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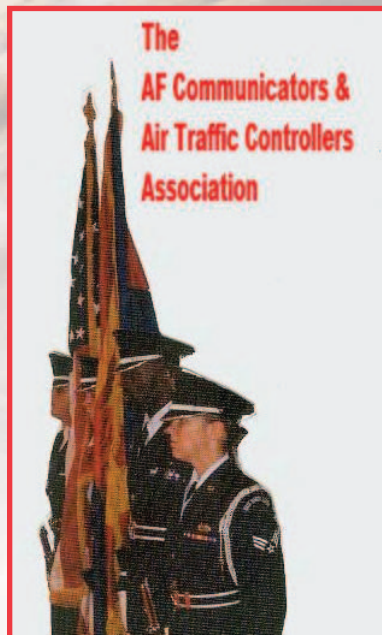
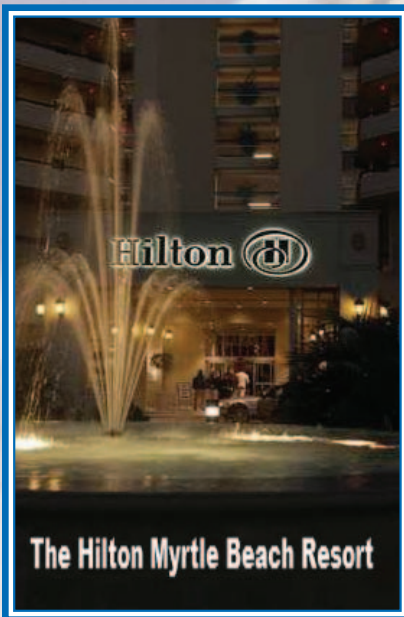
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**The following individuals were inducted into
The Hall of Fame - Class of 2010**



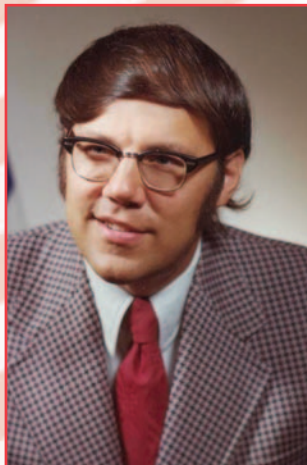
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Congratulations to these outstanding individuals and their families. Their service and dedication to the Air Force and to our country is much appreciated.

From The Desk of the Executive Director



On an annual basis, our Association recognizes/honors the active duty Air Force Air Traffic Control Enlisted Manager of the Year and the Communications/Information Professional of the Year. It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Board of Directors has proclaimed that the ATC award will be named the "Major General Van C. Doubleday Award" and the Communications/Info award be named the "Major General Gerald L. Prather Award". This is in recognition of their significant contributions to the Air Force ATC/Comm Info Communities and their ongoing support of the AF Comm & ATC Association.

One of the responsibilities of the Executive Director is deciding who is assigned reserved seating at the Annual Convention/Reunion Banquet. Each year presents its own unique set of circumstances and challenges; with some members questioning why they weren't provided this privilege.

Over the years, reserved seating was accorded to: invited guests; the organization's founders and their guests; all past and current members and their guests, who held management/committee positions within the Association. The rationale and intent of this gesture was to show the proper respect to our guests and recognize those members who volunteered their time, effort, and expertise to help sustain a viable organization.

The AF Comm & ATC Association's Board of Directors discussed the reserved seating issue and what format would best serve the needs of the organization and its members; in a fair and equitable fashion.

As a result of that discussion, a revised "Reserved Seating Plan" will be implemented at the 2010 Annual Convention/Reunion Banquet and is listed below:

- **Current Board of Directors and their guests**
- **Current non-voting Board Members (Historian, Chaplain, etc) and their guests**
- **Current Committee Members and their guests**
- **Past Executive Directors and their guests**
- **Immediate past, present and immediate future Hosts/Co-Hosts and their guests**
- **Invited guests**
- **Hall of Honor members and their guests**
- **Active Duty/Retired General Officers and their guests**

Also, we continue to invite inquiries from members to volunteer as perspective Convention/Reunion Hosts, as well as other positions in the Association. A "Host Request Form" is listed on our website that gives a brief outline of the basic criteria for this important job. Also, the various Boards of Directors and Committee Chairmanship Position Descriptions are listed. We have an immediate need to identify a Host and location for the 2012 Convention/Reunion.

This year's Convention/Reunion Hosts, Bill & Pauline Bethea, have planned a great series of events for our members at the ocean's edge, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. It should be an enjoyable time for all who attend. I hope to see you there!

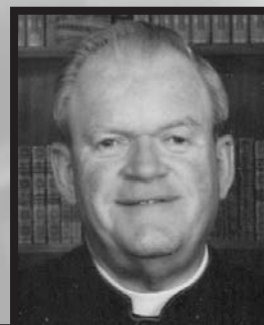
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Air Force Villages
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Missed Roll Call **(Since the November 2009 Communicator)**



Burch, James O.
Butts, William
Chimi, Francis J.
Donnell, Nancy
Keating, Donald W.
Murphy, Joseph
Vaudo, Albert A.
Walborn, George

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER 2010

Few would disagree that we are living in an age which worships the god of self-indulgence rather than God-directed discipline. A person serious about following God, one who refuses to "get with it", that is the spirit of the moment, or rejects "doing your own thing", or "going with the flow" usually is looked upon as an odd ball, nerd, or whatever. Young people who resist today's incredible peer pressure, who are unwilling to go along or buy into self-destructive habits, such as drinking or drugs or sex before marriage, very often suffer real emotional pain, rejection, and/or loneliness when they listen to God instead of the crowd. Adults feel pressure from their friends or co-workers to keep up materially speaking, to engage in recreation, shopping, and the like on the days when they should be spending time with their God. It can really cost something to both young and old to remain loyal and obedient to God our Creator. But can you name anything worthwhile or precious which does not carry a high cost? Practicing one's faith requires commitment, discipline, and dedication.

Over 30 years ago I spoke to Bruce Jenner, the gold medal winner in the Olympic decathlon in Montreal. Outwardly he appeared little different than the rest of the athletes, so I inquired as to why was he successful over the rest of the competitors? He told me he had practiced seven hours a day, six days a week, for four years, in order to capture that gold medal. It required commitment, discipline, and dedication.

Our life is no different if we want to follow the plan God has for each of us. We are called by Him to forego many tempting roads which lead to personal destruction. He says He has designed a plan which leads to true life, but it requires surrender of pride, honest confession, and a disciplined intention to turn to Him for renewal. Let us use the coming months to turn to Him, follow His way, and have great confidence the results will be blessing beyond our present imagination.



EDITOR-PUBLISHER/WEB SITE REPORT

THE COST OF THE NOV 2009 AF COMM & ATC ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATOR **AS OF: NOVEMBER 1, 2009**

Printing, labeling, shipping (2,650 copies).....	\$3,200.00
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It cost the Association approximately **\$1.81** per-copy to publish and mail the Nov 2009 Communicator.

Remaining balance in PO Account: **\$211.97**
Remaining balance in Editors Bank Account: **\$596.94**

NOTE: Monthly reports for the Editors Bank Account are submitted to the Treasurer.

The Web Site averages approximately **125 - 150** hits per-day. Since the web site was posted, there have been over **272,500** hits. The web Site is our biggest recruiter of new members. Since we created our new Database and started keeping more accurate records, the web site has been responsible for recruiting well over **800** new members. The **2009** Cost for the web site was **\$359.40** (most work is done by the Editor/Publisher).

REMEMBER YOU CAN NOW READ THE CURRENT "COMMUNICATORS" ON-LINE (WWW.AFCOMMATC.ORG) AND SOME PAST ISSUES. YOU MUST USE THE SAME USER NAME AND PASSWORD TO ACCESS THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER AND THE COMMUNICATORS.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR STORIES AND PHOTOS COMING. THEY ARE WHAT MAKE THE COMMUNICATOR A "MEMBERS" PUBLICATION. SEND YOUR STORIES AND PICTURES EARLY. If I can't get your stories/pictures in one issue, I will keep them for the next issue. In fairness to all members, I use a "first in-first published" policy. After scanning (into my hard drive) any pictures you send, I will return them if requested. You do not have to have copies made.

Try to get stories and pictures to me Not Later Than: 1 April and 15 October of each year. But the earlier, the better.

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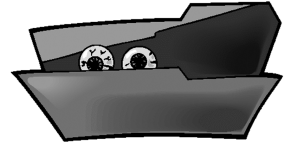
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Sometimes I wake up grumpy...
and some days I let him sleep.



www.pmcaregivers.com/Humor.htm

"Stake your Claim"



This column is published for "claims" by Association members who think they are the "first", "hold a record" or the "only" person to have achieved or performed something that no other member has. Can you top or refute any of the claims already previously published?? If so, send them to Hank Sauer, Editor/Publisher, 111 Carson Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37830 or email to: DirAACS@comcast.net. Because of our page limitation for the Communicators, we will normally only publish new claims. Any challenges to claims previously published will be included in the current Communicator and we will identify as a "Challenges to previous published Claims".

NEW CLAIMS (Since the November 2009 Communicator):

1. Benjamin Doyle, MSgt USAF-Ret, from Murfreesboro, Tennessee, k4svc@comcast.net claims the following: o/a 1951 while in Newfoundland, I appeared before a promotion board up for SSgt. The board for that month was the Group Commander only. A full bird Colonel. I was working in Top Secret crypto work. My security Officer briefed me to answer only his questions, not to volunteer any input. He asked me several times if I had anything I wanted to say; I replied, no sir.

He indorsed my paper work back to Personnel saying I wasn't recommended for promotion because I didn't talk enough. So, I, a Top Secret worker, wasn't recommended for promotion because I didn't talk enough! The Colonel was told why I didn't make idle talk and he promoted me the following month.

Also o/a 1951 while in Newfoundland I volunteered for a classified mission. What the mission was, when and where was classified. Three weeks later we boarded a C-54 and headed north. We went through the Fjord into BW-1 for food and fuel. Made a high speed take off and went over the ice cap still heading north. Once over the ice cap the Colonel revealed our destination and mission. We were the first AACS people moving into Iceland to take over the comm mission from Lockheed. My job was to train incoming PCS people in comm center operations. I was there about 30 days, returned to Newfoundland where my state side rotational assignment back to Andrews AFB, Maryland was waiting. I was in AACS/AFCS comm operations from 1948 to 1970. Going into BW-1 through the Fjord was a real experience. We were below the mountain tops for about 25 minutes weaving around the mountains. And, the high speed take off from BW-1 was even more exciting. We made about three circles around the mountains before we cleared the tops. Once over the Ice Cap we saw the sun set behind us and come back up in front of us in about one hour. The month I was in Iceland it never did get completely dark.

2. Ross A. Stickley, 1330 67th Court W, Northfield, MN 55057-4226 Claims: To have Been part of the first class conducted at Scott AFB dedicated to the repair and maintenance of facsimile ("wire Photo") equipment. In May 1948, while I was stationed at Craig AFB, Alabama, I received my orders to report to Scott for four weeks "Facsimile Training", Special Radio Mechanic, AACS Transition TVC-1" school. Eight (8) others, from Chanute, McDill, Carswell, and Bergstrom AFB's were also in the group. The machine at Craig, and I suppose at other AFB's was not used by the Air Weather Service, whose equipment we in AACS maintained, to transmit and receive weather maps, and seemed always in need of some sort of TLC. We reported as ordered to our classroom on Monday and quickly discovered that none of the 5 machines on which we were to receive our schooling was in working order (big surprise). We also determined that the "Times-Telephoto" Tech-Reps sent to teach the course were considerably less technically competent than their students. Fortunately, it turned out that each of the "students" had previous experience maintaining similar equipment located at their respective stations, which resulted in the class becoming "self taught", and also in four of the five machines being operational at the time we returned to our home bases, in not four, but two, weeks later. None of Ross's classmates are Association and therefore, are not listed.

3. Ray Connell's claim brought to mind my military career. I first enlistmed in the U.S. Army for 18 months. After completing Infantry Basic Training I was sent to Germany. There I went to Radio Operator school and became a Radio Operator.

Five weeks after my discharge from the Army I enlisted in the Air Force. My first assignment was Las Vegas AB, Nevada. I was attached to the AACS Detachment and assigned duties as an Airways operator, all I did was take position reports and provide weather information. I was there one year when the Soviet Union

Blockaded Berlin. I volunteered and within several days I was on my way. When I arrived at Tempelhof AB I was taken to the room that controlled the inbound flights to Berlin. After a 30 minute briefing I was told I was now an Air Traffic Controller. There were three corridors (Airways) into Berlin from what use to be the West Zone of Germany. All inbound aircraft from the American Zone came into Berlin via the south Corridor. All traffic departing Berlin left via the Central corridor. Traffic arriving from the British Zone came into Berlin via the North Corridor. In other words we had "one way traffic" on all 3 Corridors. The Long Range Radar became operational in November 1947, before that it was the responsibility of the pilots to maintain separation by flying precise air speeds and altitudes.. When the Airlift ended I (and several other "Controllers") were sent to Frankfurt to work in the Frankfurt Radar Air Route Traffic Control Center. When we arrived we were dumbfounded. How could we control aircraft that were coming in from all points of the compass at different altitudes. Needless to say they pulled us out of the control room and set up a class to teach us Air Traffic Control procedures. After thirty days we really became Air Traffic Controllers.

I make three (3) claims: 1. I re-enlisted at the age of 17. 2. At the age of 18, I began my second overseas tour. 3. During my 18 1/2 years in the Air Force. I never attended any official Air Force School or Training.

Donald Pastore

Years of Election For Board of Directors

Position	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR		X*		X*	
VICE DIRECTOR	X		X		X
EXECUTIVE SEC		X		X	
DIRECTOR FOR INFO	X		X		X
SERGEANT AT ARMS	X		X		X
TREASURER	INDEFINATE TERM OF OFFICE				
DIRECTOR FOR MEMBERSHIP	"				
EDITOR/PUBLISHER	"				

Note: the Executive Director cannot run for reelection in 2011 as this term is limited to four consecutive years.

The indefinite terms for the Treasurer, Dir For Membership and the Editor/Publisher are indefinite once formally elected. The other directors must be reelected on a two year basis.

Members wishing to serve on the board or members wishing to nominate another member for a board position must view the Policy of the Board of Directors Nominating Committee (Copy is posted on the www.afcommatc.org web site) or obtain a copy from the Executive Secretary. Also on the web site are the Position Descriptions for each position and the qualifications required. All nominations must go through the Chair of the Nominating committee and be submitted **Not Later Than June 30th of each year. There are no nominations allowed from the floor at the Annual General Meeting in order to ensure that all nominees are aware of the commitment and the requirements of the position.**

Members must be present at the Annual General Meeting to vote. Proxy votes are not authorized by the Constitution and By Laws.

“NOTICE”

**Help support the “AF Communicators & Air Traffic
Controllers Association”**

“Donations” to help support the Association, will be gratefully accepted. The Board of Directors approved the soliciting of funds on volunteer basis to support the long term goals of the Association. Because of the aging membership of our WWII, Berlin Airlift and Korean Veterans, coupled with the loss of Air Force Communications & Air Traffic Control Command/Unit integrity, our membership will continue to dwindle. While the number of Life Members continues to increase (OVER 1,200), it results in a loss of annual operating funds. We have embarked on new ways to “recruit” ex-AACS, AFCS and AFCC veterans and those young officers, civilians and airman serving today. We want to pass on to them an “Association” that will be a viable organization when it’s their time, and one that will provide them with the same fellowship and comradely that we have enjoyed since 1977. If you care to give, only give what you can afford. Other than the names of those who donate, no dollar amounts will be published and all donations are IRS Tax-deductible as authorized by the IRS.

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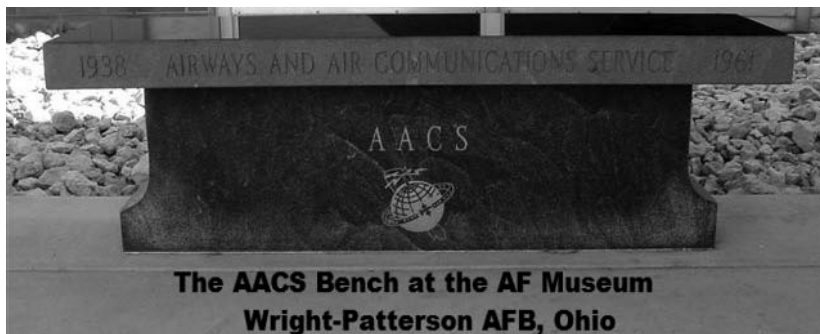
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Thank you in advance for any donations.



HAM REPORT



It has been a trying six months since my last report here at our place. What with the reconstruction of my basement where my shack is located and all those problems, I have been limited on my radio activities. In addition, we have been involved in a cardiac rehab program on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday since the first of the year and that had cut me off of the 20 meter sideband net most of the time.

I am still planning on attending the reunion at Myrtle Beach in September. I had tried to get down there earlier this month, but our schedule did not allow time. I did call the hotel and talked to the person in charge of room arrangements. She told me that the room assigned as the "ham room", did not have access the outside and therefore would not let me set up a station. The hotel assistant found another room with a doorway to the outside and has temporarily assigned us that room. I called Bill Bethea, our Host, and talked to him about this problem and he is taking care of it.

I hope that we will have a good number of you hams at the meeting this year. One thing we need to talk about is the 20 meter CW net schedule. The current time does not work too well because almost every Saturday there is a contest going on.

I am now able to be on the air more often, so I hope to hear a lot of fellows on the air.
73 to all, George

73'S FROM ALL THE HAMS AACS ALUMNI RADIO NET SCHEDULES

BAND	FREQ	UTC TIME*	LOCAL TIME	DAY
National SSB				
20 M	14.28 7mhz	1930/2030 hrs	1430 CST/ST	Wed/Fri
National CW				
20 M	14.061 mhz	1700/1800 hrs	1200 CDT/ST	Sat
East Cost SSB				
40 M	7.230 mhz	1330/1430 hrs	0930 EDT/ST	Tues/Thur
West Coast SSB				
40 M	7.235 mhz	1700/1800 hrs	1000/PDT/St	M/W/F

Notes:

- Local times remain but UTC time changes

The AACS Radio Coordinator is George Reeves, Jr., (WD4BMG). His email address is: WD4BMG@charter.net All HAM/Radio news & questions should be coordinated With George.



**HAM ROOM OPEN THURSDAY-
SATURDAY 7 AM - 11 PM.**
"The Waters Edge". By the Patio
near the Pool



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The AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association's is now placing our Communicators on the Web Site along with the Membership Roster. The Communicator formats are in a PDF format only & the Roster is in a PDF and WORD format. To READ OR DOWNLOAD the roster you need to know the following:

WWW.AFCOMMATC.ORG (go to the Members section)

User Name: **aacsalumni** (all lower case letters)

Password: **m299kl7** (all lower case letters. Note that the next to last digit in the password is the lower case “L”, NOT the number “1”)

REMEMBER TO PROTECT THE USER NAME AND PASSWORD AND DENY ACCESS TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL

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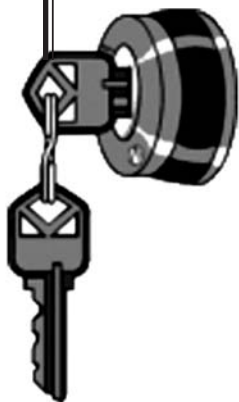
We felt that we can allow more members to read or download the Communicator or the Membership Roster using the PDF format as it is the “de-facto” internet standard and that the Adobe Reader program can be downloaded free. You can use the PDF OR WORD EDIT/FIND functions to find names, units, etc, on the Membership Roster.

**READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOWNLOADING.
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SUGGEST before you start, you FIRST create a folder on your hard drive and name it “Membership Roster” or “Communicator”. When you are inputting the downloading instructions, name the file “Membership Roster” or “Communicator” and then download to the folder you have created...this way, each time you download the roster or communicator, it will ask you if you want to replace the existing file....the answer is YES.. this will save disk space and only store the current roster/communicator on your computer (unless you want to save multiple copies).

WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAIL COMMUNICATORS TO ALL MEMBERS, UNLESS YOU NOTIFY WALT MCLAIN (aacsmbship@comcast.net) or HANK SAUER (diraacs@comcast.net) to remove your name from the mailing list.

**If you have any problems getting to these files, contact Hank Sauer at
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**I asked my wife if old men wear boxers or briefs?
She said Depends.**

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"THE ACTIVE DUTY AIR FORCE PAGE"

"Background"



In 2004, the AACS Alumni Association voted to change our Constitution to authorize Air Force Communications, Information, Cyber, Air Traffic Controllers, Maintenance and Support personnel (Officers, Airman and Civilians) who *have served or are now serving* in any Air Force Major Command (including Joint/Specified Commands, to become members of the AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association (Formerly the AACS Alumni Association).

The changes in eligibility were predicated on ensuring the perpetuity of the Association as the growing age of the current 2,000 plus members average age is now over 74, with a significant number of them being WWII veterans. The age factor was a major concern in maintaining a viable Association for the long-term and to provide an Association such as ours, to those individuals now serving in the Air Force. The AACS Alumni Association was formed in 1977 to provide a forum for those who served, to meet on an annual basis to renew friendships and make new ones and to stay abreast of the changes in the Air Force. That goal continues with the AF Comm & ATC Association.

We have coordinated with the senior Air Force leadership and have added local base Comm and ATC units to "The Communicator" distribution list for the June and November issues we publish. We are going to devote up to four (4) pages of each issue to stories and photos of active duty activities (based on input) and we solicit your stories and photos of interest.

In simple terms we "is" communicators (in the broadest terms) & air traffic controllers. The term "Communications" or "Communicators" includes all operational, maintenance and administrative skills.

Each year at our annual convention, we present annual awards to Enlisted ATC Manager of the year and the Communications/Information Professional of the Year. Active duty Communications and Air Traffic Control functions select the Airman to be honored each year. In 2009, SrA Stephen T. Janson of McGuire AFB, NJ (he was selected for performance at Avaino AB, Italy) was selected as the Communications/Information Professional of the Year. MSgt John Kirby of Dover AFB, DE was selected as the Enlisted ATC Manager of the Year.

The AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association (formerly the "AACS Alumni Association") WELCOMES all our new Air Force active duty "readers" and hopes that you will enjoy our official publication and take part in this great Association, who continues to maintain a close relationship with our active duty brethren. It has been our custom for many years that if our annual convention/reunion is being held in a city close to an Air Force Base, we invite as our guests for the Banquet, members of the local communications and air traffic control units. It is our custom to have an Active Duty Air Traffic Controller provide a "State of Air Force Air Traffic Control" presentation and the Senior Air Staff Communications/Information Leadership to provide a "State of Air Force Communications/Information" presentation, Stories and photos for "The Communicator" should be forwarded to: Hank Sauer, 111 Carson Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37830 or email DirAACS@Comcast.net (phone: 865-482-3013), NOT LATER THAN APRIL 1st AND OCTOBER 1st of each year.

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Email Photos and captions to Hank Sauer DirAACS@comcast.net today

"Fellowship in the Company of Equals"



AF Communications Activity

New Role for Grand Forks Comm Unit: According to an Associated Press report, the airmen of the 319th Communications Squadron at Grand Forks AFB, N.D., cut a ceremonial ribbon Oct. 8 for their new mission-alternate control station for the Air Force's High Frequency Global Communication System. The system provides communications support for the White House and DOD agencies, US embassies, and military aircraft and ships. The primary system is located at Andrews AFB, Md. (Source: AFA)

Making the Switch: The 38th Engineering Installation Group at Tinker AFB, Okla., last month became the 38th Cyberspace Engineering Group and is now part of the newly activated 24th Air Force under Air Force Space Command, USAF's lead organization for cyber operations. The 38th CEG will be responsible for planning, engineering, and installing cyberspace-capable computer and communications systems at Air Force installations worldwide. The unit now falls under 24th AF's 688th Information Operations Wing. It was formerly under the Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom AFB, Mass., a component of Air Force Materiel Command. Col. Robert Skinner, 688th IOW commander, said cyberspace is not just a mission, but rather also "a place" that must be built and dominated like any potential battleground. "There's no unit I would rather have build that dominances, that place, than the individuals sitting here," he said of the 38th CEG. (Source: AFA)

Association Member Receives Prestigious Air Traffic Control Association Award

Colonel William Malec, Air Mobility Command Airspace and Airfield Operations Division Headquarters chief, received the Air Traffic Control Association's George W. Kriske Memorial Award Oct. 5th, 2009 at the association's annual awards luncheon in National Harbor, Md.

The award is named for Mr George W. Kriske, a long time federal air traffic controller who served more than 37 years of government service. The annual award recognizes an individual for an outstanding career which has added to the quality, safety or efficiency of air traffic control.

"I lead a staff of air traffic control and airfield management professionals that provides policy and oversight at AMC's 13 AMC bases and to more than 700 assigned air traffic controllers and airfield managers," said Colonel Malec.

Like the award's namesake, Colonel Malec also got his start as a radio operator. He enlisted in December 1968 and after completing ground radio operator technical training at Keesler Air Force Base Miss had various assignments as a radio operator at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Ohio, Clark Air Base, Philippines' and Albrook Air Force Station, Panama Canal Zone.

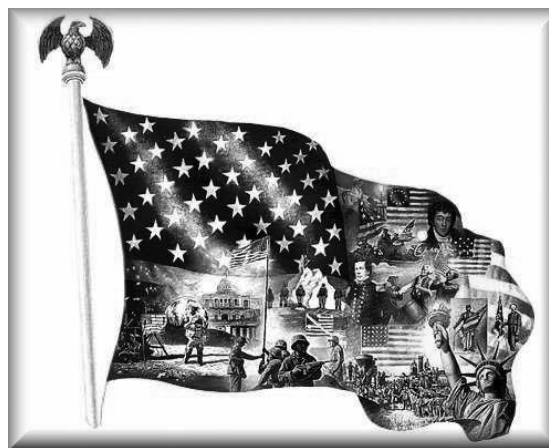
After his promotion to technical sergeant, Colonel Malec decided to separate after almost 12 years of service to pursue a commission as an Air Force officer. In 1982 he was commissioned as a second lieutenant and assigned as an air traffic control officer, receiving basic air traffic control training at Keesler Air Force, Miss and advanced ATC officer training at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla, where he was named a distinguished graduate.

During his more than 27 yours in the ATC career field, Colonel Malec has commanded, led and mentored air traffic controllers, airfield managers and weather specialists ass well as managed control towers, radar and weather facilities and airfields in the U.S., overseas and while deployed. In addition, he has served tour assisting in the Air Force's acquisition of air traffic control and landing systems and unmanned aerial vehicle research and development.

"While it's great to be recognized for long-term performance from my peers," said Colonel Malec. "I couldn't have done it without plenty of support from family, supervisors, peers, and subordinates along the way."

"The Air Traffic Control Association is keenly aware and of the role the military plays as both a global flying customer and provider of air traffic services as well. As such, they're always eager to recognize their military counterparts and I was blessed to be nominated by my boss, Maj. Gen. Brooks Bash, AMC's director of Air, Space and Information Operations," he added.

Colonel Malec is also a member the Air Force Communicators and Air Traffic Controllers Association. He was recently inducted into their Hall of Honor, Class of 2009, along with six other senior communications officers, during the association's annual awards banquet at Grand Island, New York, 26 September 2009.



King Comm conquers USAFE Flag Football Championship

11/17/2009 - RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany -- Members from the 86th Communications Squadron, "King Comm," conquered Europe when they defeated the 731st Munitions Squadron, "Camp Darby," in the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Flag Football Championship held at Camp Darby, Italy, Nov. 12 through 16. Finals went into double overtime, and Ramstein beat Camp Darby 20-19, securing them the coveted title of USAFE Flag Football Champions for 2009. "We were on the verge of being defeated earlier in the tournament and were able to bounce back and take first," said Randy McGinnis, Ramstein's quarterback. "Going into double overtime was very stressful, but it taught me a valuable lesson to trust your teammates in overtime. If we could score, then the offense would look after us to clinch the victory." The Camp Darby team, which had only been playing together for a week, played some impressive defense, McGinnis added. "It was a challenging tournament as we had 99 percent of our guys playing both ways with only one guy to substitute in, and we normally practice against each other and not as a team," said Johnny Escobar, Camp Darby's quarterback. "It was hard work, but we stuck through it and played some amazing games."

Ten Air Force unit-level flag football teams traveled across Europe to Camp Darby for the first combined USAFE Flag football championship. Divided into two pools, the top contenders in the semifinals were Team Comm; the 31st Security Forces Squadron from Aviano Air Base, Italy; the 52nd Logistic Readiness Squadron from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany; and Camp Darby.

Ramstein beat Aviano 27- 6 and Camp Darby beat Spangdahlem 26-7, leaving Aviano and Spangdahlem to fight for third. Spangdahlem beat Aviano 6-0 in overtime.

"We had to overcome individual injuries and going into overtime was very stressful, but we played together, we played smart and we left it on the field," said Trey Doby, Spangdahlem's receiver.

USAFE Sports Director, Thomas Burkett, said the camaraderie between the teams was outstanding. He added that the tournament will be held at Camp Darby again next year.

Randy McGinnis and Ramstein's running back Blane Woodard made the All Star Team for King Comm, and the team's quarterback went on to become the game's most valuable player.

King Comm won a place at the championships in Camp Darby after winning the local flag football championship. They also recently battled the Army in flag football, adding another win to their accomplishments.



Treasurer's Report



Finances hold steady, despite general economic turndowns. BX sales, membership income, and donations continue at normal levels.

We have added the Second Chance and Wounded Warrior Organizations to our charities and continue with our support of the Air Force Village and the Air Force Enlisted Village. At the last reunion I was asked to include AACS T-Shirts to our BX Inventory in support of any of our female members who are working out and require lightweight clothing. Accordingly, I've added AACS-patched T's in woman's sizes of Medium, Large, and XL. Prices are modest, and the AACS logo on the shirts is outstanding, as are the quality of the T's. Our financial statement as of March 1 2010 is shown below.

Ray Sharpless, Treasurer

Financial Statement (as of March 1, 2010)

Assets: Checking.....	\$11,079.55	Liabilities: 2010 Convention.....	\$52,500.00
Convention Advance.....	2,500.00	Net Assets:.....	\$31,169.17
Communicator Pub Acct.....	596.94		
CD's.....	57,955.94		
Equipment (book value).....	93.74		
PX/BX Inventory.....	11,443.00		
Total Assets:.....	\$83,669.17	Total Liabilities & Net Assets:.....	\$83,669.17

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REPORT (June 2010)



We have gained 53 new members since 1 Nov 2009. Our current active membership stands at 1820. 97 members have renewed since 1 Nov 2009. As of 1 Apr 2010 we have 242 members whose dues expired in 2009. We have 177 members whose dues will expire in 2010.

Please check the address label on your latest Communicator to see when your dues expire. (i.e. 10-(first name) indicates dues expire 31 Dec 10. Some will show e.g. 0610 - (first name) which indicates 30 Jun 2010 expiration.) We changed the system slightly to insure that members get a full year term for each \$10.00 in dues paid and to help prevent all current year renewals coming due in December of each year. Please refer all membership questions to Walt McLain, 1-866-299-1045 Toll Free or email aacsmbrship@comcast.net .

Walt McLain
Director for Membership

"Looking For"

NOTICE



The "Looking For" column is now on the Web Site. Continue to send your notices to Hank Sauer (mailing and email addresses are on Page 2.) Most Web Site postings will be removed approx 45 days after the mailing of the next issue of the "Communicator". We are not a locator or telephone directory and postings in the "Communicator" and the "Web Site" are at the discretion of the Web Site Manager.

1. Can you help Heather Meadows (heathu2008@yahoo.com) find out about her deceased Grandfather. His name was Charles Cooper and he was at least a Senior Master Sergeant (E-8). He entered the AF in 1956 and was in AACS and later AFCS. He served in Okinawa in the 58-60, Rapid City, SD till 64, Tinker AFB 65-70, Ankara, Turkey 70-71, and in Madrid, Spain, 71-73. He was also stationed at Richards-Gebaur up to 1976. His granddaughter thinks he helped install control towers. He could have been in one of the AACS I&M units as GEEIA was not born until 1957. This picture shows Sgt Cooper receiving the AF Commendation Medal with the AFCS Shield in the background. (CAN ANYONE IDENTIFY THE OFFICER MAKING THE PRESENTATION ?). Any information anyone can contribute will be greatly appreciated. If you do not have email, you can provide any information to me Hank Sauer, 111 Carson Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37830 or call 865-482-3013.



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November 21, 2009

R.P. Sauer
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Dear Mr. Sauer:


I want to thank you for the kind email you sent when I asked for info about the organization. I joined last week and received copies of the magazine. Thanks.

I was in the 71st AACCS Group, 1942 to 45. I am enclosing a picture of me then. Strangely I look exactly the same today, I wish.

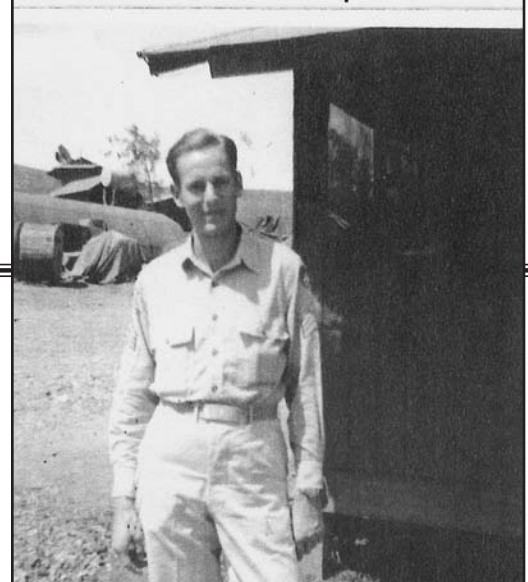
One of the things I hope to discover is if any of the men I knew in the outfit are listed in the membership roster. I hope I can obtain that, even if there is a charge.

Thanks for your welcoming message.

Sincerely,


Jay R; Strisik

**A young Buck Sgt Jay Strisik
of the 71th AACCS Group**



McKinley selects new senior enlisted advisor for NGB

Congrats to an ex Air Traffic Controller & a Communicator.

*By Air Force Lt. Col. Ellen Krenke
National Guard Bureau*

Arlington, VA (11/19/09) - Gen. Craig R. McKinley, the chief of the National Guard Bureau, announced today the selection of a new senior enlisted advisor for the National Guard Bureau.

Chief Master Sgt. Denise Jelinski-Hall of the Hawaii Air National Guard will be the third senior enlisted advisor assigned to the Office of the Chief, National Guard Bureau. She will be responsible for advising McKinley on enlisted affairs of the 457,000 Soldiers and Airmen of the Army and Air National Guard.

Jelinski-Hall began her Air Force career in 1984 as an air traffic control operator at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb. Four years later, she transferred to the communications field and the California Air National Guard.

She joined the Hawaii guard in 1990 and became the command chief master sergeant for the 154th Wing at Hickam Air Force Base in 2004. Before coming to the NGB, she was the senior enlisted leader, which is a joint position, for the Hawaii Guard.

"We are very proud of Chief Jelinski-Hall's selection as the senior enlisted advisor for the National Guard Bureau," said Army Maj. Gen. Bob Lee, the adjutant general of the Hawaii National Guard. "She has accomplished many things in her 25-year career, and she will continue to excel at the national level. She will represent our Soldiers and Airmen extremely well."

McKinley made the announcement to hundreds of general officers and other senior Guard leaders at the Joint Senior Leadership Conference being held at the Gaylord Hotel on National Harbor outside of Washington this week.

Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Denise Jelinski-Hall, the new senior enlisted advisor to the chief of the National Guard Bureau, is seen at the 2009 Joint Senior Leadership Conference at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center in National Harbor, Md, on Nov. 19, 2009, moments after Air Force Gen. Craig McKinley announced her appointment. The third senior enlisted advisor to the CNGB, Jelinski-Hall is the first Air Guard member and the first woman to fill the role. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Jim Greenhill)



11/27/09

Dear Hank,

This is in regards to the note from Dan Pastor on page 27 of the Nov. 09 Communicator. I was at Westover AFB from 1949 to 1952. I knew Henry Boucher well; he was best man at my wedding in Boston in early 1951. He married a girl named Shirley, who was the only child of a family that owned sporting goods stores in the Boston area. I lost track of him but back in 1970 while in the Boston area, I looked him up in the phone book and we talked for about an hour but could not work out a get-together. They had inherited the sporting goods stores and Henry was managing them.

The name Dan Pastor sounded familiar but I can't place him. I worked in the control tower when it was atop the base hanger for about a year then went to GCA school then westover GCA for the rest of my four year hitch. In early 1952 I went TDY for about three months to Limestone AFB, Maine (later Loring, the base was being constructed) GCA in early 1952. Lt. Monroe was there also, however, I did not know he was with AACCS. The only time I saw him was in the mess hall. No O club yet so the officers had a section of the mess hall. He always carried a snub nosed revolver.

I have no recall of which area of Boston Henry was from. He must be in his early 80's now and probably retired from the business.

Regards:



David R. Whitehead

529 Wekiva River Court

Englewood, Fl 34223

I talked to Don Pastore and he could not recall David either. I also provided Don with David's email address.

Thanks for responding Dave.

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1 December 2009

Dear Hank,

Like the other people who write in to you, I, too, get a "re-charge" every time there is a story about some phase in my journey with the old Army Air Corps/AAF. In this latest issue (Nov. '09), the letter by Mike Norin sure provoked memories! Each time I've read of the sinking of the RHOMA, it makes me recall what happened and caused me to end up in CBI. Not unlike many others, I'm sure, our orders seemed to be "cut" by magic. Upon receiving my orders for o'seas duty on the morning of D-Day (6/6/44), I first was sent to McClellan Field, SACO for processing rumored to be bound for BORNEO; then, yanked out of there and sent to Selfridge Field (Mich) for ETO duty....AACCS guys were being reclassified right and left to INFANTRY to fill the "slots" in ETO. So, I was resigned to that fact, when all of a sudden a contingent was hastily made up and we were sent to Miami Beach for who knew where. The story behind why we escaped ETO Infantry duty, was, that similar to the RHOMA, an AACCS contingent was lost when their plane flipped on landing in a sea, all drowned, and we were their replacements--poor fellas. That has always haunted me when reading of the RHOMA sinking. Mike mentions the route he took getting to "INJAH"; I wonder how many 1,000s of us flew that same route to Casablanca, across Africa, fueling at Abadan, and so forth. A few years after the end of WW2 an ex-GI started a major reproduction business in Spokane,WA and named it after ABADAN. The business had an outlet shop here in Richland, due to all the engineering blueprints and other forms of reproduction for Hanford Atomic Plant. In recent years they relocated the main shop here in Richland. Strange how crazy places we were assigned to carried over; similarly, the Enterprise Auto Rental is named because a guy was a crew member on the Enterprise Aircraft Carrier. Well, thanks for listening to an old 85 yr old spout off again.

Bob Bush

Editors Note: Bob, always great to hear the stories of those who went before a lot of our members. SEE THE SINKING OF THE ROHNA STORY ON THE LINK AT OUR WEB SITE WWW.AFCOMMATC.ORG



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General Officer Members

While the AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association is comprised primarily of ex-enlisted personnel (approx 85%), we are pleased to have have 37 General Officer members (active & retired). The majority are Life Members.



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LANDRY BGEN (R) 14-BGEN JEROME A

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Oct. 26, 2009

Mr. Richard P. Sauer,
Newsletter Editor and Publisher - The Communicator
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Dear Mr. Sauer,

By this time you probably have heard from Walt McLain that I would be sending you photos concerning my experience in GCA during the Korean conflict. Those photos are enclosed in this package. Hope you find some of the suitable for the next issue of "The Communicator". I was told by Walt that the next issue won't be out until June 2010. Walt seemed particularly interested in photos of the CPN-4 GCA unit, which at the time was the top in it's class. The photos show me, and the interior/exterior views as well as the radar scopes in the unit. These photos are 56 years old and except for the ones I'm in, all the photos were taken, developed and printed by me. We had a little photo shop on the base where I could print the photos. I still have the original negatives so if you need copies I can get them for you. The photos I'm sending you are copies I printed on my home computer printer and you can keep them. I have tried to put captions with each photo for a better understanding of what they depict. If you use any of them I wish you would acknowledge that I took them. I used a Bolsey 35 mm camera which is no longer made. I still have it. It too has aged.

The aerial view of K-2 Air Base, Taegu Korea is not as clear as I had hoped it would be. The other photos aren't too bad. I also have photos of the area around Taegu such as, streets, people, 'honey bucket' on the base, children, small temples, etc. if you would be interested in any of these. I could e-mail or mail copies of these photos if you would like. Some are in my computer. You will also note the picture of me and the graduating class of Advanced GCA Training taken April 1953 (before we went overseas). I'm the guy 3rd from left (facing picture) second row standing. If you have any questions please contact me in the following way:

E-Mail: CarlandBev@yahoo.com
Phone: 732-805-0163
Address: 401 Baldwin Street, Piscataway, N.J. 08854

You might be interested in knowing I write a column for local newspapers called "The New Jersey Veteran". Walt wanted me to see you a copy of the column I did for July - Korean War Veterans Month. He said you might find it o.k. for "The Communicator". I am enclosing copies of some other columns for your reading pleasure, not necessarily for publication. For several years I had a radio program called the "Veteran's Roundtable" and had some extremely interesting guests such as veterans, authors, historians, people from various veterans agencies and organizations, etc. (If you're ever interested I have copies of the radio program on CD's and be glad to send you a couple.) Management felt it was cheaper to go with all day music and cancelled all the talk shows.

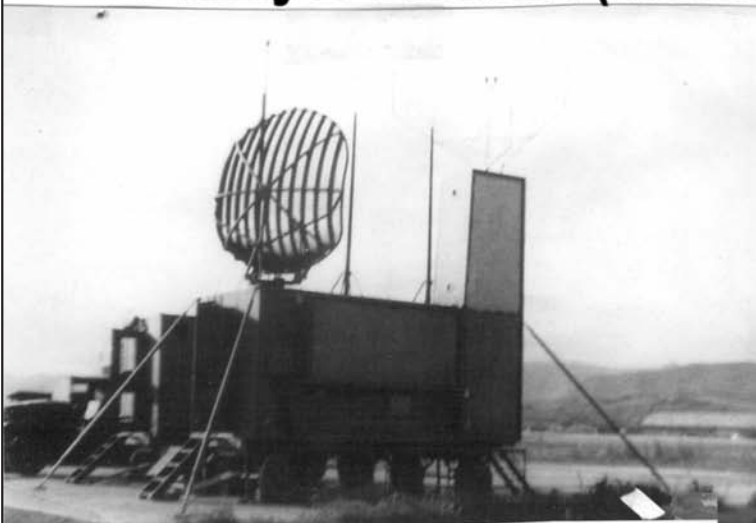
Hope you can use these photos, let me know what you think, Sincerely,



Carl J. Asszony

I am also involved with the American Legion, VFW, AMVETS, on the VA Veterans Advisory Council, Lyons, N.J. and a member of the Middlesex County, N.J. Dept. On Aging representing senior veterans. Also, former Middlesex County, N.J. Veterans Services Coordinator.

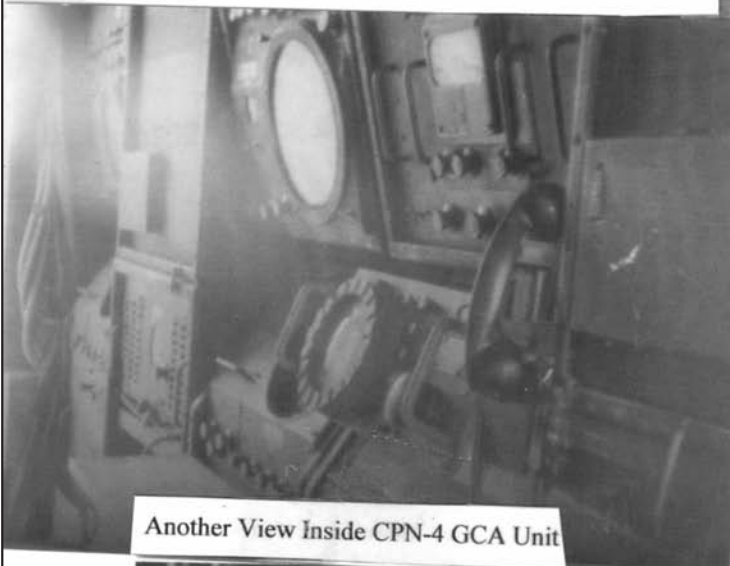
CPN-4 Pictures taken by Carl J. Asszony using a Bolsey B2 Camera (discontinued in 1956)



CPN- 4 GCA Radar Unit August 1953 - K-2⁴¹² Base, Taegu Korea



Carl J. Asszony GCA Operator inside a CPN-4 GCA Unit K-2 Air Base, Taegu Korea 1953



Another View Inside CPN-4 GCA Unit





Aerial view of K-2 Air Base, Taegu, Korea -1953



Standing (Back Row): Tom Honan, John Algood, Rudy Polenz, D. B. Smith
 Standing (Front Row): Francis Davis, Francis Anderson, Carl Asszony, Gerald Hirsch, Jim Litzen
 Kneeling : Harold Cooper, H. Whaley

Advanced GCA Training Graduating Class Moody AFB, Valdosta, Georgia April 25, 1953



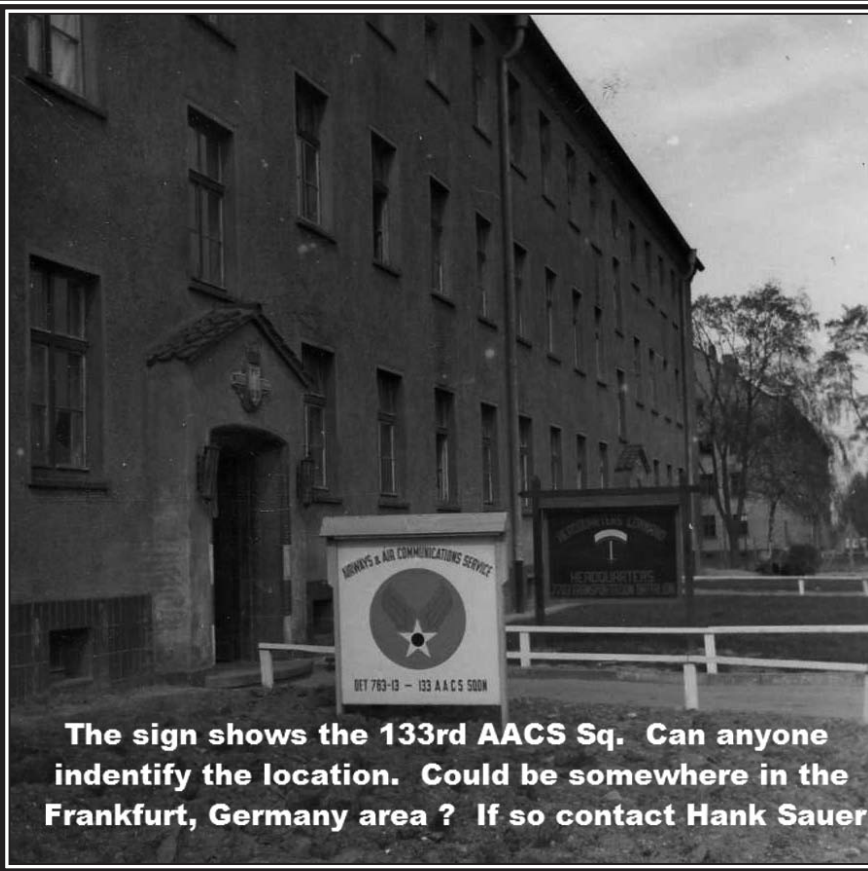
Jimmy Giles Identified some of troops in the Center



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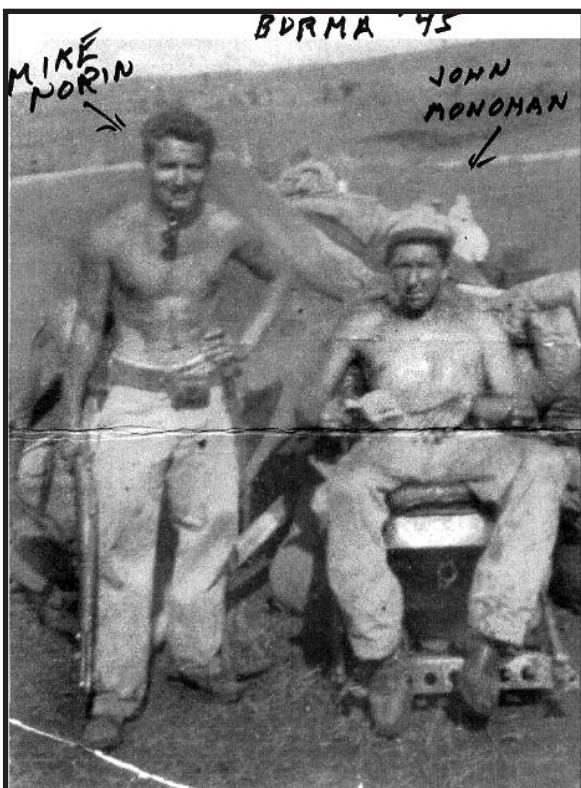
1948 Overview of Berlin Control Center

If so, contact Hank Sauer.....



The sign shows the 133rd AACS Sq. Can anyone identify the location. Could be somewhere in the Frankfurt, Germany area ? If so contact Hank Sauer





One of our better dressed members (Mike Norin) upholding the dress code for "Radio Operators"



Mike Norin is now better dressed than he was 65 years ago, and his companions have also improved.



The New F-22 is now at Langley AFB, VA



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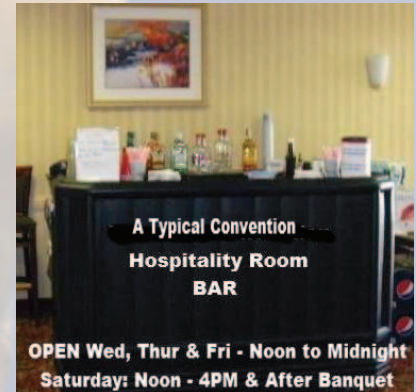
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34th AF Comm & ATC Association Convention
Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort
September 22 - 26, 2010

Hosts:
Bill & Pauline Bethea



MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS NLT **September 3, 2010**
1-800-876-0010 (in hotel) - Reservation Code is: AFC
Press number 3 when you hear reservations Menu

BOOK EARLY TO MAKE SURE YOU GET A ROOM AT GROUP RATES

Send Registration and other forms to **BILL BETHEA (see address on bottom of
Registration Form - **No Later Than** ----- **September 1, 2010****

The AF Comm & ATC Hospitality Room is in the "Atlantic View II" room
and will be officially opened at Noon (or shortly thereafter)
on Wednesday, September 22nd, 2010.

PLEASE NOTE: Checks for the Convention must be made out to the
"AF Comm & ATC Assoc."

See the Black & White pages 45 & 46 for the Registration & Name
Tag/Golf Registration Forms.

INFORMATION AND FORMS FOLLOW

The 34th AF COMM & ATC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

September 22 - September 26, 2010

Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort

10000 Beach Club Drive

Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

Local Telephone Number: (843)-449-5000

RESERVATIONS NUMBER: 1-(800)-876-0010 (in Hotel)

PRESS 3 FOR HOTEL ON THE MENU CHOICES.

Group Reservation Code: AFC

The group room rate is \$90.00 plus tax for a standard Ocean View room.

(Rate good for 3 days prior and 3 days after)

Book early

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS AT THE GROUP RATE IS: SEPTEMBER 3, 2010

After that date, the Hotel will quote and book reservation requests based upon availability at their current rates.

ALL ROOMS SHOULD BE BOOKED AS LATE ARRIVAL.

MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THEIR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS.

Cancellations must be made 72 hours before booked arrived time.

CHECK IN TIME: 4:00pm - CHECK OUT TIME: 12 Noon

NOTE: PARKING IS COMPLIMENTARY - NO CHARGE

If paying by check and mailing a reservation form to the hotel, this is the information they need:

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____ MI: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

DATES OF STAY: Check in _____ Check out _____ Nbr of nights _____

Phone Number: _____ Number of Persons staying in room: _____

Room type: One Bed _____ Two Beds _____ King _____

Smoking _____ Non-Smoking _____ Handicap _____

ANY SPECIAL ITEMS: _____

THE HOTEL HAS A IN-DOOR AND OUT-DOOR POOL (BRING YOUR BATHING SUITS)

If guaranteeing the reservation by credit card or when mailing this form, please provide the following:

Name of Credit Card _____ Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

(Print Name on the Card)

(Signature)

THE 34th ANNUAL AF COMM & ATC CONVENTION

Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2010

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>WHERE OR ROOM</u>
EARLY CHECK-IN	\$85 Per-Person if not previously paid	Noon to 8 PM	ATLANTIC VIEW II OR HOTEL LOBBY
HOSPITALITY ROOM	INCLUDED IN FULL REGISTRATION	Noon to Midnight	ATLANTIC VIEW II
You'll	come	and	ENJOY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>WHERE OR ROOM</u>
HOSPITALITY ROOM	WITH FULL REGISTRATION	Noon to Midnight	ATLANTIC VIEW II
HAM RADIO	N/A	7AM - 11 PM	The 'Waters Edge', near the Patio
REGISTRATION CHECK-IN	\$85 Per- Person if not previously paid	9AM - 8 PM	ATLANTIC VIEW II
ANNUAL BOD MEETING		NOON - 4 PM	ARCADIAN 5
ANNUAL PRAYER DINNER	\$35.00 PER PERSON	6:00 - 7:30 PM	EAST BALLROOM
LEGENDS IN CONCERT PLUS TRANSPORTATION	\$40.00 PER PERSON	6:30 - 10:00 PM	LEGENDS IN CONCERT THEATRE LIVE SHOW

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2010

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>WHERE OR ROOM</u>
GEN. FARMAN GOLF TOURNAMENT	\$ 50.00 PER PLAYER	CAR POOL LEAVES 7 - 7:15 AM	Beachwood Golf Course North Myrtle Beach INCLUDES GREEN FEES, CART, AND a Snack LUNCH
REGISTRATION CHECK-IN	\$85 Per- Person if not previously paid	9AM - 8 PM	ATLANTIC VIEW II
The Big "M" CASINO CRUISE	\$20 PER-PERSON INCLUDES PORT TAX,	Bus pickup will be	GAMES ON BOARD ARE SLOTS, BLACKJACK, ROULETTE, LET-IT-RIDE, & THREE CARD POKER 1st Bus limited to 33 persons. Book Early - We need to have a

	TRANSPORTATION & BUFFET FRIDAY CONTINUED	9:30 AM Return to Hotel approx 4:45 PM	sizeable load for a 2nd Bus. BOOK EARLY
HOSPITALITY ROOM HAM RADIO	WITH FULL REGISTRATION N/A	NOON TO MIDNIGHT 7AM – 11PM	ATLANTIC VIEW II The “Waters Edge”, near the Patio
SEAFOOD BUFFET & THE ONE SHOW PLUS TRANSPORTATION	\$55.00 PER PERSON	4:30PM – 9:30 PM	GIANT CRAB RESTAURANT BUFFET (also INCLUDES Prime Rib, Baked Ham, Roast Beef, plus) SEE MENU PAGE 47 AND “THE ONE SHOW” AT THE ALABAMA THEATRE This is a great show with comedy, Broadway, gospel, classic country and a spectacular patriotic finale.
Operation Second Chance	Cost: None	1 PM	Ms. Cindy McGrew, President
You'll	Come	And	ENJOY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2010

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>WHERE OR ROOM</u>
ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING/BREAKFAST	INCLUDED IN FULL REGISTRATION	7 AM – 11:00 AM	HILTON BALLROOM BREAKFAST 7AM-8:30AM ONLY
HAM RADIO	<u>N/A</u>	11 AM – 4 PM	The “Waters Edge”, near the Patio
HOSPITALITY ROOM	INCLUDED IN FULL REGISTRATION	Noon – 4 PM After Banquet - ??	ATLANTIC VIEW II
CASH BAR AT ANNUAL BANQUET	PAY-AS-YOU-GO	5:45 PM	HILTON BALLROOM
ANNUAL ASSOCIATION BANQUET	INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION or \$45.00 for Banquet Only	Be Seated at: 6:30 pm SHARP	HILTON BALLROOM Remember to select entrees on Registration Form
HOSPITALITY ROOM	INCLUDED IN FULL REGISTRATION	RE-OPENS AFTER BANQUET - ???	ATLANTIC VIEW II

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>WHERE OR ROOM</u>
FAREWELL CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	None	7:00 AM – 10:00 AM (Will be restocked till 9:30 AM)	HILTON BALLROOM

HOTEL CHECKOUT TIME IS 12:00 Noon

**Directions to Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort HOTEL
10000 BEACH CLUB DRIVE
MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29572
LOCAL PHONE 843-449-5000**

Directions from Myrtle Beach Airport:

Leaving airport, turn right at first light onto Robert M. Grissom Parkway. Continue to Hwy 17-North. Stay on Hwy 17 N. until you reach Lake Arrowhead Road. Turn right onto Lake Arrowhead. At the stop light, turn left onto Kings Rd. Just past entrance to Kingston Plantation, turn Right onto Kingston Road. At bend in the road, turn right. Hilton entrance on the right.

Directions from Highway 501 via Highway 22 East:

Follow Hwy 501 past Aynor to Hwy 22 East. Follow Hwy 22 East for 28 miles. Take Kings Road exit and turn right at bottom of ramp. Kingston Road entrance is 1.2 miles on left. At bend in the road, turn right. Hilton entrance on the right.

Directions from Highway 501:

Follow Hwy 501, picking up Hwy 31 North just after the Myrtle Beach Factory Stores. Follow Hwy 31 North for approximately 11 miles to Hwy 22 East (toward North Myrtle Beach). From Hwy 22 East, follow the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the ramp. Follow Kings Road for 1.2 miles to Kingston Road, where you will turn left. At bend in the road, turn right. Hilton entrance on the right.

Directions from I-95 North:

Follow I-95 North to Highway 327, Exit 170. Follow Highway 327 to the end, turning left onto 76/301 which will lead to Highway 501 South. Follow Highway 501 South to the exit for Highway 22 East, continuing on Highway 22 East for approximately 26 miles. Take the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the exit ramp. Kingston Road will be approximately 1.2 miles on the left.

Directions from I-95 South & Hwy 9:

Travel I-95 South to Dillon, SC. Take Hwy 9 East to North Myrtle Beach, picking up Hwy 31 south, toward Myrtle Beach/Georgetown. Follow Hwy 31 South for 7 miles to Hwy 22 East exit marked Myrtle Beach (left lane). Follow Hwy 22 East, taking Kings Road exit. Turn right at bottom of ramp onto Kings Road and follow for approximately 1.2 miles. Hilton entrance is on the left.

Directions from Highway 9:

Take Hwy 9 East to North Myrtle Beach, picking up Hwy 31 south, toward Myrtle Beach/Georgetown. Follow Hwy 31 South for 7 miles to Hwy 22 East exit marked Myrtle Beach (left lane). Follow Hwy 22 East, taking Kings Road exit. Turn right at bottom of ramp onto Kings Road and follow for approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left at Kingston Road. At the Bend in the street turn right. Hilton entrance will be to your right.

Directions from Atlanta:

Follow I-20 East to Columbia, SC and on toward Florence, SC. Pick up I-95 North and follow to Highway 327, Exit 170. Follow Highway 327 to the end, turning left onto 76/301 which will lead to

Highway 501 South. Follow Highway 501 South to the exit for Highway 22 East, continuing on Highway 22 East for approximately 26 miles. Take the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the exit ramp. Kingston Road will be approximately 1.2 miles on the left.

Directions from Calabash, NC:

Follow Highway 17 South over the Intracoastal Waterway Bridge. Take Hwy 9 East to North Myrtle Beach, picking up Hwy 31 south, toward Myrtle Beach/Georgetown. Follow Hwy 31 South for 7 miles to Hwy 22 East exit marked Myrtle Beach (left lane). Follow Hwy 22 East, taking Kings Road exit. Turn right at bottom of ramp onto Kings Road and follow for approximately 1.2 miles. Hilton entrance is on the left.

Directions from Charlotte, NC:

Follow I-77 South to Columbia, SC, picking up I-20 East toward Florence, SC. From I-20 East pick up I-95 North and follow to Highway 327, Exit 170. Follow Highway 327 to the end, turning left onto 76/301 which will lead to Highway 501 South. Follow Highway 501 South to the exit for Highway 22 East, continuing on Highway 22 East for approximately 26 miles. Take the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the exit ramp. The Hilton will be approximately 1.2 miles on the left.

Directions from Greensboro, NC:

Follow Highway 220 South to Rockingham, NC. Take Highway 74 East to Hamlet, NC. From there follow Highway 38 East to Highway 501 South. Follow Highway 501 South to the exit for Highway 22 East, continuing on Highway 22 East for approximately 26 miles. Take the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the exit ramp. The Hilton will be approximately 1.2 miles on the left.

Directions from Columbia, SC:

Follow I-20 East toward Florence, picking up I-95 North. follow to Highway 327, Exit 170. Follow Highway 327 to the end, turning left onto 76/301 which will lead to Highway 501 South. Follow Highway 501 South to the exit for Highway 22 East, continuing on Highway 22 East for approximately 26 miles. Take the Kings Road exit, turning right at the bottom of the exit ramp. Kingston Plantation will be approximately 1.2 miles on the left. At bend in the road, turn right. Hilton entrance on the right.

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Saturday Buffet Bkft

**(7 AM - 8:30 AM)
(Hilton Ballroom)**

Orange and Apple Juice
Baked Granola w/Fried Yogurt
Vine Ripe Fresh Fruits
Farm Fresh Scrambled Eggs
Stone Ground Grits & Shredded Cheese
Smoked Bacon
Buttermilk Biscuits w/Sausage Gravy
Baked Muffins & Pastries....
served w/Butter & Preserves
Regular & Decaf Coffee & Associated Teas

Sunday Get-Away Bkft

**(7 AM - 10:00AM -will be
restocked till 9:30AM) (Hilton
Ballroom)**

Continental Breakfast
Assorted Cereal w/Milk
Vine Ripe Whole Fruits
Buttermilk Biscuits w/Butter & Preserves
Chef's Selection of Assorted Pastries &
Muffins
Fresh Orange Juice
Regular & Decaf Coffee & Hot
Specialty Tea

**Saturday Night
Banquet**

**(6:30 PM)
(Hilton Ballroom)**

Garden Salad w/Tomato, Cucumber,
Carrots, Shredded Cheddar Cheese &
Choice of two dressings
Grilled Breast of Chicken w/Tomato
Cream Sauce
Vegetarian Pasta
Sliced Roast Beef w/Peppercorn Sauce
Vegetarian Pasta
Chef's Selection of
Fresh Vegetable and Starch
Regular & Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea
Caramel Apple Pie

Prayer Dinner - Buffet

**(Thursday - 6 PM - 7:30 PM)
(East Ballroom)**

Fresh Greens served w/Tomatoes,
Cucumbers, Red Onions, Julienne Carrots,
Crouton's & Assorted Dressings
Boneless Breast of Chicken w/Tomato
Pesto Cream Sauce
Grilled Salmon
Roasted Portobello Mushrooms
With Wild Rice Pilaf
Streamed Fresh
Seasonal Vegetables
Assorted Pies & Cakes
Regular & Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea

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**2010 EVENTS FOR OUR MEMBERS
AND GUESTS TO ENJOY**

WEDNESDAY, Early Check-In, September 22, 2010:

The **Hospitality Room** will open at **Noon until Midnight** in the “Atlantic View II”

Early SIGN IN: ATLANTIC VIEW II (**\$85 PER-PERSON** IF NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID)
Noon – Midnight

THURSDAY, September 23, 2010:

REGISTRATION/SIGN IN: ATLANTIC VIEW II **9AM – 8 PM**
(**\$85 PER-PERSON** IF NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID)

The **Hospitality Room** will open at Noon until Midnight in the “Atlantic View II”.

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HAM ROOM – 7AM -11 PM The “Waters Edge”, near the Patio. Thurs, Fri & Sat.
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Annual Board of Directors Meeting – Noon – 4 PM ARCADIAN 5
(Open to members after 1PM)

EVENT 1: ANNUAL PRAYER DINNER: Cost \$35, 6 PM-7:30PM - East Ballroom

EVENT 2: LEGENDS IN CONCERT: Cost \$40.00 per-person, 6:30 PM – 10:00 PM

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2010:

Event 1. General Farman Golf Tournament:

Cost \$50.00 per-player. Car Pools leave 7-7:15 AM - “Beachwood” GOLF COURSE. Includes a Snack
LUNCH.

EVENT 2: The Big “M” Casino Cruise. Cost **\$20** per-person, includes Port Tax,
Transportation and BUFFET. Bus leaves hotel at **9:30 AM** returns at **4:45 PM**. **1st 33 to sign up,**
Overflow will be in a WAITING LIST.

REGISTRATION/SIGN IN: ATLANTIC VIEW II **9AM – 8 PM**
(**\$85 PER-PERSON** IF NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID)

The **Hospitality Room** will open at **Noon until Midnight** in the “Atlantic View II”.

HAM ROOM – 7AM -11 PM The “Waters Edge”, near the Patio. Thurs, Fri & Sat.
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Space Command and Communications Impacts

TIME: 1 PM COST: NONE - WHERE: In- Hotel (to be announced) Presented by Hank Sauer
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**Event 3. SEAFOOD BUFFET Plus at the Giant Crab Restaurant & “The ONE
SHOW” at the Alabama Theatre. Cost \$55.00 per-person.
4:30 PM – 9:30 PM. GIANT CRAB RESTAURANT BUFFET (SEE MENU PAGE 47)**

AND THE ONE SHOW AT ALABAMA THEATRE. Comedy, Broadway, Gospel, Classic Country and a spectacular Patriotic finale. Our Hosts has seen it several times and says it's GREAT.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2010

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & BREAKFAST: (Meeting 7 AM – 11 AM) - **(Breakfast 7AM – 8:30 AM ONLY)**

Located in the HILTON Ballroom

- Introductions & Invocation
- Reports, Election of Officers, Proposal Votes, etc
- State of Air Force Air Traffic Control
- AFFSA Update
- Memorial Service
- Brief Overview of 2011 Convention

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Hospitality Room opens **Noon** until **4:00pm**. In the "Atlantic View II"

Ham Radio Room The "Waters Edge", near the Patio. **11AM – 4 PM**
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ANNUAL BANQUET – BE SEATED 6:30 PM SHARP – HILTON BALLROOM

Cost is included in full-registration. **Banquet-Only** cost is **\$45** per-person

Pay as you go bar 5:45pm
BE SEATED BY 6:30pm SHARP

- Posting of the Colors & Pledge
 - Invocation
 - Introduction of Guests
 - POW/MIA Ceremony
 - 2010 Awards
 - AF "State of AF Communications/Information" - Lt. Gen Bill Lord, SAF/XC
- Hospitality room reopens until midnight in the "Atlantic View II"

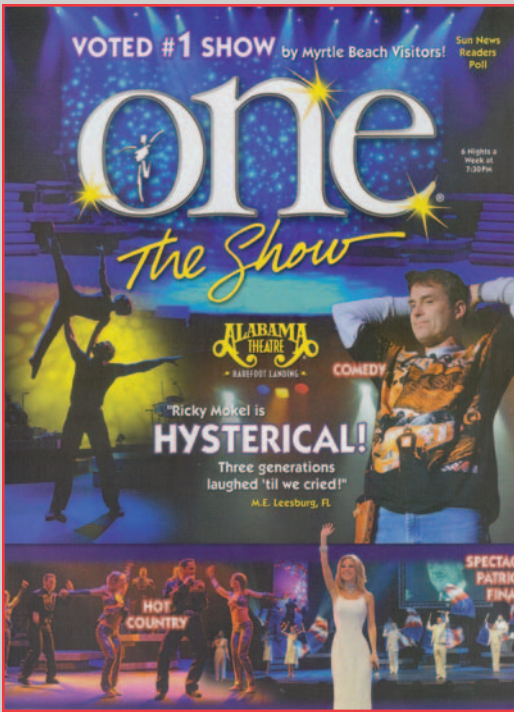
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

Get-Away Breakfast in the HILTON BALLROOM 7:00 am – 10:00am.
(will be restocked till 9:30 AM)

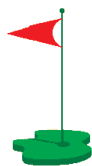
- Miscellaneous Announcements
- Close the 2010 Convention

HOTEL CHECKOUT TIME IS 12 Noon

**HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME – SEE YOU'ALL NEXT YEAR
IN THE GREATER ST. LOUIS, MO AREA !!!!!**



34th AF Comm & ATC Association Convention
The Annual General Farman Golf Tournament
Beachwood Golf Course



The 18-hole "Beachwood" course at the Beachwood Golf Club facility in **North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina** features 6,844 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 72 . The course rating is 71.4 and it has a slope rating of 120. Designed by Gene Hamm, the Beachwood golf course opened in 1968. Blaken Jackson manages the course as the General Manager.

Welcome to the 34th Air Force Communications & Air Traffic Controllers Association General Farman Golf Tournament. Our goal is to have fun tempered by a little friendly competition.

Rules of play:

The format will be medal play (each golfer plays their ball from the tee to the cup on each hole). The Callaway System will be used for scoring.

To speed up play no score over double par for a hole will be counted so if you reach double par pick up and start play again at the next hole.

One, no-cost mulligan may be used for the front nine and one for the back nine **but not for prizes on the par threes or longest drive holes.**

Closest to the pin holes are # 4, 8, 15, & 18

Longest drive hole is # 9

A player is limited to **one prize for closest to the pin on par threes.**

Once you have finished play give your scorecard to either Harry Andreae or Bill Bethea.

If playing golf, complete the Name Tag & Golf registration form, INCLUDE COSTS ON REGISTRATIONS FORM

The cost per-player is \$50.00 (includes green fee, cart and snack lunch)

Rental Clubs are \$20 a set

Car Pools will leave the Hotel at 7-7:15 am. First tee time will 8:15 am.

If you are willing to provide a car pool vehicle, mark the Golf Registration form.

Driving time is 15-20 minutes from the hotel.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
Saturday, September 25, 2010
7AM - Breakfast (line Closes at 8:30 AM)

PLEASE NOTE THAT EVENTS & TIMES ARE ESTIMATES

7:00 AM - Breakfast

7:30 AM - ED Calls Meeting to Order
(Logistics, Emergency exits, Announcements, welcome guests & VIPs)
- Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

7:40 AM - BOD Reports (not more than 5 minutes for each report)
Executive Secretary (Vote on 2009 minutes)
Membership
Treasurer
Director for Information
Editor/Publisher
Any Committee Reports
Executive Directors Comments
(Any major BOD decisions from Board meeting)

8:15 AM - Recognize 1st time Convention Attendees

8:25 AM - ELECTION OF OFFICERS
NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR OR MEMBER OF COMMITTEE
(Vice Director, Director for Information & Sgt - at - Arms)

8:45 AM - AF Comm & ATC Association Memorial Service

9:00 AM - Overview of 2010 Convention/Reunion

9:15 AM - State of Air Force Air Traffic Control Presentation
(Speaker TBA)

9:45 AM - Mr. Ed Wright, Dep. Director, AFFSA

10:45 AM - Any announcements, reserved seating and REMINDER
TO BE SEATED AT 6:30 PM FOR THE BANQUET.

11:15 AM - Call the 2010 General Meeting to a CLOSE.

PLAN NOW TO MEET ME IN ST LOUIS



2011 CONVENTION



Hosts and Co-Hosts for 2011 St Louis, Missouri

Lori and Steve and Denise and Jerry have been to a number of our Conventions/Reunions in the past and both Lori and Jerry have supported our Association when they both worked for the old Air Force Communications Agency (AFCA) at Scott AFB, Illinois.

They are planning for our 2nd convention/reunion in the St. Louis area, and they plan on making our stay one of the best. Our first trip to St Louis was in 1986.



34th Annual Banquet Agenda "Hilton Ballroom"

**Saturday, September 25, 2010
(Be seated by 6:30 PM SHARP)**

*** Pay-as-you-go BAR - 5:45 PM (By Ball Room)**

*** Be Seated by 6:30 PM**

- + **House Keeping**
- + **Posting of the Colors and Pledge**
- + **Invocation**
- + **Introduction of Guests**
- + **POW/MIA Ceremony**
- + **2010 Association Awards**
 - = **Comm/Info Professional of the Year**
 - = **Enlisted ATC Manager of the Year**
 - = **AF Hall of Fame Nominee**
 - = **Hall of Honor Inductees**
 - = **Life Achievement Awards**
 - = **Thomas F. Buckley Service Award**
- + **Travel & 50/50 Drawings**
- + **Guest Speaker:**
 - Lt. General William Lord (SAF/XC)**



HOSPITALITY ROOM REOPENS AFTER BANQUET

**34th AF COMM & ATC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM
YOUR REGISTRATION SHOULD BE MAILED NO LATER THAN Sept 1, 2010}
(COMPLETE THIS FORM EVEN IF YOU ARE ONLY GOING TO THE BANQUET)**

MEMBERS NAME: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____
 SPOUSE: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____
 GUEST: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____
 GUEST: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____
 GUEST: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____
 GUEST: (Last) _____ (First) _____ BANQUET ONLY ____

Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email: (Please print clearly) _____ Phone Number: _____

Mode of Travel: Air ____ Auto ____ RV ____ Other ____ Date of arrival: 9/22 ____ 9/23 ____ 9/24 ____ 9/25 ____ Other 9/ ____

Are you staying at the Hotel: Yes ____ Arriving by Air: Date _____ Airline _____ Time of Arrival _____

If this is your first Convention ? check here: YES ____

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Total</u>
REGISTRATION FEE PER-PERSON		_____ @	\$85 per-person	= \$ _____

BANQUET ONLY (no registration fee paid) _____ @ **\$45 per person** = \$ _____
 (Members/Guests attending the Saturday BANQUET ONLY who DID NOT PAY a registration fee - Select Entrée BELOW)

THURSDAY 9/23:

Annual Prayer Dinner	East Ballroom 6 PM - 7:30 PM	_____ @	\$35 per-person	= \$ _____
Legends in Concert	Buses Leave 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM	_____ @	\$40 per-person	= \$ _____

FRIDAY 9/24:

The Big "M" Casino Cruise LV 9:30 AM - 4:45 PM (1ST 33 TO SIGN UP) _____ @ **\$20 per-person** = \$ _____
 General Farman Golf Tourney Car Pools leave 7 -7:15 AM _____ @ **\$50 per-person** = \$ _____
 (complete golf form and mail with registration and name tag forms)

Seafood Buffet & "The One Show" Buses leave 4:30 PM - 9:30 PM _____ @ **\$55 per-person** = \$ _____

DONATIONS TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THIS CONVENTION..... = \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL..... \$ _____

SATURDAY 9/25:

Banquet: 6:30 PM SHARP (Included with registration fee or Banquet only charge) Cash Bar @ 5:45 PM
ENTRÉE'S (SELECT FOR ALL ATTENDING BANQUET)

1. Grilled Breast of Chicken _____ 2. Sliced Roast Beef _____ 3. Vegetarian Pasta _____

*****SEE PAGE 36 FOR MENU'S OF MEALS FOR ALL EATING EVENTS *****

Make Check Payable to "AF COMM & ATC Assoc." & MAIL No Later than Sept 1, 2010
 (complete back side for Name Tag & if appropriate the Golf Registration)

Mail TO:

Bill Bethea, 232 Carriage Chase Cir, Warrenton, VA 20186-3078.

Email: papabethea@aol.com, phone number: 540-349-4803

NAME TAG FORM

How do you want your name(s) to appear?

Members Name: _____

Spouse or Guest Name (s): _____

Specialty: _____

(Tower, GCA, Crypto, Staff, Radar/Radio Maintenance, Personnel, etc)

Ham Call sign: _____

Favorite Comm. Unit, Command or Location: _____

State of Residence: _____

Is this your first convention? (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Example of Name Tag

Bill Bethea
Crypto Maintenance
2044TH Comm Sq/ Hq DCA
VIRGINIA

GOLF REGISTRATION INFORMATION FORM BEACHWOOD GOLF COURSE

Your Name: _____ Handicap: _____ Male or Female: _____

Name of Player (s) you would like to play with:

Name of Player: _____ Handicap: _____ Male or Female: _____

Name of Player: _____ Handicap: _____ Male or Female: _____

Name of Player: _____ Handicap: _____ Male or Female: _____

Club Rentals are available at the course.

Cost per-player: \$50.00 (Includes Green Fee, Cart & a Snack Lunch)

Total Amount of Dollars included on Convention Registration Form \$ _____

Car pools will leave Hotel lobby at: 7:00 – 7:15am First Tee Time: Approx: 8:00am

Will you be willing to provide a Car Pool Vehicle? Yes _____ No _____

Driving time is approximately 10 -15 Minutes from Hotel.

Join us for a morning round of Golf

SOUP BAR

Clam Chowder
 She Crab
 Vegetable Soup
 Soup of the Day

STEAM & RAW BAR

New Zealand Mussels
 Crawfish
 Peel & Eat Shrimp
 Mussels Marinara
 Sushi
 Cold Crab Meat

DELUXE SALAD BAR

Crispy Greens
 Fresh Vegetables
 Tuna Salad
 Potato Salad
 Chicken Salad
 Cole Slaw
 Shrimp Salad
 Diced Eggs
 Ham Salad
 Stuffed Grape Leaves
 Crabmeat Salad
 Seafood Pasta Salad
 Carrots
 Peaches
 Cottage Cheese
 Feta Cheese
 Tomatoes • Beets
 Cucumbers • Pickles
 Bell Peppers
 And Much More!

CARVING & PASTA STATION

Made-to-Order Pasta
 Prime Rib
 Virginia Baked Ham
 Roast Beef

BREAD BAR

Hushpuppies
 Wheat Rolls
 Garlic Bread
 Yeast Rolls

HOT FOOD BAR

Snow Crab Legs
 Steamed Oysters
 Calamari
 Fried Oysters
 Fried Flounder
 Fried Shrimp
 Fried Fish
 Fried Scallops
 Stuffed Flounder
 Shrimp Casserole
 Pastitsio (Baked Pasta with Meat Sauce)
 Beef & Onion Stew
 Mashed Potatoes
 Macaroni & Cheese
 Sweet Potato Casserole
 Stuffed Mushrooms
 Crab Imperial
 Baked Salmon
 Grilled Tuna
 Clam Strips
 Broccoli Casserole
 Sautéed Mushrooms
 Greek Feta Chicken
 Stuffed Clams
 Smoked Sausage & Peppers
 Green Beans
 Baked Fish
 Southern Fried Chicken
 Deviled Crab
 Crab Cakes
 Shrimp Creole & Rice
 Spinach Pie
 Norfolk Special
 Clams



Oysters Rockefeller

Barbecue Ribs

Lemon Chicken & Potatoes

Meatballs

Pork Chops

Broccoli

Corn • Zucchini Sauté

Seafood Casserole

Rice • Gravy

And Much More!

Black Forest Cake

Flan

German Chocolate Cake

Honey Puffs

Karidopita (Greek Walnut Cake)

Ice Cream

Milk Pie

Rice Krispy Treats

Chocolate Chip Cookies

Sugar-Free Pie

Sugar-Free Cake

Banana Pudding

And Much More!

FRUIT & DESSERT BAR

Bananas

Strawberries

Oranges & Grapes

Fruit Cocktail

Watermelon

Tropical Fruit Blend

Apples

Baklava

Kataifi

Peach Cobbler

Apple Cobbler

Rice Pudding

Chocolate Pudding

Jello

Strawberry Shortcake

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Pizza

Chicken Tenders

Hamburgers

Hot Dogs

French Fries

Corn Dogs

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2010 BOD Meeting
(Meeting will be held in the Arcadian 5 Room)
34th Annual Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, September 23, 2010-12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Tentative Agenda

- *Old Business**
- *New Business**
- * Board Member Reports**
- *2010/2011 Budget Review and Approval**
- *Income/Expense-12 Month Review**
- *Donations Review**
- *2011 Convention Location/Host**



Award Nominations:

- **AF Hall of Fame**
- **AACS Hall of Honor**
- **Life Achievement**
- **Thomas F. Buckley**
- **Recruiting Award**



Subjects Presented by the BOD and/or Association Members

A box lunch is included for the Board of Directors.

Beginning at 1:0PM, Non-Voting Members and AF Comm & ATC Committee Members may participate along with any AF Comm & ATC Association Member choosing to attend and/or present a subject to the Board. Only Voting Members of the Board can be present when conducting a formal vote. Members can write to the Executive Secretary prior to the convention with written proposals, questions and comments for the Board to address no later than 30 days prior to the convention start date.

DUES - DUES - DUES - DUES

If you are NOT a LIFE MEMBER and want to keep current on when your dues are DUE and to continue to receive the "COMMUNICATOR"

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1. Go to our web site (www.afcommatc.org) and scroll down to Membership Roster (you need our user name and password - see this communicator for them) and check what numbers are in front of your FIRST NAME. If it says 10 your dues expire on December 31, 2010, but we have a grace period until 1 April 2011. We have changed the expiration dates for members who renew and/or join to give them credit for an entire year. Therefore, look for dates like 0310 which means that this members dues expire on March 31, 2010.

YOU CAN ALSO CHECK THE ADDRESS LABEL ON YOUR COMMUNICATOR

2. If you have any questions about your dues and when they are due, email our Director for Membership, Walt McLain at aacsmbrship@comcast.net or call toll free 1-866-299-1045.

3. We have over 40 active members who have incorrect mailing addresses. Please check the www.afcommatc.org web site roster and update your mailing address.



NEW MEMBERS REPORT SINCE OCT 15, 2009 THRU MARCH 31, 2010

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Take a moment, and thank a veteran

A father stands on the railway platform watching the train leave. His son is on that train going off to military basic training.

Tears trickle down the cheek of the man and he can taste the saltiness of them as they pass his lips. He prays for the safe return of his son.

A tail gunner on a B-24 during World War II aerial combat watches the flashes from the German aircraft coming toward him. Those flashes are machine-gun fire.

It looks like the plane will crash into his, but turns away at the last minute, and the tail gunner can glimpse the pilot's face. His plane has three engines out and 500 miles to home base. Although frightened, he prays that they will make it.

As they pass the coast of England he and the other crew members bail out; they all survived. His prayers were answered.

An American soldier in Korea is not only fighting a tough enemy but the cold weather as well. He survives, but 35,000 of his comrades did not.

A combat soldier in Vietnam battles a deadly enemy. He survives the battle, but finds out later he will be also fighting a

THE NEW JERSEY VETERAN



By Carl J. Asszony

silent and just as deadly enemy named Agent Orange.

A mother holds a picture of her daughter close to her bosom, a helicopter pilot, killed in action in Iraq. She sits silent, no tears; the pain has made her numb.

She remembers giving birth to this beautiful little girl. She remembers this child going to her high school senior prom in a lovely gown, looking so perky and cute. She remembers this lovely young woman graduating from college and having the smile and gleam in her eye that promised a bright future.

She remembers the pride she had when this beautiful young woman got her military commission and had those helicopter pilot wings pinned to her uniform.

Now she is gone. The tears will come later, along with that primal scream that we all have hidden inside us.

A young woman with her child greets her husband who has just returned from Afghanistan after a year of separation. They both struggled to survive. Now they will struggle to survive the transition of being together again.

These situations have been repeated thousands of times in thousands of different ways. As we approach Veterans Day on Nov. 11, let us not forget the thousands of veterans who are "fading away" each day. These veterans who served and sacrificed in defense of this nation will be slipping into the abyss of time only to be remembered by their friends and family. As time passes even those memories will be fading away.

Let us also think about the millions of living veterans who have served this nation well. They go quietly on with their lives, not looking for adulation. Yet, to them the words duty, honor, country are indelibly engraved in their hearts and minds.

Some of these men and women have lived through horrible experiences that burn in their memories;

memories no human being should have to endure. Whether they fought in combat, or were support groups behind the lines of battle, or served during peace time, they all made their special sacrifices.

There are now approximately 23 million veterans across this country. Some were drafted into service, others enlisted. They all did their duty and more. Many came home wounded both physically and mentally. We owe a great debt of gratitude for the sacrifices these men and women and their families have made.

Kenneth Mizrach, executive director of VA New Jersey Health Care System, had this to say about our veterans and it is something we should all remember: "Freedom is not free, it is something that is earned and fought for by the blood and sacrifice of veterans as well as their families."

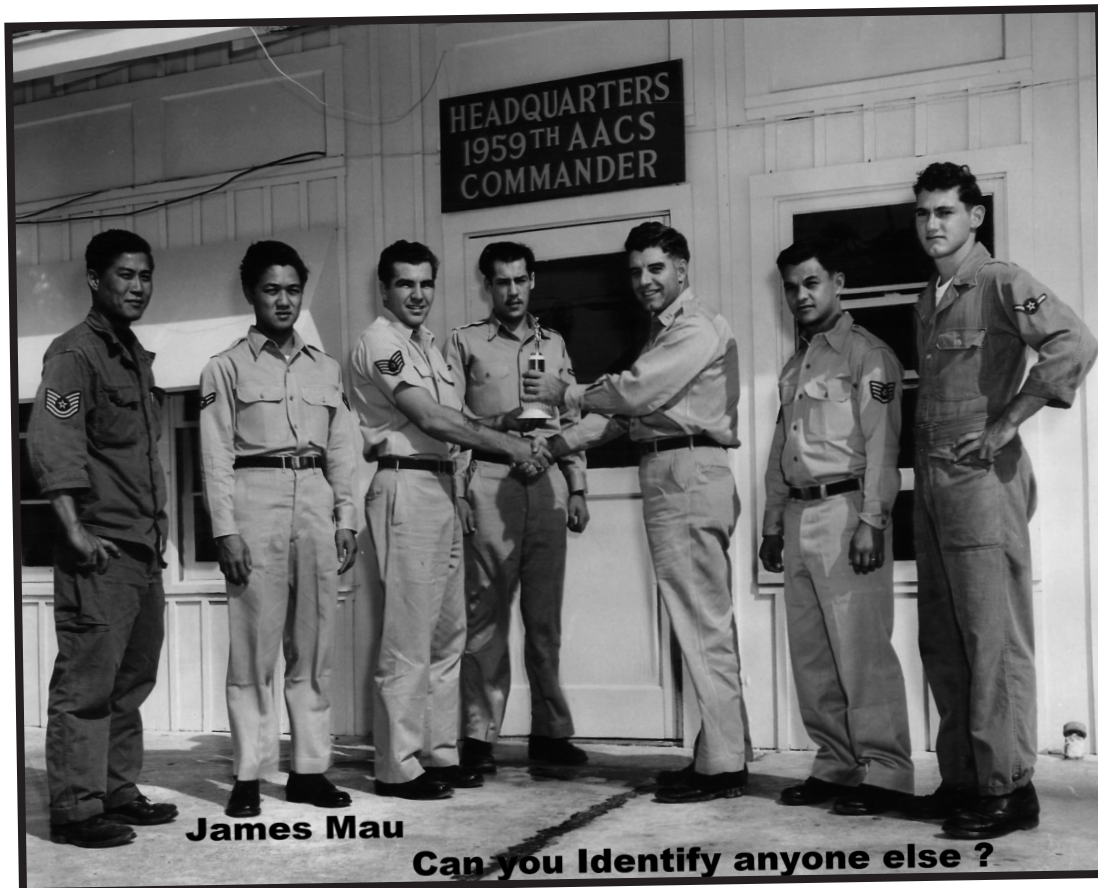
If you meet a veteran on this Veterans Day, or any day, just say thanks. They served you, and this nation, well.

Carl J. Asszony of Piscataway is the former veterans services coordinator for Middlesex County and host of the former radio program "The Veterans Roundtable" on WCTC 1450 AM.

Carl is an Association member and this article is a good read for every day of the year. Thanks Carl



**1959th AACS Sq - Johnson Island - 1953
LR - James Mau - Choy Lam - Unknown**



James Mau

Can you identify anyone else ?

NOTICE - NOTICE - NOTICE

The Editor & Publisher of the Communicator wishes to address the 2009 Winner of the General Farman Golf Tournament. Due to the extreme pressures of trying to publish the November 2009 Communicator, with improper input from our "so called" golfing members, and trying to beat the Christmas publishing and mailing deadlines, he, in an out-of-mind condition, failed to identify the real winner. The Editor& Publisher has been provided a number of emails, identifying the individual who really was the General Farman Golf Tourney Winner. However, the classification guidance established and approved in our Convention/Reunion Guide, prevents revealing the name of the WINNER or First Survivor. It has been said by a few of the members who participated in the 2009 General Farman Golf outing, that it really did not matter if we published who won the 2009 tournament, because it was more of a "Fluke" than talent.

The Editor& Publisher has promised to the Unofficial "Truth in Publishing" Team, comprised of some of our most significant "Gods Chosen Angels", that if there is a repeat winner at Myrtle Beach, compliance with the Convention/Reunion Classification Guide is still mandatory.

Editors Note: Chief (Ret) Bill "TT" Hammett I hope this relieves your frustration for not being properly recognized in our November publication. It was Walt, Bill M., and Lynn's fault.

Carswell GCA Retires 2048th Landmark Of 'The Good Old Days'

CARSWELL AFB, Tex. — Controllers here recently retired a small building familiar to the farm and rural communities of yesteryear. This reminder of the good old days was none other than a much criticized but well known "out-house."

While it had served with distinction (pronounced distink-tion) for some time, the controllers at Carswell GCA felt that in keeping with the Air Force image of progress this one sore spot had to go. So, with a few heavy hearts and deep regrets this

familiar landmark of the 2048th Comm Sq. was laid to rest when the base civil engineer finally hooked up the last water pipe and finished installing a septic tank. Now, men use the more modern porcelain convenience most of us have grown accustomed to.

Along with the water pipes and septic tank came a complete set of instructions on the use of this new facility and we are happy to report all controllers were fully rated before the day was over.



**Copied from the March 12, 1971 issue of the
AFCS "INTERCOM"**

Sgt Samuel Friedman - 1943

Dear Hank:

This is a picture of me, Sgt Sam Friedman, 107th AACCS Sq working in my first tower, early 1943. I just finished Control Tower Operator School at Chanute Field, Illinois.

The tower was brand new, about 70 feet high on 4 wooden piers. The receivers and transmitter had arrived and with signal corps technicians we helped install them and other equipment. I arrived here with Sgt Harlan Smith. The other 2 operators who had also just arrived were Sgt's Voves and Griggs. Our NCOIC was SSgt Pope. Eventually we all separated with different assignments. But I will always remember the Bluethenthal Field Tower, Wilmington, NC.

Sincerely,

Samuel Friedman

**14500 N. Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd, Apr 214
Scottsdale, AZ 85260**

Editors Note: I told Sam I never heard of the field he worked at and his response was, "he has never heard of it since". It was Army Air Corps field and the 413th Fighter Group was the prime unit there and submarine patrols were also flown from this airfield



Sgt Sam Friedman - 1943

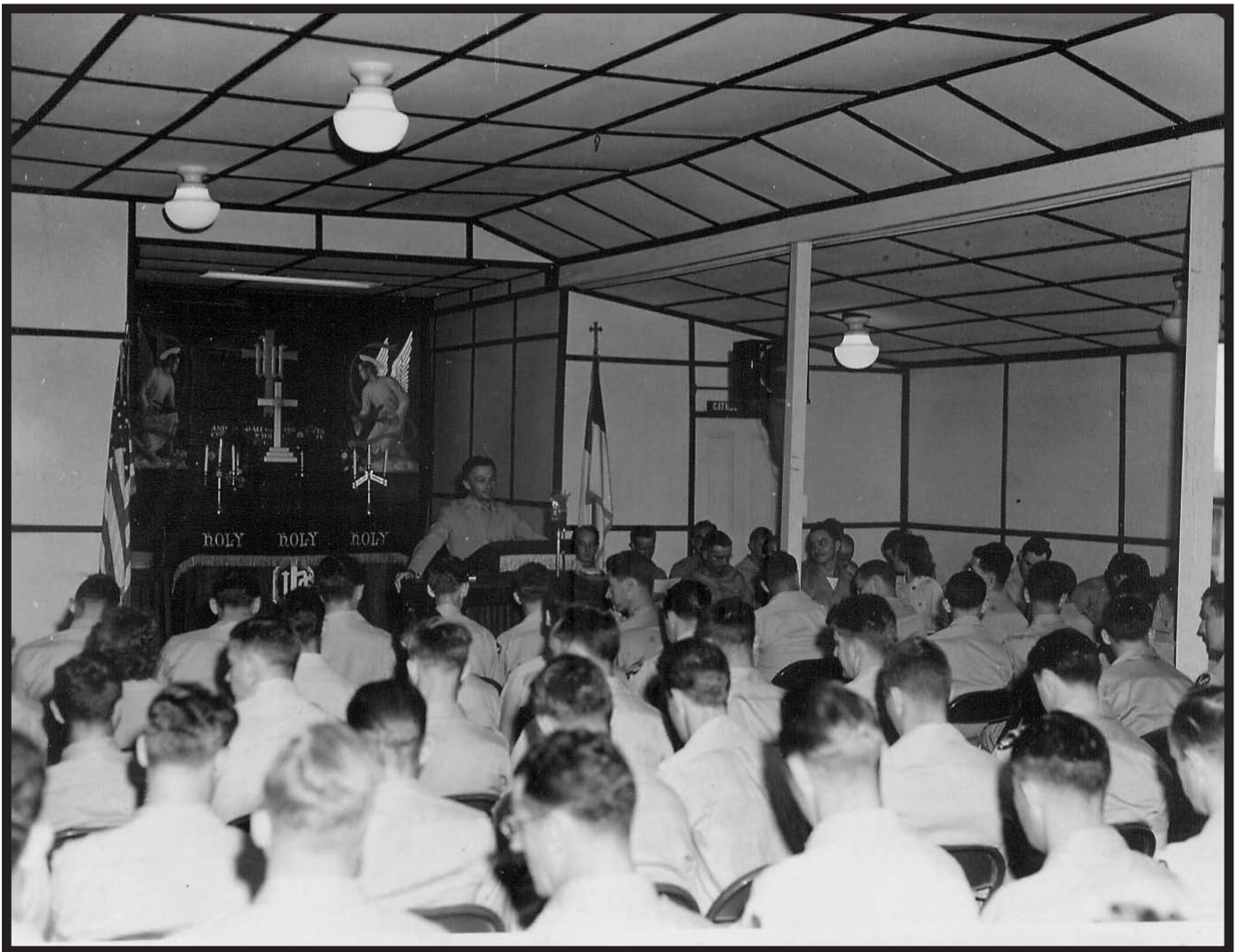
Church Service

**Sunday morning chapel
service in Accra,
Gold Coast (now Ghana)
West Africa, 1944.**

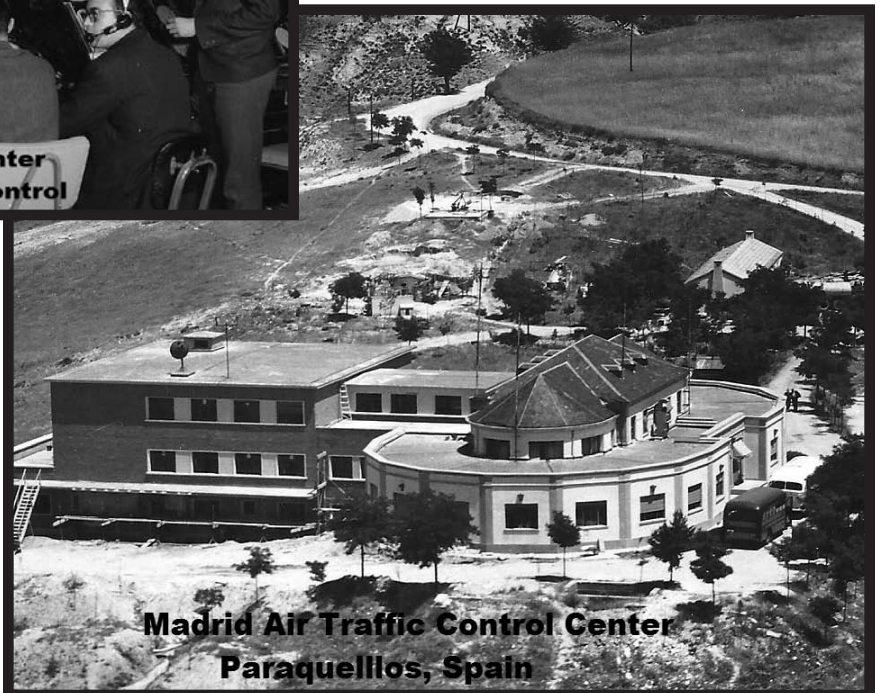
**Chaplain Richard Marshall Graham
presiding. Chaplain Graham was
from Washington, DC. He was well
liked by all the service personnel
stationed there. There was also
another smaller chapel on the post
for mid-week and prayer services.**



Clarence Dykhouse



**SOME PHOTOS FROM THE LIFE OF
CMSgt (R) D.B. KLINE AS ATC/GCA CONTROLLER**



STILL LOOKING FOR CONVENTION/REUNION HOSTS

As many of you know, hosting a reunion can sometimes be a “thankless” but always a “rewarding” job. The Alumni Association has published a Convention/Reunion Guide to spell out the roles of the Host, The Executive Director and the Board of Directors. To minimize the workload and worry on a potential host, the AACS Convention/Reunion Committee will negotiate and put in place the Hotel Contract. We have developed a model contract to ensure that we obtain the best possible deals we can. The Host will participate in the negotiations so he/she will understand what the hotel has agreed to and the costs associated with the contract. In addition, there is a Hospitality Committee that will provide the Host with the items to be purchased and will arrive early to set up the hospitality room thereby relieving the Host from this chore. In addition, we have purchased a lap top computer, a printer and a copier to assist the Host in managing the reunion. A Microsoft Access Database was developed to support the 2003 Convention/Reunion in Fairfax, Virginia and has been updated and used at the 2004 and 2005 Conventions/Reunions at Scottsdale, AZ and Overland Park, KS. We are currently modifying the Convention/Reunion Database to make it easier for the Hosts to use from one year to the year, with as little or no modifications as necessary. The Database will provide over 25 reports the Host will need to track registrations fee, tours, golf, meal choices, etc and also provide them with the information needed to complete the final convention/reunion financial report.

The November 2005 issue of the AACS Communicator (page 70) contained a proposal format for potential Hosts and for some of the things that must be considered in selecting a hotel and location to hold our annual conventions/reunion. **See item below for minimum requirements.**

We are still looking for a few “good men or women” to step up to the plate and begin the process with the Convention/Reunion Committee to determine if your proposed site/hotel meets our requirements. Hope to hear from lots of you.

Stan Phillips
Executive Director

Chair of the Convention/Reunion Committee.

Proposal to Host a Convention/Reunion

For potential convention/reunion hosts, the following are some of the minimum things that must be considered in order to Host one the Associations annual conventions/reunions:

- 1 A location that has a number of attractions to offer the majority of our members.**
- 2 A major airport, easy Interstate access, golf courses, etc.**
- 3 A hotel that can book 125-175 rooms, can seat up to 300-350 for breakfast and banquet and the Annual General Meeting.**
- 4 Are there other association members locally that can assist the host.**
- 5 Potential hosts must be computer literate (you need minimum skills to enter and retrieve convention information)**

If a potential host feels that he/she can nominate a city that meets the above minimum requirements, he/she should contact the Executive Director (who is also the Chair of the Convention/Reunion Committee).

Dear Mr. Sauer,

I appreciate this opportunity to thank you and some of your members and readers, for the help I received in completing a college research paper last fall.

Last summer, while visiting family in Parkersburg, WV, I was introduced to Mr. Paul Hawkins, who, in 1949, as part of the 1946th AACS, was sent to Berlin to help set up and maintain the new AN/CPS-5 Medium Range Search Radar equipment. From our interview, I quickly realized that without the skill and proficiency of the air traffic controllers, the pilots could not have achieved such incredible turnaround times in some of the worst weather conditions of 1948/1949. I decided to research the subject more fully, but it proved challenging. Many books concentrated on the political aspects of the Airlift or the accomplishments of the pilots, but I could not find as much information about the Air Traffic Controllers. Since Mr. Hawkins had spoken of the 1946th, I researched that lead and came across the www.afcommatc.org website, which is when I emailed you.

You passed along my emails and I was delighted to hear from Mr. Mac Maginnis, Mr. Jim Giles Jr., and Mr. Don Pastore. Their willingness to share some of their memories allowed me to personalize the Airlift in my research paper. More importantly, I made new friends as we emailed back and forth. Mr. Maginnis even lent me his copy of the history of "The 1946th and the Berlin Airlift!" Through their information, I was put in touch with Mr. Dan Harrington, a historian at Langley AFB, who took the time to comment on my paper and make some great suggestions. I received an "A" on my paper and my college professor is now encouraging me to expound upon it with the possibility of later publication. I can only say thank you to all of you.

**Sincerely, Jackie Longwell
(jackieal33@yahoo.com)**

Dear Hank;

I happened to wear my AACS black slipover shirt the other day (I have only used it couple of time in the 4-5 years I have owned it), and it set me thinking. I wonder if I might be the surviving member of the group who had the earliest assignment to an AACS Squadron. I was posted to Maxwell AB to the 4th AACS Squadron (a fairly recently formed unit) in October, 1941, upon graduation from the ROM course at Scott AB. Our Commander was Lt. Col. Baxter and our First Shirt was an old China hand, named Skipper (Blind as a Bat, but an exceptional gentleman). Worked Control Tower briefly, then the CW Ground to Air station for a few weeks until I volunteered for a classified assignment. This resulted in locating on Abadan Island, Iran the first part of 1942 (May, I think), where our group of five communicators erected a Quonset Hut, and built the first point to point CW station in the Middle East or SE Asia. I was a Corporal, 2d Class Air Mechanic, and our NCOIC was S/SGT Artimovich, a second hitch veteran and my mentor. It was a couple of months before we finally "found" an AACS station in ACCRA in West Africa (on a 9 Meg. frequency we knew AACS used in the U.S.), It had just opened. We also "found" a signal corps point to point station a couple of weeks later, which was opening in Karachi, so the three of us formed an informal net and passed traffic when conditions allowed until a squadron was formed in Cairo and we joined it.

Arthur Elkins

Editors Note: We still have members who were in AACS prior to WWII and are still active members. Maybe we will get some responses from them of when they actually were assigned to AACS.

Beginning COMBINED ENDEAVOR

By

Buford R. (Randy) Witt, Brig. Gen., USAF (Ret.)



The Partnership for Peace program originated following the changes of Soviet Union policies which were most dramatically demonstrated by the opening of inter-European borders and especially the breaching of the Berlin Wall in 1989. President George H. W. Bush led a carefully crafted diplomatic effort to keep the U. S. role supportive and to focus on European leadership of these obviously European issues.

I arrived at European Command as Director of Command and Control Communications and Computer Systems in July 1994. The Partnership activities were actively managed by the various directors of the European Command staff; the J-6 had begun its activities in 1992. Visits to the East European partner countries by the staff had been made. Also, escorted trips to visit U. S. communications facilities had been conducted twice. These were important steps in beginning a dialog among countries that had been separated for years.

After a short time at Stuttgart another visit to the U. S. was being prepared. As I reviewed the plan and the budget, I developed the opinion that while this was good for relationship building, that purpose had already been served by the preceding trips and that such trips were more social than purposeful in a practical sense. I actually discussed canceling the forthcoming trip but rapidly found that I would create something of an international incident, and I use those words with their strict definition in mind. I remember saying, though, "This will be the last one; we need to do something pragmatic and meaningful." It stayed on my mind.

My first visit to one of our Partnership for Peace countries was to Hungary. My trip officer and I were in the hotel bar (where all truly great strategies are conceived) on the evening before my first meeting with the Hungarian Minister of Defense. I reviewed my thinking with Lt. Commander Bud Bishop, USN, that what we should be doing is working technical issues with the countries-like trying to see how we could make our communications systems work together in the field as allies in operations. A communications field exercise, if you will, where we don't rely on buying a whole new generation of equipment, but we bring what we have and we try to make it work together-telephone systems, message teletype, computers, etc. Something that then would serve us all if we were to go on a humanitarian aid mission, or the like (and at that early stage studiously avoiding suggestion of military combat scenarios). We made some points on the back of a napkin, literally.

The next morning, I went to meet the Minister. I recall even today that my impression was that he looked every bit of how I imagined a Hungarian would look: large frame and a shock of white hair that I envied even 15 years ago. We chatted for a while. Then I brought up my principal subject-explaining that the trips like the one our staffs were then on were nice but not practical in a real way, I introduced the idea of a Partnership for Peace Communications Interoperability field exercise. Well, the Minister sat up in his chair behind his desk, reared back raising his arm, and slammed his large fist decisively on the desk! "That is exactly what we should do!" There was no doubt, I told Bud Bishop later, that the idea had found support. I trotted the idea to other partners, and received the same enthusiastic responses.

We began developing a formal concept at Stuttgart. Soon we had an objective outline which featured several planning conferences which we would lead. We consulted our components commands-US Army Europe, USAF Europe and NAVEUR and brought them on board. We would need their expertise and manpower to host and manage the planning and execution of the exercise.

We discussed the concept with our German counterparts. Germany would be invited to participate for it was on its soil and the process to coordinate six East European countries to come to Germany was a significant diplomatic effort in its own right. This was new; never before had these former communist armies been brought to a NATO country for a military event. We had engaged our Ambassador at EUCOM, Jacques Klein, the U. S. Embassy in Bonn, and the responsible German Ministry in the coordination and approval process. It was not soon in coming, but over time we achieved the goal and had agreement that the U. S. could host the event in Germany. We began serious and begin planning.

As we began the first planning conference hosted at European Command Headquarters, we learned that the planning process itself was a key learning outcome for the partner countries for through it we began to develop standard methods and processes. Not that the U. S. way was the only one, but it surely was the most developed and practiced

method for the U. S. planned exercises and contingency operations so often. We had settled on eight PFP national participants for the exercise: Those Partnership members each sent communications technicians to the five planning conferences that we held from March through August 1995.

Personally, I wanted these exercises to be more than a mere technical practice, as important as I believed that would be for future real-world work (as it indeed proved to be in Bosnia, Kosovo and Afghanistan). I wanted it to capture the feel of a real military event, with appropriate ceremony. So, we planned opening and closing events with the participating units in formation, flags flying. We also planned welcoming social events and a farewell dinner.

The first COMBINED ENDEAVOR was hosted in September 1995 at Kelly Barracks in Stuttgart with Austria, Poland, Hungary, Slovenia, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Rumania, and of course, Germany, and the U. S. The exercise site was full of the tents, communications equipment and vehicles that each country brought. The planning conferences had winnowed through all the possible communications that might be set up - telephone systems were key and some the message systems with transmission means such as microwave, tropo-spheric scatter systems and satellite systems provided by the U. S. There were also radio systems, such as High Frequency.

Each country's team was about 12 people, not counting all the host and support staff from the U. S. and Germany. They were a proud group of soldiers who felt that this was an important milestone in our nations' modern histories; and it was. By the time COMBINED ENDEAVOR was in its second year, the Secretary of Defense was citing it in his speeches as a significant event in the progress of the relations with East Europe and General John Shalikashvili, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, called to request me to meet with him to give him my personal insight about the exercise.

The next year COMBINED ENDEAVOR '96 was conducted from 14 - 28 August 1996 at two sites: Sembach Air Base, Germany, and Bruck, Austria. Austria's agreement to host one of the workshops set a significant precedent -- it was the first time Austria invited foreign military forces to conduct training on sovereign soil since the government eased its strict neutrality policy. The diplomatic effort in that is a story in itself.

Twelve nations participated in 1996. These included all of the nations that participated in CE 95n joined by the Baltic States of Latvia and Lithuania. NATO was represented at CE 96 not only by Germany and the United States, but also by a United Kingdom military communications detachment from Allied Land Forces Central Europe (LANDCENT). COMBINED ENDEAVOR 96 built upon the success of CE 95 by expanding interoperability testing to slightly more complex communications configurations. A simple switched network was demonstrated which was based on NATO procedures.

When I opened the official Exercise at Bruck, I looked out on the formation of twelve different nations with the flags of each, standing in Austria where no foreign military troops had stood since World War II. I recall in my comments that I said: "Here we stand, in formation with more uniforms from more nations than have been together in Austria since the times of Napoleon."

This time we had a band in the formation. The Austrian Army Band had written a march especially for the occasion, "The COMBINED ENDEAVOR March." The Band Master, after completing the musical piece, marched forward and presented me with two copies, one for the Supreme Commander, Europe, General George Joulwan, which I later presented to him, and one for myself, which I still hold as a wonderful memento. In thanking him I said: "Only here outside Vienna, the City of Music, could we expect such a gracious gesture as composing an original military march."

COMBINED ENDEAVOR has not only continued, but also it has grown dramatically. It is now 40 countries strong. It has proven to be a powerful instrument in our mutual work in numerous real international actions and no doubt has been one of the invaluable ways we achieve peaceful relations among nations-having our good people work together in a productive and practical way.

More important than that, however, is the fact that COMBINED ENDEAVOR did what it was designed to do. As proven in the Bosnian conflict, Iraq and Afghanistan, national contingents from the participants worked together in true multi-national peacekeeping and war fighting missions and the shared experiences and common training in communications planning and interoperability made a positive contribution to those efforts.

About the author

Brigadier General Witt was U. S. European Command Director of C4 Systems from 1994 - 1997. He had served in AFCS at Seymour Johnson AFB, 2nd MOB in Germany, 2187th Comm Group in Italy, Udorn AB and U-Tapao AB, Thailand, as an ATC Officer before attending Comm School and becoming a Comm Officer in AFCC. He later served in the new SAC Comm Area HQ when it was created and commanded the 1916th Comm Sq and 3rd Combat Comm Gp. General Witt is a Member of the AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association.

5 AF Comm & ATC Association Enlisted Members in the AF Hall of Fame (9% of the total number of inductees)



Chief Master Sgt. Richard P. "Hank" Sauer is the first enlisted inductee, Class of 2001. He entered the Air Force in 1948, after serving 13 months in the Naval Reserve. He completed the Air Force Administrative Course and a crash course for cryptographic operators, before being assigned to Germany in support of the Berlin Airlift. He was assigned to the 1946th AACS Squadron, Templehof Airport, Germany; 1812th AACS Group, Munich Riems Airport, Germany; and the 1807th AACS Wing, Wiesbaden, Germany. In 1952, he was assigned to the Air Force Cryptographic School at Scott AFB, Ill., as the technical advisor, and in 1954, Chief Sauer went to the 1809th AACS Group, Nagoya Japan, where he performed duties as the staff NCO for Cryptographic Operations, Weather Systems, Plans & Programs and War Plans. In 1957 he was transferred to HQ AACS, Andrews AFB, Md., as the NCOIC of the War Plans Division and was in the advance party setting up the Headquarters functions for the move to Scott in 1958. He has served in a variety of communications positions and commands during his career. He was assigned to the Air Attaché Office in the American Embassy, London, England; HQ European Communications Area, Wiesbaden, Germany; and HQ AFCS, Richards-Gebaur AFB, Mo. He also served with the HQ Aviation Engineer Force, Wolters AFB, Texas; 414th Fighter Group, Oxnard AFB, Calif.; 2163rd Communications Sq., RAF Station Wethersfield, England; 18th CS, Westover AFB, Mass.; the 1876th CS, Tan Son Nhut, Vietnam; and the 2147th CS, RAF Mildenhall, England. Before his retirement in 1975, Chief Sauer was assigned to the Command, Control and Communications Directorate, HQ Air Force and functioned as an Executive and Air Staff Action Officer in the Operations Division. After retiring from the Air Force, he joined the U.S. Energy Research & Development Agency (ERDA), which later became the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in their Oak Ridge Operations Office, Oak Ridge, Tenn. There, he rose to be the chief of computing and telecommunications. He left DOE in 1987 and was the European Manager for the contractor that successfully developed and implemented the automated Wing Command & Control System (WCCS) for the Tactical Fighter Wings in USAFE. He also served as vice president for a small Systems/Information Company dedicated to the DOE national weapons complex. He was the first enlisted executive director of the AACS Alumni Association, and continues to serve as the editor/publisher of the "Communicator", as well as manager of the Web Site.



Chief Master Sgt. William L. Bethea is the second enlisted person to be inducted. Class of 2006. He entered the Air Force in 1951 and after basic training, attended Teletype and Crypto Maintenance School at F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo. His first assignment was at the 1932nd Communications Squadron in Labrador, where he worked for fellow Hall of Fame member, Maj. Gen. Paul Stoney. After a tour in Europe from 1954 through 1955, he was assigned to the 2049th Communications Group, McClellan AFB, Calif., and worked on the first online link encryption device. In 1958 he became one of the first secure voice technicians assigned to the Pentagon and was selected to establish the first Air Force Communications/Information Maintenance work center supporting the National Military Command Center. He moved to Germany four years later to the 1946th Communications Squadron, then back to the Pentagon for almost another four years as a special projects NCO. In 1968, he was sent to Korea to install a secure voice network at all bases there after the USS Pueblo was attacked by North Korean forces. He and his team had the net up and running in 60 days. Master Sgt. Bethea then spent a year at Phan Rang AB, Vietnam, serving as superintendent of maintenance (chief master sergeant position), disaster preparedness NCO, and crypto maintenance supervisor in a combat environment. After a final Pentagon tour, his last assignment brought him to the Headquarters Defense Communications Agency as superintendent of the facilities control branch. He managed the performance of around the clock technical control, crypto, radio, wire, and audio/video support for the DCA. Following retirement in 1978, he helped the Department of Energy implement national policy for communications security related programs at nuclear weapons complex production plants and laboratories. He was later named a Director of MANTECH International Corp. as a Director for Department of State and Department of Energy Telecommunications and Security contracts.



Chief Master Sgt. Charles E. Teston , Class of 2007.

Chief Teston's 31-year active duty career included being a Looking Glass flight crew member, academic instructor, first sergeant with the largest communications group in the Air Force, a Senior Enlisted Advisor at the wing and HQ level; superintendent of radio operations and a career advisor. As the Air Force Communications Command senior enlisted advisor, he visited units at 57 different locations and formed an effective Chief's Group to enhance career progression of all enlisted personnel. After

retirement and another 10 years as an industry telecommunications manager, he moved his family to Gulfport, Miss., where he was elected to the Gulfport City Council and served as President in 2003. A Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce Centurion, he was elected president of the Orange Grove/Lyman Chamber of Commerce for 2007.



Chief Master Sgt. Walter D. McLain, Class of 2008

This "one-of-a-kind" air traffic controller, who served from 1962 to 1991, is credited with six certified aircraft saves -- two in combat situations. During Chief McLain's 21 years as a controller, senior controller, watch supervisor, trainer and chief controller, he earned master certifications in his field, upgraded training programs for the Air Force, received outstanding ratings from inspectors, resolved critical airspace issues and earned numerous awards for his leadership skills. He was the first air traffic controller to serve as an AFCC Division and Command Senior Enlisted Advisor (now Command CMSgt). Prior to his selection as the AFCC SEA, he was the first Air Traffic Controller to serve as Commandant the AFCC NCO PME Center.

While there he directed the development of the first suicide prevention program to be used in NCO PME. His program was credited with saving five lives in the first year and it became the initial prototype for all Air Force NCO PME schools. He upgraded the audiovisual and computer systems and his was the first Command NCO PME Center to provide students with access to computer systems for classroom and research work.

He became a special assistant to Military Airlift Command's (now Air Mobility Command) air traffic services director and played a key role in acquiring GPS for air traffic control support. He also played a key role in the site selection for the joint-use air traffic control facilities at Scott AFB. He received the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (4 oak leaf clusters), the AFCEM (4 oak leaf clusters) and the Airman of the Year ribbon, just to name a few.



Master Sgt. Duffy is the fifth enlisted person to be inducted into the "Hall of Fame" Class of 2010.

His double Career began in January 1955 ending in June 1997; totaling over 42 years of government Service. In the AF he started as a Crypto Operator and, prior to the consolidation of the Comm. career Fields, he personally trained over 75 personnel in Crypto Operations with 100 percent transition rate. When stationed at Tan Son Nhut AB, RVN he was responsible for the second largest COMSEC account; second only to the AF Cryptologic Depot. Arriving at Westover AFB he went from a shift member, to a Shift supervisor, to NCOIC of Base Comm., the only TSgt to do so. His 2nd tour in Vietnam was at Pleiku AB where he was tasked, to terminate all comm. activities within 90 days. This was done in less than 80 days and based on his performance was assigned to RAF Bruggen, Germany as Site Commander, the only TSgt to achieve this distinction. His last AF assignment was at Hq SAC, where he was the COMSEC Manager for 12 Air Force Special Security Offices and where he attained the rank of MSgt. Sgt Duffy has always been a trend setter and due to his unique experience was appointed as a Dept. of State Foreign Service Comm. Officer. His first 3 assignments were Moscow, Beijing, and Berlin; three high volume hardship postings with a follow-on assignment to Sydney, Australia. Where his outstanding performance resulted in two high State Dept. awards; the only Communications Officer to do so. Based on his performance, he was assigned to Hq State Dept. where he was the COMSEC Manager for over 70 overseas significant COMSEC worldwide activities. He has earned many decorations, such as the Bronze Star, AFCEM (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Outstanding Unit Award (2 Oak Leaf Clusters w/"V" device), Vietnam Gallantry Cross (w/Palms), two Dept of State Superior and one Meritorious Honor Awards.

Profiles on the "Together We Served"

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1) Entrance to theater

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3) Teletype room

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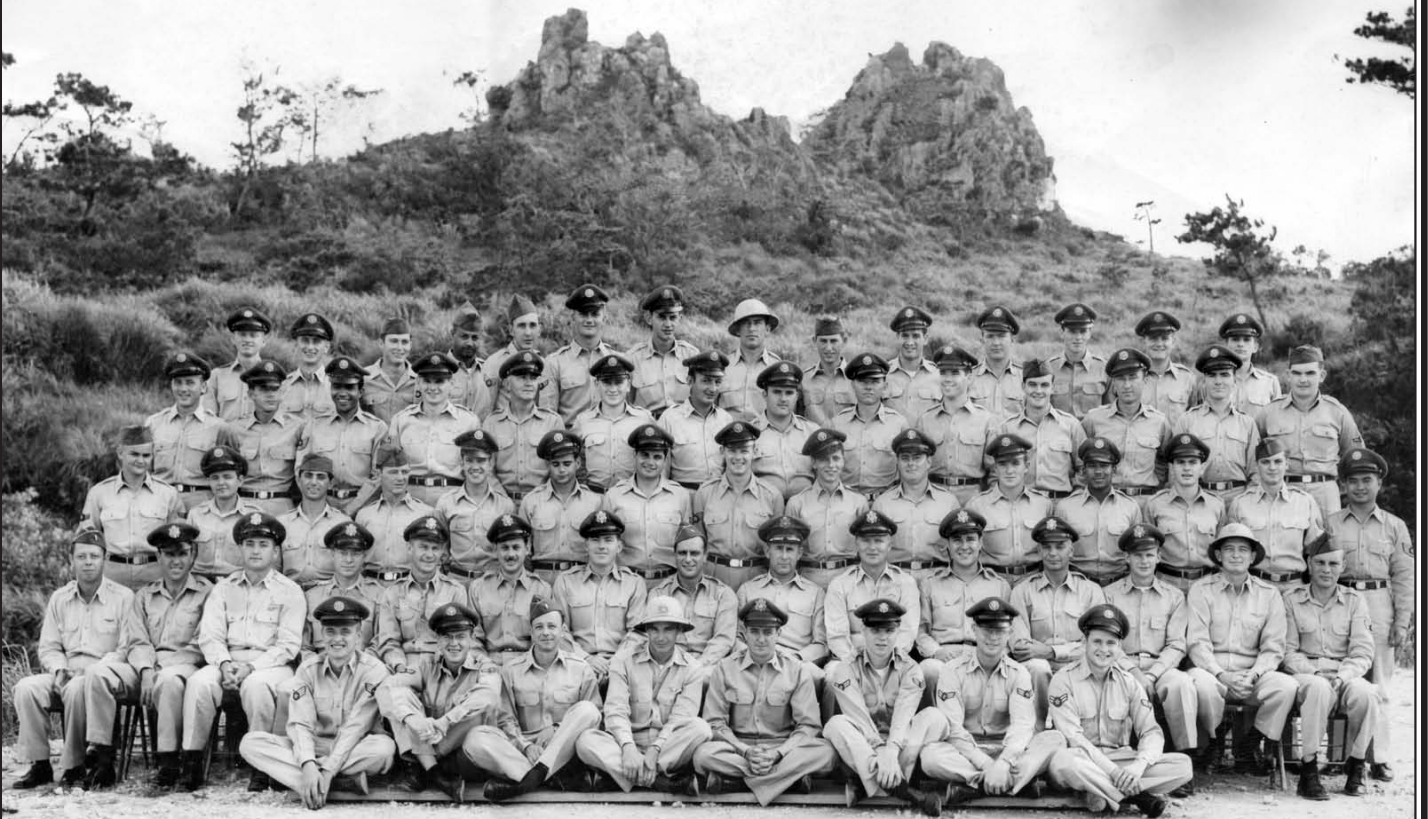
Submitted by SSgt Elvin J. Connelly who spend 26 Months at Tontouta AB, near Noumea, New Calendonia.

Crypto School Dance - 1953



The Instructors from the Crypto Operators School at Scott AFB, put on a "Dragnet" skit and a dance. On stage is Dick Waytko and Jay Fineberg. Hank Sauer is in the bottom right photo on the right with the apron.

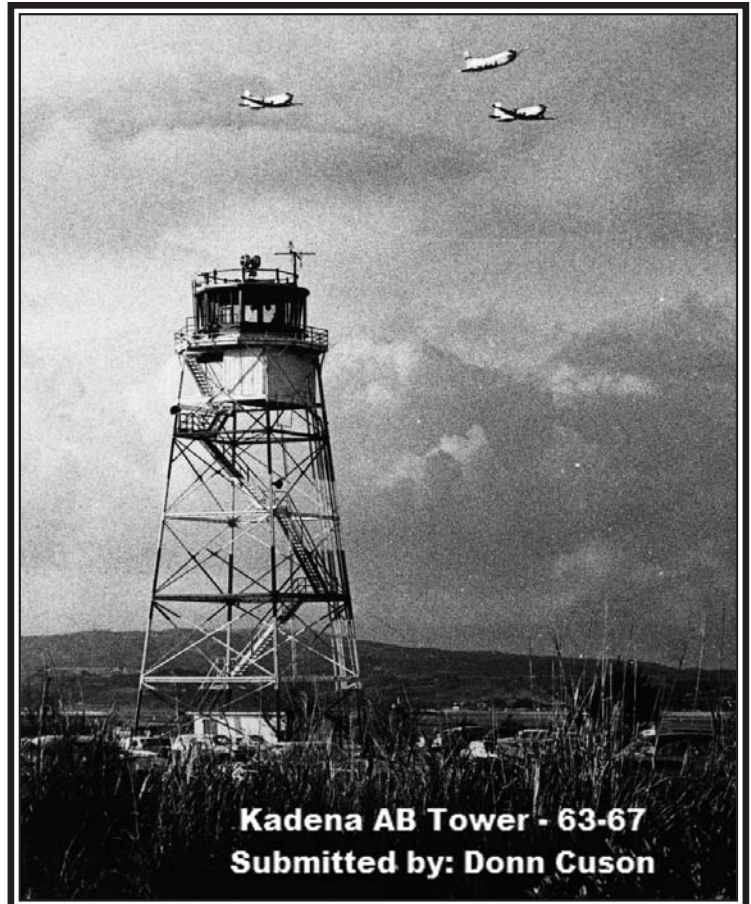
1811th AACS Group, Kadena AB, Okinawa (July 1952)



Later, near the 18th Green at the Banyan Tree Golf Course



Maybe some of our members were on this troop ship coming home after "VJ" day. Thanks to Duke Snyder for the picture.



**Kadena AB Tower - 63-67
Submitted by: Donn Cuson**

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The Beginning

The initial meeting of what turned out to be the first Association meeting was held in Columbus, Ohio in 1977. The meeting was hosted by "Emeritus" Larry Camp and his wife Doris. This meeting came about as a result of a conversation with "Dux" and Pearl LeDoux and was planned as a poker weekend in Columbus. Some of the notables who were in attendance, and to whom we owe so much were; Hack Neal, Ken Klise, Flash Gordon, Paul Haas, Glen Turner, Bob Dickerson, Max Mankofsky, Dux LeDoux, John Hoff, Ted Carlson, Don Donnell & George Yunker, just to name a few. This group established the high standards that will continue to drive the AF Communicators & Air Traffic Controllers Association and we owe them and all the individuals who attended that first meeting/reunion, a great big "Thank You"

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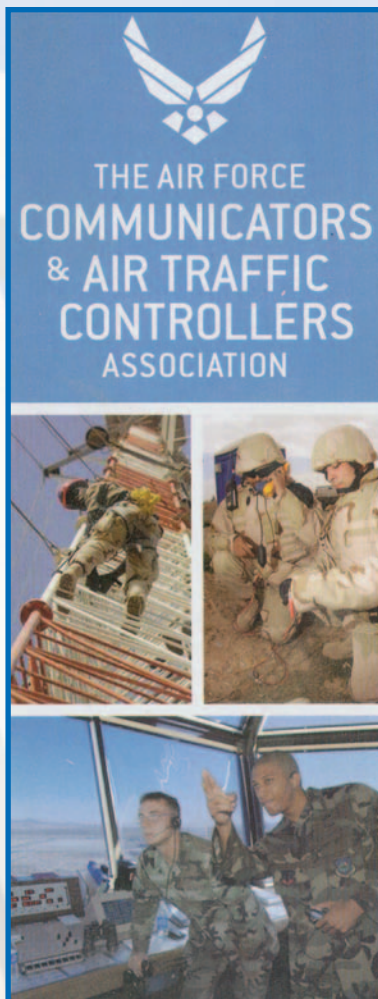
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The motto of "Fellowship in the Company of Equals" is more than just words, but the glue that holds us all together through the different decades. The Association is comprised of about 85% enlisted personnel and 15% officers, which includes many General Officers, both active and retired.



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