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AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR



From the President

As I write this I reflect back on a wonderful week we had in Reno at the convention this year and of all the work and fun involved in making it such a great event. First of all I would like to say thanks to George Adams and his committee for the work and efforts they made that is transparent to everyone else but results in a great convention. Thanks George! I would also like to thank our guest speaker this year RADM Mike Bowman from the Office of Legislative Affairs in Washington, DC. For those of you that were unable to attend this years convention you missed quite a treat not being able to meet and share time

with RADM Bowman and his wife Dally true friends of all Aviation Ordnancemen. A very special note was received by me from the Admiral and is in this newsletter, thanks Admiral we will be looking forward to seeing you again next year.

As for this years awards, another year of great committees that put in hours of dedicated work in selecting our awardees. Its a good feeling to be able to sit on our committees and see the outstanding packages we received on the best of the best ordies and believe me it isn't easy to sit on the committees and have to make a choice, but with groups like the AO of the Year committee we had a total of 409 years of experience sitting in and that consisted of active duty and retired USN, USMC officer and enlisted personnel. Our selectees this year were;

Aviation Ordnanceman of the Year

AO1 (AW) Lawrence P. Grabiell, USS SARATOGA CV-60

First Runner-Up

SGT Stephen M. Schleiker, USMC, VMFA-312

Second Runner-Up

AO1 (AW) Brian Paul Wilson, VA-115

Scholarship Winners

Jeffery Mills

Lance Smith

Ren'ee Richards

Also, inducted into the Hall of Fame this year were two well deserving individuals that are by no means strangers to the AO community and they are AOC(Ret) Bob Biddle and CDR(Ret) Delbert Oakes, Congratulations!

This was also an election year as it is every year and this year we elected a new Secretary/Treasurer, CWO-4(Ret) Billy Earl now living in Montana. I know that Billy will do a great job and an asset to the Association. I must take time to express my sincere appreciation to Jerry Gannon and his wife Kathy for so many years have always been around to answer the mail no matter what it took I could write pages to express my thanks but they would only be

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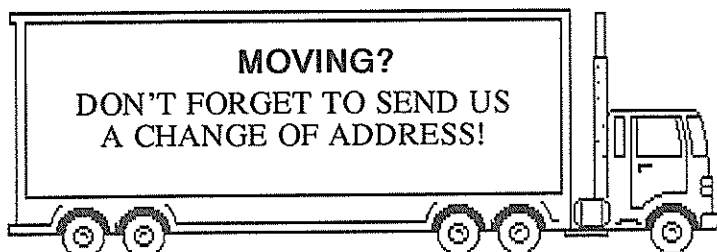
words and not enough. Thanks Jerry and Kathy we love you and are looking forward to a wonderful convention next year in St. Louis. We also elected two new board of directors, Dave Moore for Gary Buse and Tony Gonzalas for Dave Michel. I would also like to thank Gary and Dave for their hard work and dedication.

The AO calendar after some discussion will not be available next year as the participation was not sufficient enough to continue the effort however, I know 365 people hate to see it go.

I would also like to welcome aboard the Kuwait Chapter of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen as I know you will be a hard working chapter and an asset to the Association.

In closing I would like to express my appreciation to all the members as I get a chance to make chapter meetings across the country as I travel with CNAP and you are all carrying the banner well don't let up. Also start thinking about the convention next year in St. Louis at the Westport Holiday Inn (314) 434-0100 or 1 800-holiday and mention the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen to get our rates. This would be a good time to fit the convention in with visiting with friends and relatives on the way from the east or west coast hope to see you their next year.

Gary Laun
President



Triple A O's News

The Auxiliary to the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen was established in 1991 with 36 original members. There are 70 plankowners and the membership comprised of both men and women now totals 117. New members who joined during this year's convention are Jamie Lachney, Gail Colley, Otheda Hill, Denise Walecki and Jenifer Englehart. We welcome them warmly and know that they will become an integral part of the AAAO's.

The Auxiliary functions under the same guidelines as each local AO chapter with it's main objective being to promote and support the National Association. To that end the Auxiliary contributed a total of \$750.00 to the Scholarship fund during the convention. This donation along with the other generous donations enabled the Association to increase the Scholarships from \$750 to \$850 for three deserving individuals. Our goal is to increase the scholarships to \$1000.00 per award.

We want to acknowledge and thank Linda Scott, who

personally made all the red notebook covers that were sold as fund-raisers and who, along with her husband built the waste basket that was auctioned off during the banquet. Bravo to Kate Sawyer who selected a statue of the patron saint of Ordnancemen during her visit to Santa Barbara, CA and donated the statue and several Santa Barbara medals that were raffled off. Last but not least thank you to Kathy Gannon who donated souvenir pens that were sold. All proceeds from sales, raffle and auction went to the Scholarship fund. We would also like to thank Billy Harkins, from Chapter 9 in Jacksonville, FL, who auctioned off his prize and to Admiral Bowman for taking it home. We hope to utilize auctioneer Harkins talents during next years convention!

During the convention several auxiliary members spoke about what they are doing at chapter levels to support the Association. Many AAAO's attend the monthly chapter meetings and help by standing side-by-side with the AO's doing highway trash pickups, "manning booths" at airshows and (of course) doing fun activities like flipping burgers at AO picnics.

In San Diego we are collecting small bars of soap, shampoos, cream rinses, mending kits, tooth brushes and other assorted goodies picked up during hotel stays and donating them to the battered women's shelter. In this small way we are doing something for the community in the Auxiliary's name.

Also during the convention the AAAO's decided to have "Secret Pals." If you're an Auxiliary member and would like to be a secret pal please send your name, address, birthday, anniversary and some general information on likes and dislikes to Susette Roberts, 487 E. Spruce Ave, Lemoore, CA 93245. She will in turn send you your "Secret Pal" who will not be revealed until the 1994 convention in St Louis.

Finally we want to thank our outgoing VP, Bev Onken, for doing such a fantastic job and being such an extraordinary person. Many thanks also go to Kate Sawyer and Susette Roberts, outgoing board members.

The current Officers of the Auxiliary are: Kathy Gannon, President; Betty Clark, Vice-President; Mary Ann Laun, Secretary/Treasurer; Dottie Underwood, Chaplain. The Board of Directors are: B.J. O'Dell, Elaine Southerland, Ethel M. Foster, Shirley Bushta, Cyndy Sassone, and Beth Kershnik.

As stated before, the Auxiliary is made up of both men and women, all are welcome to join the AAAO's, mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles, sisters, brothers, et al -- dues are \$10.00 per year. You can also give a membership as a gift. To join just clip and send:

Mary Ann Laun
AAAO's Sec/Treas

Kathy Gannon
AAAO's President



Chapter 1 Lemoore, CA

Things have been quiet here at Lemoore since most of the squadrons are on det or cruise. VFA-137/151 brought the "Connie" to San Diego from the east coast. CVW-11 with VFA-22 and VFA-94 deployed on cruise aboard the 'Lincoln' and CVW-9 with VFA-146 and VFA-147 aboard the 'Nimitz' are returning from cruise. We're glad to have them back and wish CVW-11/CV-72 a safe cruise.

Our Wing Ordnance Officer, Lynn Swangin was selected for LCDR. Congratulations to Lynn.

The Lemoore Strike Fighter community was very proud to have nine First Class Petty Officers selected for Chief. Congratulations to AOC Craighead, AOC Gilvarry, AOC Harris, AOC Horner, AOC Miller, AOC Nanstiel, AOC Peña, AOC Salicido, AOC Williamson, and AOC Wright.

We also picked up a new Gunner at AIMD. Welcome back to LT Waylon Williams who relieved Gunner Brian Schwandt. We lost Gunner Schwandt to CVW-5 aboard the 'Indy'.

We conducted our highway walkdown and now the road in front of the base looks great again. We also sponsored little league teams again this year and the team did very well. Some of our guys even coached a few teams. GREAT JOB!

Finally, Chapter 1 has their annual picnic 28 August 1993 at the Lions Club in Laton, CA. If you need tickets or information, Mark Sawyer is the picnic chairman. The start time is 1200 - until? If you happen to be in the area, stop by, you are all welcome.

Chuck Onken
Chapter 1 Board of Directors



Chapter 3 Whidbey Island, WA



Chapter 3 is proud to announce that meeting attendance is up and so is the energy within the membership. The membership drive we took on seems to be paying off. There have been many new faces at meetings and Chapter functions. We would like to welcome all of the new members. Each one of you brings talent and experience to our ranks.

The Chapter has been busy with administrative chores this quarter. We have revised our Chapter by-laws, and adopted an official logo. We have selected a safety committee chairman and began to focus more time at our meetings on purely ordnance related items.

The annual Chapter 3 picnic is scheduled for 21 August. We would like to extend an invitation to all local and visiting Ordnancemen, their families, and friends to attend. We have put in a requisition for good weather but in Whidbey that is

always somewhat of a gamble. What ever the weather, a good time is guaranteed for all that show up.

We held our bi-monthly Adopt-a-Highway road clean up in May. All of our efforts on this program do not go without notice. The Chapter 3 Membership received a letter of appreciation from the Washington Department of Transportation for continued efforts on the Adopt-A-Highway program. Thanks to all of our members for their participation. Our next clean up is scheduled for 24 July.

The Chapter members also participated in the recent Earth Day Clean Up. For these efforts the Washington State Department of Ecology presented the Chapter with another letter of appreciation for the Chapters participation. Once again, a well done to all of the members that participated.

A special congratulations to AO1 Lennon, as Chapter Three's selection for AO of the Year this year.

Chapter 3 would like to welcome back AOC (RET) Bob Biddle. Bob was a member of the Chapter many years ago and was finally hunted down by Dave Michele for recruitment back to an active member status.

A little more than just an old member returning, Bob was nominated and subsequently inducted to the AO Hall Of Fame. Dave Michele researched Bob's distinguished and decorated career, put the nomination package together, and presented it at the National Convention.

Congratulations to WO3 (RET) Billy Earl for being elected as the Nationals Secretary/Treasurer. Billy is an active member in Chapter 3 here at Whidbey, but we do understand why he doesn't make the commute from Montana for our monthly meetings.

The annual Whidbey Island Sea-and-Sky Fest has come and gone once again. As usual the airshow was great and we got a chance to experience a Whidbey summer. Both days were in the 80's and the skies were blue. The Chapter acquired a space and sold Ordnance memorabilia. Thanks to those that donated their time and effort to running the booth. Every little bit helps.

Again the down sizing of the DOD forces has hit Whidbey Island. We would like to take a moment to wish our fellow Ordies in VA-145 and VAQ-35, fair winds and following seas. These two squadrons will be decommissioned as of October this year.

Congratulations to A01 Dain Costlow for being selected as the MAWSPAC Instructor of the Quarter.

The following Chapter 3 members have made it over the major hump and have been selected for AOC. John Desormeaux, Carl Fargon, and Victor Lennon. Congratulations to all selectees and a hearty job well done.

A special congratulations to all of the new and advanced Petty Officers within the Chapters ranks. The list is just to long to publish but you know who you are, and what it took to put the new stripe on. Pat yourself on the back. Advancements in today's Navy are getting harder and harder. It just goes to show the dedication and efforts are worth it.

And finally, welcome home to our members from VA-165 and VAQ-138. Another safe and successful deployment has come to an end. Now is the time to enjoy your families, friends, and the Great Northwest. Welcome back.

Mike Weare
Chapter 3

Chapter 4 Tidewater, VA

Greetings to all Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, from your fellow ordies of Chapter 4. Well, the 18th Annual Association of Aviation Ordnancemen's Convention in Reno is now history and was a very successful and busy event. Congratulations to a Chapter 4 member, CDR Del Oakes USN (Ret) for his selection into the Association's Hall of Fame, he is well deserving of being inducted into this elite group.

There were a lot of changes discussed and approved during the convention and I'm sure they will be noted by the President or Secretary Treasurer in their articles. There was one significant decision that effects Chapter 4 and that is the Board of Directors to allow the Chapter 4 extension in Kuwait to form their own chapter. They will soon become Chapter 26, the 26 denoting two dates; in 1926 the establishment of the Aviation Ordnance rating and February 26, 1991 the date Kuwait was liberated from Iraqi control. When Chapter 26 is established Chapter 4 will lose 40 or so member. However, the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen will gain a strong, well organized chapter which is very, very involved in community affairs in Kuwait.

I'm honored to report that Chapter 4 donated \$443.00 to the Association's scholarship fund at the convention. The auxiliary should also be commended for their efforts in raising \$750.00 for the scholarship fund and a Bravo Zulu to all the other chapters for their donations. I must single out LCDR Don Howard USN (Ret) for his hardwork and the time he donated during Chapter 4's fund raising efforts for the scholarship fund. Revised scholarship applications should be in my hands by mid september so I can get them out to Chapter 4 members, as necessary. I must select what the Scholarship Committee Chairman, CDR Floyd English, stated: there were only fourteen applications submitted for 1993, same as 1992. With the Association's membership strength and Chapter 4's size, surely more applications can be submitted for next year's scholarships. Let's get hot on this!

Congratulations go out to all the AOC selectees, Chapter 4 has four members that were selected for Chief Aviation Ordnanceman, they are:

AO1 Kenny Odum COMNAVSURFLANT
AO1 Chris Perkins NAMTGD 4032
AO1 Mike Ray VA-42
AO1 Dale Swarz NAMTGD 4032

Well Done Chiefs!

The following Chief Petty Officers were recently commissioned to Ensign: Al Wooten on 1 April and Tom Behne on 1

July, congratulations and smooth sailing on USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN-73) and USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67).

Chapter 4's Fourth Annual Family Picnic will have already taken place when this article goes to print. We are expecting a large turnout on 14 August at the NAS Ocean picnic grounds. For the kids we'll have the "moon walk" bubble and lots of games and prizes. For the adults the Dunk Tank, I think a lot of ORDIES will get a fresh water wash down this day.

In September we hope to welcome home the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71) with her embarked airwing (CVW-8) and squadrons, also, the USS SAIPAN (LHA-2). With both ships and the airwing, we'll be welcoming home a lot of Chapter 4 members.

Red Shirt Ranch II in April was an overwhelming success, with great weather and sixty-five 'Happy Campers'. The food was excellent and plenty of it Kudos to the hard working camp cooks Don Howard, Tom Williams, and Stevie Marcel. Thanks to Dawn Crosby for the great job organizing it. There was one real happy camper, Bill Pierce, has anyone seen him yet or is he still lost in the woods at Camp Seneca? Red Shirt Ranch III will take place 17,18 & 19 September, hope we have good weather and that our chapter President, Max Snock, finds a camp site with electricity this time. Camp Seneca is located on 144 Princess Anne Road and less than a mile from the North Carolina line. Make your reservations now and if you need more info call Stu Carson 468-9249. Hopefully 'Roosy' and 'Saipan' ordies will be back in time for "Ranch III".

On 29 July Chapter 4 will be the recipient of a special achievement award by the Mayor of Virginia Beach, VA at an awards breakfast at the Galilee Episcopal Church. Of the 200 groups/organizations involved in cleanups that are invited, only 40 groups are to receive the special achievement awards for their outstanding Highway, Beach, River, etc. clean-up efforts and we are proud that Chapter 4 is one of those groups. Dawn Crosby, our 'FOD' walkdown coordinator will accept the award. Her Honor, the Mayor, Mrs Meyera Oberndorf is getting quite familiar with our organization as this will be the third award she has presented us with. The first two were through VFW 392 for our outstanding support of Veterans and involvement in community affairs for both 1992 and 1993. Our selection for this year's special achievement was by the Clean Community Commission and the City of Virginia Beach Landscaping Department.

Chapter 4 meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 1900 in VFW Post 392 in Virginia Beach, every month is a recruiting month for the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, come on out and join up!

A special thanks to VFW Post 392 for paying the rent on the Dunk Tank for the August 14th Family Picnic. It is also time to join the VFW and support their worthy causes as with our Association, they are a solid organization doing a lot of good in the community and Veterans affairs.

Stu Carson
Chapter 4 Secretary/Treasurer

Chapter 8 San Diego, CA

Hello from Chapter 8! We hope everyone had a great time at this year's convention. Chapter 8 would also like to welcome home to our shipmates on the USS Constellation (CV-64), we look forward to seeing you at our next Chapter meeting.

Our Chapter Vice-President Ken Heidt has orders to Long Beach, so we will be electing a new Vice-President at our next meeting. Farewell Ken, thanks for your support and the best of luck to you. Chapter 8 would like to thank Maryanne Laun of the Auxiliary for attending our last meeting on July 1st and giving us an up-date on their current activities, her presence was most welcome.

The 'Holiday basket' time is just around the corner so Chapter 8 will soon be busy collecting food and donations for needy families in the AO community. This seems to be our most productive time of the year. I never knew an ordie with a small heart.

Attendance is improving at our meetings. Still a lot of shipmates we haven't seen in awhile. So come on down the first Thursday of the month at 1900, at the Fleet Reserve Branch 61, 288 3rd Ave, Chula Vista, CA. See you there!!

Ken Eubanks
Chapter 8 President

Chapter 9 Jacksonville, FL

Hello again from Chapter 9. As we enter the hot, dog days of summer, in the midst of the hurricane season, we here in the Jacksonville area have to be thankful that we have been spared the devastation of the past year and certainly our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone who has suffered so severely.

Having missed the monthly meetings in May and June due to school, vacation, and the wonderful AAO Convention. I'm not fully aware of all that happened at the meetings. I did find out that the attendance was considerably less than the 40 to 50 members usually in attendance. So for July we put the "phone tree" back into business and as a result we had 38 members present.

Congratulations to all the 101 Ordies recently selected to the rank of Chief Petty Officer. In reviewing the Chapter 9 roster I found out that we need to do more recruiting as there was a number of names of prospective Chiefs on the list of personnel in this area who are not members of our Association or Chapter. We recognized our members Steve Declue, Robert Neenan, Tom Parmley and Joel Richards were selected and doubled our congratulations to Toni Molick and Lawrence Grabiell. In addition to their selection to Chief, Toni was married to Chapter 9 member Gerald Suarez in June, and Grabiell was selected as the AO of the Year at the National Convention.

Congratulations to Terry Shreiner of Chapter 9, who along with Larry Hurst and Mike Porter were selected to the

rank of Commander this year.

Speaking of the Convention, my wife and I would like to send personal "Thank You's" to all the committees who worked so hard to put this event together. We certainly had a wonderful time and look forward to seeing everyone again next year in St Louis.

In the spirit of giving, and taking care of our own, we voted at this month's meeting to donate \$100.00 to the Navy Relief Society.

July also proved to be the last month our Vice-President, John Burgess will be with us. John is being transferred to VP-16 and will be deploying soon, so CWO4 Lee Gyrion will be filling in as VP for the remainder of John's term. We will surely miss John as he has really been active in all the activities of this chapter.

Bob Hall
Chapter 9 PAO

Chapter 68 USS NIMITZ (CVN-68)

Greetings from the ordies in the Gulf! WE are getting ready to wind up our mission and pass the responsibilities over to the Lincoln and start heading for home. Even with our busy schedule we managed to find time to celebrate the Aviation Ordnancemen's birthday. We were fortunate and had representatives from every ordnance division and squadron onboard able to participate. CDR Hopper, ship's XO, was the guest speaker and elaborated on the awesome responsibility and incredible job we ordies do throughout the Navy. The Gun Boss, CDR Oshiro 'an ordie at heart', gave a pat on the back for the Ordies of the Nimitz Nine team and expressed how pleased he was with the outstanding job Nimitz Ordnancemen have done in the past year.

We recently said good-bye to AOC George Batterman. George gave up the goat and decided to retire in April. He retired in Muskogee, OK. By the way George if read this, please let us know what your real address is.

Welcome aboard to LT Mitch Heskett (OHO), AO1 Paul Woods, AO1 Rolando Santos and AO3(AW) Dennis Poplewell.

Congratulations to AOCS(AW) Harry Marion who advanced to Senior Chief, AOC(AW) Marc Simon and AO1(AW) Scott Palumbo who were selected for LDO commissions to Ensign, and to AOC(AW) Mike Zimmerman who was selected for CWO2.

Mike Zimmerman
Chapter 68 Secretary/Treasurer

Chapter 72 "Abe's Ordies"

Greetings from the greatest ordnance factory, the world has ever known. Our old slave master, Teddy Baby (OHO), has us primed and ready to meet any and all challenges put forth by slum lord Saddam. As we take our honored place as the only show in town, we are ready and willing to show

our wares in the finest tradition of weaponeers everywhere.

On the serious side, we would like to congratulate the following members of our brotherhood on their recent promotions and retirements.

First Class: AO1 Matthew Dillon
Second Class: AO2 Maurice Perkins
Third Class: AO3 Cary Campbell
AO3 Sean Cortrite
AO3 Lonnie Eldridge
AO3 William Kempster
AO3 Kevin King
AO3 Bradley Pate

And The Bigger Winner: AOC(AW) John J. Boyle (ME)!!

Retirees: AOCS Robert Fugate
AOC Mike Kisler
AO1 Guy Allonby

Now, back to business. All you old, run down, geritol drinking, sea story telling, washed up khaki wearing no loads, move over because the new breed is in town.

AOC(AW) J.J. Boyle
Chapter 72 Ex-President

Chapter S-87 Millington, TN

Greetings from Millington, TN. This past quarter has been a busy one for Chapter S-87. We had our first annual weekend camp out at Navy Lake 13-15 August. Everyone who could make it out had a great time. Mr Al Sargent showed the younger Ordies why experience pays off. He was declared the ringer champion in the horseshoe pit.

We are also officially members of the Adopt-A-Highway program, with our first FOD walkdown August 28.

Welcome aboard to AOCS John Plummer, who recently transferred from USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) to NAM-TRAGRU here in Millington.

M. Gramolini
President Chapter S-87

From the Outgoing Secretary/Treasurer

It has been a pleasure working with you over the years, but the time has come to pass the job along. Effective 1 September 1993 CWO4 Billy Earl, USN/Ret, has assumed the office and duties of Secretary/Treasurer. As such all correspondence, renewals, etc., should be sent to Billy. Please give Billy your support and cooperation that you have given Kathy and I over the years. Billy's mailing address is:

Billy Earl
145 North Kootenia Creek
Stevensville, MT 59870
Phone (406) 777-5499

I am not completely disappearing (your not that lucky), I am the 1994 Convention Chairman. The Convention will be

held in St. Louis, MO the 3rd weekend of June (16th through the 19th at the Westport Plaza Holiday Inn). Get the word out, there are a lot of sights and sounds to be seen in St. Louis. If you think by coming to St. Louis, you might miss the opportunity to gamble, THINK AGAIN. In St. Louis and St. Charles as well in other surrounding areas we have Riverboat gambling. Get back to the old times when Riverboat gambling was the only gambling in the States. Make your plans early, bring the family and plan on attending the 1994 Convention/Symposium. The theme for 1994 is "MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS ORDIE, MEET ME AT THE BAR". We will finish the song when you get there.

Respectfully,
Kathy and Jerry Gannon



Vice-President Speaks



The convention was, again, a great success. Thanks to George Adams, Jim Thomas, and the committee. Subject again, MEMBERSHIP in the Association. We all need to recruit new members and sign up old members that have dropped out or behind in their membership dues. The Association is only as strong as its membership. You LDO, CWO and E-7, E-8 and E-9 need to support the Association and talk to your people about it. The AO of the Year has been a big boost to the rate and given us all a great deal of visibility. Community functions have also been a big success. You all can be proud of being Aviation Ordnance-men/women. The best rate in the Navy and Marine Corps. Without your support and membership, the Association will not prosper. The following is the status of the Association membership as 1 July 1993:

Honorary Members 30
Lifetime Members 201
Members in grace period 476
Members in good standing 1493
Total Membership 2200

AAO Calendars. We are looking for the following people so we can give them a check. Please contact Dave Moore or myself at NAS Lemoore (209) 998-3561/3567 if you know these people: LT Mark Gautreaux, last known to be in VFA-147 and Brynn Avila, last known to live in Hanford, CA. Chapter 1 will not be putting out a calendar next year, so if any Chapter is interested, they should contact President Gary Laun or myself for more information.

Reunion Books. Pictures from the convention have been mailed. The form that you can order pictures from has a block to order the reunion book. Cost \$12.00. There is also a reunion book order form in this newsletter.

NOTICE. We are looking for anyone who knows what happened to the paperwork and records from Chapter 12, NAS Cubi Pt, RP. If you have any information, contact the Secretary/Treasurer Billy Earle or myself.

It's your Association and a very good one. **LET'S ALL SUPPORT IT!**

Chuck Onken
Vice-President

Association of Aviation Ordnancemen 1993 General Business Meeting

President, CDR Gary L. Laun, called the 1993 Association of Aviation Ordnancemen General Business meeting to order at 0904 hours 19 June 1993 at the Sands Regency Hotel Casino in Reno Nevada, and led the general membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chaplain Ronald W. Bushta AOCM (RET), offered the opening prayer.

The general membership remained standing while the recording 'Mama Please Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Ordies' was played. The song received an enthusiastic round of applause.

There were 60 registered members in attendance. The registration list is enclosure (1) to these minutes.

Following the opening ceremonies the President commented on these general subjects:

1. Thanked everyone for attending the convention and stated that there was an excellent turnout last night at the AAO social. Also notified the membership that tickets were still available for the evening Awards Banquet.
2. Pointed out to the attendees what printed general information was available to them:
 - a. Copies of the 1992 General Business Meeting Minutes
 - b. Copies of the 1992 - 1993 Financial Report
3. Thanked the 1993 Convention Chairman CWO-4 George Adams, USN/Ret, his committee, and Jim and Carol Thomas for their tremendous effort and accomplishments for The Association in making the superb arrangements for this years convention.

Secretary/Treasurer, Gerald F. Gannon read the synopsis of the 1992 General Business Meeting. He reported that the minutes of the 1993 General Business Meeting had been published in 'The Red Shirt' #46 and that additional copies were available on the tables. After reading the synopsis the President asked if there were any corrections or deletions required. No corrections or deletions were required. A motion was made to accept the published copy of the 1992 General Business Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer read the 1992-1993 financial report. He first explained The Association's banking and how funds were distributed. A motion was made to accept the financial report as read and provided, the motion was seconded and approved unanimously. The 1992-1993 Financial Report is Enclosure (2) to these minutes.

1993 CONVENTION REPORT: Jim Thomas gave a verbal report and stated that they were not finished yet and that a formal report was not available. Jim stated that those members who still needed dinner tickets for the evenings Awards Banquet must purchase them now. A standing round of applause was given for the 1993 Convention Committee.

The President then called for the Committee and Chapter Reports.

COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER REPORTS

Membership: LCDR Charles R. Onken, USN/Ret.

Presently The Association has around 2200 members. Of that number 201 are Lifetime members and 29 are Honorary Members, but we have 476 members with only 3 months left on their 'Grace Period'. He plans to publish membership status in each Newsletter. He stated that the numbers sound good, but with as many new members equalling the members we lose it really hurts, especially when you figure the cost of Newsletters and the postage The Association absorbs for these members. He encouraged everyone to be a salesman for The Association and recruit new members.

Safety: CDR Delbert Oakes Jr., USN/Ret.

During the Safety meeting, AOCM Don Shirley, USN/Ret, had given a career path progression (Aviation Ordnance Officers Career Progression School) brief. AOC Al Castro, USN/Ret, presented an Aviation Weapons System Training Program Office brief. Al stressed the need to get the information concerning the program disseminated to the fleet. Tom Vincent provided an overview on the Pt. Mugu activities and the need for their continued support to the fleet. Safety Center personnel were unable to attend and Del gave the report and stated that they needed more active participation from the General Membership.

By-Laws: AOCM Dave Michel, USN/Ret.

Reported that it had been a quiet year with little activity. They did have a preliminary copy of the Auxiliary By-Laws to review, but were still waiting for a formal copy to be submitted. They also reviewed a request from CWO-4 Rick Walters, USN/Ret, requesting permission to form a Chapter in Kuwait. Dave said that the By-Laws had been misinterpreted when Rick thought he had to have two (2) members who are active duty on the proposed Chapter Board of Directors. Dave explained the rule applies to the National Board of Directors, not a Chapter's Board. Rick Walters was informed of this decision and will submit a formal request to form a Chapter of The Association. By-Laws Committee ruling is Enclosure (3).

Aviation Ordnancemen Museum:

There was no representation from NATTC Memphis. The President gave an overview about the possibility of Memphis closing down and the reality of having to move the Museum. He stated that he had been in discussion with the Aviation Ordnance School at NAS Pensacola, FL about the feasibility of relocation to Pensacola. Also the Ordies at NATTC Memphis had provided an inventory plus square footage of the items at the museum. As more information becomes available and firm dates are provided, the Board of Directors will review the option that are open and come forth to the General Membership with a recommendation.

Aviation Ordnancemen of the Year: LCDR 'Digger' O'Dell, USN/Ret.

There were 113 candidate packages reviewed this year. This broke down to 87 E-7, 22 E-5, and 4 E-4 records. This year's committee consisted of seventeen Association members of both Navy and the Marine Corps. The pay-grades ranged from E-6 through O-6 and the cumulative years of Aviation Ordnance experience of the committee totaled 409 years. Included on this year's committee was AO1 Scott Palumbo, 1992 AVORDY of the Year. The final selection was very, very hard and the committee members had a difficult time making the final selection. The selection will be presented at the Awards Banquet tonight. AVORDY Committee meeting minutes are Enclosure (4) to these minutes.

Winner's were announced during the Awards Banquet and are as follows:

Winner:	AO1(AW) Lawrence P. Gabriel	CV-62
1st Runner-Up:	SGT Stephen M. Schleiker, Jr.	VMFA-312
2nd Runner-Up:	AO1(AW) Brian P. Wilson	VA-115

Robert L. Crow Scholarship Committee: CDR Floyd E. English.

They had reviewed 14 applications. Floyd stated that all the applicants were very deserving. Additionally, this years packages were 200% better prepared than in 1992. Scholarship application forms will be revised and dated. The new form will be dated 1 January 1994 and only the new form will be accepted from 1994 applicants. Floyd stated that the new form will be in an upcoming "RED SHIRT", he also requested that the membership get the word disseminated to potential applicants. Applications will also be made available from himself, the President, Secretary/Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Association Chapters. Scholarship report is Enclosure (5) to these minutes.

The 1993 Scholarship winners are:

Jeffrey R. Mills	Son of AOCM Ronald Mills, USN/Ret
Ren'ee D. Richards	Daughter of AOC Thomas W. Richards, USN/Ret
Lance D. Smith	Son of LCDR Donald M. Smith, USN/Ret

Hall of Fame: CDR Gary L. Laun

They had reviewed two candidates nominated this year for induction. Both had been selected and will be inducted at the evening Awards Banquet.

The President stated that there had been previous inductions, but while their names had been engraved on plaques that are displayed in the Museum, their names do not appear in The Association's minutes. He read into the minutes the original 21 members of The Association:

CDR Roy Asher, LCDR Ed Ashlock, LT Donald G. Baumer, LCDR Wayne R. Beasley, AOCM Robert W. Branum, CWO-4 Virgil G. Burke, LT Joseph H. Burns, AOCM Donald R. Clark Jr., James A. Correll, CDR Robert L. Crow, AOCM Gerald F. Gannon, LCDR Jack E. Hagerup, CDR Kirby P. Hunt, Weldon E. Maki, LCDR Marion Kirk Nelson, LCDR Leslie Henry Ovre, AOCM Frank H. Parker, LCDR Thomas D. Robins, AOCM Richard A. Smith, LCDR James E. Thompsom and LCDR Richard A. Wales.

The President read into the minutes the three other members that had been previously inducted:

LT John W. Finn, LT Alvin R. Kall, and AOC Edwin R. Faraday.

The President discussed the preliminary plans for a Association Hall of Fame Plaque. Chapter 4 had prepared a proposal that outlined the construction plans. It was determined that exact construction etc would be discussed at the Board of Directors meeting.

The 1993 Inductees for the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Hall of Fame are:

CDR Delbert Oakes Jr., USN/Ret
AOC Robert S. Biddle, USN/Ret

Newsletter Editor: Jeff Sassone

Reported that since the last convention four (4) editions of "THE RED SHIRT" have been published with over 7527 newsletters being distributed via bulk mail. Total cost for production and distribution of "THE RED SHIRT" for the last year was \$6,505.45. He stated that the cost of returned newsletters continue to plague The Association and asked for the membership's assistance in reminding members who are transferring to submit a change of address. Jeff also stated that the next issue of "THE RED SHIRT" would be number 50 and his 15th. He is transferring next year and needs a replacement. If you are interested or your Chapter is interested in taking it on as a project, get in touch with the President, CDR Gary Laun. The Newsletter Editor's Report is Enclosure (6) to the minutes.

The President gave overview of The Association's Chapter status and then called for The Association's Chapter Reports. Chapter reports are as follows:

Chapter 1	NAS Lemoore, CA	AOC John Dawson, Enclosure (7). Association Calendar Audit Report was also submitted, Enclosure (8)
Chapter 2	NAS Moffett Field, CA	(Disbanded)
Chapter 3	NAS Whidbey Island, WA	Doug Fyfe, Enclosure (9)
Chapter 4	Tidewater Area, VA	Stuart Carson, Enclosure (10)
Chapter 5	China Lake, CA	Jim Willard, Verbal Report
Chapter 6	MCAS Beaufort	(Disbanded)
Chapter 7	Pt. Mugu, CA	(Disbanded)
Chapter 8	San Diego, CA	Ed Eubanks, Enclosure (11)
Chapter 9	Jacksonville, FL	Bob Hall, Verbal Report
Chapter 10	Mt. Etna, Sigonella, Italy	(Disbanded)
Chapter 11	NAS Barbers Point, HI	(Disbanded)
Chapter 12	"MASAYA" Cubi Pt. P.I.	(Decommissioned)
Chapter 13	NAF El Centro, CA	No report
Chapter 21	NAS Fallon, NV	Robert L. Booth, Enclosure (12)
Chapter 22	Capitol Area	Al Castro, Enclosure (13)
Chapter 39	MCAS Camp Pendleton, CA	(Disbanded)
Chapter 41	"SHOGUN" USS Midway	(Disbanded) - Chapter moved to USS Independence (CV-62)
Chapter 62	USS Independence (CV-62)	Gary Laun, Verbal Report
Chapter 65	USS Enterprise (CVN-65)	Stuart Carson, Verbal Report
Chapter 66	USS America (CV-66)	No Report
Chapter 68	USS Nimitz (CVN-68)	AO1 Scott Palumbo, Enclosure (14)
Chapter 70	USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70)	Gary Laun, Verbal Report
Chapter 72	USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN-72)	Gary Laun, Verbal Report
Chapter "S-87"	NATTC Memphis, Tn	No Report

President recognized Mr Edward Kratovil, NAVSEASYSKOM (Code SEA-665) for his support of The Association and the Aviation Ordnance Officers School at Pensacola, FL.

Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Auxiliary report was given by Auxiliary President, Kathleen C. Gannon. She request that Auxiliary members be included on the mailing list to receive a copy of "THE RED SHIRT". A motion was made and seconded that Auxiliary Members be included on the newsletter mailing list. The motion passed unanimously. Auxiliary report is Enclosure (15) to these minutes.

The President brought up for discussion the amount of annual Scholarship award which is currently \$750.00. Tom Robbins stated that the Scholarship fund has sufficient funds to raise the amount to \$850.00. A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously the Robert L. Crow Scholarship Award be increased from the current \$750.00 to \$850.00 beginning with the 1993 Awards.

LTCOL Gary Klaus mad a recommendation the Mr. Edward Kratovil be awarded honorary membership in The Association for his support of The Association. The motion was made, seconded and approved the Mr. Edward Kratovil, NAVSEASYSKOM (Code SEA-665), be presented with an Honorary Membership in The Association of Aviation Ordnancemen.

The President state that \$2318.00 had been pledged or donated to the Scholarship fund so far at this convention.

Status on Pattern and Trademark was reported by the President. The Association has received Registration authority on the Logo and therefore are authorize to incorporate the ® symbol recognizing this fact. A letter of appreciation with a copy of the letter of authorization will be sent to LCDR Wayne R. Beasely, USN/Ret, along with a copy of the letter of authorization. The original of The Association's Logo that Wayne designed has been given to the Aviation Ordnancemen Museum NATTC Memphis, TN.

Discussion was held concerning other deserving Aviation Ordnancemen that should receive consideration for induction into The Association's Hall of Fame. An example would be Ordnancemen that have received recognition for outstanding efforts and commendations. An example of awards that are given to personnel that might be considered was the award recently presented to LCDR Digger O'Dell, USN/Ret for his efforts in the Military Affiliated Radio System (MARS). Digger gave a brief overview on the award as well as the services that are provided to the military members via MARS. Digger was given an enthusiastic round of applause. The President said that after the new Secretary/Treasurer assumes office he will direct him to modify The Association's application forms to provide a block for members to list significant awards.

The Status of The Association's endeavor to support the Navy Memorial was given by Digger O'Dell. Digger stated that there had evidently been two (2) concentrated efforts to investigate, on behalf of The Association, purchasing a seat at the Navy Memorial in Washington D.C. in The Association's name. Bottom line, The Association now owns two (2) seats at the Navy Memorial. One, purchased by AOCM Dave Michel USN/Ret after he had submitted a letter to the Board of Directors and they subsequently approved the purchase, for which The Association has reimbursed him. The other seat is the one that Digger purchased from his own funds while visiting the Memorial when they informed him that

there were only a limited number available and they could not reserve a seat pending a decision from The Association. Digger had been assigned Chairman of the Committee to research the feasibility of purchasing a seat in the name of The Association. Acting in good faith and on behalf of The Association, Digger purchased the seat. The Board of Directors had approved reimbursement of \$1000.00 to Digger during the Board of Directors meeting the previous day. The Association's seats are number 12 and 28E.

Vice-President requested if anyone had any information on what happened to the files from Chapter 12 "MASAYA", please pass it on to him. Most of the effort at Cubi Point R.P. has been transferred to NAS Agana, Guam and they would like the records etc. to resurrect the Chapter at Guam.

LTCOL Gary Klaus donated \$100.00 on behalf of the USMC Ordies to the Aviation Ordnancemen Museum at NATTC Memphis.

1994 Convention - AOCM Gerald Gannon, USN/Ret.

Announced that the 1994 Convention would be the third weekend of June 1994 in St. Louis, MO. A preliminary contract has been signed at the Holiday Inn at the Westport Plaza. He stressed the highlights of the St. Louis Metropolitan area and also suggested that there are quite a few Ordies with mid-west backgrounds and encouraged them to make the trip a family affair. Report is Enclosure (17) to these minutes.

1995 Convention - CWO4 George Adams, USN/Ret.

The 1995 Convention is on schedule for Reno Nevada for the third weekend of June 1995. No definite Hotel/Casino has been selected yet. They were accepting bids, but were still in the looking stage.

1996 Convention - AOCS Frank Thill, USN/Ret.

No site has been selected, but they were looking hard at Laughlin, NV. The people that he contacted indicated that they would be happy to host The Association.

President entertained comments on a 1997 Convention Chairman. Some discussion, but no decision.

President read into the record a letter from Charlie Middlebrook thanking The Association for reimbursement of monies that Charlie had expended to restore the MK 2 Bomb Truck which now resides at the Aviation Ordnancemen Museum in Memphis, TN. Charlie's letter is Enclosure (18) to these minutes.

The President asked for any more old business. No additional old business was brought forward. The President stated that they would now move on to new business.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The President called for the election of Association Officers. He announced that the offices open this year for election are two members of the Board of Directors and the office of Secretary/Treasurer.

For Secretary/Treasurer the nominees were: CWO4 Billy Earl, USN/Ret by Gary Laun. No further nomination were forthcoming and the nominations were closed. The new Secretary/Treasurer of the Association of Aviation Ordnancemen is CWO4 Billy Earl, USN/Ret. Term to run until June 1996.

Election was held for a member to the Board of Directors to replace AOCS Gary Buse. Nominees were: Dave Moore, Dave Michel and Tony Gonzales. Dave Moore, former AO, was elected to the Board of Directors, term to expire June 1996.

Election was held for a member to the Board of Directors to replace Dave Michel. Nominees were: Dave Michel and Tony Gonzales. AOC Tony Gonzales, USN/Ret was elected to the Board of Directors, term to expire June 1996.

The General membership stood for a moment of silence for our departed shipmates.

The Association's Chaplain, Ron Bushta, delivered the closing prayer.

A motion was made to adjourn the 1993 General Business Meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The 1993 General Business Meeting of The Association of Aviation Ordnancemen was closed at 1148 hours 19 June 1993.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The enclosures to these minutes are on file with the National Secretary/Treasurer.



Scholarship News



My hat is off to George Adams and the gang from Chapter 21 for the best convention I have had the privilege to attend. I would like to thank those who volunteered or were drafted as a part of this year's scholarship committee. Special thanks to the Auxiliary for their representation.

The board was presented with 14 applications this year. Again it was close but the awardees were selected and they are:

Lance Smith - Son of Don Smith (LCDR Ret)

Jeff Mills - Son of Ron Mills (AOCM Ret)

Renee Richards - Daughter of Thomas Richards (AOC Ret)

Best of luck to this year's winners in their educational endeavors.

There will be a complete revision of the scholarship application this year. The new application will be dated 1 Jan 94 and it will be the only form acceptable for submission at the 94 convention. All chapters will be mailed copies of the new form in Jan 94 and copies will be available from myself, the newsletter editor or our new Secretary/Treasurer Billy Earle.

Floyd English
Scholarship Committee Chairman

Thank You!

The following letter was received by The Association President, CDR Gary Laun, from this past year's guest speaker, RADM Michael L. Bowman:

" Dear Gary:

Many thanks for your letter, Sally and I were very honored to be included in your convention activities this year. As I hope the members understood my comments, I have always held the American "Red Shirt" in the highest esteem -- this was the highlight of 1993 for me.

Many thanks for the warm hospitality and honorary membership. Please keep me on the mailing list -- I'll see you in St. Louis next summer.

Sincerely,
M.L. Bowman
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy"

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Chaplain's Corner

Greetings, Peace and Love to all, and 'THANKS' to the 'BIG GUY' for keeping us around for another quarter. For those who noticed, my apologies for missing the last newsletter.

Another GREAT convention has come and gone, and once again we give 'THANKS' to the Supreme Commander for allowing us the opportunity to share the camaraderie, friendship, and love of old and new shipmates in arms. Also a small change in the staff of the Auxiliary. Dottie Underwood is now the Chaplain and Mary Ann Laun is VP.

Thanks to our shipmates on the USS Carl Vinson for an AO Prayer Service held aboard on 2 May. Chaplain Targonski sent me a copy of the program, which for your info, very well expressed our worldly needs to our Maker. Pax vobiscum Carl Vinson.

My thanks to the Chaplains who responded to my requests for prayer remembrances on significant AO dates, 2 Mar, 22 Apr and 4 Dec; Chaplain Liguori previously of Corpus Christ and now aboard JFK, and Chaplain Young of Whidbey.

HELPI To pay humble tribute to our shipmates who have transferred to Supreme Staff duty with just a mention in our newsletter, a bit of assistance would be appreciated. Most of the list is from AOs identified in the FRA Taps which lists ratings and a few from internal sources by passing the word. We need more internal sources that know of shipmates who are not I.D.'d as AOs, Marines and LDOs for example. So, if anyone out there knows of any AO that transfers to the Supreme Command, pass the word by card or phone so we can at least mention their name and give them a group prayer to carry with them.

On with the continuing saga of saints of sailors. Try this one on, how about Saint Nicholas! The St. Nick we normally think of is, through legend and lore, a combination of this guy and the Germanic god Thor who was associated with winter and Yule logs and such. Anyway, to keep it short, as the story goes he is credited for miraculously saving doomed sailors off the coast of Lycia (maybe some of you Med sailors know where this is) and so became the patron of storm-beset sailors. The next time you're in a storm, at sea, in the air, or even ashore and you need a little help, give old St. Nick a call. He is also a patron of Greece, Apulia, Sicily, Lorraine, and Russia if you fall in one of these geographical ethnic backgrounds. He lived in the era of the second century AD. His feast day is December 6.

Sooo much to give 'THANKS' for... Congratulations to all the selected Chiefs, Seniors, Masters, LDOs and Warrants LCDR Dave Lepard, Captain "Rotten Ralph" Spangler, and all other not mentioned by name that are moving up the ladder. Just remember WHO makes it all happen. AMEN!

In closing, how about a moment of internal silence to remember those shipmates, spouses, associates, and members of the Association who have passed to the headquarters of the Supreme Commander. Keep up the recruiting effort. Peace and Love to ALL.

Ron Bushta
Chaplain

Association of Aviation Ordnancemen Calendar Drawing Winners

June 1993

- 1 Randy Alcorn Camarillo, CA
- 2 Don Fox Chesapeake, VA
- 3 *Sylvia Chin Hanford, CA (50)
- 4 Tom Richardson Pillsburg, VA
- 5 Dave Moore Lemoore, CA
- 6 Gilbert Baron China Lake, CA
- 7 *Tom Harrold Kaneohe, HI
- 8 *Daniel Keller Santee, CA
- 9 Bill Royer Lemoore, CA
- 10 Kid McCoy Fallon, NV
- 11 C. Cornelius Ridgecrest, CA
- 12 Bennie Franklin San Diego, CA
- 13 Cesar Weindal China Lake, CA
- 14 Cedil Hall Quaker City, OH
- 15 Tom Middleton Novato, CA
- 16 Norman Woods Jacksonville, FL
- 17 Joe Nash CV-62
- 18 Spencer Lemoore, CA
- 19 Chris Kissling Hanford, CA (50)
- 20 *G. Hemminger El Cajon, CA
- 21 Joe Rosenthal Hanford, CA
- 22 James Brennan Ridgecrest, CA
- 23 Phillip Perrizo Hanford, CA
- 24 Pat Boehler Virginia Beach, VA
- 25 *Rober Schmidt St. Peters, MO
- 26 Ernest Wear Lemoore, CA
- 27 Jimmy Willard Ridgecrest, CA
- 28 Ken Eubanks Chula Vista, CA
- 29 Linda Virden Lemoore, CA
- 30 *Ray Estis Ridgecrest, CA

July 1993

- 1 *Daryl Kilgore Ridgecrest, CA
- 2 *Ron Russo Hanford, CA
- 3 *Joe Pierczynski Ridgecrest, CA (50)
- 4 *Randy Guin CVW-9 (50)
- 5 Earl Olsen Kailua, HI
- 6 *Sydney Peterson Lemoore, CA
- 7 *Robert Russell Montoursville, PA
- 8 Marvin Messel Oak Harbor, WA
- 9 *Sydney Peterson Lemoore, CA
- 10 *Karen Mechem Lemoore, CA
- 11 *Randy Guin CVW-9
- 12 *Michael Snider CVN-71
- 13 Douglas Shults Ridgecrest, CA
- 14 *John Boyle CVN-72
- 15 *Arron Jackson Hanford, CA
- 16 Richard Paul National City, CA
- 17 Bill Tobin San Diego, CA
- 18 H.J. Downay Silverdale, WN
- 19 Don Howard Virginia Beach, VA
- 20 *Mark Gautreaux VFA-147
- 21 Wendell Steele Spotsylvania, VA
- 22 Jim Pecora Lemoore, CA
- 23 K ORDNANCE Ridgecrest, CA
- 24 WT1 Nelson CVN-68
- 25 Marin Burchett Ridgecrest, CA
- 26 *Mark Gautreaux VFA-147
- 27 Dan Dangaran Oak Harbor, WA
- 28 Mike Edmiston Ridgecrest, CA
- 29 *Ron Russo Hanford, CA
- 30 Kelly Neust Ridgecrest, CA
- 31 Ed Duran Visalia, CA

August 1993

- 1 S. Williamson Fallon, NV
- 2 Ilene Carpenter Quaker City, OH (50)
- 3 Lorraine Savoy Ridgecrest, CA
- 4 *Fran Hall Quaker City, OH
- 5 Roger New Ridgecrest, CA
- 6 Joan Rocha Lemoore, CA
- 7 Jack Baerg Armona, CA
- 8 R. McKaige Ridge, NY (50)
- 9 *Lynda Virden Lemoore, CA
- 10 Scott Palumbo Oak Harbor, WA
- 11 Kay Harper Camarillo, CA
- 12 *Duke Douchette Lemoore, CA
- 13 Larry Bates Chula Vista, CA
- 14 Clifford Harrel Palmdale, CA
- 15 *Wally Jacobson Hanford, CA
- 16 John Cully Oak Harbor, WA
- 17 Sally Hardesty Coalinga, CA
- 18 Bob Borges Virginia Beach, VA
- 19 *C. Cornelius Ridgecrest, CA
- 20 Ronald Wooten Waldorf, MD
- 21 *Cathy Daglas Chatsworth, CA
- 22 Sydney Peterson Lemoore, CA
- 23 Dorothy Bengtson Brooklyn, NY
- 24 John Lewis Newport News, VA
- 25 Dwight Robison CVN-68
- 26 D.P. Biroshchik Lemoore, CA
- 27 David Johnson China Lake, CA
- 28 *Ronnie Holub Marion, KS
- 29 *Harold Peterson Ridgecrest, CA
- 30 *Paul Baca Fallon, NV
- 31 Richard Villalba Hanford, CA

Awards greater than \$25 are indicated in parenthesis following location. Names preceded by an asterisk (*) are repeat winners.

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