

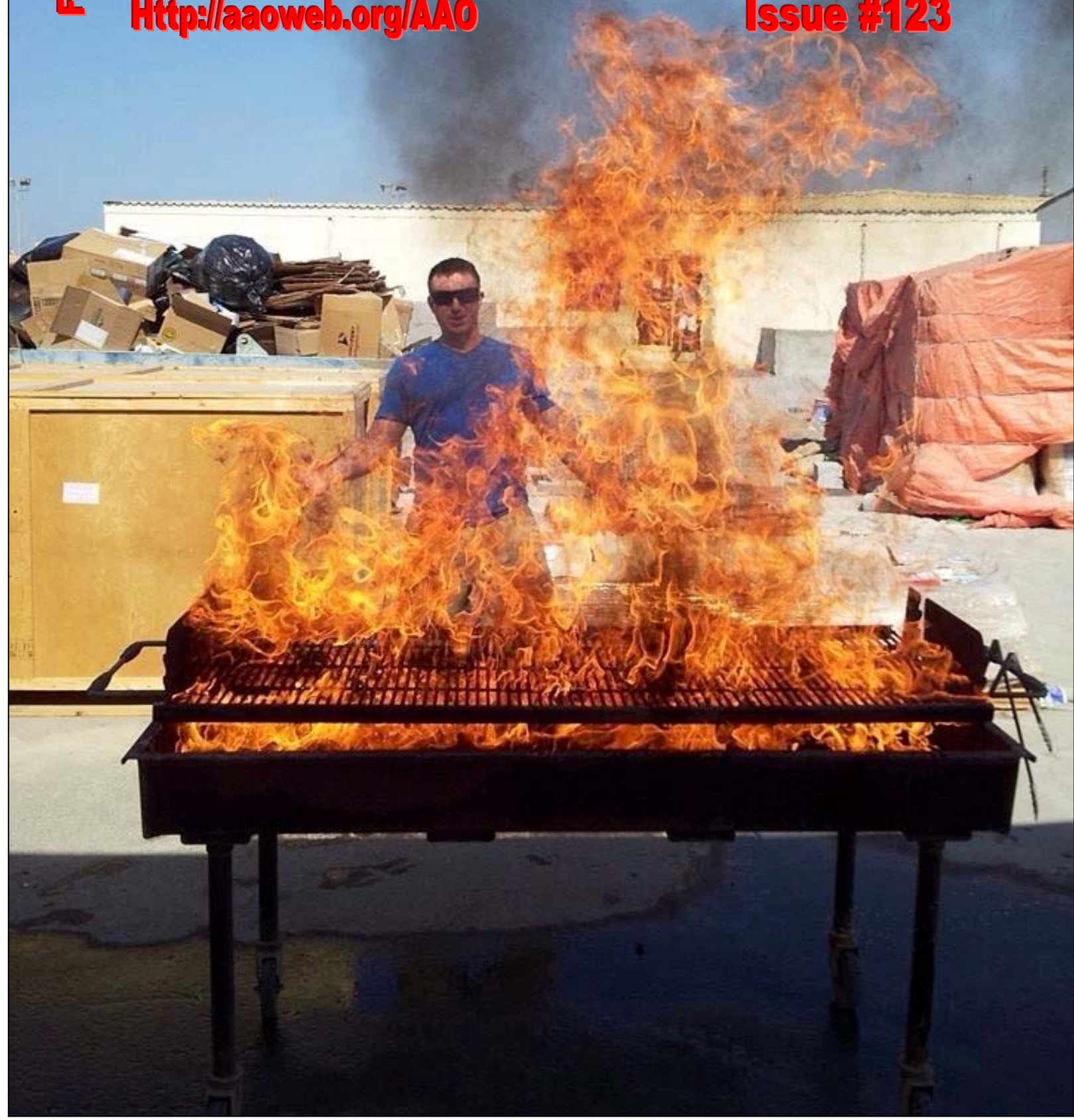
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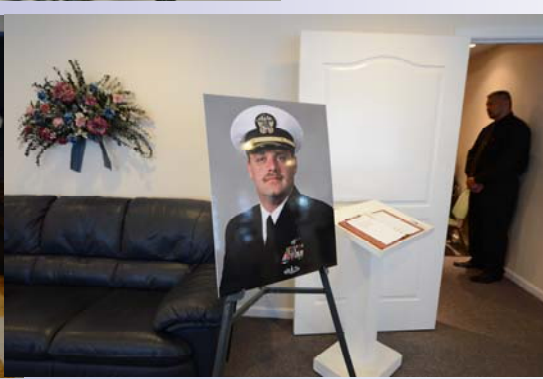
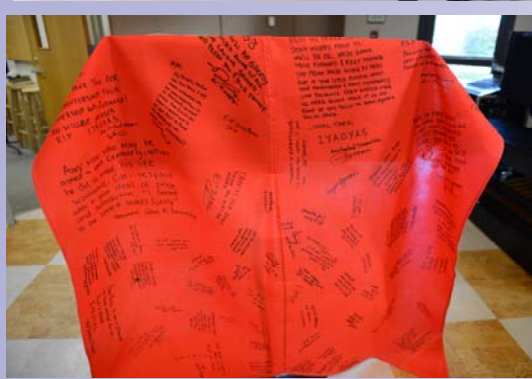
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USS Essex Honoring GUNBOSS LCDR Klaphake. GUNBOSS Final Honor, Ordie Chiefs carrying LCDR Klaphake, Bravo Flag, LCDR Michael J Klaphake photo and plaque



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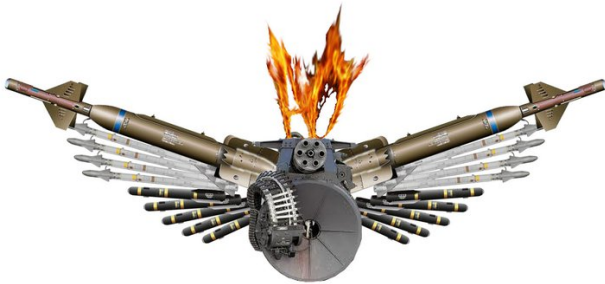


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Letters To The Editor

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

Chuck (Onken),

A question for you I thought you might know where the photo on page 22 of RedShirt #122 came from? I didn't see any reference to it, but I remember them all. I was surprised to see a young J.J. behind Gunner Watson. That was 1969 on the Enterprise.

J.J.

Jim Bechtold

J.J,

I don't know where the picture came from, but have cc'd Kevin, on this e-mail. He may be able to answer your question, since he writes the REDSHIRT.

Chuck

JJ, Thanks for pointing that out to me. I thought I added a caption but I guess not. I grabbed this picture from Facebook somewhere and was submitted by Tannis Watson labeled VA 46 1970 USS America CVA 66 final day on the line CAG delivered this 2000 pounder on South Vietnam. Can you send me the names of all the guys in the pic and I can add them to the next Red Shirt!

Kevin

While touring USS New York in NYC I took a double-take when I saw the Craftmaster of a landing craft air-cushion boat (LCAC) was a Aviation Ordnance Chief Terry assigned to Assault Craft Unit Four.

Walter Stinner, former AO3

Attack Squadron 106

USS FORRESTAL CVA 59 WESTPAC 1967

Reference (a): A letter from Royce Hall, written to the Curator of the Pensacola Aircraft Museum on 20 Mar 2011.

Following Naval Service entry on birthday #17 in 1940, completing boot camp, and Ordnance A School in Norfolk, VA., he had just taken a seat in the base theatre in Pensacola,

FL on 7 December 1941. A minute or so after the movie started the lights came back on, and the Gunnery Officer walked onto the stage and said, "Sailors change from your whites to your dungarees. We are at war with Japan who attacked Pearl Harbor this morning".

Imagine the scene of hundreds of officers and men walking out of the theatre and running to get our work clothes on.

The first thing that happened on day 1, was a Reserve Chief picking Royce and a dozen running mates, to install synchronized guns in old Vultee Vibrator training planes. It took all day and night to get the job done by following instructions straight out of an old Ordnance Manual. After finishing the job, some pilot instructors and gunners tested our handiwork over the 'gulf', firing at a sleeve. Words of pilots shooting holes in a lot of wooden propellers came around. The base Skipper ordered no more firing at target sleeves for fear someone may get killed.

Activity during the first few weeks was absolute chaos as the mood was that the Japanese might attack the US any day. All watches were tripled, the base was closed to visitors, guns were set up and other measures were taken to ready the base for possible sabotage and invasion.

60 of us Ordnancemen taught aviation cadets to fire Colt .45 pistols, 30 cal air cooled machine guns and to hit clay pigeons slung from a trap, so they could hit moving targets. The fuselage of an old Grumman bi-plane was positioned on a stand, so they could learn what it was like to shoot a single .30 cal synchronized gun between rotating propeller blades at another plane or a sleeve.

Most Ordnancemen hated the job, due to having to don fleece lined suits and hand cranking the old relic, while standing in the slip stream, showing Cadets how to shoot at a small revolving target, 26 yards in front of the gun.

This was just the beginning of his six years in the Navy, mostly spent flying combat as a gunner in the Pacific war zones

Submitted by Bob Holdman

Thanks for that Bob!! I hope everyone else enjoys reading about our older generation Ordies!!

From: Morris, Juan J CIV NAWCWD, 6742100D

Subject: FW: Kuwait Air Force AIM-120 training.

Kevin, how goes it bud. I was hoping you could put a little write up in the REDSHIRT for me..

Dave Nassans and I were just in Kuwait, Al Jabber KAF base



conducting GBU-38 and AIM-120 training for the Kuwait Air Force along with Kay & Associates INC Ordnancemen and would like to express to the folks here in the States that there is an entity of great Ordnancemen and Maintainers out there, actually beyond "the tip of the spear", more so in harms way than we really know about. They are relied upon to do the task of keeping the KAF F/A-18 at the ready in a volatile arena. This group of patriots, for whatever reason, having decided to work out of Kuwait is actually a blessing in disguise. I just want to throw a little something their way to ensure that they are not forgotten and greatly appreciated for the job they do.

We ran into a lot of old ship mates out there, Mike Gee, Eddy Kelly, Terrance Wahl, Steven Green and countless others that were USN or USMC Ordies along with the few Aussies they have working alongside and the token USAF dude..Jeff Erle..great guy.. Tom Paterno, Kay & Associates, Inc. Kuwait F/A-18 Site Manager has a great team and Steve Holland, NAVAIR WLSO who relieved Mike Taylor also a top notch individual. So in a nut shell, rest assured that the Warriors that reside and work in Kuwait have a nation at the ready and we should be proud of that.

Notice the MK 43 TDD, they still use the good ole M904E4 ...gotta love it...IYAOYAS

Thanks Juan, check out page 19!

Kevin,

On Thursday the 16th I had the honor and privilege to fly over to the French Navy's only Nuclear powered aircraft carrier Charles de Gaulle (R91). I spent three days working side by side with their Ordies. They are one in the same when it comes to a brotherhood like we have. They are a very tight nit group of guys ,which is only 48 Ordie's who run all ordnance for the entire ship and squadrons of around 2200 personnel. We did some loads with the MICA, GBU 12, and downloaded 30MM from their A/C gun. We shared sea stories over fresh baked French bread and wine and they talked about how their 3 month deployment got extended to 4 months LOL! Their carrier is a lot different and is smaller than ours but their CO told us that "size doesn't matter" and that they complete the same mission that we do...

V/r,

AO1(AW/SW) SMITH, RYAN
WEPS G4 LPO
CVN-75 HARRY S. TRUMAN
CHAPTER 75 PRESIDENT

U.S. and French aircraft embarked on the USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) and the French aircraft carrier FS Charles de Gaulle (R 91) began conducting combined flight operations in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of responsibility Jan. 14. The flight operations are part of an ongoing period of overall combined operations between the Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group (HST CSG) and French Task Force 473.

As part of combined flight operations, aircraft assigned to Carrier Air Wing 3, embarked on board Harry S. Truman, and aircraft from Charles de Gaulle, have landed on and launched from both aircraft carriers. In addition to launching and recovering on their counterparts' flight decks, U.S. and French pilots have also participated closely together in air defense, a war at sea exercise, and a variety of other operational and training scenarios. HST CSG and French Task Force 473 will continue operating together throughout the month of January to enhance levels of cooperation and interoperability, enhance mutual defense capabilities and promote long-term regional stability.

Thanks Smitty! Great pictures, see page 19 for a few more!



Hi Kevin,

I am sending you this article with picture, and ask that you print it in the next issue of The Red Shirt. I have not received the latest issue in the mail yet, but I did notice that it appears on the web. This was quite an honor for me at this years convention. Pictured with me is Jeff Sassone and AOC Angela Sobieski.

In issue #117 there was an article from Del Mitchell about Richard Boone from "Have Gun will Travel", well I heard many years ago that Boone was an AOC!!

Keep up the good work Kevin, and thank-you!

David P. Michel AOCM/USN/Ret



I would like to take the opportunity to again thank Jeff Sasone and his committee for selecting me for the Hall of Fame this year. I owe a debt of gratitude to AOC Angela Sobieski, the President of Chapter Three, for submitting the write up and endorsement of my package, as this is the epitome or story of my career.

I joined the Navy to find a home, then when I was brought into the AO Rate I found happiness that would grow into an association. I remember back to the Hacienda Motel when at a meeting there we decided to form Chapters to help the Association grow, and indeed it did. My first wife Helen and I attended every convention until she died in 1990, and to my surprise the cards, letters, phone calls, and messages received told me that I had a family. Those notices came from all over the world it seemed like, even from places where I did not think we had Ordies. My point being, "We are a Family" not just an Association. Today, my wife Dorothy and I continue to share with our friends in the Association and the Auxiliary at each Convention wherever they may be held.

We had a drop in attendance at this last years convention, and I would remind you that we did not always have a Symposium to beef up our attendance. Mike Price our President is working hard to bring the Symposium back, perhaps under a different name, and I wish him success, to keep our attendance up and get our Contractor Displays back and our AO Safety Program.

So if you have not already marked your calendars for this next convention, do it now, and I will see you all there! And you ladies be sure to find the Hug Master there, as I will be looking for you!!

David P. Michel AOCM USN Ret

CHAPTER ONE IS WORKING ON PUTTING TOGETHER AN AAO ORDIE III COOK BOOK.

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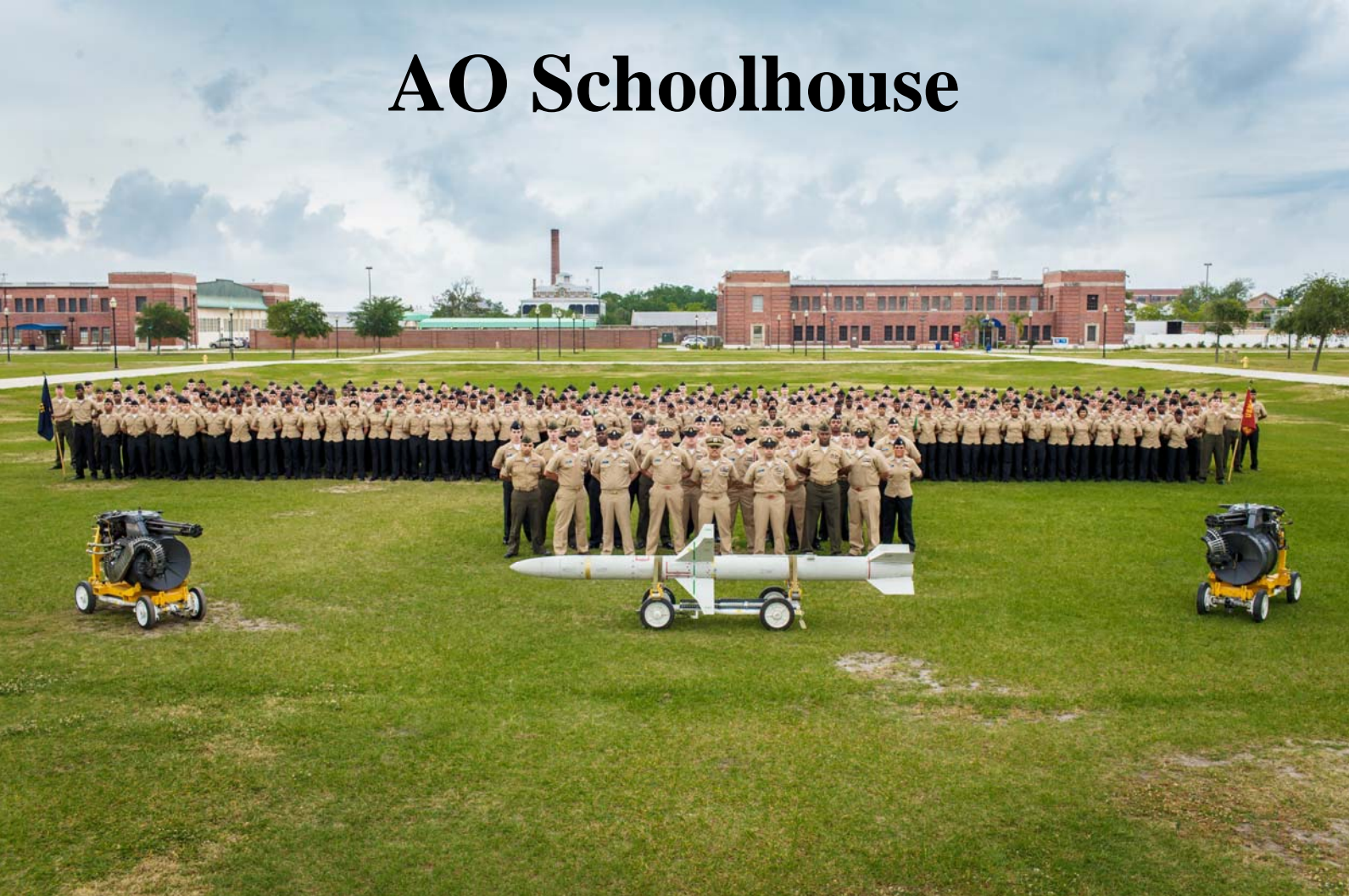
Chuck Onken



CHAPTER 34



AO Schoolhouse





CHAPTER 75 at the American Cultural & Educational Center in Bahrain assisting children in learning English and also playing games.



Gunner Miller pinning AO1(AW) Snyder with his ESWS



AO1 Ryan Smith, HST SOY with CNO Adm. Jonathan Greenert

AO1(AW) Nolan, AO1(AW) Parker, and AN Grier going over the GAU-21



AAO President

Post Seasons Greetings to ALL and Happy New Year!

I hope and pray everyone had a wonderful Christmas and are having a prosperous New Year. As we move forward in 2014, I am happy to be part of such a GREAT organization with so many wonderful people. We should plan this New Year to contact at least one of our older and wiser Ordies or those we haven't been in contact with for some time just to say hello and wish them well. I say this because we don't know when the next time will be that we will get to say a few kind words to them, or hear a few kind words ourselves. Tomorrow is not promised to any of us...we continue to lose great Ordies young and old; it is only fitting we take time to tell each other what they have meant to us. I don't need to tell you, this especially holds true for FAMILY. Ordies around the world continue to be at the forefront of protecting this great nation. I would ask that we keep them in our thoughts and prayers always.

If you haven't started planning for this year's convention, you are already behind. We are anticipating an answer soon on the symposium, but it is not looking good. The financial woes of the previous two years continue to plague our efforts of getting the symposium back on line, but we will continue to try! I look forward to seeing as many as feasibly possible at the convention this year. Please come out and support your convention. If you are coming, talk to someone around you and find out why they are not. I'd like to close with a quote...

"A country is only as strong as the people who make it"
Nathaniel Hawthorne.

We are the people who make this country what it is! Take care and God Bless one and all.

IYAOYAS,
Michael Price
AAO President

AAO Vice President

Hello All,

Wow, where did the time go? It has been fast and extremely busy since the last time we published our newsletter. During that time I was fortunate to retire AOCM Glenn "Lester" Laskie at Lemoore, fair Winds and Following seas shipmate. I was pleased to guest speak at two commissioning ceremo-

ny's for now ENS Geoffrey Marshall and CWO2 Shenita Hill: congrats again to you both.

In December, as I suspect most of us did, I had the opportunity to reflect on the events of the Attack on Pearl Harbor and our Association's connection to that era through LT John W. Finn. We all can be continuously proud to have his name forever associated with our professional organization.

I pray all your new year's resolutions are on track and hope a small piece of your goal is to be more involved with the support of the AAO. As I write this article, our planning meeting is taking place in Laughlin, NV to make our CY14 convention enjoyable for all who attend. I'll be looking forward to seeing you there and hearing about all the great things our local chapters do.

Dion Edon

AAO Treasurer

It is now time to start getting ready for Convention 2014. The pre-Convention meeting is over and we are ready to start gearing up. You will probably note some new changes to the registration form. I have added a section for your Credit Card Billing ZIP Code and for a current phone number. I need the ZIP in order to process credit card numbers manually and a phone number in case I need to get a hold of somebody. I had some non-members send me their reservation forms without all the information I needed and had no way to contact them. There are also some members who have not updated their phone contact information. If you use a credit card and want a copy of your receipt e-mailed to you, there is also a block on the registration form for your e-mail address, right after the credit card info. Get your registration packages in to me as soon as you can so we can start coordinating the events.

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

Have you had a promotion, change of status (recently retired) or phone number change? If so give me a shout at the

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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, 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 aao2011@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.

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AAO Secretary

Greeting Ordies,

Good day all. Hope all is going well Our convention is getting close and it looks to be another great event so get your reservations in. I know I seem like a broken record, but Chapter Secretary's please get your monthly minutes to me. I do pass them to the President so he can keep abreast of your activities!!!! Hey Chapter Secretary.... E-mail them to me at my work or home e-mail address so I can keep the National BOD up to date.

ATTENTION!!! CHAPTER PRESIDENTS... Need all of you to update our monthly meeting information including a good e-mail address... Lots of information coming from the President



VFA-136, 2003



CHAPTER 4

Happy New Year from Chapter 4!

Greetings fellow Ordies! I hope this article finds everyone starting off a very good year! As we closed out 2013, Chapter 4 celebrated another fine year and we look forward to a successful 2014!

It is with a heavy heart we have to notify every one of the passing of CWO4(Ret) Joseph William "JW" Jones. "JW" most recently worked at CNAL as a government contractor directly for the Force Gun Boss. Please keep the Jones family in your thoughts and prayers! Below is his obituary:

Joseph William "JW" Jones, 58, departed this life on Tuesday, December 17, 2013. "JW" was born January 21, 1955 to the late Sarah E. Jones and St. Joseph Jones in Wadesboro, North Carolina. "JW" joined the United States Navy in 1976 and admirably served his country for more than 30 years attaining the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4. Upon his retirement, he worked as a government contractor at Commander Naval Air Force Atlantic. He was predeceased by his brother, Mitchell and grandparents, Walter William Little and Sadie Elizabeth Little. He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Linda; two daughters, LaKeisha and Natasha; three granddaughters, Nia, Kela and Yasmarin and siblings, Maxine, Leonard, Brenda and Phyllis.



We closed out 2013 with our annual Holiday potluck. We had over 35 people attend and bring wonderful food. Thanks to all who came out to support your chapter! We also had our annual Red Rock Retreat on 27-29 September 2013. Our Ordies and their families who attended had a great weekend of camaraderie and relaxation! We hope to see everyone back again next year!

Please keep our currently deployed Ordies in mind. This year we look forward to welcoming home the USS Harry S. Truman Strike Group (CVW-3)! We also say fair wind and following seas to the USS George H.W. Bush Strike Group (CVW-8) and USS Bataan ESG. Have a safe and successful deployment!

Unfortunately, my time as President of Chapter 4 has come to an end. It has been a great 2.5 years serving our local Tidewater Ordies and I will miss it greatly! It was a pleasure working with various Chapters and furthering the Association of Aviation Ordnanceman! I leave you in great hands as we welcome AOC Amber Roth as the new Chapter 4 President. She is highly motivated and ready to represent our Chapter to the fullest!

We wish you the best in 2014!

From everyone at Chapter 4... IYAOYAS!

Submitted by:
LT Mike Gaar
Chapter 4 President

CHAPTER 8

Greeting from Chapter 8!!

Fellow Ordies! Happy New Year!! We'd like to start off by wishes all the Ordnancemen worldwide a very productive and successful year putting warheads on foreheads! Chapter 8 has been busy out and about delivering Toys For Tots to the children in the area in need along with donating over \$1,000.00 for our annual Holiday hand up give away for Thanksgiving and Christmas. To all the Ordies of Chapter 8, give yourself a pat on the back for an outstanding job for setting this standard in our area. Bravo Zulu!

Chapter 8 along with Ordies from around the world came out and offered our most sincere hearts to the family of LCDR Mike Klaphake. He was a father, a leader, a friend, a role model, an Ordnanceman and so much more. We wish his family well and will keep them in our prayers; you will be truly missed Gun Boss.

From everyone here at Chapter 8,
I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.

AO1(AW/SW) Joshua I. Casey
NMC Conus West Division Det North Island
Weapons LPO
Chapter 8 Secretary/Treasurer



CHAPTER 34

Greeting From Chapter 34

This Quarter we made many contributions to the local community and the military. We have volunteered 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. We successfully took on volunteer coordination efforts for the annual Scared Heart Children's Hospital Volunteer event, where the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen donated 1000 dollars in gifts to sick and injured children, furthering good relations with yet another community establishment.

All and all this quarter Chapter 34 has been responsible for over 200 off-duty hours of community service by the local chapter. We have raised money for various types of events. With strong and generous support of our fellow AO Brothers and Sisters Chapter 34 was able to raise 1,500 dollars for the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Memorial Scholarship to help continue the tradition of awarding scholarships to qualified and deserving individuals.

The Annual AO "A" Schoolhouse Thanksgiving Dinner was a hit. After chapter 34 donated 500 dollars and the AO staff of the school house dedicated long hours to the annual AO "A" School house thanksgiving dinner, we had a successful Thanksgiving Dinner for the students on 26NOV13 feeding 550 sailors/marines students.

We have also welcomed 15 new members to Chapter 34. We would like to welcome all our brothers and sisters who will be attending the AOC 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.

From everyone here at Chapter 34,
I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.

AAO CHAPTER 34 SECRETARY
AO2 (AW/SW/MTS) ALEXANNA WILLIAMS
NATTC PENSACOLA



CHAPTER 74

Happy New Year and greetings from USS John C. Stennis, Chapter 74. We are currently working hard in our docking-planned incremental availability (DPIA) getting the ship ready to go back to sea. The holiday season is ending and we want to thank all of the Ordies that are haze gray, and underway doing our nations bidding. A prayer goes out to you and your families.

With the New Year upon us, Chapter 74 would like to welcome our new Association officers!

Vice President: AO1 Smith
Treasurer: AO2 Whitby
Secretary: AO3 Doherty
Board of Governors: AOC Szoke, AOC Linkenhoker, AO1 Stephenson and AO2 Robinson

We would also like to say congratulations to Ensign Louie Ortega and CWO2 Bryan Ulicny on their selection into the Mustang community, to the FY14 CPO selections, AOC Josh Austring, AOC Rush Warthen, AOC Mike Washa, and AOC Oscar Vera, as well as our 29 newly frocked petty officers.

We had a great time at the convention last year, and are looking forward to this year's convention as well. All of the first time attendees had a great time.

The rain in Washington stopped long enough to have our Chapter 74 picnic. There was a great turnout, we gave away some big prizes, and we enjoyed some delicious BBQ thanks to the Wig Wam Bar and Grill.

Within the community we had the opportunity to visit the Seattle Children's hospital to visit and play with the kids for the day, we also adopted a stretch of highway for which we will be participating in quarterly cleanups.

Lastly, we would like to bid fair winds and following seas to LCDR Bill Donals as he retires, and welcome our new OHO, LCDR Steve Kashuba.

On behalf of all of the red shirts on board the USS John C. Stennis, we would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year.

I.Y.A.O.Y.A.S.
AOC Josh Austring
AAO Chapter 74 President



CHAPTER 75



Chief Trombley,
I received the letter, picture and bottle opener, thank you for the kind words. We will put the opener to good use after our next association meeting :). It's always a pleasure to provide support for our brother AOs in the fleet.

R/s
Dale Harper
PMA-201 DAW DAPML

Dan,
I got your package this weekend!

I cannot thank you enough for the awesome Chapter 75 coin, the letter and the photo! It really means a LOT! I appreciate the opportunity to help in any small way I can. Just remember if you ever need anything. Let me know!

My best to you and yours!

V/R
Ron-

Ronald Reed
DAPML SIDEWINDER AIM-9X LOGISTICS

Chief Trombley,
We received your very nice letter, great photo of HARRY S TRUMAN and that awesome Chapter 75 "coin" today. Thank you very much, I shared with our Program Manager, Jason Zehendner and the whole CMBRE Team. We're going to have a nice framed display made so our entire Team can continue to enjoy them, knowing that our Warfighter Customers in the Fleet appreciate what we do.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and the entire crew on that fine ship.

V/r,
Steve Varga
CMBRE Fleet Support

HAPPY NEW YEAR , MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL FROM CHAPTER 75 (TEAM TRUMAN ORDIES AND CAG 3),

We have made it through the first half of our 9 month deployment and have been very hard at work in support of Operation Enduring Freedom! AAO camaraderie has soared in the last few months after some well deserved port calls and we have welcomed 44 new members to Chapter 75 bringing our membership up to 78 personnel! In October and November, we visited Jebel Ali and hosted two Dubai Cook-outs for our AAO members!

Since being deployed, we have conducted several elections to expand our AAO leadership and would like to say CONGRATULATIONS to the following elected committee members: Chapter 75 Board of Directors- CWO4 Miller, LT Conyer, AOC Howell and AO2 Miller; Master at Arms- AO1 Boudreau; Events Committee- AOC Trombley; Social/COMREL Committee- AOCS Talabong, AO1 Turner and AO2 Simpson; Training Committee- AOC Guernsey and AOC Dorminey; Media Committee: AO1 Contreras, AO2 Osorio and AN Wilson .

It has been very difficult for the Association to secure an AAO exclusive COMREL but luckily we are hosting one in Bahrain port visit with the American Cultural and Education Center. The outpouring of volunteers for COMRELS in each port has been touching and we are very proud of all our dedicated members! Hope all is well at home, take care of your Sailors, and continue to Give em' HELL!

Fair winds and following seas to all that have transferred - AOCS De Iulio, AOC Spencer, AO1 Johnson, and AO1 Snyder. In closing we would like to give a HUGE SHOUT OUT/ BRAVO ZULU to all below for the following -

CONGRATS TO THE USS HARRY S. TRUMAN SAILOR OF THE YEAR!

AO1(AW/SW) Ryan Smith

CONGRATS TO WEAPONS DEPT SOQ

AO1(AW/SW) Godair, Kirk

CONGRATS TO WEAPONS DEPT POOQ

AO2(AW/SW) Bonner, Martina

CONGRATS TO WEAPONS DEPARTMENT JSOQ

AO3(AW/SW) Glanville - 4th Quarter

CONGRATS TO WEAPONS DEPARTMENT JSOQ

AOAN(AW/SW) Hernandez, Brittany

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A HUGE CONGRATS TO ALL NEW ADVANCEES!

AO3 Amyx, Thomas	AO1 Contreras, Brian
AO3 Craig, Randall	AO3 Gamez, Kyle
AO3 Gibson, Donald	AO2 Gibson, Kaela
AO3 Higgins, Patrick	AO2 Holman, Jackie
AO2 Jones, Sherrell	AO3 Nowak, Stacie
AO2 Osorio, Jason	AO2 Reece, Nicholas
AO2 Simmons, Zytia	AO3 Steverson, Matthew
AO3 Twining, Scott	AO1 Canady, Ronald
AO1 Weaver, Joseph	AO1 Marin, Jemel
AO2 Liberto, Brent	AO2 Bennett, Shantora
AO2 Vital, Joshua	AO2 Miller, John
AO2 Malone, Matt	AO2 Hurst, Marcus
AO3 Sirois, Jeffrey	GM2 Potter, Brandon
GM3 Ramos, Patrick	GM2 English, Zachary
AO3 Zapor, Matthew	AO3 Gaffney, Jonathan
AO3 Schoeberlein, Daniel	AO3 Stone, Zachary
AO3 Simpson, Tyler	AO3 Motley, Ciera
AO3 Mcgee, Breanna	AO3 Lindenbusch, Cody
AO3 Negron, Joel	AO3 Kueppers, Jeffrey
AO3 Stoneham, Jonathan	AO3 Mora, Anthony
GM3 Harvey, Amber	GM3 Obrien, Patrick

CONGRATS TO NEW WARFARE WARRIOR'S

EAWS

AO1 Contreras, AO1 Himel, AO2 Lopez, AO2 Jones, AO3 Cantrell, AO3 Wesson, AO3 Gaffney, AO3 Franklin, AO3 Sigler, AO3 Ponder, AOAN Gordon, AOAN Hernandez, AOAN Romero, AOAN Tran, AOAN Shepard, AOAA Wright, AOAN Brouse, AOAN Harris, AOAN Boling, AOAN Webb, and AOAN Jones!

ESWS

AO1 Adams, AO1 Snyder, AO1 Jones, AO2 Stanford, GM2 Sterling, GM3 Harvey, AO3 Darden, AO3 Jones, AO3 Harville, GM3 Blue, GM3 Ramos, and GMSN Beahm!

OCT 13

MAG RAT OF THE MONTH - AOAN MARTIN, CODY
TRUNK PO OF THE MONTH - AO2 (AW) VITAL, JOSHUA
TRUNK OF THE MONTH - 64 MAGAZINE GROUP

NOV 13

MAG RAT OF THE MONTH - AOAN (AW/SW) HERNANDEZ, BRITTANEY
TRUNK PO OF THE MONTH - AO3 (AW/SW) JONES, JONATHAN
TRUNK OF THE MONTH - 84 MAGAZINE GROUP

DEC13

G-4 HARD CHARGER OF THE QUARTER - AOAN(AW) WEBB, TRAVIS

LHA-5 Iron Nickel

Fellow Ordies!!!

Greetings from the Iron Nickel Chapter. First and foremost we would like to say farewell to Gun Boss LT Michael Dasch, thank you for all your support and leadership. Welcome to LT. Kelvin Patillo, who has taken the reigns as the current Gun Boss of USS PELELIU.

The Iron Nickel Chapter elected new officers! They are as follows:

AO1 (AW/SW) Diddock, Jonathan (President)
AO2 (AW/SW) Labbe, Joshua (VP)
AO3 (AW/SW) Guerrero, Carlos (Treasurer)
AO3 Altman, Josh (Secretary)

After Peleliu's eight month deployment to both the 5th fleet and 7th fleet AOR's the Ordies and crew enjoyed three weeks with their family and friends before heading back out to offload over 1,048 pallets of ammunition valued at \$67 million. Our exceptionally skilled Ordies took a five day evolution and completed it in a 72 hour window without a hitch. Currently PELELIU is in the yards; and an Ordies job is never done. We have been actively working in all weapons spaces, chipping, grinding, painting and laying down new non-skid to ensure that the Mighty PELELIU is ready for her upcoming deployment in June 2014.

Although the Iron Nickel Chapter is relatively small, we have big plans this upcoming year. We have been in contact with numerous volunteer organizations to aid them in their endeavors, and we will be spreading our Ordie pride throughout the community. The chapter is looking to start selling T-Shirts and coins within the near future; we are currently working on our newest coin and T-Shirt designs.

That's all for now, updates soon to follow! Keep working hard by the book with the book open, stay safe out there. IYAOYAS!!!!

Very Respectfully,
AO1(AW/SW) Diddock





TAPS

AO1 Louis T. Edwards USN Ret*
 AOC Francis S. Hall USN Ret*
 AOC S Prentice Ewing
 AOC Charles J. Boehm USN Ret*
 AO2 Robert L. Sadler USN Ret*
 LCDR Michael J. Klaphake
 AO1 Richard A. George
 CWO4 Joseph William "JW" Jones USN Ret
 LCDR Benjamin F, Jennings USN Ret.

* Info from FRA Today Newsletter ** Info from VFW Magazine ***Other

Red Shirt

Articles
are due
 20 JAN 15
 20 MAY 14
 20 SEP 14
Please submit via e-mail when possible

On The Cover

AOC Howell, CVN-75, firing up the grill for CHAPTER 75 cookout in Dubai

Backpage

USS Essex Sailors at Funeral for GUNBOSS LCDR Klaphacke

To all chapters,

Please review your information on the Chapter Meetings - Places - Times - Dates 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



2014 CONVENTION RESERVATION APPLICATION

ADVANCE ORDER FORM

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 _____
- 1 Aug (Fri) Scholarship Committee _____
- 1 Aug (Fri) AAO Hall of Fame Committee _____
- 1 Aug (Fri) Membership Committee _____
- 1 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:

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 **20 JULY 2014**. ORDERS & MONEY RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE RETURNED OR MUST HAVE LATE FEE'S INCLUDED. (See order form) 

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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

Registration Fees (choose appropriate category):

1. Member \$25.00 (\$30.00 after 20 Jul 14)
Name of Member _____ \$ _____
(please print)
2. Non-Member \$40.00 (\$45.00 after 20 Jul 14)
(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 20 Jul 14) \$ _____
- Sat Awards Banquet \$40.00 each (\$45.00 after 20 Jul 14) \$ _____
- Credit Card Fee \$10.00 (if applicable) Non-Refundable \$ _____
- Total amount enclosed \$ _____**

Name exactly as it appears on credit card _____
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 Master Card/ Visa # _____ CVV _____ Exp. _____
 Credit Card Billing ZIP code _____ Phone # _____
 E-Mail Address _____

For credit card payees, if you want your transaction receipt sent to your e-mail address, please include it.

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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HMC Rod Terry USN Ret –
 In memory of Lt John W. Finn MOH 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 aootreas2011@cox.net, snail mail or give me a call.

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USS John Finn (DDG 113)

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Happy Holidays
Camp Lemonnier Weapons Dept



Seasons Greetings and a happy healthy 2014 from all the folks in Camp Lemonnier Weapons Department, LCDR Joe Thompson



AO1 Ryan Smith with French Ordies aboard The FS Charles DE Gaulle



GBU-38 and AIM-120 training for the Kuwait Air Force along with Kay & Associates INC OrdnancemenNotice the MK 43 TDD, they still use the good ole M904E4



AO1 Ryan Smith with French Ordies aboard The FS Charles DE Gaulle



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