

Act Now; AFPAAA-SAF/PA Luncheon September 16

The annual Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association-SAF/PA luncheon during the Air Force Association convention at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in D. C. will be on September 16.

After lunch, SAF/PA Director Brigadier General Ron Sconyers, will provide an update on public affairs activities.

Special Events Chairman Don Brownlee will ensure that all reservations he receives by September 3 will be hand carried to SAF/PA to meet the hotel's deadline.

Payments by check of \$26

for each person attending must accompany the reservation. Neither phone reservations nor payment at the door will be accepted. Reservations, including the member's name and phone number, the name of guests, and a check made out to 'PA Alumni Fund' should be sent to:

Don Brownlee
4404 Cotuit Circle
Waldorf, MD 20601

The reception and luncheon will be held in a new setting this year, the Americus Restaurant on the lobby level across from the hotel gift shop.

By-laws Change Welcomes Bandsmen To Association

Several of the Association's Board of Directors looked at the new Air Force Public Affairs coin and agreed 'we should include the Bandsmen in our membership.'

They all recognized the contributions of Air Force bands to community relations efforts. They remembered the many times a band had helped them turn a bad situation into a plus for the Air Force.

The result was a motion at the next Board meeting to amend the Association's by-laws so Bandsmen could become members. It passed unanimously.

Bandsmen are eligible to join in the same status as past and present members of the Public Affairs and Broadcasting communities. If they have retired or separated from the active Air Force, the Air Force Reserve or National Guard, they are eligible for full membership, including having voting rights at the Annual Membership Meeting. Those currently serving are eligible for Associate Membership.

Bandsmen can join the Association by completing and returning the enrollment form on page 2.

A-F Public Affairs
Alumni Association

News & Notes
Summer '96

'97 Annual Meeting Site Is Las Vegas During Air Force's 50th Anniversary Fete; Registration Package Coming

"The Air Force and the Air Force Association have pooled their resources for the 50th Anniversary of the Air Force. We couldn't possibly offer a better program. So, we'll hold our '97 Annual Membership Meeting with them April 22-26 in Las Vegas" said Dave Shea.

Dave, who is the Annual Meeting Chairman, is working with Association members, including Al Eakle, John Gura, and Denny Weddle to block hotel rooms for the Association.

A detailed package explaining all activities and costs will be in the mail in

October. "Our members will need to make reservations for the activities and the hotel soon after they receive the information to avoid price increases that will go into effect on February 15. We intend to handle our meeting and the 50th Anniversary registration for our members. Hotel reservations will be up to them," Dave said.

There will be air shows with up to seven aerial demonstration teams at Nellis AFB, a special show, receptions, exhibits filling the convention center - including our own Association booth, and an AFA symposium.



Top Winner - Nancy Whitaker was congratulated by Mike McRaney after her name was drawn for a framed, limited edition print of the C-17 signed by artist Keith Ferris and valued at \$500. It was donated by Bob Carroll and Pratt & Whitney and was among more than 150 gifts drawn for at lunch, dinner, and the business session of the Annual Meeting.

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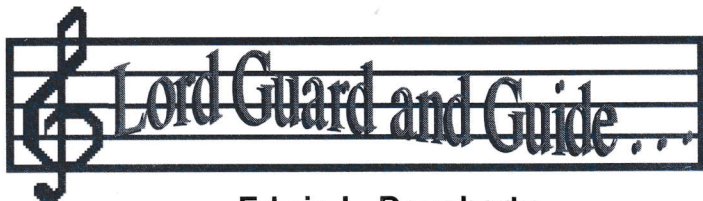
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Edwin L. Dougherty

Edwin Dougherty, who directed the U. S. Air Force Drum and Bugle Corps in the early 1950s and retired as a Captain in 1961, died of cancer at his home in Accokeek, Maryland, May 25.

Dougherty was from Port Byron, New York. He studied at the Ernest William School of Music in Brooklyn and graduated from Mansfield University in Pennsylvania. His instrument was the tuba.

He entered military service as an infantryman in 1941. By 1944 he was a member of the Army Air Corps Band.

He led the Drum and Bugle Corps in performances in

Europe, Asia, and the United States. He was at Andrews AFB in the late 1950s and directed a number of other bands prior to his retirement.

Dougherty was a music teacher at Accokeek's Eugene Burroughs Junior High School for 15 years and he was a part-time instructor at several other schools in Prince George's County, Maryland, for the next five years. He lived in Melbourne, Florida, from 1984 until this year.

He is survived by a brother and a sister, five children, and nine grandchildren.

Bertha's Blast Doesn't Deter Annual Meeting Fun

With 123 members, spouses, and guests present, hurricane Bertha didn't have a chance: the Association's 3rd Annual Membership meeting was the best yet.

A blend of past attendees and first timers - Katie Cutler, Ralph Evans, Mark Gilman, and George Weiss to name a few, overwhelmed the Radisson Hotel's lounge Thursday night, pressing clerks and management staff into service to slake the thirst of the crowd. Tom Halbert came from Germany, Bill Mack from Alaska, and Lou Torraca from Hawaii. Matt Lipartiti, 81, was the oldest member present.

The Association's 'Brain Trust,' working closely with

Air Combat Command's PA staff, was ready for any scenario. On Thursday, as Bertha approached, it put together eight contingency plans. As it turned out, the only concessions to Bertha were the cancellation of the F-15 demo and shifting lunch from the O'Club to the hotel.

Honchoed by Jim Hart, gift drawings at lunch and dinner Friday, and after Saturday's business meeting, were a big hit. No rolls pelted Mike McRaney, but Ron Rand was showered with napkins after Friday's dinner. The evening's highlight was a superb performance by ACC's Heritage Band of America Blue Horizon ensemble.

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At (base): _____ My grade/rank then/now was/is: _____ That was in (month & year): _____

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I'm enclosing a check payable to AF Public Affairs Alumni Association for:

- \$ 300 - Lifetime Membership - if you prefer, payable in four \$75 installments
- \$ 25 - 1-year Full Membership (retired/separated people)
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- \$ 10 - 1-year active duty Associate Membership (including Guard & Reserve)
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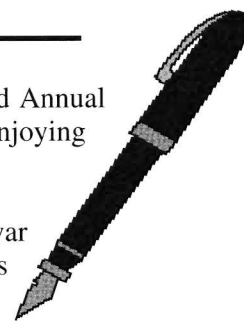
Membership Enrollment/Update

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From The Chairman's Pen

From July 11th to 13th Hurricane "Bertha" did her best to blow us away at our 3rd Annual Membership Meeting, but it took more than a storm to keep the 100 plus present from enjoying our "Happening In Hampton."

It was a huge success as evidenced by the noise, laughter, comments, discussions, and war stories that were flowing throughout the event. And that environment in great part is attributable to the support we got from Air Combat Command, the Radisson Hotel Staff, and the generous contributions of corporations that were clearly evident at virtually every event during the three days we met.



Actually the weather wasn't all that bad, except for Friday, when it rained – as expected – and the wind blew – also expected – and the attendees' spirit and determination to stay with the program made it all worth while. The hotel and its bar were extremely pleased we decided *not* to cancel. Special 'Hurricane' drinks flowed along with the usual lies, jokes – some even funny – memories, and some serious discussions.

Colonels Ron Rand and Mike Perini, Major Frank Smolinsky, and the ACC/PA staff did themselves proud with their unflinching support despite weather related schedule changes. The comments of General Richard Hawley, Commander of ACC, were very enlightening, especially his views on the growing importance of public affairs as a "core mission." He met the tough questions we asked with direct and candid answers. Colonel Mike Gallagher gave us an inside view of the JCS Chairman's Public Affairs operation and a very interesting discussion took place on the recent "60 Minutes" segment featuring F-16 pilots speaking their views in Saudi Arabia.

Rob Elsass and his on-site support staff of Jim Caldwell, Donna Christian, and John Peters. plus Pete Alexandrakos, Neil Buttimer, Jim Hart, Alice Price, Dave Smith, Dave Shea, and John Terino deserve many, many thanks for their perseverance and flexibility. They flawlessly handled the few cancellations we received before the hurricane came right over Hampton Friday night.

Special thanks go again to Jim Hart and PanEnergy Corp for hosting the Friday reception and for his outstanding work in arranging over \$2000 in corporate support and nearly 150 outstanding gifts that were given away during the meeting. They made for some extraordinary fun and a high quality program.

For those who were in Hampton we say "Thanks for coming and contributing to the success." For those who were unable to make it, you missed a good and important event and now is the time to plan for Las Vegas in April 1997, when we will join in the 50th Anniversary celebration of the United States Air Force. This is one you won't want to miss – some of the details are on the front page and more details, including early registration information, will be in the mail soon.

There are still many retired and separated former Public Affairs and Broadcasting folks out there who haven't joined us yet, so keep the recruiting effort going. Brigadier General Ron Sconyers, SAF/PA Director has reemphasized the importance of the AFPAAA - see his letter on p. 4 - and we look forward to a stronger active duty associate member group. As announced at the annual meeting, retired, separated, and active duty USAF Band members are now eligible for membership and we'll be directing our recruiting efforts in their direction, too. Welcome Band Members.

The Association is still growing, taking on new activities, planning and conducting better Annual Membership Meetings, and is fortunate to have a very supportive membership. Thanks to each member for making it happen.

– Mike McRaney



Office of the Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON, DC

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Dear Fellow Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association Member!

It's indeed a pleasure to be included, once again, as part of the AFPAAA annual meeting. I'm looking forward to renewing a lot of friendships as well as to making many new ones. A lot has happened since our last get together in Colorado and I'm looking forward to hearing about the progress you've made on your on-going projects as well as the opportunity to bring you up to speed on what we've been doing.

Since the association began, the relationship between AFPAAA and the PA community has flourished. What the association has accomplished has been monumental for a truly fledgling organization. I'd like to point out just a couple of your many successes.

As you may know, the highlight of our public affairs calendar each year is the annual worldwide PA conference. Two years ago, we asked you to sponsor our top award, the "best of the best", recognizing the top public affairs practitioner for the year. You came through with an elegant award, on permanent display in SAF/PA.

This year, the highlight of our conference was the unveiling of the Public Affairs coin, symbolic of our commitment to excellence in all we do. We asked your help in getting the PA coin off the ground. Again, you came through helping with the initial production of the coin. President Mike McRaney was on stage to personally present beautifully laminated coins to all of our awardees, with the inscription "Sponsored by the AF Public Affairs Alumni Association" on each one.

We've already had a number of 'tiger teams' meet this year to discuss a variety of career field issues. Once again, I'm confident we'll be coming to you for your support. And, somehow, I know you all will be there to lend a hand. It's this kind of relationship that makes our partnership so strong, active duty members working hand-in-hand with alumni members. That's what we're all about! I'm grateful for the support you've provided us, and I'm even more pleased that you graciously include us as part of your team. But, most of all, thank you for your continuing dedication and support to Air Force Public Affairs. Again, I appreciate the invitation to be here this week.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron", written over a large, stylized flourish.

RONALD T. SCONYERS
Brigadier General, USAF
Director of Public Affairs

Minutes – Third Annual Membership Meeting Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association

Saturday, July 13, 1996
Radisson Hotel
Hampton, Virginia



General – The Third Annual Membership Meeting of the Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association was called to order at 9 AM on Saturday, July 13, 1996, at the Radisson Hotel, Hampton, Virginia, by the Association's President and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mike McRaney.

Quorum – Secretary John Terino reported that the more than 70 full members attending the meeting met the quorum requirement and the meeting could proceed.

Remembrance of Deceased – Mike McRaney asked all present to remember those of the Public Affairs, Broadcasting, and Band communities who had passed away during the preceding year, including Tom Coleman, Mike DeStephanis, Lee Hogan, George Howard, Helen McCarthy, Jack Newman, George Schenkein, Pete Sloan, and Bob Zehring. Ben Scarpero suggested that we allow a few minutes for members who wished to say a few words about friends no longer with us to stand up and address the group. Mike said the Board would take his suggestion under consideration.

Finances – Treasurer Pete Alexandrakos presented the financial report from May 31, 1995 through June 31, 1996 (Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting), exclusive of the 1996 Annual Membership Meeting. The period began with \$30,310.66 and ended with a \$33,536.97 balance of funds. Membership dues receipts for this year were \$9,090, down from the \$25,000 collected in the 1994-95 year. Investment income increased to \$1,470 as did donations to the Oral History program, which totaled \$1,950.

He pointed out that our expenses would have been many thousands of dollars higher if Jim Hart and PanEnergy had not picked up the cost for our printing and mailings during the year. In addition, many more thousands of dollars were saved by the donation of services by Board members, officers, committee chairs, and volunteers.

The budget year runs from October 1 through September 30 to coincide with our accounting year for tax purposes. Pete reported the budget is on target. Income is a little ahead of forecast and expenditures are where they should be; if that continues we will end the year with a surplus.

We are in good financial shape right now, and things look pretty good for the immediate future. Next year a big income source will be renewal of three-year memberships - there are 177 who joined in 1994. We also have good income potential from more than 100 one-year members up for renewal. The last two years, one-year members have renewed at about an 82%-85% rate. Assuming an 80% renewal rate for the three- and one-year members in 1997, we will have income of about \$8,000. Moderately successful recruiting and upgrades from one-year to three-year memberships and to Lifetime Memberships would provide additional income.

Our investments are in CDs with rates ranging from 5.25% to 5.8%. We will continue to seek the best rates available. We are pleased with the donations to the Oral History Program and as more histories become available we look for donations to increase.

Jim Hart's work as Development Committee Chairman has resulted in donations from a number of companies, including those of Association members. For this meeting, donations total \$2,100.

We have enough reserves to get us through one year when the donated services we have now are no longer available. The long term challenge is to have a revenue base that can support our programs on a continuing annual basis. We are working on that.

Membership – Membership Chairman Neil Buttmer said the major tasks were keeping the data base current, getting membership certificates out, and the directory. Current membership is 575.

Neil stressed that, in addition to retirees, we need to get more people from the active Air Force, and that the Association's members are its recruiters. The soon-to-be published *Tips for Transition* booklet should help in communicating the usefulness of the Association to potential members. The just passed amendment to the by-laws that adds Bandsmen to the Association should produce more members. Our membership drive produced three winners of Oral Histories - Chuck Lucas, Jack Rose, and Roy Whitton.

Neil encouraged prompt membership renewal to save the costs of multiple mailings and the time involved in following-up. Also, members need to keep their directory listings current. Neil asked for volunteers to form a 'marketing team' that would produce and execute ideas for recruiting new members.

Election – John Ohlsen and Sam Lessey counted the Board of Directors Election ballots. Mike McRaney reported that Pete Alexandrakos, Alice Price, John Terino, and he were reelected to the Board. John Gura was newly elected, replacing Chuck Davis.

Oral History Program – John Gura said 33 interviews were done, 17 have been published, and the rest are in various stages of production. Cost of transcription (30-60 pages each) averages about \$180. Production costs of the 20 copies that are done to meet distribution requirements is between \$90 and \$250. The Oral Histories are being sent to the Air Force Academy Library, DINFOS, the Air Force History Program, Air Force Association's Aerospace Education Foundation, SAF/PA, PRSA Research Library, the University of Florida at Gainesville, the University of Texas at Austin, Boston University, Purdue, and San Diego State University. Based on talks with Ron Sconyers and Ron Rand, we expect a request for copies for the major commands. John asked for suggestions for people to be interviewed. As a tax-exempt veterans organization, donations can be made in any amount specifically to the Oral History Program or to the Association in general.

Katie Cutler pointed out that all those interviewed to-date were male and asked if we intended to interview any women so there would be some role models in the collection. John Gura said that we had just completed Alice Price and that we would do others the opportunities presented themselves.

Roy Whitton suggest that we interview a prominent past band

commander as quickly as possible to show our commitment and to aid recruiting. John Gulick suggested we put the availability of the histories on the World Wide Web via the SAF/PA site. John Terino said there may be a potential problem in doing that because it would show favoritism to our organization. The issue will be explored with SAF/PA.

Award Program – Mike McRaney said the Association had responded to an emergency request for funds to get the PA Coin project started. The 'Best of the Best' program is going real well.

SAF/PA Coordination – Mike McRaney reported that it is going very well at all levels and that a lot of the kinks had been ironed out during the past year as was testified to by General Sconyers in his luncheon remarks yesterday.

Membership Survey – Mike McRaney reported that the membership survey discussed at last year's meeting had been completed thanks to the assistance of Jim Hart and PanEnergy Corp. The results have been used by the board to guide it in its work.

Tips for Transition Booklet – Responding to the survey, Board member Kathy McCollom had put together a 'Tips for Transition' booklet that will be published shortly for members use. It will also be sold. The booklet contains the experiences of many of the members and their contributions are appreciated.

Civilian Award – Jack Rose proposed that the Association establish a Gladys Wise Memorial Award for the outstanding civilian in Public Affairs that would not conflict with the 'Best of the Best,' saying it could be on a secondary level and he would help fund it. Several members voiced agreement. Jerry Dalton said we should check with SAF/PA before we do anything. John Terino said there were a lot of prominent civilians who the award could be named after but SAF/PA would have to O.K. it and do the selection. Mike McRaney said the Board would consider the proposal and report back to the membership.

Best of the Best Recipient at Annual Membership Meeting – Gil Whiteman suggested the winner be invited to the annual meeting at Association expense. Mike McRaney said that issue had been under discussion and the Board was still wrestling with it.

Web Site – Don Brownlee said his investigation of a page for the Association was inconclusive and the benefits to be derived questionable. He will continue to explore it.

Regional Activities – Mike McRaney said chapters and regions had been discussed extensively by the Board and it concluded that chapters wouldn't work but regional activities probably would work, if there were volunteers to take on the task. The Association would provide lists of names and addresses, labels, and perhaps a little money now and then. Regions could be Los Angeles, San Antonio, Colorado Springs, etc., but someone has to step up and do the work in each area because the Board has a full plate. Gil Billings asked what the regions would do. Mike said that was up to the people in the region; to date, the interest was high but the number of volunteers was not commensurate with the interest. Ralph Evans said this could be a means to help the active force in an area. Mike asked for those who wanted to take on the task to let the Board know.

Appreciation – Mike expressed his appreciation to the corporate sponsors and those who donated gifts. He asked if we should continue those efforts and the sense of those present was we should. He thanked Rob Elsass, Jim Caldwell, Donna Christian, John Peters and Ron Rand and his staff for their support in organizing and running the meeting. Mike asked for feedback from the members to make it better next year.

Annual Meeting – Mike McRaney announced that the Association's 1997 Annual Membership Meeting would be in Las Vegas in conjunction with the Air Force/Air Force Association celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Air Force, April 22-26. Dave Shea said we will have a display booth in the Convention Center; a business meeting in conjunction with a brunch, lunch, or dinner; we will have rooms in a hotel; members will be encouraged to take part in the celebration events; and early registration is important to avoid increased prices – details will be provided as our plans are completed. More than three-quarters of the members present indicated they were planning to attend the celebration

Adjournment – With no other business to conduct the meeting was adjourned and the drawing for gifts began.

*John G. Terino
Secretary*

Actions On Members' 1995 Meeting Suggestions

Suggestion – Obtain corporate sponsorships for Annual Membership Meeting.



Action - Done. More than \$2000 raised for '96 Meeting & 150 plus gifts donated.

Suggestion – Emphasize tax benefits of donations to the Association



Action - More than \$1900 donated to Oral History Program in past year.

Suggestion - Create World Wide Web Association page.



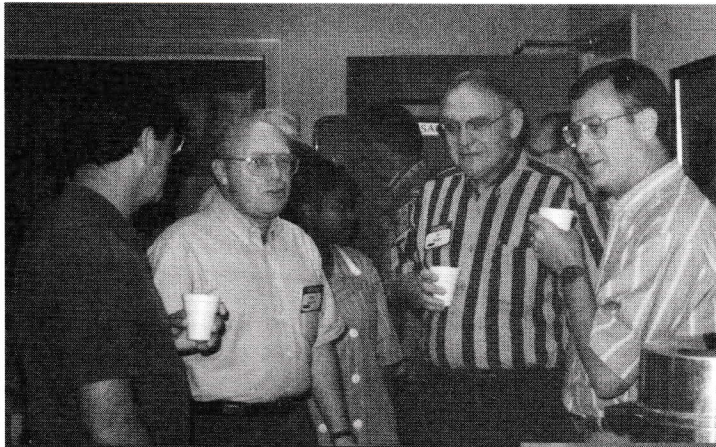
Action -Continuing. Initial investigation shows benefits not commensurate with effort required.

Suggestion - Appoint regional coordinators.

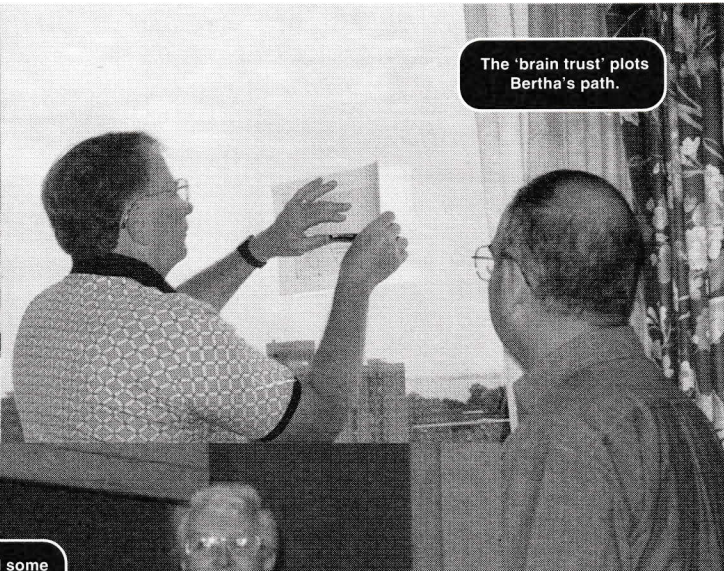


Action - Limited resources. Challenged members to volunteer to take on task.

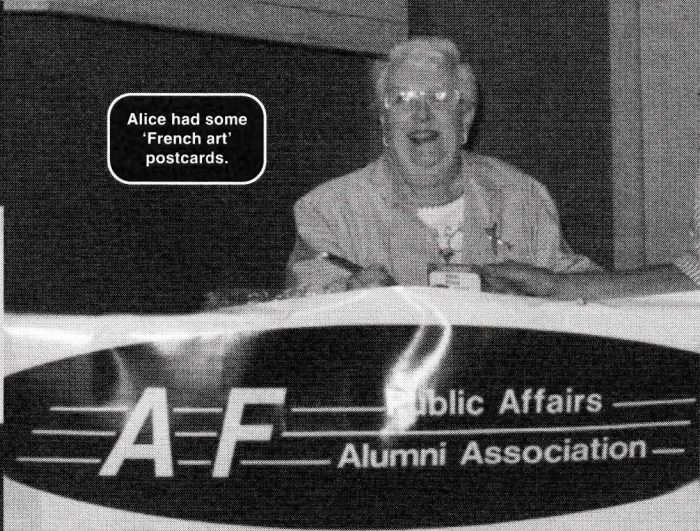




The 'brain trust' plots Bertha's path.



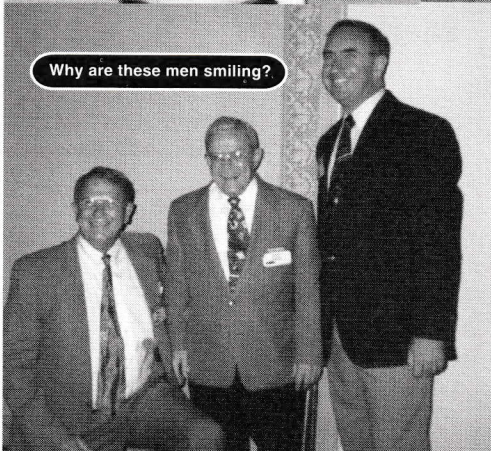
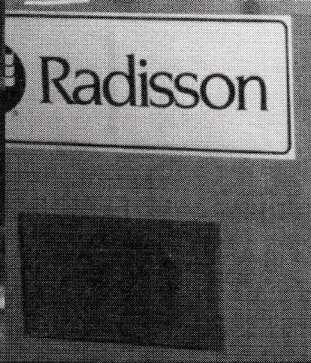
Alice had some 'French art' postcards.



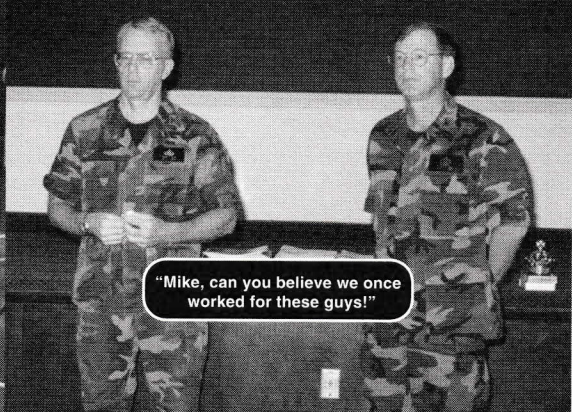
"I have no more umbrellas or Terino thermometers."



On-Site Chairman Rob Elsass did yeoman work.



Why are these men smiling?



"Mike, can you believe we once worked for these guys!"

New Listings

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Technology Has Pushed Service Past The 'Wild Blue Yonder' . . .

Recently, Air Force Chief of Staff General Ronald R. Fogelman has said several times "As we approach the dawn of the 21st century, I am convinced it will be the century of aerospace power..."

Because this recognition of the tremendous advances in technology is exactly on target, it seems only natural that the United States Air Force should seriously consider changing its name to the United States Aerospace Force.

1907
U. S. Signal Corps
Aeronautical Division

For much of the past decade, Air Force leaders have shied away from terminology they had used for many years. Late in 1990, key spokesmen began substituting 'air and space' for 'aerospace' in their public statements.

But recently, Air Force scientists and technologists, looking ahead to the 21st century in their December 1995 *New World Vistas* study, noted that "the domain

1914
U. S. Signal Corps
Aviation Section

of conflict is moving from Earth into space and even into cyberspace," and that "the future force will, eventually, contain space, ground, and airborne weapons that can project photon energy, kinetic energy, and information against space and ground assets."

In the introduction to the summary of the study, its

directors, Dr. Gene H. McCall, Chair of the USAF

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Scientific Advisory Board, and Major General John A. Corder, said "it is appropriate to return to the idea that development of broad superior capabilities through

application of new technology will maintain the United States Air Force as the most powerful and effective aerospace force in the world and will enable the Air Force to discharge its responsibilities as an equal partner with the other Services in the defense of the Nation."

From terminology used throughout the study, it is clear that while some Air Force

1918
Air Service

spokespersons continue to avoid the term "aerospace" when speaking of military action, other key officials do not. No one has ever

explained the reasons for preferring "air and space" to "aerospace." Air and space is an inherently divisive term, which, at least subliminally, implies a significant operational disjunction between the atmosphere and the regions beyond.

1926
Air Corps

Isn't today's Air Force more than a military force that operates only in the air – as its name implies? Of what does the air consist and what are its boundaries? Does air mean only the atmosphere, as in its



original dictionary definition? Could the United States Air Force more accurately be called the United States Atmospheric Force?

In addition to their speaking of "air and space superiority," some leaders

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refer in their public speeches to "dominance of the skies."

How high is the sky? How far beyond the Earth's surface can objects be seen by the naked eye? Some objects, of course, can be seen far

beyond the atmosphere – in space. So, when we look into the sky, what we see is aerospace – not merely air.

These questions about what is included in the world "air," and how one should define "sky" seem elemental, but they are significant in light of the dichotomy of language in the official Air Force lexicon.

In an article in the August 1958 *Air Force Magazine*,

1941
Army Air Forces

Air Force Chief of Staff General Thomas D. White mentioned aerospace publicly for the first time. The Air Force began using the word widely in 1958 and adopted *Aerospace Power for Peace* as its slogan in 1959. The term was adopted in Air Force doctrine manuals and used regularly for three decades to define the total expanse beyond the Earth's surface as an undivided operational realm.

Aerospace has been embraced as an apt and useful term by industry, science, and education.

In 1997, as the U. S. Air Force celebrates its 50th year

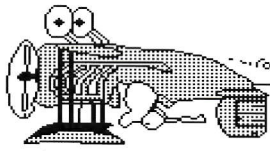
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as a military department, it should settle on one word to describe its primary operational medium.

This would be appropriate in "the century of aerospace power" – just three years away.

– Frank Jennings

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New Lifers . . .

A special welcome to Janis Witt who has joined as a Lifetime Member . . . and congratulations to Leslie Frazee and Joe Shosid who have upgraded to Lifetime Member status.

Welcome Aboard To . . .

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| Grace Blancett | Rosemary Brady |
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| Art Futch | Jon Hanson |
| J. B. Kump | Robin Loving |
| Larry Manning | Donna Pastor |
| John Plantikow | Sherie Sams |
| Bill Schell | Nick Stam |

Of Malt, Hops & Letters . . .

Mike Wallace turned over day-to-day operation of his Left Hand Brewing Company - distributing in seven states and looking at a \$2 million expansion - to his son and a partner, claiming 60-70 hours per week too much for his 'golden years.' Now, he whiles away his time as part owner of a new brew-pub in Longmont, Colorado; researching material for a novel; and writing magazine, newspaper, and trade pub articles. Way to slow-down Mike.

Way To Go . . .

Ray Crockett director of communications at Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Company . . . 'Best of the Best' winner, Captain Brett Morris picked for Major two years early.

An' A One, An' A Two . . .

When the combo from the ACC Band began to play for the Annual Membership Meeting it stirred lots of memories for Matt Lipartiti. His dad, Army Warrant Officer Tito Lipartiti, led the Air Corps Band for Langley's 2nd Bomb Group in 1930. Matt was a student at Newport News High School back then.

Our Tel Aviv Connection . . .

Dan Woolley VP International Business Development for Memco Software Inc. headquartered in Tel Aviv. Dan's office is in D.C. but he is in the 'different-city-a-day' travel mode.

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Applause, Applause . . .

Thespian, Irv Ziff, whose credits include NBC's 'Homicide: Life on the Street,' has just completed a run in Phoenix in 'Conversations With My Father.' Reviewer Marshall W. Mason noted "Stirring to the heart is Irv Ziff as the Yiddish actor Zaretsky . . ."

Author, Author . . .

Bill Anderson, the author of many books, including 'Bat-21,' which became a movie starring Danny Glover and Gene Hackman, has turned his versatile pen on hospitals. The impetus for 'How to Survive Hospital Care or Why They Keep The Bedpans In The Freezer' was his open-heart surgery. While we don't know how many stitches Bill had, with chapters that include 'Be Leery of Surgeons Bearing Chain Saws; When Not to Grope Your Nurse; Should You Have Sex During Surgery; and Never Shake Hands With a Proctologist' you're sure to be in stitches without the benefit of a scalpel when you read this book. If your local bookshop can't get it, call Lendegary Publishing at 1-800-358-1929.