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NEXT MEETING WITH BE 7 JULY 2009, 1030, at TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. TREA phone number 303.340.3939. JULY LUNCH: BURN YOUR OWN STEAK! See details below. RSVP TO JAN LOVE AT 303.693.7538 OR E-MAIL OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET, NLT 30 JUNE 2009.



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Howdy Duty Time

Hello to the Guard,

Dropping you a line to see if you can put my name is the OSOTMG News. I'll be 84 in August. Year after year it's never put in. So I'll try again.

I was a MSgt in Security Police with Chief Ulrich and McKay. Joined in '73 and retired in '85. I was a Lt in Civil Service DOD Police. I still work as a Security Escort at the ADF. Worked Pass & TD for 5 years and did all clearances for new enlistees.

Thank you, Angelo Gurrini

Burn Your Own Steak!

I'm trying to bring back one of the old traditions of the Other Side of the Mountain Gang...Bring your own steak, chicken, hot dogs (etc). TREA has two large gas grills (on the patio, out back). We are starting early so we all eat before the sun sets. Cost is \$5, includes baked beans, cole slaw, Texas toast and watermelon. Please RSVP by 30 June, to Jan, by e-mail or phone. See you there!

AUGUST 4 Lunch at TREA 39, 1100, Salad & Sandwich \$6

AUGUST 16—140th Wing Family Day at Aurora Sports Complex on E Colfax on S side E of Tower. Starting time is 10:30am

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2010 Military Ball

On behalf of Major General H. Michael Edwards, The Adjutant General of Colorado, and the Soldiers and Airmen of the Colorado National Guard, we extend an invitation to join us for the 150th Birthday Celebration of the Colorado National Guard on Saturday, 23 January 2010. We will begin our 150th Celebration Year with our "Colorado Minuteman Birthday Ball."

Please mark your calendars for 23 January 2010! More information to follow, stay tuned!

There will be no Newsletter in July. The Editor will be on Vacation

A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Bill & Anne Neuens Marie Knuter Dan & Sharon Banach James Burghardt Mr. & Mrs. Ranger Curran Dr. & Mrs. Gary Eyre Bill & Virginia Spesshardt Vee Reid PAGE 2 OSOTMG NEWS VOLUME 2 ISSUE 6

Attendance

* 1st Timers

Elton & Cindy Baggett
Art Bowens
Dale Bristol
Joe & Sonja Broom
Tony Burczyk
Judy Cummings
Ralph Evans

Woody Glaser
Jerry Greenwald
Mike Haines
Sy Harjes
Joe Harnke
Bob & Myrt Herbst
Dewey Hicks
Chuck Hoffman

Vicky Jennings
Jan Love
John Morris
DO & Neysa Neary
Anne Neuens
Bill & Joan Pickens
Judy Pock
Mike & Shellie Rowan

Joyce Saitta
Mike Schnurstein
Susan Schnurstein
Larry Sell
Arlo Sorheim
Steve Taylor
Doug Teasdale
Harry Wales

July

Taps



None to report

Kenneth Forrest

Sick Call

Nothing to report



June

Mike Bertz Chris Chaney Dave Chatman Ben Fagen Donald Ford Robin Foss Carole France John Frary Curtis Gress Jan Love Virginia Love Virginia Love Joyce Mason Pat McHenry Stanley Minarsky Richard Oelkers

Steve Pahs
Joan Pickens
Bill Pickens
Judy Pock
Tom Schultz
Allan Skarie
William Spesshardt
Bob Stack
Bill Swedell
Jim Thurmond
Paul Turner
Alma Valdez
Bill Van Deest

Matt Wray

Birthdays

Larry Asher Elton Baggett George Blackwell Deb Burlace Ronald Campbell Pat Christopher Jack Darveau Randy Dolan Cathy Forrest George Franzen Marilyn Fouts John Hadley Joe Harnke Gary Justice David Knipprath Darrell Koenig

Sam Lovell

Marvin McCash Ed McClanahan Lynnette Meis Carol Mielke Mary Lou Misken Thomas Moermond **Becky Price** Michael Rowan Mike Schnurstein Jane Schomber Vivian Schultz Larry Sell Tomi Rae Skarie **Bobbie Terroux** Eileen Triolo Harold Zimmerman Shirley Zimmerman

Date Book

August

1st - Colorado Day 4th - OSOTMG Meeting

September

7th - Labor Day 8th - OSOTMG Meeting

October

6th - OSOTMG Meeting 12th - Columbus Day 31st - Halloween

November

3rd - OSOTMG Meeting 26th - Thanksgiving

<u>December</u>

1st - OSOTMG Meeting 12th - Hanukah begins 21st - First day of Winter 25th - Christmas 26th - Kwanzaa begins

Dear Other Siders,

If we did not mention your name in the "Birthday List", it is because we don't have your "birth month" information. If you would like to be mentioned, please contact me, by phone, mail or e-mail and I will get your information entered into our Data Base.

Happy Birthday to All! Jan PAGE 3 OSOTMG NEWS VOLUME 2 ISSUE 6

Committee's Corner

Dear Other Siders.

I was going to write something about the flag or Independence Day, but I found this and it says it so much better. Have a great 4th of July!

Joan Pickens

I am the flag of the United States of America.

My name is Old Glory.

I fly atop the world's tallest buildings. I stand watch in America's halls of justice. I fly majestically over institutions of learning. I stand quard with power in the world. Look up and see me. I stand for peace, honor, truth and justice. I stand for freedom. - I am confident. - I am arrogant. - I am proud. When I am flown with my fellow banners, My head is a little higher, My colors a little truer. I bow to no one! I am recognized all over the world. I am worshipped - I am saluted. I am loved - I am revered. - I am respected and I am feared. I have fought in every battle of every war for more then 200 years. I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Shiloh and Appomattox. I was there at San Juan Hill, the trenches of France, in the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome and the beaches of Normandy. Guam, Okinawa, Korea and KheSan, Saigon, Vietnam know me. I'm presently in the mountains of Afganistan and the hot and dusty deserts of Iraq and wherever freedom is needed. I led my troops, I was dirty, battleworn and tired, But my soldiers cheered me and I was proud. I have been burned, torn and trampled on the streets of countries I have helped set free.

It does not hurt for I am invincible. I have been soiled upon, burned, torn and trampled in the streets of my country. And when it's done by those Whom I've served in battle - it hurts. But I shall overcome - for I am strong. I have slipped the bonds of Earth and stood watch over the uncharted frontiers of space from my vantage point on the moon. I have borne silent witness to all of America's finest hours.

But my finest hours are yet to come. When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the battlefield, When I am flown at half-mast to honor my soldier, Or when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of their fallen son or daughter, I am proud.

If you know of **any** past members of the Colorado Air National Guard we haven't reached, please pass along our E-Mail address, <u>OSOTMG@comcast.net</u> or our mailing address, <u>OSOTMG</u>, 16059 E. Milan Drive, Aurora, CO 80013. Due to the increase in Identity Theft and compliance with The Privacy Act of 1974, we will not longer be publishing signatures or personal information on the electronic version, on the website.

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The Declaration of Independence is more than just a piece of paper. It is a symbol of our country's independence and commitment to certain ideas. A symbol is something that stands for something else. Most people can look at a certain little "swoosh" and know that it stands for "Nike." Well, the signers of the Declaration of Independence wanted the citizens of the United States to have a document that spelled out what was important to our leaders and citizens. They wanted us to be able to look at the Declaration of Independence and immediately think of the goals we should always be working for, and about the people who have fought so hard to make these ideas possible. The people who signed the Declaration risked being hanged for treason by the leaders in Great Britain. They had to be very brave to sign something that would be considered a crime! So every time we look at the Declaration of Independence, we should think about all of the effort and ideas that went into the document, and about the courage it took for these people to stand up for what they knew was right -- independence!

Rights and Duties by Calvin Coolidge

We do honor to the stars and stripes as the emblem of our country and the symbol of all that our patriotism means. We identify the flag with almost everything we hold dear on earth. It represents our peace and security, our civil and political liberty, our freedom of religious worship, our family, our friends, our home. We see it in the great multitude of blessings, of rights and privileges that make up our country.

But when we look at our flag and behold it emblazoned with all our rights, we must remember that it is equally a symbol of our duties. Every glory that we associate with it is the result of duty done. A yearly contemplation of our flag strengthens and purifies the national conscience.