



A newsletter for members of the 129th Alumni/Heritage Association

“Association Incorporation”

The Association Board of Directors has undertaken several “member” benefit projects. These include “developing and distributing a newsletter, sponsoring a golf tournament, working to expand Association membership, and to formalize the status of our Association through incorporation”. Those of us serving on your Board of Directors feel that no project will have a more lasting benefit to you, its members, than “incorporation”. This action will provide you and the Association certain tax benefits as well as liability protection.

Bob Hall is providing the Board legal advice and assistance in preparing the required incorporation and tax documents. “Many thanks, Bob, for this great help.” The incorporation package is currently under legal review. Once the necessary revisions and review is completed, the Board will meet to formalize the Association incorporation. This should be completed prior to the “Old Timers” luncheon March, 1999.

“The Board solicits any membership comments regarding current or suggested Association activities or projects.”

1999 Old Timer's Meeting

The "1999 Old Timer's Meeting" will be held on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) at the Elk's Club, Alameda, CA. (Guests are welcome - - - Lunch \$11.00 - - - 11:30 a.m. bar service available.) The guest speaker for this occasion will be "Col. Michael E. Haas, USAF Ret". Col. Haas is a highly decorated veteran of AF/Army Special Forces Operations, and is the author of the book "Apollo's Warrior: United States Air Force Special Operations During The Cold War" as well as numerous magazine articles on special operations subjects. He is currently writing "In The Devil's Shadow: United Nations Special Operations During The Korean War."

Chatter Box

- 1999 Golden West Regional Fly-in (Oshkosh/West) is scheduled for September 10, 11, 12, 1999, Castle (AFB) Airport, Atwater, CA. We supported this last year had great fun.
- Came across an old note from "Casey Call" . . . He wrote to let us know that he and Geary Tiffany are now the Moffett "Airfield Managers". Their office is located in Bldg 158 "Base Operations". Ph 650-604-0931.
- Rumors are abound that an old friend of ours, CMSgt "Crawford" Ratcliff is going to retire in February 1999 - - - - Can Florida sun be far away.

Help Wanted

This completes the first full year of publication for the "Old Timers Noozze". Hopefully, as it has developed, it has become a newsletter that you have enjoyed and look forward to as a source of not only 129th Alumni/Heritage Association "activities" but, also, as a newsletter through which we keep in contact with our friends and former colleagues. Your editor and the Board of Directors need your help in the following ways:

1. Please send a note letting us know ways you think we can improve this newsletter.
2. One suggestion we have received is to change its format to include photography. (Pictures of activities, etc.)
3. To keep this newsletter "interesting", we need more "active" participation from you, its readers. Once a month, or so, send us a note about your travels, that interesting hobby or new book, that old friend you bumped into, or some special event (historical, theater, aviation, etc.).
4. Volunteer to serve on a newsletter committee. This committee could meet quarterly at the 129th Complex at Moffett Field and use its photography and computer capabilities to greatly improve the graphic quality of our newsletter.

Please write us and let us know what you think we could do to improve the quality and interest of your association newsletter. Write to:

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129th Rescue Wing News

- S/A Connie Lucas, 129th Logistics Squadron, was named the Air Force Association "Airman of the Year" for California.
- During February 1998, 72 members of the 129th RQW were deployed to Ramstein AB Germany. "Their Ramstein AB hosts were very pleased with the professionalism and attitude displayed by these 129th RQW personnel."
- On 6 September 1998 the 129th celebrated their #273 rescue. With the use of one of their HH60 "Pavehawk" helos and its "forward looking infrared radar (FLIR)", they were able to locate and retrieve 2 injured hikers from the bottom of a canyon in Calaveras County, California.

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