

DAYS OF OUR LIVES #288
After 2016 reunion report
at
Dayton, Oh., 11-15 September
It was a grand time for everyone
WE DID



Patty and the gH

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How many attendee's received these DOG TAGS at the Air Force Museum





Elder Green & Judi Whitman

In the above photo Judi Whitman is briefed on how to interpret the reunion attendance roster and collect the fees, etc. The Whitman's have attended 10 reunions since 2007

MY THANKS TO JUDY WHITMAN FOR DOING ANOTHER OUTSTANDING JOB



Elder & Patty Green – Edna & Luther Jones
Arriving at the Holiday Inn on 10 September



The 2016 reunion badges courtesy of the Dayton CVB

NEWS ABOUT THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE 2016 ASA TURKEY REUNION AT



BUT FIRST, I'm pleased to recommend to other ASA reunion planners not to overlook Dayton, Oh as a place to hold a reunion. What a great reunion this was. It came about by my contacting the Dayton, Ohio Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) in late January 2016 to see what Dayton had to offer for the execution of a flawless reunion.

NOW, THE DETAILS: Patty and I plus my brother, Ralph (Jr.) and his wife Carol drove to Dayton, Ohio and met up with Harry & Kathy Bennett at the Crown Plaza hotel in downtown Dayton and met with Christina Combs, the CVB. We then visited 5 hotels and the Holiday Inn was chosen. We later discovered that Dayton is also represented by the Greene County CVB headed by Lisa Willis, who is the sister of Ralph Richter, a Det 27 vet. Planning a reunion is a hard task.

All of the attendees at the 2016 reunion got to know Harry & Kathy Bennett quite well as they were the official guides to the Carillon Historical Park and to the USAF Museum which everyone enjoyed. At the AF Museum they arranged for motor scooters to be available for those who needed them. There were 15 scooters used and they certainly were appreciated.

Also, I informed Harry that he was going to be one of the speakers after the banquet. When told that he would be called upon to say a few words about himself – he thought about what he would talk about. Well, he thought since this is an Army reunion – he'd talk about his four year hitch with the US Navy.

NOTEWORTHY, is the fact that Pigeon Forge had been selected as the place to hold the 2016 reunion, but that was cancelled for lack of progress by the late Walt Haase and with his approval we had to scramble for another site. I contacted Dean Lapp to explore the Akron area which he did and I did at Dayton. After our Dayton tour we met up with Dean & Debbie Lapp plus Chuck & Helen Bergmann at the Clarion Hotel in Hudson, Ohio and compared notes. Dean had visited 5 hotels in the Akron area.

AFTER A THOROUGH REVIEW - We decided that Dayton would be the 2016 reunion because of outstanding venue's (namely the Birthplace of Aviation by the Wright Bro's; the AWESOME and FREE USAF Museum and the diverse attraction of the Carillon Historical Park where many inventions & investors and milestones in transportation took place that changed the USA and after visiting 5 hotels we selected and were able to negotiate a contract with Pam Minchew at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Dayton/South I-675.

While in Dayton Jack & Kay O'brien assisted us in the hotel visit process, BUT did not follow-up in subsequent planning or even respond or register for the reunion, they just walked in!

HOW INVOLVED WAS THE DAYTON CVB: I contacted Christina Combs, the CVB and explained our reunion needs. She subsequently coordinated and set up an itinerary for our 2-day visit with a complimentary stay at the Crown Plaza Hotel. She met our requirements at every turn and I salute her for a job well done that included the welcome package and the much appreciated badges shown above. During the reunion she personally came to the Holiday Inn to check on our satisfaction.

A WORD ABOUT THE HOLIDAY INN. Most of the negotiations were done over the phone and the room rates were: 92 + 13.25% tax = \$104.19.

We were impressed with the professionalism and excellent service we received from the CVB and the Holiday Inn at every turn.

THRU OUT THIS REPORT YOU WILL FIND MANY PHOTO'S AND I WANT TO
THANK
THE FOLLOWING FOR SENDING ME THEIR PHOTO'S

Frank Siebenaler, Gene Schnagl, Buzz Osswald, Sonny Ausbrooks, Jim Hying and especially my wife Patty.



ALSO

I need to remind everyone that it was Patty Green and Carol Greene who have spent many hours making the gift baskets for the wives since the 2010 Toledo reunion.

I can only find the above photo as the one that shows Patty alongside some of her gift baskets



John & Janette Owen and their daughter Jonann from Elkhart, Iowa

being registered by Judi Whitman
THIS IS THE 11TH REUNION FOR JOHN & JAN OWEN

THE 2016 ATTENDANCE ROSTER

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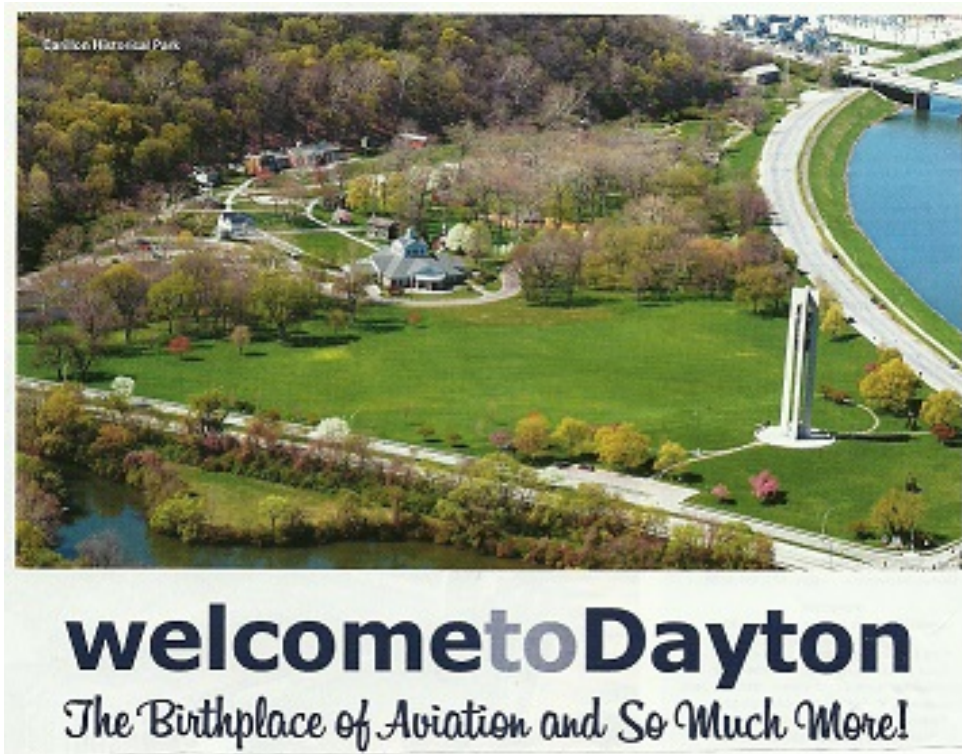
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The HOST's for the 2017 reunion at Gatlinburg, TN
Dean & Debbie Lapp, Jim & Vicki Cox and Helen & Chuck Bergmann



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Above is the beautiful 65 acre Carillon Historical Park. Out front is the Carillon tower that still plays the beautiful bell music rung from hammers operated from a keyboard.

Below is a up-close view of the Carillon that inspired Edith Deeds to have built in 1942





The Edith Deeds mannequin



The National Cash Register display



Wayne & Toni Dyer fm Groton, VT
This was their 6th reunion



Paul Aspinwall fm Madison, WI
This was Paul's 11th reunion



Harry Bennett, Elder Green, Kathy Bennett & Kani Gokpinar



Smiles from everyone
Frank Siebenaler, Troy & Jim Logsdon & Joy Peterson



Judi Whitman, Dean Lapp, Frank Siebenaler & Joy Peterson



Frank Buss



The door prize drawings led by Frank Siebenaler

I CERTAINLY WAS SURPRISED WHEN FRANK & JUDY SIEBENALER STEPPED FORWARD AND LED THE GROUP IN SINGING A HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY TO ME



Thank you





Barry & Sharon Wenger from New Bloomfield, PA

Many kudos and thanks to Barry Wenger for an outstanding presentation of the Ragged Old Flag.



During the reunion I ask Barry Wenger to present an “American Flag” eulogy to the group after the banquet. Barry agreed and then found that the Holiday Inn did not have a flag available. Without hesitation – Barry went to Walmart and purchased a flag for his presentation which can be seen in the above photo he displayed in the ballroom. When called upon to talk about the American Flag – Barry proudly stood and without notes recited his version of the “Ragged Old Flag” as written and sung by the Man in Black, Johnny Cash. Barry’s presentation gave many goosebumps. To refresh your memory about the words to the “Ragged Old Flag – google the Ragged Old flag and you can hear Johnny Cash sing his song. Many kudos and thanks to Barry Wenger for an outstanding presentation.



Ozzie Osswald & the gH

Ozzie Osswald again led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag after Barry Wenger presented the Ragged Old Flag tribute.



The guest speaker Harry Bennett
relating his US NAVY experience to the attendee's



Harry Abraham Bennett

Everyone was impressed with Harry Bennett's personality and speaking style and the substance of his young life as a sailor in the US Navy and that of his older brother Alex Bennett who was one of the 12 survivors of the USS Magpie Minesweeper during the Korean War.

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For Harry Bennett's recital he brought three Navy Blue ball caps for his presentation. Everyone wondered why the three hats and being that Harry is a jovial person he proceeded to explain each hat as it related to his four years in the Navy.

To begin his talk – Harry wore a hat with NAVY on it and on the table were hats with USS LEYTE and USS ANTIENTAM embroidered thereon. Both were Essex-class Aircraft Carriers. During the talk - he would switch the hats to fit each duty assignment.

Harry then told the story of his older brother, Alex, being one of the 33 sailors serving aboard the USS MAGPIE, a minesweeper that was tasked to clear mines near Chusan Po Korea on 1 October 1950 when the Magpie hit a mine resulting in the loss of 21 sailors. One of his buddies was Charles Bash from Dixonville, PA who had to have been the first casualty when the MAGPIE hit the mines.

Harry asked if anyone knew about the USS MAGPIE disaster during the Korean War.



Harry Bennett & Kevin Reichley

Kevin Reichley immediately found it on his I-phone and confirmed the USS Magpie tragedy and the name of Alex Bennett as being a survivor.

Harry explained that the Bennett and Bash farms were about 15 miles apart. Charles was forward looking over the side and Alex was at the fantail looking over the side. They hit a mine forward just under Bash and one can just imagine what happened to Charley. My brother was blown into the waters badly hurt, he didn't have the strength to deploy his life vest.

When Harry was 14 years old he went with Alex to visit the parents of Charlie Bash. That memory is a lasting one as Alex told the Bash's exactly what happened and how their son was lost at sea and never found.



Cecil (Sonny) Ausbrooks fm Vienna, VA & Bill Pruitt fm Campbellsville, KY

Two more HAPPY GUYS fm Det 4. Probably smiling because Bill served 2 tours on the HILL called SINOP

Sonny wrote that the 2016 reunion in Dayton was very interesting and that he had spent a lot of time there in training with the National Cash Register Company (NCR) and that Gatlinburg, TN should be a lot of fun.

Carolyn Pruitt wrote that they had a great time at the 2016 reunion. Everything was great. Good to see old friends. Hope to make it to the Smokies in 2017.



The Farkle game headed by Frank Siebenaler at every reunion
The objective of the game is to score 10000 and is played with six - 6 sided dice
Judy Siebenaler, Frank Siebenaler, Ken Whitman, Edna Jones & Luther Jones

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USAF AVIATION MUSEUM BRIEFING ABOUT THE TOUR TO 47 ASA'ers



An AWESOME B-2 BOMBER photo by Gene Schnagl
Seated is Kathy Schnagl and Ozzie & Norene Osswald



The Buzz man & Norene Osswald and Kathy & Gene Schnagl



The 4 PROUD ELINTER's (98J's) from Sinop
Gene Schnagl, John Owen, Buzz Osswald & Charles Brown

A note from Gene Schnagl. "Been busy getting boats put away for the winter. Dayton was great and we'll head back for sure to the Air Force Museum again. Fantastic place to spend a day. Hope all is well and thanks again to you and Patty. Gene Schnagl"

A note from Ozzie - Elder..... Dayton was one of the best. I think a great time was had by all. Again , kudos to you and Patti, also Luther and Edna. The hospitality room was excellent as was the banquet. Best to You and Patti - Buzz Osswald

A note from Norene Osswald. "To Patti & Elder – Thanks for your hospitality. You did a great job. We appreciate it. Sincerely Norene Osswald"



The gH & Jim Hying



Jim Hying & Volunteer

The museum volunteer on the right is a retired Major who flew Jets out of Incirlik AFB



Kathy & Harry Bennett from Bellbrook, Ohio

The Bennett's were of great help to George Helms in his quest to get information regarding the Carillon Park visit and they played a key role in getting the USAF Museum visit coordinated.



Det 27 Vet's:

Ken Whitman, 058, 62-64; Luther Jones, 058, 62-63; Frank Siebenaler, 058, 62-64; Barry Wenger, 958, 62-64; Elder Green, 98C, 61 & 65-67; Tom Beall, 98C, 65-66 and Chuck Bergmann, 058, 66-67

Missing: Lloyd Cridlebaugh, 63-64; Dave Kern, 63-64; Tom Lazzara, 63-67; Bambridge Peterson, 63-65; Ted Rasmussen, 63-64



The Det 27 vet's and their wives

Ken & Judi Whitman, Luther & Edna Jones, Frank & Judy Siebenaler, Barry & Sharon Wenger, Elder & Patty Green, Tom & Linda Beall and Chuck & Helen Bergmann



Det 4 Vet's:

Front row: Buzz Osswald, 64-65; Chuck Malsch, 64-65; Arnold Steffen, 58-59; John Owen, 64-66; Kevin Reichley, 72-73; Jim Hying, 62-63. 2nd row: George Helms, 62-63; Cecil Ausbrooks, 64-65; Bill Pruitt, 64-

65 & 76-77; Jim Cox, 66-67; Paul Aspinwall, 65-66; Frank Buss, 61-62. 3rd row: Dean Lapp, 65-66
Missing: Charles Brown, 66-67; Wayne Dyer, 68-69; Jim Logsdon, 62-63; Jack O'brien, 64-65; Gene Schnagl, 63-64



Det 4 Vet's

1st row: George Helms, 62-63, Bill Pruitt, 64-65 & 76-77; Ozzie Osswald, 64-65; Arnold Steffen, 58-59; John Owen, 64-66; Kevin Reichley, 72-73; 2nd row: Gene Schnagl, 63-64; Charles Malsch, 64-65; Charles Brown, 98J, 66-67; Jim Cox, MP, 66-67; Paul Aspinwall, 1LT, 65-66; Frank Buss, 059, 61-62; Sonny Ausbrooks, 059, 64-65 and Dean Lapp, MP, 65-66



Det 4 Vet's and their wives



The Det 4 98J's and their wives
The Osswald's, The Owen's, The Schnagl's, The Malsch's and The B

A lot of fun but some serious memories as well. That's what these events are for to remember the good times and the bad but leave and head home knowing we are all still brothers.- Gene Schnagl



The ASA Turkey vets at the reunion



Sinop Vet's
Jim Hying (62-63), George Helms (62-63) & Frank Buss (61-62)



Lobby photo by Jim Hying
Harry Bennett, JR Greene, Myrtle Bennett, Carol Greene & Patty Green



Lori & Charles Brown from Robesonia, Pennsylvania
The Brown's have attended seven straight reunions (2010 – 2016)



Joy & Bambridge (Bam) Peterson from Barron, Wisconsin
This was the 7th reunion for Bam and the 2nd for Joy



Joy & Bam Peterson and Judy & Frank Siebenaler



Janet & Arnold Steffen fm Jackson, TN
This was the 12th reunion for the Steffen's. Arnold

Way back on 16 March 2003 Janet called to let me know how much Arnold appreciates the DOOL's and to say that they would be coming to their first ASA Turkey reunion at 7 Springs, PA. Janet related to me that Arnpld was keyed up and couldn't wait until they headed up I-81N to Pennsylvania to see where the weather forcaster's den is in Punxsautawney, PA and to visit Shanksville, PA and the Flight 93 site and also that of the nine trapped miner's site of the Quecreek Mine Rescue of 24-28 July 2002. Since then, the Steffen's have only missed 2 reunions (2008 & 2009) and one was because Janet had an accident just before they were scheduled to depart Jackson, TN.



Paul Aspinwall, Bill Pruitt & Jim Cox



Frank Siebenaler, Atakan Sobay & Arnold Steffen



Jim & Troy Logsdon, Det 4 fm Union, Kentucky
This was the Logsdon's first reunion



Sharon Wenger, Judi Whitman & Judy Siebenaler



Elaine Ausbrooks, Arnold Steffen & Barry Wenger



Janet Steffen & Elaine Ausbrooks



Sonny Ausbrooks & Bill Pruitt



Linda & Tom Beall, Kevin Reichley and George Helms



Frank Buss & Linda Beall



Germaine Hying



George Helms & Jim Hying



Kathy Bennett & Edna Jones



Two 1962-1963 Det 4 Comm Center friends
Jim Logsdon & George Helms
that's Troy Logsdon in the middle



The Bergmann's



The Coffee man – Dean Lapp



Judi Whitman



Dave Kern

**Dave was a Turkish linguist at Det 30 and Det 27
This was his 2nd reunion**



Lloyd Cridlebaugh fm Kansas City, MO & Ted Rasmussen fm Lancaster, PA
Ted Rasmussen is a juried member of the PA Guild of Craftsmen. To achieve juried status one has to achieve the mark of excellence that distinguishes them from the mainstream.



Sonny Ausbrooks & Bill Pruitt



Luther Jones & Arnold Steffen



Gene Schnagl & Jack O'Brien



Joan Malsch & Kay O'Brien



Janette Owen



Kevin Reichley and Lori & Charles Brown



Gene & Kathy Schnagl and Buzz & Norene Osswald



Carol & Ralph Greene



Myrtle Bennett



Joan & Chuck Malsch



After the banquet



Sharon Wenger



Gene Schnegl



Dean Lapp & Buzz Osswald





Luther Jones & Ken Whitman



Elder Green & Luther Jones



Myrtle & Harry Bennett





Norene Osswald & Kathy Schnagl



Dave Kern, Kevin Reichley, Buzz Osswald



George Helms, Germaine & Jim Hying & Atakan Sobay



Linda Beall, Janet Steffen, Reichley, Beall



Hospitality room photo's



Kevin Reichley Turkey display



Frank & Judy Siebenaler

Found Frank Siebenaler's name on Det 27 Special Order #197 dtd 9 October 1963 & called him on 3 May 2006 and discussed his tour at Manzarali Station as a 058 Trick Chief. To the uninformed the 058 trick chief had to be one of the best on his shift. Others on his shift were Tom Lazzara, Barry Wenger and Ken Whitman.



Elder & Patty Green



Luther & Edna Jones



Ken & Judi Whitman



Linda & Tom Beall



Vicki Cox, The Bergmann's Carolyn Pruitt and Elaine Ausbrooks



Debbie Lapp, Elaine Ausbrooks, Carolyn Pruitt & Kathy Schnagl

THAT'S ALL

WE WILL APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS