DAYS OF OUR LIVES #221



The "Jim Boyte" chapel at Det 4. Photo by Gary Weber

MAIL-bag - PRESERVING FORGOTTEN MEMORIES OF TURKEY

I welcome articles, BIO's, articles, stories, etc and certainly hope that all ASA Turkey Vet's will contribute and make the DOOL worthwhile. You can write whatever message you would like, and it will show up right here for all ex-ASA'ers to read and enjoy! I will respond to all e-mails and will assist whenever needed, but reserve the right to edit for content and clarity and welcome any errors or imperfections that may appear herein.

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TAPS

BEARDEN, Quincy A., DOB: 6JA1929 DOD: 23FE2009 at Ozark, Dale Co., AL., Det 4, 65, 487 Skipperville Rd., Ozark, AL 36360, 334-774-2017, Per his wife – Quincy died of Alzheimers. Per Ron Sowinski

CANTRELL, Alphieus E. (Al), DOB: 19JN1926 DOD: 19JA2005, CPL/SP3-SP2, Diesel Det 4, MY55-MY56, (Libby), 4340 Silverado Trl, Calistoga, CA 94515



Al Cantrell was one of the first EM to serve at Det 4.

Al's military career spanned 24 years (1944-1968). He enlisted in the US Navy in 1944 and served 8 years with duty at The Great Lakes, Newport, Rhode Island, and at sea on the USS Bremerton & USS Piedmont (a Destroyer) as a Motor Machinist Mate 3rd Class & in charge of the diesel repair. In 1954 he enlisted in the US Army and was assigned to Fort Leonard Wood as a Corporal and worked in the Motor Pool there until receiving orders for duty with the 9488th at Sinop, Turkey in May 1955. The unit later was given the 23rd Detached Unit designation. He arrived in Ankara and after a few days was directed to take a taxi for the 166 mile trip to Samsum. Al stayed at Samsun for about 5 days before the 104 mile trip to Sinop in the front seat of a 2 1/2 ton. At Samsun the sleeping guarters were in a big dormatory type house with about 4-6 other GI's & slept on folding cots. Al had been briefed about the billeting situation at Sinop and upon his arrival was assigned to one of the houses that had been rented for the living quarters for the dozen or so men that were there. Al's house had a small kitchen, a bomb sight room and two bedrooms on the first floor on the outskirts of Sinop. The bomb sight room consisted of a shower that hung over the 'bomb sight' and they had to watch where they stepped!! The landlady's name was Fatma (sp?) who had a attractive daughter that caused the GI's to think wild thought's, but they knew not to get involved! His roommate was a GI named Glickenstein (sp?). He's forgotten the names of the other two GI's who were housed in that house, but thinks that they were operators who always kept their room padlocked. Glickenstein was notorious for doing all the wrong things. Once he let a jeep get away on the 'hill' and it tumbled to the bottom and was useless thereafter.

Not too long after Al Cantrell's arrival the Sinop Palas Hotel was rented to billet those assigned to Det 4 and he was one of the dozen or so GI's that were moved into it. His room was on the second floor and faced the Black Sea. There were no barracks or facilities on the hill. Nothing, but one sheet metal lean-to shack that was used by the operators. Cpl Cantrell replaced a GI named Antonovich (sp?) as the vehicle and diesel mechanic for Det 4. Shortly after Cantrell's arrival he and two others erected a 20 X 40

lean-to shack not far from the operator shack on the 'hill'. This shack was erected to house two 2 1/2 ton trucks and had two stalls for the generators. The vehicles assigned to Det 4 were two 2 1/2's, a Dodge weapons carrier and two jeeps. The vehicles, for the most part, were kept and maintained in the parking lot of the Sinop post office. There was no vehicle or diesel maintenance records when he got there and none when he rotated to Fort Jackson, SC. Al's paperwork on the vehicles consisted of tablet records that often got lost. Everyone was required to do the first echelon maintainence after each use. Al remembers the Sinop physician, Dr. Nejat, quite well. While repairing a diesel fuel pump on the 'hill' that was out of time - it exploded and sprayed acid on Cantrell's face. He was taken to the Sinop hospital where Dr. Nejat treated him for about two weeks. . One of the most remembered happenings that he recalls is the time that Wallace Lonsway and Ali Bas, the hotel cook, were out in a truck (icky pachuk) getting supplies, etc. They encountered a mudslide and the truck got buried up to the windows of the cab. Ali Bas went for help and returned with 'hired' offendums to dig the truck out. It was a useless maneuver. Ali then went for and returned with some 35 additional Turks and 6 water buffalo's, each with wooden yokes and harness. About 10 hours had passed when AI Cantrell arrived with another 2 1/2 ton, but the situation required the water Buffalo's to do the pulling. While the Turks were busy digging the mud away from the stuck truck - they noticed that Ali Bas had a live and squaking chicken that he had stolen or borrowed during the last of his two ventures to find help.. While the Turks were hooking up for the pull - Ali Bas built a fire, boiled water and then boiled the chicken for a meal. Without too much difficulty the horned water buffalo's pulled the truck out of the mudslide. The truck started, but wouldn't move after being pulled out. Al had to climb underneath and clean out the mud and gravel that had gotten into the clutch area.

Phil Hotton sent the following: I'm sorry to have to tell you that my old Sinop friend, Al Cantrell (Sinop '55-'56) died late on 18 January 2005 at his Calistoga, CA home from advanced cancer. He waged a good fight right to the end. I was able to speak with him until the last two weeks. Fortunately he has a large family so that his children and grand children are near to help his wife, Libby, cope. Al enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a teenager in the late 1940's and was a "plank owner" on a destroyer tender part of the time in China and other ports in the Pacific theater. He re-upped in the Army and retired from the ASA after a tour in Vietnam. Al's military career spanned 24 years (1944-1968).

He was initially a power and vehicle mechanic of the dozen personnel in Sinop that included eight ECM search and analysis specialists but only one power mechanic. Needless to say if anything happened to AI, we were down. He later cross trained in electronics. After retirement AI qualified himself in many "trades" including Electrician, Millwright and large scale industrial machinery installation. He is sorely missed by all who knew him. He greatly enjoyed reading the DOOL.



AI & Libby Cantrell

FLECKENSTEIN, Howard P., Mechanic, Det 4,55-56, 215 Back Nine Dr., White Pine, TN 37890, 865-674-0966, DOB: 13FE1934 DOD: 4AP2007 at White Pine, Jefferson Co., TN., SSN 119-26-4458 iss NY per Ron Sowinski



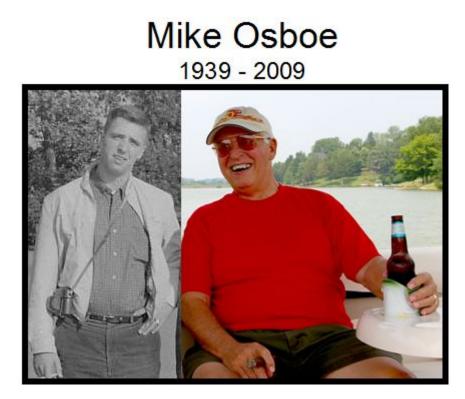
CPL Howard Fleckenstein at the Sinop barbershop

Al Cantrell remembered CPL Fleckenstein & sent the above photo to me and tentatively ID'd the person as Glickenstein. Ron Sowinski sent me the death notice for Howard Fleckenstein and I immediately knew that Al Cantrell was close in his ID. Al wrote that they were roommates along with two others who he thought were operators as they kept their rooms padlocked in a Turkish house in Sinop. Al Cantrell remembered that Fleckenstein was notorious for doing all the wrong things. Once he let a jeep get away on the 'hill' and it tumbled to the bottom and was useless thereafter. Note the 1st US Army patch and the Combat Infantry Badge

FLOREK, Wayne L. DOB: 28NO1928 DOD: 14AP2007 at Casa Grande, Pinal Co., AZ., SSN 305-30-6402 issue Indiana, SFC, E7, S-3 Det 4, 69-70, 520-836-7797 per Ron Sowinski

HOLTERMAN, John F. DOB: 2JL1921 DOD: 2AP2003 at Yonkers, Westchester Co., NY., CW4 Det 4, 74-75, 3118 Gracefield Rd, Silver Spring, MD 20904, 301-586-8219 per Ron Sowinski

OSBOE, Michael S., DOB: 9DE39 DOD: 21MR2009, E4, 982, Det 4, JN60-MY61, (Sandy), 17451 Grider Pond Rd., Bowling Green, KY 42104, 270-781-0141, mike@bestbusiness.com.



Contacted on 31 January 2003. Mike remembers the HUGE Sergeant at Ankara who processed him to Sinop. He couldn't believe that the Army permitted such an obese person to stay in the military, let alone be a role model for the young soldiers or for the Turks to wonder about. Mike remembers the Sinop RIOT being in May 1961 just before he was transferred to Gutluet Kaserne in Frankfurt, Germany with duty in the I.G. Farben building as a Traffic Analyst and was an expert rider of the paternoster. At Sinop Mike worked as an on-call T/A reporter. He remembers that one of those involved in the 'riot' was kept in the Ops A building until being sent to Det 27. He saw that person at Gutluet Kaserne being transferred to the states. Mike was told that the riot involved horse play and a shoving match at the front gate, but never knew the real reason. See DOOL's 102, 103 and 104 for additional info.

RIDPATH, Roger W., Det 4, 64, 601 Ellington St., Atlanta, GA 75551, 903-796-9088, DOB: 13JL1939 DOD: 18FE2010, 64y, at Atlanta, Cass Co., GA. SSN 498-42-3114 iss Missouri per Ron Sowinski

VAN BROCKLIN, Jim, DOB: 26FE1929 DOD: 24JA2011, 81y, US51337026, E3-SP3, Det 4, FE56-SE56, (Marcia), 39 Therin Dr., Hamburg, NY 14705, 716-649-9232



Jim Van Brocklin



Jim and Marcia Van Brocklin enjoying themselves at the 2002 ASA Turkey reunion at Hershey, PA

Van BROCKLIN - James A. of Hamburg, January 24, 2011. Husband of Marcia (nee Pickles); father of Paul (Maureen) and Eric VanBrocklin; grand-father of Bridget VanBrocklin; brother of Gilbert (Betty) VanBrocklin. Mr. VanBrocklin was a 50 year member of the National Railway Historical Society, Niagara Frontier Chapter, life member of the NRA and member of American Legion Post #527. Jim & Marcia Van Brocklin attended the 2002 and 2003 ASA Turkey reunions. Jim was drafted into the Army and was one of the few to be in the ASA. He arrived in Ankara and rode to Samsun in a Jeep pick-up driven by the Sinop Officer in charge, 1LT Llewelyn P. Rose. Jim served his time in Turkey at Samsun. At Samsun Maj Arthur Lawry was the commander

Dear Elder. As you say "very interesting reading from Al Lindsey". When I got to Ankara in February1956, I went up to Samsun in a small Jeep pickup truck driven by Lt. Llewellyn P. Rose! He was one neat guy.

//// Al Lindsey - I made my first trip to Sinop in 1956, a hurry-up trip to fix some serious problems. We had detachments at both Sinop and Samsun then. There being no other means of transport immediately available (that was before we had airplanes), we made the trip by taxi from Ankara. I wasn't sure for awhile that my \$600 taxi fare was going to be approved. I also made another trip to Sinop in 1965 as part of the CMMI team from Frankfurt. That trip lasted a week and you know how inspection teams are greeted. I don't know who started it but there was a standing rule that on Wednesday nights and major holidays everyone would dress in coat and tie or class 'A' uniform for dinner and attendance was mandatory. Just a little touch of normalcy I suppose. It was very easy to develop a less civilized life styles on the hill as I'm sure you're aware. We had several people who at one time or another get very close to disappearing down a bottle.///

I talked to someone who knew Maj Lawry (CO at Samsun), but don't know his name, and did not see him at dinner. Marcia and I arrived at the 2002 Hershey reunion on Saturday, so we missed a lot. Maybe what we all need is a simple badge with the year in BIG NUMBERS so we can look for people in the same time frame. Then names become more important.

Elder - Marcia and I will be coming to the 2003 Reunion at 7 Springs, PA. Decided to stay off site (less expensive - fixed income).

132 - VAN BROCKLIN, Jim YOB: 1929 Promoted SP3 (E4) on 25AP56 US51337026 Det 4, FE56-SE56, (Marcia), 39 Therin Dr., Hamburg, NY 14705, 716-649-9232, jandmvanb@adelphia.net.

You and Patty did a terrific job with the 2003 reunion arrangements, 7 Springs was a great place, except it felt like a 20 mile hike walking from the 10th floor down to the room were we saw the slides on Friday night. The banquet was excellent, hope you did not have too much beer left over. As I get older - I find I can only have 2 or 3 beers with a dinner, or I wake up in the middle of the night with chest pains, and need to take a NITRO pill. Not too much fun! HANG TOUGH!! Jim Van Brocklin

142 - VAN BROCKLIN, Jim YOB: 1929 US51337026 Promoted SP3 (E4) on 25AP56, Det 4, FE56-SE56, (Marcia), 39 Therin Dr., Hamburg, NY 14705, 716-649-9232, jandmvanb@adelphia.net –

Jim Van Brocklin was one of the ASA early birds in Turkey. He was assigned to Samsun where Maj Lawry was the commander and 2LT Tom Rohner was the other officer at Samsun. 1LT Pat Rose was the officer in charge at Sinop. Hope you and yours had a great Turkey Day, and I don't mean the country!! Our son Eric was going to Pittsburgh to visit some friends, and requested that he stop and check out the Springfield Sporter Outlet in Penn Run, PA which is near Indiana, PA. Found out later that they had closed, and now only sell gun parts, curios and relics. What happened? Last I knew they were only open a few days per week, maybe the paper work and Bullshit got too much!!

(That's exactly what happened). Never too sure about this next part. " HANG TOUGH !! " / or " HANG TUFF !! "

Hi everyone - I am now the 4/4 ths Bionic Man !! Having a lens implant in the right eye, on Wednesday 5-4-05 completed the various replacement problems !! Had 2 By passes on 5-10-2004, Left Knee implant 11-18-2004, Right Knee implant 1-18-2004, and this. The surgery went very well, is painless, and my vision without correction for the right eye - is phenomenal, to say the least !! Jim Van Brocklin

WEBER, Gary Lee, DOB: 9OC1943, DOD: 11FE2011, RA17606570, E3-E4 Photographer Det 4, 14NO62-20OC63, 1268 Hwy 56, Hillsboro, KS 67063, 620-947-0189, triagain@embarqmail.com In DOOL #220

Gary Weber in DOOL #220 sent me an email predicting his death. It came as a shock to Patty and I when we read:

"I was discharged from the hospital last Friday after almost 2 weeks. Bag after bag of IV's and medically doped to the point I did not realize I had been there that long. The diagnosis: Exacerbation of COPD Pneumonia Edema. My feet and legs are so swollen that my feet are cold to the touch compared to my thigh. Too much smoking before I quit 10 years ago. The doctors say nothing can be done. But I found a Chinese business on the Internet that makes herbal medicine for \$89.00. Just as well try and see if it works - what do I have to lose?

I have requested cremation after my death without any services. When could it happen? Who knows.

I just want to thank you for your friendship of many years and hope you have many years left in your life. I have no regrets about my time on earth. Sincerely, Gary Weber"

HILLSBORO - Gary Lee Weber, 67, died Feb. 11, 2011, at his residence. He was born Oct. 9, 1943, in Marion, the son of Leland and Lois (Bell) Weber. He was a graduate of Marion High School and served in the U.S. Army Security Agency. He was retired from the U.S. Department of Defense.

Survivors include sisters, Margaret (Ora) Hett and Barbara (Floyd) Thomas and their families. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Robert Weber.

2011 ASA TURKEY REUNION will be

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8-11 September 2011

Room rate: 82.80 + tax = 90. + hot breakfast

To make reservations: 610-337-2000

And state that you will be attending the ASA Turkey reunion All individual reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card and will not be charged until check out. <u>Anyone can cancel</u> <u>24 hours before scheduled arrival without penalty</u>.

So make your Radisson reservations now.

Getting to the Valley Forge area

There are 6 major highways approaching from virtually every direction. It's served by exits 326 thru 343 of the PA Turnpike (I-76) & I-476. I-95 is nearby. The GPS for the Radisson is: 1160 First Ave., King of Prussia, PA The Hospitality Room will be in Suite 1417

Mike and Jane Comroe who live in nearby Audubon will co-host the Valley Forge reunion

We hope to confirm the entertainment and or a keynote speaker within the next 7-10 days. A bit of information for the March DOOLS. Our hotel is situated in the middle of many biking/walking trails throughout the county and actually go to/from Reading and Philadelphia from Valley Forge. There are numerous trail heads in the area. I've mentioned this for any biking enthusiasts who may be driving and want to spent a day biking. Sorry Biker Bill, only people powered bikes allowed on these trails. ASA lives, Mike

What's on the agenda to do

I suggest that all google Valley Forge for things to do & make your plans ahead of time as there are many historical sites to visit.

- 1. A visit to the QVC studio in West Chester, Pa.
- 2. A bus trip to/from Philadelphia points of interest
- 3. A tour of the 3600 acre Valley Forge National Historical Park & encampment area where General George Washington forged his Continental Army into a fighting force in the winter of 1777-1778
- Visit the King of Prussia Mall. It is the East Coast largest retail shopping mall. It has 8 major department stores & 365 shops & 40 restaurants. It is 3 minutes from the hotel & the hotel vans will take you to/from the mall.

The QVC Studio is a 20 minute/15.05 miles from the Radisson Hotel. It is a popular destination & is a one-of-a-kind guided walking tour thru electronic retailing at its best. You will see QVC programs in progress. The daily tours are every hour on the hour from 10 am to 4 pm Mike & Jane Comroe are working on the details of this visit to QVC.

For those of you not attending, this will be your chance to support the ASA Turkey reunion group by making a donation to the General Fund to Hal Winkler, the ASA Turkey Treasurer, at 12195 Thames Place, Cincinnati, OH., 45241, 513-489-5308

Remember life has a way of accelerating as we get older. At the reunion you will find it rewarding and refreshing to be able to relate your Turk experiences with others and from then on maintain close ties and a feeling of camaraderie with those patriotic ex-ASA'ers who served in Turkey.

MAIL call

ARMSTRONG, Ataturk, 059 Det 27, MY60-JN62, New Bern, NC BALL, Dick, Det 27, JA62-JN63, Lancaster, NY BROOKE, Dennis, 058, Det 27, SE62-3MR64, Naperville, IL GLUBKA, Roger, Det 27, FE64-6AU65, Fort Huachuca, AZ HOUGHTON, Jim, Det 4, 56-67, Johnstown, PA MARTINDALE, Dick, 988RU, Det 4, 64-DE65, Kettle Falls, WA PAUER, Fred, 05K Det 4, 67-68, Augusta, GA SOWINSKI, Ron, 058 Det 4, 20JA62-18DE62, Ryderwood, WA WALTER, George, 05K Det 4, JN72-SE-73, Towaco, NJ WHITMAN, Ken, 058, Det 27, 62-64, Rehoboth Beach

Mail CALL in alphabetical order

ARMSTRONG, Bob (Mitch & Ataturk), YOB: 1940, RA14705416, E3-E5, 059 Det 27, MY60-JN62, (Dorothy), 1007 colony Dr., New Bern, NC 28562, 252-637-2525, no email Ataturk calls me every month about whats going on with the DOOL. He hopes to make the 2011 reunion in Valley Forge, PA.



Ataturk and Dot at the 2002 reunion at Hershey, PA

BALL, Dick, YOB 1942, E4, 341.10, tk#4, Det 27, JA62-JN63, (Debbie), 10 Heritage Dr., Lancaster, NY 14086, 716-685-9129, docpwrball@msn.com

Hi Dave, was reading DOOL #220 and saw that you replaced me at Manzarali. I don't remember who replaced me because I cleared post with a broken ankle.

Broke it in May, released from hospital and then cleared post.

I left with Bob Barlage, also a 341, he and I went thru Fort Gordon TTY school, Manzarali and then to Vint Hill. Lost contact with him after discharge. Have been to a couple of reunions (missed last years) and am planning on attending this years in Valley Forge. It'll be nice to hear from you.....

BROOKE, Dennis, YOB 1943, RA17608528, E3-E4, TK#1, 058, Det 27, SE62-3MR64, (Barbara), 1720 Fender Rd., Naperville, IL 60565, 630-983-7296, vuu73@yahoo.com

Guys,

Happy groundhogs day from here in snowy Naperville, IL. The Blizzard of 2011 went through last night. 20 inches of snow and 50-70 mph winds. Wind chills tonight -30 degrees F. Enjoy the day!

Below is an email I got from a Paul White who was a ditty-bopper on Trick #1 before I got there: Dennis

We don't know each other but I was on trick 1 and rotated back July 24 1962. We knew some of the same people: Ron Hillmer, Walt Dibicki, Lt Ralph Stevens, Dan Nass, Al Lara, Deno, Gene Edwards. These are some of the men I am sure were on trick 1 when you arrived in Det 27 Opns. My name is Paul White and I was the room 1 supervisor for over a year before I came home. After a 45 day leave I went to Camp Wolter, Texas and wished I had stayed in Turkey. I hope these names help.



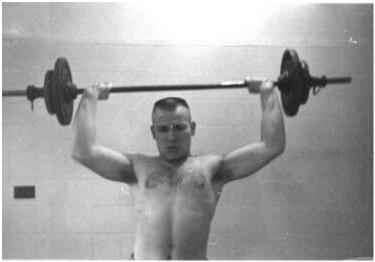
Dan Nass on the Det 27 water tower on post.



Left Walt Dubicki right Ron Hillmer.



Jim Harber - He arrived just before I rotated back.



Another one of Ron Hillmer.

That is all the photos of the guys you would know. I hope this helps. Paul White

GLUBKA, Roger YOB 1944, E1-E3-E1, 72B, Det 27, FE64-6AU65, Fort Huachuca, AZ (Michelle) rglubka@cox.net SFC USA Ret Elder.

You can tell Chuck he can start sending me the DOOL's again , the last one I received was # 219. My new email address is: rglubka@cox.net. Thanks! Roger 'G'

HOUGHTON, Jim, Motor Pool & Construction, E3-E4, Det 4, 56-67, (Sally), 124 Lindberg Ave., Johnstown, PA 15905, 814-255-2431, jeh124@atlanticbb.net Elder, - Please use the following e-mail address jeh124@atlanticbb.net_ Jim

MARTINDALE, Richard K (Dick) RA19761436 BPED 11DE62 ETS 10DE65, E4-E5 988RU, Det 4, 64-DE65, Kettle Falls, WA 99141 (509) 738-2711 64 ADR: Summer, WA, rkmrtndl@hotmail.com 15 Mar 01

From: "rkm" <<u>shuksan58@hotmail.com</u>> I served on the hill from August 1964 until September of 1965. I have many (mostly) fond memories, and will be happy to share with anyone interested. Richard (Dick) K. Martindale Sp/5 Monterey Mary Hi, Elder.

I'm working on a memoir about Turkey, and my time on The Hill (Det 4.). Been trying to learn the name of the CO who took over from Col. Bob "The Silver Fox", Fechtman, April, 1965. Can you point me to a source that has that kind of information? Thanks, Richard K. Martindale

[I don't have that info as I lost that list and have not reconstructed it. DOES ANYONE HAVE THAT INFO. If so, please forward it to me and Dick Martindale]

PAUER, Fred Det 4, 67-68, (Connie), 4032 Dainelle Dr., Augusta, GA 30907, 706-860-6547, fwp19@cs.com or fwp19@aol.com.

Date: Wednesday, February 2, 2011, 1:53 PM

Dear Norman Mau, This DOOL is finally starting to come to me again on a regular basis. Don't know why, but last year seems I got dropped off the mailing list. I saw SFC Garners note in there and this was the first time I had seen someone from the time I was there. We used to call him the Red Baron as he worked in operations and worked our asses off, striping, waxing and buffing the floor there several times a week. Didn't much appreciate it then, but guess it kept us G.I's busy and out of trouble. At any rate, enjoyed the newsletter this time and hope you keep them coming Regards, Fred Pauer, Martinez Ga Ret SFC E7, 1966-88 Retired in 88, finished working on second master degree in counseling and went to work for the South Carolina Dept of Corrections. Moved after 10 years to the Dept of Mental Health and work as a counselor in the Sexual Predator Program. Am married, have 4 children, one still living with me. Like to Scuba dive and also just enjoy life.

PAUER, Fred DOB: 1946, RA11671022, E3-E4, 05K, Det 27 & Det 4 OC67-DE68 4032 Dainelle Dr., Augusta, GA 30907, 706-860-6547, fwp19@aol.com Spouse: Connie



GOODFELLOW AFE LANDING STRIP, GAFE SAN ANGELO, TX, 1966

Contacted 21 May 2003. Very surprised and glad to discuss his tour of duty at Sinop. Enlisted in September 1966 at Cleveland, Ohio for duty with the ASA. Took basic at Fort Dix, then to Fort Devens where he was in ditty-city for a few months and then to nonmorse school. While at Devens he played the big tuba in the ASA Band. Fred was sent to Det 27 for 3 weeks before getting orders for duty at Det 4 with 7 or 8 other 05K's. At Det 4 he did a lot of duck hunting and remembers Sgt Maj Boyette assisting with the duck hunts. Others that he remembers is his roommate, a Russian linguist - Tom Sims who was court martialed, reduced to E4 and dismissed from the ASA for possession and smoking of hash by Col. John O'Conner. Sims was assigned to the Medical Field and was able to make E6 on his first enlistment. Fred also remembers a Charles Drazaba from Boston, MA and a Jim Bones who was a 05K Trick Chief.

After Turkey was sent to Phu Bai in Vietnam for one year, then to Pyongtek (sp?), South Korea where he met and fell in love with a Korean girl. They married - he lost his Top Secret Crypto clearance and was assigned to Fort Huachuca, Arizona as a 05C in the SigC. That marriage ended in divorce and three daughters. Later married Constance and they have a son. Fred retired as a 31Z Master Sergeant, E-8.

Has a PhD in Counseling and Guidance and works South Carolina Department of Mental Health. Promised to write his BIO and send some recent digital photo's for inclusion in the Memory Book

THE ASA BAND AT FORT DEVENS

Sorry this took a while to get back to you regarding my participation in the ASA Band at Fort Devens. I just finished up a week at my timeshare in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Went down to go SCUBA diving, but the two days I could go out, the boat wouldn't take us with six to eight foot seas and a steady 12-15 knot wind coming in from the Southeast, at least I had a chance to go off my diet for a few days and take in some neat entertainment such as the Broadway Musicals and the Scottish dancing. About the band, I got to Devens in November of 1966 and was promptly put on KP duty for what would have been at least an eight to ten week wait, while a slot at Ditty City opened up. I had played the Sousaphone (big tuba) in high school and although admittedly a little rough on remembering the finer points of the instrument, I had heard that ASA had a band and that they were short bass players, so one evening after finishing the ole pots and pans up, I stayed over to listen to them practice, went up to see the OIC (can't remember his name, but a shavetail 2nd Lt.) and told him what I was about. He had the sousaphone player there, lead me to another instrument that was in another room, and brought me down, sat me up against the music stand and let me go to it. Hired me a few minutes later and wound up transferring to that part of the school, the next day. The band as I remember it, led the students to school each day, played around the community and was part of Lt. Col. Millets (the Medal of Honor winner) who was the commander there at the times special troops along with the Minehune (Hawaiian guys who harassed the soldiers who were made to go to the TTC course before going to Nam) platoon. We played several parades including one in Nashua, New Hampshire, where after the parade they opened the bar to us. First time I got puking drunk, so will always have some memory of that occasion. If others were there, I would enjoy hearing from you. I know they got an E-5/6 in just before I left and the Lt. got orders to go, and he wasn't worth a shit as a leader, but only stayed around for a little while after that, so he didn't have much to do with me. Hope this helps. Fred Pauer, Martinez, Georgia

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FLECKENSTEIN, HOWARD T (SINOP - 1956) DECEASED 2007 215 Back Nine Dr White Pine, TN 37890 (865) 674-0966 10-2010 wife says he died in 2007 (telephone call)

BEARDEN, QUINCY A (SINOP - 1965) 487 Skipperville Rd., Ozark, AL 36360, 334-774-2017 10-2010 his wife said he died of alzheimers on feb 23, 2009

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Ken & Judi Whitman sent me an email requesting info on Pamukkale, Turkey and asked if we had ever been there. Yes, we have as have many others that include the late Gene Cram and his wife Phyllis. I've learned that Pamukkale is not the majestic place that it was in 1967 when we visited. Pamukkale is located 12 miles north of Denizli and is Turkeys foremost mineral spa.



Jim & Becky Harber visiting Pamukkale, Turkey in 2008