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# MAIL-call - PRESERVING FORGOTTEN MEMORIES

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Elder RC Green

Your memoirs are most welcome to the ASA Turkey DAYS OF OUR LIVES and is an effort on my part to preserve the stories and memories of Army Security Agency veterans who served in Turkey during the cold war.

I try my best to think out every word in crafting the monthly DOOL's. It's a tough job for me and is very time consuming and with that said – I'd appreciate your feedback. But I can, with certainty state that most will read the DOOL – and say that was okay and walk away with information that would have added to any particular entry. Your comments are always most welcome. Elder RC Green

The 2012 reunion in Pittsburgh promises to be an exciting one, and I want to urge those reading this to join us. Pittsburgh has something for everyone. It has a First class casino alongside the 3 Rivers and museums, arts and many more attractions, you'll never be at a loss for what to do. Mount Washington overlooking the city is well known to be one of the most exhilarating night sites in the world as is the Duquesne incline to Mount Washington.

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The 2012 ASA Turkey reunion will be at the Crown Plaza Hotel in South Pittsburgh at 164 Fort Couch Road. The room rate is \$89 and with taxes, etc comes to \$101.46 which is the best price in the Pittsburgh area. The Crown Plaza is 8 miles from downtown Pittsburgh. On Monday nite (8 Oct) we will have a Turkish kebob buffet style catered into the hospitality room.

The following are suggestions for sites to visit either before or after the reunion while in the Pittsburgh area: The Jimmy Stewart Museum in Indiana, PA., the 7 Springs area, the Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, PA and the Horse Shoe Curve near Altoona, PA to name just a few. Pittsburgh has so many things to see and do. Below is other places that attendees might want to include in their itinerary. Use google to find the details for each.

The Andy Warhol museum

Carnegie Science Center

The Roberto Clemente Museum is the largest collection of Clemente memorabilia in the world. It is located in historic Engine House 25 in Lawrenceville (3339 PENN Ave) and guided tours by appointment only 412-621-1268

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The Benedum Center for the Performing Arts. This historical theater hosts concerts, Broadway musicals and a wide variety of regional, national and international performance arts groups

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The tentative reunion agenda will include the following outings:

#### SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Sunday at NOON – 7 October - - - - The Registration for the reunion will be on the first floor in the Carnegie Room.

#### MONDAY ACTIVITIES

Monday morning – 8 October - - - - The hotel has offered to serve the free breakfast in the Carnegie Room which is the hospitality room at a specific time where everyone can mingle and get to know the others in attendance.

Monday evening – 8 October - - - - A Turkish Kebob buffet style will be catered into the hospitality room by the Turkish FEZ restaurant in Pittsburgh. The details and cost will be in the July DOOL.

#### TUESDAY ACTIVITIES

Tuesday morning – 9 October - - - - Free buffet breakfast

Tuesday morning – 9 October - - - - Car pool to the Rivers Casino which is located next to Heinz Field (Home of the Pittsburgh Steelers) and park in the FREE parking garage and then proceed to the casino lobby where each will be provided an ID card for use in playing the slot machines. Patty and I are not big gamblers, but recently spent an afternoon at a NY casino and since we were first time visitors there – were each given a ID card and a FREE \$15 to play. We played the 3 cent slots and went home with \$26. Of course we could have won more or lost more. After playing the slots we enjoyed an excellent buffet style dinner in one of the 4 restaurants therein.

If you've never been to a casino this will be an experience. The Rivers Casino features nearly 3000 slot machines that are completely different than the one arm bandits that we played in the NCO clubs in Turkey. Also in the casino is 86 table games, a night club and a 1000-seat riverside amphitheater, live music performances. Free parking and multiple promotions and giveaways daily. I definitely recommend checking it out. It offers an interesting alternative activity for something to do on a Tuesday morning. All casino's allow smoking in the gambling area, but wasn't bad and we went home without cigarette odor on our clothes.

Tuesday evening – 9 October - - - - DINNER ATOP MOUNT WASHINGTON at the LeMont Restaurant. The menu and cost is being negotiated and will be included in the July DOOL.

No visit to Pittsburgh is complete without a stop atop Mt. Washington to view the amazing view of Pittsburgh especially at night. USA Today Weekend Magazine calls it the "second most beautiful view in America. To get to Mt. Washington we will ride up/down on the Duquesne incline which is a beautifully restored cable car used by commuters since 1877. There is no charge to ride the incline, but the capacity is 23

### WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

Wednesday morning, 10 October - - - Free buffet breakfast

Wednesday afternoon, 10 October - - Nothing planned.

Wednesday evening -- The banquet will be in the Laurel Ballroom and times, etc is being worked on at this time.

I am presently in the process of selecting the speakers and entertainment for after the dinner. As most know Pittsburgh is known as a City of Champions and as such I have been in contact with the Pittsburgh Steelers, Pittsburgh Penguins and Pittsburgh Pirates to coordinate the contacts.

### THE REUNION ROSTER AS OF 5/31/2012

ASPINWALL, Paul, Det 4, 65, Madison, WI

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GREENE, Ralph & Carol, Indiana, PA

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PARSONS, Fred & Margaret, Det 4, 58-59, Iuka, IL

STEFFEN, Arnold & Janet, Det 4, 58-59, Jackson, TN

WENGER, Barry & Sharon, Det 27, 60-61, North Bloomfield, PA

WHITMAN, Ken & Judy, Det 27, 52-64, Rehoboth Beach, DE

WINKLER, Hal & Bobbi, Det 4, 60-61, Cincinnati, OH

### THE FOL IS A SHORT STORY OF 2 DISTINGUISHED ASA TURKEY VETERANS



Charles J. Bierbauer



Joe Tait

Above is two ex-Russian Linguists who served at TUSLOG Det 4 in 62-63 who after their tour on the 'hill' built successful careers in the 'on-air' broadcast fields. Both were instrumental in

getting the clandestine radio station at SINOP operating. The name of the station was KBOB. It is interesting to note that Bierbauer's mother sent them a printed letterhead that read:

KBOOK  
Voice of the Hilltop

Both are now retired. Charles Bierbauer was for years a highly respected broadcast journalist for CNN and later was the Dean of Journalism at South Carolina University. Joe Tait was the voice of the Cleveland Indians for 17 years, the head broadcaster for the New Jersey Nets and Chicago Bulls for one year each and the voice of the Cleveland Cavaliers for 28 years (1983-2011).

Before enlisting in the ASA Bierbauer graduated from Penn State, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Russian. His ASA enlistment contract was for language training at Monterey. There he met Joe Tait and both completed the Russian curriculum and upon completion were sent to Det 4 in Sinop, Turkey. Bierbauer arrived in Sinop in early 1962 did a lengthy TDY assignment to Peshawar, Pakistan, in the middle of his tour. It was in 1962 that Bierbauer and Tait built the closed circuit radio station and wired the small hilltop ASA base to receive "KBOOK" a name they derived from the Turkish "bokmak". Both left the army as Spec 5's after their three year enlistment.

To learn more these two distinguished ex-ASAers use google.com or ask.com and simply type Charles J. Bierbauer or Joe Tait for informative reading

Charles Bierbauer is married to Susanne Schafer, formerly the Pentagon correspondent for the Associated Press. He has four children and six grandchildren. He was the guest speaker at the Myrtle Beach reunion. I spoke to Joe Tait about attending the 2012 reunion and being the guest speaker. His reply was that it all depends on the health of his wife.

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The above photo was taken at the 2005 reunion in San Antonio, TX. By the smile on Turk's face and that of the young Belly Dancer he was having a great time as was all of those at the Turkish restaurant.

More or less like clockwork – like he does every month - Ataturk called me on 21 May 2012 for an update on what's happening with me and how the DOOL is doing. He informs that he keeps in touch with Harold Probart, Vic Pryor & Chuck Kindermann and hopes that they can get together at the 2012 reunion in Pittsburgh. Turk just turned 72 years of age. While in Turkey – Turk was known to have the best handlebar mustache at Det 27.

DUDA, Stephen A., YOB: 1947, 76P, SP5, Det 4, JN70-JN71, (Kathleen), 1403 Blvd Rt 50, Mays Landing, NJ 08330, 609-625-5429, [capt.s@iwon.com](mailto:capt.s@iwon.com)

I saw your post in the American Legion magazine for reunion of former members of ASA in Turkey. I was stationed in Sinop in 1970. Can you supply more info. Thanks Steve

GLASER, Jerry, DOB: 1940, RA15612661, E3-E4, 056, Det 4, MY60-MY61, (Joan), 1211 Lake Rise Overlook, Gallatin, TN 37066, 615-431-0192



I'm not sure if the above address and email is still valid. The above photo I copied from Facebook. I first contacted Jerry in January 2003 and learned that he completed 058 school at Devens, then was sent to Direction Finding (056) schooling for 8 or so weeks and then in May 1960, as a 19 year old native Kentuckian, received orders for assignment to Det 4. Jerry Glaser has many memories of his year at Sinop that included being bitten by a rabid dog at the point DF site where he worked the straight hoot-owl shift, having mononucleosis and being amid the 1961 RIOT while in the Det 4 dispensary.

The day of the 1961 RIOT is very vivid in his memory. He was on the final day of his two week mono stay at the Det 4 dispensary when a severely wounded Turk and several beat-up GI's were rushed into the infirmary where medic Pete Castigliano and Doctor (Captain) Roger P. Rietz were on duty. Jerry Glaser was a short-timer and now found himself in the middle of a life or death situation and this was not the way he wanted to remember his tour of duty at Sinop. Dr Rietz examined the wounded Turk and brought him out of shock. Neither Pete Castigliano or Jerry Glasser can remember the identity of the two injured GI's. The head of one of the injured was prepped and shaved by Pete and later required over 100 stitches. We now know that that was Eddie Wood. The other GI is believed to be Biff O'Hara. Jerry Glaser remembers Dr Rietz yell, "GLASER get the ambulance and drive CASTIGLIANO to the Sinop hospital." At the time Glaser was a 20 year old and knew that time was a matter of life or death for the Turk as he maneuvered the ambulance thru a mob armed with Springfield rifles and rocks - most were shouting while others were just standing around, smoking and shaking their fists. The Turks had more or less taken over the post. It didn't take them long to understand the gravity of the situation and the visions of what was yet to come grew more ominous. During the hectic trip to the Sinop hospital, the two decided that they should get the 'heck' back to Diogenes Station without delay after the Turk was in the hands of the Sinop hospital staff. Needless to say, the details of their short stay at the Sinop hospital is fuzzy in their mind, but they do remember the return trip up the hill. By then the Sinop Turks were in a frenzy but Glaser and Castigliano tried to not be distracted by the creeping ugliness - a truck load of Turk workers was on the scene and they piled off the truck and began jumping on the ambulance and trying to block their path, but Jerry kept the ambulance moving until they reached the gate. Many long minutes passed, and the rioters showed no signs of letting up as angry fists banged on the hood, the doors, the sides and the rear door was opened and a Turk soldier put a bayonet to Pete's throat. Neither remembers who or how many GI's were at the

gate at that time. They were made to get out of the ambulance and were surrounded by Turks and their bolt-action Springfield rifles lowered in their direction. Jerry Glaser remembers thinking, "Oh my God, I'm dead. Their anxiety was somewhat relieved when a young Turk Navy Lieutenant arrived and took control and command of the potential deadly situation. The Turk lieutenant told them to get back in the ambulance and get it back to the dispensary - they finally got clear of the insanity -- about 20 minutes had passed and they didn't know if the situation would get worse. Neither remembers where Col Cox was at this time, but others have recalled that he was riding around post in his jeep. I have not determined if this was the same Turk lieutenant that Charlie Eberhard described. Glaser says that he never did find out who provoked the incident, maybe it was ... Jerry remembers Churchill (heavy set, and dark haired MP who he had known from the EM Club prior to the riot), Charlie Eberhard and Biff O'Hara, but not Eddie Wood or Bruce Mondale. Jerry believes that O'Hara was from the Chicago area and not Cincinnati because he lived across the Ohio River from Cincinnati and would have remembered O'Hara because of it. However, when reminded that Charlie Eberhard identified Bruce Mondale as being from Blue Moon, Minnesota and that it was Hubert Humphrey who got involved in this matter - did - Jerry Glaser rethink that it might not have been O'Hara who was yelling and screaming, for unknown reasons, into the dispensary saying that his mother knew a Senator who would be told about this incident. That person kept ranting and raving and Jerry thought that that person had gone wacko. Jerry also remembers that several bloodied GI's had to be treated because of injuries during the RIOT and observed one with severe wounds to the scalp area. Jerry Glaser was discharged from the hospital on that fateful date and went back to the barracks and shortly thereafter departed Det 4 for duty at Ft Bragg, NC where he made E5 before his ETS.

GREEN, Randy, brat, Det 27 & 4-4, JN66-NO68, currently stationed at RAF Lakenheath AFB in the UK.

Hello Family!

I guess it's been awhile since I sent a family update on life in the UK, sorry- we've been busy little bees lately! Just returned from our trip to Paris! We went for a week during the boys spring break from school. We took the Eurotrain from London to Paris. The train was far more costly than flying if you can believe it, but so much more enjoyable. I paid for the upgrade in seating, so we had the large seats with a table. It was so nice to relax, have croissants and juice, coffee served while looking out the window at the beautiful French countryside! Worth every extra penny (or pound, I should say!). We spent a ridiculous amount of money going to Disneyland Paris for one day, and it rained the whole time we were there. Paris was amazing, the boys loved climbing the Eiffel Tower- yes, we climbed it! There was a 3+ hour wait for the lift, so we decided to take the stairs up! But their favorite part of the trip, believe it or not, was our guided tour through the Louvre!

Before leaving, I reserved this private tour with a guide- she's an American living in Paris the past 5 years and she has a PhD in Art History. She created this fun "treasure hunt" for the boys, so while walking through the Louvre, they would be hunting for things. She also gave the best explanation of many of the works of Art, she made it so interesting and fun! We all learned so much, she was truly the highlight of our trip.

Paris is such a beautiful city- everywhere you look, it's just breathtaking. We hope to go again before we leave. For those of you on Facebook, take a look at my photo album on my Facebook page of the trip. I'll also attach a few to this email.

We were so happy to have Matthew visit us, if only for a short time! Matt took a week off from work to vacation in London and Paris with his friend, but made a brief visit with us here in Mildenhall- we wish he could have stayed longer!!! The boys loved having their cousin, and we loved giving him a little taste of British life! Maybe we'll get more visitors... ;)

Randy is continuing to stay busy with work, and the boys are both doing well in school, and playing soccer. Parker is all registered for his sophomore year for next year- he chose a tough schedule of coursework, lots of Honors and AP classes. He's definitely on the fast track to college, thank goodness! ;) I'm still doing tons of volunteer work, but it's fun, I've made lots of really great friends here. I just returned from a girl's trip in March to Ireland- went with a group of 12 friends to Belfast and Dublin, we had a great time. Next girlfriend trip is this month to Barcelona, Spain!

Our upcoming family trips are- Garmisch, Germany the end of May, the boys will miss a few days of school for this. We'll be staying at the Edelweiss Lodge, an American military facility, so this trip will be slightly Americanized. We'll fly into Munich, then take the train to Garmisch. In June, we are taking another big trip to Greece! It was our favorite trip last year, so the boys begged repeatedly to do this again, so I guess I gave in! We'll fly into Athens, and take a bus tour to Argolis (we'll see the Corinth Canal and the Poseidon Temple- cool stuff!). Then, a ferry ride to Santorini island for 3 days and then Naxos island for another 3 days...can't wait!!! In July, my friend Mica, from Tucson will be staying with us for a week- her husband got stationed here, so she's coming to house hunt. Then the end of July we are going to Cinque Terre, Italy!! It's a coastal area with 5 towns all lined up next to the sea. We'll fly into Pisa, stay 4 days in Cinque Terre, then 3 days in Pisa where we will rent a car and drive around Tuscany. Nice! In August, we got tickets to the Olympics!!!! We'll be going to the Women's Bronze Medal game.

Then the boys start school again, and we will be in our last year here. Parker says he's ready to go back to the States- but Randy, Tyler and I are loving it here and wouldn't mind if we stayed longer. We'll have to wait and see, I guess. I'm hoping our Greece and Italy trips will put some color back in our skin- we are all turning pasty white from lack of sun! The weather the past couple of months has been horrible- classic England- wet, rainy, dreary, overcast pretty much all the time. I'm seriously considering getting one of those therapy lights. Well, hope everyone is doing great- we miss you all and love you all very much!! Blimey, mates...come visit us! ;) Cheers! Love, Jackie

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Ken Gunn saw my ASA Turkey reunion notice in the American Legion magazine and called for additional details. He is a retired E8 and informed that he was in the ASA for less than 1 year. Grad from 058 school and sent to Sinop, Turkey in February 1957. He absolutely hated Sinop and wanted out of the ASA. Was transferred to Germany. Spent 20 years in the Army and retired in 1976.

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Luthermac, Ashlee and Edna Jones enjoying all that Savannah has to offer.

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Chuck,

What a FANTASTIC job you do with DOOL. I really appreciate all the work you put into it. I was at Manzarali Station, Det 27, from January 63-April 65.

Again, THANKS for your work.. Jim Kidle, SFC Ret (76)

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Hey Elder, I'm a little tardy but just wanted to thank you for putting my bio. in the last DOOL. I hadn't seen it for awhile and it was fun to read it again. I appreciate it. God Bless, Jon ASA

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Just to drop you a note.... My name is Robert S. Margel Sr. I was stationed in Sinop, TUSLOG Det 4- Sept. 72-Sept 73 I came upon your site and loved reading all the stories. I can't seem to find anything past Sept. of 2011, are there any for 2012?



I arrived at the "Hill" Sept/72. It was a dark rainy night. I still remember the smell. Seeing animal driven carts was a shock. What was I getting myself into? That night they pulled a soldier out of the Black Sea. He had been missing for three days. Ruled a suicide. Being a Yeni..... I was spared from retrieving the body. I was an MP. I guess things would get better from there.

Thanks for making this site. Just a shout out to Jay Goodman....  
If you want more stories and/or pictures.. let me know.

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Green Hornet. Thanks for the reply inclosed find my info;

Thanks, Chuck McCleary

Hope to hear from you again..

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Carole and I had dinner with a couple of our ASA friends.. Mike and Jane Comroe. Here is the picture we had the waitress take. We were at a restaurant in Conshohocken, Pa..



Also had a nice bottle of Raki(Turkish)

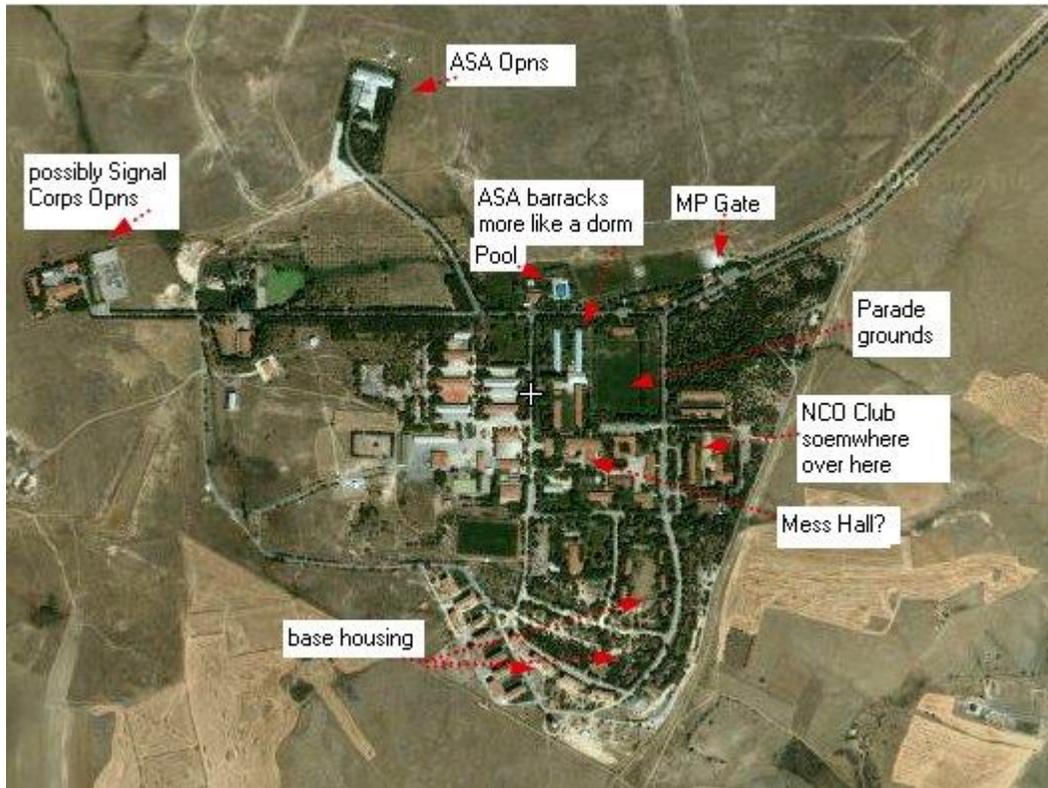


Above is Max Putter at the 2008 reunion at Norfolk, VA. Beginning with the 2007 reunion at Myrtle Beach and continuing thru the 2011 reunion at Valley Forge Max has made hats for all attendees.

See you in Oct, Max

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Just wanting to let you know Janet and I are looking forward to the 2012 reunion and have made our reservations today. Looking forward to seeing you and Patty in October.  
Arnold Steffen

STEWART, Robert W., (Bob), YOB: 1947, RA, 05HDet 27, 67-68 & 4-4, 68-69, 738 Turkey Creek, Alachua, FL., 32615, 386-462-4801, [gogators738@windstream.net](mailto:gogators738@windstream.net)  
I saw your announcement in my June issue of the American Legion magazine about a reunion for ASA (Army Security Agency) folks who served in Turkey. I was in Ankara (TUSLOG Det 27 from 1967-68 and at Karamursel Air Station, Det 4-4 68-69. Can you give me some details about this reunion?

I got your phone message but will need to call you later. I have been trying to locate these folks who also served in Turkey with me. Did you know any of these guys?

Phil Taggart, Tom Miller, Greg Kearney, Larry Carter, Jerry Wilson, Jack McHale, Rick Nolan, Dave Baker, Dennis Mallory, Jesse Watson, Howell Lovall III, Rick Myers, Bill Ore, John (Clay) Lifo, Jerry Smothers, Tex Launer, Bob Wyman, Richard Toben, Charley Messner, Doug Woodyard, Rex Snyder, Bryant Hunter, Edgel Whitaaker, Swift (Don't have his first name and can't remember it), Willoughby (Same as above).

What a pleasant surprise to receive this email. Do I remember them? Of course I do!! I called Bob Stewart and had a lengthy chat with him regarding his tour at Manzarali (Det 27) and at Karamursel (Det 4-4). I informed him that I had LOST the Det 27 and 4-4 Master Rosters and sent him my website and he promised to read all the DOOL's and track down those not found and persuade them all to attend the reunions.

TAIT, Joe H., E4-E5, 988RU, Det 4, 62-63, 7250 Coon Club Rd., Medina, OH 44256, 330-722-0664, no email. SEE Joe Tait-1, Joe Tait-2 & Joe Tait-3 attachments.



Found that Joe Tait was a ex-Det 4'er per Charles Bierbauer and gave him a call and

we had a very interesting chat. He recalls and cherishes his ASA and 'HILL' days like it was yesterday. While on the HILL assisted in building the closed circuit radio station and wired the base to receive "KBOK" a name we derived from the Turkish "bokmak". Joe Tait and Charles Bierbauer used to do play-by-play softball and basketball games at Det 4. Joe Tait was the voice of the Cleveland Indians for 17 years. During those 17 years the Tribe only had three winning years and the best of that was three games over .500. But he had some memorable moments. He broadcast three no-hitters by Dennis Eckersly, Len Barker and Dick Bosman. Those were obviously the highlights. Working with Herb Score, however, was a real treat. Herbie and I – there's guys who get together in broadcasting that are just simpatico. It works. A lot of guys it's OK, you do your job. But sometimes you get together with another broadcast partner and it just clicks. And that's the way it was with Herbie and me. Joe Tait began his radio career while a student at Monmouth College in Illinois, doing play-by-play on the college radio station and sports reports on WRAM. After his discharge taught sportscasting at Ohio University from 1966-1968, becoming the network voice of Indiana University football and pre-game host of Indiana Pacers basketball in 1969. In 1970 Joe Tait began his longtime association with the Cleveland Cavaliers. In 1987, he was named vice president of broadcast services, a job that he continues in 2004.

When asked how much basketball has changed since he started doing NBA games? His reply, "Light years! Eons!" It used to be, back in the old days, toward the end of the season, when we were on the bus ride to the airport to go on a commercial flight, the talk toward the end of the campaign was 'Does anybody know where I can get a summer job?' Now, of course, we're on a bus going to our private plane and the talk is, 'I've got my camp here and I'm going to the Players Association soiree in San Tropez' and so on and so forth. Money has changed it all. Free agency and money. I like the old days. But then again, I'm an old guy. Old people have a tendency to like that which has passed. It takes some getting used to because it is hip-hop, above-the-rim basketball. But, without doubt, the athletes today are more talented, stronger, faster. Not necessarily smarter. And maybe not as determined or devoted to the game as the old guys were.

Joe started out in broadcasting doing Monmouth College football and Bill Fitch started out at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and he used to scout for the Coe football team before basketball started. In that conference -- there were only two towns that were broadcasting games at that level -- so whenever Joe Tait saw Fitch he'd use him as his halftime guest. Fitch used to tease the hell out of him during those interviews. Fitch would say 'How can you make that lousy football team sound so exciting?' Tait's reply was because he's having fun and enjoying it. So Fitch went his way and Tait went his and they saw each other a few times over the years. So when they put the Cavaliers together, and Fitch was named first head coach, they had a meeting to determine who was going to be the play-by-play announcer. Bob Brown had done the first seven games, but he was Nick Mileti's private secretary and couldn't do both jobs, so they had to find somebody.

The low-down on how Joe Tait became the voice of the Cleveland Cavaliers Bill Fitch knew the team was going to be horrible; they lost their first seven games rather convincingly. He told the owner: "I know a guy' back in Monmouth, IL who could make a

terrible football team sound exciting. Fitch didn't where Tait was, but assured the boss that he'd find him and offer him the job. At the same time, Tait had seen that Bill Fitch had been named as Head Coach of the Cleveland Cavaliers, so he sat down and wrote him a note, saying "Congratulations, Bill. Don't know if you remember me or not. Delighted to see that you are in the big time. You deserve it. Thanks a lot. P.S. If you ever need someone to do for the Cleveland Cavaliers what I did for the Fighting Scots, give me a call. Sincerely, Joe Tait" Sent it. Forgot it. Outside of doing the U. of Indiana football Tait wasn't doing any play by play. He was managing a station in Terre Haute. Anyway, the day of the meeting was the day the letter arrived and two days later Joe Tait was here for the home opener and the rest, as they say, is history as Joe Tait has been the voice of the Cavaliers for over three decades. When the 2004-05 season tips off, Joe Tait will return for his 33rd season as the voice of the Cleveland Cavaliers. As the team's radio play-by-play announcer, Tait is one of the most recognizable and popular members of the Cavaliers and he is synonymous with the team itself. In 1981, Joe Tait left Cleveland to become the radio play-by-play announcer of the New Jersey Nets. A year later he handled the play-by-play of Chicago Bulls games on Sportsvision, the team's cable-TV outlet, and broadcast the CBS Radio College Game-of-the-Week. Tait returned to the Cavs' radio post in 1983.

Throughout his broadcasting career, Tait has been honored with countless awards, among them being elected to the Monmouth College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1991, the Media Hall of Fame by the Sports Media Association of Cleveland and Ohio (S.M.A.C.O.) and to the Broadcasters Hall of Fame in October 1992. In the summer of 2001, he was inducted into the Cleveland Sports Legends Hall of Fame and the Lorain Sports Hall of Fame. He was also inducted into the Cleveland Press Club Hall of Fame in September of 2003. Tait was named the 2002 "Sportscaster of the Year in Ohio." He also received the honor in 1974, 1976, 1978, 1991, 1996 and 1999. He was elected to the Broadcasters Hall of Fame in 1992 and to the Cleveland Sports Legends Hall of Fame in 2001. The Broadcasters Hall of Fame also gave the C.S. Williams Founders Awards for long and meritorious service in broadcasting to Tait in 1996. In the fall of 1996, Tait was named to the Board of Trustees for Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, where he has been the TV voice of the Purple Raiders for 16 seasons. When asked which he liked best, the old or new basketball. He replied, "I like the old days. But then again, I'm an old guy. Old people have a tendency to like that which has passed. It takes some getting used to because it is hip-hop, above-the-rim basketball today."

Joe's wife was an expert in the thoroughbred horse field. She used to be a trainer at Thistledown for 12 years until she got her hips replaced and she couldn't get down to work on the horse's legs anymore. So she had to give it up. There were a few years where we didn't work with the horses but she really missed it a lot so we're back in the breeding business.

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Andy called and reports that his wife is now in a Nursing Home and that he is planning to attend the ASA Turkey reunion in Pittsburgh.

WALCHER, Steve, YOB 1949, E3-E5, Det 4, 69-70, (Gloria) 4527 Butler Dr., Decatur, IL 62526, 217-422-3086, [steve@comcast.net](mailto:steve@comcast.net)

Hi Elder, I have found another Sinop GI. His name is Greg Welty and he said to place him on the reunion list. I sent him a couple of the last DOOL's to review. I don't have a phone number but I did ask him for it. You can reach him at [welty3@comcast.net](mailto:welty3@comcast.net). I was his replacement on the hill in January 1969. If I get his number before you reach him, I will forward it to you. Steve

WALTERS, William P (Bill), YOB: 1938, 1LT-CPT, AIS, Det 27 & 4-4, DE65-JL68 & COL, CDR Det 4, 86-87, (Susan), 226 October Glory Dr., Wallace, NC., 28466, 910-665-1248, cell 910-391-2267, [willpwalters@charter.net](mailto:willpwalters@charter.net)

Elder, Great to hear from you. Our home phone is 910 665 1248 and my cell phone is 910 391 2267. Susan and I both retired and had a new home built in a development here in Wallace NC. We moved in January of 2011 and are truly enjoying life...Bill called nad we reminisced about the days we knew each other at Det 27 and 4-4 when he was a 1LT and Captain. Bill later made Full Bird Colonel and was the commander at Det 4 in 1986-87. I requested that he come to the Pittsburgh reunion and be one of the Guest speakers. More later.

WELTY, Greg Det 4 68-JA69, [welty3@Comcast.net](mailto:welty3@Comcast.net) per Walcher  
Greg – Please send me your YOB, RA number, rank at Det 4 along with dates, phone Number and a brief BIO that I will include in a future DOOL.

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Jack Wilson was the Comm Ctr officer at Det 27 and is still good friends with Bill Walters. I called Jack and got the current address for Colonel Bill Walters.

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Hey Elder: I served with the Signal Corp Det 66 outside Ankara from 60 to 63. Any similarity? Dick Woodman

My reply: Merhaba, Yes - we consider Det 66 as eligible to attend our reunion. Det 66 was co-located with Det 27 at Manzarali and we have several fm Det 66 and 66-1 which was located at Sinop with ASA's Det 4 attend the reunions. To read the details of the 2012 reunion go to my website at <http://dool-1.tripod.com>

Does the name KEN BALDWIN ring a bell in your memory of Manzarali. Ken Baldwin was and still is a folk hero of sorts at Det 66. If U recall it was a no no to get involved in Black Market activities - In short - Baldwin got caught and served 7 years in the Sinop prison and then was banished to Kusadasi for 3 years. To refresh your memory click on 134, 136, 144, 155 and 157 and read Daryl Waite's entries. He was a SP4 at Det 66 Dec 63 -Jan 65 Please send me your phone # and I'll give U a call- -gH (Green Hornet)

On 29 May 2012 I called Woody and had an interesting chat with him. He was born in 1941 at Buffalo, NY. Enlisted in November 1959. Took basic at Fort Knox and AITat Fort Monmouth,NJ where he was awarded PMOS 289.10 (Fixed plant equipment repairman). His first assignment was to Det 66 at Manzarali Station in early 1960 and lived in the below Det 66 barracks.



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