFSS/ESC operational AFSC's, I know Bob contributed significantly to the overall Command team effort. He was very proud to have been part of such an 'Elite Group'. After retirement, gardening, fishing, travel, and family activities (especially the grandchildren) appeared to have dominated much of his time. As his wife, Brenda, stated in his obituary ".....you filled our lives with love and joy and the world is a better place because of you". I don't believe I can add any more to that! // **Don Ritter, USAFSS/ESC (Ret)** //

I MSgt Alan Andrew Miller Since I haven't seen any mention of this death



from anyone in San Angelo, I'll post the notice. Two days ago my local (Salem, OR) newspaper carried the obituary of Al Miller, who was born and raised in this area. He served 21 years in the "Intelligence Division" and retired in 1979 in San Angelo. He retired last year from 21 years of teaching business classes at

Angelo State University. His overseas assignments were in Korea, Japan , and Taiwan . I'm sure some Roll Call members knew the gentleman. // **BillDeister - USAFSS Roll Call Website** // Alan Andrew Miller, age 70, passed in the presence of his loving family and friends in his home town of San Angelo on February 2. . Alan was the son of Andrew and Rose Miller was born in Silverton, Oregon, and grew up in the family home in Brooks. Alan attended Sacred Heart Grade School and Gervais High School. After graduating in 1958, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and married Louise Lucas of St. Louis, his high school sweetheart. During his 21-year career in the USAF Security Service, he was stationed in Korea, Japan, Taiwan and Texas, where he and Louise made

AFISR Agency News

Air Force ISR Agency Announces Top Airmen

by Tech Sgt. M. Erick Reynolds - Air Force ISR Agency/Public Affairs

3/5/2010- **LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE, Texas--** The Air Force Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency announced their Outstanding Airmen and Unit of the Year for 2009 in a ceremony held at the Gateway Club March 4. (The Freedom Through Vigilance Ass'n provides substantial support for this annual Command recognition program.)

"Our nominees represent excellence in all we do and epitomize our Airman's Creed 24/7, 365," said Chief Master Sgt. Paul H. Weseloh, Air Force ISR Agency command chief. "At home and abroad, these ISR warriors have gone above and beyond to meet our mission, community and family needs. I am very humbled to represent them as their Command Chief."



Retired Chief Master Sgt. Robert Sherwood, former Electronic Security Command senior enlisted advisor, addressed the audience at the Air Force ISR Agency Outstanding Airmen of the Year Banquet. He emphasized the quality of the Airmen within the agency especially those that were nominated to represent the agency at the Air Force District of Washington. The OAY banquet recognizes the nominees for their superior leadership, job performance, community involvement and personal achievements.

The Airman Category:

Senior Airman Cheryl Moore a Multi-Source Analyst assigned for the 8th Intelligence Squadron (Distributed Ground System-5), Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, receives a plaque March 4 from Maj. Gen. Bradley Heithold, Air Force ISR Agency commander, and the agency's command chief, Chief Master Sgt. Paul Weseloh for being the 2009 OAY in the Airman category.





(Left)
The NCO category:

Staff Sergeant Joseph McClelland an operations-intelligence integrator Global Harvest Program, A2 Directorate, Headquarters Air Force ISR Agency, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

(Right)
The Senior NCO category: Master Sergeant Zak Petrovic a cyber transport system craftsman assigned to 7th Intelligence Squadron with duty at the National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.



(Left)
The First Sgt. category: Master Sergeant Gordon B. Evarts is the First Sergeant for 301st Intelligence Squadron, Misawa Air Base, Japan that is a tenant unit assigned to the 70th Intelligence Wing based at Ft. George Meade, Maryland

(Right)
The CGO category: Capt. Kathryn Fitzgerald a flight commander for weapons and tactics assigned to the 303d Intelligence Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.



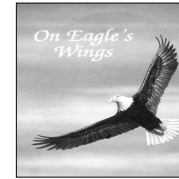
The following additional winners received awards in the categories listed:

The FGO category: Maj. Douglas W. Woodard a director of operations for the 450th Intelligence Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

The Chaplain category: Captain Julian Gaither a Protestant staff chaplain assigned to 88th Air Base Wing, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

The Civilian category I: Wanda A. Sims a Casualty and SBP Counselor for 707th Force Support Squadron, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

CMSgt A. C. Chamblee, age 79, of Fayetteville, TN, passed away on Saturday, March 20, 2010 in the Donalson Care Center. Funeral will be conducted on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel of the Gallant-Riverview Funeral Home. Burial with Military Honors will follow in the Rose Hill Cemetery. He was a native of Crossville, AL, the son of the late John Lawrence & Eliza Jane Wilks Chamblee. Mr. Chamblee was a retired U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sergeant with over 30



years of service. He served in the Tennessee State Militia, National Guard, U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force. He received numerous awards, including Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Commendation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Air Force Outstanding Unit, Korean Service Medal, and Vietnam Service Medal. His foreign awards include the Korean Presidential Unit Citation, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry. He was recognized for his leadership in establishing Operation Eyesight as part of the 6921st Security Group in Misawa, Japan. He served also in the Civilian Conservation Corp. In addition to his service to our country he was employed by SCI-Huntsville as an Electronics Technician. // Obit // Rass I have known A.C. since 1956 at Ashiya. He came up there from Taiwan where I am sure he was instrumental in getting that unit (6987th) up and running beginning in 1955. He and I were also together at Misawa in the late 50's. I think he could best be described as the **"Father of USAFSS direction finding"** // *Dave Naab* //

William Loomus Burkhart. Gang, I just received the sad news from **Bill Burkhart's** widow that he passed away on 23 March Another sad day for the USAFSS flying community. Bill was an AMS at Rhein-Main and Athens in the late 1960's-early 1970's. Bill and Gwen lived in retirement in Wichita Falls, TX. // *Larry Tart* – **PWG Yahoo Group** // I first met Bill in Athens in the early '70s.



He was a Russian linguist and an AMS, but I don't remember him for that. I remember him most as a good Christian man. After Athens, Bill went one way and I went another, both still participants in this thing of ours, a couple of Silent Warriors operating in the shadowy world of a silent war. We both retired from the Air Force and moved on to other things, sporadically keeping in touch with each other. We were both members of the Prop Wash Gang, a group originated by another friend of Bill's and populated by seven or eight hundred former airborne reconnaissance fliers spread across the world and the generations. Bill passed away peacefully on March 23rd, sitting in his recliner, apparently from natural causes. On Friday, family and friends and seven or eight hundred Prop Wash Gang members gathered for a celebration of life for Bill. Actually, there were only two PWG members physically present, the Rev. William O. Pierson and the Rev. Lonnie R. Henderson, but the others were certainly there in spirit. Those in attendance knew Bill as husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, friend - but I provided a side to Bill that few of them knew about - a Silent Warrior in a Silent War. Taking a cue from another PWGer, I first named several geographical areas of the world - the Baltic Sea, the Black Sea, the

The photo of Joe wearing his Trick 3 hat was taken that day. According to Joe's instructions there was no obituary published nor will there be a funeral service.// **Ben Whitten – USAFSS Roll Call Site //**

SMSgt Robert W. Criss, 73, of Severn, MD, the husband of Phoenix Society member, Gloria J. Criss, died Saturday, April 10, 2010. He retired in 1981 as a SMSgt in the USAF at Ft. Meade, MD. The above item was forwarded to me from the Phoenix Society. // **Marcel Jeanfreau – USAFSS Roll Call site //**



SSgt Barney Tracy Comment - Dear Mr. Carpenter, I would be most honored if you could please add my father to your Fallen Eagles list. He was a Staff Sergeant USAF 1950-54 for the 6920th Security Group. He passed away on February 2, 2010 at the age of 79. Please let me know when you have added him to the list. Thank you very much for all your efforts and consideration. Date - 16-Apr-10 -I went through some of the letters of recommendation my father had while in the 6920th Security Group. He was a Group Information Specialist in Seoul and in the Public Information Officer for the 6920th in Tokyo and Ashiya, Japan. He was stationed at Johnson AB as well. I hope this little information helps you further complete his file. Thank you very much for all your efforts. They are gratefully appreciated.// **Mike Tracy Date - 17-Apr-10 - Tracy612003@yahoo.com //**



James Patrick Bryan, 63, of San Angelo, passed away Friday, March 19, 2010, at his residence after a short reoccurring battle with cancer. Jim was born in St. Charles, Mo. to George Patrick and Jane Marie Bryan on Oct., 18, 1946. *Jim retired from the Air Force after 26 years of service. Finished college at ASU and then went back to work at Good Fellow Air Force base until early 2008. He had a keen sense of humor. He loved his family and will be missed dearly. His passions included fishing with his buddies and family, hunting and target shooting. He never met at stranger. Jim was accepting and friendly to everyone he met. He was a loving father and a great friend.* // **Obit – San Angelo Standard Times //** Jim was a Russian 208, and I know he served in Germany and then at Goodbuddy as an instructor before he retired from AF and went civilian. // **Rass // All: Jim Bryan passed away yesterday. Many of you worked with Jim at Goodfellow...He supported our computer based training contract for the 1N4 course. // Bitrcollins3@aol.com //**



The Civilian category II: Brian T. Yanik is assigned to the 13th Intelligence squadron at Beale Air Force Base, Calif. where he conducts near-real-time exploitation of intelligence data collected by airborne ISR aircraft.

The Civilian category III: Scott F. Stalford is the Air Force ISR Agency/A2 branch chief for the operations intelligence integration division, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

The IMA Enlisted category: TSgt Kegerreis a reserve electronic signals Intelligence analyst assigned to the 7th Intelligence Squadron, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

The IMA Officer category: Lt. Col. Theresa L. Maclaughlin a reservist that performed director of staff duties for the Air Force ISR Agency at the 480 ISR WG, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

The Outstanding Unit category: 25th Intelligence Squadron from the 361st ISR Group at Hurlburt Air Base, Florida.

The winners compete at the Air Force District of Washington OAY Awards ceremony before heading to the Air Force level of competition for the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year.

Maj Gen Heithold inducted into Enlisted Heritage Hall

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. (3/15/2010 -- Surprise was the order of the day when Maj. Gen. Bradley Heithold was inducted to the Enlisted Heritage Hall museum's Wall of Achievers Friday.



General Heithold, who enlisted in the Air Force in 1974 and spent three years at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M., as an F-4D avionics technician, is currently commander of the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency at Lackland AFB, Texas. Following the general's arrival at EHH and a short tour of some of the exhibits, the visiting party was led to the Wall of Achievers

where Chief Master Sgt. Dave Fanning, Enlisted Heritage Research Institute director, explained the purpose of photographs displayed on the wall.

"To be on this wall, the person has to be prior enlisted," Chief Fanning said. "The wall is to recognize those enlisted members who have gone on to achieve great things." General Heithold had been persuaded by Chief Master Sgt. Paul Weseloh, AFISRA command chief, to visit EHH "since he [the general] had

never been there before." Among the photographs on the wall was one covered by cloth, and when General Heithold saw that, he began to realize the true reason for his EHH tour.

Also at that time, General Heithold's son Brett appeared from hiding and was greeted by his father. Following the unveiling of his photo, the general said, "Honestly, my proudest days are my days as an enlisted man on the flight line. It's an honor to be on this wall with these people. Thank you so much for the thought, and I really don't think you guys know how much of a distinction this is for me." The general's son Brett said he thought his father would "put two and two together" about the ceremony once he got to the wall, but he was happy family members had kept the event secret for the last couple of months.

"I don't think he expected any of this, but he deserves it. I mean, from one stripe to two stars, this represents 36 years in the Air Force, and for him to be here is just great," Brett said. "He joined the Air Force when he was 18 years old, stayed in for three years, went to the University of Arkansas where he was commissioned through the ROTC [Reserve Officer Training Corps] program, then returned to the Air Force."

Chief Weseloh, who was largely responsible for the general's induction to the Wall of Achievers, said no matter where General Heithold goes, he represent the more than 11,000 members of the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency. "When we travel, he tells his story of being enlisted, and often leaves enlisted members in tears because of his story," he said. "He wears his maintenance badge on all uniforms and is very proud of his enlisted roots. As to where he is today, he gives his days as an enlisted member credit for being very important to his success."

//Update on the current status of SRA Colton Read, first reported last year//

Resolve Earns Airman Mobility, Admiration
by Wayne Amann, Air Force ISR Agency Public Affairs

5/5/2010 - SAN ANTONIO -- Getting from point A to point B is much easier for 36 physically challenged veterans following a special presentation ceremony April 28 on the hallowed grounds of the Alamo.

Thanks to the Segs4Vets Program, the three dozen wounded warriors were each given a Segway, a two-wheeled personal mobility transporter, designed to improve freedom of movement to those who lost limbs to amputation or suffer from spinal cord injuries and soft tissue damage.

Among the recipients was former Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency troop Senior Airman Colton Read. Airman Read's legs were amputated following complications during a surgical procedure July 9, 2009. Undaunted, Airman Read embarked on his rehabilitation process with

for about a year. After Bremerhaven, Bill served tours of duty in the Philippines, Vietnam, and at Sacramento, California (the last tour was in TRANSEC). He took his discharge in May 1967. As a civilian, he worked 25 years for the Railroad, then owned and managed several RV Park/Resorts. He also was a writer, publishing at least five Western novels.

// **Arlen Trapp** //

Billy Roy Locke, born November 6, 1924 in Sanderson, TX, died April 24, 2010



in San Antonio, TX. He leaves behind a wife, three children, and three grandchildren. No funeral service will be held, and he will be buried by sea by the United States Navy. He asked that any donations be made to the Animal Defense League in San Antonio, Texas. // **Obit** // Hello, I am the son of Billy Roy Locke who was

inducted into the FTVA Hall of Honor in 1985. It is with a great sadness that I must inform you of his passing on April 24th, 2010. I have enclosed his obituary just in case you need it. He was very proud and humbled by his induction into the FTVA Hall of Honor, and was equally proud to have served his country all those years. If there is any additional information that you require please feel free to contact me. Regards, // **Billy Russell Locke** // Billy Locke was my mentor at Hq USAFSS for many years and was a Hall of Honor inductee in 1985. He was a high impact personality and mover from the early days of USAFSS starting at Brooks AFB and continuing through the mid-80's at Bldg 2000. Several old co-workers like Sam Barr, Joel Siskovic, Hank Roberts, and myself visited Billy often during his declining health and can attest that his mind was as sharp as a tack to the end. // **John G. Guntharp, HOH 2001** //

William H. "Bill" Hughes With great sadness I am informing you



of the death of my husband Bill on Thursday April 8th, 2010. Bill was assigned as a Czech linguist in Hof, Germany from about 56-59. // **Alice King-Hughes** // ((**Source: USAFSS Roll Call site**))

Joe Finley.



Virginia Finley, Joe's wife of 25 years, called tonight to tell me of Joe's death. He passed away quietly at age 70 while taking a nap on the afternoon of April 21st. He was a good man who loved his family and had a heart of gold. He often channeled funds through me to help various needy Misawa folks or to fund special events at reunions. He wanted no recognition for such generous acts and swore me to secrecy. Joe, a 202, and I served together in the 89th on Trick Three back in 1958-60. Joe was as liberal in his politics as I am conservative in mine, but we always respected each other's beliefs and found ways of putting those differences aside to enjoy each other's company. I last saw Joe when we had lunch together in Newark this past March 7th. We spent 3 hours just visiting and remembering days gone by. I'm so glad we made the effort to get together.

David Tom //My name is Frances Tom.// David was a member of the 6990th from Jan 1971 to August 1973. He joined your Yahoo group and enjoyed getting in touch with the many wonderful people he worked with during those years. David died on March 26, 2010 as a result of brain damage due to cardiac arrest. Besides myself, his two daughters, and sons-in-law were at his side when he died. He was cremated and a memorial Mass was celebrated on Friday, April 9, 2010. We then scattered his ashes in Monterey Bay along with an honor guard salute. Monterey was our first home while he trained at the Defense Language Institute. Thank you for your time. I apologize for this late communication but there has been more to making this adjustment than I had originally thought.//*Fran Tom*//
 (Submitted by David Reese, 6990th Yahoo Group)



 Jerry R. Freeman was born September 7, 1934 in Sweetwater, Texas to Jordan Rucker and Laura Alice Stiffler Freeman. He passed away Thursday, April 22, 2010 in Fort Worth. Jerry married Bessie Lou Holder on October 16, 1955 in Grand Field, Oklahoma. He retired as a Sr. Master Sgt. with the United States Air Force after 27 years in 1979. Jerry was a member of Watts Chapel UMC for over 20 years, where he was active in the upkeep of the church and cemetery as well as the quilting group. Jerry was a member of the American Legion (Whitney), V.F.W. (San Antonio) and 6924 Heritage Organization. Jerry was a knowledgeable man who enjoyed sharing as often as he could with others. His expertise was in history and the Old Testament specifically. Jerry received an associate's degree in history with Hill College. Jerry was an avid genealogist and enjoyed family reunions as well as reunions with his Vietnam veterans. He also enjoyed cooking, fishing, and trips to the casino. Jerry's quirky sense of humor and unforgettable spirit will be missed greatly by all those that knew and loved him. // Obit // Today I lost a dear friend. Jer never recovered from the blood clot he suffered following major surgery last week. He had many medical problems and knew that the odds of getting through the surgery were not that good. Jer was a free spirit, kind hearted and a great person. I will miss him very much. Rest in peace old friend // *Clyde Orr* //



Col. James Ingram Mayer Information below was sent to National Capital e-mail list this morning:: Please make note and share with the National Capital Chapter of the death of Col. James Ingram Mayer, USAF, Ret. 903 N Garfield St Arlington VA 22201. 30 July 2009.//*Marjie Mayer marjie2m@gmail.com* //



William M. Price, Jr passed away on April 7th, this year. He was 69 years old Bill arrived in Bremerhaven in May 1960. He served as a Morse operator on Baker Flight initially, then he worked on Able Flight for a year; and ended up working in Mission Control



uncommon resolve. "[Segway] candidates like Senior Airman Read have pursued their physical therapy aggressively and shown leadership and a continued commitment to service," said Jerry Kerr, Segs4Vets Disability Rights Advocates for Technology president.

Segs4Vets officials found out about Airman Read's determination to overcome adversity through the efforts of Janice Nall of the military liaison committee at Beale Air Force Base, Calif. The committee is an outside-the-gate sponsor that helps Beale get what it needs. Airman Read was assigned to the 9th Intelligence Squadron at Beale at the time of his amputation. "Ms. Nall was a driving force to get Colton a Segway," said Lt. Col. Timothy Woliver, 9th IS commander. "She and her daughter, Sami, raised nearly enough funds for two Segways, but it was her interaction with Mr. Kerr that made the (Segs4Vets) advisory board aware of Colton's will to overcome obstacles to a successful recovery." Airman Read's resilience has inspired the Air Force family to rally around the Fort Worth, Texas, native and his family.

Team Beale organizations and agencies provided meals for 17 of Airman Read's extended family members camped out at the hospital for nearly four weeks. Beale folks also took care of their pets, packed the Reads' household goods and worked with their landlord to overcome lease issues.

"From day one, I've been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support offered and provided to this day," Colonel Woliver said. The weekend prior to the Segway ceremony, an Air Force unit in Monterrey, Calif., held a 5K fundraiser fun run for Airman Read as part of the Big Sur Marathon. Meanwhile, deployed Airmen in joint units, who heard of Colton's story, passed the hat to give what they could.

"It didn't surprise me," Airman Read said before receiving his Segway. "This whole time I felt I had another family. I tell everyone the Air Force is my second family."

In all, four Airmen, 25 active-duty Soldiers, three National Guard Soldiers and four Marines received Segways at the seventh annual event in San Antonio. They received final training on how to operate them the two days leading up to the presentation. Many of the most recent recipients, including Airman Read, are still undergoing treatment and rehabilitation at the Center for the Intrepid at Brooke Army Medical Center in the Alamo City.

Seg4Vets is an all-volunteer program representing Americans who believe those serving our nation and suffer serious injury and permanent disability must have every resource to fulfill their dreams and live the highest quality life possible.

Reunion Announcements

June 5, 2010: Missy Mini Reunion

From: Joe Hornsby (Misawa 59-60 T-4)- Sent Apr 4, 2010
 Are any of you folks interested in coming to Houston on June 5 for a Misawa Mini? There is an ongoing conversation about doing this. We have an initial list of 18 folks that have expresses an interest. . Let me know if you are interested and you will be added to the list. The Mini is scheduled for June 5 at the terrific Goode Company Bar-B-Q restaurant. This place has without a doubt the best Texas Bar-B-Q in South Texas. In addition they serve Pecan Pie that is so good you almost want to rub it on your face. Sure hope more of you will be able to attend. The Restaurant has a private room that I suspect would seat at least 35 people.
 v/r Joe

June 24 – 27, 2010

The Misawa Project The 8th Reunion of the Misawa Security Service units (1949 through 1979)...1st RSM, 6921st, 6989th and 6920th..
 Location: Holiday Inn Historic in downtown Philadelphia, PA.
 POC is: Helen Henderson (E-Mail: etaya49@hotmail.com)
 Phone: (904) 829-9235 or (904) 829-9235

From: "Bob Wynn" <bobwynn1@comcast.net>
 I have received several questions about the Misawa Project reunion coming up in Philadelphia. The committee is working on the final details which are available on the Misawa Project web site.

The official dates of the reunion are June 24 through June 27. Several in our Trick 1 group are considering going a couple of days early and staying a couple of days after the reunion for additional fellowship with our old Trick 1 friends. The hotel has agreed to give us the group rate on rooms from Monday, June 21st through Sunday night, June 27th. However, they cannot give us the group rate for the days after the reunion. In fact, they cannot even guarantee us a room after Sunday night, June 27th because they have a huge convention coming in right after us. So if you want to spend a couple of extra days in Philadelphia, plan to do that before the reunion. Also, if you plan to go a couple of days early, be sure to call as soon as you can in order get a room. Remember to tell the hotel that you are with the Misawa Project so you will get the group discount. Anne and I plan to go a couple of days early to spend some extra time with any of you folks who are going early.

We will be having the reunion at the Holiday Inn Philadelphia-Historic District. It is an excellent location downtown and convenient to lots of historic places of interest. The group rate for the Misawa Project members is \$109.00 per night

Sgt Howard Floyd //6918th Website// As most of our Dawg Flight members



know, we lost a good friend of 40 years in December—Howard J. Floyd. We reconnected with Howie via phone and e-mail in 2007; however, Howie wasn't able to attend a reunion until 2009 in St. Louis. He died not 3 months following that event, surprising and saddening all of us. Here is a brief summary about our fallen friend and brother. Howard J. Floyd was a Pennsylvania boy with conservative values and an all-American spirit. He served his country for 4 years during Vietnam and was an Air Force veteran. The part of his service record we know about was while he was a 'ditty bopper' at Hakata, Japan, from 1966 to 1968. He was honorably discharged as a Sergeant after those 4 years. **//Posted by Dave Bethard (D Flt 67-71)- Mar 28, 2010//** A behind the scene report: Shortly after the Sept. 2010 St. Louis Reunion, about Christmas time, our correspondence with Howie ceased. Our emails bounced back with "email box full" and our phone call attempts were answered with the recording "voice mail box full." Suspecting a problem, Dave made several calls, including calls to John Shulenski, who lives in Howie's hometown. The result was the above sad news. Unknown to most is the effort it took to find this information when there is no next of kin. Without this effort, all we have known is that Howie had quit corresponding. **// Stan Freymuth//**

Raymond Dale Riley, 81, of Annapolis died Monday, April 19, 2010, at his



residence. Born Nov. 3, 1928, in Parsonsburg, he was a son of the late James Disharoon Riley Sr. and May Jackson Riley. Ray served in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years and then joined the National Security Agency for 16 years, retiring in 1976. His security jobs enabled him to travel to many parts of the world. Agency records reflect that he retired in 1986 with 39 years of service. **// The Phoenix Staff //** Rass, I knew Ray from Okinawa in the early 60's. As I remember, he was a cryptanalyst and had either served in the Navy or Marines during the Korean War. **// Dave Naab //**

Neil Peck passed away at the age of 72 on the 4th of February, this year. Neil



served at Bremerhaven as a Morse Intercept Operator and Control under SSgt Calloway (Block 1) on Charlie Flight from mid 1961 until July 1963. In 1963, he went 2T to St Lawrence Island for a one-year tour of duty. During his off-duty time, he played offensive and defensive end on the Hustlers football team and he played 3rd base on the Hustlers softball team. Neil's home town was McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania. **// Arlen Trapp //**



FALLEN EAGLES



The Association has learned of the following losses from caring relatives/friends and/or obituaries. We extend our prayers and sympathy to their loved ones. "It is the soldier above all others who prays for peace, for it is the soldier who must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war." Douglas MacArthur.

Harvey Baker, MSgt, USAF-Ret
 Nate Britt, USAF -Ret
 James Patrick Bryan, USAF-Ret
 William "Bill" Loomis Burkhart, USAF-Ret
 A.C. Chamblee, CMSgt, USAF Ret
 Bradley G. Chandler, USAFSS Vet, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Robert Criss, SMSgt, USAF-Ret
 Clayton Davis, USAF-Ret, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Richard "Dick" Fitts, MSgt, USAF-Ret
 Howard J. Floyd, Sgt, USAFSS VET
 Jerry R. Freeman, SMSgt, USAF-Ret, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Rocklin "Rocky" L. Harvey, MSgt, USAF-Ret
 William H. "Bill" Hughes, USAFSS Vet,
 Billy Roy Locke, GS-Civ (Ret) FTVA HOH Inductee
 John "Jack" Lowry, SMSgt, USAF-Ret,
 Phillip J. March, SMSgt, USAF-Ret
 Bobby Martin USAFSS COMSEC
 James Ingram Mayer, Col., USAF-Ret, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Alan Andrew Miller, MSgt, USAF-Ret
 Michael Morris, USAF-Ret
 Airlee Owens, USAFSS Vet, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Neil Paul Peck, USAFSS Vet 6913th RSM
 Wilma L. Pickard, FTVA Member
 William Y. Powell, Lt.Col, USAF-Ret, FTVA Member
 William M. Price Jr, USAFSS Vet
 Raymond Dale Riley, USAF/GS-Civ (Ret)
 Jerry H. Smith Maj. USAF-Ret
 Earl "Vic" Schwartz, USA/USAF-Ret
 David Tom, USAFSS Vet/ 6990th
 Jaime Torres, USAF-Ret, FTVA Lifetime Member
 Barney Tracy, SSGT, USAFSS Vet
 James Walter Tremblay, USAF-Ret,
 Robert Dean Trump, SMSgt, USAF-Ret
 William Lowell Wasserman, USAFSS Vet

plus tax. You can register online, **using the Group Code MPG**. The hotel web site is:

<http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/hi/1/en/hotel/PHLIM?&stopredirect=true>

If any of you plan to drive to Philadelphia, the hotel parking rate for our group is \$5.00 per day. That's all I have for now but log onto the Misawa Project web site on a regular basis to the all the details.

Skosh

August 22 – 28, 2010 Crete Reunion

From: "Bobby" <nalc364@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 4, 2010

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to remind you that the Crete Reunion, to be held beginning on **August 22, 2010 and ending on the evening of August 28, 2010**, is still on! Many of you have either stated that you intend to attend the Reunion, hope to attend, or are very interested in the Reunion.

If you have not already applied for your passport, I would encourage you to do so in the very near future. It will probably not take over six weeks after submitting your passport application to receive your passport. However, just in case there are delays, I would advise you to submit your passport application as soon as possible. **Also, if you have not already purchased your airline tickets, I would suggest that you purchase them before the prices start to increase.** The closer we get to summer, the higher the airline prices will climb. I have included a list of web sites attached to this E-Mail where you can look for the best airline prices. I am also attaching a list of hotels and apartment buildings with this E-Mail. I think that all of the hotels and apartments on the attachment are located in the little village of Amoudara, with the exception of the Astoria Hotel, which is located in downtown Iraklion. The list of hotels and apartment buildings run the spectrum of prices and accommodations - from 5 stars to "unrated"! Most have either an E-Mail address, a web site, or a telephone number. **If you haven't already done so, I would suggest that you make your hotel or apartment reservations in order to insure that you have a place to stay during the Reunion.**

Please advise me if you plan to attend the Reunion on Crete. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your Friend and Fellow "Silent Warrior",

Bob Armistead

A chicken crossing the road is "poultry in motion."

Panaramic View of Darmstadt



Panoramic view of Ernst Ludwig Kaserne. Look at the buildup of German housing behind our old 2nd RSM quarters taken many years after 2nd RSM had left Darmstadt Germany//Tom Morris/Perry Bullard//



Above: Ernst-Ludwig Kaserne 1960-63

Above: Same building today.

Left Photo: by: Charles Church

Right Photo by Perry Bullard

Remember we'd awaken to the pounders heading out for fieldd exerise at 2am?

A Taste of Italy!!



Cathy Cavanaugh (86-88) commented on photo (Left): Took this picture of a butcher shop.in Italy. I quit eating local meat while I was at San Vito. (I was afraid I'd be eating Flicka!

//Ed Note:// This reminded me of my first flight into

Rome headed for Vito in '81. I stayed at the Air Terminal and went upstairs to grab a snack. Buffet style. Got some salad and what looked to me like (very thin) slices of ham. Meat tasted salty to me but it went down just fine. When I got to Vito and asked Kenny Dunk about the "salty ham", he informed me about the Carni Equine...just a different side to the country's many culinary delights.//

consideration to be a member of the 15th RSM Association has been limited because of passing of time. We have been in existence for the past 15 years even though personnel we draw from were either in the 15th RSM or 6922nd RGM from 1951 to 1958 when the 6922 at Ashiya was closed down and transferred to Brady AB , Hakata, Japan. Yours, Jim Bramwell - Life member FTVA Phone (610) 544-5143 (E-Mail - j.brampres3@verizon.net)

September 29 - October 03, 2010

6952nd Scty Squadron; 37th RSM; 7535th ABS; RAF Kirknewton, Scotland
Comments: Open to all Alumni; spouses; family; friends from all Units assigned at RAF Station Kirknewton, Scotland 1952 - 1966. Reunion Schedule and Registration information can be found on: <http://rafkirknewton.bravepages.com> or by contacting POC and request a copy of the Schedule & Registration Form. Location: Radisson Opryland Hotel, 2401 Music Valley Drive, Nashville, TN POC: Helen Oleson, 12226 Wilderness Road, Anchorage, AK 99516-Phone: (907)345-0868 - E-Mail: holdfast@acsalaska.net

April 2011 / July 2011

Proposed 6981/USAFSS Reuion at Elmendorf AFB, AK

POC is: Wayne Prigge - Phone: 541.556.7939 - E-Mail: ezlivnak@juno.com
04/17/2010 I've been debating this possible 6981/USAFSS reunion project since returning from Alaska back in January. I've gotten Emails from many individuals who were assigned to the 6981/USAFSS expressing interest if there is a reunion. Some even indicated they got the tip from FTVA or TREA announcements. I was amazed by the response I've received from this proposal for a reunion. It is very evident a lot of people have fond memories of both the unit and Alaska, I know I do. Based on the information on transportation possibilities, lodging availabilities and meal costs gathered during my visit to Anchorage, my feelings are this would be an prohibitively expensive project for most of those traveling from the lower 48. Individuals residing in Alaska would benefit the most as they wouldn't have far to travel. But no one I know of in Alaska indicated a willingness to take over the reins in planning such a reunion.

Unfortunately, I am canceling my proposal. I am sorry to disappoint a number of you guys/gals who wanted to be notified of/included in such a reunion. I don't like doing this; I'd really like to see a bunch of us old alumni/retirees get together and catch up as part of that group. Thank you for your interest and your time. v/r

Wayne Prigge

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie!

REUNION REPORTS

April 15 - April 17, 2010

6937th Peshawar Air Station (Web Site: <http://6937th.50megs.com/>)

Location: Lexington, Kentucky

POC is: Dennis Mills (E-Mail: dgm846@aol.com) Phone: 859-986-4612

// No photos or report on this reunion found on-line as of this printing./Rass//

April 29 – May 01, 2010

Doggers (Viet Linguists) At: Ft. Meade, MD (<http://www.j2diving.com/fosp>)

Location: BWI Comfort Inn & Conference Center

POC is: Joe Turney - Phone: (512) 825-7290 - E-Mail: parrotjet@yahoo.com

Comments: 35th Annual Fall of Saigon Party (FOSP) for USAFSS/ESC/AIA Vietnamese linguists and friends welcome.

// No photos or report on this reunion found on-line as of this printing./Rass//

Prop Wash Gang (PWG) Florida Group (FLAG) 2010 Reunion

Submitted by "Dave Bristol" <ks1k@comcast.net>

The 13th annual FLAG reunion was held 5-7 March 2010 in Leesburg Florida. As usual this gathering was very successful. Two local couples, Dave and Jennifer Carr and Ed and Debbie Collier, attended for the first time. We had not seen them since 1967 at Eielson AFB Alaska. Dave sends



(Left):(Front Row L-R) Betty Wilcher, Lisa Gorby Reid, Carolyn Riedel, Cathy Buteau, Mavis Moore, Shirley Bristol. (Back Row) Eileen Burne, Diane Tart, Judy Smith, Shelia Gwinn, Gaylyn Luther, Wendy Armintrout

(Right) First row sitting on the ground - Ron Buteau. (First row in chairs) (L-R) Jeff Wilcher,Owen Lock, Dave Bristol, Roger Whidden, Larry Tart, Butch Moore (Back Row) (L-R) Bob Byrne, Jon Gwinn, Jack Riedel (peeking in) Pat O'Neal, Morgan Smith, Bill Chambers, Jim Luther, Ed Luna.



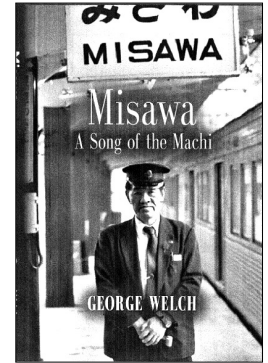
From: George "Granny" Welch (Misawa 65-67)

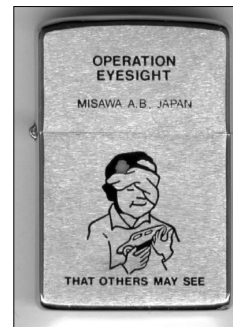
Date: Mar 17, 2010

I am happy to announce the publication of a second book of "fictional memories" of Misawa. The book is entitled "Misawa: A Song of the Machi" and can be previewed at the link below, along with a sample chapter:

<http://www.booklocker.com/books/4589.html>

"Misawa: A Song of the Machi" represents a more organized and focused view of our work in Misawa than was presented in my previous book, "Insomnia Mimatsu: A Story of Love and Espionage in Misawa"

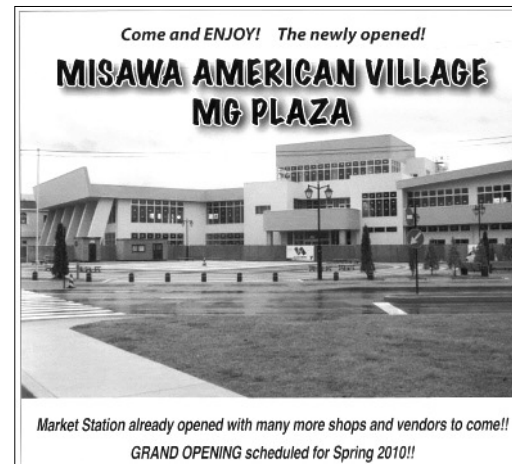




Posted By: Randy Graves 74-76

Operation Eyesight was an on-going project at the 6920th unit in Misawa during the 1960's and 70's which provided funding for optomology and restorative eyesight treatment to needy (esp youth) in the local Japanese community.

Description: This Zippo lighter is from 75-76 time frame, and was acquired by donating to Operation Eyesight.



From: Dutch Wiest 59-62 T4
Description: I just got this from Cecil Hahn. I'm not sure how long I sat here with my mouth hanging open, staring at this photo. Cecil's comment was, "This was in a pamphlet put out by Stars & Stripes." This is the down at the corner on the right side as you exit the base across from the former Stateside Snack Bar and parking lot.

scenarios. Reviewing information in the proper context and hypothesizing on its significance requires the ability to integrate activity using previous experiences, logic and subject knowledge. In some ways, intelligence agents are the Sherlock Holmes of the intelligence community, looking at all the gathered pieces of the puzzle in hopes of getting a clearer picture.

Private sector intelligence analysts tend to work with defense contractors or large corporations that use various intelligence-gathering techniques to predict the behavior of potential threats. Working in the defense industry, whether governmental position or as a contractor, will inevitably require a government security clearance. For those who do not wish to work directly as a military-analyst, defense contracting may provide an option.

Almost all intelligence analysts work in offices, using the information provided to them via video, signals, or written reports. Interaction is encouraged with other analysts and intelligence professionals. As the work is classified, many people find their social circle is limited to people within the intelligence community. The job often entails long hours including weekends and evenings, depending on the situation. People who enjoy working independently, are interested in world events, and are knowledgeable about world history and international relationships find a great deal of satisfaction in this type of work.

History and Memories

From: Dave Bethard dbethard@cfl.rr.com

Date: Tuesday, March 23, 2010, 7:35 AM

Rass, Attached is a photo of Harold and Marcy Perry you may want to share with her from about 1968. One of our Dawg Flight guys, Marshall Gregory, handed me a CD at our St. Louis reunion, and this is just one of many great images it contained. We already added a couple from Wajiro School to our web site recently, including another of them at a I'm looking forward to seeing you at our 6918th reunion in San Antonio next year!



Dave

(left) 6918th Scty Gp Commander Lt Col Hal Perry & his wife Marcy enjoying a beach outing circa 1968.

Two hats were hanging on a hat rack. One says to the other,

“You stay here ... I'll go on a head.”

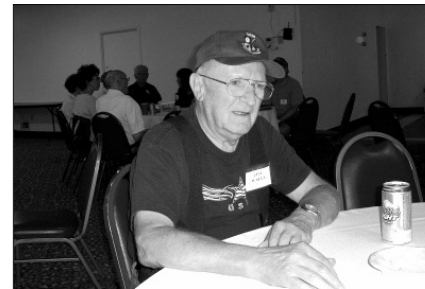
2010 Darmstadt - Augsburg 6910th Reunion



The 2010 reunion was hosted by Kay & Tommy Smart (above) with Steve & Carole Voss at the La Quinta Inn in San Angelo, TX from Apr 22 – 24th.



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| 1. GENE MOORE | 11. ELMER DYER | 21. ROY KUBACKI | 31. GROVER GORE |
| 2. JOHN FRICKE | 12. BOBBY POARCH | 22. MIKE MAGIERA | 32. ROGER NILES |
| 3. CHARLIE CHURCH | 13. LEO WALLS | 23. MERT PROCTOR | 33. STEVE VOSS |
| 4. JACK WETZLER | 14. CHESTER JONES | 24. WILLIAM "BILL" MORALES | 34. JACK SHANES |
| 5. DOUG GEORGE | 15. TOMMY SMART | 25. JACK SCHNURR | 35. FRED BATES |
| 6. SKIP LAMAY | 16. JIM GARNES | 26. ROGER LAND | 36. BOB RUDOLPH |
| 7. FORREST GRAHAM | 17. DAVID CORKREY | 27. JAKE CURETON | 37. BILL PATTERSON |
| 8. LOYD GRAHAM | 18. NORM TRENT | 28. TEX WRIGHT | 38. AL BROWN |
| 9. JOHNNY ROSS | 19. WILLIAM "BILL" GIGNAC | 29. DAN DAPOLITO | |
| 10. HOWELL SWEAT | 20. GEORGE BINKLEY | 30. J. E. WINDHAM | |
- PRESENT BUT NOT IN PHOTO: PARSHALL PICKENS & ED BENDINELLI. SPEAKER AT BANQUET: HANK HANKINS



Leo Walls telling “war stories”.



Tommy entertaining the group.

The Distaff Side of the 6910th Reunion



Jack Wetzler using hand signals with headsets he won at the raffle

Seated at table: Left - Dan DaPolito - Right - Bill Patterson (who donated the headsets for the raffle). standing - far right Forrest Graham.



We have raved about the beautiful cake and its beauty and taste, but Kay's talents are not limited to pastry. This example was set on the "snack" table Friday night.

Roll Call Marlboro/Auburn MA mini Mar 13, 2010

Posted by Syd Scales



Waco Wetterman (Left) visiting from San Antonio, TX, presented Syd Scales (Right) with a bottle of, 'holy' water at our mini-reunion. Figured we needed to sprinkle some on the My Family website, and maybe the pictures will post without problems

The Intelligence Analyst

By Tom Morris - Posted Mar 14, 2010 (Redacted/Edited in part.)



Analysis is the process of breaking a complex topic or substance into smaller parts to gain a better understanding of it. The technique has been applied in the studies of mathematics, physics, philosophy and logic since before Aristotle.

Becoming an intelligence analyst can be a lengthy process enhanced by foreign language, alternative communications skills along with an appropriate college degree. History, international relations, government, and political science are all common areas of study for those aspiring to work in the intelligence field.

Today, most analyst jobs require at least a bachelor's degree or "equivalent experience", but many also prefer a Master's degree as well. After graduation, many websites offer listings of jobs available in the intelligence community. Becoming an intelligence agent requires background checks and several interviews before a person can be granted the security clearance necessary to handle classified information.

In the United States (US) government, analysts can work with a variety of different agencies that handle intelligence. The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA,) Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI,) National Security Agency (NSA,) and US Military make extensive use of intelligence analysis.

Sitting around reading reports all day may sound dull as dishwater, but an intelligence analyst must be able to employ creative thinking to various

Roll Call Mini in Summerfield, FL



Even though there was just time for lunch together, we still had a fun "mini" in Florida. Apr 24, 2010

Ladies (l-r) Alice Kaus, Julie Harlach, Janelle Tucker, Lynn Hale (Dennis Harlach sister)



Guys (l-r) Don Hale, Bill Tucker, Dennis Harlach, and Jim Kaus.

Ssn Antonio May Micro-Mini

May 2, 2010 Don Haygood, Mac McBride and Bill Chapman got together at Jim's restaurant for a teeny-weeny-micor-mini in San Antonio after he finished with his 6922nd Reunion.



My buddy survived mustard gas and pepper spray...

Now he's a "seasoned veteran."

A Table of Photo Albums got very busy. Charlie Church said "Im sure most of you noticed the books, all of them belonged to Johnny Ross, except Frog Graham had one and John Fricke had one.



The good news about the Johnny Ross books is that Tommy Smart and myself have all of Johnny's books and will be scanning every photo and newspaper article. We will burn DVD's, and we will advise when we finish.

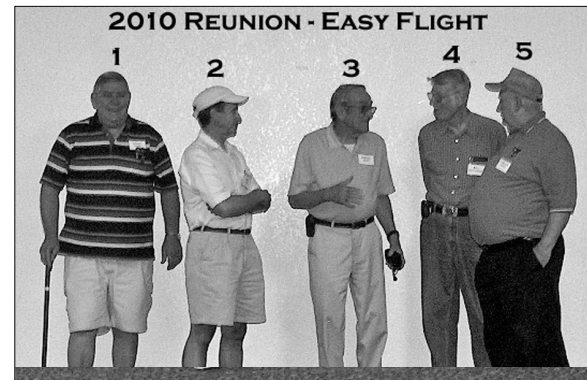
(Above) Frog Graham, Bill Gignac, Regin Graham, Mike Magiera, and John Fricke,



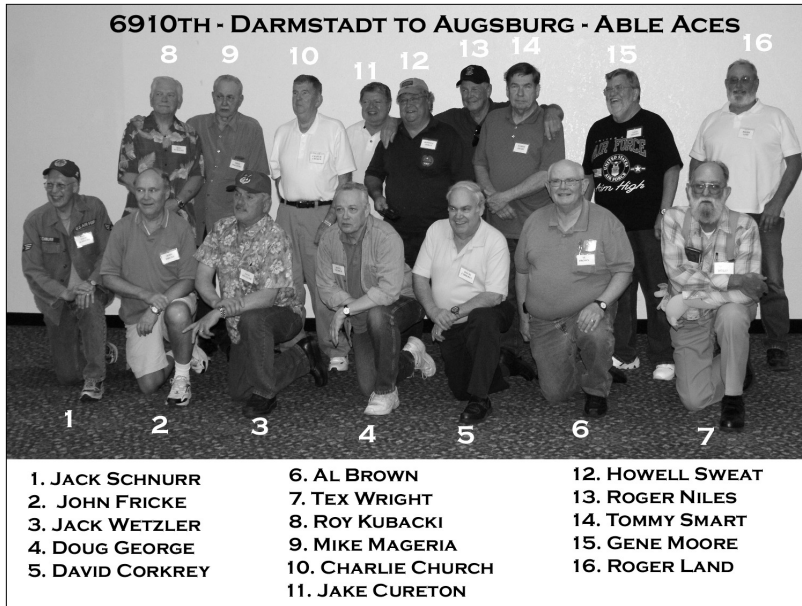
Getting off the bus after the tour of Goodfellow AFB.



Johnny Ross and Charlie Church



1. STEVE VOSS 2. SKIP LAMAY 3. JOHNNY ROSS 4. BILL PATTERSON 5. CHESTER JONES



Mini-Reunions

6918th Hakata Mini reunion at Titusville, FL
Submitted by: Dave Bethard (D Flt 67-71)

After a 39 year separation, Nancy (Ulrich) Peterson attended a face to face mini reunion on April 9th with Dawg Flight in Titusville Florida. This photo was taken during our lunch meal. The day included introductions to two of Nancy's Hakata friends, Cooper and Lois Wood. Nancy was the Dawg Flight commander at Hakata between 1970 and 1971, and Lois and Cooper also served at Hakata--Lois as a DOD teacher at the Hakata elementary school, and Cooper as one of our Navy counterparts at Hakata, both during the 1970-1972 era.



All were single at that time, being housed in the Hakata BOQ. A wonderful day was had by all, which included two marvelous meals, one at Dixie Crossroads, a popular local seafood restaurant, and one from Takeko's kitchen. All were stuffed after one, but at the second, enjoying lively conversation, memory sharing and remember when's throughout. It was a joy to reconnect and to meet new friends....our only regret was that more from Hakata couldn't attend today. We enjoyed some old 35mm slides of Japan, and viewing parts of two DVD sets, viewing family and Hakata related photos on the computer, as well as looking through some old photo albums. All too quickly the day was over, and, like every reunion, our friends had to depart. We're already looking forward to next time.

(Right) Really great to see one of our officers attend the reunion. Bill Morales was Flight Commander of Baker & Dog Flights when stationed at Darmstadt. He retired as a bird Colonel. I had some very interesting conversations with him at the reunion. – Tex Wright



(Left) We had a great time, this was the first for us, but it sure will not be the last. Thanks to everyone for a grand time.

Mr & Mrs Charlie Church

