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2013 AAO Hall of Fame Inductee's



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Chapter CVW 5 - Deployed President: AO1 Corey Hester Forward Deployed



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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!

Books written by former AOC Alvin Kernan --

A letter to the Red Shirt previously applauded Doctor Kernan for his heroism during the big war and his exceptional education following that war, enabling him to teach at both Yale and Princeton Universities.

AAO associate member Dick Watson sent me a hardback copy of Crossing The Line, that I read and passed to other AAO members, is a story of his exceptional service. The service AND the book are something extraordinary!!!

So, while in the neighborhood of a local book store, I decided to see if the book is still on the market... It is, for about \$20, including shipping and handling. What I found out when I received the paperback copy that was printed long after the hardback, is that there are three more books that he wrote!!! The non-fiction is The Unknown Battle Of Midway and the two novels are Love and Glory, and Proceed Without "Hornet".

I will be at the bookstore tomorrow to order those three books... Hopefully, many of you will do the same!!!

Bob Holdman

Kevin,

How goes it brother? It didn't make headline news around these parts, but we lost one of our elders recently. AOCM Norman C. Woods USN (ret) passed away 31 May 2013. He meant a lot to me personally, so I wrote a little story to commemorate his life/career. If you can work it into a Red Shirt ... that would be appreciated.

Thanks,

Pat Patrick A. Walters NAVAIR Fleet Weapons Support Team

Pat, great article and I included it in this issue. Awesome seeing you at CAPT Dean's change of command!

Kevin,

The AOs, GMs, and those that work with them got together for a departmental photo opportunity on the flight deck of the oldest commissioned CVN in the fleet recently. Although this ship is aging, she still packs quite a punch. Our hard working men and women are busy every single day building bombs, maintaining equipment, elevators, and supporting the airwing as we carry out the nation's business. We are proud to be a part of this great ship, and the ordnance community.

Our ordnance professionals have been supporting CVW-11, and are over the hump on our 5th/7th fleet deployment. We recently took time out to celebrate John Finn's birthday, recognizing his contribution to both our nation, and our profession. AOC Knopp spent a few minutes reading John Finn's Medal of Honor citation, and provided an brief history about this great man to keep his legacy alive within our ranks. What made this celebration special was the fact that there were many young sailors that were hearing about his heroism for the first time. It was good to see our heritage shared with the next generation of AOs.

As always, we enjoy reading the red shirt, and catching up with what our brothers and sisters are up to around the world. Thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

LT Al Budaszewski, G3 Gunner Weapons Department G3 Division USS NIMITZ CVN 68 FPO AP 96620-2820 albert.budaszewski@cvn68.navy.mil

Thanks for the letter. Pics on page 27 and back page!

Hey Kevin....

Wanted to send this pic to you of my daughter Sydney Crosby. She is a scholarship recipient this year. Sydney is a 2nd year vet student at UGA.

Sydney performed a surgery on this kitty, and the patient has recovered and is going home. As you can see, Sydney is very proud. Her quote was "I studied and researched the surgery, but didn't understand. But when I was in there I thought, OH! I got this...I know that!"

I thought maybe you could put this picture in the next Red Shirt so that the AO's can see what their contributions to the scholarships really do.

DawnRae Sealy-Leonard



Kevin,

Hope all is well with you and the family down there in sunny Florida? I wanted to shoot you a quick email and let you know that one of our AOC Selects from CVN-72 was picked to spend a little time aboard the USS Constitution in Boston during this year's CPO 365 phase two. He was the only ordie onboard Old Ironsides and I've attached a pic of AOC Select and his sponsor with her behind them. I apologize but I have no idea what the sponsors rate/name is but thought you might be able to slip this in a future Red Shirt. Take care brother!!!!

Corey

CWO2 Corey Grojean USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) G-4 Division Officer



Hi Kevin,

I want to share some words about an AAO Hall of Fame member and World War II hero, former Chief Aviation Ordnanceman Royce Hall, with our members. He was advanced to Chief on his 21st birthday, four years to the day after his enlistment, slightly more than a year before Hawaii was bombed by the Japanese.

One such article is from the newspaper of the Escort Carrier Sailors & Airmen Association, "The CVE PIPER", and cites Royce for his service flying as a gunner and his receipt of 16 medals in a ceremony held at Kings Bay Submarine Base, earned during and following the largest battle at sea in history, the battle of the Philippine Sea... He had already received a pile of other awards, including his 1998 induction into the Combat Aircrew Roll of Honor, then aboard the USS Yorktown (CVA-10), the national museum for carrier aviation in Charleston Harbor, SC., and now aboard the USS Midway (CV-41) museum in San Diego.

The medals were presented in a ceremony by RADM Belisle, who stated that the role that Hall and others serving on aircraft carriers during the war helped reverse the success of the Japanese Navy at a time when the enemy had a decisive advantage in ships and planes in the Pacific...

Georgia Representative Jack Kingston served as an aide during the ceremony and pinned the medals on Royce, following nearly nine months of his staff reviewing records to determine and obtain the correct awards. His statement was, "Royce Hall is typical of World War II veterans. He was there among the kamikazes, fighting it out. After he got out of the service, he never looked back to collect his medals." After Kingston pinned the medals to Hall's lapel, it took nearly a minute for the standing ovation to end.

Oh yeah, Royce was 79 years old when the ceremony was held on 13 May 2003... He stated "This is one of the proudest moments in this old gunner's life." He also said that if he is entitled to all of these medals, there are a lot more eligible.

Honors received by Royce and his many WWII Shipmates can never meet what they earned!!!

Bob Holdman

All,

It's official. Teresa and I attended the ship naming ceremony this afternoon along with Jim & Carolyn Thomas, Barry Stemler, and about 50 active duty ordies. The PAO from the USS Essex was there taking pictures for us (thanks to their OHO) and I'll get copies of the shots which I will share with everyone.

Tim Zimmer

Thanks Tim, check out the cover!

CAPT Price, Kevin,

Attached are pictures of AO of the Year ceremony Is it possible to get some of the pictures in the next Red Shirt?

Below is an article that was published on the Naval Forces Online website.

Essex Sailor selected as AO of the year Story by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Andres Hernandez

Chief Select Aviation Ordnanceman Raymond T. Scott, who is assigned to amphibious assault ship USS Essex (LHD 2)

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was awarded the John W. Finn Aviation Ordnanceman of the Year Award Sep. 6, 2013.

The award is named in honor of Lt. John W. Finn, the only aviation ordnanceman to ever receive the Medal of Honor.

"Receiving this award means a lot to the Sailors in weapons department. It shows that all the hard work and dedication that we put in has not gone unnoticed," said Scott. "I've never worked with such a tight knit and motivated group of weaponeers. This award proves that we are the best on the waterfront!"

Hundreds of active-duty men and women from the Navy and Marine Corps community are nominated for the Aviation Ordnanceman of the Year award. Scott says he was honored and excited to learn he had been selected.

"I just want to thank my family, my friends, the Association of Ordnanceman, USS Essex, weapons department and the late great Mr. John W. Finn for making this possible," said Scott. "If you truly believe in your abilities you will succeed!"

The ordnanceman picked for the award is usually from the E-5 or E-6 pay grade with nine to 13 years of active duty service.

"Being an aviation ordnanceman is more than just a rate; it's our life," said Scott. "Having the close bond within the aviation ordnance community is by far what I cherish the most."

Scott said that when his recruiter described the AO job rating to him he knew immediately that he wanted to be one and do nothing else fcr the Navy.

Aside from being selected for the aviation ordnance award Scott has also been selected for the rank of chief petty officer and will be promoted September 13, 2013.

"He is one of the future leaders in the Navy," said Essex Weapons Department Head Lt. Cmdr. Michael J. Klaphake. "He's a great team player and he understands that being a great leader is about getting the job done and taking care of your Sailors."

V/r, LCDR Michael Klaphake Gun Boss USS ESSEX (LHD 2) Email: klaphamj@lhc2.navy.mil

Awesome, thanks! Included pics page 2 and back page



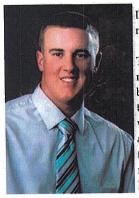
Dear Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Education Foundation Committee;

I wanted to take the time to express my gratitude toward you for enabling the furthering of my education through the Robert

L. Crow Scholarship Award. With these funds, I will grow my savings for law school, which today is an enormous financial investment. As you have given to me through this award I plan to continue to give back to my community. I hope someday to be financially able to contribute to an educational fund for someone in need as you have done for me. Thank you again for selecting me for this award.

Best Regards,

Gabriella Famularo



Dear Association of Aviation Ordnanceman,

Thank you very much for selecting me as the Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding Award recipient. It was truly an honor to find out that I was this years recipient. The scholarship will certainly help me in furthering my education. I am currently attending Fresno City College studying to become a high school physical education teacher.

My parents attended this years convention and explained to me how the committee met for hours and reviewed many applications. It is amazing that auctions and donations occur so that college students like myself can achieve their goals. The scholarship will help me greatly for college and I appreciate it very much. The financial assistance you provided will be of great help to me in paying my educational expenses and it will allow me to concentrate more of my time for studying and other educational purposes.

Thank you again very much for selecting me as the Huntinton Ingalls Shipbuilding Award recipient. It means very much to me and I am grateful for the opportunity that the Association of Aviation Ordnanceman has given me.

Sincerely Jordan Grader





Dear NAVAIRSYSCOM, Weapons Division and The Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Educational Foundation Scholarship committee,

I am honored to be the recipient of the COMNAVAIRSYSCOM, Weapons Division Scholarship. Thanks to your generous support, I am able to get off to a great start on my education. I have just begun my undergraduate degree as a freshman at the

University of North Florida (UNF) and can already report that my academics are off to a first-rate start.

UNF offers one of the finest programs in the country and I consider myself fortunate to be able to attend. My educational pursuits would not be possible without support from scholarship sponsors like your organization. I am committed to my education, the attainment of my degree, and future employment in the field of Biology. Once again thanks for your vote of confidence and your continued generosity.

Sincerely, Madison Willett



Dear Association of Aviation Ordnancemen members and Scholarship Committee Members,

It is an honor and privilege to be the recipient of the 2013 Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding award. Thank you to the association for making this scholarship possible. Currently I am a freshman at West Virginia University and will be pursuing a degree in Criminology with a minor in Psychology. My entire life my family

has stressed the importance of higher education and strive everyday to achieve my goals. I plan to work while at WVU with the Boys and Girls Club in hopes to instill the same values, and importance of education I was fortunate to have instilled in me by family, school and friends.

Again, thank you for the opportunity of a lifetime and to all the generous scholarship contributors.

Sincerely, ~Jordan Paige Jakobs~



Dear Associati<mark>on</mark> of Aviation Ordnancemen,

Thank you for choosing me to be the recipient of the Raytheon Missile Division Award. I appreciate this scholarship and the aid that it brings to me for my college education. This financial aid helps me focus more on my education and less on the cost of higher education.

I will be a junior this year at the University of Washington where I am pursuing a degree in Law with a minor in Political Science. I plan on graduating a year early, which will allow me to continue on to either Law or Theology school. This scholarship helps me in my pursuit of achieving this goal.

I am very honored and appreciative to have received this award and would like to say thank you.

Sincerely, Stephen Michel



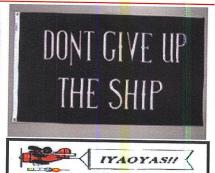
Dear Association of Aviation Ordnancemen,

I am writing you today to extend my sincere thanks. I am excited and grateful to be presented with such an honor as the Raytheon Missile Division Award. It is because of your generosity that I am able to focus on my studies and not so much on how I will pay for my education.

Sincerely, Bria Odom



Joseph Famularo







Dear Officers and Board of Di-

I am honored and humbled to have been considered and awarded a generous scholarship from the AAO Educational Foundation. I appreciate how much effort goes into raising funds for scholarships and time reviewing applications. I am truly grateful.

I am excited to tell you that I have completed my first month of my freshmen year at Grand Canyon University. It has been challenging and rewarding as I have chosen to enroll in the Honors Institute program. I also participate in a community outreach called Canyon Kids where we go into the local neighborhood near my school and spend a couple of hours playing games, crafts, and building relationships with the children and even some parents. As I am getting settled in school, my goal is to get plugged into a local community service program. College is definitely an exciting adventure! And I am blessed to be able to do what I can to be a Servant Leader.

Thank you and please consider this letter as an acceptance of the generous Robert L. Crow Award of \$4000. This is the information you have requested confirmation:

Lauren Kaelynn Thomas®



To the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Educational Foundation:

I am honored to be selected as a recipient of the Robert L. Crow Scholarship for the 2013-2014 academic year. The Robert L. Crow scholarship has tremendously alleviated some financial burden associated with attending veterinary school by allowing me

to request less in student loans this year. I am truly appreciative of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Educational Foundation for continuing to make this scholarship possible for many deserving students annually. Already this fall, the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine has held examinations in Parasitology, Behavior, Pathology, and Dermatology for the sophomore class. I have had a great start this semester, and have performed well. Thank you for having confidence in my scholastic abilities since the first day of my college career. You have helped make my

dream of becoming a veterinarian a reality. I have proudly represented the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, and will continue to do so throughout my professional career.

Thank you, and GO DAWGS!

Sydney Victoria Crosby The University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine DVM Candidate Class of 2016

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am so excited to share my good news with you and the Association! For the past three years I have received a scholarship from the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, which have been such a help to my family and I. I have since finished my undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech and my dietetic internship at Vanderbilt University Medical Center completely debt free. This is the result of my parent's fortitude in saving for tuition, the work I completed each summer, and, of course, the scholarships I received from the Association.

I am so grateful for the financial assistance the Association gave me, as it has made such a difference in the quality of my education. I was able to focus on learning, involving myself in professional organizations and volunteering during the academic year, rather than working to pay for tuition. Additionally, I have developed an even greater sense of responsibility when it comes to finances, aware that the money I had was a combination of my own and that of the organization.

In addition to the good news of finishing my dietetics curriculum debt free, I wanted to let the Association know that I am officially a registered dietitian and have secured a position as a registered dietitian and diabetes educator at The Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters in Norfolk, Virginia. It has been my dream to work with children and their families, so it has been very surreal to have such a perfect first job! I absolutely love it and wanted to thank the Association for helping me get to where I am.

Sincerely,

nicole Famularo, Rb

Nicole Famularo, RD



AAO President

Hello Weapons Family and Friends,

I can't believe it's over and I actually survived...the Convention was a huge success and I didn't botch it up thank goodness. If you were there, thank you for your kindness and attending, if not you truly missed a wonderful time. Our Friday Social was great as well as all the hard work that went into the various selection boards going on throughout the day. There were some old members present we have not seen for some time and it was a genuine pleasure to share their company again. Our guest speaker on Saturday really put the icing on the cake when he talked about we can all be proud of our contributions to this great country. We have already started trying to get our symposium started again for next year with a possible name change to help get us back on track. I truly believe we will be able to have it this year along with a very important guest speaker in the lineup. Sorry, you'll need to be there to find out who he is, but I can assure you, he definitely knows Aviation and is an advocate of the ordnance community. Friends, now is the time to start saving and making your plans for next year. I won't go through who was elected to office or the scholarship winners, because that will be announce further in the Redshirt, so keep reading and I pray we all live long enough to enjoy the festivities at our next convention. God Bless each of you and your families.

"IYAOYAS" Your President, Mike

AAO Vice President

AAO Vice President

Hello esteemed Ordnancemen. I pray this issue finds you and your families well.

First off I would like to thank our prestigious organization for the opportunity to serve you in my current office as VP. I "aim" to do the best I can for our Association. The convention in Reno was a blast! Make it a plan to save a little each month now so you can attend next year. I'll be looking forward to seeing you there and carving out some time to chat.

Second, the holiday season is rapidly approaching and I hope you all take a spell to enjoy a little down time. For those underway and standing the watch away from home, you will remain in our hearts and prayers for a safe return home when your duty ends. We are depending on you to deliver the lethal blow when needed.

Last, in case you do not know, I am now at COMNAVAIR-LANT in Norfolk, VA. It has been quite a change (geographically) from Guam, but the family and I are quickly adapting. I've made it to one Chapter 4 meeting so far and met some dedicated Ordies. I'm looking forward to meeting more! If in the area feel free to drop ir for a short visit. That's it for now.

Take care, be safe, and IYAOYAS!!!

Dion Edon

AAO Treasurer

Once again, Convention has come and gone and we are already starting planning for next year. We had a pretty good retiree turnout, but were missing the active duty people. Thanks to Pensacola, Whidbey and Stennis, we did have some active. Hopefully, the budget problems will be ironed out and we can get a better showing of the active duty folks next year.

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 getting to be a problem again. 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. Chapter officers, division LPO's, shipmates, if you know a member is transferring, talk to them about submitting an address change. If you see somebody you know on the Locater, it means I don't have their current mailing address and can't send them update materials. If you know their e-mail address, drop them a line to get in touch with me.

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

IYAOYAS! Thomas Lord AAO Treasurer

AAO Secretary



ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN 2013 GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Mike Price, President, called the 2013 Association of Aviation Ordnancemen General Business Meeting to order at 0900, 4 August 2013, at the Silver Legacy Resort, Reno NV. He then led the General Membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, played the National Anthem and the Ordie song.

Mart Vance, Chaplain, gave the opening prayer.

The business of the Association was then initiated.

There were 50 Members present for the Business Meeting. The Registration list is Enclosure (1) to these minutes.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The President reminded everyone in attendance to fill out a General Business Meeting Registration card.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

In accordance with ARTICLE VII, Section 2 to the By-Laws the privilege of nominating, making motions, debating and voting is reserved for Regular Members of the Association during the course of this meeting.

Under Roberts Rules Article 31, when we get to the elections the President will, after giving ample opportunity to make nominations from the floor, with no further nominations coming, close the nominations. A motion to close nominations will not be in order.

REPORT ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR:

Approved the FY 2013/2014 Budget. Approved the 2012 Board of Directors Minutes Established Chapter 69 "The Five Star Chapter" USS Eisenhower

Dennis Costa, Secretary, reported the minutes of the 2012 General Business Meeting was published in Red Shirt #118 with additional copies being available in the rear of the room. A synopsis of the minutes were given after which the President called for any required corrections or deletions. A motion was made and seconded to accept the 2012 General Business Meeting Mirutes as published. Without objection the motion was passed. The 2012 General Business Minutes are enclosure (2) to these minutes.

The Treasurer then gave the Financial Report. Copies of the 2013/2014 Approved Budget and 2012/2013 Expenditure

Report are available in the rear of the room. Any questions please feel free to ask. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Financial Report as delivered. Without objection the motion was passed. The 2013/2014 approved Budget is enclosure (3) to these minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2013 Convention Committee, John LaMaitre – The 2013 Convention is another great success. I would like to thank Jim Thomas and Kirk Brado for all there help and hard work before, during, and after each year's convention.

Membership Committee, Jeff Sassone – No Report

AO of the Year Committee, Al Ten Eyck Chairman -

The committee considered 72 packages. 10 Members were there to grade the packages. The winners were announced at the Awards Banquet and are presented here for the record.

ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR FOR 2013

AO1 (AW/SW) RAYMOND SCOTT

AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR FOR 2013 Runner-Up

AO1 (AW/SW) MATHEW MCBRIDE

AO Hall of Fame Committee, Jeff Sassone Chairman – There was three packages' up for consideration. The committee represented over 163 years of ordnance experience.

ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN AO HALL OF FAME SELECTEE FOR 2013

LCDR JAMES HARMAN, USN (RET)

AOCM DAVID P. MICHEL USN (RET)

AOC ALBERT "AL" CASTRO USN (RET)

Reunion Book Committee, Chuck Onken – We are looking for someone to take our place as the Reunion Book Committee Co-Chairs; we have been doing it for 27 years, time for new blood. Beverly Onken has done a great job with AAO REUNION BOOK Editor. He requested that everyone get their pictures taken and he reminded all that you do not have to buy a book to get your pictures taken.

Nomination Committee, Jeff Sassone – The following individuals were nominated for the Offices:



David Lepard, Captain, Ret: For Board of Directors Tim Zimmer, AOCS, Ret: For Board of Directors

If no nomination from the floor the following office will be fill by Voice vote and Seconded by members present.

The following offices will open for election/reelection. Vice President Currently Al Dean, CAPT, USN Secretary currently Dennis Costa, AOCM USN (Ret)

Board of Directors (Two): Bill Bindel, CAPT, USN Mike Gramolini, CDR, USN

NOTE; Article V (5) Section 3 states that "A minimum of two officers must be active duty personnel, one of which must be on the Board of Directors."

The following are currently on the Board of Directors Rob Walecki, CWO4, USN, (Ret) Bill Bindel CAPT, USN Rick Garza, CDR, USN (Ret) Mike Gramolini, CDR, USN Jeff Sassone, CDR, USN (Ret) Dion Edon, CDR USN

NOTE; Nominations for these Offices must be submitted to the Vice-President No Later Then 1 May 2014. The Nominee must except the nomination in Writing and be willing to fulfill the obligation of the office.

The following offices will open for election/reelection at the 2014 Convention.

Treasurer Tom Lord, AOCM USN Ret

Board of Directors (Two) currently: Jeff Sassone, CDR USN Ret Rob Walecki, CWO4 USN Ret

Absentee voting status – Jeff Sassone Total Ballots Received: 13 Invalid Ballots not a member or Associate Member: Unvalid Ballots: 2

Total Ballots to count during Voting: 11 Last Year's Ballots received: 5

Unless there are nominations from the floor for Vice President, a voice vote for that office will be taken. A ballot for the Board of Directors will be required and it will be conducted by ballots that the Secretary has made up. They will/have been handed out as the members check in for the General Business meeting and their membership dues are verified to be current.

I will go over the voting procedures prior to the voting and

again before each vote is taken.

By-Laws Committee, Kirk Brado Chairman –
The Committee serves as the Bylaws Committee for both the Association and the Foundation.

AO Museum Committee, Tim Carroll – No Report

Educational Foundation President - Ed Scott

The Foundation still remains financially stable with its ability to support \$26,400.00 worth of Robert L. Crow, Newport News and Raytheon corporate scholarships for the 2013 scholarship and selection process this year.

We as a Foundation forecasted that official "stand-down" would occur within the 2013-2014 time line. We have reported this to the Association Board of Directors and Association membership over the past 3 years. We will not have missed the forecasted time line by much as our financial resources draws down and Association's scholarship fund increases over the like time frame. Many questions have popped up of early closure to the Foundation. This could not be accomplished without severe financial loss both to the Association and Foundation in accordance with the multiple IRS directives under our EIN as a 501 (c)(3) activity and our charter. Care if we donate all funds to the Boy/Girl Scouts of America or other qualified 501 (c)(3) activities? Didn't think so! None of us desire to go to jail for IRS tax fraud either.

At this point what remains? Good question to all. I will provide a brief overall observation:

Upon payment of this year's scholarship's and all issued checks have been cancelled by the receiving activities, bank statements have been verified; closure may proceed. Expected time line is October 2013.

Foundation CPA still to file our 20<mark>12</mark>-2013 IRS Form 990; our financial year is 1 June through 31 May. Expected time line is November 2013.

Foundation CPA to file our 2013-2014 IRS Form 990 (Final report) from 1 June 2013 through date TBD. May file an amended form depending upon filings. Expected time line is December 2013/January 2014.

Foundation CPA will generate the required forms and formal letter; with President Signature, and provide related tax forms to the Attorney General for the State of Delaware; closure of a non-stock corporation, or dissolution of the corporation. With proof of financial balance being ZERO dollars within the Foundations accounts. Expected time line is February/March 2014.

Foundation will require financial support from the Association's General fund to support costs of closure. Amount and extent unknown at this time; agreement to worked out through the Foundation and Association Treasurer with approval of both BOD.

Foundation will require financial support from the



Association Scholarship fund IF scholarship expenditures this year exceed \$28,000.00.

Formal letter from Foundation President to Association President of completion of Foundation Stand-Down process and dissolution of the Foundation. Expected time line is April 2014.

Disposition of all Foundation held materials, electronic and paper files to the Association as they assume the responsibility of scholarships. Note: some of the Foundation files must remain accessible to interested parties for 50 years after dissolution of the Foundation. Think I'll be a real good candidate of "worm dirt" by then! Expected time line is unknown at this time.

Over all, it has been a good year for the Foundation. We have been active throughout the year on the administrative side of the house; drafting and updating closure plans in an effort to assist the Association in a seamless transition. Many of the Foundation Board of Directors have been a key element of thinking, research and opinions; many "outside of the box", to assist in communication within and without the Foundation. We owe it to our membership; stakeholders, who have attributed much to our success who directly impact OUR scholarship applicants and award winners who benefit the most. It also should be mentioned within the Association and Foundation. Since the first scholarship was selected in 1979 to present; as far back as records indicate, there has never been an applicant or sponsor that represents our eligible U.S. Marine Corps membership. That has changed this year! THANK YOU. Just like Sailor of the Year award, it took a good number of years prior to a representative or two made the application for our Marines to participate and recognize their outstanding folks, it took even longer for scholarship. I hope the Association receives more applications from our Marines as well in the out years. I wish the best to the 2013 selection committee and they make their selection. You have your work cut out for you all again!

ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION ROBERT L. CROW \$4,000 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FOR 2012

LAUREN THOMAS, GRANDDAUGHTER OF JAMES THOMPSON

GABRIELLA FAMULARO, DAUGHTER OF HENRY FAMULARO

JOESPH FAMULARO, SON OF HENRY FAMULARO SIDNEY V. CROSBY, DAUGHTER OF DAWNREA SEALY -LEONARD

The Women and Men of the NAVAIRSYSCOM WEAPONS PROGRAM \$2,400.00 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD MADISON WILLETT, DAUGHTER OF JAMES WILLETT

HUNTINGTON INGALLS \$2,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

JORDAN GRADER, SON OF THOMAS GRADER JORDAN JACOBS, STEP-DAUGHTER OF GARY HOWORKA

RAYTHEON MISSILE SYSTEM \$2,000.00 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

STEPHEN T. MICHEL, GRANDSON OF DAVID MICHEL BRIA ODOM, DAUGHTER OF CHARLES C. ODOM

Newsletter Report- Dennis Costa No Report

AAO Website Report- Johnny Wheat

The Website is up and running with little or no problems at all. The cost has increased slightly now costs about \$187.56 a year to run. All the forms for the AAOY, Scholarship, and HOF are available on the website.

Chaplin Report - Mart Vance

Nine members passed, Sympathy cards and letters of condolence were sent in all cases where there was sufficient information available.

CHAPTER REPORTS

There are presently 23 active Chapters.			
Chapter 1	NAS Lemoore, CA.	Dave Moore	
Chapter 3	NAS Whidbey Island, WA. AOC	C Angela Sobieski	
Chapter 4	Tidewater Area, VA.	Dennis Costa	
Chapter 5 China Lake, CA.		Greg Paulson	
Chapter 8	San Diego, CA.	Al TenEyck	
Chapter 9	Jacksonville, FL.	Dennis Patterson	
Chapter 11 Kaneohe Bay, HI		No Report	
Chapter 21 NAS Fallon, NV. No Report		No Report	
Chapter 22 Patuxent River, MD		Jeff Sassone	
		No Report	
Chapter 39	Beaufort S.C	No Report	
Chapter 65	USS Enterprise CVN 65	No Report	
Chapter 68 USS Nimitz CVN 68		Deployed	
Chapter 70 USS Vinson CVN-70		No Report	
Chapter 71 USS Roosevelt		No Report	
Chapter 70 USS Carl Vinson CVN 70		No Report	
Chapter 72	USS Lincoln CVN 72	RCOH	
Chapter 73	USS George Washington CV	N-73 Deployed	
Chapter 74	USS Stennis CVN 74	AO1 Eric Brown	
Chapter 75 USS Truman CVN 75 Dennis Costa			
Chapter 76 USS Ronald Reagan CVN 76 No Repo		No Report	
Chapter 77 USS George Bush CVN 77		No Report	
Desert/Southwest Chapter El Centro, CA. No Report			
Chapter LHD-4 USS Boxer		Deployed	
Chapter LI		Deployed	
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Chapter 671 Key West Auxiliary Guam Key West CDR Dion Edon No Report Teresa Zimmer

The Chapter reports are Enclosure (4) to these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS None NEW BUSINESS

2013 Convention Committee, Jim Thomas Co-Site Chairman The Symposium & Convention will be held at the Silver Legacy, Reno, NV from 27 Jul – 3 August 2014. Get your reservation in early. This will help get more active duty people to your convention.

Election of Officers -

The President called for the election of Association Officers. He announced that the offices open for election of the Vice President, Secretary, and two seats on the Board of Directors

Election for the office of Vice President, position held by Al Dean.

The Nominees are:

Dion Edon

Dion Edon was elected to serve as Vice-President, term to expire 2017.

Election for the office of Secretary, position held by Dennis Costa.

The Nominees are:

Dennis Costa

Dennis Costa was re-elected to serve as Secretary, term to expire 2017

Election was held for the Board of Directors position held by Mike Gramolini.

The nominees are:

Dave Lepard

Tim Zimmer

Angela Sobieski

Tim Zimmer was elected to serve as Board of Directors, term to expire 2017.

Election was held for the Board of Directors position held by Bill Bindel.

The nominees are:

Dave Lepard

Angela Sobieski

Dave Lepard was elected to serve on the Board of Directors, term to expire 2017.

MGySgt Marc Senecal was appointed to Board of Directors to fulfill the term of Dion Edon who was elected Vice-President. Term to expire 2016

Contributions to AAO Scholarship Fund received:

Raytheon \$4,000.00 Huntington Ingalls \$4,000 Chapter 1 \$400.00 Chapter 3 \$400 Chapter 5 \$258.83 Chapter 8 \$530.00 Chapter 9 \$2000.00* Chapter 74 \$2,000 Chapter 75 \$1200.00 Chapter 671 \$226.00 Doris From - \$300.00 Joe & Delores Manley \$200.00 John & Lydia Buckley \$45.00 Josh Austring \$180.00 MISC Donation \$35.00 The Auxiliary \$4317.00 *In the memory of Floyd English Total donations \$18,465.83

The President announced that next year's Symposium & Convention will be held at the Silver Legacy, Reno, NV from 27 Jul thru 3 Aug 2014 Pre-registration will be a real key for the success of all the planned activities at this convention. The 2014 convention Site Chairman is John LaMaitre.

The President called for any more input from the floor.

Dave Lepard informed the membership that he is holding numerous items from the John Finn estate at his home. The Items are going to be put on loan to either, the USS John Finn, Naval Aviation Museum or the Barracks located at NASNI in Coronado Ca.

A moment of silence was held for those who have gone to the Gun Boss in the sky. Let's think about the Marines, Sailors and Solider serving in Iraq, Afghanistan

Mart Vance delivered the closing prayer.

There being no more input from the floor and no more business to conduct the President closed the 2013 General Business Meeting of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen at 1057,

18 August 2012.

Enclosures 2 thru 4 are on file with the National Secretary.

Submitted by: Dennis Costa Secretary

Approved by: Mike Price President



CVN-72 Gunners help Norfolk, Virginia Church Feed People in Need.

Norfolk, Virginia community churches have a long standing reputation for helping their community any way they can. Christ and ST Luke's Episcopal Church located in downtown Norfolk, Virginia is one such church. Every Thursday, Christ and ST Luke's Church serves home cooked meals to needy people in the downtown Norfolk area. This endeavor runs solely on the basis of volunteers. USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) WEPS Gunners donned cooking aprons and cooked and served 89 meals to downtown Norfolk residents in need.. The menu included chicken, pasta, salad and dessert. Former Oceana Cowboy turned G-3 Gunner, LT Jack Hurly, smiled as he said "This is my second time doing this since I checked aboard ABE. I think it is important to give back to your community. I recently came to Norfolk from Oceana and I really wanted to be proactive with community service at my new duty station. It makes me feel good to help those in need."

LCDR Joe Thompson USS ABERAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) OHO



From left to right CWO3 Dave Cheatham Air Gunner, LCDR Joe Thompson OHO, LT Matt Willette, Ship's Gunner and former Oceana Cowboy LT Jack Hurly, G-3 Gunner

USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) Arrives at Newport News Shipyard for RCOH

After an 8 month deployment in 5th, 6th and 7th fleets and a homeport change from Everett, Washington to Newport News Virginia, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) finally arrives at the Newport News Shipyard to begin the long process of Refueling Complex Overhaul (RCOH). Aircraft

Carriers have a service life of 50 years. At the midway point, the RCOH process begins. It is a very long and very detailed procedure. The ship will be in dry dock for the better part of 50 months. No Red Shirt dreams of sitting in dry dock for 5 plus years and not being operational. There aren't many GREAT sea stories from an RCOH Gunner. I can personally assure you no OHO dreams of his/her OHO tour with zero ammo on board and dealing with berthing teams and lagging teams vice CVW support, but it's a reality for all carrier sailors who catch the ship at the 25 year mark of service life. Ship's Company personnel are working not only on the ship and Floating Accommodation Facility (FAF) but at various satellites facility's thorough out Hampton Roads.

Maintaining a viable Qualification/ Certification Program with a ship that has no ammo can be extremely challenging. With your team spread out at various locations, scheduling and transportation conflicts are a daily occurrence. Mobile Ordnance Training Team (MOTT) Norfolk has been invaluable asset to helping ABE Red Shirts maintain ordnance proficiency with hands on OJT (on the job training) of inert assets. The use of the MOTT facility has been a two-fold process. MOTT offers numerous classes in various aspects of Aviation Ordnance. A few examples are:

Conventional Ordnance Weapons Safety/Handling and Assembly Training
Fleet Sentencing

The classes have allowed ABE sailors to maintain proficiency and help these young Red Shirts prepare for up-coming advancement exams, which is an added bonus. Jim Poulin, Team Lead and his staff of HIGHLY qualified instructors, Mike Coleman, Jim Mylnar and Sam Oliver have really been more than accommodating with class scheduling and have gone out of their way with the use of the MOTT facility.

With over 170 personnel in ABE's Qual/Cert program, it is extremely difficult to get every person scheduled for a class. MOTT has allowed ABE Red Shirts to bus over to Norfolk from Newport News every Friday bringing 20/30 personnel and Board Members to conduct hands on training with the various training assets in MOTT's Hanger Bay. This really has allowed ABE's Qualification/Certification Program to have the versatility needed to deal with multiple work locations sites and scheduling deconflicting. The goal is to have every ABE Red Shirt cycled through all the classes MOTT offers during the 4 plus year RCOH process.

Hampton Roads being a high fleet concentration area has its benefits. Mobile Ordnance Training Team (MOTT) as well as other schooling listed in the CANTRAC is No Cost to the command. This is especially valuable due to the continued budget constraints. Mobile Ordnance Training Team (MOTT) does exactly what its name implies. It is Mobile! If you are unable to schedule training at the facility, ask the



team about the possibility of having them travel to you and train onboard your underway unit. MOTT has made getting the required training needed so easily available. With all the requirements and tasking being put on sailors it's nice to know keeping current and up to date with ALL training requirements to maintain Qualification and Certification are only a phone call away. Give Jim and his staff a call at 757-322-9444 to set up your training.

One behalf of all the RED Shirts on ABE, we want to say THANK YOU to the MOTT Team for all the support. You guys are true professionals and we are very appreciative of you. IYAOYAS

LCDR Joe Thompson



OHO CVN-72 AOC (AW/SW) Paul Diego G-3 CPO, instructs his G-3 personnel on various Air To Air and Air to Ground Missiles



ABE RED SHIRTS training on Weapons Inspection Checklist in MOTT Hanger Bay

To all chapters,

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

Thanks for the help, Editor

NAVAIR

With the Ordnance Symposium being cancelled again for 2013, the Men and Women of NAVAIR decided to hold their 'second' annual fund raiser to support the Ordnance Scholarship program.

Even with the Weapons Readiness Review (WRR) attendance cut to under 50 people (down from 150 people last year) and government employees taking a 20% pay cut for 11weeks, \$2,400 was raised in 2 days. WAY TO GO NAVAIR!

Eighteen people joined the \$100 club – Jeff Sassone, CDR Dion Edon, Chuck Faust, Dennis Patterson, Billy Crews, Ray Rowland, Chris Mendez, Dwight Belin, Oscar Robinson, Roy Daniels, Mike Weinke, Toby Doane, Dave Rivera, Steve Underwood, Jeff McComb, Paul Nickel, and Fred Sawyer. We also had a \$200 club member, Fred Jones! So, what was the motivation to buy \$100 worth of tickets? Ellen Bailey and Connie Wells didn't 'bother' them anymore!!!



Basket winners are (from left to right), Dennis Patterson, Dave Lorentzen, Chuck Faust (winning 3 baskets!), Capt Austin Wren, LtCol Ortiz and Fred Jones (not in picture). THANKS to all who contributed towards the baskets cr bought tickets!





We inducted two new members into Chapter 9's Hall of Honor; CWO5 Mike Snider and CWO4 Ed Creamer. The Hall of Honor recognizes those members each year that support the chapter in all areas. We also presented the AO of the Quarter to AO1 Jacob Moody at CNATTU, NAS Jax.

The All AO and Family picnic is scheduled for Saturday 12 October 2013 at FRA 91 on Collins Road from 1000 to 1500. All AO's, their families and friends are invited. If you are in the area and would to attend you are welcome. Please RSVP at 904-860-4881 Games-Food-Drinks-Sea Stories-Great Company-Door Prizes.

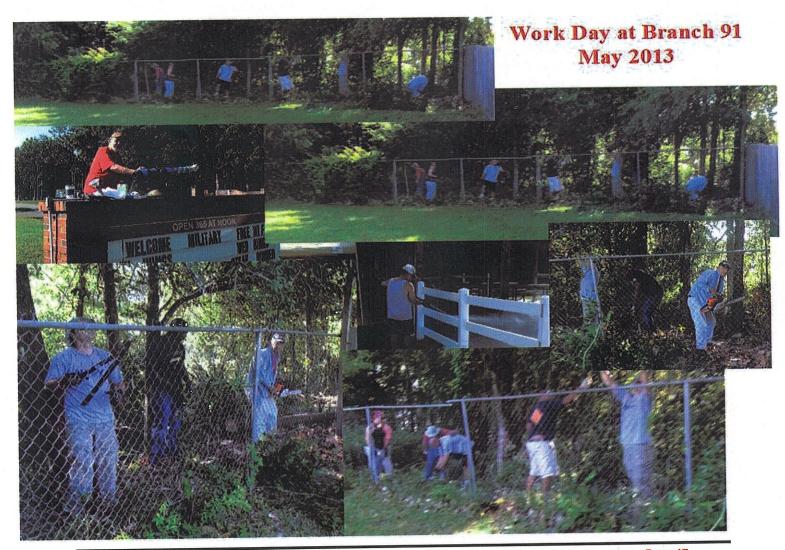
We mailed out over 1600 invitations to the AAO Chapter 9 Seventh Annual Air Rifle Postal Invitational to NJROTC,

MCJROTC and AJROTC units throughout the United States. If your chapter has a JROTC unit nearby ask if they are participating.

Chapter 9 continues the Florida State Road Cleanup Program once a quarter. We have two miles of Blanding Blvd.

Turn out for our monthly meetings continue to be strong with about a 50% active and retired mix. Truly an excellent way of exchanging ordnance based experiences (sea stories). The young learn from the old (OLD NAVY) and the old from the young (NEW NAVY).

In support of our host FRA Branch 91 we held a workday to do some much need yard work in May of this year. A nice turn out by our members' helped make it an easy task and a great deal was accomplished.





Greetings from Chapter 4!

It has truly been a fun filled summer here in the Tidewater area! We have welcomed home our brothers and sisters from CVN-69/CVW-7. Thanks for supporting our chapter and it's great to have you back! Our summer picnic was a blast! Congratulations to AO2 Joe McDonald, winner of our AIM-9M lamp raffle! Special thanks to AOC Chris Kenney for cooking our pig along with AO1 Wesley Blyleven and AO1 Andrew Blackwell for coordinating a successful picnic.

As I sit here and write this, we are preparing for our annual Red Rock Retreat on 27-29 September. I know our ordies are excited and ready for a weekend of relaxation and fun! As always, this event is open to all ordies that will be in our area. We hope to see everyone there!

We want to give a special shout out to our brothers and sisters in Chapter 72! Thank you for all your help and participation with our Chapter. Chapter 72 is participating in a special highway clean up on Friday, 20 September in conjunction with Chapter 4. They have also supported the Red Rock Retreat and it will be great to build a lasting relationship with Chapter 72!

We welcomed AO1 Andrew Blackwell as our Vice President, AO1 Natasha Meadows as our Treasurer, and AO1 Wesley Blyleven as our special event coordinator. It's great to have you onboard and I'm sure the association will benefit from your participation! Fair winds and following seas to our outgoing VP, CWO2 Jeff Standley. Congratulations on your commission and best of luck in VP-4!

In closing, Chapter 4 has had a great summer and we look forward to a successful winter. Congratulations to all the new Chief Petty Officers pinned on Friday, 13 September 2013! We look forward to seeing you do great things and representing the AO community to the fullest!

IYAOYAS!! From everyone at Chapter 4!

Submitted by: LT Mike Gaar Chapter 4 President



CHAPTER 1

Hello again from the USS Nimitz somewhere in the Red Sea, and from the rest of Chapter One Ordies from the always sunny and beautiful Lemoore, CA. Well, we are still keeping everyone safe from afar, and since I have been gone Chapter One has been staying busy!!

First I would like to congratulate our new Chief Petty Officers in Lemoore! AOC Colby, AOC Comrie, AOC Berry, AOC Zazueta, AOC Franklin, AOC Dobbins, ACC McBride, AOC Oden, and AOC Robinson. Congrats all, Job Well Done!

We just celebrated another great turn out of our Annual AAO picnic at the Fleet Reserve in Lemoore. The weather cooperated again with some mild conditions so everyone had a great time! The bounce house and water slides were a big hit with the kids and a handful of adults. There was more than enough food and the chefs managed to keep the supply of burgers and hot dogs available till the bitter end, thank you chefs for your hard work and dedication!! Every year we award some lucky candidate with our scholarship award and this year once again it goes to JeanAnn DeWees, daughter of Tim and LoraLee Nanstiel. Congratulations on your selection JeaAnn, and start preparing your applications for next year!

Our next big event is our Annual Christmas party which will be held at the Fleet Reserve in Lemoore. If you happen to be in the area come on by, it's always a good time. Just contact one of our Chapter One members and they can help you out!

I Y A O Y A S AOC(AW) Laura Colby Currently Deployed USS Nimitz



Class 120 AOC's onboard USS Nimitz. AOC Colby (VFA-154), AOC Jones (VAQ-142), AOC Comire(VFA-154), AOC Bermea (USS Nimitz), AOC Goodenough (USS Nimitz), AOC Whalen (USS Nimitz)





Class 120 AOC's onboard USS Nimitz. AOC Berry (VFA-147), AOC Colby (VFA-154) and AOC Comrie (VFA-154)



VFA-146 Blue Diamonds reloading 20MM.



VFA-147 moving 9X's.



USS Nimitz celebrating John Finn's Birthday, with ADM White, Captain Ruth and OHO Hollinger.

on The Cover

John Finn Ship naming ceremony and AAO of Year awardee AOC Raymond Scott

Backpage

Chapter 68, see letter in Letters to the Editor







To whom it may concern:

AOCM Norman C. Woods, USN (ret) 19 April 1925 – 31 May 2013

One of Chapter 9's original plank owners passed away on 31 May 2013. AOCM Norman C. Woods, USN (ret). He was 88 years old. He was laid to rest at Greenlawn cemetery, here in Jacksonville, on 6 June 2013. Master Chief Woods was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, April 19, 1925. He enlisted in the US Navy at age 17 in 1942 ... he was a career carrier Ordnanceman and saw action in World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam. He retired in January 1973 as the Leading Chief of AO "B" school at NATTC Jacksonville, FL, after just over 31 years of active duty Naval service.

The story of how I came to know the Master Chief is, in my humble opinion, a tale worth telling. Meeting Master Chief Woods gave me my initial introduction to the brotherhood and the family of U.S. Navy Aviation Ordnancemen.

Recruit Training Command Orlando, FL ... July 1972. Company 147 was about to receive their orders. EMC (select) Richard Sankey, our Company Commander was reading the orders from his clipboard. As he finally got down to the W's, he shouted "Walters, Woods ... you two clowns are headed to seaman apprenticeship training at Naval Station Long Beach, CA ... for further transfer to the USS Long Beach (CGN-9)." Alan Woods, my bunk mate and I, much to our chagrin, were destined to become "skimmers" ... deck apes ... black shoes ... swab jockeys! My first reaction, I wanted to seek out, find, and choke the very life out of my lying recruiter! He had "promised" me an Aviation "A" school ... something in aviation anyway. Oh well ... Woods and I finally settled in to the stark reality of things and began joking about it. "Could be worse I guess ... could become Bubble Heads!"

The next day, Saturday ... was Family Picnic Day for our Company. Those who could make it to Orlando, could come visit their new recruit at the picnic grounds. Since the day we first met, Alan had always been yammering something about his Dad being a lifer in the Navy. This was information I could care less about at the time, I was just trying to get through basic training. Saturday morning, Alan extends the invitation to me to come along and meet his folks and his high school sweetie, Bunny! That sounded much better than sitting in the barracks all morning waiting to become the target of some rogue Chief Petty Officer from Battalion. Lead on ...

As we sat on the picnic table waiting for Alan's family to arrive, he told me again how his dad was a lifer in the Navy ... this time though ... I distinctly heard him say, "He's a Master Chief Ordnanceman." At this point in basic training,

it's a reflex action, I popped tall as AOCM Woods, bececked in his Khaki Long uniform strolled toward us. All I saw was that Master Chief's crow and what seemed like at least two dozen hash marks and a chest full of ribbons. Alan ran toward his girlfriend. Abandoned by my shipmate, I stood there at attention, holding a salute, waiting for the Master Chief to either return it, or to tell me to drop and give him twenty! Up until this point, I had only seen one Master Chief. Several weeks previous, I recall a small figure of a man, on stage during the welcome aboard indoctrination. Here now, my second encounter with a Master Chief. Only this one is fairly large and he is standing right in front of me ... and he wants to shake my hand. Frankly, I didn't know whether to defecate in my skivvies, or wind my wrist watch. He spoke, "How you doing shipmate?" Alan momentarily broke the lip lock between himself and Bunny, long enough to introduce me to his family. I cautiously dropped my salute and shook AOCM Woods' hand.

After the exchange of pleasantries, I recall relaxing a wee bit. Strange, the Master Chief seemed almost like a real proud father. His eyes looked over his son Alan, stem to stem and beamed with parental-like approval. "Alan," the Master Chief boomed. Alan, still playing tonsil tag with Bunny, breaks long enough to appease his father. The Master Chief then asks him, "So, what did you get for orders?" Alan explained to him that he and I were continuing our Navy trek together out to Long Beach. Shortly after absorbing the news of our orders, what could only be described as a scowl, came across the Master Chief's face. A moment later, the Master Chief abruptly stood, looked over at us and said, "Stay here with the women, I'll be back directly." Master Chief Woods, departing!

Alan immediately reengaged his attack on his girlfriend's tonsils ... I was left at the picnic table to chat with Mrs. Woods. Now, up to this point in my short life, I had spent 18 years in suburbia Detroit. My only exposure to a true Southern Belle had come from the one time I was forced to watch "Gone with the Wind" with my mother. We had only the one TV set ... and she had called dibs that night I digress.

Mrs. Blanche Jane Woods; the Master Chief's bride, Alan's mother ... was, without question, one of the sweetest, Southern Belles I had ever met ... to this very day. She was a beautiful woman. As memory serves, she was born in Miami, Florida ... She told me she went by Jane, but her first name was Blanche. (Note to self ... Mrs. Woods) She was such a sweet lady ... I was completely taken by her charm and her incredibly delectable southern drawl. When she spoke, she would start with this lilting sigh ... and more times than not, the first word to cross her lips was "well," followed by a short pause afterward as she would finish her

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2014 SYMPOSIUM & CONVENTION PLANNING MEETINGS

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Join Us in the Majestic Suite

The Symposium Meeting is Friday, 17 January at 1400 The Convention Meeting is Saturday, 18 January at 0900.

The planning meetings are held to finalize details/plans for that year's Events.

Everyone is welcome!



VA-37 Raging Bulls Ordnance Shop, Circa 1988



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sigh. Not only that, her enunciation of the word came out in two syllables. It came out more to the sound of "wayell," completely immersed in a very southern, lady-like sigh. It was the most pleasant, soothing voice I had ever heard. Talking with Mrs. Woods that day had such a calming effect on me ... for a moment, it almost felt like I wasn't in basic training. It wasn't long after when I officially adopted Mrs. Woods as my Southern Mother. I loved her dearly and miss her something awful. God took her home far too early. She passed away October 23, 1998. She is sorely missed.

Across the picnic grounds I see the Master Chief returning. I have only just met the man this day, but can't help notice the look on his face ... the cat definitely had eaten the canary. I had no idea what was going on. So, I waited for Alan to say something. "Where'd you go Dad?" asked Alan. The Master Chief still had on his mug, what could only be described as "perma-grin." He sat there grinning for what seemed like an eternity. Finally, he speaks ... "You boys aren't going to the Long Beach." I couldn't vouch for Alan, but I was now totally confused. Master Chief Woods speaks again, "Alan, you're staying right here after graduation and attending Personnelman "A" school over at NTC Orlando ... and you (he points this huge finger at me) you're coming up to Jacksonville with me and attending AO "A" school." I suddenly feel myself starting to grin ... then it hits me ... so I ask the Master Chief, "Excuse me, but what's AO "A" school sir?" To which he responds, "Don't worry, you'll like it ... I know, I'm the Leading Chief of AO "B" school." Sounded good to me ... this has to be better than becoming a deck ape on the Long Beach. And Master Chief Woods wasn't wrong ... from day one I knew this was where I was destined to be.

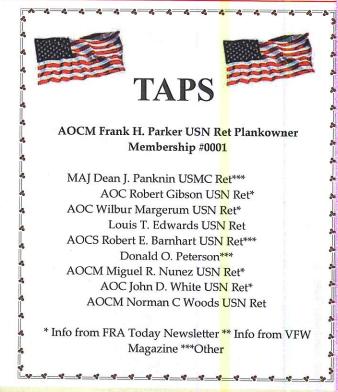
When I arrived in Jacksonville, I spent the weekend at the Woods residence, hanging out with Alan. On Monday morning, Master Chief Woods drove me to NAS Jax, dropped me off at the NATTC quarterdeck. The Woods family had become my southern family. Hard to believe that was over forty years ago. Throughout those forty one years, the Master Chief beat the living daylights out of the Navy's retirement system, (a feat I should be so lucky to duplicate) Alan completed his Navy career, retired and returned home to Jacksonville. I completed my Navy career, retired and made Jacksonville my home.

Over the decades, we have had our ups and downs as most family members will, yet through it all, I am proud to say we have maintained a friendship to this very day that was born and nurtured in a family in the United States Navy and Aviation Ordnancemen. Master Chief Woods ... thank you for all you've ever done ... taking care of your son's shipmate and making him an Ordie ... and thank you for

showing me how things are done in the Aviation Ordnance community. May God bless you, and IYAOYAS!

Respectfully,

Patrick A. Walters CWO4 USN (ret)







Greetings Fellow Ordies,

On March 5th 2013 USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) reestablished its chapter of the Association of Ordnancemen with the election of Officers and Board of Trustee Members. Chapter 71 had been dormant since TR entered the shipyards for her mid-life overhaul in 2009. After a lengthy absence we are finally back. The elected Officers are as follows; President: AO1 (AW/SW) Jason Miller, Vice-President: AO1 (AW/SW) Devin Thompson, Treasurer: AO2 (AW/SW) Joi Scavella and Secretary: AO1(AW/SW) Jonathan Masangcay and PAO AO1 (AW) Emmanuel Zapata. Board of Trustees is as follows; AOCS Timberlain Woodruff, AOC James Stafford, AOC Claude Markham and AOC Robert Eidson.

The Association started with a few membership drives and t-shirt sales to get us going and on June 6, 2013 we participated in a COMREL at Norfolk's Botanical Gardens. Chapter 71 also raised over \$500.00 for a fellow Ordie, AO1 Cook who has been hospitalized in San Diego. We look forward to seeing you all back in the fleet in the near future.

Rough Rider Ordnance President AO1 (AW/SW) Jason Miller

CHAPTER 21

Every year the Relay for Life Cancer Association does a Cancer awareness walk in Fallon, NV. Teams pay to enter the event and raise money on behalf of there team to go toward the cancer association. It becomes a contest which team raises the most money. The walk last for 24hrs, During the walk each team must have a member on the track at all times during the event, so each team splits up a schedule to take turns walking. For the past Five years NMC CWD DET FALLON has had a team "THE BB STACKER'S" and participated in this event. The past two years the AAO Chapter 21 has donated \$150.00 to "BB STACKER'S" team. This year Chapter 21 decided to team up with the "BB STACKER" combined our efforts as AO's. We also wanted to donated more money on behalf the team and be a sponsor for the Relay for Life

event, sponsors pay \$150.00 to get a spot on the T-shirt. So Chapter 21 set a goal earlier this year in March. Our goal was to triple that amount. We did a Spaghetti/ Beer Pong tournament the 12th of March and then scheduled a Gas and Glass in June right before the Walk. With them two events combined we meet our goal and a little more, \$500.00 total. We are going to be a sponsor for the event and put the rest towards are team. Once again Chapter 21 went above and beyond.

On 25th of June, 2011 at the Junior High here in the little town of Fallon, NV at 3p.m we kick off our RELAY FOR LIFE Cancer Walk. The whole town and the different teams came together and combined there efforts to this great cause of fighting cancer. A special ceremony that touched my heart kicked this event off, they recognized all the Survivors who had beaten this thing called cancer. This gave others hope, hope to fight and hope to one day find a cure.

The walking commenced from 3p.m and didn't not stop till 9 a.m. Sunday morning. This event was a great time to meet the survivors hear there stories and sharing similar stories of loosing a loved one to cancer. Young and old, we all walked that day joined together to make a difference in someone's life. Our mission walking that day was to remember the loved ones we lost to cancer, remember how we beat cancer and hope that one day they will find a cure for cancer.

Combined efforts of the "BB STACKER'S" team we raised all together a little over \$700.00. With the combined efforts of our team and the great City of Fallon that day we raised well over \$50,000. This is a great accomplishment.

I just want to say thanks to all who volunteered there time at the Relay for Life that day and a special thanks to all who volunteered there time to the many fundraisers we held to raise money for this event, without your help we could not have met our goal. You all should be proud you "GAVE EM HELL" and made a difference.

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

AAO CHAPTER 21 PRESIDENT AO2 GINA M MIDDAUGH NMC CWD DET FALLON





Greeting from Chapter 8!!

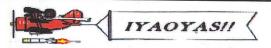
Fellow Ordies! As the end of the summer approaches, Chapter 8 hopes everyone had a chance to enjoy some fun in the sun! As the holidays approaches we wish those Ordies across the seas deployed happy holidays and be safe putting warheads on foreheads! Chapter 8 has been at it again consistently cleaning up the community with the "adopt the highway" program on the Silver Strand between Imperial Beach and Coronando. The walk on the 7th of September 2013 went outstanding and the burger burn at the VFW on Coronado was a huge success afterwards. Come join us for our next walk soon!

Chapter 8 came out and showed some support in honoring AOC Scott; the AAO of the Year on board the USS ESSEX on September 6th 2013 at an all hands quarters with the Commanding Officer. Again job well done AOC! We also will honoring Jim Saxons Retirement on September 28 2013. Jim has devoted 47 ½ years of LOYAL ORDIE service to the ordnance community. Keep in touch Jim, from the bottom of our hearts we appreciate your sacrifices and everything that you have done for us to date.

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





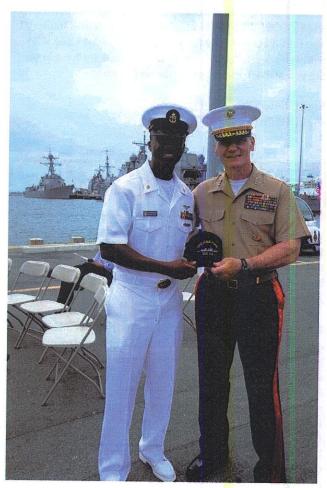
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AOC Raymond Scott and LGEN Toolan at the USS John Finn ship naming ceremony





GREETINGS TO ALL FROM CHAPTER 75 (TEAM TRUMAN ORDIES AND CAG 3),

First off I would like to start off with a moment of silence for all the victims of 9/11 and all the Sailors, Soldiers, and Marines who paid the ultimate sacrifice

defending this great country of ours!

We have had a very productive year both on and off duty after logging over 1000 hours of volunteer work and raising over 70K for CHIP. Before we headed out for our deployment, we had a new chain of command check in, welcoming the new Gun Boss-CDR Kremer, new OHO-LCDR Bell, new DLCPO-AOCM Maye, new Ships Gunner- LT Lehosky, and new G-3 Gunner- LT Conyer. Since being deployed, we have on-loaded a total of 455 tons of ordnance in value of 388 million dollars from three different ships, the USNS McLean, USS Nimitz, and USNS Arctic (see attached photos). It was a total team effort with Weapons, Air department, along with HSM-74 Swamp Foxes, and HSC-7 Dusty Dogs, working together to get the job done safely and efficiently. We have been operating in the 5th fleet AOR doing what we train to do! This deployment will be a long one and we are looking forward to taking the bull by the horns. Our first stop was France, which was a great time seeing the Eiffel Tower. We just had a very successful meeting and invited VFA-32, VFA-37, HSC-7, VAQ-130, and HSM-74 to join us in Bahrain as we will be doing some good COM-REL's and having an AAO BBQ Bash! We will send photos in for the next Red Shirt. Hope all is well, take care of your sailors, and continue to Give em' HELL! In closing we would like to give a shout out/ Bravo Zulu to all below for the following -

A HUGE CONGRATS TO ALL NEW CPO SELECTEES! CONGRATS TO USS HST ISOO's

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CONGRATS TO RED SHIRT OF THE MONTH

AOAN(AW/SW) ZAPOR - August

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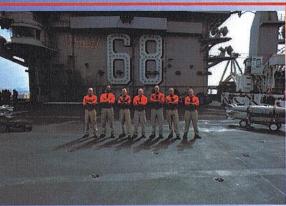
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Kevin Meagher, Pat Walters, CAPT Al Dean, Tim Carroll, Billy Crews at CAPT Al Deans Change of Command, Pensacola, FL









A bunch or Ordies in Crestview, FL







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