



Fort Devens, Winter of 1960-61
Photo by A.D. Bailey, baycap@live.com

MAIL-call - PRESERVING FORGOTTEN MEMORIES

This newsletter is intended for the use of the ASA TURKEY Veteran's. Your memoirs are most welcome to the DAYS OF OUR LIVES and is an effort on my part to preserve the stories and memories of ASA veterans who served in Turkey. Certainly my goal is to collect and to preserve the stories -- that we honor the ASA Turkey veterans and that we educate future generations about what it was like for us COLD WAR veteran's. On the importance of the ASA Turkey BIO's - that not too many years from now people will be able to look back and understand what the ASA was all about and why ASA personnel served in Turkey and have a better understanding of the experience of veterans who went through the Cold War.

Make it a TO DO task in 2011 to write and share your ASA Turkey information with the DOOL gang. The DOOL spirit is all about sharing. If you are one of the newcomers, welcome, and here's some pointers to get you started. A good place to start is with the DOOL webpage: <http://dool-1.tripod.com>.

BELOW IN THE REUNION PORTION IS A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM THOSE WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE REUNION AND WANT TO TAKE THE BUS TO THE PHILADELPHIA SIGHTS. PLEASE REPLY. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR OUR PLANNING. Thanks- -gH

The editor: GREEN, Elder RC (gH), YOB: 1936, RA13513638, E7, 982/98C, Det 27, 1-15MY61, Det 120, MY-JL65, Det 27, JN66-OC67 & Det 4-4, OC67-NO68, (Patty), 3094 Warren Rd., Indiana, PA 15701, 724-349-7395, asagreenhornet@comcast.net



I extend a sincere welcome to all you ex-ASA TURKEY vet's, their wives and friends.

We ex-ASAers are proud veteran's and our ex-skills are, for the most part, no longer needed, BUT during the cold war they WERE NEEDED.

JOIN US at the 2011 reunion



**Radisson Hotel
Valley Forge/King of Prussia, Pennsylvania
8-11 September 2011**

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

To make reservations: 610-337-2000

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

So make your Radisson reservations now.

Pets not allowed

THE ATTIRE FOR THE REUNION IS INFORMAL

Bring your memorabilia (albums, slides, patches, etc) with you and display in the hospitality room which will be secure and open for the entire reunion.

Getting to the Valley Forge area

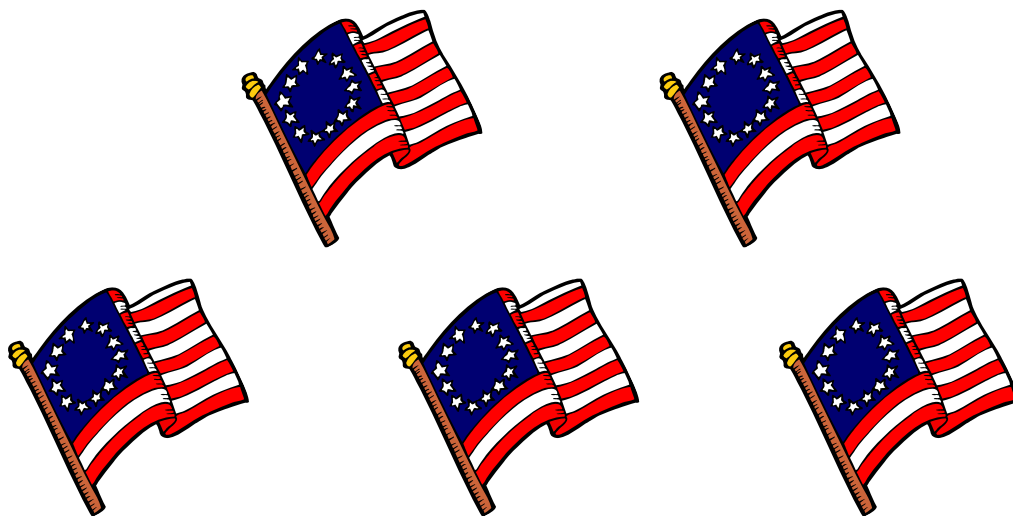
There are 6 major highways approaching from virtually every direction. It's served by exits 326 thru 343 of the PA Turnpike (I-76) & I-476. I-95 is nearby. The GPS for the Radisson is: 1160 First Ave., King of Prussia, PA
The Hospitality Room will be open 8am – 11:30 pm in Suite 1417

NOTICE – NOTICE – NOTICE – NOTICE – NOTICE – NOTICE – NOTICE

WE NEED TO KNOW BY **1 AUGUST 2011** HOW MANY PLAN TO TAKE THE BUS TO PHILADELPHIA ON SATURDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER IN ORDER TO ORDER AND RESERVE THE TRANSPORTATION. EACH BUS SEATS 48 PASSENGERS AND WILL HAVE A PA SYSTEM SO THAT THE DRIVER CAN POINT OUT THE LANDMARKS. THE BUS WILL LEAVE THE HOTEL AT 9:30, DROP US OFF AT THE WELCOME CENTER NEAR THE LIBERTY BELL AND PICK US UP AT 4:30 TO RETURN TO THE HOTEL BY 5:30

THEREFORE – PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO ELDER & PATTY GREEN AT asagreenhornet@comcast.com WITH C/C TO MIKE & JANE COMROE AT pennstateblue@enter.net.

REMEMBER – If you will be attending the reunion – your teamwork is needed, so send the email today. The e-mail results will determine the number of buses to reserve and the bus costs to Philadelphia. The cost per person will be collected at the registration desk. See below for the details of the bus trip to Philadelphia.



Valley Forge, Pennsylvania

Thursday, September 8

Registration begins 3pm
National Park
Hospitality Suite – Room 1417

\$15. Per Person

James

Friday, September 9

Valley Forge

Mill Grove – Home of John

King of Prussia Mall

Dinner – The Blue Grotto \$35. Per
person

Saturday, September 10
Historic Philadelphia



Independence Hall
National Constitution Center
The President's House
Ben Franklin House/Grave
Elfreth's Alley/Christ Church
Society Hill/Penn's Landing
Franklin Institute
Row U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Zoo
Battleship SS. New Jersey

Liberty Bell

Jewish History Museum

Betsy Ross House

Philadelphia Art Museum/Boathouse

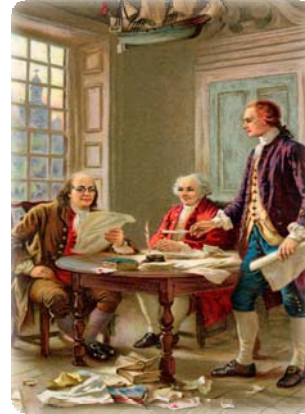
Reading Terminal Market

Tour – On Your Own/Walking - Bus - Trolley Tours Available/Carriage Rides

Lunch – In the City of Brotherly Love

Bus from Radisson Valley Forge – Reservations Required

Lunch and Dinner – On Your Own



www.visitphilly.com
www.nps.gov/vafo

Sunday, September 11



Longwood Gardens – Dupont Estate
Philadelphia Premium Outlets

Banquet – The Radisson Hotel

Cost: \$35. Per person

COST FOR THE REUNION

REGISTRATION FEE= \$15. per person

The registration fee's will be used to keep the hospitality room stocked with food

Price for Friday nite buffet= \$35. per person

Price for Sunday buffet and entertainment= \$35. per person

If you're attending – please tally up your tab and send a check to
Hal Winkler, 12195 Thames Pl., Cincinnati, OH 45241 for your
total due. Thanks- - -gH

PLEASE PAY ASAP BUT NLT 15 AUGUST 2011

THOSE REGISTERED (*) OR INDICATED THEY WILL BE ATTENDING THE REUNION

*ASPINWALL, Paul -1

*AUSBROOKS, Sonny -2

BERGMANN, Chuck -2

*COMROE, Mike -2

COOK, Bill -1
COURTNEY, Chuck -2
DYER, Wayne -2
ERICKSON, Ron -2
*GREEN, Elder -2
*GREENE, JR -2
*HENDRIX, Kenneth -2 Ken – Please contact me- -gH
*HUNT, Carlos – 2
ISLER, Rod -2
JAFFE, Larry -2
*JONES, Luther -2
*LAZZARA, Tom - 1
LEVY, Dan - 2
*LIENKE, Wesley – 2
O'BRIEN, Jack -2
PRUITT, Bill -2
*ROTZAL, Hank -2
*TAVERNETTI, David - 2
WACENDEK, Andy -2
*Wenger, Barry - 2
*Whitman, Ken -2
WINKLER, Hal -2

4/27/11: The bus rate for the Valley forge Reunion trip to Philadelphia will be 17.50 per person and this charge will include a driver's tip of 50.00. The following is important; we must have reservations and money (or a definite, non-cancellable commitment) by 8/1/11. The bus will hold a total of 48 people and I have reserved 2 buses to prevent crowding. My cut-off date is 8/10/11 with the bus company or we would be responsible for payment. No bus reservations will be accepted at the sign in desk unless we have open seats. I will check with you or Hal prior to the cut off date regarding the number of people paid.

Regards,
Mike

4.27/11: Holy Cow - \$840 for a 48 passenger school bus.

What did U do - update to a greyhound?

What was the cost before U negotiated with them?

Does the \$17.50 pp bus have a built in fudge factor?

Is the bus going to be with the group all day or is it taking us to the welcome ctr - drop us off - and then come back at a certain time and take us back to the Radisson.

Is there a parking garage near the welcome ctr and what is the rate per hour?

Let me know before I make a decision

Keep in mind that we w/b spending abt \$1000 for food + soda's and beer for the hospitality room.

4/28/11:

Elder:

Our true cost for each bus is 425.00 ea plus a drivers tip of 50.00 so you can see the built in fudge factor so do the math and see the cushion created to cover other expenses. This was the best price I could negotiate after spending several days contacting six bus companies and negotiating the best price through a friend in the business. We are getting new buses with PA systems so that the driver can point out Philadelphia landmarks as we drive in. The bus will leave the hotel at 9:30, drop us off at the welcome center near the Liberty Bell and pick us up at 4:30 to return to the hotel by 5:30. Not considering the price of gasoline for a 60 mile round trip to the city and back, parking garage rates will be 4.50 to 5.00 hour. There is no on street park in Philadelphia. After careful consideration, Jane and I made the decision to contract with the bus company. If you disagree with our decision, tell me now and I will cancel the contract and let you handle it. I thought we were co-hosts with some decision making authority..

Mike



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September 8, 2011

Army Security Agency (ASA) Turkey

Dear Friends:

As the Commissioners of Montgomery County, we are delighted to welcome all of you who have gathered this weekend at the Radisson Hotel Valley Forge for your 2011 reunion.

The service each of you provided to our nation during the Cold War was vital and we appreciate it.

Montgomery County is home to some of America's most significant historic sites, wonderful cultural attractions, an array of outdoor recreation opportunities and excellent shopping and dining.

We commend you for a job well done and are pleased to serve as your hosts as you reminisce about the good times you have shared.

Sincerely,

James R. Matthews
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September 8, 2011

Army Security Agency (ASA) Turkey

Greetings!

It's my pleasure to welcome you to the Valley Forge area and Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

This is hallowed ground for all Americans, for it was here, on the 3,600 acres of what's now Valley Forge National Historical Park that both *America's spirit* and our nation's distinguished military history were born. It becomes even more sacred each time a veterans group such as the ASA Turkey convenes here and honors the legacy established by our forefathers nearly 230 years ago.

I hope that while you're here you'll take full advantage of all we have to offer -- a wealth of some of America's most significant historic sites; stunning natural beauty and outdoor recreation opportunities; cultural gems such as the world-renown Barnes Foundation; a host of welcoming restaurants for every palate; and some of the finest and most abundant shopping in the United States, from King of Prussia Mall to numerous and quaint villages.

We're proud to host and serve you. I and my staff and our entire area hospitality community offer our best wishes for a productive, enjoyable and memorable reunion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Decker".

Paul Decker
(Lieutenant Colonel, Ret.)
President

MAIL CALL

AINES, Donald S., DOB: 20MY1926, CPT, AGC,ADJ/X0, Det 4, AU60-AU61, (Margie), Providence Rd., Apt 302, 2085 Wayne Ave., Chambersburg, PA 17202, 717-709-2807, no email. Ret COL

The following is an up-date on the life of Colonel Aines who has been having health problems while taking care of his wife who has alzheimer's. Colonel Aines informs that he recently had a heart attack and after surgery – tests showed that he has cancer of the liver and bladder and that he is undergoing chemotherapy for both.

The conversation ended with Colonel Aines thanking me for my ASA Turkey endeavor and for his chance to speak via the phone speaker to the 2009 reunion banquet at Gaithersburg, MD and that he has a box of Sinop slides that he will have sent to me by one of his sons.

His closing words to me were: OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE, THEY JUST FADE AWAY.

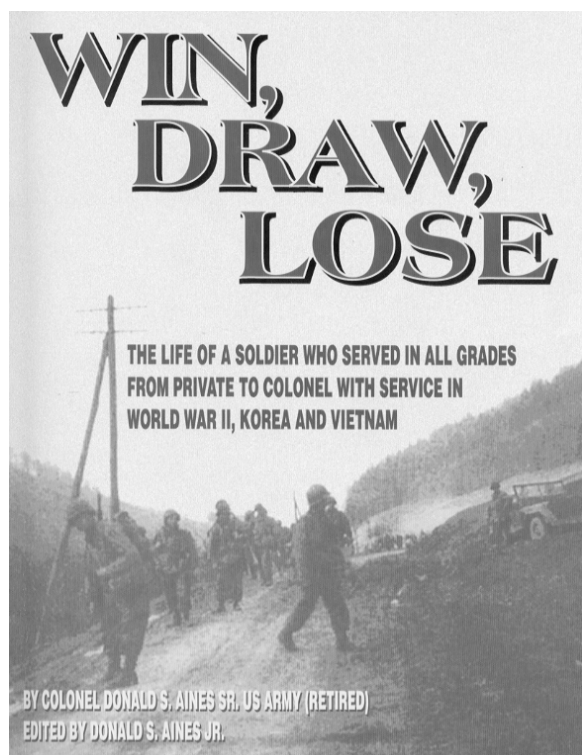
They now are residing in an assisted living nursing home in Chambersburg, PA. (see the above ID entry for their address),

Then a Captain at Det 4 he handled two devastating events at Det 4 – all within two weeks of each other. The first was the crash of a L-19 into a mountain clearing and its recovery and the other being the RIOT by the Turks that almost turned into a catastrophe. The details of those events have been included in the DOOL's.

Herein I've included some photo's of significant personnel including Aines and the famous First Sergeant Crawford Boyd .



Colonel Donald S. Aines



The above is the cover page for Colonel Donald S Aines memoirs and life of a soldier who served in all grades from Private to Colonel with service in WWII, Korea and Vietnam. It is a fitting title for a soldier who participated in three wars, the WIN of WWII, the DRAW of Korea and the LOSS of the Vietnam War. Aines served only one year with the ASA and he devotes 19 pages about that tour.





Det 27 Chapel



Det 4 Chapel built by Jim Boyte

It was a sad note to know they built the Det 4 chapel facing Russia so the cross on the bell tower wouldn't offend the Muslims down town. Don Fulton, Det 4, Sinop, Turkey JA67-DE67



Photo taken February 1958 by SP4 Dick Riedy

The GI on the right is Jim Boyte, the one responsible for building the Det 4 chapel from scratch.



A VISIT BY THE ASA Commandin General, MG Denholm with Lt Col Les Buttleman in September 1960

That's Captain Aines in the rear, While at Det 4 the Commanders were Lt Col's Les Buttleman and John P. Cox. Aines considered both as fine officers snf thought that both would both make Full Colonels. Their rating officer was Col Van Oosten from Det 27. For some reason Cox developed a real dislike for Van Oosten who was a Bataan Death March survivor who had NO security clearance. Cox never did make Colonel.

Alvy Lindsey - remembers the above photo and wrote: "We rolled out the red carpet for him, he did stay overnight and had the best meal I had while on the hill. As he was getting on his plane he looked around and said "I don't know, a year here wouldn't be that bad."

We know that if you ain't done the time you don't really know, right?





CRASH SITE ON A MOUNTAIN NORTH OF THE VILLAGE OF KURE, JUST NORTH OF KASTAMONU
 CAUSE OF CRASH: ICE ON THE WINGS
 THE WHITE DEBRIS IS ACTUALLY ROCK MONOLITH



L-19

The rescue team consisted of Captain Aines, Dr. Reitz, SSG Ken Meadows and PFC Pete Castigliano and 3 motor pool drivers.

The above is an official Det 4 US Army photo taken on 30 April 1961 at the site of a Beaver crash piloted by CW3 Foy Ketchersid. In this crash passengers CW3 Sterling Allen and Captain Hamilton owe their life to the flying skills of Foy Ketchersid. The 3 dragged themselves from the burning plane and started down the windswept mountain

in biting cold, injured and lost. They were soon met by a shepherd who took them prisoner with his primitive shotgun and prodded them to a remote village where they were able to convince everyone that they were Americans. I have not seen a photo of the crashed plane, but Aines writes that all that was left was the charred remains of the Beaver's engine, the tips of the wings and the planes tail assembly.

Alvy Lindsey remembers this crash- -and describes it " well, it wasn't really a crash but a forced landing. Fortunately there were no fatalities. There were 3 people aboard, CWO Foy Ketchersid (the pilot), CWO Allen, and Capt. John Hamlin. The L-19 Bird dog burned and was a total loss, along with some mail and a couple of classified pouches. They were coming from Ankara and encountered icing, before he could get out of the icing conditions they were close to the ground, in mountains, and elected to land in a small clearing. From conversation with him there was so much ice on the prop it was totally ineffective. He said it looked like a ball bat. When people went back to the crash site they went by jeep a while, hired burros for a while, then walked the rest of the way and when they got there most of the wreck was gone.





This formal event was held at the Det 4 NCO Club, but the reason is unknown.

Starting on the left is a nameless First Sergeant, then 1SG Crawford Boyd, Captain Donald Aines, then 1LT Gary Kosminder (CO of Det 66) and a nameless Master Sergeant.

Does anyone remember the names of the two nameless sergeants? Aines writes in his memoir 'WIN, DRAW, LOSE' that Army discipline was almost non-existent at Det 4, but the men were intelligent and highly trained in their MOS and hated Army discipline.



Above in bow-tie is 1SG Crawford Boyd at a NCO party at the NCO Club. I'm guessing that the First Sergeant on the left was the 1SG who Crawford Boyd replaced. On the right is Captain Donald S. Aines.

About midway thru Boyd's tour several GI's were found with a large banner that read "THE ARMY SUCKS", etc. The bellicose 1SG had been having trouble with the troops locking him out of his HUT and leaving signs that said "have nine more days and nine more locks." The CO knew of the padlocking and the banner was confiscated as evidence - they apparently figured that they had caught the harassing ringleader. The court martial paperwork was prepared charging seditious conspiracy, against several GI's, based on US Code title 18, chapter 115 - - - If two or more persons subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, conspire to put down..... the Government of the United States.... or to oppose by force the authority thereof.....shall each be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both. The court martial paperwork was turned over to the Det 66-1 commander, 1LT Gary Kosmider, a West Pointer, for action. He reviewed the charges and promptly dismissed it as crossing the line of reasonableness and threw it out of court.



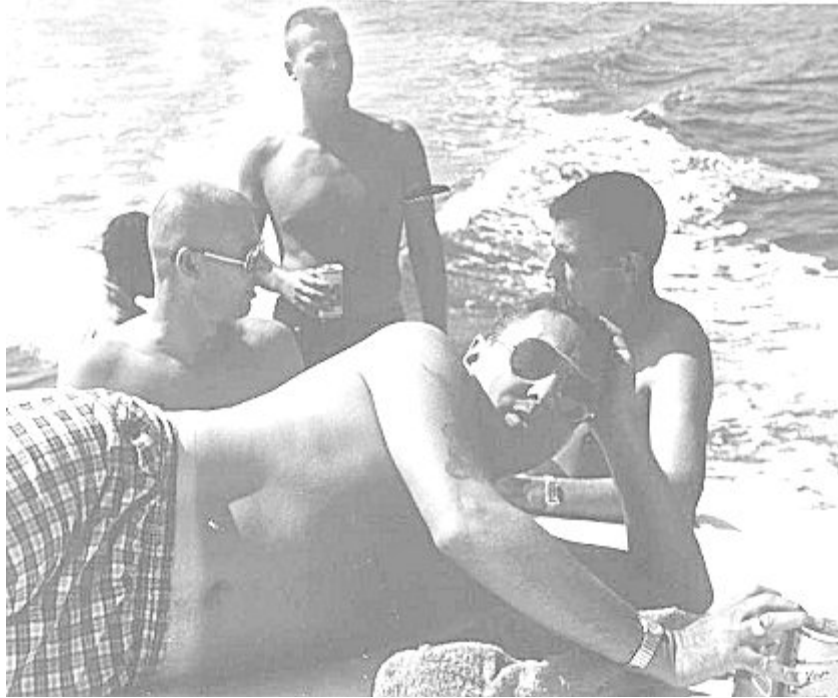
L-R: unk 1SG, 1SG Crawford Boyd, Captain Aines & 1LT Kosmider







At Sinop in 1960/61 females were seldom seen, In the above photo CWO Alvy Lindsey is encouraging those to keep on playing in the DOOM club, The female playing the accordion is the Turkish wife of a young US-educated Turkish engineer who worked with the Engineers on the construction projects at Det 4. The Turk wife was also educated in the US and per Aines they would invite the Turk couple to the DOOM club for dinner and a movie. She was very friendly and sociable on these occasions and wore western attire. The DOOM was a small club in the BOQ overlooking the Black Sea. The club had two 5 & 10 slot machines which made the club extra money The dining room was nearby and was also used as a movie theater.



A near tragedy on a party on the Black Sea

In front: WO Jackson

Middle is CPT Aines of the left and CPT Dirkx on the right

Standing is CPT Richards

Shortly after this photo was taken – CPT Dirkx fell overboard and he could not swim. Everyone thought he was joking but not Jackson who dived in and pulled him into the boat.

The next two photo's represented the Det 4 officer staff in 1060-61



Cpt (Dr) Roger Reitz, Sanavitis, civilian, ran the mess hall, Art Neal, resident engr, (back) Harry Lauder, major domo, ran the officer's mess hall. (front) Aavo Agur, post engr, Cpt. John Hamlin, special services officer. (back) Maj. Les Buttleman, CO, (front) Bill Dunaway, civilian, with Page; Engr, Ahmet, bartender and honcho at the EM and BOQ. Cpt Joe Richards, S-2. (back) Cpt Gerald Dirkx, Ops O, (front) Cpt. Williams, new S-4, Cpt Tom Mauldin, old Ops O., (back) Cpt Donald Aines, adjutant. (front) CWO Boleslaw Filipczyk, operations



Cpt. Roy Brown, my bridge partner, later Maj. Buttleman, (back) Mr. McClintock, civ post engr., (front) Lt. Gary Kosmider, Det 66-1. The only West Pointer on the hill! CWO Sterling Allen, Supply O., (back) CWO Chuck Herron, C/C O., Gil Fenrick, retired WO, ran the motor pool. Father Broering (Maj), catholic chaplain. (back) Gordon Schweitzer, protestant chaplain from Ankara. (middle) CWO Sam Arthin, Pers O., (front) CWO Dalton E. Seeney, ops. , (back) Cpt Lou Hazel, Ops., (middle) LTC Walker, TDY from Frankfurt. Georgio, Italian civ with resident engr. (back) Cpt Ed Geesey, Post Engr., (middle) CWO Al Lindsey, Maint O., (front) Ben Tipton, civilian with Page communications.



In the spring of 1961 the Governor of the Sinop area invited several officers from Det 4 to his lovely home above the Black Sea east of Sinop. The dinner party was held in a large glassed gazebo that was situated on the edge of a high cliff. The meal consisted of peasuts, cherries & oranges, along with breads, shish-kabob and a beady-eyed fish. In the above photo is the Governor's party visiting the Det 4 DOOM Club. The pretty lady in the white dress is the wife of the governor who is second from the left in the rear. That's Captain Aines on the right

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Patriot Guard salutes fallen soldiers

Sherrills Ford resident shows patriotism on wheels

Jennifer Menster



Sherrills Ford resident Bill Cook rides his 2003 Harley-Davidson in Patriot Guard missions. He estimates half of the 114,000 miles on the motorcycle are related to the Patriot Guard. Photos by Jennifer Menster - Special to Mooresville News



Bill Cook's 2003 Heritage Springer Harley-Davidson motorcycle represents more than just the freedom of the wind in his face.

It represents his respect, passion and patriotism toward fellow veterans and active-duty soldiers.

Cook, 69, is a permanent ride captain with the Patriot Guard, a national organization that serves as escorts and attends funerals for fallen active-duty soldiers, as well as veterans.

Patriot Guard riders only attend funerals for soldiers and veterans if invited by the family, Cook said.

Since he joined in March 2006, Cook has attended more than 200 funerals. Of the approximate 114,000 miles on his bike, he doesn't hesitate to say half are miles related to Patriot Guard missions.

Cook was 18 or 19, he says, when he joined the Army. His dad and uncles were in World War II and another uncle was in Korea. His brother served in Vietnam, and even though Cook was active duty from 1962 to 1965, he was never sent to Vietnam.

Because of high test scores, Cook was asked to join the Army Security Agency, where he was a Morse Code intercept operator. He was sent to Turkey and spent some time in Florida, where he copied code involved in Cold War activities.

After the cold war, Cook lived in Ohio and worked 32 years for a natural gas company. He moved to Parkview Lane, Sherrills Ford, in 1996, and started riding a motorcycle in 2003 as a retired man.

It was the combination of motorcycles and veterans that sparked Cook's interest in the Patriot Guard.

The Patriot Guard started in August 2005 after a group of motorcycle riders from an American Legion Post in Kansas were appalled to learn a church in Kansas was protesting at fallen soldiers' funerals.

After contacting the family and law enforcement, the riders attended the next funeral that members of this church planned to protest. They served as escorts and held large American flags hanging on 8-foot poles to protect the family from seeing the protesters.

The Patriot Guard became an official nonprofit in October 2005, spreading the word through other Legion posts, veterans and motorcycle groups.

The Patriot Guard is now a group of more than 215,000 members. It is an Internet-driven organization, Cook says, and does not require any dues to become a part of.

Not all ride motorcycles and owning one isn't a requirement to be in the group. The Patriot Guard doesn't care what your political views are, what your income is and you don't have to be a veteran to join, according to the website, www.patriotguard.org. The only prerequisite is respect.

Cook was member No. 14,007 when he joined in March 2006. He was watching FOX News one evening when he first heard about the Patriot Guard. He said he immediately went to the computer to find out more about the organization.

As a veteran and motorcycle rider, he felt called to become a part of North Carolina's group, although he's ridden in funerals in eight states.

"You cry," said Cook of the funerals he's attended. "You experience the lowest of low emotions and the highest of high emotions."

One that still brings tears to his eyes was in Arlington, Va., for fallen Sgt. Adam Dickmyer, who was from Winston-Salem. He was a Sentinel at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for six years.

The leather vest that Cook wears is covered with patches with names and dates of soldiers whose funerals Cook has attended. On his motorcycle, he carries not only the American flag but a red and white flag that states Honor and Remember, specifically designed for those Killed In Action.

The Patriot Guard does more than escort and attend funerals for soldiers killed in action or veterans. They also ride in funerals for fallen firefighters, police and others killed in the line of duty.

One of the more positive projects is called Help on the Home Front, which includes a number of things such as generating scholarship money for children of those killed in action and attending send-offs and homecomings, or feel-good missions as Cook says.

Cook himself recently escorted a soldier who was wounded in action to a home in Thomasville that was being built especially for him and his family.

Those stories bring a smile to his face and occasionally tears, but of joy.

"It's a tremendous honor to be a part of this," said Cook.

Cook has three children, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Two of his grandsons are currently serving overseas in the military.

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JONES, Luther Mac, E3, 058, TK#1, 62-63, (Edna), 307 Magnola Dr., Sunset Beach, NC 28465, 910-575-4562, edmac@atmc.net

Luther called and we discussed the 2011 reunion details and later he sent the following two photo's of his granddaughter. Luther and Edna Jones co-hosted the Myrtle Beach and Norfolk reunions and Edna volunteered to assist in the hospitality room at Valley Forge.



Ashlee attended her 1st ASA reunion in Norfolk with Grandpa Mac & Grandmother Edna in a bassinet with her parents April & Eric Huss.



She attended the Cole Bros. Circus as a birthday gift from Edna & Mac. By the way she loved the camel ride. Is it possible that Ashlee is looking for directions to Site 23.

KNIEF, Ronald A Det 4, 58-59, 210B N. Sophie Street, Bessemer, MI 49911-1152 906-667-0012, ronknief@sbcglobal.net



Above is my email friend Ron Knief

MAYES, Bobby Thompson, YOB 1934, RA14565163 E2-E4, 980, Det 4, 56-57, 1999 Tall Pine Cir., Santa Rosa, CA 95403, 707-575-3536, mayesbk1@sbcglobal.net
Bobby called and discussed his tour at Det 4. The details will be included in DOOL 224

WALTER, George J., YOB 1951 E3-E4 05K Det 4, JN72-SE-73, (Kathy), 18 Forest Pl., Towaco, NJ 07082 973-334-7422, gjwalter66@gmail.com



George Walter

Elder & Patty,

Took the attached picture today (April Fools Day) on our anniversary to send to Kathy. Maybe Patty should get a shirt for you. I am in Florida by our daughter & granddaughter while Kathy is home in NJ. I called her today to say Happy Anniversary & ask her how much snow came down while I am away suffering in this 80 degree heat.

We are selling our house & moving to our second home in Pflugerville, Texas shortly. We had a contract in 6 days after listing it.

Hope we will see the two of you again in September.

George Walter

WINKLER, Harold S. (Winky), YOB: 1937, RA, E3-E4, 981, Det 4, MY60-MY61, (Bobbie), 12195 Thames Pl., Cincinnati, OH 45241, 513-489-5308, hwinkler@cinci.rr.com



The above photo was taken on 16 July 2007 at the Eastgate Holiday Inn in Cincinnati, OH where we stopped for a night on our way to Nashville. Winkie is a dedicated ex-ASA'er and was the host for the 2006 ASA Turkey reunion at the Drawbridge Inn when I was laid up with broken ribs. Winkie is also the ASA Turkey Treasurer. Winkie and Bobbie will be attending the 2011 reunion in Valley Forge and hope to stop in Chambersburg, PA and visit with Colonel Aines. Winkie vividly remembers his days on the HILL