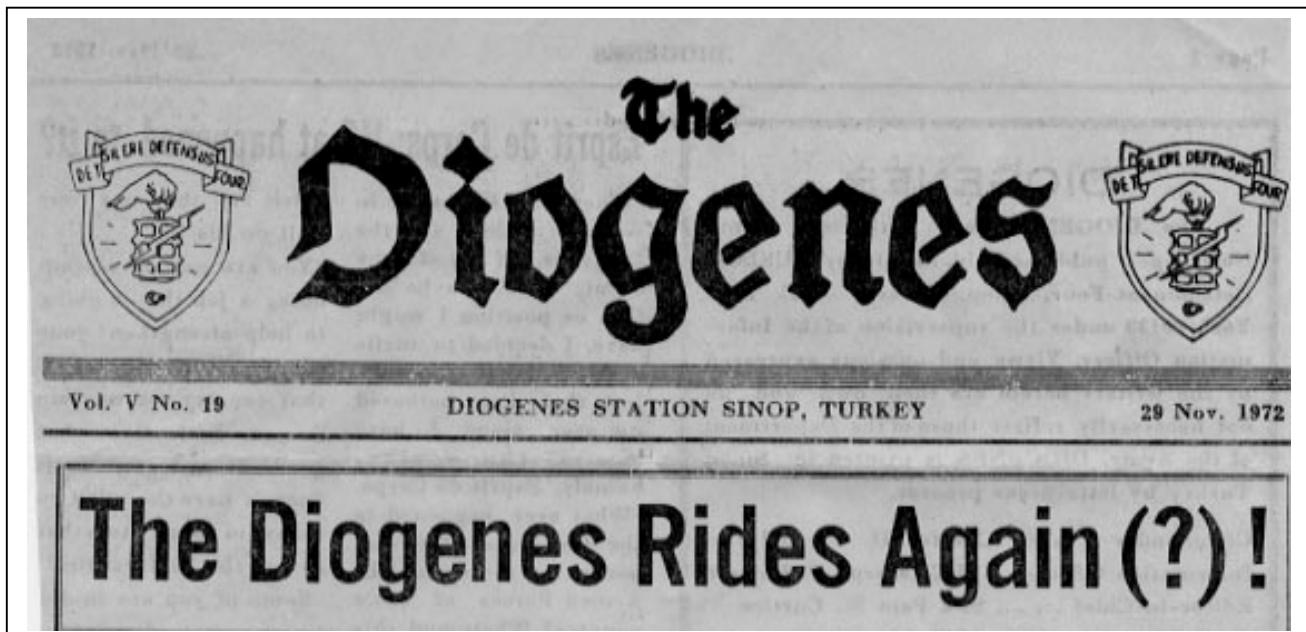


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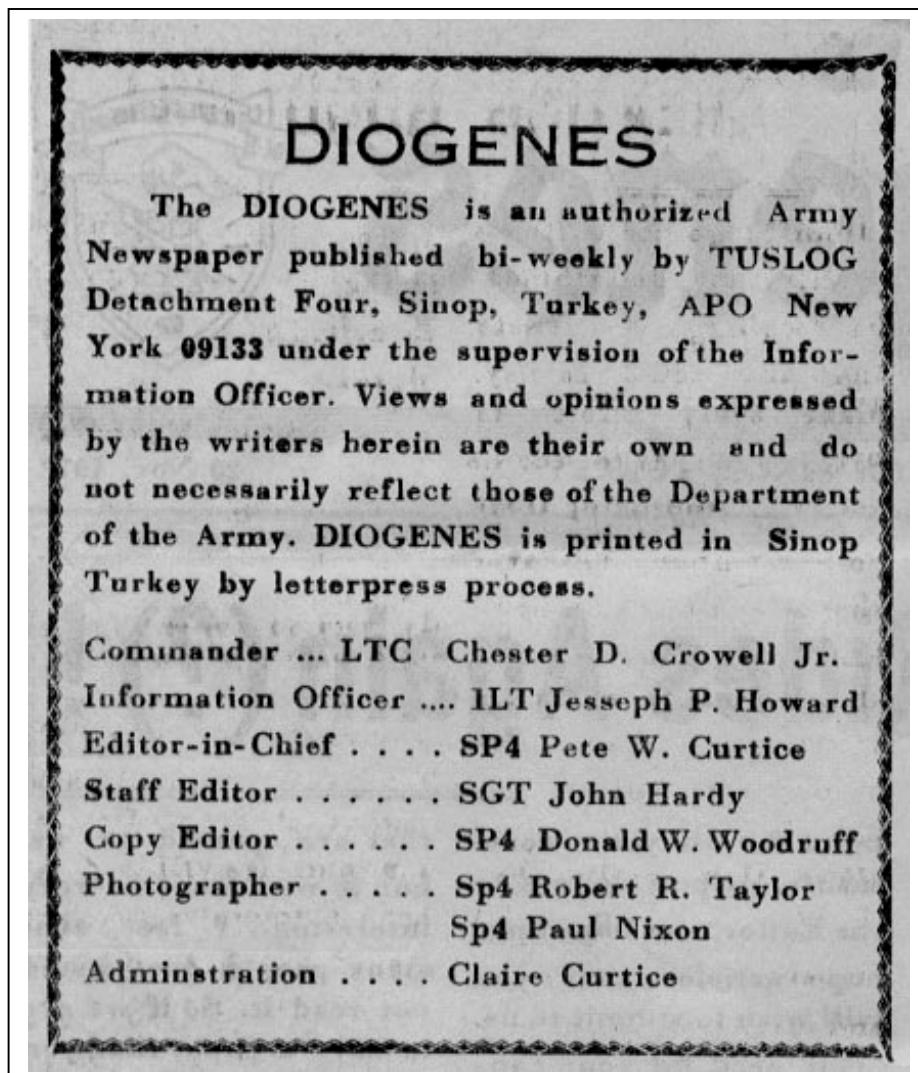
Well sports fans and athletic supporters, the local campus paper has managed to survive its latest crisis. (?). If you glance at page two, you will notice a couple of new names in the line up. I have stepped in to take over for old Weird Harold as Editor in Chief. Sgt John Hardy (no relative to Oliver) has taken over for Keith McCormick as Staff Editor. Along with Don Woodruff, we hope to keep the D I O G E N E S going and to present you the news items we think that you want to see. !!!!! We can do this only if you tell us whatyou would like to see in your paper. That is why we soon hope to have a drop point for all your commets, gripes, letters to the Editor, and hope upon hope articles that you will wish to submit to us. Our need for your support is a constant theme around our office. We cannot have a paper when there is nothing to print. We could fill the paper with all the official items that are passed to us, but it would not be very interesting. I feel that many people just would not read it. So if we are to have a paper that you will want to read and look forward to seeing, YOU, the reader, will, have to let us know what you want to see. SP4 Peter Curtice

MAIL-call - PRESERVING FORGOTTEN MEMORIES

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. My goal is to collect and to preserve the stories -- Someday someone, perhaps our grandkids or great grandkids or genealogy buffs will want to know what we did in our early lifetime. Life has a way of accelerating as we get older. The days get shorter, and the list of promises to ourselves gets longer. Most of us live on a sparse diet of promises we make to ourselves when all the conditions are perfect! One morning, we awaken, and all we have to show for our lives is a litany of "I'm going to," "I plan on," and "Someday, when things are settled down a bit." –

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GREEN, Elder RC.,(aka Al & gH), YOB 1936 RA13513638 982 E7 Det 27, 1-15MY61, Det 120, MR-MY65, Det 27, JN66-OC67., Det 4-4, OC67-NO68, (Patty), 3094 Warren Road., Indiana, PA 15701, 724-349-7395, asagreenhornet@yahoo.com



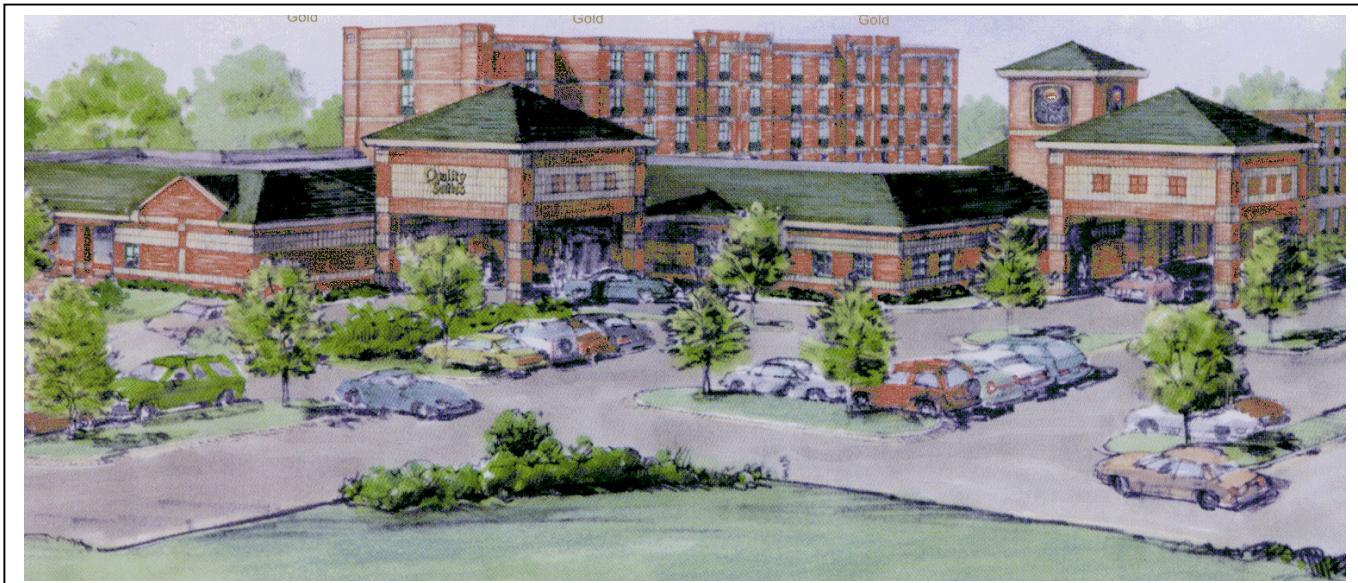
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The hardest part of our planning is what attraction has to be skipped for lack of time. Norfolk is that kind of place. The agenda is being fine tuned and will be listed in DOOL#184. I'm toying with the idea to hold the reunion meal on Tuesday, 30

September at the Lake Wright ballroom and go on a dinner cruise on Wednesday, 1 October up the Elizabeth River on the Spirit of Norfolk

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Additional details and the agenda will be listed in DOOL#184. In the interim go to www.lakewrighthotel.com and

TAPS

BUCKLEY, Thomas N MSG Det 4, 85

MSG Thomas N. Buckley Sr, passed on February 14, 2003 to lung cancer and now resides on a beautiful hill at Culpeper National Cemetery overlooking a stream.

CARROLL, Freddie O YOB February 1941 DOD November 1976 in Louisiana, RA18573937 E3-E5 059 Det 27, 59-7DE61 per Buck Simmons

RYAN, Vincent E7 Sig Maint Det 4, 72-73 deceased per Juttie Jones

WILLIAMSON, William C (Willie) DOB 29 January 1938 DOD 10 August 1996 RA14712941 E3-E5 982.10 Det 27, 61-63 per SO#112 dtd 17AU61 per Buck Simmons

MAIL call names – In alphabetical order

ANDREWS, Frank, MP Det 4, SE59-OC60

BAILEY, Jack, 059 P2 Tk#1 Det 27, SE61-20JN63

BULLOCK, Albert, 05H, Det 4-4, 68-69 &73-75

CANBY, Dave, 98GBU, Det 27 & 4-4, DE66-23DE68

CARSTON, Pete, 981/982 Det 4, JL63-JN64

COOPER, Rebecca L. (DeValois) Det 4, SE90-NO91

FEICK, Phil, 71L, Det 27, NO64-MY67

FOSTER, Larry, Det 4, 64-65

FRICKEY, Norm, CO Det 4-4, 70-72

FUNKHOUSER, Dick, 982, Det 4, 64-65

GOODMAN, Jay, MP Det 4, 72-73

GREENE, Cecil, 058, Det 4, 58

GROLEMUND, Larry, 059 Det 4, 63-64

HARBER, Jim, Det 27, 52-63

HARRIS, Bill, Det 27, 61-62

HEFLIN, Troy A Jr Det 27, 65-67

JONES, Juttie, Det 4, 72-73

JONES, Luther Mack, 058, Det 27, MR63-AU64

KENNARD, Bill, Det 4, 76-77

KNOTT, Bob, Det 27, 65-67

LOWE, John, 723 Det 27, JA62-JN63

MITZNER, Dennis, 988RU, Det 4, 68-69

MONTGOMERY, Max, Det 27

MURRAY, Jerry, 272, Det 4, JL59-JL60

MUSGROVE, Freddy, Det 27, JN63-NO65

MYERS, Ralph, Det 4, 72-73

NOVACHECK, Lou, Det 4, 81-82

PRUITT, Bill, Det 4, 64-64 & 76-77

RICHTER, Ralph YOB 1944 E5 05K Det 27, NO66-NO67

SIMMONS, Buck, Det 27, 61-62
SINOR, Walt, 732, Det 27, 62-63
SMITH, Ed, 05K, Det 4, 67-68
SPENCER, Frank, Det 4, 72-73
THADEUS, Ralph, Editor of the ASA Interceptor
VANNOY, Claude, Det 27, 65-68
WACENDAK, Andy, Det 4, 66-67
WHITMAN, Ken, 058, Det 27, 62-64
WINDHA, Mike, MP, Det 4, 77-78

ANDREWS, Frank R YOB 1940 RA E2-E3 Clk & MP Det 4, SE59-OC60, (Mary), 1311
3rd Ave NE., Jacksonville, AL 36265, 256-782-0866, hoggramps1@bellsouth.net Ret E8



From Frank and Mary Andrews. Have a Happy 2008

BAILEY, Afton D (Jack) RA18598830 E4-E5 059 P2 Tk#1 Det 27, SE61-20JN63, P.O. Box 6024 Paris, TX 75460, 903-272-5136, adb55@att.net

Looking for Elder Green, ASA Is this you ? Afton D. "Jack" Bailey, 059 Manzarali Station, 61--63 Update my E mail address for DOOL ADB55@ATT.NET

Green Hornet, Really enjoyed the Istanbul pictures - and music. Both brought back some great memories of our days in Detachment "Dirt dash Dirt" and the boat rides to and from Yalova to Istanbul. Cok Tesh, young fella. Hank Burke

BULLOCK, Al YOB 1948 RA16924624, BPED 25OC67 ETS 24OC71 E3-E4 05H Det 4-4, OC68-AU69 & E5 Det 4-4, NO73-75, (Esther), PMB 100, Hubbard Lake, MI 49747, 989-727-2567, estherandal@aol.com – We will be in Bangkok on 30 January 2008.. Please suspend mail as much as possible. Not sure what the situation will be for internet cafes, etc. Besides, we may be so busy we don't even have time for it. Looking forward to hearing from you all in a month!

CANBY, David B (Lunger) YOB 1945 RA E4-E5 98GBU, Det 27 & 4-4, DE66-23DE68, 1127 N Broom St., Wilmington, DE 19806, 302-984-2882, dbcany@comcast.net
Hi Al, I am in the middle of setting up my 3 schedule daily routine which is to last until early May of 2008. I will have class time, intern time, and work for a daily xchedule. For Christmas I am working at Longwood Gardens. Once the semester starts I will add the other two features to my routine. It could be alot worse. The people who I get to deal with during the internship are unsafe people. Some want a better life, and others do not want to change. I am grateful that I am not one of them. Christmas can happen every day of the year if one wants it to happen. I am one of those. Hope you, Patty, and the boys have a Merry Christmas. Happy Holidays, David Canby

CARSTON, Peter Y YOB 1942 RA12..... E3-E4 981/982 Det 4, JL63-JN64 (Barbara), 3137 Burbank Ln, The Villages , FL 32162 352-750-9361, petesr@vol.com
Thanks Larry.....And to all, may 2008 be Happy, but also a Healthy New Year.....Pete

COOPER, Rebecca L. (DeValois) Det 4, SE90-NO91, fm MN., rcooper8@comcast.net
Elder Green, - Greetings from Minnesota! I just wanted to send you a quick note to let you know how much I enjoy your website. I was stationed in Sinop from September 1990--November 1991, but I was not with ASA I was with Information Systems Command. I worked in the comm center. I cannot believe how many more memories your site has conjured up. I think about the place often and wish I could go back. It seems like just yesterday I was there--hard to believe it has been 16 years since I left. I have some pictures to post. Can you set me up with a page? I would appreciate it.

Thanks so much. Rebecca (DeValois) Cooper

FEICK, Phil YOB 1943 RA E2-E5 71L Mgr 'O' Club HQ Co Det 27, NO64-MY67, (Jean), G346 Munntown Rd, Eighty Four, PA 15330, 724-941-0105, pga_feick@verizon.net
Please note my new email address. Hope you are in good health. I should be having neurosurgery on my spine by March. Here's something to ponder:

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

He who laughs last, thinks slowest.

Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

Those who live by the sword, get shot by those who don't.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

If you lined up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try to pass them, five or six at a time, on a hill, in the fog.

If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day, drinking beer.

Flashlight: A metal tube used to store dead batteries.

The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in a dark room.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well. (The democratic strategy.)

When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of 12 people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

FOSTER, Larry Det 4, 64-65, 7711 Tobruk Ct., Hanover, MD 21076, 410-551-8314,
lifwolf@hotmail.com

All – I'm passing the suggestion in case any of you are in a position to volunteer some time or offer some help. I'm approaching 44 years of government service and still work in a position supporting those serving in harms way. I see the incredible things these young warfighters face and what they accomplish on a daily basis. This generation is so brave, so smart and so talented - - they are simply unbelievable - - we need to do anything we can to help them transition back to the way of life they knew before this war took its toll on them. You can find related information from the Army's Wounded Warrior Program: <http://aw2portal.com/> Thanks and remember to keep them in your prayers. KTF Larry

FRICKEY, Norm Maj CO Det 4-4, 70-72, (Sharon), 14295 W 84th Pl., Arvada, CO 80005, 303-423-2517 cell 970-380-3320, nfrickey@comcast.net Ret Col USAR

Happy New Year...

I guess with age comes some nostalgia...I was just thinking back to the end of 1967 one of the craziest and most challenging years for many of us. We (at Fort Bragg) spent the year training and trying to keep the cities safe as war protests against the Vietnam War ground America to a halt and anarchists attempted to burn our country to the ground. One of the things that didn't grind to a halt was the Army tradition of celebrating New Years Eve and New Years day "the Army way." As I thumbed through my "stuff" the other day I came across this picture of us (Sharon and me) taken at the Ft Bragg Officers Club December 31, 1967. The "traditional" festivities started with the military ball on New Years Eve and terminated with a "formal call (complete with dress blues, white gloves, and engraved calling cards)" on your senior Commander New Years day. Little did we know as we rang out the old year (1967) and celebrated the new one, what a change 1968 would bring to all our lives.



In 2007/2008 many men and women serving in the military will be celebrating not knowing what the new year holds for them and their families. Let us pray that their

journey through 2008 is fruitful. Let us also pray for those who may not be as fortunate as we were to return relatively unscathed by War. The "War on Terror" has been daunting and far too many have been killed, wounded and suffered the inevitable consequences of armed conflict. Unfortunately many more will be lost or wounded before this current war ends -- they all deserve our support and prayers.

HAPPY NEW YEAR - Norm Frickey

FUNKHOUSER, Richard L. YOB 1934 E6-E7 982, Det 4, 64-65, (Catherine), PO Box 33, Broadway, VA 22815, 540-896-2584, no email

Hello Elder & Patti,

Well 2007 is over. Sorry we didn't get to Blobs Park in 2007. We have been pretty well for the shape that we are in. I've been having right knee problems but they aren't going to operate. In January 2007 at Louisville, KY I fell going down some stairs but luckily no problems from that. Our son invited me to go with him and his wife to the Louisville Slugger Bat Company where I purchased a cane made like a bat. I haven't had to use it much since then. Cathy had an automobile accident 2 weeks ago and totaled the car. She has a cracked left elbow that is getting better and she had some large black and blue spots on her right side but they are starting to get back to normal. We have been to Lancaster County, PA the usual amount of times in 2007 and are going to one of the Amish girls wedding in January.. As of June 30, 2008 I am retiring from the apple sauce plant and Cathy says she doesn't know what she will do with me around all day. Well take care of yourselves and maybe we can make it to the picnic in 2008.

Your VA and Bad Aibling Friends, Dick & Cathy Funkhouser

GOODMAN, Jay MP Det 4, 72-73, (Kathy), 3468 Ivy Hill LN , Finleyville, PA 15332
724-348-0358, kathy-jay@comcast.net

Hey Gang - I found another one. He was an ASA MP on the Hill Jan 72- Jan 73 , Paul Jakubson, 15 Brightville Dr., Clinto Conn. 06413, 860-669-8711, pjakubson@snet.net. I'm still looking for more. Paul says he can reach Gary Depp who was also an MP the same time. Thanks , Jay

GREENE, Cecil Baxter JR 058, Det 4, 58. 7313 Laketree Dr., Raleigh, NC 27615, 919-870-8571, cbgreene@nc.rr.com - Elder, I have emailed Chuck Bergmann to please add Alan Haynes to the mailing list. Alan and I were in Sinop and Vint Hills at the same time. Alan lives in Texas and his email is: Alanhaynes@charter.net Also, I am mailing you a check for the 2003 and 2007 memory disk. Thank you for providing this. Cecil

GROLEMUND, Larry 059 Det 4, 63-64, 17 Moholo Ct., Brick, NJ 08723, or 2124 Cecille Dr., SW, Huntsville, AL 35803, 256-882-9676, lag7100@hotmail.com

Happy 2008 to all....the very best of everything.....Larry

HARBER, Jim YOB 1943 E3-E5 058-Tk#1 Det 27, 19MY62-27OC63, (Becky), 110 Sable Trace Trl., Acworth, GA 30102, 404-771-3074, jimharber@juno.com



HARRIS, Wm (Bill) Det 27, 61-62, ;Lives in Guatemala, fuzzybud@yahoo.com
[edited] Though the DOOL has been very good about keeping politics out of the news letter I still see some members making small comments here and there supporting Bush. Over these six years of his administration I have grown very angry with him, Cheney, and the neo con ideology they follow. I am so angry now that I know I would go to the reunion looking to argue and shout at Bush supporters. People go to a function

like this to meet old friends and to have a good time. I would spoil it for them. I am too angry to think I could be silent when someone praises neo cons. bill harris

HEFLIN, Troy A. Jr., Det 27, 65-67, (Julia), 3725 N State Rte 560, Urbana, OH 43078, 937-362-3804

My name is Adam Heflin, my dad Troy A. Heflin was stationed in Turkey from 1965-1967.

My mom Ruth,Ruthie Heflin came over with me in February 1966. My sister Shawna Collen Heflin was born there. I'm requesting any information you might have as to if you knew of me, or my family. I'm a vet. myself. 1984-1986 and contemplating going back in.

I know your time is valuable and this is probably not an authorized request,so I appreciate your taking the time to read this if nothing else. My main interest is to verify the stories that pop told me, and to get the unit crest.(for another tatoo). Sincerly, Adam Paul Heflin

JONES, Juttie YOB 1931 US/RA531674911 E6 S4 NCOIC Det 4, 72-73, (Grace), 13424 Kingsman Rd., Dale City, VA 22193, 703-680-5844, no email. While interviewing Frank Spencer he mentioned Sergeant Juttie Jones as one of the many that he remembers from his tour on the HILL. I called and chatted with Juttie Jones on 4 January 2008. First I asked about his unusual first name and he informed that it is a family name passed down from generation to generation. Juttie was a native of Marion, Alabama and was drafted into the army in 1953 in Alabama and was stationed at Fort Meade in an Artillery outfit when he discovered that the ASA existed on Fort Meade and later reenlisted for it and proudly served for 30 years on active duty and retired in 1983 as a Sergeant Major E-9 . During those 30 years he served at Fort Meade, Arlington Hall, France, Vint Hill Farms, Berlin, the Philippines, Harrogate, England, South Vietnam and of course Sinop. Said that he enjoyed his year on the HILL and that he rode the icky pachuk to Samsun many times and also to/from Ankara. Also rode a crowded Turk bus to/from Ankara. Some of the names that he remembers from Det 4 are Maj's Mezaros.and Register, 2LT Frank Spencer, and SSG Benny Mitchell who he kept in touch with for about 10 years. Kept in contact with SFC Vincent Ryan.for 18 years and

When asked Some of his hi-lites Was friends with Brigadier General Dayton Eddy during his assignment to Hq US Army Communications Zone, USAREUR in Orleans, France and used that friendship while stationed in England to talk to General Eddy while he was waiting for his sedan to pick him up. That meeting insured his next assignment would be to Arlington Hall Station. It was and from there he was sent to Det 4 in Sinop. Juttie was the NCOIC of S4 and later took over as manager of the NCO Club for 6 months. .

JONES, Luther Mack YOB 1945 RA14792879 E5 058 TK#1 Det 27, MR63-AU64, (Edna), 307 Magnolia Dr., Sunset Beach, NC 28468, 910 575 4562, cell 910-612-5303, edmac@atmc.net email to Murray

We will be holding another reunion in 2008, we usually get together every year in late Sept. The site will be determined in February, My understanding is it will be in Pittsburgh or Virginia Beach but neither of those have been confirmed.

I retired from General Tire in 2003 and lived off New Hope Rd. in Gaston County until Oct. 2003.

I love Fishbone restaurant in Tega Cay. We have a website you may want to visit, you will probably see some of your old friends in some of the 2007 photos.

Go to dool-1.tripod.com once you get there you will see the days of our lives as Elder Green as the first site click on there then you will see Dec 31 #182 click on this and you will begin the newsletter. You can go back and view previous months newsletters for about 2 years. I am going to copy Elder Green on this reply and he probably will send you an email and ask for a bio. If you would like to give me a call I will try to answer any questions you may have. I was a dittybopper at Det 27 Ankara from 63-64 and Vint Hill Farms 64-65.

Luther M Jones

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Sunset Beach, N.C. 28468
910 575 4562

KENNARD, Bill E7 Det 4, 76-77, 305 S. Monroe, Versailles, MO 65084, 573-378-6098,
billzelma@att.net - My new e-mail address is billzelma@att.net. Bless each of you.

KNOTT, Robert (Bob) Det 27, 65-67, rknott4@cox.net – Received the following while we were in San Jose, California. Answered, but not reply yet. -
Det 27, Does anyone out there know where it was? I remember the trip back to post from The NCO club. It was usually at night and the village we went through was always dark. Absolutely no lights except the headlights of the Mercedes bus reflecting off the windows. I was stationed there during the time that they built the swimming pool. '65-'67. I also remember the fresh bread in the mornings after mids. Thanks, Bob Knott
PS (anyone remember David Dougherty from Kansas?)

LOWE, John W YOB 1943 RA19691736 E2-E4 723 Det 27, JA62-JN63, (Shirley), 152 Sigman Rd., Southport, NC 28461, 910-845-2364. jwlsll@atmc.net per Dix SO#8 dtd 8JA62

Hello Luther, - Good Lord, talk about ghosts from the past!

Thank you for writing and passing along the information. I guess this is why I posted my name on those locator lists. And I'll check out your web-site. I enlisted for ASA duty on 21 June 1961 at San Diego. Took basic training at Fort Ord and was sent to Fort Gordon for 8 weeks of Comm Center training and was awarded MOS 723. My first assignment was to Det 27 in Turkey. I was 18 and was excited about being sent to Turkey. Left Fort Dix on 8 January 1962 and flew on a 4 engine prop aircraft to Frankfurt with stops in Halifax, Nova Scotia and in Glasgow, Scotland. I knew Roy DesRuisseaux and believe that we flew to Frankfurt and then to Turkey on a PanAm DC-8 together.

I was at Det 27 from January 1962 until June 1963, assigned to the communications center (MOS 723), just out of high school and on my first enlistment with the Army. I

went on to stay in the Army and ASA for 20 years and retired here in Brunswick Co., NC, from Germany, in July 1981, as a CW2. I came back on leave and bought a small house here in Boiling Spring Lakes before I got out. We're still here and we very much enjoy living in the area. (My grandson's school bus stops in front of our house every school-day and the hour spent with him makes my day.) After retirement, I tried the civilian work-force for a while but gave up on that and went back to work for the Army as a security guard for 20 years at the military ocean terminal on the Cape Fear near Southport. It was laid-back and boring but for the most part I enjoyed it - I saw more wildlife in the first six months than I had seen in my entire life (there are indeed cougars in Brunswick Co.).

About 15 years ago, after the kids left home (sort of), my wife and I bought a pick-up truck and a small travel trailer (23 foot) and started doing a bit of traveling. We've been to the west coast and the mid-west a couple of times and closer in we've done Florida, Virginia and Tennessee a few times. But now we enjoy just going down to one of the two state parks to the south of us in the Myrtle Beach area of SC and hanging out at the beach for a few days.

I guess like a lot of other folks in our age group, looking for things to do with their remaining years, we've became more involved with church activities and this takes up a bit of our time and much of our interest. And I've since gotten involved with a ecumenical prison ministry that I find enjoyable and exceptionally rewarding. My group supports the medium security prison in Pender County at Burgaw, and besides monthly meetings with the inmates there we put on two annual three-day, in-prison, retreats and two refresher one-day retreats. We've had remarkable success and we enjoy excellent support from the staff.

This is my bio-sketch in a nutshell. Enjoyed the contact.

Regards,

John Lowe

152 Sigman Rd. (Boiling Spring Lakes)

Southport, NC 28461-9781

910-845-2364

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708-525-3508, dennykochan5817@wowway.com – Please note my email address has changed.

MONTGOMERY, Max C. YOB 1943 WO1 Signal Maint Det 27, 67-3AP68, (Lauri), 751 Colmesneil, TX 75938, 409-283-7865, mmmairp@aol.com

I found your DAYS OF OUR LIVES newsletter and am emailing you to join your roster and want to receive the DOOL when published. I served at Det 27 as a brand new 24 year old WO1 who didn't know diddley about political correctness. I'm almost certain that Jack Wilson or Bill Walters will attest that my problem at Det 27 was tact. I always gave a straight answer and to the point. I guess I am still that way although I try to temper it a little..

I called Max Montgomery on 27 January 2008 and chatted about his short tour at Manzarali, I do not remember him, but knew all of those that he recalls. First, he

enlisted at St. Louis in 1961 for ASA duty. Took basic at Fort Leonard Wood and sent to Fort Monmouth for training in the MOS 283 field. His subsequent assignments were to Fort Huachuca, then to Johnson Island with duty on the SS American Mariner. While waiting for the American Mariner he had to evac the island to the aircraft carrier Princeton during the last two open air nuclear weapon detonation by the US Oct-Nov62, Company A 321stBN 508th Group Korea Apr63-May64 Chitose, Japan-64-JA65, where he worked in bankhead, Korea-JA65-67, where he made warrant, Det 27 at Manzalali, Fort Meade, 408^tDet. and 328th RR Companies with the Americal Division. In 1968/69. Vint Hills Farms May69-Oct69. This was the end of his ASA days as he applied for and went to Flight School in 1969.

He recalls the assignment to Det 27 with a chuckle in his voice. Readily and without any prodding on my part admits that he was too young and lacked political skills, but never-the-less tried his best and relied on MSG James Cook to keep him politically correct. Max would call an ace an ace and a spade a spade and MSG Cook would smooth it out. He related that MSG Cook never called an officer SIR. It was always by their rank. One day Max was called SIR by Cook and he now considers it the best complement of his military career. He said he almost went in shock when he heard it and looked at Cook and said are you sick. MSG Cook just smiled and said I meant it. Said that he recalls the Ops Officer as being Major Vannoy and that during meetings he wasn't sure if he trusted his input until he reduced the deadline rate by 75% and got rid of all the excess equipment and reduce the numbers of line item stored in Signal Supply .Others that he recalls are Signal maintenance NCOs SFC Hutchinson who was replaced by MSG Cook at his request., CSM Bob Holder, 1LT Bill Walters, Col Robert Lewis the post commander, CW2 Jack Wilson, the C/C OIC, WO1 Frenchy Lanoux, CW2 Gene Cram and his wife Phyllis. Vividly remembers Calby Lanoux and Jim Cook sitting in the maintenance shop discussing their WWII days in North Africa. He remembers MSG Bob Ware who was the non-morse NCOIC at Det 27 before transferring to Det 4-4 at Karamursel. He met up with Ware who was the First Sergeant of the 328 RR Co .

THE MY LAI CONNECTION TO THE MASSACRE

Of interest to others is that Max Montgomery while in flight school became lifetime friends with Hugh Thompson, Jr. When they met Max was in flight training at Fort Rucker and Thompson was a 1LT instructor there and the My Lai incident was taboo. Max lost track of Thompson for a few years and ran across him in Lafayette, LA where he was working as a Veteran Service Officer helping vets. The last time Max saw him was about 4 or 5 years ago and talked to him about 6 or 7 months before he passed away at age 62 on 6 January 2006. Max says that Thompson carried psychological scars from his service with the Americal Division for the rest of his life. At the time of his passing Max was having medical problems and received two stents and a big bill He thanks God for TRICARE for Life..

Thompson was a warrant officer OH-23 scout helicopter pilot that was equipped with 2 door gunners and they witnessed the killing of Vietnamese civilians that included women and children at My Lai. It was Thompson who brought the My Lai massacre to major headlines during the Vietnamese War and the court martials of Captain Medina and Lt William Calley for war crimes. After the massacre Thompson was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, but he threw it away as the citation fabricated the event for

the award.. By the end of his tour of duty, Thompson had been hit eight times by enemy fire and lost five helicopters in combat. He left Vietnam after a combat crash broke his back, and was awarded a Purple Heart.. Thompson retired as a First Lieutenant.

For additional info use google.com and type in Hugh Thompson for interesting readings.

MURRAY, Jerry YOB 1936 RA15596716 272 E3-E4, Det 4, JL59-JL60, (Lilah), Tega Cay, SC., 803-802-4351, jerrylilahm@aol.com - I served in TUSLOG Det 4 during the 59/60 time period. If you hear of another reunion, please let me know. Thanks, Jerry Murray - I called Jerry Murray on 1 January 2008 regarding his contacting Luther Mack Jones about the annual ASA Turkey reunions. Explained the process and he plans on attending future reunions. He enlisted for ASA duty at Cleveland, OH in July 1958 and took basic at Fort Knox, KY and then it was off to Fort Devens for MOS classification. For one reason or another it took 2 months and a lot of KP for the powers to be to decide that he would be trained as a radio repairman at Fort Monmouth, NJ. He was awarded the MOS 272 and in July 1959 was off for duty at Det 4. He processed thru Charleston, SC, the Azores and spent 4 days in Tripoli before arriving in Turkey and then was one of many who had to endure the bumpy 12 hour deuce and a half ride to Sinop. During his tour he was able to fly out and back on the L-20 aircraft and also on the boat to Istanbul. Friends that he remembers from Det 4 include: Sam Long, Bill Weldon, Jack Mann, Dick Dowell, ? Zuber and Bob Malone. After Sinop served at Vint Hill and was discharged in July 1961. After his 3 year stint graduated from Ohio Univ and RPI in NY as a Electrical Engineer and subsequently worked for General Electric and retired in 2002. During that tenure he spent several years in Spain. Upon retiring moved to South Carolina

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SANDRA AND FREDDY MUSGROVE

14 Jan 2008: Elder; Sending this as e-mail with picture to follow by snailmail. Use whatever you want. It took a few extra days to find a picture and I wanted to add some background as well. You asked about people I remembered from my tour of duty at Manzarali Station. My First Sergeant was Mark Hamilton. He and his wife lived on station while I lived in Gazi Osman Pasha in Ankara. Mark was a truly great First Sergeant as an E7. Lt Jon Hall was XO of Hq Co. SP5 John Lampe was on the Basketball team. He had played for me in "G" Co. at Devens. Ray Melchiorre was a Sergeant in the Dental Clinic along with the dentist, Maj (Dr) Chuck Swainson who later was at Fort Benning and then to Walter Reed as a Colonel; Chaplain Bill DeVanny; Chap David Polhemus; Lt. Jon Anderson was CO of Det 17; Maj. Gerald G. Gibbs was Ops Off.; Lt. Puckett was a Trick Officer; CW3 Sam Putterbaugh was the Personnel Officer; CW4 Jimmy Nolan, CPT Ruskewicz, LtC Jim Hunt, CPT Bill Risso , CPT Claude Vannoy replaced me in ops. There are others that you or some others may have more info on. Some I served with after Turkey at Devens and in Vietnam.

My own military career: Enlisted USNR in September 1947 and on active duty from June 1950 to May 1954. Discharged as Aviation Electronicsman 2nd Class (E-5); D&Awards: Combat Aircrew Badge; China Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Navy Good Conduct Medal, Korean Campaign Medal (with 5 combat stars), Korean Defense Medal, UN Service Medal. . Flew as Radio/Radar/ ElecConter Measures Op in P2V Patrol Bombers in Alaska, Indo-China and Korea. Attended 5 Navy electronics schools; was on boxing team at North Island Naval Air Sta. prior to overseas in 1952 to Far East.



Navy Combat Aircrew Badge

Enlisted USASA as CPL (E-4) November 1954; Combat Intel School., Fort Riley, KS. Then to Arlington Hall Station. Then to Fort Meade as Intel Analyst in GENS 11. Made E-5, again in 1956 and a Direct Commission to 2nd Lt USAR in February 1957 and was released to the USAR in August 1957. Formed the 79th ASA Co. USAR in 1961 in Houston, TX as XO. Called to active duty as 1st Lt in December 1961 to Fort Devens . CO of "G" Co, 2nd Battalion ASATR ; transferred to Hq. Co CO as Captain in June 1963

to 1965; Ops officer from June to November 1965 (emergency transfer to Fort Devens); Officer Career Course then Supply Officer, TC&S, 1966-1967; transferred to 509th RRG as CO HQ Co and Davis Station 1967-68.

Made Major in 1967 in Vietnam..transferred to Hq. ASAPAC in 1968 as Deputy Compt/Mgt Officer 1968-1971. Transferred to MAG Det in Long An Province,, South Viernam as S2 Advisor 1971-72. Transferred to Hq. Modern Army Selected Systems Test,Evaluation and Review (MASSTER) Fort Hood,TX as Cryp/EW Officer, Ground Combat Director. Retired as Maj on 31 March 1975. D&Wds:

Bronze Star Medal w/OLC; Meritorious Service. Medal w/OLC; Army Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal w/2OLC; Vietnam Service Medal; Vietnam Campaign Medal w4stars; Armed Force Service. Medal.

I enlisted direct into ASA in November 1954 and only had 2 weeks of Army basic at Fort Bliss.TX then to Fort Devens and on to Fort Riley. Personnel at Devens was quite upset as I had an enlistment commitment to school of my choice which they had never seen before. If they did not send me where I chose I could walk. My commission was direct into ASA with Engineers as carrier branch. ASA brass was Crossed Keys for reverves. The picture is of my wife Dr (PhD) Sandra L. Musgrove and myself. Sandy has her BA and MA from UNLV and her PhD from Claremont Grad School. I have a BBA and MS (SecEd) from U of Houston and a MS from American Tech in Killeen, TX. After retirement from Army I taught JrnROTC in Houston ISD, taught

Economics/Business/RealEstate/Mgt at San Jacinto College in Houston and then Eco/Gvt/History/BusMgt/Accounting and Computer Science in Somerset ISD, Tx. Sandy was Dept Chair for Gov/Hist/PolScience at San Jacinto Col and Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio,TX. She has authored 17 books, written a weekly newspaper column for 25 years and now does freelance articles and is an accomplished artist here in Rockport, TX. You asked for more info on Colonel D.C. Barton. I knew Col. Barton up close and personal. He had a captivating personality. was assigned to the Coast Artillery in Galveston, TX (I believe he said about 1933) prior to going to West Point. We shared a cigar (me) pipe (Col Barton) in his office when I was Hq Co CO in 63-65. He was very interested in the old Coast Artillery emplacements on the Galveston seawall. When Col Barton was in a talkative mood he was one of the most interesting officers I served with. I talked with his wife (Nellie?) shortly after he retired and I was in San Antonio on business. She said he was teaching Math but not where that I recall. Col Barton and Col Butler were two of ASA's finest and were both at Manzarelli at the same time. I really enjoy the DOOL's;

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Elder,

I enjoyed talking to you on 20 January and am looking forward to seeing you on the 25th on your way home to PA from VA Beach. Attached is the updated BIO with the picture of me in 1972 and a current picture of Patti and I.

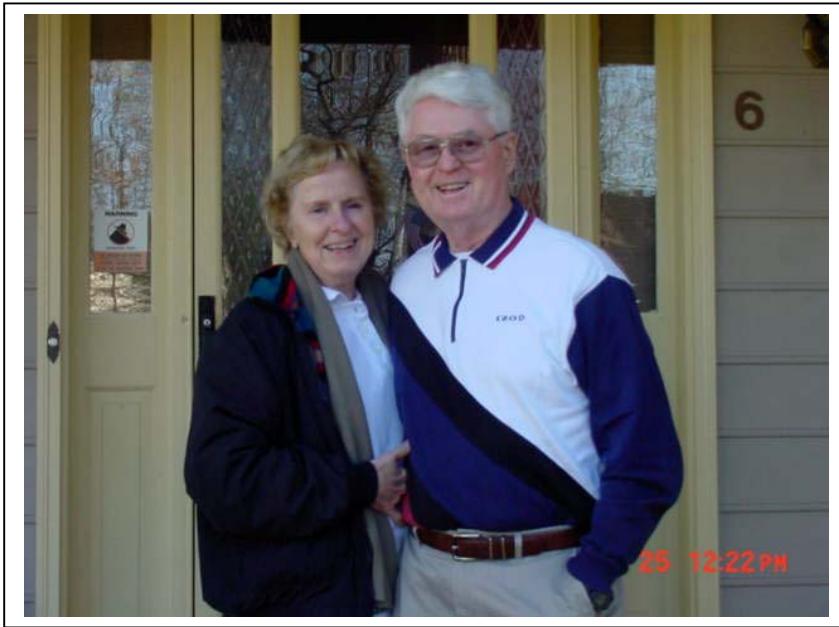
I came into the Army as a second lieutenant and went to schools at Fort Benning, GA (Infantry Officers Orientation Course) and Fort Devens (ASA Officers Basic). My initial assignment in Europe was at Rothwesten where I spent three months as a COMSEC officer before moving out to SIGINT operations. I transferred up to Luebeck in September 1961 and served initially as both XO and Operations Officer.

Returning to Rothwesten, I became the 184th USASA Company XO, and then Ops Officer. I met my wife Patti from Minnesota at Rothwesten when she reported into Special Services as an Army civilian in September 1963. One year later, we were married at Schloss Covey, near Hoexter, Germany. Shortly after that, we were transferred to Vint Hill Farms Station where I was the Ops Officer at the 1st USASA FS. I did my combat time at the 509th Radio Research Group in Vietnam and then was assigned to the USASA Combat Developments Activity at Arlington Hall Station in 1968. We were reassigned to Bad Aibling Station in 1970 where I was the Field Station XO, and later the CO. Our first child (daughter Maureen) was born in Munich and our second child (daughter Marissa) was born in Rosenheim, Germany. After Bad Aibling I went on an unaccompanied tour to Sinop, Turkey in May 1972 where I was the S3 and responsible for Main Ops and Hippodrone. At Det 4 I remember that Col Chet Crowell was the post commander and that his wife Georgia was there. They have since divorced and his second wife is a medical doctor and they live in Canada. Col Darrell Arena replaced Crowell and we remained friends with him until at age 73 he passed away on 26 November 2004 after a valiant battle with cancer. The colonel's mind was sharp as a tack when we visited them in 2003. I remember an incident where a member of the Turk guard force stole a radio out of the BOQ and after he was found missing from the muster conducted after, he was located, tried in a Turk court martial, found guilty and taken to prison within 24 hours. Talk about swift justice!! After Sinop was assigned to NSA at Fort Meade in May of 1973. The Army decided I was having too much of the good life so they sent me to the 82d Airborne Division in 1977 at Fort Bragg where I completed jump school at age 41. When I became eligible for retirement in 1980, I decided it was a good time to retire because three jumpers were killed in two

months because someone had cut their static lines inside the pack tray. We moved to Fredericksburg, VA, where we have lived ever since then.

After Army retirement, I worked as a Department of Defense contractor, primarily for the Navy, with the exception of a four year period when I worked as a senior computer software analyst at the Army's R&D Intelligence and Electronic Warfare Directorate (IEWD) on the TRACKWOLF tactical HF COMINT/DF Program at Vint Hill Farms Station.

Patti and I celebrated our 43rd wedding anniversary this past September. We have two daughters (one living in SC and the other in VA, working as a manager for Booz-Allen & Hamilton) and four grandchildren. We travel as much as possible, now that I'm completely retired. Regards, Ralph



NOVACHECK, Lou Det 4, 81-82, PO Box 482, Cudahy, WI 53110, 414-334-0030,
luigibasco@gmail.com - My two cents on the coins mentioned in DOOL #182: Those actually started in the mid-1980s. I lived in Germany for about ten years after retiring from the Army. For about two years, 1989-90, I worked for Military Service Company (MSC), selling everything from the coins and other incentive-type gewgaws, to carpeting and furniture, to the military. Coins were a hot item. They weren't widespread, but they were a frequently ordered item. They were initially given out as attaboy's, mostly by battalion-level officers to people s/he found to be particularly adept or helpful. In most

units they were highly prized, especially in the early days of their use, mainly because they were "restricted" and given out by only unit commanders and bn-level staff. All that equated to very few people having them.

MSC pretty much had the market cornered on coins, imprinted clothing, mug mats, etc. At the time, MSC was the quickest and least expense company around, so be sure to check them out if you go ahead with this idea.

If another company has kicked MSC out of the top spot on this, any good reup NCO will know where to go to find the best deals. They were some of MSC's most frequent buyers. Them and just about any procurement office, since nearly everybody else on post had to go through post procurement to make an outside buy.

Oh, and put me down for one of the coins. Be sure to put the hand holding the lantern on them! Can't get any more specific to Sinop than that. The overhead profile of the peninsula and the Hill would look pretty good on the flipside. Feel free to shoot down these ideas if anybody can come up with others.

I ran the Sportsman's Club at Sinop in my off hours, and we had a bunch of tee shirts, sweats, etc., made up. The hand holding the lamp was on the front, with lettering circled around it: "Where the hell is Sinop?"

On the back of the shirt we had: "About 200 clicks south of Yalta."

At the time that ??? came up with the idea (not me), he said it was also an inside joke in that not very many people know where Yalta is, and very, very few ever even heard of Sinop. Yalta was a name everybody from the WW2 era knew, because of the summit conference. By the time I was at Sinop, 1981-82, it had pretty much faded from the collective memory.

The "where the hell is Sinop?" came up because that was what GIs inevitably said when told they were being assigned there. Same with friends and family we would tell.

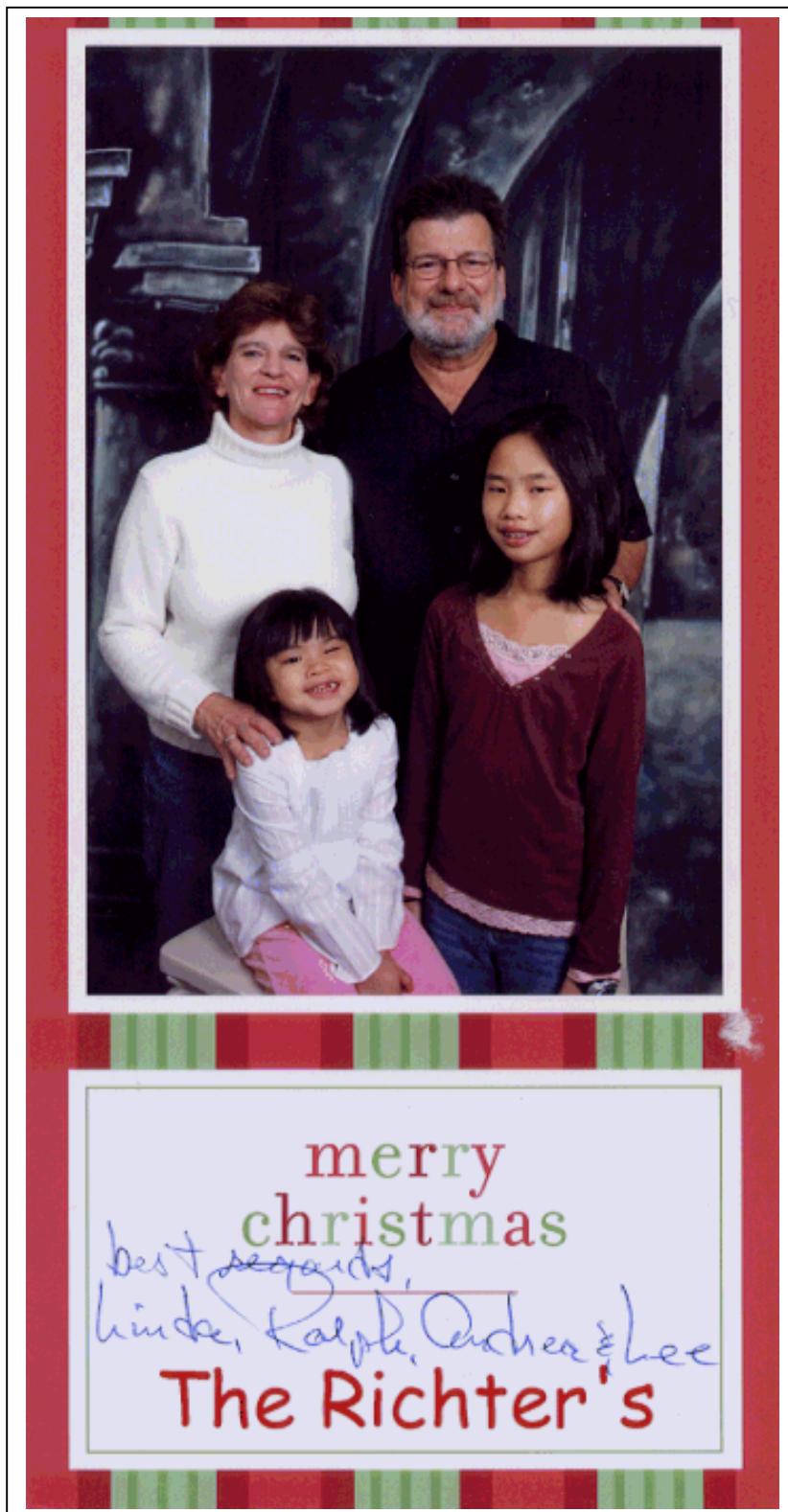
Inevitably, every one of them would ask some form of that same question. The lantern and the wording on the front was another insider joke since, instead of Diogenes looking for the honest man, it could also mean Diogenes was looking for Sinop, asking, "Where the hell is Sinop?"

And we had lighters made up by Zippo. 'Course, that was before the anti-smoking Nazis made it into a capital offense. [We can't control drugs, but we're gonna control those nasty smokers, by damn!] The Brits also got their own version of the Zippos. [Psst! Don't tell anybody, since we shipped them through the APO, illegally!] I have one of each, mint, packed away somewhere ...

Lou Novacheck

PRUITT, William R. (Bill) YOB 1938 NG/RA23185349 E5 76Y Det 4, AU64-JL65 & NO76-OC77, (Carol), 350 Steeplechase Dr., , Campbellsville, KY 42178, 270-465-6371, bobcarol1@windstream.net - My wife and I were wondering if the 2008 reunion site has been chosen yet. We are hoping to be able to make this one. Would appreciate info, if available at this time, so we can make our plans. Bill Pruitt

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I'll preface this by saying after several phone calls from Elder, he now seems like an old friend, and we should all get down on our hands and knees to thank him for the job he does in keeping those days alive. We all contributed to the cold war effort and I like all you other guys am extremely proud of the time served.

I recently became aware of your monthly newsletter and your website from my ole friend Jim Spinney after I did a internet search on one of the phone books, just using his state MA and his name. I just never thought that someone would be able to do a search on Det 27 and ASA and come up with something. Jim briefed me on the DAYS OF OUR LIVES (DOOL) and I'm absorbing all of them. The DOOL sure brings back old memories, names and places that I look back with fond memories. I was born in 1937 in West Point, MS. After high school attended and graduated from Mississippi State University in 1960 with a business degree. but the draft was nearing and in October 1960 I enlisted in the Army for ASA duty at Jackson, MS and took basic at Fort Benning. My test scores were high and was sent to Fort Devens for ditty-bop training. I completed the 058 training and was then trained in non-morse and was awarded MOS 059. I remember going to Fort Dix and flying MATS from McGuire AFB to Frankfurt where I processed for one week. I'm sorry, but I cannot remember who flew from McGuire to Germany with me. Flew from Frankfurt by Pan AM to Instanbul lost my ticket and had to buy one on to Ankara Esenboga Airport in Ankara via the Turkish THY Airline . Arrived there at nite and rode in the back of a deuce and half to Manzarali Station and again don't remember who arrived with me, but there were others. Did the normal in-processing and was assigned to rotating trick work as a 059 under Trick Chief Ted Rosick and Sgt Nelson who was the assistant section NCOIC.. I also cannot remember the trick number. My eventual job was to analyze the plain text non-morse traffic that we produced.and shortly was assigned to compartmentalized area in the C/C working with the NSA contingent of GS-16. Mr. Breaux and Mr. Croson. Captain, later Major Carl Humphries was the OIC. Freddie Carroll from La. joined me and finished up his tour there. I learned later that Freddie died of a heart attack a good many years ago. He was as skinny as a rail and ate like a horse, one would never suspect he would have heart trouble. I might add when I first got there, there wasn't anyone that knew what in the heck we were suspossed to be doing, and that is no reflection on anyone. Everyone was fresh out of Devens with no practical experience, but we finally figured it out and got pretty damm good at it if I may say so.

Some of the guys I remember from Alabama. Were Willie Williamson, Sam Wimberly and Joe. I saw them in Birmingham several times, Willie and I went to a Auburn-Mississippi State game. I was informed that Willie also died of a heart attack at an early age.

The NSA civilians departed, but I stayed on the project and was pretty much on my own to do whatever the heck I wanted to until being processed out in July 1962 for an early discharge with Jim Spinney.

I, along with Roger B. Robbins, Freddie Carroll and several others rented an apartment and we all pretty much stayed there during our tour,. Maybe in a later letter, will tell why

I always think of Roger as the boulevard king. Just talked to Roger several days ago, he is now a judge in Orange County, CA.

One little scenario stood out in mind. I had a room assigned and my roommates were a guy from Baltimore named Wilkerson and one from California named Nav***. I very rarely stayed there. One night Wilkerson was asleep and Nav*** and a guy named Ze**** came in from the NCO club, Wilkerson played possum, N and Z did a little courting and then proceeded to get it on and on my damm bunk at that, Shook Wilkerson up pretty good and he turned them in,. I was called in to see if I knew anything, which I didn't but was asked to keep an eye on N as he admitted his part and Z threatened to get him. I never did get back in that bunk. The two of them were gone in about a week. Over the period of the time I was there, quite a few guys were shipped out for stuff like that. Being a naïve country boy that was all new to me and quite disgusting I might add,

All in a days work...I had a terrible cold at work and was sipping on the "cough syrup" supplied by the medics. It just happened to be the day of an IG inspection and Capt Humprey sent someone to get me to lead the tour of the non morse section. I realized I was tight as a piss ant when I stood up. We went thru the inspection without a hitch, except going by one bank of printers I was telling them it was code printing, but one sharp eyed officer noticed it was plain text and mentioned the fact, I told him they just some time break out like that , just never know when.

Some guys that I remember are Vic Thedick, Ted Rosick, Ted Langley, Wombat Hamilton, Bochiccio (hecka of a poker player) Nash, Kennedy, Nations, Sgt Nash, Freddie Fry, Lt Mize, Myrick from MS, big Burl Harden, Sgt Al Simmons, Jim Copeland from Det 66, Dumbo, Wingard, Billy "ches" Junkin, Dennis McPencow, Paul Sax, Vic Pryor, Harold Probert, Everyone knew Ataturk, I always thought he was from Arkansas. Guess because all of the hogs that he killed. Don Reed and his wife Susie. Don was the company clerk, I still stay in contact with them. Hal Hudgins, (I really didn't know him, other than he always lost his paycheck at poker on payday) He left for OCS and being in the import business, I got a news letter from Alabama. Ports System and he was hired as staff and served at various capacities until he retired. Never did call him, really didn't have anything to say. But I have seen several mentions that folks wondered what happened to him. Can't remember what trick the others were assigned to, but do remember that Hamilton was a 059. Of the above I recall that Ted Rosick was a farmer in civilian life, Billy Junkin I knew him as Ches and I recall the time he got sick and had to be medevaced to Tripoli for treatment. Jim Copeland was a real con artist from the word go, Harold Probert was an ex-paratrooper and a heavy drinker and my memory remembers the time he went to the BOQ looking for Lt Freddie Fry who wasn;t there and ended up in a fist fight with an inebriated Captain. Probert got the best of the Captain, but ended up in the stockade somewhere in Turkey,

While there I got to know several of the girls who worked at the Embassy and the Aid Corp. In fact I dated Betty Hastings for 2 or 3 months until I left . She was a wonderful gal. I read Connie Stallings memoirs in the DOOL and the photo of Betty Hastings and the group at the Det 27 NCO club really brought back a lot of memories there was another girl that was not in the photo Shirley from Chicago that was Maggie Love's roommate. I really hated to read about Betty's passing and even more so that she suffered from a long illness. I knew most of those girls in the photo, except I don't

remember Connie she must have come along after I left. I did not know John O'brien who I see married Betty. I knew Maggie Love and Roger Robbins dated her. I can't remember when, but a group of those girls along with Maggie and Betty called me late one night they had all got together for a reunion. Maggie wanted Roger's phone number but it was at my office so I couldn't get it to them.

I joined our family business BnM Pole Co and ran it until I retired in 2007 and now my son-in-law is running the company. We have been in business since about 1944. We make fishing poles , mainly crappie and bream poles and have quite a following around the USA. All of our products have been made in the orient, starting in Japan, then Taiwan, Korea and now everything is produced in China. All of our products are of our own design, our most popular line Buck's Crappie Poles were dreamed up and designed by guess who? They are made of graphite and very pricey a real departure from the lowly ole cane pole we started out with, and then the fiberglas. However they were an instant success and really brought us into being players in the fishing business,.

My Dad who was a WWII veteran started making Brooms and Mops right after the war, Hence the name B&M Co. He started making Bream Poles known as West Point Bream Pole, using the handle of broken brooms to make a handle for the bamboo poles. Soon after the School for the blind started making brooms and mops, and he just couldn't compete and went into the fishing pole business all out. He started importing from Japan in the late 50's and on one of his trips over there flew around the world and stayed with me a week in Ankara and then on to Japan.



Buck and Judy Simmons - - WOW, how young they look

We recently bought 70 acres and built a house, kennel and barn, and I have not been able to find the box of pictures since we moved and even if I even have any photo's from the Det 27 days Judy has a kennel where she keeps her Bouvier de Flanders dogs, her web site is <http://www.rivrvuebouviers.com/> . She sells these pups all over the country from the left coast to the right coast. . It might be easier to adopt a baby with royal lineage than get one though It is a tough interview to pass to have the right to buy one.

Between all her bouviers, my two yard hounds (Gert & Cotton) Willy the Macaw, Will and Grace the goats, and my two colts that are now in cutting horse training , I don't know if there would be a wide enough lens to capture all of us for a group picture. But by jolly I might try someday.

By the way, my company was as I told you B&M Pole, which stood for Broom & Mops, which my competition liked to refer to sarcastically ever so often.

<http://www.bnmpoles.com/> . I have enjoyed a very good lifestyle and my retirement is at a level that I am able to do as I please when I please. My son-in-law is now running the company and he comes to me for advice ever so often. I usually tell him how we used to do it, which is about as useless as tits on a boar hog. Keep in touch, Buck Simmons

PS: I know that some folk have probably been left out and their names will come to me soon after I send this. Don't despair get in touch...

SINOR, Walter YOB 1942 RA18623177 E3-E4 732/733 F&AO Det 27, JA62-JL63, (Betty), 6283 Laramie Cir., Chattanooga, TN 37421, 256-996-0728, waltersinor@yahoo.com - - - I have been running Marathons, probably too many this years. I ran Lincoln, Nebraska in May, St. George, Utah in October, Huntington, WV (Marshall Univ) in November and Kiawah Island, SC in December. My best time was at St. George in Utah where I qualified to run the Boston Marathon again, with a time of 4 hours and 9 minutes. I am justifiably proud of that accomplishment and hope to run the Boston Marathon again in 2009. I retired from St. Paul Insurance and have been working as a commissioned adjuster "part time" for Custard Insurance (part time translates to 40 plus hours a week). I just can't seem to get this "retirement thing" correct yet. Betty is still working full time and we keep 'planning' retirement for us both. We are settled into our townhouse in Chattanooga and although we miss the serenity of our home in Valley Head, Alabama, we do not miss the 90 mile drive back and forth to work everyday. Like all new homes, there is still muc to do, the punch list to complete (when we can catch up with the contractor), and we hope to have the landscaping finished by next Spring. For 2008 we are planning the family vacation at the beach with the children and grandchildren; I am still convincing my legs they have 2 or 3 more marathons left for 2008; ane Betty has a wonderful opportunity to travel to Greece and Italy this Fall. Our Best To You and Yours, Stay In Touch, Walter and Betty Sinor.

SMITH, Edward R "Smitty" YOB 1947 RA16874213 E3-E4 05D Det 4, AP67-JN68, (JoAnne), 10594 Grover Oaks Rd, Roscoe, IL 61073 815-623-3170, Smith2150@aol.com
AI, - It was great talking with you about my tour duty at Det 4. It sure brought up a lot of old memories! I enlisted



Above is the 2007 Smith Family Outrageous Christmas Sweater Dinner photo.
Standing L-R: My Son Chris, his fiancée Leslie, Me
Sitting L-R: My Wife JoAnne, my middle child Bridget, and my youngest Mary
I called Smitty on 5 January 2008 while in San Jose and had an interesting chat that included him saying that SINOP was the BEST DUTY that he had in his 4 years with the ASA that included stints at Fort Devens and at Torii Station in Okinawa.
Ed who prefers being called "Smitty" enlisted for ASA duty on 10 May 1966 at Chicago. He told the ASA recruiter that he wanted trained in something that would help him get a good civilian job after his enlistment. Took basic at Fort Leonard Wood and then was trained as a DF operator (05D) at Fort Devens. His first assignment was to Det 4 and he was one of the lucky ones to ride a Turk bus to the HILL via a stop at Samsun. His first impression of Sinop was "Where the heck am I?" Was assigned to the Point Site where SSG Chuck Brawley was the NCOIC. Was on the Det 4 All-Star softball team in 1967.

He gave me the following names of those he remembers from the HILL:

SSG Chuck Brawley, Sgt John Thurson , Norm Ficker, Bob Krebs, Bill Spoliter, John Hollingsworth, John Kravec, Kerry Pulley, Sgt Comancho, Tom Snead, Tom Gundlefinger, John Kastner, John Merrick, Frank Gay, Henry Talcott, John Shutt and my roommate Tom Urban. The commander was Colonel Sam Bistany and the MP's would tie the asak to the flag pole to denote that Bistany was on the post.

Great talking with you and you brought back some old memories. Since talking with you I called Bob Krebs and John Thurston. It was funny when I called Bob and told him I was working for Sears at the Hoffman Estates headquarters he informed me that he had to fly to Chicago to meet with on the Sears buyers. We met the following Tuesday and talked for 20 minutes about the HILL and all the good friends we made.

ED "Smiity" Smith

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The above photo is Frank Spencer displaying two of his hand carved meerschaum pipes that he purchased in Sinop during his tour on the HILL. Neither pipe has ever been smoked and the large one on the left is kept in a plastic protective case that came with the pipe. Also note on the photo's that Frank is wearing a Det 4 Sinop Turkey T-shirt that he ordered from me several years ago.

I previously had read Frank Spencers excellent entry in Bill Simons Det 4 webpage and never did get around to chats with him until this year while visiting our oldest son in Tucson. I called and Frank graciously accepted my invitation for us to meet and discuss his Sinop tour, etc.

Frank brought with him 3 individual issues of biweekly post newspaper "The Diogenes" dated 29 November 1972; 8 and 22 January 1973. The Editor-in-Chief was SP4 Pete W. Curtice who will be included in DOOL#184. The headline of this DOOL was scanned from the 29 November 1972 issue and courtesy of Frank Spencer.

Frank grew up as a army brat and was born at Fort Bragg where his father was stationed. His father received a medical discharge and the family moved to Olean, NY which is just north of Bradford, PA. Frank graduated from Siena College near Albany, NY with a degree and a ROTC commission as a 2LT. He was scheduled for assignment

to the Infantry branch but his coke bottle glasses disqualified him for the infantry and he was switched to the Quartermaster branch and sent to Fort Lee for officer training associated with Unit Supply and Property Book duties.

Sinop was his first duty station. He flew via THY into the Black Sea port city of Samsun and then rode the rough and winding road that hardly wanders far from the Black Sea. It was a .3-hour ride to Sinop and still savors the rugged beauty of the terrain. His first impression was that the area was 60 years behind the rest of the world, but after a week or so he realized that this assignment was not the pits as others had suggested. But the physical ruggedness of the HILL and the fact that the HILL was 900 feet above sealevel left a strong impression with him for the rest of his life. He recalls the howling winds and being in the cloud banks quite a bit and during the summer nites enjoyed seeing the lights of Sinop from the HILL. He mentioned the White Boat that travelled twice a week between Sinop and Istanbul. On Bill Simons Det 4 website is Frank Spencers recollections of his tour at Det 4, an assignment that helped him become a Better person.

THADEUS, Ralph, Editort of the ASA Interceptor

Vern Gruenke's ASA Locator has changed his web site address. He is no longer at 5starpicks. His new site can be found at: <http://www.asalives.org>. Don't forget to change his address in your favorite's folder. Vern now has over 37,000 names in his data base so his site is the first one to check when looking for former buddies.

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[edited] Hello Elder, - Hope all is well with you and your family. Yes, I remember Max Montgomery. . However, I didn't get to work with him very much. If you remember, Col. Robert Lewis gave me a second job as S-3 in mid-1967 and Capt. Walters assisted me in running operations. As S-3 I had to write the closure plans for Det 27 and coordinate execution of the plans. I'm sure you remember JCS gave us one year, from time of notification, to close and turn over the Post with a great deal of property and equipment to the Government of Turkey. Since I spent most of my time in Post Headquarters I didn't get to know WO Montgomery very well. Tell him I didn't have any reason not to trust him. I hope I didn't give him that impression.

Elder, have a happy 2008 to you and your family and keep up the good work with the DOOL's. Claude

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Dear Patti & Elder, One day at a time for us both. God Bless the Elder Green's. Wish you two a Merry Christmas with a very Merry, Happy New Years. Our gang bagged seven deer, bucks and 3 nice does. No hunting for Winnie, very little by me.

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ELDER, - THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK ON OUR REUNION. MY WIFE AND I HAD A GREAT TIME. LOOKING FORWARD TO THE ONE in 2008.
I WILL TRY TO SEND YOU PICTURES FOR YOUR NEXT DOOL. KEN WHITMAN

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COLONEL MICHAEL WINDHAM

Elder, - enjoyed talking with you. Even though I am from Mississippi - I joined the Army in Bogalusa, Louisiana in 1975. I wanted at the time to be in law enforcement so I enlisted in the MPs but not knowing any better the recruiter talked me into being an MP

in the Army Security Agency with tales of secrecy and national defense but most of all an immediate promotion from E1 to E2 in basic.

Little did I know that ASA MPs were glorified security guards but as Providence had it the Lord had plans. My first duty station was the 374th ASA Company in Fort Carson, Colorado. It was one of the first TOE Electronic Warfare units for ground operations with the 4th Infantry Division. It was a fun time because we had nothing to guard and I was detailed as a Security Clearance Investigations Clerk for the Company S2 Sergeant, SFC Cecil Gregg. He was originally from the Fort Hood, Texas area. The remaining unit members went to the field quite often on FTX's and CPX's but hardly ever did I. My roommate was Mike Galbreath, another MP from New York State. I still have some friends from Colorado Springs that I have kept up with all these years! From there both Mike and I got orders for Sinop at the same time and arrived as two senior E4's. We were made acting sergeants and because I had a few days on him I was as green a platoon sergeant as could be with zero training. Luckily it was a small tight group, no trouble and the lieutenant watched out for things pretty good. From there I left for Fort Bliss, TX to an ASA Aviation Electronic Warfare (air) company. It was there that I did my few months of "Glorified Guard Duty" at the crypto facility. I hated it but Bliss was good and had fun my final months. I ETS'd after 3 years and returned home and started Junior College at the same time.

MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD

I immediately enlisted in the Mississippi National Guard's 112th MP Battalion. Shortly after that my father talked me into going to OCS and the rest - as they say - is history. I graduated from University of Southern Mississippi in 1983 with a degree in construction technology (I changed my mind on careers and major) and went to work for the National Guard as a full time technician in 1985 and have been here ever since. I am currently a Reserve Colonel and full time Director of Engineering/Facilities for the Mississippi Army National Guard working on 33 years of total service this May. I got an MBA in 1997 and am a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College.

If someone would have said in 1975 that I would be where I am today - many NCO's and officers would have said "your nuts" but the Lord has a serious sense of humor! I have enjoyed my career but I see it closing. The Mississippi National Guard has supported the war in Iraq and Afghanistan with many soldiers and several who have given all. I tried to go to Afghanistan but my boss held me here. We have quite a mobilization effort going on at Camp Shelby which has required a tremendous building and maintenance effort to support thousands of soldier's enroute from all over the country to the war. This has been constant for the past 5 years. As you are aware Hurricane Katrina devastated the Mississippi Gulf coast. I mobilized 30 days and it is all a blur but the first three. It was intense. We had quiet a bit of damage to all our Guard real property resulting in about a \$130 Million dollars in repair and replacements that have worked us hard the past two years. I have a tremendous family and a tremendous staff you can see on our Guard website under "Facilities Director".
(http://www.ngms.state.ms.us/cfmo/FMO_new/staff_fmo.htm).

ESEK011 CRASH

While in Turkey, I was the "Acting Jack" Platoon Sergeant on my way out of Det 4 and Dennis Kasabian was on the way in when Esek 011 went down. Mike Galbreath was also a buck sergeant. He and I had came together from Fort Carson in February 1977.

I was the second group on the mountain right after the doctor and one other officer who got to the site early the next morning.

ANKARA
(DÜNYA - ÖZEL)
Devlet memurlarının 1977 yılı içinde Danıştay'a 15 bin 575 bin dava açtıgı saptanmıştır. Demirel hükümeti döneminde kapsayan 1975-1977 yılları arasında 38 bin 180 memur, haklarının korunması ve idarenin tasarrufları ile ilgili olarak Danıştay'a başvurmuştur.
(Devamı 15. Sayfada)

Korutürk yılın ilk kabul resmini bu akşam veriyor

ANKARA
(AA)
Cumhurbşakanı Fahri Korutürk ve eşi bayan Emel Korutürk tarafından yeni yıl dolayısıyla verilecek dört ayrı kabul resminden ilki bu akşam Çanakkale Kışkıt'ta düzenlenecektir
(Devamı 15. Sayfada)

Kıbrıs'ın Anayasası taslağı görüşüldü

ANKARA
(Dünya - Özel)
Bakanlıklararası Kıbrıs Koordinasyon Kurulu, dün Başbakanlıkta toplanmıştır. Başbakan Yardımcısı ve Kıbrıs Koordinasyon Kurulu Başkanı Turhan Feyzioğlu'nun başkanlığında toplantıya, Ankara'daki temaslardan süreden
(Devamı 15. Sayfada)

Dışişleri Karamanlısın mektubunu açıkladı

SAVAŞ AY İBRAHİM LABERNAS

Sınpın'ın Erfelek ilçesi yakınılarında Domuz Dağı'nın Külliğ tepeşine carparak düşen Amerikan U-21 uçağının düşüş nedeni, Türkiye kamuoyuna öğrenilememesinden dolayı saklanılmıştı. (Devamı 15. Sayfada)

Amerikalı ilgiliinin önündeki torbada cesetlerden biri, daha doğrusu bir insan vücutundan kalanlar bulunuyor..

The above photo was on the front page of a Turkish newspaper out of Ankara that showed the downed plane. The photo makes the plane (ESKE011) look like a downed helicopter

The afternoon of the first day after the post doctor and engineer officers (both captains) flew out via UH1 helicopter and left me, a warrant officer from the Hippodrome crew (cannot remember his name) and one Turkish soldier to guard the plane and bodies that night. Six of our soldiers who perished in the crash were still in body bags beside the plane when the Turkish reporters showed up late the first day having "hiked" their way up the mountain.

We were trying to build a camp in the snow and cold when these klinks, came hiking up the hill in their little procession late in the evening. They were jabbering with the Turkish soldier who was also our interpreter when one of them decided to try to start taking photos of the dead soldiers by opening the bags up. Myself and the warrant stepped between them and things got warm pretty fast to the point where I had my hand on the pistol and the warrant was trying to get some guidance from the hill on the sorry radio. Basically we wanted to know if we had permission to pull the pistol and shoot them (primarily the little trouble making bugger).



That wasn't really said but we were on the fringe with a lot of loud talking and hopping around. Somewhere during the middle of this surreal argument on the top of the mountain - the WO and Turk soldier got in this big discussion with the reporter - instigator and while they were talking – I continued to try to communicate with the hill and get some guidance on could I shoot the SOB. (that is when another reporter took the photo of me in the inset).

To make a long story short the Turk soldier finally said something and patted his old rifle and they decided to calm down. The warrant and I thought we were going to be in the middle of an international incident because it got ugly for a few minutes but thankfully he backed off. They took some more photos and finally left. We spent the night under a

tarp tent in sleeping bags and a portable diesel heater which came in real handy. The next day they brought in a small dozer from Det 4 along with several personnel and pushed their way up the mountain. They had supplies, a tent and some help.

Sometime during the second day the Turk helicopter helped us evacuate the dead. By then an accident investigator from Fort Rucker via Germany had arrived. We spent the next couple of days with him picking up and pulling the engines down the hill. They left the fuselage but took the engines and some other minor stuff like the props. We spent three and one half days up on that mountain.

I am in my 33rd year in the military and I have to say EVERY time I smell aviation fuel I think of Esek011 and those three days on that mountain in northern Turkey.

MILITARY POLICE

When Mike Galbreath and I arrived the Platoon Sergeant (E7) was a short timer. I can't remember his last name but I think was Barry Bindel. There was another E-5 there who was also short.



The above photo has all of us including 16 newly arrived privates that had gotten to Sinop there just ahead of Mike and myself. I would appreciate an e-mail if you can help me remember all those folks and If I can ever get it complete I will re-post it with names. Every last one of them came from the same MP class from Fort McClellan. They were a wild group and we had a great time. Because the two "real" NCO's were leaving they made Mike and Mike Acting Sergeants. Since I was the Senior E-4 I was the Platoon Sergeant and Galbreath the Ops Sergeant. I can't remember the First Lieutenants name but he wasn't much older than the rest of us (he is in the far right photo and I am second from left standing).



The above photo was taken in the Det 4 theater when all 16 of these privates were promoted to PFC. It was unique to say the least. As I mentioned we were all pretty wild and being on the "hill" left a lot of free time to get into trouble. Between running, lifting

weights playing all kind of sports and "drinkin" at the club we did manage to stay out of too much trouble.



I think about my tour on the HILL and the Eske011 crash site quite often. I left behind many good friends. I never thought about staying in contact when I departed. I was leaving Sinop behind. It was similar to graduating from college or high school. I was moving on to my real life. The past was finished, only the present and the future existed. This is how I looked at things at that point in my life. When you are young, you see things differently than when you get older. If I had realized that in future years I would have

THE MONKEY PISSED OFF INCIDENT

I'm hoping that some vets who were on the HILL 1977-78 will remember one of the guys who was an exceptional softball player and had his wife and little 4 year old son living in Sinop, in spite of the "unaccompanied" status.. Anyway as I remember - I was among many who was at the theater watching the "King Kong" flick and when the part where King Kong was terrorizing the city and out of the middle of the theater the 4 year old hollers "Monkey pissed off!!!". They just about had to restart the movie. His mother I am sure still talks about that!

The only person I kept up with for a while was Wayne Murphy and haven't talked with him in 10 years. I think he still lives around Petal, Mississippi. There was a married Nurse couple with the last name of Linton or Linden that I was good friends with. Regret not keeping up with them. If any one knows them or how I can contact let me know.

Finally, I say again, my time in Sinop, Turkey was a highlight of my life and my stumbling onto the Det 4 website and the DOOL and the time that you and Bill Simons devote to keeping it up has been really great. Thanks again. God has been gracious to me! My Jesus comes first, my family is my all and the military has gotten the rest! Colonel Michael Windham, Mississippi Army National Guard, Director of Facilities and Engineering. 601-313-6230 mike.windham@us.army.mil

