

DAYS OF OUR LIVES #205

By Elder RC Green

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I received the above certificate while on my way to Japan in April 1955. The Domain of the Golden Dragon is a Chinese motif that was and still is issued upon their crossing of the International Date Line, the 180th meridian.



Please note that E8 and E9 grades were introduced in 1958

I receive the above card in 1960 at Bad Aibling. Note that the highest enlisted grade on the card was Master Sergeant E-7 and SP1 which was later changed to SP7.

I remember going to one well attended Top Three Assoc meeting at Maxlrain Weissbiergarten which was on Aiblinger Straße near Bad Aibling. To get to Maxlrain's from the front gate – turn left



FLORIDA ASA REUNION INFO

Al, - I'm Nat Alderman, 30 year'er ASA kind of guy, and long time member of the Florida ASA Friends (FASAF) reunion group. Info avail to me sez you are a shaker/mover for an ASA Turkey reunion group. We're hosting the 35th FASAF reunion in St Pete FL this year and wish to extend an invitation to other reunion groups to join in our events -- and do your own 'reunioning' separate from our sked during your time here if you so desire. We encourage 'come early, stay late' and enjoy the room rates/free parking associated with the FASAF arrangements (and likely the FASAF Hospitality Suite will be open early for your enjoyment).

In event you know not of FASAF, text below is extract of what we use here in Florida to inform hotels/vendors as we negotiate accommodations/food/music, etc., necessary to a FASAF annual event.

Attached in Word Perfect format is announcement and details of 2010 FASAF planning; be comfortable in forwarding that as you deem for your group. Should you and some TUSLOG Vets wish to join us for FASAF Party #35, all I need by 15 Dec is the number of rooms that your group will require. Later we can compile names/addresses, etc., necessary for us to mail FASAF registration material.

I look forward to hearing from you -- and hopefully seeing you at FASAF Party #35

KTF, Nat

IN SICK BAY

Betty Carrick has been in and out of the sick bays since 14 September 2009. She had one artery that was 85% blocked and had a stint inserted to remove the blockage. I know that you all was praying for her so now I want you to send a prayer thanking God for her recovery. Betty and I really do believe in prayers and must thank God for her recovery.



Ernie & Betty Carrick at the 2004 reunion in Huntsville, Alabama

TAPS

ANDERSON, William Norris, E3-E4 Det 27, 64-66, (Kathy)

[obit] Billy was born 18 September 1943 in Palo Alto, CA. Bill graduated from Menlo Atherton High in 1961. He joined the U.S. Army in 1963 and served 3 years in Turkey. After returning to Menlo Park and attending college, Billy worked for SRI and PG&E before going to work for Dahl Plumbing & Heating in 1974. He later owned the company from 1995-2004 & retired in 2005. Bill was an avid gun collector, historian, knife maker & chef. He enjoyed river rafting, travel, reading & camping trips to Montana & Nevada. He held numerous contractor's licenses, was a member of several professional organizations, a member of the TBI chapter of E. Clampus Vitus & a devoted member of the "club" at the Alpine Inn Beer Garden. Our family & friends will dearly miss our beloved Billy.

Bill Linderud of Stoughton, WI was a 05K at Det 27, NO64-DE66, and was, for a time, a roommate of Bill Anderson.

Said that Bill Anderson was known as Andy at Det 27. Andy was trained in ordinance at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland and didn't think that Andy had a security clearance, but could be mistaken.

Linderud related many stories about Andy Anderson. In fact after he was discharged he stopped by Andy's parents home in California and visited with them and remembers that he exchanged letters with Andy's Mom. Another close friend of Andy was Calvin Pope from Alabama who at that time was the mail clerk at Operations Company at Det 27. Both were very husky GI's and did a lot of drinking at the NCO club and would get plastered and then would get into a fist fight and the winner would be the sobberest person.



He also remember that before Andy left Turkey he ordered a new 1965 British LOTUS 7 two-seater with open top - sports car and picked it up in NY or NJ after Andy was discharged from the army at Fort Hamilton. Andy's intention was to drive to Alabama and visit with Pope and then drive to California. On his way to Pope's place he totalled the Lotus and flew home to California. This Calvin Pope was married in Turkey and got involved in black market activity and served time in a Turkish jail. Pope was friends with another GI from Manzarali named Gary Stewart also a good athlete stopped by Pope's place in Alabama and after a drinking bout totalled a brand new 442....

Linderud said that Andy had sorta bad eyesight from an explosion he caused in his parents garage & thought that he and another school friend were trying to make a BOMB.... and it exploded in or around Andy's face.

They did a lot of wild boar hunting in Turkey and didn't think that they any luck.

GRAHAM, Jerry, DOB: 10SE44 DOD: 8AU2006, 059, Tk#3, Det 27, 64-65, (Myna), 5455 Wooleyville, Rd., Campbellsville, KY 42718, 270-465-6514, mynagraham@windstream.net Norman Opela sent name

On 16 October 2009 Hank Rotzal mentioned Jerry Graham as being a close friend who shared an apartment in Ankara with him and John Hultberg. A long time ago Norman Opela had mentioned Jerry Graham, but I could not find him. Rotzal mentioned that he was from Campbellsville, KY. On 17 October I called and had a interesting chat with Jerry's wife, Myna. She said that Jerry had passed away from a 17 month battle with colon cancer on 8 August 2006. He accepted his fate and the worse day he had was the day he died with his family at his side. She said that after being discharged at Vint Hill they went back to Campbellsville and he began working in the grocery store field and later in heating and air conditioning, then interior wood working. He loved to hunt and was an excellent artist in scenery and church scenes. During the chat I mentioned Hank Rotzal and Myna said that they had met at Vint Hill Farms and that they had spent Christmas 1966 with Hank and Rosemary in Connecticut. Also – Myna mentioned that Wes Lienke had a year or so after Jerry had died and offered them a ride to one of the ASA Turkey reunions, but was told that Jerry had passed away.

THE 2010 ASA TURKEY REUNION

Where: Toledo, Ohio

What hotel: Hilton

www.toledo.hilton.com

Address: 3100 Glendale, Ave

What room rate: \$89 all inclusive

When: 5-8 September 2010

The menu's & cost will be about \$30-35 pp

There is boundless things to see and do in Toledo such as:

Toledo Art Museum Stranahan Theatre Valentine Theatre

Cedar Point Amusement Park – 58 miles – www.cedarpoint.com

Cabela's Dundee – 30 miles – www.cabelas.com

Fort Meigs, Perrysburg, OH - 8 miles - www.ohiohistory.org

Falling Timbers Battlefields & Fort Miamis National Historic Site

Sandpiper Boat – www.sandpiperboat.com

Snooks Dream Cars – 25 miles -

S.S, Willis B. Boyer – 6 miles – www.willisbboyer.org

The Henry Ford - 61 miles – www.thehenryford.org

Toledo Zoo – 2 miles – www.toledozoo.org

Toledo Mudhens - 5 miles – Triple A farm team of Detroit Tigers – www.mudhens.com

Dates: vs Columbus Clippers – Farm team of Cleveland Indians - 5 Sept at 6 pm and on 6 Sept at 1 pm

Toledo, Lake Erie & Western Railway & Museum, Inc - - miles -www.tlew.org

Tony Packos, 1902 Front St., – 8 miles – www.tonypackos.com

Eagle's Landing Golf Club – 14 miles – www.eagleslandinggolfclub.net

The reunion details will be made known in DOOL#206

MAIL call

BROOKE, Denny, 058, Det 27, SE62-3MR64, Naperville, IL

BROWN, David, Det 4, 68-69, Clallam Bay, WA

COOK, Bill, 058, Tk#2, Det 27, AP63-OC64, Sherrills Ford, NC

GREENE, John, ASA Frankfurt

HARTRANFT, Bill, 058, Det 27, 18OC62-27JL64, Ocean City, NJ

LUND, Todd, 982, Det 27 & 4-4, 67-69, Appleton, WI

MULHOLLAND, Jim, Det 4, AP56-JN57, Bloomfield Hills, MI

RICE, Ralph, 059 Det 27, MY61-62, Halifax, PA

ROTZAL, Hank, 05K Det 27, JA64-JL65, Oxford, CT

STUCKERT, Bill, Det 4, 56-57, Tulsa, OK

TAVERNETTI, Dave, Watch O TK#4 Det 27, MR62-SE63, El Dorado Hills, CA

THOMAS, Joseph, 722, Det 27, MR60-AU61, Casselberry, FL

WACENDAK, Andy, 98GRU/988A, Det 4, 66-67, Johnson City, NY

WHITMAN, Ken, 058 TK#2 Det 27, 62-64, Rehoboth Beach, DE

ZIMMERMAN, John, Det 4, 64-65, Latrobe, PA

MAIL call in alphabetical order

BROOKE, Dennis D., (DD & Bumpa), YOB: 1943, RA17608528, E3-E4, 058, Det 27, SE62-3MR64, (Barbara), 1720 Fender Rd., Naperville, IL 60565, 630-983-7296, vu73@yahoo.com

Elder, - Thanks for the great write up in the latest DOOL. It is obviously read quickly by the guys that get it. I had an email from Howard Smith Trick #1 Manzarali Station 1962-1964 when I got on the computer today. Had not heard from him since 1964. Just another example of how valuable your DOOL is.

I have subscribed to several sites tauting things to do in Chicago land. If I were to speck out some more hotels, how would I go about it. You mentioned the Wyndom in Naperville. I can follow up on that one if you teach me how. You have to spell the steps out to an old guy like me. I am also working with my sister who is compiling a list of recommended hotels and things to do. Will keep you posted! Denny

BROWN, David H. Det 4, 68-69, (Rebecca), P. O. Box 371, Clallam Bay, WA 98326 360-963-3112, dh.brown@dhbrownbooks.com

Way back in May, way before we decided to make a trip north, I applied for a Back Country Elk Tag for the fall hunt in Montana. Wanted one last thrill I reckon. No luck with the 1st or 2nd round draws and figured that was the end of it. Then at the end of August I received notice I was in the running for a Remainder Tag, in other words one not taken by the a 1st or 2nd round drawee.

Since there is no refunds if one doesn't get a tag, I accepted, paid my money and set up a 5 day guided trip for after our Alaska adventure. Therefore the answer reflected below.

Still, beautiful country was seen, some good whiskey and 2 days on a very big horse and nary a Bull Elk presented itself to be taken for my plate. I guess the only season that is left to me anymore is Homesteaders Choice this winter from our local population. Which I have been know to observe from time to time.

Don't think I'll be having any more adventures like that again. My legs almost didn't hold me. The Diabetes has finally taken it's toll I'm afraid. My days of wilderness rambling are best left to my youth. Still a good memory was made, eh?

In fact the only real disappointment was that the almost new Nikon C100 camera that took almost 3000 images in Alaska took nary a one of the hunting trip. Came home, plugged the 16GB SD card into the card reader in the computer and was informed that the data was unreadable. I'm sending it off to a computer lab in Seattle to see of they can recover the images.

Be well, DH



Rebecca Brown



Dave & Rebecca Brown

COOK, Bill, (Biker Bill), RA15675174 E2-E4 058 Tk#2 Ops Co Det 27, AP63-OC64, 8110 Parkview Ln, Sherrills Ford, NC 28673, 828-478-5460, wjcooksr@embarqmail.com
BPED JL62 ETS JL65 Co F TC&S grad w/Fore & Garland



Patriot Guard Riders

Standing For Those Who Stood For US



Hey Guys...

Meant to touch base after the last DOOL regarding the reunion. I had a great time and it was truly an honor to have to opportunity to speak on behalf of the Patriot Guard Riders. Since you posted that DOOL I have been re-contacted by Randy Greenip and have encouraged him to attend the next reunion if possible.

Now with regard to the current issue... You've looked at some pretty nice places for the 2010 reunion and I was surprised to see that you visited and are giving consideration to Toledo, Ohio... my hometown. I can tell you this, it has a world class Art Museum, one of the finest zoos in the country, and some great ethnic food. Remember M*A*S*H... well Tony Packo's is real! They also have the Toledo Mud Hens. (I must sound like Obama trying to sell Chicago to the IOC). Speaking of Chicago... please... do not go there.

On the other hand Cincinnati would be great... fun city with lots of great restaurants and history.

I look forward to hearing your decision even though I'm sure it is a ways off.

Thanks again for putting this out for all of us... I really enjoy reading about even those I have never met.

By the way I just got back from Fort Benning to honor members of the 173rd Airborne Sky Soldiers. Great bunch of guys. I now have 99,400 miles on my Harley bike... Pretty sure I'll meet my goal of 100,000 before the end of the year.

Respects, Bill (Biker Bill) Cook

GREENE, John C USASAE, Frankfurt

Wow Al (Elder), I did not know any of our Green's or Greene's could talk this much at one time!!

Thanks for sending your DAYS OF OUR LIVES#204. How fun and informative your letters are. The pictures are great and I hope the picture of the two of us does not taint your paper <grin>. Seriously, I enjoyed reading it from top to bottom. Great pictures, stories and coverage. This Greene is not able to say this much about anything. I admire your abilities and talents.

I saw two guys named in your letter - "Cammack and Carrick - who I have had some correspondence with in the past. I expect that some who was in Frankfurt knew them from Sinop (I assume) and gave me their names? I have not heard too much from

either one but Cammack noted recently that he might like to attend our reunion in 2010, if he was able??

Great to hear from you Al-Elder. What is your next planned ConFam? Do you have several otherS on your agenda in 2009 and 2010?

Take care and thank for the great newsletters you are sending to me. Maybe I will get some ideas for a much smaller newsletter to my Frankfurt ASA group?

Stay in touch. John C, Greene,

HARTRANFT, Bill, YOB: 1943, RA13735181, E3-E5, 058, Ops Co Det 27, 18OC62-27JL64, (Sheila), 728 Battersea Rd., Ocean City, NJ 08226, 609-814-0056, wdhartranft1@comcast.net E4 DOR 1AU63

Finally got around to reading your latest DOOL.

Sorry to hear about Don Mattocks. I'll have to send him a fast note.

Really interesting to see a current photo of Dennis (Delbert) D Brooke. His sign in Operations was DD. You know we were all a bit goofy over there...so we had some goofy nicknames wrapped around each other. I'll leave it up to Delbert to tell you what his was.

Sheila and I leave for Rome this Sunday. We're going to cruise the Med for a second time, this with friends who couldn't go last time. This will be our 4th time to Italy...great country... Last time we flew into Venice and cruised the Aegean. That trip we sailed into Kusidasi... and what a thrill it was to be able to revisit a country I've regretted not being able to appreciate when I spent 22 months and 2 days there.

Will try to send a few current shots when we get back.

Hope all is well.... Bill

LUND, Todd C., E3-E5 982, Det 27 & 4-4, 67-68, 1832 N, Whitney Dr., #17, Appleton, WI 54914, erminet2003@yahoo.com Ret CW3 USA

The photo's of the albino Moose is amazing! In recent years in that part of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan there have been lots of unusual critters sighted.

Cougars, Canadian Lynx (not bobcat), and a marked increase in Timber Wolves, Fisher, Pine Marten. We also have planted Elk in the northwestern part of the state near Duluth, Minnesota and the population is doing well. Todd

MULHOLLAND, Jim YOB: 1934 2LT-1LT Elint O Det 4, AP56-JN57, (Joan), 4702 Hedgewood, Bloomfield Hills. MI 48301, 248-855-9213, mulsy@msn.com



Recently, Joan and I visited Bill and Jan Stuckert on our way home from Dallas via Tulsa. Last time was at the 2004 Turkey reunion at Huntsville, Alabama. Time sure flies when you are having fun. Note the Det 4 hat in Jim's hand. Jim & Bill Stuckert were among the first officers at Sinop. Jim is a dedicated conservative.

RICE, Ralph W Jr., YOB: 1942, RA13683542, E3-E4, 059 Det 27, MY61-62, (Carole), 2406 White Oak Rd., Halifax, PA 17032 ralphrice@frontiernet.net per UO#10 dtd 26MR62 I guess I put it off long enough. Born in Lancaster, PA. Lived In Mt Joy, PA until after I was out of the Army. Graduated from Donegal High School in 1960. Went into the Army before I was 18 in June 1960. Did basic at Fort Dix, ASA school at Fort Devens, Went to Det 27 Turkey in May of 1961, Went on leave then new assignment day before Thanksgiving 1962, Married my wife, Carole, 15 December 1962. Went to Fort Bragg 2 January 1963, to Homestead AFB 16 January 1963, discharged 20 June 1963 at Fort Bragg.

Started to work for Pennsylvania Power & Light on 9 July 1963. Retired 1 January 2004. Started as a Laborer--Lineman --Foreman--Manager--Harrisburg Operations Manager.

We have 4 children, 3 girls & 1 boy, 10 grandchildren 5&5.....People I remember from Manzarali: . Lt Freddie Fry our trick officer most of the time I was there. 1SG Lee..Bob Bastin who was in my barracks at Devens and room mate for the whole time in Trukey. Our third was a guy named Yost from Coatsville, PA, also a Huxel from Oregon. and a McClure from I don't know. Friends Tom Cody from Missouri, Mc Allister from CA, Himkle from CO, Swinefuss from OH, Orr from CA, Palmer Long from rural central PA. Frank Fausett from CA., a Russian transcriber guy who later became a priest. I also remember Chaplin Roth and the CA was Christmas. Other names Like Turk Armstrong flash in and out, but were no people I ran around with. I look forward to seeing the group at the 2010 reunion...Oh we live at 2406 White Oak Rd, Halifax, Pa 17032. This is 30 miles north east of Harrisburg, PA. We are 2 miles up a dirt road against a state forest.

ROTZAL, Henry E (Hank), YOB 1944 RA11421776 05K Det 27, JA64-JL65, (Helena)
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Helena and Hank Rotzal dunebugging in Arizona



Hanks 1964 T-Bird convertible

Just came across your DOOL#167 pdf on the internet while searching for ASA Turkey. I would like to receive email updates about your internet sites and also about future ASA reunions. I was stationed at Det 27, site 23, from January 1964 till July 1965. My mos was 05K. Thanks in advance, Hank Rotzal

I called Hank Rotzal on 15 October 2009. This was the first time that the ROTZAL name became known to me. He believes that he was on Tk#3, but not sure as he could not remember the names of his trick leaders. Remembers only three names: John Hultberg from PA; Jerry Graham from Campbellsville, KY and Frank Weiskoff from PA (Believe it was Weinkopff). They too were non-morse teletype intercept operators. They three plus Hank Rotzal rented a 3-bedroom apartment in Ankara that was registered in the name of Turk colonel. Remembers the Manzarali Mess Hall and the good food that the German cooks prepared on a daily basis. Said that they served Spaghetti every Wednesday. Said that he didn't care for the Turkey assignment at the time, but now that he is older – fondly looks back on it and wishes that he would have done other activities, but said that he did take some Service Club sponsored tours. Was first assigned to Fort Bragg after his Det 27 tour, but had it changed to Vint Hill Farms after A visit there while on leave. Was discharged April 1966 and went back to Connecticut Where he went to work, got married, worked at various jobs such as grocery, credit mgr., retail stores, owned construction company, and retired in 2004 while working for Home Depot. Would like to hear from anyone who remembers him.

Don't know if anyone else has sent you a copy of this letter or not, but here is the one that all short timers at Det 27 were aware of:

Notice of solemn warning, this 14th day of June , 1965

Lock your daughters in their rooms, fill the icebox with beer and the real stuff, not the 3.2 variety – and in bottles not cans. Then get the civies out of moth balls. Very soon the above named will be in your midst: dehydrated, demoralized, demobilized and somewhat depraved to take his place in life, liberty and the somewhat delayed pursuit of happiness. In making your preparations to welcome him back to organized society, you must make allowances for the crude environment that has been his miserable lot for the past 18 months. In other words, he might be a little Asiatic, suffering from too much Mazarelli.

Therefore, show no alarm if he prefers to sit on his haunches, instead of sitting on a chair. Keep cool, when he pours gravy on his dessert and mixes peaches with his potatoes. He has become quite accustomed to these and many other strange and seemingly unedible mixtures of food. Be tolerant when he takes the mattress off of the bed and puts it on the floor to sleep. Just smile knowingly when he smashes the family car while driving in town doing 80 miles per hour. He has had little or no driving practice since leaving home. Think nothing of it when he shoots all the dogs in the neighborhood, it's only force of habit. Don't let it shock you when he answers the phone with "Merhaba" and finishes with "Allaha Ismarladik"!

For the first week after arriving home, he should not be allowed to go to the movies, except the drive-in and then he must go alone. After becoming used to the theater on the Manzareli Hill, where there are only poor unfortunates like himself, some of the remarks he might make would not be in the best of taste in America.

Break him in with TV, but only small amounts at a time. He may have forgotten what this

strange machine really is. For the first few weeks until he becomes housebroken, be especially watchful when he is in the company of females. Particularly young and beautiful types.

After months of seeing women covered with shawls, he can't imagine any other types. When in their company, his intentions are sincere and heartfelt, even though thoroughly dishonorable and distasteful.

Never mention the words "brown beggars" or "dependents" or the phrase, "Buy me cigarettes". If you do, he may run from the room screaming "Cok Fina". In a relatively short time he can be taught English again and it won't cost much to fix the family car. Be especially watchful when he is in town, so that he doesn't get run down by a car or bus. He has become particularly accustomed to walking down the middle of the street. Bear with him if he continually honks the horn while driving the family car, he may have ridden with one too many Turkish drivers – this habit may be hard to understand unless one has experienced Turkish driving. Never greet him in the Turkish language, as he may leave home never to return.

If there are any Turkish people in town, warn them of his impending return. He may return with a strong dislike for Turkey and it's customs.

Never ask him if the boys down the street held a higher rank than he and make no flattering remarks about the armed forces such as the Air Force, the Navy, the Marines and above all, never mention the Army in his presence. This man will go crazy if you mention: transfers, re-ups, tour of duty, extensions, or the poor guys down in Ankara, and he has good reason to!!!

Keep in mind that beneath his pallid, but rugged exterior, there beats a heart of gold. Treasure it, as it may be the only thing of value he has left. Treat him with kindness and tolerance and you will be able to rehabilitate that which is now just a hollow shell of the happy civilian you once knew.

P.S. Be sure to keep the girls, kids and the normal drivers off of the street. He is heading west in 30 days.

Hank Rotzal.

STUCKERT, F. W. "BILL" 2LT-1LT Det 4, 56-57, 2429 E. 22nd Pl., Tulsa, OK 74114, 918-742-2325, Taggie55@sbcglobal.net



Above photo of the Stuckert's was taken in September 2010 by Jim Mulholland. The BIO's of Jim Mulholland and Bill Stuckert have submitted their BIO's to the DOOL

TAVERNETTI, Dave 05706941 2LT-1LT Watch O TK#4 Det 27, MR62-SE63, (Sue), 7021 Timber Trail Loop, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762, 916-939-0136, detavernetti@sbcglobal.net

I know it is a long time off but is there any possibility you know the approximate date range of next year's reunion. The location is not that important to us as we'll go almost anywhere but some of the events/trips we plan are done so almost a year in advance. We are trying to keep all of September and most of October open until you know the date (or a range of dates).

Best wishes to all. Thank you. David Tavernetti

THOMAS, Jos. W II, P.A., E5 722, Det 27, MR60-AU61, (Paulette), 1SG, USAR(Ret), 950 S Winter Pk Dr., Suite 112, Casselberry, FL 32707, 407-834-8871, kingofsubro@aol.com

I arrived at Det 27 when it was still in downtown Ankara, across the street from the embassy. Spring 1960. After a couple of months we moved to Site 23 and began ops in the new building. I maintained an apartment in town and made frequent trips. A friend worked in the motor pool and would sign out a deuce and half to me so we could go to town and party. Made that trip back many times with a belly full of beer. I don't recall any names from that time, too long ago for my old memory. I was a 722 in the comm center. Joe Thomas

WACENDAK, Andy, YOB 1925, RA12285540, E7 P3 & W1, 98GRU/988A, Det 4, 66-67, (Winifred), 66 E Maine Rd., Johnson City, NY 13790, 607-797-6483, awacendak@stny.rr.com

The following is edited excerpts from a Andy Wacendak letter that he sent to me in May, but somehow it got lost in my files.

Andy started off by saying that he had no intentions or plans in writing the letter, but then changed his mind and wrote that he wanted by God to speak his peace regarding racial tensions at Sinop in 1966. He wrote that these tensions could and should have been stopped by Sgt Maj Ricci and that First Sergeant Ohby was highly aggravated. He further wanted me to refresh Lt Col Fred Brooks' memory on the base meetings held in the movie theater. Andy wrote that his good black friend SFC Jesse Ewing told him "Be careful, those Black Hoodlums are nasty and would kill or maim anyone." He continued, would I love to attend the ASA Turkey reunion in August 2009 at Gaithersburg? You betcha, however we both have heart problems and, of course, our age plays an important role in our travels. I'd love to talk with Col Brooks, John Spivey and others that I knew at Sinop. My Minnie, God Bless her, rarely complains, still loves to cook, bake and mow our fields and lawn – over 6-8 acres every 10 days on our 50" John Deere tractor. Our son, Dr John had 3 major operations and was off for 6 weeks of sick leave and is now back to work at the hospital.



SFC Andrew Wacendak receiving a placque from Maj Gen Davis at Fort Meade in 1964



L-R: CWO Mac Criddell, Lt Col Burt Slesinger, CPT Teufilak, CPT (AF) Krilic and CWO Andy Wacendak
 Slesinger was the Ops Officer at Sinop in 1958-59
 Photo taken at Shemya in September 1968

ZIMMERMAN, John "Bear" YOB 1941 RA13774858 Det 4, 64-65, (Sherry), 116 Brinker
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John Zimmerman



Jim Wylie and John Zimmerman

On 26 October 2009 received a letter from Sherry Zimmerman asking if any reunions are planned for 2010. She also included an obit of a former ASA vet and wanted to know if he was ever stationed in Turkey.

John Zimmerman was the heavy weight wrestler champion at Det 4 in 1965. He finished 2nd in the MSC Heavyweight class in 1965 per the Mauler and wrestled in England. Enjoyed his tour at Sinop.

WHITMAN, Ken, YOB 1943 RA13735182 E3-E5-E4 058 TK#2 Det 27, 62-64, (Judi), 12 Dutch Dr., Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971, 302-227-3643, seadevil18@comcast.net



Delaware Post 17 officers
On the left is Ken Whitman



Ken Whitman on the right

Dear Elder & Patty: I am sorry – I haven't sent reunion pictures to you. We have had a "hectic" summer of "company" coming to the beach & to our house.

Ken became Vice Commander for the state of Delaware for the American Legion, and our youngest son, Mike, was married on Sept 19th. 150 people were invited to the wedding! Hope you and Patty are doing well! Thank you – to both of you for another wonderful ASA Turkey reunion!! Hugs Judi & Ken.

Below are 10 photo's from the 2009 reunion. I couldn't resist inserting the one of you taking a snooze outside the hospitality room.



Bill Cook



John & Anna Marie Eitenmiller & Ken Whitman



Bobbi & Hal Winkler



Frank Siebenaller and Biker Bill Cook



L-R: JR Greene, Al Green & Bambridge Peterson



Al Green at the banquet



Terry Greene at Fort McHenry



Al Green caught taking a nap



Retired Lt Col Ralph Connolly

THAT'S ALL FOLKS