

# AO NEWSLETTER

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## AO CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS

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THE ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN WILL HOLD ITS' 4th ANNUAL CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA AT THE HACIENDA HOTEL AND CASINO ON 22, 23 AND 24 JUNE 1979.

ALL Aviation Ordnancemen, Navy, Marine Corps, Civil Service, Active Duty, Retired, Ex-AO's, Enlisted and Officer are cordially invited to attend. You need not be a member of the Association to attend, but only members and associate members may vote on motions at the business meeting. WIVES, GIRLFRIENDS and GUESTS are WELCOME.

### CONVENTION SCHEDULE

- 22 June - Fri. 1200-1800 Convention Registration in Terrace Lounge  
1700-2000 No Host Cocktail Reception - Poolside  
2000-???? ON the Town
- 23 June - Sat. 0900-1700 Business Meeting in Recreation Hall  
1900-2000 No Host Cocktail Party - Poolside  
2000-2200 Buffet Dinner - Poolside  
2300-???? Ice Fantasy Show - Fiesta Room
- 24 June - Sun. 0900-1300 Board of Directors Meeting

A \$25.00 (per person) Convention reservation charge is required from all persons planning to attend the Buffet Dinner (Baron of Beef) on Saturday evening (23 June). This also includes hot and cold Hors d'ouvres at the Friday evening cocktail party and tickets to the Ice Fantasy Show in the Fiesta Room on Saturday night.

Las Vegas tours will be available on Saturday, 23 June. Those persons interested may book a tour on Friday 22 June. Tours are not included in the Convention reservation fee.

Fill out the reservation form at the bottom of page 7 and send it with your check or money order to: ASSOCIATION of AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN, c/o Tom Robins Sec./Tres. at 729 Buddlawn Way, in Campbell, California 95008. All Convention reservations must be received by 9 June 1979. DO IT NOW. Don't delay.

Enclosed with this newsletter are a brochure on the HACIENDA Hotel and Casino and a room reservation form. Room rates at the HACIENDA are \$29.68. Hotel reservations must be made by you, directly with the hotel (Send in the card) or call the hotel and make your own arrangements (800) 634-6713 Continental, (800) 634-6611 Western. A \$28.00 deposit is required by the Hacienda Hotel and room reservations must be in by 15 May 1979. For those of you arriving by trailer, camper or motorhome, CAMPERLAND rates are \$8.48 per day.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Gentlemen, it is that time of the year again to start thinking about our annual convention. This year's convention will be quite an event. Truly a milestone in the brief history of the association. This year, the first scholarship award will be made. This would not be possible without the support and help of each and every member. The designation and award of this first \$250.00, is indeed an accomplishment all you "ordies" can claim with pride.

I know that our convention committee is working hard to make this one, more of a smash hit than last year's. And what a ball that was! But their efforts will be in vain unless we all show up in Vegas!! Personally - I'll be at the 3rd table from the door. Seriously - The best thing about these meetings, is the opportunity to see all our old shipmates. So I know we're going to have a good time. Tom tells me that he has received many inquiries and is in the process of sending out answers as fast as he can.

It is with some concern that I note we still have one very real problem. The publication of our newsletter on a regular basis, and to keep it informative. It just can't be done by one or two people. We need a staff - volunteers hopefully - to collect, edit, plan and publish the newsletter. The association cannot benefit from bulk postage rates until our mailings are regular, preferably monthly. Ideas, articles, advertisements and help are the vital things we need to make OUR organization a lasting means of insuring that the Aviation Ordnance rating and the thousands of men that have served our country in this field are not forgotten.

See you in Vegas !!!

Kirk Nelson

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Article IX of our by-laws reads as follows:

Section 1.

Proposals for Amendments to these by-laws will be submitted to the Board of Directors ninety (90) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Section 2.

These by-laws may be amended by a two thirds (2/3) vote of attending members at the Annual Meeting, provided that written notice has been given to the membership thirty (30) days prior to the meeting that the amendment item has been placed on the agenda.

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AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONVENTION - All persons having agenda items for the 1979 Convention should submit them to the Secretary/Treasurer by 23 April 1979.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESTABLISHED - The Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, at the 1978 convention in Reno, approved and established The Aviation Ordnancemen Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for dependents of current members and deceased members of the Association, dependents of deceased Aviation Ordnancemen of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps and dependents of associate members of the Association. The scholarship is funded by donations, memorials and, when required, by the general fund of the association. The scholarship, currently \$250.00 annually, may be utilized to pay tuition, purchase books and supplies, and assist with living expenses of an eligible individual who is in a continuing education program beyond high school level. This may be at a university, college, technical, trade or specialty school level and is not limited to any specific field of endeavor.

Criteria for selection of the individual to receive the scholarship is based on academic record, needs, goals and eligibility. Selection of the individual and award of the scholarship will be done at the annual convention. Nominations for the scholarship must be received by the Secretary/Treasurer of the Association no later than 15 June of the year of the award. The nomination shall consist of a personal letter from the applicant to the scholarship committee outlining the following points:

- o Eligibility
- o Monetary needs of the applicant
- o Educational goals
- o Past academic record
- o Eligibility and award of other scholarships and educational grants

In addition to the personal letter from the applicant, an application form is required. This form is included as the last two pages of this newsletter. Additional copies of this application form may be obtained by requesting same from Tom Robins Sec./Tres. at 729 Buddlawn Way, Campbell, California 95008.

The award selectee will be notified by letter as soon as practicable after the annual convention and the selection will also be announced in the newsletter.

The scholarship is primarily dependent on donations and memorials to the scholarship fund. Donations may be forwarded to the Association Secretary/Treasurer - marked for the Aviation Ordnancemen Memorial Scholarship Fund. Establishment of memorials for the purpose of perpetuating the scholarship is encouraged and may be done in the name of an individual or organization. Further details concerning this may be obtained from the President or the Secretary/Treasurer of the Association.

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DID YOU KNOW ? That Rear Admiral John Adolphus DAHLGREN, USN was Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance from 23 July 1862 until 24 June 1863.

NEWS FROM NORFOLK - by Mike Cain

LTJG Bob Hanley (VA-42) relieved LT Charlie Little (CVW-17) who relieved LCDR (Selectee) Bob Ashworth (CVWR-20) who relieved LCDR Jud Hendricks (CVN-69) who relieved LCDR John Kautz (Oceana) who relieved CDR Hal Halenza (CV-66) who retired. (Hows that for a daisy chain ?)

LTJG Parks Laughinghouse has relieved LT Tommy Brown who will be Weapons Officer at NAS Barbers Point.

LT Merrel Dalton (NAS Brunswick) will be the relief for LT Harry worwitz (CVN-68) who relieved LCDR (Selectee) John Olson (AIRLANT) who relieved LT Bob Malone (CV-67) who retired.

I hear Gerry Gannon (AOCM Ret.) is in the St. Louis, Mo. area working for McDonald - Douglas. Does any one know for sure.?

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WINDMILL COVE:

AOC Clarence J. LUKAS USN (Ret.) invites all you sailors to WINDMILL COVE. Even if you don't have a boat, come anyway. Available facilities include Camping (by reservation) Call (209) 948-6995, Bar, Gas Dock, Restaurant, Launching Ramp, Overnight tie-up and covered berths. WINDMILL COVE is located on the Stockton (Calif.) main channel between lights 34 and 36. It is also accessible by auto from Highway 4, west of Stockton.

There is always fun and good times at WINDMILL COVE, so come on over and enjoy yourselves.....

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COME SEE YOUR OLD FRIENDS AND SHIPMATES

Since the notice of our scheduled Convention was publicized in the D.A.V. Magazine, Navy Times, Naval Affairs and numerous other publications, I have received many inquiries from interested persons. Among these are:

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| Richard F. Kline | Roy Dobbs        | Milo E. Benson      |
| Harry Keneman    | Bernard Bingham  | Marion (Kit) Carson |
| Stanley Chaplin  | Isaac Franz      | Jim Pankovich       |
| Dollar Carlton   | William Cole     | John Ritch          |
| Felix Roberson   | John Haster      | R.H. Ross           |
| Bill Uber        | Louis Treadwell  | Doyle Green         |
| Verlon Allen     | Carroll Cranford | Jack Bryan          |
| George Johansen  | One Surprise     | Marvin Young        |
| Robert Seitner   | Matt Matherson   |                     |

I hope everyone comes to our Reunion/Convention. A good time should be had by all. SEE YOU THERE.

Tom Robins (Sec./Tres.)

ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

FEBRUARY 1979

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BELL, Doyle A.  
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BLAYLOCK, R.W.  
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BOVER, Charles  
BRADLEY, James G.  
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CARVER, David E.  
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HALL, Vincent L.  
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KOCHER, Rodney G.  
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NOLTE, C.F.	SIGGS, Roger S.	WILDER, Harold A.
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NORTHUP, Wilmer R.	SIMMONS, John A.	WILLIAMS, Tom O.
NOYES, Roger E.	SMITH, J.C.	WILSON, Jack L.
O'BRIEN, Robert E.	SMITH, Richard A.	WOODS, Norman C.
OSBORNE, Felton R.	SMITH, Wesley R.	WOEWETZ, Harry J.
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OWEN, Murrel S.	SPAULDING, Lonnie B.	ZONKEL, Joseph P.
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Reed, Thomas B.		

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KENNEDY, Charles A.	TRIMBLE, Robert E.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Our membership roles are slowly increasing but not as fast as they should be. Each member is requested to sign up a new member. Use the membership applications here to sign up a fellow Ordnanceman.

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 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION *Assoc. Aviation Ordnancemen*  
 THOMAS D. ROBINS, Sec/Treas.  
 Membership \$10.00 Per Year 729 Buddlawn Way  
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SSAN \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE - HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ DUTY STATION (ACTIVE) \_\_\_\_\_  
 TYPE MEMBERSHIP DESIRED: MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATE MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATE MEMBER: (OPTIONAL FOR MEMBER)  
 USN \_\_\_\_\_ ACTIVE \_\_\_\_\_ EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_  
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 DATES SERVED: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 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.

(Witness) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Witness) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

TEMPORARY RECEIPT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER/ASSOCIATE MEMBER  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 Received By: \_\_\_\_\_

TEMPORARY RECEIPT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER/ASSOCIATE MEMBER  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 Received By: \_\_\_\_\_

CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM

I PLAN TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING EVENTS AT THE 1979 CONVENTION. (X)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>AO</u>	<u>GUEST</u>
6-22	COCKTAIL RECEPTION (NO HOST)	_____	_____
6-23	BUSINESS MEETING	_____	_____
6-23	COCKTAIL PARTY (NO HOST)	_____	_____
6-23	BUFFET DINNER (\$25.00 per person)	_____	_____
6-24	BUSINESS MEETING	_____	_____

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_