



AO2 Michael Moran, AOCS Kent Schoeff, AO1 Jason Seligson, AOCS Eric Bickel, Tammy Bickel, CDR Matthew Arnold, AO1 Manuel Almanza, AO3 Barry Johnson, AO1 John Hicks and daughter front row kneeling



AO1 John Hicks, AO1 Manuel Almanza, AO3 Barry Johnson



AO3 Barry Johnson, AO1 Manuel Almanza, AOAN Kate Boring, AO2 Michael Moran, AO1 Jason Seligson



Greetings from Japan. I have attached a couple of photos that Chapter 73 would like to submit for the next Red Shirt. Below you will find a little article written up to explain the photos:

FC Storm is the Kinnick High School girls soccer team that is sponsored by AAO-Chapter 73. They recently performed a COMREL project during their most recent trip to Seoul, South Korea to play 3 games in 3 days in which they won all three games, scores 3-3 (PK 4-2), 6-1, 8-0, against South Korean International schools. Chapter 73 was instrumental in making the logistics and lodging happen for the FC Storm with all team members being dependents of FDNF personnel assigned to Yokosuka, Japan. The Korean War Memorial onboard Yongsan Garrison was a site of a battle and the young ladies were proud to represent AAO-Chapter 73 in the cleanup of the memorial and paying their respects to the brave men who fought in that war.

During the visit Chapter 73 had mink blankets made which the girls were kind enough to help pick up and send back to the USS George Washington AAO chapter.

The girls thought it a must to have their picture taken to show the local chapter that they support all of the fine AO's assigned to USS George Washington. All members of the team are viewed in both pictures as a way of giving back to the chapter that supports them and supports the community.

V/r,

AO1(AW/EXW) Jason Seligson President, AAO Chapter 73



AO3 Barry Johnson, AO2 Michael Moran, AOAN Kate Boring, AO1 Manuel Almanza, AO1 Jason Seligson, AOCS Kent Schoeff, AOCS Eric Bickel, Tammy Bickel.





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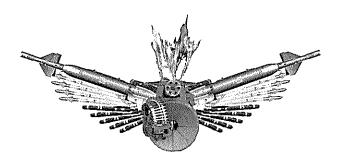
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Letters To The Editor

I started a Facebook page called "The Red Shirt". If you have access to a computer look us up and LIKE us!

May 1, 2014

Dear Sailors of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen,

On behalf of the CHIP of South Hampton Roads Board of Directors and Staff thank you very much for volunteering at the 2014 Hampton Roads Rubber Duck Race on Saturday April 26, 2014. The effort from all of the 49 Sailors and some of their family members (listed on the enclosure) was tremendous. Your dedication and hard work came at a time when our agency needed the support of the community for our largest fundraising event of the year.

Because of your support, the Hampton Roads Rubber Duck Race was a huge success with over 2,500 spectators from all around the region coming out to cheer on their ducks and enjoy a day of fun activities, food, music, & games . More importantly, CHIP raised tens of thousands of dollars to fund our programs and services that focus on improving the health of children, reducing child abuse and neglect, and preparing children for success in school.

Your volunteer efforts with setting up, greeting guests, cooking, running the children's games and activities, and taking down /clean up were extremely helpful and were accomplished with professionalism and a smile. Furthermore, anytime you and your fellow Shipmates saw our Staff in need of help, you showed initiative and offered assistance.

The mission of CHIP is to build a healthy community by building a healthy child. With just 2000 days from Birth to Kindergarten , it is critical that we lay the foundation for a child 's future health , academic and workplace success. CHIP is making a difference with kids right from the start, but this would not be possible without the support from caring and compassionate volunteers like you.

We are proud to have had the Sailors from the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen as volunteers for this event and we look forward to our continued partnership. We couldn't have done this without you!

Again, thank you for your support and for your commit-

ment to CHIP and the children in our community . Together we are working to ensure that all children start school healthy and ready to learn and succeed.

With sincere appreciation,

/) LO Trish O'Brien

President &

CEO May 1, 2014

Thank you very much to

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the following Sailors of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen for volunteering at the 2014 Hampton Roads Rubber Duck Race on Saturday April 26, 2014.

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We truly appreciate the hard work and dedication of all of the volunteers from the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen at the Hampton Roads Rubber Duck Race.

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Trish O'Brien

President & CEO



Kevin,

Pictures of Gunner Dan Pratt, Chief Warrant Officer Select Tuggle and other VFA-31 pictures on board the USS Bush during OEF 2014.

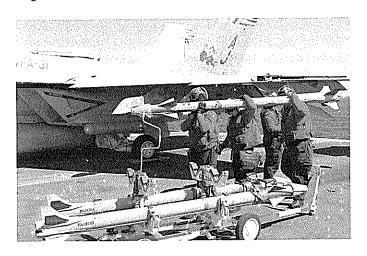
Can you try and put in the REDSHIRT.

Thanks,
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CDR Mike Gramolini
Chief Staff Officer
Navy Munitions Command

No problem CDR, here they are!



VFA-31 on board the USS George H.W. Bush (CVN77) in Mediterranean in support of U.S. effort to reassure allies on edge over Russia's troop incursion into Ukraine's Crimean region



Left to right VFA-31 AOAN Griffin, AOAN Lovine, AO2 Jones, TL in background AO2 Munar





Kevin,

Dottie went on Wikipedia for a search to find any information on Richard Boone and here is what she found.

Born: Richard Allen Boone, June 18, 1917, Los Angeles, CA Died: January 18, 1981 at age 63 in St Augustine, FL, Cancer

Richard Allen Boone was an American actor who starred in over 50 films and was noted for his roles in Westerns and starring in the TV series "Have Gun Will Travel" as Paladin.

Boones father was a descendant of Squire Boone, younger brother of Frontiersman Daniel Boone.. Boone is also a distant cousin of Pat Boone who is reported to be a direct descendant of Daniel Boone.

Boone graduated from Hoover HS in Glendale, CA and attended Stanford University but left prior to graduation and tried his hand at bartending, Oil-rigging and writing before joining the US Navy in 1941. He served on 3 Carriers in the Pacific durin WWII, seeing combat as an Aviation Ordnanceman and Gunner on TBM Avenger Torpedo Bombers.

I have a book titled "Stars in Blue" Movie Actors in Ameri-(Continued on page 8)



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ca's Sea Services by James E. Wise, Jr and Ann Collier Rehill. This is where I found a picture of Richard A Boone and three others. Note that the author Allen Kernan was an AO2.

To find out if Boone made it to Chief perhaps someone could contact Pat Boone, his cousin.

That's all for now

Dave Michel

Dave, thanks for the info, very interesting! Picture will be in the next edition!!!!!

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AAO President

Greetings One and All,

I've been thinking a lot lately about our rich heritage and humble beginnings as I look at retiring later this year. That said, I did some research and did you know...The Aviation Ordnanceman rating was established at all four petty officer grades of Chief, First, Second and Third Class on March 2, 1926 as a rating within the Aviation Branch. The Aviation Ordnanceman rating was filled initially from qualified personnel serving primarily with the ratings of Gunner's Mate and Torpedoman (assigned to aviation). The Aviation Ordnanceman specialty mark, a winged flaming spherical shell, was incorporated into Uniform Regulations in January 1927.

The Aviation Ordnanceman family of ratings since 1918 have encompassed the following:

Gunner's Mate (Aviation)	GM(A)	1918-1921
Gunner's Mate (assigned to aviation)	GM	1921-1926
Aviation Ordnanceman	AOM	1926-1948
Aviation Ordnanceman B (Aviation B	ombsight l	Mechanic)
	AOMB	1943-1944
Aviation Ordnanceman B (Aviation 1	Bombsight	& Fire Con-
trol Mechanic)	AFC	1945-1948
Aviation Ordnanceman T (Aviation T	urret Mecl	nanic)
	AOMT	1943-1948
Aviation Ordnanceman F (Fire Control	ol) AOF	1948-1955
Aviation Ordnanceman T (Turrets)	AOT	1948-1958

For our Marine Brethren, in an effort to establish a date as the birthday for Marine Aviation Ordnance, it is necessary to back up and look for a moment at the history of Marine Aviation. It was during WW I that Marine Aviation first

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Aviation Ordnanceman

saw combat. In 1918 the Marine First Aviation Force, with one squadron deployed to the northern coast of France to bomb German Submarine bases in Belgium. Two decades following WW I Marine Aviation went into Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Nicaragua. It was during this era that Aviation Ordnance was finally identified as a separate skill. Marine AO's are currently known as Aviation Ordnance with occupational field 65. This has only been true since 1949. It wasn't until Table of Organization No. 37 was issued on 25 April 1922 that ordnance appeared on a T/O, and when it did, the term used was Gunnery personnel. This T/O authorized one Warrant Officer, one Sergeant, one Corporal and one PFC for a Division Aviation. The name Gunnery personnel stayed until Table of Organization No. 43-W was published on 11 September 1925 when the name was changed to Armament personnel. This remained in effect until 6 February 1935 when Table of Organization No. 23 changed the name to Ordnance. "The first ordnancemen to meet a combat environment were Marine Corps ordnancemen." On 25 February 1927, VO-1M landed in Nicaragua to assist the government against the insurrection of Sandini. The first combat flights began 15 July with strafing and dive bombing.

So what's with the HISTORY lesson you might ask? I feel it's important for us to know who we are and where we come from. The Association was founded in 1976. The first annual convention was held in July of that year in San Diego, CA. During this first convention the decision was made to formally establish the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen with membership open to all Navy and Marine Corps AOs, past, present and future. Membership was also opened to all civilian personnel who demonstrated expertise in the development and maintenance of airborne weapons and related equipment. In order to keep our association strong, "ALL" AOs need to support it. I've noticed that the majority of our Chapters are run by our CPOs and Petty Officers; my question is where are the Gunners? I need for our senior leaders to get involved and 'LEAD' not step back in the shadows. Your Ordies really want to see you in the front of everything they do so please be a part of your chapters' successes and they are many.

I know everyone is anxious to know if we are still going to have a symposium or something similar. Well, the answer is guidance for obtaining approval to attend conferences remains the same. Attendance requires DONAA or SECNAV approval depending on the cost estimate for Navy attendance. Navy has not delegated it to Echelon II Commanders. Navy guidance has not been updated. They are in the process of updating it however; the process/rules are the same. Unfortunately, the initial guidance was not very detailed. We plan to resubmit our package again this year with the hope it will get through. This process takes 3-4

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months, more to follow. Keep your heads high and focus on the tasks ahead. I hope to see each of you at the Convention.

I plan to retire 30 Dec 2014 for those that may be able to attend. It will be aboard one of our fine CVNs pier side in Norfolk if all goes well. I will send formal invites/emails once everything is firm.

Take care and God bless each and every one of you,

Michael K. Price IYAOYAS

AAO Vice President

Hello Fellow Ordies,

I'm becoming more excited by the day as our convention dates move nearer. I really enjoy seeing the old faces and hope to see some new ones as well this year. Hope attending is in your plans. Welcome home to CVN-75 USS HARRY S. TRUMAN and CVW-3 Ordnancemen. You did an impressive job keeping each other safe while partaking in non-kinetic and kinetic operations as called upon by your country. Bravo Zulu!!!

Congratulations and very well done to our four newest Commander (Selects), Mike Bornstein, Kelly Bishop, Dave Moore, and Jason Parmley!

Fair winds and following seas to Mr. Ed Ashlock one of our association's founding fathers who recently passed on. We'll miss you. I suspect we each have our most memorable story about Ed... I have mine and will gladly share it with you over a soda or some vino at the convention.

As we move into summer, and especially since we have to always work to keep each other safe, please allow me to mention just a handful of the most common safety breaches and leave it you all to draw the connections. 1. Driving long distances and fatigue. 2. Gasoline and charcoal BBQ grills. 3. Firearms and Alcohol. 4. Swimming and rip currents. I'm sure these four will trigger some good banter. The point intended is safety and risk management is 24/7. In closing I pray all is going well with you and yours and again, hope to see many of you real soon at this year's convention.

AAO VP Dion Edon

AAO Secretary

Greetings ORDIES,

This will be my last submission to the Red Shirt as your Secretary. I would like to thank the Board of Directors and the entire membership who has been very supportive over the past 14 Years I have been the National Secretary.

For those Chapters that can't make it to the Convention please send Tom Lord what you would like reported to the General Membership.

CONGRATS to the NEW AOCM's

Brown Oliver	007	Burton Darryl	002
Foster Teresa	800	Lee Bobby Ron	006
Rivera Jose R	003	Robinson Derr	001
Seals Mark Ed	005	Vice Brandon	004

I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S Dennis Costa

I want to thank Dennis Costa for his 13 years as Secretary of this GREAT Association, I have some big shoes to fill. I look forward to working with the National leadership and with the membership. Until next time

IYAOYAS! R, JJ LaMaitre Secretary.

AAO Treasurer

Convention 2014 is less than two months away. Now is the time to send me your convention registrations. The sooner I get them, the sooner your officers can formalize all the plans that go into making your convention a success. If you use a credit card and want a copy of your receipt e-mailed to you, there is a block on the registration form for your e-mail address, right after the credit card info.

Once again, tickets for the Social and Awards Banquet will NOT be mailed out to the attendees. You will be able to pick them up at the registration table during the day or at the entrance to the event that night. By doing this we not only save postage, but we don't have to worry about reproducing back-up tickets for those that might have forgotten them. If you want to be notified when I receive your pay-

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ment, include a self-addressed stamped envelope or postcard or your e-mail address and I will get that information back to you.

Thanks to all out there that have been recruiting new members in our Association. New memberships were exceptionally good this year. Keep up the good work!

Have you had a promotion, change of status (recently retired) or phone number change? If so give me a shout at the contact info below so I can update your record.

Address changes remain a problem. I need your changes as soon as you know you are moving. The mailing costs associated with Red Shirt returns are getting out of hand. I try my best to make sure those entitled to a Red Shirt get it. But when I don't have an updated address, I have to pay the post office for its return. That said, in the future, when I get a Renewal Notice or Red Shirt returned to me, I am removing that person from the Red Shirt list until I have a current mailing address. If you see someone's name on the locator list and can get the new address, let them know. Sign up to get yours electronically!!! All you have to do is go to the web site, and download the Red Shirt. If you move or have a PCS coming up, get those address changes to me prior to the move. You can make them via the web site, via snail mail; phone (619)575-1895; or (preferred) you can e-mail them to me at aaotreas2011@cox.net. Chapter officers, division LPO's, shipmates, if you know a member is transferring, talk to them about submitting an address change. If you see somebody you know on the Locater, it means I don't have their current mailing address and can't send them update materials. If you know their e-mail address, drop them a line to get in touch with me.

FYI the US Postal Service has an on-line Change of Address section, see it at www.usps.com .

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R, Thomas Lord AAO Treasurer



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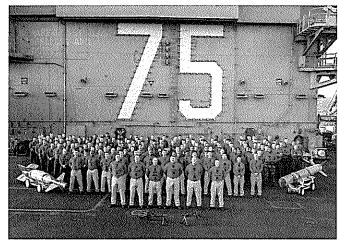


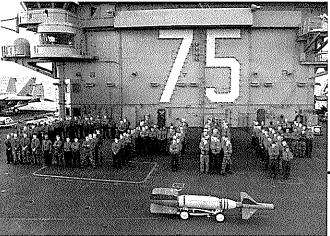
ALL AO picture is The first weekend back from our long deployment.

We had an outpouring of AAO volunteers for the 2014 Children's Health Incentive Program (CHIP) Duck Race! With the help of Chapters 4, 69, and 78, we helped CHIP raise over \$70,000 in support of health care for low income children and their families! Whether it was helping with the set-up and tear down of events or wearing a giant duck suit (again) to entertain the kids, the Chapter 75 Ordies were on top of things!

All E-6 below coming together to spell the word CHIP which was Printed out and placed in a picture frame and was presented to the CHIP Director of Operations "Beth Warren".

V/r AO1(AW/SW)Godair







Greeting's from Chapter 74!

USS John C. Stennis is out of dry dock early and working vigorously to complete our Docking Planned Incremental Availability (DPIA) on time to get JCS back to the tip of the spear. Just before we moved out of dry-dock, we had an opportunity to conduct a first time ever 'Family Day' tour of the ship and dry dock area; coordinated by OHO, LCDR Kashuba. The event turned out to be a huge success, over 950 visitors had a once in a life time opportunity to venture down into the dry dock to view the underside of 90,000 tons of Freedom and Democracy, USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

We would like to congratulate AOC Austring on his selection for LDO along with all of the FY15 LDO/CWO selects!

Chapter 74 had an opportunity to give back to the community and manage our own 'Ordie' aid station during the annual Lumberjack 100 mile ultra-marathon as ultra endurance athletes ran up to 36 hours to complete this grueling race.

Finally we would like to bid farewell and following seas to Gunner Allen (G1), Gunner Kesterson (G5), Gunner Miller (G3), CWO3 Osgatharp 'WENG' (G4), AOC Vera, AOC

o all chapters,

Please review your information on the <u>Chapter Meetings - Places - Times - Dates</u> section on page 3. E-mail your changes to me and Dennis Costa. I know some of the phone numbers don't match up and I also need a few E-mail addresses. I get the occasional call from AO's inquiring about a meeting in a certain area and its nice to give them up to date information. If you don't see your chapter on here let me know that also please.

Thanks for the help, Editor

On The Cover

Submitted to the Aviation Ordnance Shack Facebook page by Don Hickman: USS Kitty Hawk bomb farm. Easter Offensive, 1972. What you see here was brought up on deck and wheeled into place by 2 of our own AO Shack members, AO's Mike Cohen and Kenny Armstrong. ALPHA STRIKE!!

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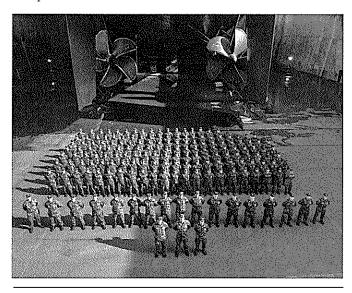
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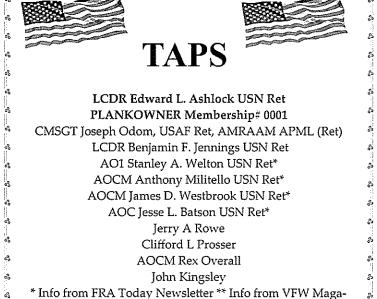
Warthen, AOC Washa and AOC Clark as they transfer to their next duty assignments and welcome CWO2 Wilson to the JCS Weapons team. We would also like to give our deepest and sincerest appreciation to AOC Kimsey and his family as they retire after 21 years of faithful service

From all of us to all of you, we are looking forward to the annual convention and a few days of fun with our fellow ordies, see you in Reno!!!

I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.

AO1 Jason Smith Chapter 74 Vice President





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Greetings from Lemoore California, what a busy but very productive year we have had and looking forward to what the New Year is going to bring for us!

I would like to welcome back CVW-11 from their long deployment it is great to be home and glad everyone made it back safe for the holidays!

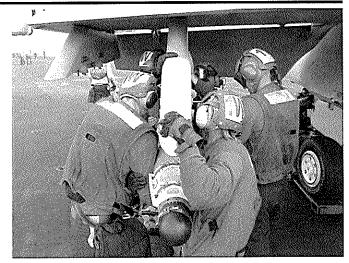
We closed out the year with our Annual Christmas Party at the Fleet Reserve in Lemoore. Special thanks to Jeff Coe and Chris Vancil what a great party you guys put together for all of us to enjoy. As always the party was a big hit especially with the always entertaining white elephant gift exchange, thank you all for coming out and making it possible.

We have a lot to keep us busy this year with helping with Taste of Homes sending out tasty goodies to our sailors and marines currently deployed and putting smiles on their faces. To helping clean up our highways and getting ready to set up for Relay for Life, just to name a few so if you are ever in the area please stop on by and say HI! We have our monthly meetings every 3rd Friday of the month at the Lemoore Fleet Reserve 788 E D Street, Lemoore, CA.

I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S. AOC (AW) Laura Colby Chapter One President









TO ALL,

THE AAO ORDIE III COOK BOOKS are in and FOR SALE.

You can get an order form on the AAO website: http://www.aaoweb.org/AAO/ Or can be picked up at the FWST trailer, in OPS at NAS Lemoore.

We will also have them for sale at the AAO Convention!!!

They will be Item: AO-0115, Ordie Cook Book, Price \$10.00 plus 20% shipping and handling. This should be posted today.

V/R Chuck Onken





Konnichiwa from Yokosuka, Japan

Here's a look at what the AAO Chapter 73 has been doing this past quarter. We are currently wrapping up our Selected Restricted Availability in preparation for our upcoming Summer Cruise in the Western Pacific Ocean, and all are excited to get the ball rolling again as our chapter continues to grow. The AAO Chapter 73 continues to spread positive influence, not only in our fellow shipmates onboard, but also in our host country of Japan and throughout the 7th Fleet AOR

Since electing our new Chapter Officers this past August, AAO Chapter 73 has continued raising funds with brand new sweat-shirts and various food sales. In addition, we participated in the first ever Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka St Patrick's Day Parade. It was the boost of ORD-NANCE PRIDE we were looking for to bring our Chapter back to greatness.

I would like to take the time to introduce our newly elected Chapter Officers where our President is AO1 Jason Seligson, Vice President AO1 Joshua Smith, Secretary AO3 Angelica Abundez, and Treasurer AO1 Manuel Almanza.

Currently we are working on our 2014 annual Bar-B-Q set for this April to encourage fellowship and camaraderie amongst our members and others in our weapons community. We cannot express the level of pride that we have in all of our current members. Their dedication, devotion, and time spent to better the Chapter have been nothing short of amazing, and because of this we are certain that our Chapter will meet and exceed all goals.

Thank you. AO1 (AW/ EXW) Jason Seligson President, AAO Chapter 73

AAO Auxiliary

Hello All,

It's that time again to be making plans to attend the AAO Convention which is 30 July - 3 Aug at the Silver Legacy in Reno... Yippee!! Hope to see you all there. I hope you can make it. We would love to have you join us. We make a lot happen in supporting our AOs .

"Taste Of Home "

Our first event on the agenda for Friday August 1,2014 is to get all the boxes packed up and mailed to our AOs aboard the USS Essex. So please bring your donation to support. I know our Ordies really appreciate that little taste of home while underway. A big Thank you to Dottie and all of you that have supported the TOH program this year....

Also on Saturday we have a great Brunch planned and Carolyn Thomas will be putting out all of the details on that. Thank you Carolyn for all the planning that went into this event. I know we all are going to enjoy ourselves.

As Delores stated in the Spring newsletter, which was GREAT, we took a vote and decided not to have the raffle table this year @ convention. But please, if you have something special that you would like to donate to the Auction we would really appreciate that gesture. This fund raiser goes to a very rewarding cause....

Don't forget to get your nominations into Bevy Jo bevyjo@cox.net for Circle of Support FY2014. The deadline for nominations is June 15,2014

Please keep in mind as well we have open officer positions this year to be filled. If you want any more information please reach out to Denise Walecki our Vice President/ Nominating Chairman deeanrob@prodigy.net and she will assist you. I can't tell you all how rewarding it is. And what enjoyment we have supporting the AAO

Take care all of you and I hope this note finds all of you in great spirits and health. Look forward to seeing you all @ Convention. As always I am very honored and proud to serve as your AAAO President.

Thank you all for all that you do to support our AO's and Auxiliary!

Teresa Zimmer





AAO ABSENTEE BALLOT 2014 DO NOT SUBMIT IF ATTENDING CONVENTION

Board of Directors (Pick 1st and 2nd choice By placing Number 1 or 2 beside name) Note: vote for only two (2) Board of Directors

Jeff Sassone, CDR, USN/RET Angela Sobieski, ENS SEL, USN Rob Walecki, CWO4, USN/RET

Treasurer

Thomas Lord, AOCM, USN/RET

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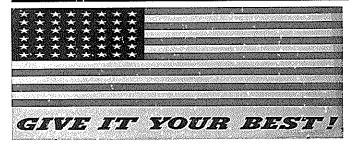
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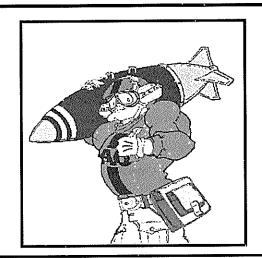
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AAO NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN 20812 Flour Mill Court Great Mills, MD 20634

NOTE: Ballots must be received by the committee chairman not later than 20 JULY 2014







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Greeting From Chapter 34!!

This Quarter has been extremely successful for our Chapter; we made many contributions to the local community. From volunteering monthly at Ronald McDonald House of North West Florida, which contributes over 40 man hours each month to the upkeep, maintenance, cleanliness and preparation of the facility to The Corry Station Burger Burn Volunteer event for The Escambia Boy's Base where we were able to mentor and feed 45 teens to our Annual Loaves and Fishes Chili Cook-off where we feed up to 125 people. Great job to our chapter for furthering good relations with so many community establishments.

On another great note, Mrs. Rosalyn Mendez (Wife of AOC Hector Mendez) is a great supporter of our Community; she began the process to stand up a Chapter 34 AO Auxiliary. Although it is not officially up yet, Mrs. Mendez is working very hard to start this new chapter in ours. If there are any spouses interested in being a part of this experience in the area please contact myself and I will pass the message to Mrs. Mendez.

We celebrated the AO Birthday by having a cake cutting ceremony with the youngest and oldest AO at our March meeting, and we raffled off an awesome set of Ordie Wings, custom made by Paul Crabtree.

In the month of April we decided to stand up a Volunteer Committee, the POCs were voted in as AO1 Harris, AO2 Ezell, AO2 Wagner, and Sgt. Bruce. The committee has been in contact with various volunteer coordinators around the greater area of Pensacola. Some of the new volunteer coordinators we will be involved with are Habitat for Humanity, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and The Perdido Chambers of Commerce.

Last but not least we had our First Annual Camping Trip in May located in Holt, FL at Rivers edge campgrounds. Not only was this trip successful, this trip was an event we had been waiting for to come together, to have a great time with our brothers and sisters, and promote the fellowship of Aviation Ordnancemen, and as always we did just that.

We would like to welcome all our brothers and sisters who will be attending the AOOCP School in Milton Florida in the future to all events/ meetings. If you are in the area and would like to attend you are welcome. For details on meeting or events please email or contact AO2 Williams. 850-452-8998/Alexanna.williams@navy.mil. Chapter 34 has done an outstanding job this Quarter. Excited to see what's in store for next quarter.

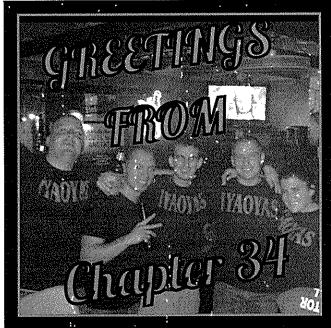
Congratulations to the new Master Training Specialists: AO1 (AW/SW) Harris, D. AO1 (AW) Pesicka, K. AO2 (AW) Blake, T. AO2 (AW/SW) Miller, M.

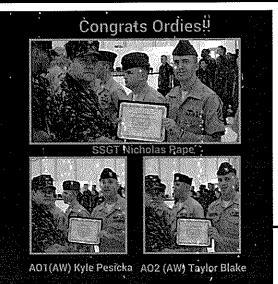
Congratulations to the NATTC Junior Instructor of the Quarter for FY14 1st Quarter/2nd Quarter:
AO2 (AW/SW) Williams, A.
AO2 (AW/SW) Miller, M.

Congratulations to the Mechanical Department Junior Sailor of the Quarter for FY14 2nd Quarter: AO2 (AW/SW) Wagner, K.

From everyone here at Chapter 34, I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.
AAO CHAPTER 34 SECRETARY
AO2 (AW/SW) ALEXANNA WILLIAMS
NATTC PENSACOLA

SSGT Pape, N.









Happy New Year from Chapter 9 and for the record, we want to share with you that 2013 was very kind to our chapter. We trust 2014 will be equally successful and would like to send a special thank you to all the deployed AO's, along with their loved ones

back home during the holidays. You're sacrifices are appreciated and we hope you stay safe, as being deployed during Christmas is never pleasant. This article will cover the past six months since our last submission was omitted due to technical difficulties.

We just concluded our sixth annual JROTC air rifle competition, this is the first year Army JROTC units were invited to compete along with Navy and Marine Corps Units. Competitors entered from all over the United States, along with some international shooters as well. Over 200 teams participated making this "postal "the biggest and most successful ever. Results have been counted and awards sent out. Congratulations to all the winners.

Kudos and heartfelt thanks go to AO1 Taylor Porter, our 2013 Vice President, for her terrific idea to help Jacksonville area homeless individuals during the Thanksgiving weekend. Several Chapter members and their families distributed AO "hoodies", sweat shirts, and a bag lunch to over 200 people in need on Thanksgiving day. This past November, the holiday days were particularly cold for northeast Florida, so anything warm was a blessing. The chapter AO's met at Macdonald's near the downtown bus depot where the homeless congregate and began giving away clothing items and food. A crowd quickly gathered, but sadly some them obviously weren't in need and tried to take advantage of the giveaway. Taylor tells of one expensive car that drove up and she thought this was some sort of a scam; however the driver had seen what was going on and took her gloves off to be given away on the spot. This helping hand has had such an effect that we plan to do it twice a year, next "helping hand" will be during Memorial Day weekend expanding to include shirts, pants, shoes, and food. Of note, the project has grown to include the NAS Jax First Class Association joining hands with Chapter 9.

We enjoyed another successful all AO and family picnic this past October. This is an annual event and each year brings

out former shipmates that you haven't seen in some time, just like a class reunion. One of many retirees that reconnected with Chapter 9 AOs was Warrant Officer Jack Purtee, who by the way was a Division Officer in 1971 at NAS Jacksonville Weapons Dept. The weather was perfect and everyone had a great time.

New Chapter Officers were elected in April; we look forward to another terrific year and pass along a hearty thank you to those that served so well this past year. The Chapter turns 30 in 2014, so this is a very special year for all of us here in the Jacksonville area.

AO rate turned 87 in March; we celebrated in style with our quarterly highway FOD walk down followed by a picnic and birthday cake. Fun was had by all.

Congratulations to AO3 Mallory Burton from VP-5; AO of the third QTR and AO1 Skinner, recognized as AO of the 4th QTR of 2013. Keep up the great work.

Finally, a special thanks goes to FRA Branch 91 for allowing us to meet free of charge. They have been great hosts. As important as it is to belong to our National AO Organization, it is equally important to support your Fleet Reserve as well. They need numbers for Congress to listen to their lobbyists, so remember to support them as well.

All you AO's stay safe while projecting might and preserving peace for the rest of us, IYAOYAS!

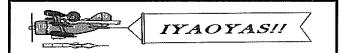
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2014CONVENTION RESERVATION APPLICATION

DEADLINE IS 20 July 2014

I plan to attend the following activities (please check appropriate ones):

31 Jul (Thu) Board of Directors Meeting 1 Aug (Fri) AO of The Year Committee	19444-delinosh-verdenskooded
I Aug (Fri) Scholarship Committee I Aug (Fri) AAO Hall of Fame Committee	
Aug (Fri) Membership Committee	
l Aug (Fri) By-Laws Committee	
1 Aug (Fri) Nominations Committee	
2 Aug (Sat) General Business Meeting 2 Aug (Sat) Board of Directors Meeting	***************************************

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31 Jul (Thu) Board of Directors Meeting	
2 Aug (Sat) General Business Meeting	
2 Aug (Sun) Board of Directors Meeting	

NOTE

Committee Chairmen will require the assistance from the membership for the above listed committees. Please indicate committee or committees that you wish to participate in. If interested in more than one committee, annotate priority by numbers 1-6.

ADVANCED TICKET ORDERING INFORMATION

Payment of the Registration Fee is required to attend any meeting or convention function. Registration Fees must be paid prior to purchasing tickets for the Social and/or Awards Banquet. Registration Fees are not required for dependents 17 and under. However, they must purchase tickets to attend the Social and/or Awards Banquet.

For active duty E-4 and below:

I year free membership in the Association is included in your registration fee. If you are already a member your membership will be extended one year. To qualify for this special registration package please include a completed application with your registration and or ticket order.

ORDERS & MONEY FOR ADVANCE REGISTRATION FEES, AAO SOCIAL AND AWARDS BANQUET TICKETS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 20 JULY 2014. ORDERS & MONEY RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE RETURNED OR MUST HAVE LATE FEE'S INCLUDED. (See order form)

ADVANCE ORDER FORM

For Registration Fees, AAO Social and/or Awards Banquet send check, money order, or credit card info made payable to and mailed to:

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Thomas Lord 2888 Iris Ave., #122 San Diego, CA 92154

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(please print)
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3. Spouse/Guests 18 and over \$25.00 \$
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Advance Social & Awards Banquet ticket prices:
Friday AAO Social \$40.00 each (\$45.00 after 20 Jul 14) \$
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CWO4 Garry & Carol Lutz USN Ret ENS Joshua & Megan Willhite

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CWO2 Carl & Sandra Faragon
CWO4 Thomas K. Williams\
AOC Thomas J. Holzer USN Ret

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AO2 Catherine & Bill HurdLCDR Jason & Julie Parmley

Mr. Bruce A. Kaiser

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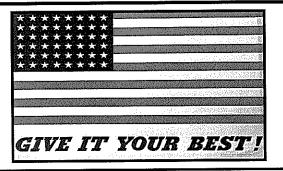
MSgt Dale F. Stewart USMC Ret

AO3 William B. Velten, Jr.

IN MEMORIAM CONTRIBUTIONS

Mr. Dennis J. Klaszewski – In memory of the following deceased members of the "Logistics Bombs Group" – Wayne Kramer, Donald Travis, Michael Henson and George Nehr.

Ms. Doris L. From – In loving memory of CWO3 Roy A. From USN Ret.



LOCATOR

Can you help? Know where any of these members can be located? If you have a mailing address or phone number, please contact me at aaotreas2011@cox.net, snail mail or give me a call.

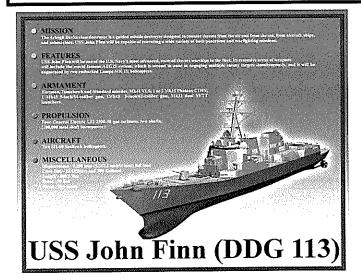
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Greetings, J.J.,

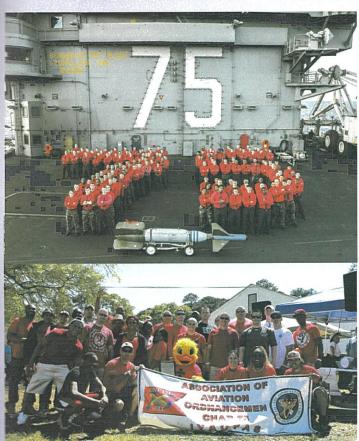
I don't think we have met in the past but my name is AOCM retired Don E. Stewart. Served from 1-25-54 to 2-4-74. I retired at NAS Miramar as AirWing 14 LCPO assigned to the U.S.S. Enterprise. Won't be able to attend the reunion so maybe you could post this to our Shipmates during the reunion.

Hope all goes well. Don E. Stewart chiefwifeiii@yahoo.com











AAOs Chapter 5, China Lake, CA

FOD Walk Down, 17 May 2014

Dale & Lisa Harper & AO2 (AW/SW) Lemuel Foster



AAO Chapter 21 17 MAY 2014





Union Road Clean Up Fallon, NV

Chapter 21,

Attached is the Union Road clean-up that took place 17MAY14 at 1000. I would like to thank all the Ordnancemen that participated in the clean-up. See you next time. I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.

V/R, AO1 (AW) Richard Scott Mabe, USN AAO CHAPTER 21 SECRETARY





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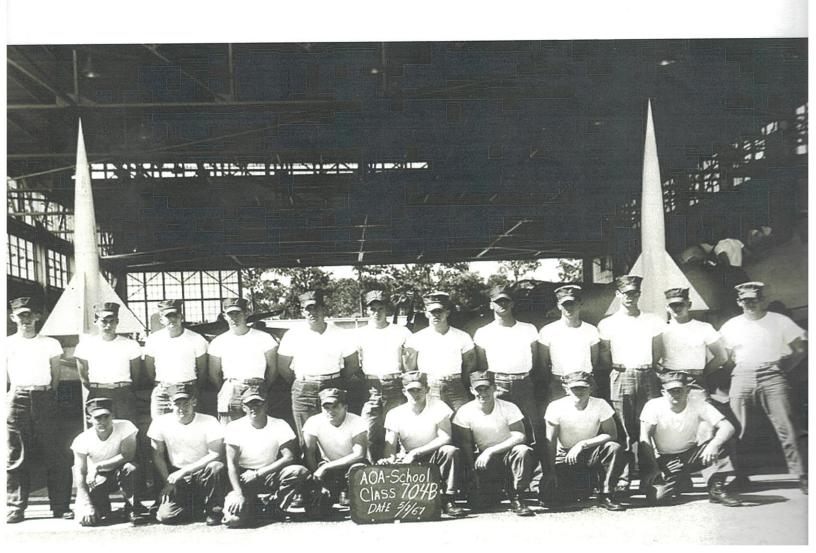
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