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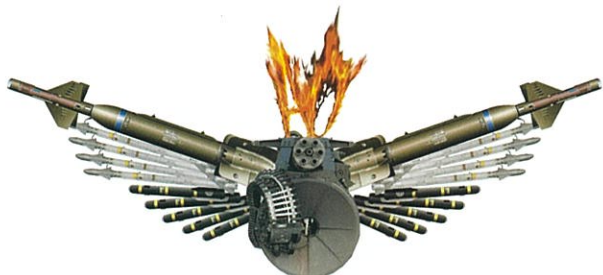
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INFORMATION ON SUBMITTING INDIVIDUAL(S) FOR THE AAO HALLOF FAME CAN BE FOUND ON THE ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN WEBSITE <http://aaoweb.org/AAO>. THE GUIDELINE FORMAT HAS BEEN UPDATED AND THERE IS A SAMPLE NOMINATION PACKAGE TO FOLLOW.

INFORMATION REQUESTED IN GUIDELINES "MUST" BE WITH PACKAGE OR IT "WILL" BE RETURNED. PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO WORK ON PACKAGES, GET STARTED "NOW" AO HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN,

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**ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

<http://www.aaoweb.org/AAO/>

**MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

FIRST TIME MEMBERS \$20.00 PER YEAR OR \$30.00 FOR TWO YEARS

PREVIOUS MEMBERS AND ANNUAL RENEWALS \$20.00 PER YEAR

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_  
          LAST          FIRST          MI

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

RATE/RANK: \_\_\_\_\_ BRANCH OF SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ Active ( ) Retired ( )

DATES SERVED: \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ Last 4 SSN: - \_\_\_\_\_

Marine Corp MOS: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of membership: Regular ( ) Associate ( )

SPONSOR: \_\_\_\_\_

I elect to receive my Red Shirt by downloading it from the Website only. ( ) Please Initial.

I do / do not authorize release of my name, address and telephone number to other members or prospective members of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

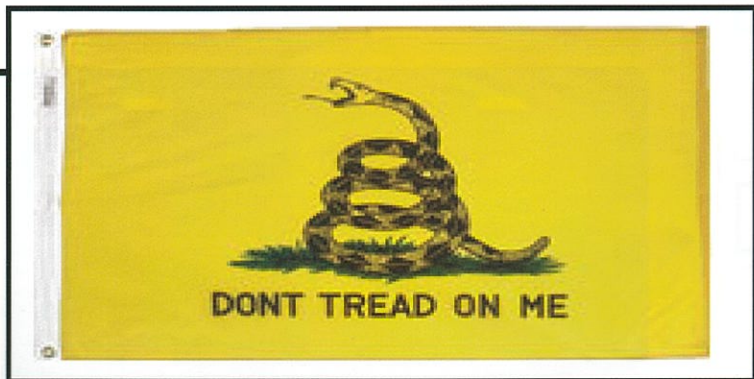
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**GIVE THIS FORM TO A FELLOW ORDNANCEMAN**


**SPECIAL**

FIRST TIME RE-ENLISTEES SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION ALONG WITH A SIGNED COPY OF YOUR RE-ENLISTMENT CONTRACT FOR A ONE YEAR FREE MEMBERSHIP.

IF YOU ARE ALREADY A MEMBER YOUR EXPIRATION DATE WILL BE EXTENDED ONE YEAR.



- **MISSION**  
The John Finn is a class destroyer in a guided missile destroyer designed to counter threats from the air and from the sea, from aircraft, ships, and submarines. USS John Finn will be capable of executing a wide variety of both practice and warfighting missions.
- **FEATURES**  
USS John Finn will be one of the U.S. Navy's most advanced, state-of-the-art warships in the fleet. Its extensive array of weapons will include the Sea Sparrow missile system, which is used to detect and intercept multiple enemy targets simultaneously, and it will be supported by two enhanced Lamson Mk. III helicopters.
- **ARMAMENT**  
Phalanx, Sea Sparrow and Standard missiles, Mk41 VLS, 1 or 2 Mk45 Fishery LWS, 1 Mk45 1 inch/54 caliber gun, TRLAS 4 inch/54 caliber gun, Mk27 dual VLS launchers.
- **PROPULSION**  
Four General Electric LM 2500-30 gas turbines two shafts (100,000 total shaft horsepower)
- **AIRCRAFT**  
Two Sikorsky Seahawk helicopters.
- **MISCELLANEOUS**  
Displacement: 9,300 tons (at full load)  
4 inch gun: 2110 rpm and 300 caliber  
1 inch: 5000 rpm  
Power: 100 MW  
Speed: 20 knots



**USS John Finn (DDG 113)**



# Red Shirt

Articles  
are due  
20 JAN 19  
1 MAY 19  
20 SEP 18

Please submit via e-mail when possible



## NEW MEMBERS

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Notes: (RN) =Renewal Notice Return / (RS134/135) = Red Shirt Return

## IN MEMORIAM

LCDR Chuck & Bev Onken – In Memory of Dorothy 'Dottie' Underwood  
AOC Bob Underwood USN Ret – In Loving Memory of Dottie Underwood, my wife of 44 years

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AMH1 Pete M. Ronbeck USN Ret  
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**2018 CONVENTION RESERVATION APPLICATION**

**DEADLINE IS 16 July 2018**

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

- 26 Jul (Thu) Board of Directors Meeting \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) AO of The Year Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) Scholarship Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) AAO Hall of Fame Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) Membership Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) By-Laws Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 Jul (Fri) Nominations Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 Jul (Sat) General Business Meeting \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 Jul (Sat) Board of Directors Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

**AUXILIARY OF THE ASSOCIATION OF  
AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN**

- 26 Jul (Thu) Board of Directors Meeting \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 Jul (Sat) Auxiliary Lunch \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 Jul (Sat) General Business Meeting \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 Jul (Sat) 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:**

1 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 **16 JULY 2018**. ORDERS & MONEY RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE RETURNED OR MUST HAVE LATE FEE'S INCLUDED. (See order form)

Visa/ MasterCard Credit Card Fee's are Non Refundable.



**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:

ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN  
Thomas Lord  
2888 Iris Ave., #122  
San Diego, CA 92154

Registration Fees (choose appropriate category):

1. Member \$25.00 (\$30.00 after 16 Jul 18)  
Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)
2. Non-Member \$40.00 (\$45.00 after 16 Jul 18)  
(Not including guest or spouse)  
Name of Non-Member \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)
3. Spouse/Guests 18 and over \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Names of Guests \_\_\_\_\_  
(Spouse) (please print)

Advance Social & Awards Banquet ticket prices:

Friday AAO Social \$40.00 each (\$45.00 after 16 Jul 18) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*\*\*Children See Note

Sat Awards Banquet \$40.00 each (\$45.00 after 16 Jul 18) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*\*\*Children See Note

\*\*\*\*Note: Children 5 to 12 - \$20/Children 13 & Over - Full Price

Credit Card Fee \$10.00 (if applicable) Non-Refundable \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Name exactly as it appears on credit card \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Master Card/ Visa # \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Billing ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card payees may also use the registration form on the AO Web Site. If you use this form, the above credit card information does not need to be filled in. Once you send the form, I will receive an e-mail and will, in turn, send you an invoice with the payment requirements. NOTE: This process will not work for military e-mail addresses.

**TICKETS WILL NO LONGER BE MAILED TO ATTENDEES. ALL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE REGISTRATION TABLE EVERY DAY. IF YOU DESIRE NOTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PAYMENT, INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE OR POST CARD OR YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS.**



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JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR 2018// 160900Z MAR 18

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BT UNCLAS MSGID/GENADMIN/COMNAVAIRFOR/N46// SUBJ/JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR 2018// POC/MATTHEW ARNOLD/CDR/UNIT: CNAP N46/NAME: SAN DIEGO, CA/  
TEL: 619-545-2807/EMAIL: MATTHEW.E.ARNOLD(AT)NAVY.MIL// GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. ORIG REQUEST WIDEST DISSEMINATION TO ALL AVIATION ORDNANCE ACTIVITIES/PERSONNEL AND HIGHLY ENCOURAGES EACH COMMAND TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION FOR THIS HIGHLY PRESTIGIOUS AWARD.  
THIS IS AN OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE TOP PERFORMERs FROM THE AVIATION ORDNANCE PROFESSION FROM BOTH THE US MARINE CORPS AND US NAVY.  
2. THE 2018 JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR (AOY) WILL BE SELECTED AT THE 42ND ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN (AAO) CONVENTION WHICH WILL CONVENE AT THE SILVER LEGACY IN RENO, NV ON 27 JUL 2018. ALL AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN (NAVY AND MARINE CORPS, OFFICER AND ENLISTED, RETIRED AND ACTIVE DUTY) AND CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES WITH ORDNANCE INVOLVEMENT ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S CONVENTION. SEPARATE AAO CONVENTION MESSAGE TO FOLLOW.  
3. THE AAO REQUESTS COMMANDS NOMINATE DESERVING PERSONNEL FOR THE JOHN W. FINN AOY AWARD. NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN TO ACTIVE DUTY AND RESERVE AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN FROM THE US MARINE CORPS AND US NAVY SERVING IN PAYGRADES E-4 THROUGH E-6. ENDORSEMENTS, OTHER THAN FROM THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMANDING OFFICER, ARE NEITHER REQUIRED NOR DESIRED.  
4. THIS AWARD IS NAMED AFTER AOC (LATER LT) JOHN W. FINN, A MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT FROM WORLD WAR II WHO WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS DURING THE ATTACK ON NAS KANEOHE BAY, TERRITORY OF HAWAII, ON 07 DECEMBER 1941. LT FINN PASSED AWAY ON 27 MAY 2010 AT THE AGE OF 100.  
5. ENSURE STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS. CANDIDATES SHOULD BE NOMINATED FOR PROFESSIONALISM, MILITARY BEARING, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS PLACED ON SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AS EXPRESSED IN OUR US NAVY AND US MARINE CORPS CORE VALUES OF HONOR, COURAGE AND COMMITMENT. THE PERIOD OF SERVICE RECOGNIZED BY THIS AWARD IS FROM 15 JUL 2017 TO 14 JUL 2018.  
6. PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:  
A. FULL NAME, RATE/RANK.  
B. DATE AND PLACE OF ENLISTMENT.  
C. ADVANCEMENT HISTORY, RANK/DATE OF RANK.  
D. DEPENDENTS (LIST NAMES AND AGES (OF CHILDREN)).  
E. BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF SIGNIFICANT PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS THAT WARRANTS SELECTION.  
F. PERSONAL MILITARY AWARDS (WITH SUPPORTING CITATIONS).  
G. OFF-DUTY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.  
H. COMMANDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS.  
7. ENCLOSURES:  
A. ENCLOSURE (1): BIOGRAPHY - NARRATIVE STARTING FROM DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, EDUCATION, MILITARY SERVICE, CURRENT ASSIGNMENT, AWARDS/MEDALS, FAMILY, ETC. (NOTE: LIMITED TO TWO (2) DOUBLE-SPACED TYPEWRITTEN PAGES).  
B. ENCLOSURE (2): 5X7 FULL-LENGTH PHOTO, THREE-QUARTER VIEW, PLAIN BACKGROUND, SERVICE DRESS UNIFORM (USN) OR DRESS ?B? UNIFORM (USMC) UNCOVERED (A PERSONAL DIGITAL CAMERA MAY BE USED).  
C. ENCLOSURE (3): MOST RECENT AND PREVIOUS TWO EVALUATIONS (FRONT AND BACK) (3 EVALUATIONS IN TOTAL) D. ENCLOSURE (4): JOINT SERVICES TRANSCRIPTS, FOUND ON THE WEB SITE: JST.DODED.MIL, COMBO REPORT TRANSCRIPT. IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL CLASSES/DEGREES NOT LISTED ON THIS REPORT, ATTACH OFFICIAL CLASS COMPLETION CERTIFICATES AND/OR DEGREES.  
E. ENCLOSURE (5): PERSONAL AWARD CITATIONS ONLY.  
8. A SAMPLE PACKAGE CAN BE FOUND ON THE ASSOCIATION WEB SITE AT: WWW.AAOWEB.ORG/AAO.  
9. NOMINATIONS FOR THE JOHN W. FINN AOY AWARD MUST BE RECEIVED NLT COB 15 JUL 2018. NO PACKAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE. REQUEST SUBMITTING COMMANDS PROVIDE AN EMAIL ADDRESS TO ENSURE THEY CAN BE PROVIDED CONFIRMATION THAT SUBJECT NOMINATION PACKAGE WAS RECEIVED AND VERIFIED COMPLETE. EMAIL PACKAGES (PREFERRED METHOD) TO AAOBOD4(AT)AAOWEB.ORG. PACKAGES CAN ALSO BE MAILED TO THE AOY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:  
MR. TIM ZIMMER, AOCS(RET)  
P.O. BOX 121387  
CHULA VISTA, CA 91912  
10. THE GUEST SPEAKER WILL ANNOUNCE THE WINNER AT THE AAO AWARDS BANQUET WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO OCCUR ON 28 JULY 2018.  
11. FOR ALCON: REQUEST WIDEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION. PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS TO THE FOLLOWING POCS: AOY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:  
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CDR (RET) DION EDON, AAOPRESIDENT(AT)AAOWEB.ORG; NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT: CWO4 (RET) ROB WALECKI, AAOVPA(AT)AAOWEB.ORG; NATIONAL SECRETARY: AOCS (RET) JOHN LAMAITRE, AAOSecretary(AT)AAOWEB.ORG// BT

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**AUXILIARY TO THE ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS JULY 28, 2018**

All Amendments will be effective immediately upon approval. Proposed additions are underlined. Proposed deletions are ~~struck through~~. All Amendments have the Provision that appropriate Sections will be renumbered or deleted.

**AMENDMENT 1 ARTICLES V and VI REMOVE CHAPLAIN AS AN OFFICER**

*Submitted by the Board of Directors.*

*Change:* Section 1: The Officers of The Auxiliary shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, ~~Chaplain~~, and six Directors. All Officers shall serve as voting members of the Board of Directors.

*Change:* ~~The Chaplain shall perform non-sectarian devotional services at the general business meeting and such other duties as the President shall prescribe.~~

**AMENDMENT 1A CHANGE CHAPLAIN TO AN APPOINTED POSITION**

*With the PROVISION that this Amendment will only be considered if Amendment 1 is approved.*

*Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*Change Article VI Section 2:* The President shall preside at general business meetings of The Auxiliary and of the Board of Directors. The President shall appoint a Chaplain and the chairpersons of committees with the ratification of the Board of Directors.

*New Article:* APPOINTED OFFICIALS Section 1. The Appointed Official of The Auxiliary shall be Chaplain. Section 2. The privilege of holding this position shall be limited to active members of The Auxiliary. Section 3. The President shall appoint a Chaplain with ratification of the Board of Directors. Section 4. The Chaplain shall perform non-sectarian devotional services at the general business meeting and such other duties as the President shall prescribe.

**AMENDMENT 2 ARTICLES V and VI REMOVE PARLIAMENTARIAN AS AN OFFICER**

*Submitted by the Board of Directors.*

*Change:* The Officers of The Auxiliary shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, ~~Parliamentarian~~, Chaplain, and six Directors. All Officers shall serve as voting members of the Board of Directors.

*Change:* ~~The Parliamentarian is one who is versed in the rules and procedures of parliamentary law. He/she advises the Presiding Officer on questions of procedures in transacting the business of the assembly legally, efficiently and impartially.~~

**AMENDMENT 2A CHANGE PARLIAMENTARIAN TO AN APPOINTED POSITION**

*With the PROVISION that this Amendment will only be considered if Amendment 2 is approved.*

*Reference Robert's Rules of Order 10<sup>th</sup> Edition page 451.*

*Change Article VI Section 2:* The President shall preside at general

business meetings of The Auxiliary and of the Board of Directors. The President shall appoint the chairpersons of committees with the ratification of the Board of Directors. If needed the President shall appoint a Parliamentarian with the ratification of the Board of Directors.

*New Article:* APPOINTED OFFICIALS Section 1. The Appointed Official of The Auxiliary shall be Parliamentarian. Section 2. The privilege of holding this position shall be limited to active members of The Auxiliary. Section 3 or 5. The Board of Directors shall decide if there is a need for parliamentary law advice and when necessary the President shall appoint a Parliamentarian subject to the approval of the Board. Section 4 or 6. The Parliamentarian should be versed in the rules of parliamentary law and shall advise the Presiding Officer of procedures in transacting the business of The Auxiliary. The Parliamentarian has the duty to maintain a position of impartiality, therefore, does not make motions, participate in debate, or vote except by ballot. If a member feels that he/she cannot forego these rights then he/she should not accept this position.

**AMENDMENT 3 ARTICLE V Section 13 REMOVE TERM LIMITS**

*Submitted by the Board of Directors.*

*Current Bylaws:* Officers shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.

*Change:* ~~Delete this Section. Officers shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.~~

**AMENDMENTS 4 thru 8** do not change procedures or the way that we do business. Additional phrases are added to each Section to ensure standardized interpretation of Auxiliary Bylaws and to conform to AAO Bylaws as we are required to do in AAO ARTICLE X Section 2.

**AMENDMENT 4 ARTICLE VI Section 9**

*With the PROVISION that this Section will be moved to Article VII Section 2 MEETINGS which is more appropriate.*

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*Change:* Six (6) Officers shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors. A written proxy may be used only to constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors. ~~A vote may be conducted between meetings with a written record of each Officer's vote read into the minutes of the next meeting of the Board of Directors.~~ Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President and must be held upon written request of three or more Officers of the Board.

**AMENDMENT 5 ARTICLE VII MEETINGS**

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*New Section:* Board of Directors meetings are open to all active members of The Auxiliary, however, the privilege of making motions and voting is reserved for the elected Officers. The Presiding Officer of a Board meeting shall withhold his/her vote in order to break or cause a tie, whichever is in the best interest of the Auxiliary. Special meetings may be conducted by phone or other electronic means.



All issues discussed at a Special Meeting and a record of each Officer's concerns and/or vote must be read into the minutes of the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

#### AMENDMENT 6 ARTICLE V Section 10 OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference Robert's Rules of Order 10<sup>th</sup> Edition page 557.*

*Change:* The privilege of holding office shall be limited to active members of The Auxiliary. No member shall hold more than one elected office at a time.

#### AMENDMENT 7 ARTICLE V Section 12 OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference Robert's Rules of Order 10<sup>th</sup> Edition page 557.*

*Change:* Vacancy in office shall be filled by appointment of the President with approval ratification of the Board of Directors. This appointment will be effective until the next general meeting where an election must be held for the remainder of the term. Notice of filling a vacancy and the need for a special election must be given to the members. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President automatically becomes President for the remainder of the term and the vacancy arises in the office of Vice President.

#### AMENDMENT 8 ARTICLE V Section 10 OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*New Section:* Installation of Officers shall take place at the Board of Directors meeting following the general meeting. Newly elected Officers will be sworn in and upon taking the Oath of Office will assume the duties of the office.

AMENDMENTS 9 thru 11 do not change procedures or the way that we do business. Additional phrases are added to each Section to ensure standardized interpretation of Auxiliary Bylaws and to conform to AAO Bylaws as we are required to do in AAO ARTICLE X Section 2.

#### AMENDMENT 9 ARTICLE VI Section 1 DUTIES OF THE BOARD

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*Change:* The Board of Directors shall conduct necessary business between regular meetings and any other business as may be referred to it by The Auxiliary. The Board shall make all decisions in the best interest of The Auxiliary and no act shall conflict with any action taken by The Auxiliary. The Board will approve an annual budget and authorize the Treasurer to expend funds. Funds or items bequeathed to The Auxiliary but not designated for a specific use shall be distributed by the Board in the best interest of The Auxiliary. The Board shall create any Standing

committee deemed necessary to conduct the business of The Auxiliary. At the general meeting the Board shall present to The Auxiliary a report of all action taken by the Board of Directors.

#### AMENDMENT 10 ARTICLES VI and VIII DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

*Submitted by the Board of Directors. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

*Change:* The Vice President shall act as aide and advisor to the President and in the absence of the President shall perform the duties of the President. The Vice President shall be the chairperson of the Membership and Nominating Standing Committees.

*Change:* The chairpersons of the Bylaws, Audit, Historian and all other committees required to conduct the business of The Auxiliary shall be appointed by the President subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

#### AMENDMENT 11 ARTICLE VIII Section 4 COMMITTEES

*Submitted by the Bylaws Chair. Reference AAO Bylaws.*

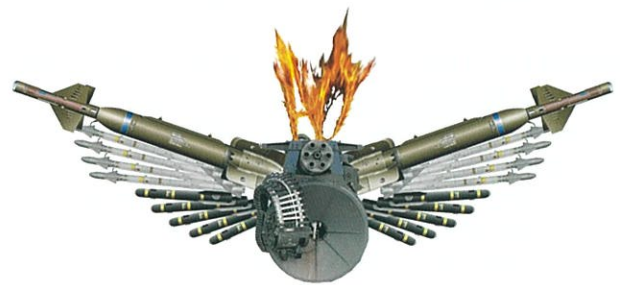
*Change:* Periodic reports shall be compiled by the chairperson of the committees, submitted to the President, and presented to The Auxiliary at the general meeting.

## ON THE COVER

PODWELL ORDNANCE, Thanks to Sheryl Scanlon for providing this GEM!

## BACK PAGE

CDR Kevin Forbes Retirement





**AAO ABSENTEE BALLOT 2018**  
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President	Matt Arnold, CAPT (SEL) USN	
Board of Directors	Amber Roth, AOC (RET) USN	
Board of Directors	Angela Sobieski, LTJG USN	
Board of Directors	Todd Pendelton, CWO4 (RET) USN	
Board of Directors	Steve Kashuba, CDR, USN	

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**LCDR John Edward Wiley, IV**  
 U.S. Navy (Retired)



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**T**o all chapters,



Please review your information on the Chapter Meetings - Places - Times - Dates section on page 3. E-mail your changes to me and JJ LaMaitre. 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

Check us out on Facebook.....  
"The Red Shirt"

Greetings Shipmate,

Enjoyed the AO Red Shirt this month and saw the article by Ron Ross from NAWCWD/NAWS. I am a retired black shoe W3 and know Ron through my work with Synectic Solutions, Inc. We are a long time 20 year NAVAIR Contractor and we are looking for recently separated or retired ordnance personnel to fill open positions.

Would appreciate any help or ideas you might be able to provide to help us reach out to help our shipmates.  
Hand Salute.

Best Regards,

Rodney Kendall  
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Kevin,  
Attached are a couple of pics from 195 Ordies. the one in civies is at the birthday celebration bash with MALS 12, VMFA 121, and station Ordnance. Blues is change of command and the red and black chippy war bird is our personal touch to our new home port of MCAS Iwakuni.

V/r,  
Manny Penas, Dambuster Ordnance LCPO



Kevin - Not sure if you can get this in the upcoming RS or not, but this is AO2 Michael Sheppard graduating from Grand Canyon University (with Carolyn Thomas). He was a huge supporter in Chapter 8 and recently transferred to Chapter 21 in Fallon. GREAT guy.



Hope all is well with you and yours.

R,  
JJ



Mr. Meagher,

Good morning. Attached is a photo of AO volunteers at the 2018 Chesapeake Virginia Rubber Duck Race. Members from AAO Chapter 4 and Chapter 69 assisted in the set up and break down of the event. This event is sponsored by the Children's Health Investment Program (CHIP) to promote healthier communities by supporting healthier kids. Bravo Zulu to all the volunteers. Thank You.

Very Respectfully,  
AO1 (AW/SW) Batimana, Richard  
AAO Chapter 4 President  
Work: 757-433-5368



**Rear Admiral Daniel L. Cheever  
Commander,  
Naval Aviation Warfighting Development Center**

Rear Adm. Dan "Undra" Cheever is a native of Downers Grove, Illinois and is a 1986 graduate of Western Illinois University with a Bachelor of Business degree. After college, he worked for a fortune 500 corporation and attended the University of Hawaii. He joined the Navy in 1988 and was designated a Naval aviator in 1990.

Cheever's operational sea tours include his CAG tour with CVW-8 in Oceana, VA on USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) from 2012 to 2015; CO tour with VFA-147 in NAS Lemoore, CA on USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) from 2005 to 2008; Department Head tour with VFA-147 from 2000 to 2002; Strike Fighter Tactics Instructor tour with VFA-146 from 1998 to 2000; Junior Officer tour with VFA-195 in Atsugi, Japan on USS Independence (CV 62) from 1991 to 1995.

He served as the Naval Amphibious Liaison Element for Commander, 6th Fleet at 17th Air Force in Ramstein, Germany and as the Battle Director at the Combined Air and Space Operations Center in CENTCOM in 2011.

His shore tours include Department Head for TOPGUN and STRIKE at the Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center in Fallon, NV from 2008 to 2011; Aide de camp to General Richard B. Myers, USAF, 15th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon from 2002 to 2004; Instructor, Navy Fighter Weapons School / NSAWC in Miramar, CA and Fallon, NV from 1995 to 1998; VFA-125 and NAS Lemoore, CA from 1990 to 1991.

Cheever has accumulated over 5,000 flight hours and over 1,100 carrier-arrested landings. His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Air Medal Strike/Flight and various campaign, unit and service awards.





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## PREZ

Greetings and Salutes to all!

I pray all is well with you and yours and that this – our 136th Newsletter – finds you in the best spirits. I would like to start by thanking all our National and Chapter Officers and dedicated volunteers for the wonderful job that you all continue to for our association. It is truly amazing to watch your collective achievements and know that I sincerely appreciate your faithful support. IYAOYAS!!!

I once wrote that successful Hollywood productions, concerts, plays, as well as military operations are flawlessly carried out by a cast of skilled individuals in background support roles. Each month I read or hear about the greatness our members about the globe achieves. USN, USMC, Federal Employees, and Contractors alike. Cannot say it enough, but I am glad you stand shoulder-to-shoulder with us to make improvements where needed. Keep the innovative ideas flowing.

Once again, we are successful inviting and having our 2018 Convention's Guest Speaker identified. Rear Admiral Daniel "Undra" Cheever has accepted our invite to attend and I am thankful he has. RDML Cheever currently serves as the NAWDC Commander. If you do not recall what NAWDC is, read his bio which will be included following my comments.

Another highlight for me since last Red Shirt, I had the distinct honor to serve as Guest Speaker for CWO5 James "Jim" Yager's retirement to honor his 33 years of faithful service to this great nation. Jim and Iantha, I was tremendously privileged to be there with you and along with our members, we wish you two fair winds and following seas in all future endeavors. Hope you do not mind me sharing a couple of photos. If so, too late!

In May I was also fortunate to attend the San Diego Chapter Eight "8-Ballers" Local Chapter meeting. Thanks to them for hosting not just me, but the CNAP Force Gun Boss -CAPT (Sel) Matt Arnold; Force OHO East - LCDR Jim Fish; my lovely bride, daughter and her fiancée. We had a great time and hope to share many more. I took a photo to share. CAPT (Ret) Dave Lepard is an 8-Baller regular member so I suspect most of you are familiar with him.

Okay, now for the BIGGIE. That's right... Our 42nd AAO Annual Convention in Reno, Nevada. That always sounds so awesome! This year, like last year, our convention will follow the 2018 AOMLC (Aviation Ordnance Manager's Leadership Continuum), what used to be termed the AO Symposium. Be there or be square! I really hope your schedules will allow you to be there and will be looking forward to seeing as many Ordies as possible there. Remember our Annual Convention not only provides a valuable opportunity to network and catch up with shipmates from the past, it is also a great chance to seek out mentors to assist you with building a successful career strategy. Dates and conventions info included

within.

If you have not had the opportunity to read the sage and informative words from Mr. Ron Ross in RS #135, I recommend you take the time to do so. Thanks Ron for your professional article contribution to our members. I have your pen and I am keeping it!

Last, please keep our fellow Ordies who have moved on to the great "Bomb Farm" in the sky and their families in prayer. To all that have experienced the loss of a loved one, know our prayers are always with you. Help Kevin keep our newsletter Taps notifications accurate.

IYAOYAS!!!

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## VP

Hey Ordies!

Well the Continuum and Convention are right around the corner again and I hope to see you all in Reno @ the Silver Legacy the last week of July. Make sure you don't wait too long to register and get your tickets to the Friday Social and the Saturday Banquet, save yourself a few bucks by doing it before the deadline! This is the last Redshirt that will be published before we get there and you can find the registration form inside. Please sign-up for any Committees you would like to serve on, you can do that on the registration form too. There are deadlines for submission of Scholarship Applications, Hall of Fame Nominations, and the Aviation Ordnanceman of the Year Award, please make sure you get any packages in on time.

In this edition of the Redshirt there is also an Absentee Ballot for those members

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not attending the Convention so you can vote in the upcoming elections. Please ensure that you fill it out completely or it will not be counted. We have 3 positions up for election this year, President and 2 Board of Director positions. The nominations will open again during the General Assembly meeting on Saturday prior to each position being voted on. You must be in attendance to make a nomination from the floor and the nominee must be in attendance to accept it. If you are attending this year's Convention, we would like to see everyone make it to the General Business Meeting on Saturday morning, this is an important part of the convention, and it's where we conduct the Associations yearly business and elections and your vote counts!

And last but not least, thanks to all of you who are at the tip of the spear! You're making all of us at home proud as usual! Stay safe out there. We all send our thanks!

V/R

Rob Walecki

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## **SECRETARY** Greetings Shipmates and Marines –

NOW is the time for you to get your reservations and plans ready for AOMLC 2018 July 23rd – 26th and Convention 2018 July 26th – July 29th at the Silver Legacy Resort. See the other info in the Red Shirt for reservations info, etc.

Chapter Officers – You have seen my comments in the last several Red Shirts concerning Chapter Reports that are due to me IAW the National By-Laws (Article IX). The rubber is about to hit the road with my annual report due to the Board of Directors (BOD) at Convention. The following Chapters have NOT submitted Chapter Reports since Convention 2017 or BEFORE: Chapters 3, 11, 39, 671, 69, 71, 72, 73 (RCOH), 74, 75, 76, 77, Key West, Boxer LHD 4, and Makin Island LHD 8. I see some of you have submitted articles to the Red Shirt, but I need Chapter Reports submitted to me to me on a regular basis so we do not put your Chapter into an 'Inactive' status. Please forward the minutes, etc. to [aaosec@cox.net](mailto:aaosec@cox.net).

It has been a Privilege and Honor to serve as your Secretary for the past 4 years. If there is anything I can do to assist just give me a shout. Look forward to see you all in Reno.

R,

JJ LaMaitre

AAO Secretary

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## **TREASURER** Convention 2018 is fast approaching. As a reminder, internet registration for the convention is available. Just go to the web site and click on the link, fill out the form, less credit card info, and send it to me. When I receive the registration form in my e-mail, I will send you an invoice, through our Square account, with the fees. However, this process does not work with military e-mail addresses, so make sure you use a personal e-mail address.

NOTE: If you use the AO Web Site link, do not fill in the credit card information. That information will be collected after you submit the invoice.

As usual, get your registration packages in to me as soon as you can so we can start coordinating the events.

As usual, 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

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

For you E-4 and below who plan on coming, you get one year membership with your registration fee. If you are a non-member, I will sign you up with your registration. Cut off for pre-reservation is 16 July 2018. Anything mailed after that may not get to me before I leave for Reno.

Chapter Presidents – In preparation for the end of the fiscal year close-out, please update your chapter officer information.

For everybody, please give me a current email address or phone number so I can contact you if there is a problem with the registration.

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.

For the Chapters, keep up the good job you've been doing recruiting. You are the tip of the spear for keeping the Association strong.

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 are still 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, 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](mailto: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 Locator, 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](http://www.usps.com).

IYAOYAS!

R,

Thomas Lord

AAO Treasurer



## CHAPTER 671

Hafa Adai from Guam!

Chapter 671 is hitting all targets on time! We recently celebrated the Chapter's 6th birthday on 23 February, 2018. The gathering was held at Tarague Beach located on Anderson Air Force Base. Sailors had the opportunity to camp out enjoying delicious grilled food, great company and the coolest cake you've ever seen. To top it off we were blessed with beautiful weather and scenery! It was a great time had by all!

During the celebration, elections were held for new cabinet positions and we are proud to announce those voted in to the positions: President AO1 Laweisha Spears, Vice President AO2 Shavondra Heyward, Secretary AT2 Joseph Bishop, and Treasurer AO2 Sean Balboa. We will be meeting Thursday, 15 March 2018 to discuss future events for NAWMU-1 and the beautiful island of Guam!

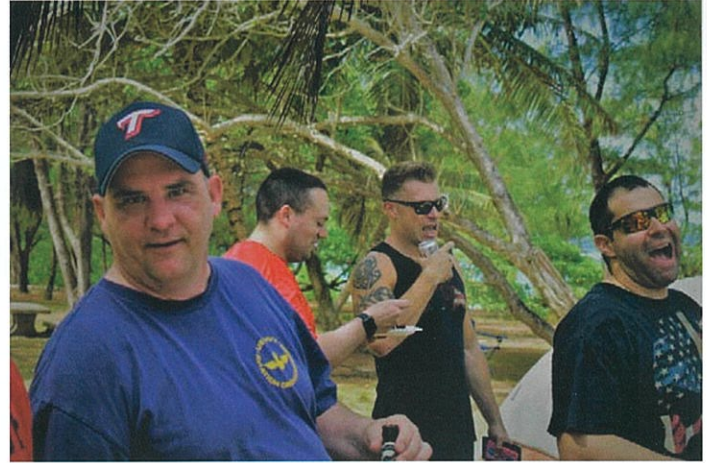
NAWMU-1 kicked off 2018 with a bang with AIM-9M component replacement training in January, AGM-65 component replacement training at Fallbrook in February, and a Republic of Korea (ROK) Maintenance Detachment in March. Aside from training and everyday duties, we always find time to volunteer at community events. All of those hours paid off when NAWMU-1 was awarded the 2017 CNETC Community Service, Health, Safety, and Fitness Flagship Award. Skipper Folsom emphasized "the award is a testament to our hard work both on and off duty!" We are striving to inspect and repair ordnance for the fleet while keeping Guam beautiful at the same time!

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Sailor of the Quarter and Junior Sailor of the Quarter for the second quarter of FY-18, AO1 Laweisha Spears and AO2 Jeffrey Bresch! We'd also like to welcome AO1 Timothy Dudley, AO1 Marcus Van, AZ1 Andrew Mack, AO2 Kenneth Adams, and AM2 Kendal Meeks to our command and say goodbye to AO2 John Savillo.

In closing, a special thank you to our former Chapter 671 President, AO1 Garrett Askins, for an outstanding job and we wish him fair winds and following seas as he departs for his next adventure onboard CVN-72! IYAOYAS!

Until next time!

Very Respectfully,  
AO1 (AW/SW/IW) Laweisha T. Spears  
President, AAO Chapter 671



## CHAPTER 5



April 27, 2018 ~ Aviation Ordnance, Chapter 5 Meeting @ VFW Ship 4084 Ridgecrest, CA

- Standing:**  
 Patrick Zawchenuk; Amy Monroe; Angel Ladao Hepppe; Scott Murphy; Lacy Paulsen; Bennie Aaron; Greg Paulsen; Savana Bradley; Sheryl Scanlon; Steve Varga; AOAR Breyana Hurtado; AOAN Courtney Parker; AOAN Natasha Siciliano; AOAN David Barwinczak; AO2 Steven Lee; AO3 Clayton Davenport; AOAR Zachary Nortum; AO1 Chris Johnson; Jimmy Brantley; AO1 Chris Adams; AO2 Chris Lewis; AO1 Raymond Jenkins; LT Robert DeWolf; AO2 Ryan Hallett
- Knelling:** Amanda Ehler; Roann Aaron; AO2 Brian Davis





# CHAPTER 21

“STILL TURNING AND BURNING” While supporting daily operations for CVW-11, CVW-7, TOP GUN Class, NAWDC and GTI, we continued to show our support to the local community, Fallon “Our Daily Bread”, Kiwanis’s Little League Pancake Breakfast Cook-off, and Fallon Food Bank. Want to Send a Special “SHOUT-OUT” to all the Squadrons that supported us with the purchasing of “ORDIE-SWAG”. “CONGRATULATIONS” to our New Vice President AO1 (AW/SW) Carlos Guerro and New Treasurer AO1 (AW/SW) Orlando Diaz. Special shout out to our outstanding Sailors of the Quarter from the following commands Strike Fighter Maintenance Detachment Fallon, NMC Detachment Fallon, and Naval Air Warfare Development Center. #IYAOYAS

## SFWPD Fallon

1st Quarter	SSOQ	AO1 (AW/SW) Michael A. Anderson
	SOQ	AO2 (AW/SW) Cedric Hughes
2nd Quarter	SOQ	AO2 (AW/SW) Markeya Bright
	JSOQ	AOAN (AW) Robert Hutchins

## NMC Fallon

1st Quarter	SSOQ	AO1 (AW/SW) Richard Lott
	JSOQ	AO2 (AW) Jacob Faulkner
2nd Quarter	SSOQ	AO1 (AW/SW) Eugenio McPhee
	JSOQ	AO2 (AW) Alex Smith

## NAWDC

1st Quarter	SSOQ	AO1 (AW/SW) Mitchell B. Pelton
	JSOQ	AO2 (AW) Blake Sanford
2nd Quarter	JSOQ	AO2 (AW) Augustin Regino
	BJOQ	AOAN (AW) Seth Norton

AAO Chapter 21 President AO1 (AW/SW) Michael A. Anderson  
 Vice President AO1 (AW/SW) Carlos Guerro  
 Treasurer AO1 (AW/SW) Orlando Diaz  
 Secretary AO2 (AW/SW) Crystal Kontny



# SILVER EAGLE CHANGES HANDS

The leadership of the United States Navy’s Limited Duty Officer (LDO) community falls on the guidance and direction provided by the senior active duty LDO Captain, affectionately known as the Silver Eagle. In most cases the Silver Eagle usually means the oldest Mustang. The term Mustang literally refers to an officer who has promoted up from the enlisted ranks. The silver horse shoe implies the impression left behind by that Leader of Mustang’s and the responsibility to mentor the future of the Navy - the Sailors.



# CDR KEVIN FORBES RETIREMENT

Fair winds and following seas to CDR Kevin Forbes who retired on 10 January 2018 after a successfully completing 35 years of dedicated and faithful service. Chapter 22 sends our best wishes as you and your fami-





# CHAPTER DESERT SOUTHWEST



Greetings everyone from Desert Chapter El Centro!



We started the new year off right with a highway walk along-

side I-8 heading westbound.

April was a busy month for us at Desert Chapter El Centro. Started off with conducting an Easter Egg hunt in the housing community on NAF EL Centro. We got together, colored some beautiful eggs and were able to make some kids very happy on Easter Morning.

We also had the chance to show Rear Admiral John T. Palmer, COM-PACFLT N4 around NMCPAC DET EL Centro. He was impressed with the amount of ordnance that moves through our base; he also stayed and barbecued with us in the Pearl of the Desert.

Lastly, we have been participating in many SAPR events that have been taking place during the month of April which included a color run, obstacle course, bowling tournament and grand prix. We may have not finished first in the events but we sure did finish as a team. IYAOYAS!

Congratulations to our newly elected officers for our Desert South West Chapter

- President - AO2 Byron Gradney
- Vice President - AO2 Brendan Tuller
- Treasurer - AO2 Marvin Masolo
- Secretary - AO2 Meghan Bean

Until next time... IYAOYAS!

Very Respectfully,  
AO2 (AW/SW) Meghan E. Bean  
Secretary, AAO Desert Chapter  
Event Planner, AAO Desert Chapter



# SPARTAN CHAPTER



Greetings from the Spartan Chapter in Greece, "First In the Mediterranean"!

I am very proud to announce that our coins are here and our logo is complete! Contact information

is below, we are anxious to get them out to fleet and to anyone else that would like one. We are currently working on T-shirt designs and memorabilia.

We are doing big things here in Greece. We are currently going through Explosive Safety Technical Assist Visit (ESTAV) in preparation for Explosive Safety Inspection (ESI), while continuing to support ammo movement by land, air, and sea. Operations have been steady. The weather is warming up and plans are in the works for some outdoor activities for our chapter. To include a community relations project as well as social barbeque.

If you find yourself traveling to our side of the world, please contact us so that you may be able to join us for our meeting or an activity. IYAOYAS!

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SPARTAN CHAPTER President

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# CHAPTER 74

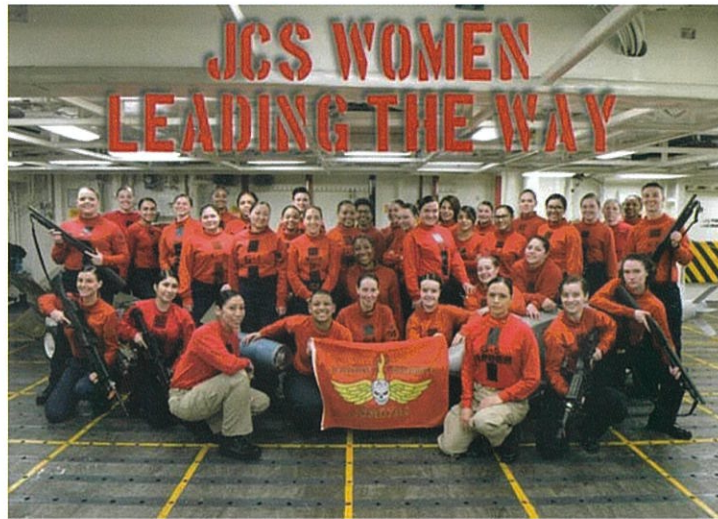
With much pride in our newly re-established Ordnance Association, we extend our most sincere greetings from the great Pacific Northwest.

We are back on the map undergoing a series of work-ups as we ramp up for deployment, coupled with our CAG-9 Shogun and DESRON-21 team ready to do what we do best and put "Warheads on Foreheads". We have successfully completed our onload with Naval Munitions Indian Island. A strenuous, but admirable and outstanding job by the entire JCS Weapons Department and Indian Island crew!

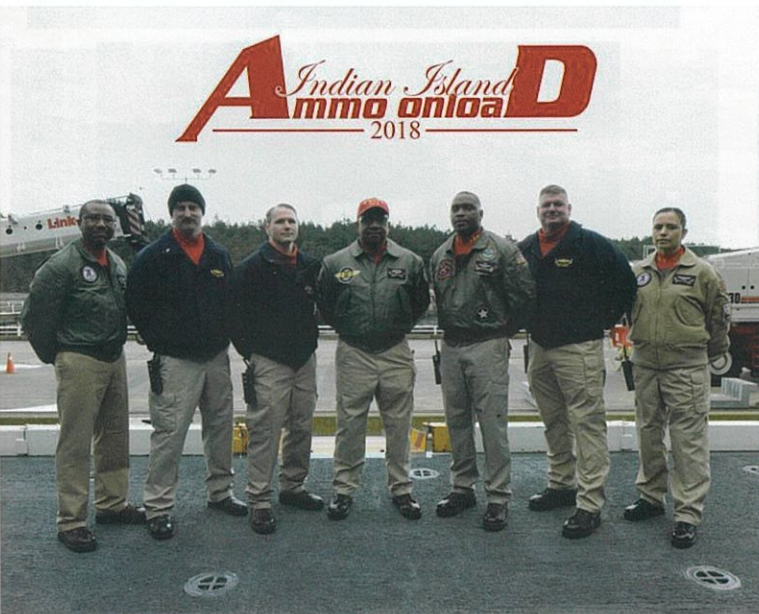
As we honor Women's History month, the women of the JCS weapons department continue to make strides and with pride, build on the foundation that was laid before us. It is without a doubt that our team continues to serve with some of the best men and women within our Naval service. The teamwork and dedication shown on a daily basis, coming together for a common goal is truly what our association is all about.

Our President, AO1(AW/SW) Benjamin Llewelyn, Vice- President AO1 (AW/SW) Jefferey Goodman, and Board of Directors are working hard at finalizing our logo and memorabilia. We can't wait to have them available for purchase and like the great ordies that we are; we can't wait to show them off!

Until next time - IYAOYAS



The Ordnance women of JCS pose for a picture honoring Women's History month 2018



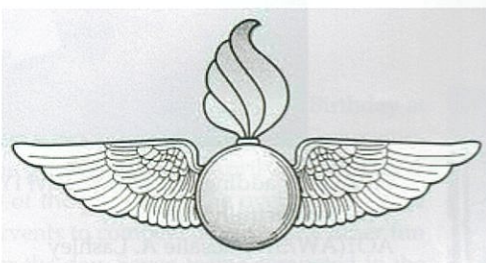
From left to right: Gunner Johnson, WENG (CWO3 Gardner), Gunner Long, Gun Boss Rodney Moss, OHO Lawrence Schaffer, Ship's Gunner (CWO3 Cumings), and Gunner Relayo



GM3 Garcia supports ordnance rigging operations during the NMII On Load



From left to right: AO3(AW) Cabanilla, AOAN Stroud, AOCS(AW/SW) O'Brien during the NMII OnLoad.





# CHAPTER 7



Greeting, from Chapter 7, "USS IWO JIMA".

We just wanted to introduce ourselves. We are the proud Aviation Ordnancemen from the USS IWO JIMA LHD-7. We are a new addition to The Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, founded by LT Joshua Allen, AOC Radames Martinez, AOC Torez Kendrick, AO1 Herson Sanchez, AO1 Rosalie Lashley, AO1 Erwin Autry, AO1 Gabrielle Young, AO1 Brian Polk, AO1 David Brayheadner, AO1 Marcus Terrell, and AO2 Kendrick Wallace.

President: AO1 Rosalie Lashley  
 Vice President: AO1 Erwin Autry  
 Secretary: AO1 Gabrielle Young  
 Treasure: AO1 Brian Polk  
 Master At Arms: AO2 Kendrick Wallace

The USS IWO JIMA, homeported in Mayport, Florida, is on a regularly scheduled deployment to the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations in support of maritime security operations to reassure allies and partners, and preserve the freedom of navigation and the free flow of commerce in the region.



U.S. 5TH FLEET AREA OF OPERATIONS (April 22, 2018) Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Christian Jack, from Buckeye, Az., readies a 50-caliber machine gun on the port-side gallery deck during a live-fire exercise aboard the Wasp-Class Amphibious Assault ship USS IWO JIMA (LHD 7).



Representing for Weapons Department as "Hard Charger of the Day" AOAN Malik Henderson G-1 Flight Deck.



Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Jacob Beal from Chicago and Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Dechaun Dobson from Philadelphia, conduct maintenance on an MK38 25mm machine gun system on the fantail.



Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Christian Jack, left, and Aviation Ordnanceman 1st Class Rosalie Lashley restores .50-caliber rounds in Ammunition Magazine 9.

AO1 Cecilio Zorrilla (left) and AO2 Marcus Ramirez raising their right hand for another term in their Naval Careers. (Reenlisting officer LT Joshua Allen GUNBOSS)



AOAN Samira Kuna receiving a Letter of Commendation for distributing food and water during Hurricane Irma (left) and AO3 Jorge Gomez receiving Letter of Appreciation as "GUNBOSS GRINDER" for the month of February 2018.



Thanks for adding us to the family! IYAOYAS!  
 Very Respectfully,  
 AO1(AW/SW) Rosalie A. Lashley  
 AAO Chapter 7, President



# CHAPTER 34

Welcome back to another recap from Chapter 34 Pensacola, FL "AO Schoolhouse"



Well the first thing we would love to talk about is something that is really close to Chapter 34's heart; the faith based organization called "For The Children Of Milton". In Milton, Florida area alone there are 1600 children that are homeless and in displaced homes, so when Liz Gibson found this out, she knew something had to be done. Liz found a 6,000 square foot home that had been abandoned needing much work and began to pray. Since that prayer the community has come together to set this fairy tale story in motion. It's been a long time coming but, in July the first kids will be arriving to their new home. During the process, Chapter 34 and many other organizations have been assisting with projects in and outside the house to get ready for the children. A few of these projects consisted of putting the 16 children's beds together, setting appliances up, building a playground, laying sod and even painting. But none of the work that's been done can ever amount to how these children's lives will be changed for the better. So if you're ever in the area, or just want to find out how you can help, go to their website at [www.forthethechildrenofmilton.org](http://www.forthethechildrenofmilton.org) or check out their Facebook page to stay informed on what's going on.



Kitchen before rehab



Kitchen after rehab



The Portillo family hard at work



Putting up and fixing some rotten boards on the playground

Next on April 26th we celebrated the Marine Corps "AO" Birthday at Pensacola, FL schoolhouse with our annual "AO" picnic. Commemorating the establishment of the greatest MOS on April 25th 1922. SGT Dolan expertly led the setup of the picnic and the overall success of the day. Students had many events to compete in and many other fun activities to be involved in for the day. Seven teams competed in the

truck pull, tug of war, Ogive toss and a Mk 76 challenge. Other activities consisted of football, basketball, inflatable obstacle course/ jousting and corn hole. If that wasn't enough lunch was catered by Sonny's BBQ serving pulled pork, chicken and brisket sandwiches with sides of potato salad, mac and cheese and baked beans. Towards the end of the day came the dunk tank. Throughout the day students voted (one dollar per vote) to dunk the instructors and the top 5 went in the tank. And with the most money towards him was AO1 Jackson known as the "PT Jesus", raising 99 dollars alone. With a total of over 300 dollars raised going towards the Navy And Marine Corp Relief Society. The last event of the day was the cake cutting and motivational words from MSGT Craig.



Students pulling MSGT Craig's truck. Mk 76 challenge, easy day for this Marine



Ogive toss out on the baseball field. AO1 Watie motivating during tug of war



The last thing for this issue of the Red Shirt from Chapter 34 is the 2018 "AO" Navy and Marine Corp schoolhouse picture. It wouldn't have been possible without the great work of Rose Spencer "Southern Exposure Photography". She has been taking pictures for the schoolhouse for years and always does an amazing job. If you're ever looking for a photographer look no further. Rose's number is (850) 572-4765.

Like always if you're ever in the area stop by the schoolhouse or join us for are monthly "AO" meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 1830 at Beef O Brady's on 22 South Palafox St, Pensacola Florida 32502. Until next time IYAOYAS!

Chapter 34 President Sgt Lowery  
 Chapter 34 Vice President AO1 Winters  
 Chapter 34 Treasurer AO1 Portillo  
 Article written by Public Affairs Officer AO1 Dolanski



## CHAPTER 9



Greetings from Chapter 9 in beautiful Jacksonville, Florida.

2018 has begun with a bang; everything seems to be back to normal after the hurricane season finally ended. Special thanks go out to FRA Branch 91 who has hosted our meetings free of charge since 1984. The FRA is our voice in Washington D.C.; remember to support them as well.

VP-9 from Whidbey Island, Washington, was in town to transition to the new P-8 aircraft. The entire AO shop from the "Gunner", AOC, and all the troops, attended our January meeting. It was great to get to know them.

CWO-5 Roddy Wiggins, past president of Chapter 9, retired after a career spanning 34 years in a ceremony in late February.

March marked the 92nd birthday of the AO Rate. We celebrated the day with a cake. Happy birthday to all!



Congratulations to AO2 Jacob Garza of VP-30 selected as our AO of the Fourth Quarter 2017 and AO1 Danny Benitez of HSM-48, selected as our AO of the Quarter for the First Quarter of 2018.

New Chapter officers were elected in April for the upcoming year, new officers are:

President-AO1 Lindsay Smack, Vice President- AOCs (ret) Dennis Patterson, and Board of Directors- CWO(ret) John Printy, CWO Bobby Price, CWO Nathan Kisamore, AOC Mas-sard, and AO1 McMinn.

A true hero, AO1 (ret) Jim Swartz has passed away in April from himself pancreatic cancer; Jim was a door gunner with HELATKRON 3 during the Vietnam War. It is quite possible this cancer was the result of Agent Orange exposure. "He got killed in Nam and he didn't even know it" quoting Rambo in "First Blood".

IAOYAS, do everything by the check list and watch each other's six at all times. It's still great to be an AO.

AO1 Lindsey Smack  
President, Chapter 9



## CHAPTER 8

Greetings from Chapter 8, San Diego, "The Chapter Where It All Started."

Since January 2018 our Chapter membership has continued to grow as we added seven new Chapter 8 Life Time Members and welcomed 17 AO's who attended their first meeting.

On 3 February, we held our first Adopt-A-Highway Walk for 2018 with 17 volunteers showing up to support.

In March we recognized AOC Alexis Suarez and AOC Amanda Roth for their selection to the LDO/CWO community. BZ Alexis and Amanda.

Also in March, the Chapter answered the call to help a Navy Veteran, Elmer "Bud" Trevillyan, who was turning 100 years old and lived in a home that was in badly need of repairs. Through the actions of member Diane McQueen-Gipson, the Chapter approved a \$250 donation to help off-set the \$1,500 plus cost for necessary repairs and clean up around Bud's home.

In April we received an e-mail from long time member Jim Saxton, who now lives in Corpus Christie, TX and is a regular volunteer with the Corpus Christie USO. Jim said that this USO feeds between 120-180 troops every week and the only money they get to support this is through fund raising actives. Jim wanted to know if the Chapter would be able to help in some way and the Chapter responded by approving a \$200 donation plus an additional \$100 from miscellaneous donors.

Wanted to make mention that Jim Thompson, our special Chapter member and AAO Founding Father, was admitted to the hospital in late April but has recently been moved to a convalescent home in order to provide him with a strength specialist. Several of the Chapter members have visited him frequently and he even had a surprise visit from several Ordies from the USS JOHN C. STENNIS who brought him some handouts. In closing, we would like to send Jim our prayers and hope he is able to build up his strength so he can get back home.

Until next time, keep it safe out there and IYAOYAS!!!

V/r

CWO3(Ret) Barry Stemler

Chapter 8 Secretary/Treasurer





# CHAPTER 69

Greetings fellow Ordies!

First, let me start off by stating that I couldn't be more proud of the hard work our Red Shirts have exhibited while in Norfolk Naval Shipyard (NNSY). If you didn't already know, the shipyard environment isn't the most conducive for putting warheads on foreheads – as a matter of fact, it's frowned upon. However, Chapter membership continues to grow and our cabinet members are continuously striving to enhance morale for Weapons Department, IKE Sailors, and the greater Hampton Roads area. Space preservation is coming along nicely and our Sailors and leadership are capitalizing on training and keeping our warfighting spirit strong.

Throughout the past year, our dedicated group of ordnance professionals has contributed over 640 hours of community service within the Hampton Roads community. For the third year in a row, Chapter 69 Ordies were invited to the Norfolk Zoo to provide clean-up efforts around the park. Teams were created to divide the park into sections, with Sailors focusing on de-weeding, planting, mulching, and watering of the different garden areas while others tended to clean sections reserved for private events and celebrations. To say the Norfolk Zoo leadership was pleased with our assistance would be an understatement – they have already asked us to return soon!

Ike Sailors were seen at the Allen Stone Run-Swim-Run Event setting-up and breaking-down the event, serving water to participants, and acting as safety supervisors...because safety is what we do. At the Devon Grube BBQ Classic, our team provided set-up and break-down assistance, served food and drinks, and a few folks even got the chance to hop on the grill and prepare their best barbeque. Both events were in support of fallen Navy SEALs and the SEAL Foundation.

I think every Ordnanceman can agree that there is strength in numbers, which is why we partnered with the outstanding men and women in Chapter 4 (for the third time!), led by AO1 Batimana, to support the Children's Healthcare Incentive Program (CHIP) Annual fundraiser. Since 1988, CHIP has improved upon children's health by ensuring low-income children have medical homes, provisions, and support services for their families. It was an extremely gratifying feeling to see so many Red Shirts helping so many in need. Networking is at the forefront and we open the invitation for any and all Chapters in the Hampton Roads area to partner with us during future events.

The USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER's motto is to be "Greater each day." With the EISENHOWER Chapter still in its infancy, we continue to embrace this motto as our mantra and strive to be the greatest we can be: the greatest of Sailors, the greatest of teammates, and the greatest of Ordnanceman. We look forward to taking advantage of our time at home and will continue to stay involved with our community as we continue to hone our Ordnance skills.

IYAOYAS,  
Chapter 69  
President: Osorio Jason AO1  
Vice President: Montalvo Daniel AO2



Chapter 69 and Chapter 4 Sailors at the CHIP Duck Race.



Chapter 69 Ordies at the Norfolk Zoo clean-up event



AO2 Alexander Calderon, AOA-69 Treasurer, provides a history lesson during the AO Birthday celebration on-board USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69).



Happy 92nd Birthday AOs! ~IYAOYAS~



AOA-69 Captain's Cup event Champion's Belt.



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