DAYS OF OUR LIVES #282 PRESERVING FORGOTTEN MEMORIES



I welcome articles, BIO's, stories, etc and certainly hope that all ASA Turkey Vet's will contribute and make the newsletter worthwhile. You can write whatever message you would like, and it will show up right here for others to read and I'm hoping it will spur more memories. After all, isn't that why you're reading this now? I will respond to all emails and will assist whenever needed, but reserve the right to edit for content and clarity and welcome any errors that may appear herein.

Most are proud of their ASA Turkey Tour of Duty and seek the greatest good for our group. - but, the not-so-pretty truth is that few help to seek out new vet's or send me their BIO's!

Thank you, Elder RC Green, aka gH, 3094 Warren Rd., Indiana, PA 15701, 724-471-4899, <u>asagreenhornet@comcast.net</u> Remember the success of the DOOL depends on input from all veteran's of Turkey. Photo's are most welcome and always enjoyable. There is a lot of Turkey stories to be told as we hear them at the reunions every year. If a scanner is not available - send the photo's to accompany the articles – to me at 3094 Warren Rd., Indiana, PA 15701 and I will return them, if desired, thus put your name and address on the back. The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards. - - They are the ones that care.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DOOL WEBPAGE WILL CLOSE ON 30 JUNE IF NO ONE VOLUNTEERS TO MAINTAIN IT. BILL SIMONS HAS BEEN MAINTAINING IT AND THE DET 4 SINOP SINCE THE LATE 1990'S - AND IT WAS HE WHO STARTED THE ASA TURKEY NEWS. The data thereon has been saved on a USB DRIVE by Chuck Bergmann for my future use.

BILL SIMONS INFORMS THAT HE WILL HELP WHOEVER VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE OVER THE WEBPAGE WITH THE TRANSFER OF DATA.

To volunteer contact Bill Simons at 609-859-9483 or cell 609-969-0312

or billsimons@yahoo.com

Days of Our Lives

Elder R. C. Green's ASA in Turkey Newsletter



Phil & Jean Feick, Mgr "O" Club, Det 27, 64-67

Before I forget it – HAPPY BIRTHDAY to my wife Patty of 56 years who celebrated her 77th birthday on 15 April.



I DID NOT KNOW THAT DURING WWII

DAYTON, OHIO WAS WHERE A COVERT TOP SECRET PROJECT DEDICATED TO BREAKING ENEMY CODES TOOK PLACE ON A 90 ACRE NATIONAL CASH REGISTER CAMPUS SHORTLY AFTER PEARL HARBOR WAS ATTACKED. The area where this code breaking took place is located in the Carillon Historical Park

IT WAS ONE OF THE WWII ALLIED WAR EFFORTS TO CRACK THE ENIGMA CODE SYSTEM USED DURING WWII.



George Helms Jr & Jim Hying

THE ABOVE INFO WAS SENT TO ME BY DET 4 VETERAN GEORGE HELMS JR HE WILL DO FURTHER RESEARCH AND WILL SEND HIS FINDINGS AND REUNION PLANS TO ME FOR INCLUSION IN A FUTURE DOOL.

The following is from DOOL 258 and should have been included in DOOL 281 that announced the sudden death of Walt Haase.

BELOW IS A HAPPY Walt Haase AND HIS NEW BRIDE in 2014



Newly weds, Walt & Judy Haase

DOOL 258: I am proud to announce that Judy and I got married March 7, 2014. She is a wonderful, giving person. She is a retired nurse from Pineville, KY. Raised Baptist, she and I have interesting discussions (me: Catholic from New York City – my High School is bigger than Pineville). I have gone from 3 children (Karen Haase Harlow, Susan Haase Perry and Amy Haase Lindsey) to 8 (Angela Slusher, Jan Wager, Wanda Kaye Johnson, Billie Jean Brock and Eric Irvin). Four of her five children are adopted; another example of her nature. Combined we have 8 children and 15 grandchildren. Life is good. Walt Haase

THE NEW ASA TURKEY LOGO IS FOR SALE



Luther Jones designed the above decal. It has an adhesive backing and can be used for display on your rear window or on the bumper of your vehicle. The cost for this 4x4 decal is \$5.00 each. To order send your request to Luther Jones at 307 Magnola Dr., Sunset Beach, NC 28468 The decal will be available at the 2016 reunion.



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, 724-471-4899, cell 724-388-2510, asagreenhornet@comcast.net 1SG E8 USA(Ret)

STILL IN SICK BAY

Ernie Carrick

On the 15th of April Ernie celebrated his 80th birthday and his son Mike on 20 April posted on facebook that he is being treated for diverticulitis which is inflamation or infection of the colon.



Ernie Carrick at the 2006 reunion

Hi. This is Mike. Dad is in Huntsville hospital. RM 257. He has Diver Ticulites. Bad colon problem. Hes having a very hard time. This is not good for him. Prayers needed. He will no longer be at the rehab center on Golf Road. Will keep everybody updated the nxt few days. Thx

Below is 27 photo's taken during the 2015 reunion at North Charleston, SC



Edna & Luther Jones THE HOST'S FOR THE 2015 REUNION AT NORTH CHARLESTON, SC



THE REGISTRATION TABLE



Bill Bender, Frank Buss & Elder Green



Luther & Edna Jones and Ed & Flo Jones



Joy and Bam Peterson Yummie – These South Carolin Hamburgers are better than Wisconsin's – Right Joy



Atakan Sobay & Max Putter



Paul Aspinwall & Bill Pruitt



Chuck & Helen Bergmann

THE MAN WHO RELAYS THE DOOL'S EVERY MONTH







Barry Wenger & Ken Whitman

George Helms & Jim Hying

Tom Fittanti & Carol Coppola



Bill Pruitt along side Carolyn



Carlos & Frankie Hunt



Bob Bentley, Dean Lapp, Jim Cox



Ken Whitman Frank Siebenaler Judy Whitman Sharon Wenger



Bob Dandridge



Charles & Lori Brown



Germaine & Jim Hying



Elaine & Sonny Ausbrooks



Judy Siebenaler & Edna Jones



Frank Buss & Mike Comroe







Whitman, Wenger, Siebenaler

Bill Pruit & Patty Green

Arnold Steffen



Ken Whitman & Janet Steffen



Chuck Bergmann and Dean Lapp THEY ENLISTED ON THE BUDDY PLAN. Chuck became a ditty-bopper and Dean an MP THESE TWO ASA TURKEY VET'S WILL BE HOSTING THE 2017 REUNION that's Vicki Cox also in the photo

TAPS

BROOKSHIRE, Harold C YOB: 1940 DOD: 30 December 2014 74y

A tribute to Anna McCormack FROM PHIL FEICK

Anna McCormack secured the live entertainment at the NCO Club at Manzarali. Both musical and otherwise were through the efforts of this high energy lady. Her knock-off Italian groups replicating The Animals, Beatles and others brought us the popular music of the day, live! Remember bringing down the house singing, "We gotta get out of this place, if it's the last thing we ever do"? Then there were also the shows catering to entertainment for young men. Unfortunately someone sent pictures home and they eventually wound up with a congressman. Big investigation. Anna's entertainment helped keep guys out of Turkish trouble. No one ever got more than an Article 15 for bad conduct on the post, but could have faced serious punishment in town. Anna made sure the guys got their money's worth!

Anna kept trying to get me to book her entertainment the whole time I managed the Officers Club. Unfortunately a few years before I arrived, an entertainer wound up in the post commander's lap anda young lieutenant went up to his room, in the BOQ, brought back his camera and made history! I had to be very careful to follow the unwritten guidelines after that.

A salute to Anna for helping bring some entertainment into our lives so far from home!

PHILBROOK, Donald F.,DOD: 2011, Maj/LTC, S2, Det 27, JL67-MR68, (Lois), 16812 SE 86th Albany Ave., The Villages, FL., 32161, 352-751-5902. LTC, USA(Ret)



Don Philbrook & Phyllis Cram



Don Philbrook transferred from Hq's ASAEUR in Frankfurt to Det 27 in July 1967 as a Major after spending prior time on TDY as the S-2. Don Philbrook was the last S2 at Det 27 and the last Commander there was Col Bob Lewis

Atakan Sobay inquired about the Philbrick's who lived at Humble, TX. I checked and the Philbricks had moved back to The Villages in Floriday. I called and left message on 4/12/16 and received message from Lois saying that she remembered me and the Crams at Det 27 at Manzarali. She said that Don had died around 2011



Above is Lois Philbrick who was the last Principal of the Det 27 school in 1967. Our oldest son, Randy, was in the 1st grade in this photo.

2016 ASA TURKEY REUNION WHERE: Dayton, Ohio HOTEL: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Dayton/South I-675, 7701 Washington Village Dr., Dayton, OH 45459



DATES: 11-16 September 2016 Sunday thru Wednesday - SAVE THESE DATES Room rates: \$92.00 + 13.25% Tax = \$104.19

PLEASE NOTE THAT I'VE EXTENDED THE REUNION BY ONE DAY IN ORDER TO ATTEND THE MATINEE DINNER/SHOW AT THE LaComedia Dinner Theatre ON 15 SEPTEMBER. See below for the details

To make reservations: Call 1-800-439-4745 OR 937-938-9550. You will be asked your name and address, etc., room type preference – King or 2 Queen; your arrival & departure dates and your credit card info is required to guarantee your reservation. Please note that your rates will not be deducted until you check out. Also note that you can cancel up to 24 hours prior to arrival date.

There will be two outings sked for the reunion. One will be a visit to the USAF Aviation Museum on 13 September and the other will be to the LaComedia Dinner Theatre on 16 September which will be a Matinee If you plan on coming in 1 or 2 days early or stay a day or 2 after the reunion the rates will the same as for the reunion. Please inform the sales person at the lobby that you are part of the ASA Turkey reunion to get those room rates.

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.

50/50 Raffle tickets (\$5 per ticket or 3 for \$10)

Below is the planned itinerary for the reunion. We had to make date changes to the itinerary because of conflicts. So take time and review the changes, I recommend that those attending the reunion call 1-800-221-8235 and request that a DESTINATION DAYTON 2016 VISITORS GUIDE be sent to you. Also GOOGLE what to do or see In the DAYTON area and PLAN AHEAD accordingly.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES TO THE ITINERARY

Day 1 SUNDAY – 11 September - Check in time is 1500 hours. The Badges and Registration for the reunion will be inside the hospitality room which will include the Carnation and Buckeye rooms.

The hospitality room will be stocked with snacks, soda and finger food for those hungry. A memorabilia table will be available for attendees to display their memory keepers and to review what others have displayed.

There will be a notice posted in the hospitality room for those interested in a nearby restaurant for the evening meal and it will be pay as you order. The evening meal plan is to walk to the Chop House which is next to the Holiday Inn.

Luther and Edna Jones along with Patty Green will be in charge of the hospitality room and available to help in your planning and schedules.

Day 2 MONDAY, 12 September

A buffet style breakfast will be available in the lobby area and all can take their food trays to the nearby hospitality room where everyone can mingle and get to know the others in attendance.

The HOSPITALITY ROOM will be open all day

There are no scheduled activities for 12 September.

The Cincinnati Reds will be playing the Milwaukee Brewers at 7:10 pm. If interested google Cincinnati Reds for the tickets

We WERE scheduled to visit the USAF MUSEUM on the 12th but had to change it to the 13th because the museum would be packed with school kids everywhere on the 12th.

There are so many things to see and do in Dayton. Please do some homework and search on the internet what's available –

Day 3 TUESDAY, 13 September

A buffet style breakfast will be available in the hospitality room where everyone can mingle and get to know the others in attendance.

We will depart the hotel at approximately 0900 and car pool up I-675N for 21 minutes to the world's largest and oldest MILITARY AVIATION MUSEUM and Ohio's most visited free attraction that covers 17 acres of hangar space that includes 360 aerospace vehicles.



The HOSPITALITY ROOM will be open all day

Day 4, WEDNESDAY, 14 September

The activities for Wednesday will be posted in the hospitality room and will include times for each detachment to hold round table discussions about your time in Turkey. The HOSPITALITY ROOM will be open all day

THE BANQUET WILL BE A BUFFET STYLE MEAL HELD IN THE - ROOMS.

CREATE YOUR OWN BUFFET MEAL – COST: \$35. per person Please enter the number () desired for each person.

Salad (Choose 1, but not more than 2 – for married)

- () Caesar Salad (Tossed w/Croutons & Fresh Grated Parmesan)
- () Balsamic Blue Cheese Chopped Salad (Tossed w/Avocado, Bacon, Tortilla

Strips, Onions, & Diced Tomato)

Entrees (Choose 1, but not more than 2 – for married)

- () Prime Rib (Slow Roasted for 12 hours, served Au Jus)
- () Grilled Chicken Parmesan (Topped w/Fresh Mozzarella & Marinara)
- () Fall-Off-The Bone BBQ Baby Back Ribs

Vegetables (Choose 3, but not more than 6 - for married)

- () Mashed potatoes
- () Parmesan Creamed Spinach
- () Baked Cinnamon Apples
- () Steamed Broccoli
- () Rice Pilaf
- () Mac 'N' Cheese

Dessert (Choose 1, but not more than 2 – for married)

() Assorted Desserts

After the meal, a yet to be named emcee will take over as the emcee and will set the tone for the evening to ensure that everything runs smoothy and swiftly. This emcee is expected to rescue anyone from boredom and will keep the mood on an even keel by cracking jokes and or anecdotes while introducing several guest speakers who will be called upon to discuss their experiences and escapades while in Turkey.

Day 5, Thursday, 15 September 2016

At approximately 10:15 am we will car pool to the La Comedia Dinner Theatre at Springboro, OH for a meal between 11 & 12 am – and then attend a Broadway Show shortly thereafter. The cost per person is \$44 per person. The LaComedia is only 5 minutes from the Holiday Inn.

THIS OUTING WAS ORIGINALLY SKED FOR 13 SEPTEMBER AND HAD TO BE CHANGED BECAUSE THE DINNER THEATRE WAS CLOSED. It was MY mistake. I simply didn't read the dates for the shows.



The plan is to be seated in section 1 or 2

Above is the LaComedia Dinner Theatre layout. I hope to reserve the Section 1 area near the stage for this outing.

YOUR NAME(s): _____ Registration Fee: \$15 per person: TOTAL: ____ Wednesday nite BANQUET meal at \$30 per person: TOTAL: ____ Thursday Dinner & Show: \$44 per person. TOTAL: ____ REUNION TOTAL: ____

MAIL call

ARMSTRONG, ATATURK, E5, 059, Det 27, 60-61, New Bern, NC AUSBROOKS, Sonny, E5, 059, Det 4, SE64-SE65, Vienna, VA BERGMANNM Chuck, E5, 058, Det 27, 66-67, Bay Village, OH BROCK, Jim, E7-E8, 059/98Z, Det 4, JN68-AP69, Tallahassee, FL BROOKE, Bumpa, E3-E4, 058, Det 27, SE62-3MR64, Naperville, IL FRAZEE, Bill, E4, 05H/D, Det 4, JL66-JN67, Peoria, IL GLUBKA, Roger, 72B, Det 27, FE64-6AU65, San Antonio, TX JONES, Luther, E3, 058, Tk#1, Det 27, 62-63, Sunset Beach, NC KELLY, Phil, E4, S2, Det 27, DE62-MY64, Ridgecreest, CA KNIEF, Ron, 286, Det 4, 59, Bessemer, MI LAPP, Dean, E4, MP, Det 4, 10JA66-21DE66, Medina, OH MALSCH, Chuck, E5, 988RU, Det 4, 64-65, Lindenhurst, IL MOON, Jerry, E5. 98C, Det 27 & 4-4, Corpus Christie, TX RAUK, Ed, E3-E5, 059, Det 4, 64-65 & 66-67, Spicer, MN, STUCKERT, Bill, DOB 1933, 2LT-1LT, SigC, Det 4, AP56-57, Tulsa, OK

MAIL call in Alphabetic order

ARMSTRONG, Bob, (aka Mitch & ATATURK), YOB: 1940, E5, 059, Det 27, 60-61, (Dot), 1007 Colony Dr., New Bern, NC 28562, 252-637-2626, no e-mail

AUSBROOKS, Cecil (Sonny), YOB: 1942, RA15702917, E5, 059, Det 4, SE64-SE65, (Elaine), 8552 Doveton Cir, Vienna, VA 22182, 703-356-7247, <u>auscb@verizon.net</u>



Edna & Luther Jones and Elaine & Sonny Ausbrooks

Look who we ran into at the Tbone Grill and Steak House in North Myrtle Beach. While there we also went to the Alabama Theater.



L-R: Elaine Ausbrooks, Edna & Luther Jones and Sonny Ausbrooks at Tiki Bar & Grill

BERGMANNM Chuck, (JC),RA, SP5, 058, Det 27, 66-67, (Helen), 29813 Foote Rd., Bay Village, OH 44140, 216-701-1477, <u>candhbergmann@gmail.com</u> BILL Simons:

Elder Green reports that the ASA Turkey website (<u>http://dool-1.tripod.com</u>) that has been maintained by Bill Simons will be closed on 30 June 2016 if no one volunteers to maintain it - In the interim I've put together all the DOOLs from the website onto a USB DRIVE and sent it to Elder

BROCK, Jim, YOB: 1934, RA14489409, E7-E8, 059/98Z, Det 4, JN68-AP69, (Carolyn), 1668 Silverwood Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32301, 850-877-2445, <u>brockjim@gmail.com</u>





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, <u>vuu73@yahoo.com</u>



Bumpa Brooke in 1962

Elder, This is probably not a new site to you but I found it by accident.

http://www.armysecurityagencyveterans.net/

I found upon searching it, that there is little or no use or listings of ASA Turkey vets. I filled out the form and also found that they list vets by there service locations. Sinop and Manzarali were there but I did not see how to get included on those lists. Very good way to spend some interesting free time! Dennis Brooke, Det 27 '61-'64

BRYAN, Clark L. (Mixie), SP5, 98G(BU), Det 27 & 4-4, 66-69. 918 Dibble's Trail, Webster, NY 14580, 585-347-4121, <u>cbryan1@rochester.rr.com</u> CDR, USN(Ret) Spouse: Althea, CDR, USN(Ret)





The above is a darn good collage of my dear friend Clark (Mixie) Bryan On the left is Mixie as a SP5 Bulgarian linguist In the center is a majestic Mixie as a US Navy Commander On the right is Althea & Mixie Bryan in their COMMANDER whites



Below is Clark, Rebecca and Althea Bryan in 2014

Elder - we're staying in private residences with long time Turkish friends & will be driven around - Ankara, Izmir, Foca, "Troy", and Istanbul on way back to JFK. Only hotel we'll be staying will be near international airport in Istanbul on way back.! Clark

also - googled Site 23 and found it 23 miles SW of Ankara; looks the same as we left it November 1967. Only difference - it's almost a suburb of Ankara - can't believe the spread of humanity

FRAZEE, Wm (Bill), YOB 1944 RA11467415, E4, 05H/D, Det 4, JL66-JN67,1056 E. Brookview Ln., Peoria, IL 61615, 398-692-8952, <u>quoecan1@mtco.com</u> THIS IS A REPEAT PF DOOL #281 AS I HAD THE WRONG EMAIL ADR FOR HIM.

Bill would like to hear from the following friends that he had at Det 4 in 1966-67 RON BESSLING JAY FUERST VERLYN HESSLER PAUL JESSICK DOUG LAKE GARY MARCHUS NICK PONEROS HENRY TALCOTT

While searching the ASALIVES webpage I found the Bill Frazee name and called him on 23 March 2016 and left a message for him to call me. That evening he called and we had an interesting chat about his tour at Det 4. Enlisted for ASA duty. Took basic at Fort Dix and then to Fort Devens for ditty-bop training. Was awarded 05H and assigned to Det 4 in July 66. Said that he flew from Ankara to Samsun on THY and then took a Turk dolmus to Sinop. He was a 05H and they needed 05D's at the point site. Thus he became a 05D and enjoyed his tour at Sinop. Remembers a John W, Rinehold and John Miller, both 05D's. This John Miller was black and a roommate and good friend who was clearing post in January 1967 and was out at the point site along with Rinehold and accidentally fell about 600 feet to his death off the deep cliff. A very sad experience. His next assignment was to Vint Hill where after 3 months he 1049'd for duty at Torii Station, Okinawa.

GLUBKA, Roger, YOB: 1944, RA, 72B, Det 27, FE64-6AU65, (Michelle), 19 Stoneleigh Way, San Antonio, TX 78218, 210-281-8029, <u>rglubka@twc.com</u> SFC, USA(Ret) DD 214 - Social Security Benefit

This is something to put in your files for when you apply for Social Security down the road. It is NOT just for retirees, BUT anyone who has served on active duty prior to January 2002

FYI - this benefit is not automatic, you must ask for it!

DD FORM 214 -- SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT

Please share this with anyone who's had active duty service prior to January 2002 and planning for retirement. In a nutshell it boils down to this: You qualify for a higher social security payment because of your military service, for active duty any time from 1940 through 2001 (the program was done away with in January 2002). Up to \$1200 per year of earnings credit credited at time of application - which can make a substantial difference in social security monthly payments upon you retirement. You must bring your DD-214 to the Social Security Office - and you must ask for this benefit to receive it!

> Social Security website: http://www.ssa.gov/retire2/military.htm http://www.ssa.gov/retire2/military.htm

JONES, Mac (Luther), E3, 058, Tk#1, Det 27, 62-63, (Edna), 307 Magnola Dr., Sunset Beach, NC 28468, 910-228-3995, <u>edmac@atmc.net</u>

Edna and I ran into Elaine and Sonny at TBONZ Sat evening they here for their anniversary and had tickets for the same show Edna and I were there for. We enjoyed the show which featured the Drifters, Platters and Coasters. We made plans to meet Sunday for drinks at Patio's a nice little Tiki bar on the inland waterway. Had a great time spent about 3 and a half hours listening to some great sounds, having drinks and wings and things. So great to spend that time with them. Also last week Edna and I were in New Bern N.C, with her brother and wife touring the Old state capital Gov. Palace and other historic sites, in the area. I recommend it to anyone traveling in eastern N.C. We had dinner at Morgans Bistro in New Bern and had a nice chat with Don Mattox , a Det 27 friend's daughter, Don and I were good friends in Turkey. I gave her a ASA reunion decal and told her those of us who knew Don were better for it. By the way one wing of the visitors center by the Gov.Palace was named for Don and Linda

While you were in New Bern – you should have visited Ataturk & Dorothy Armstrong at 1007 Colony Dr., New Bern, NC, 252-637-2525. Ataturk (Robert M) was a 059 at Det 27, 1960-61 and has attended 3 reunion (2002, 2005 & 2013 in N Myrtle Beach).

KELLY, Phil, YOB: 1944, E4, S2, Det 27, DE62-MY64, (Donnie), 1225 Pony St., Ridgecreest, CA 93555, <u>desertmilkman@gmail.com</u>

Elder, Thanks for all your years of handling the news and views of ASA Turkey vets. I haven't attended reunions in some time and also lost contact with you and your newsletter after a crash or two of my computers.

Charles McClevish and I hooked up on a couple of occasions when I visited my children and grandchildren in Maryland, and he sent me the latest edition of the DOOL. Could you put me back on the mailing list, and if there is a locator available, that too? Thank you, Phil Kelly

[THE KELLY'S ATTENDED THE FIRST TWO REUNIONS - 2001 & 2002 }- - -gH

KNIEF, Ron, YOB: 1936, RA17521630, 286, Det 4, 59, 210B N. Sophie St., Bessemer, MI 49911, 906-667-0012, <u>ronknief@charter.net</u>



I loved Spain and made a total of 9 tourist trips there – I would run across these now and then a leftover from the days of the Moors. A tourist told me of a buddy of his who had to use one and he had diarrhea and spattered his white tennis shoes. He was in the john for as long time trying to clean them.

LAPP, Dean, YOB: 1944, RA15733828, E4, MP, Det 4, 10JA66-21DE66, (Debbie), 3629 Trails End Dr., Medina, OH 44256, cell 330-289-1689, <u>lappda@bright.net</u>

Elder,

UP DATE:...Chuck & Helen Bergmann are leaving for Gatlinburg on 5/14/16 and they will leave on 5/19/16 for a big gun show in Kentucky...Dean & Debbie Lapp are leaving for Gatlinburg on 5/14/16 and will leave Gatlinburg on 5/22/16 for home...we will be staying at several different hotels and visiting many sites....the Lapp / Bergmann 2017 reunion meeting last Thursday night went well...we have begun making contact with all of the folks in Gatlinburg...We have been planning on adding some FUND raisers at the Dayton 2016 reunion in order to raise some money for the misc. expenses and deposits required for the 2017 reunion...also, we may have to add one additional day to the 2017 reunion...lots to do...we have lots of plans...we have two dates in September to run by the folks in Gatlinburg...Dean

Why do we not hear about this in the campaigns. We need to forward this to the republican candidates. I doubt that the democrats will care. They are pushing for the \$15.00

LOW MILITARY PAY WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THE STATE OF THE UNION SPEECH. JUST INCREASING THE MINIMUM WAGE WAS ... HAMBURGERS, OR MINIMUM WAGE. FOR THOSE FAST FOOD EMPLOYEES STRIKING FOR \$15 AN HOUR LET'S DO SOME MATH....AT \$15 AN HOUR, JOHNNY FRY-BOY WOULD MAKE \$31,200 ANNUALLY. AN E1 (PRIVATE) IN THE MILITARY MAKES \$18,561. AN E5 (SERGEANT) WITH 8 YEARS OF SERVICE ONLY MAKES \$35,420 ANNUALLY. SO YOU'RE TELLING ME, LATISHA MCBURGER FLIPPER, THAT YOU DESERVE AS MUCH AS THOSE KIDS GETTING SHOT AT. DEPLOYING FOR MONTHS IN HOSTILE ENVIRONMENTS, AND PUTTING THEIR COLLECTIVE ASSES ON THE LINE EVERY DAY PROTECTING YOU....! HERE'S THE DEAL, BACONATOR, YOU ARE WORKING IN A JOB DESIGNED FOR A KID IN HIGH SCHOOL WHO IS LEARNING HOW TO WORK AND

EARNING ENOUGH FOR GAS, AND HANGING OUT WITH THEIR EQUALLY GOOFY HIGH SCHOOL PALS. IF YOU HAVE CHOSEN THIS AS YOUR LIFE LONG PROFESSION, YOU HAVE FAILED. IF YOU WANT ABOVE MINIMUM WAGE....HAVE ABOVE MINIMUM SKILLS!!. IF YOU CAN READ THIS, THANK A TEACHER....IF IT'S IN ENGLISH, THANK A VETERAN.

THIS IS AN EXCERPT FROM THE MOAA (MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA) FEBRUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER. I FELT IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO SOME. SO MANY PEOPLE DON'T APPRECIATE WHAT OUR ARMED FORCES ARE DOING FOR THEM, AND WITHOUT A LOT OF COMPENSATION. THEY NEED OUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT.

LOGSDON, Jim, jlogsdon0207@twc.com

I just received a note from George Helms that there is going to be an ASA-Turkey Reunion on 9/11/16 in Dayton,I assume, Ohio. Do any of you have information on this? Please send anything you have on it. Thanks! Jim Logsdon

MALSCH, Chuck, YOB: 1940, RA16757920, E5, 988RU, Det 4, 64-65, (Joan), 518 Hillcrest Ln., Lindenhurst, IL 60046, 847-356-6497, <u>Charles_malsch@sbcglobal.net</u>

Elder, A couple months ago you asked me to send you a report on Joan's and my recent trip to Branson MO. I think I remember some time ago at one of our reunions the subject of having a reunion in Branson came up. We travelled with a group of retirees via bus to Branson. It was a five day trip with three full days in Branson and two days travel. Bus trips always seem to take longer. Our three full days in Branson followed a pattern; eat, get on the bus, see a show, eat get back on the bus and see another show, etc etc etc. So here goes an account of my recollections. Please feel free to edit, or downsize pictures as may be required if you want to include in the DOOL.

The first day, after a breakfast buffet we boarded our bus and travelled to the King's Castle theater for our first show. The Celtic Ladies and Dublin Irish Tenors. These two groups performed Irish Scottish, Welsh and English classics many of these were familiar to us. Their repertoire included, Danny Boy, Hey Jude as well as others. One

of the Celtic Ladies obviously had advanced voice training as she sang "Nessun Dorma" from Turandot and arias from La traviata and Rigoletto. Back on the bus for a short ride to Shorty Small's for lunch. A good place for lunch. They say Shorty Small was 5'2" and weighed 290 pounds. He must know something about eating good food. Back on the bus for our afternoon show at the American Theater. This show included songs of the 50's and 60's. Seven singers and dancers with a lot of energy singing songs of the Beatle's, Beach Boys, Elvis, The Supremes, Sonny and Cher among others. It was a two hour show that included many number one and top 40 songs from the era.

Our next stop was the Mount Pleasant Winery for a wine tasting. We had the opportunity to sample six different wines. After all was said and done five cases of wine were loaded onto our bus. Our group must have liked the wines offered. Of course the next stop was another restaurant for dinner. This time it was Landry's Seafood House. An upscale restaurant with excellent food and service.

The day was not finished just yet. On to another show. This time we were entertained by the Oak Ridge Boys. They also gave a two hour performance which included most of their classics from their many years of touring performances.

The second day started with the usual breakfast Buffet. Our first stop of the day was the Silver Dollar City which is a theme park offering a wooden roller coaster ride and a steam engine powered passenger train that circled the entire park. There are also about 125 craftsmen including blacksmiths, glass makers, basket makers and a variety of food offerings. There is also a Wild West show. After several hours exploring Silver Dollar City it was time get back on the bus and go have something to eat. This time we went to McFarlain's Family restaurant. In this restaurant dessert was served first whether you were ready for it or not. Then we were offered a variety of entrees. Then back on the bus for another theater and another show. The Mickey Gilley Theater was the place and the "Six Show" was the entertainment. The Six Group was a group of six brothers of a total of ten brothers who use only their voices without musical instruments. The result is one of the best shows in Branson. They use only their voices to harmonize the music and replicate the sound of the backup musical instruments. They also incorporate some folksy and humorous stories in their act. We all enjoyed the performance. Back to the hotel ending our second full day in Branson

Our third and last full day started with the usual continental breakfast. Then we returned to the Kings Castle Theater where we saw "Puttin on the Ritz". This was a show presented a collection of music and dancing from the twenties and thirties. The composers and performers of that era included Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, Louie Armstrong and George Gershwin as well as dancing ala Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly, Ginger Rogers and Judy Garland.

We had a little extra time built into our schedule plus our driver was originally from the Branson area so we agreed to go on a little surprise side trip. Therefore, after a light lunch at Charlie's Steak House we embarked on our extra ride. First we went to the College of the Ozarks, which is unique because tuition is waived for those who want to work there. There is a three year waiting list to be accepted. Although the college is not an agricultural college it earns enough to cover tuition and operating costs by raising and selling agricultural products.

Next we went to the Shepherd of the Hills fish hatchery. This is the largest trout raising facility operated by the Missouri Dept of Conservation. More than a million trout are raised every year from tiny fingerlings to fully grown trout. Most of them are released into Lake Taneycomo. The rest go to other conservation areas in Missouri.

Next on our busy activity list was a dinner cruise on the Branson Belle Showboat. This is a paddle wheel boat. We were seated at long tables facing the stage. First we had an enjoyable meal after which the show began. It was a humorous show combining magic, comedy and rope and card tricks. Our host for the show has degrees in psychology and anthropology. There was also a song and dance routine which all found very entertaining.

Our last show on this trip took us to Presley's Country Jubilee. This Presley is not related to Elvis. This show started in 1967 in Branson and is considered as Branson's first show. It now has four generations of performers from the same family. They provided humor as well as excellent banjo and guitar "pickin".

We were thoroughly entertained with shows and other attractions as well as a wide variety of meals for three days non stop. The next day we left Branson for the return trip home.

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Just letting you know that I have had to change my email address to: ekrauk@icloud.com. Have been having trouble receiving and sending at the old address of ekrauk@charter.net. Do very much enjoy getting the DOOL's. You are both doing such a great job, Thanks. Ed Rauk

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Bill Stuckert

This is a re-run of DOOL #122, dated 4JL2003 who just celebrated his 83rd birthday.

I made contact with ex-ASA 1Lt Bill Stuckert on 11 June 2003.

I received my ROTC commission as a 2nd Lt. from Texas A&M in May of 1955 and headed for Fort Devens in September of 1955. Following officers training at Devens I was shipped to Heidelberg, Germany with a 9613 MOS. In Germany I served with the 853 Comm Recon Det until that never to be forgotten day in April of 1956 when I received orders to head to Turkey. Traveling to Turkey we stopped for one night in Athens Greece. It was a time of unrest and we witnessed a riot just outside our hotel. I remember sleeping with my pocketknife under my pillow. My transition to the hill consisted of checking in with LtCol. E.J. Mohen, who was the senior ASA officer in Turkey and was with Det 27. Spent one night in Ankara and then a 2 1/2 ton truck ride north. Upon arrival at the hill in Mid May of 1956 I wondered whom I offended to receive an assignment like this.

THE SINOP LEADERSHIP

The command on the hill consisted of Major Arthur T. Lawry as CO. He was a tough hard core officer. The XO and Operations Officer was 1LT Walter M. J. Garrett. Garrett

had been a E6 or E7 before he received a OCS commission and was a tough officer who was well liked by most everyone on the 'hill'. The other Lieutenants were 2LT's James J. Mulholland and Raymond A. Keene who were Elint Officers. I was the OIC of the Traffic and Cryptanalysis Analysis section and Asst. Operations Officer. I believe that 2LT Thomas G. Rohner (Ronner) was in charge at Samsun and was the only man in Det 4 who had his wife with him. Don't ask me how but I think she came as a tourist and paid her own way. Soon Major James J. Green came to take Major Lawry's place and 2nd Lt. Robert A. Posner came shortly thereafter. Lt. Posner, a MIT graduate, was ASA but also an architect and was brought to Sinop to supervise the construction. He was instrumental in drawing up the plans for the first permanent buildings on the 'hill'. When I got there the Mess Hall was the only building plus the Jamesways. Later that year or early 1957 Capt. Kenneth Allison arrived with duty as XO. Then came CWO William A. Taylor and he was placed in charge of the motor pool and the maintenance of the generators. Two more arrivals during this time period were Captain Eugene W. Dow (our L-19 pilot) and 2nd Lt. Richard L Burns who headed up our Com Center in Ankara. [Lt Burns had a lot of political connections]. A Lt. James R. Wooten joined Det 4 during the winter of 56-57 and was assigned to the Elint group. My replacement was CWO Arnold D. Taylor who arrived a couple of months early. Since he was there to take over - Major Green assigned me to Ankara as Det 4's liasion officer and to continue my old additional duty as Purchasing and Contracting officer. (I moved in with Lt. Burns). The last names I have are Major William J Clark Jr., Lt. Harold A Fleming, and Lt. James A Yarborough. They came through as I was about to leave so I only remember the names. I think Major Clark replaced Major Green as CO of Det 4. Capt Eugene W. Dow was the pilot that served Sinop. A lot of our supplies and mail were air dropped on the hill. Later as we became a big city we rented a pasture and Captain Dow began landing in between the cattle.

THE TROOP HOUSING

The EM were living in pup and squad tents until the Jamesway huts were erected under the supervision of LT Posner. The Officers were housed in a rented house in Sinop while the BOQ was being built and I lived there most of my tour. It was a standard dwelling house that did not have the luxuries expected only for the rich and powerful. It was not what I expected; however it happened and surely made me a better person because of the experience.



HOMEWARD BOUND L-R: LT's Ray Keane and Bill Stuckert

In Mid June of 57 Lts Keane, Mulholland, and I flew commercial back to the states. I have only seen 3 ex Det 4 members since I got out. That was Lt. Burns, PFC Calhoun, and Spec Redding. I've looked at times but have never been able to locate any of the officers or EM that served during the 56-57 time frame.

Several incidents in my MOMENTS TO REMEMBER stand out.

The first one involved me and the CO, Major Green who was a non-drinker. I and several other officers had too much to drink one nite and ended with us causing a ruckus that Maj Green did not appreciate. Early the next morning I was awakened from my slumber and told to report to the CO's office on the double. While dressing I was pondering what the heck he wanted me for. I can still recall the stern look on the CO's face when I formally reported to him, "Sir, Second Lieutentant reporting as directed. Sir." He returned my salute and immediately tossed the Uniform Code of Military Justice booklet at me and asked if I was familiar with it. I nervously replied yes. He wanted an explanation for the and wondered why I was the only officer singled out for UCMJ. But keep in mind that I was still under the weather and didn't remember doing anything wrong that would warrant displinary action. Anyway Maj Green finally got around to promoting me to First Lieutenant.

The Det 4 Chapel was a tent with about 10 wooden chairs and the mess hall served as the movie theatre. Film was usually sent from Samsun after the USAF was through with it. I remember that they used to cut and splice all the sexy parts out before sending them to us.

I remember that the Turks and the Turkish soldiers were very friendly---their CO ate with us once in a while. There was trouble in town occasionally but that too didn't upset things very much.

We had a Turkish interpreter assigned to Det 4 named Shadi Bey (I know its misspelled) who I later learned got caught with his hand in the cookie jar. He went with me on my purchasing trips---he was probably getting his cut all the time.

Gimp was our first and most honored civilian. He was Mr. Det 4---Before I left a small female arrived and the romance was on. The only problem was getting a box the right height to set her on. Offspring of this love affair---I don't remember.

Powdered milk to drink.

Steak - our EM killed a cow and there was Beef for dinner.

Christmas program at the NCO club

Promotion parties at the NCO club

Eating aboard the ships that docked in Sinop Harbor.

The few days Lt Garrett was on leave---he was tough, a former EM, a person with no love for 2nd Lts.

Another incident I will never forget. It involved a courier incident wherein I was the TOP SECRET courier officer in a 2-1/2 ton truck convoy to Ankara in the winter of 1956. I was armed with a pistol and was instructed to keep it hidden at all times. Firearms, at that time, were prohibited, but several weapons had been smuggled into Turkey in Signal Corps equipment boxes and I was armed with one of them. I had a duffel bag in the front filled with TOP SECRET material destined for the US Embassy. During this courier run, it had snowed and made driving treacherous and the truck I was riding slid and was teeteering on the edge of a bridge with only the rear wheels still in contact with the road. I recall exiting the 2 1/2 with the duffel bag in one hand and the other used to hold on for dear life while I slowly made it to the rear safely or so I thought. The incident had happened near a chi way-station and suddenly one of the Turks grabbed the duffle bag and started tossing it back and forth among two other Turks who had gathered to witness the icky pachuk predicament. The three Turks were enjoying themselves and even more the scared looks on my face. I certainly didn't want to expose the pistol. They played keep away for about 10 minutes before they finally felt sorry for me and gave it back

Nights as OD

The steady stream of civilians and military from the states coming and going.

When the Chaplains arrived

My week in the Sinop hospital

The long hours we worked

My trip home

The above are memories of a 70 year old man who can't remember what he did yesterday----so if something is incorrect please chalk it up to a senior moment. I would love to hear from any of the Det 4 guys who served during this time.

THAT'S ALL