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✱ NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1 DECEMBER 2009, 1100, at TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. TREA phone number 303.340.3939. DECEMBER LUNCH: Holiday Ham Dinner ✱
 ✱ \$8 at the door. If you are going to eat, *you must RSVP* to Jan Love at 303.693.7538 or E-MAIL OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET, *NLT 24 November*. More info on Christmas Party on Pg 3.

Important
 Frequently Used
 Phone Numbers
140th Phone #'s
Casualty Assist
 720-847-6946
Family Support
 720-847-9116
460th Phone #'s
RAO (Retired Activities
 Office)
 720-847-6693
Legal
 720-847-6444
Other Phone #'s
VA
 1-800-827-1000
TRICARE (TRIWEST)
 1-888-874-9378
TRICARE for Life
 1-866-773-0404
Social Security
 1-800-772-1213
TREA 39
 303-340-3939

Howdy Duty Time

I joined the COANG as a weekender or a "try a year wonder", in Feb 1976.

My Friends asked me why since I was discharged from the USAF in Dec 1969.

I told them that since the USAF taught me about aircraft repair, there was no sense in wasting that training.

I told the COANG if they liked my work effort, they might keep me onboard until I'd retire, which they did.

In Apr 1976, I was injured on my civilian job. I called my COANG supervisors. I was released, by my doctor and returned to work in Sept 1976,

I called my COANG supervisors, who said congratulations and to bring the release paperwork

from the doctor that said what my work limits were. I made up my 18 days of UTA's.

When I turned the paperwork into the 140th Flight Surgeon, he examined me and told me I was lucky to have enlisted in Feb 1976, because I wouldn't have been able to enlist in Apr 1976 UTA. Some people are lucky.

I'm sure that a lot of my COANG friends remember that I have a lot of sayings because this one ranks at the top:

"A THOUGHT UNSAID, REQUIRES NO DEFENSE"

By our Dec 2009 meeting, I'll have all of my COANG pictures ready for the museum.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
 Tony Burczyk

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."

Flyer with website to follow

A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

I owe the following "Gang" members an apology. They sent in donations in October, I put the pile of envelopes in a place I wouldn't forget...then I forgot were I stashed' em! I am truly sorry, as I know no one likes the errant missing check when trying to balance the checkbook.

Gary Bison (Yes, he sent a donation two months in a row!)
 Tony & Amelia Lucero
 Jim & Dianne Sanford
 Herman & Margaret Klap
 Stan Wood

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Attendance * 1st Timers

Sue Andrews
 Elton & Cindy Baggett
 Robert Barker
 Harold Brewer
 Dale Bristol
 Joe & Sonja Broom
 Tony Burczyk
 Jack Darveau
 Ralph Evans
 Don Ford

Kenneth Forrest
 Woody Glaser
 Bob & Myrt Herbst
 Dewey Hicks
 Chuck Hoffman
 Karen Larsen*
 Barry Layton
 Jan Love
 Reed Lutz

Pat McCabe
 Maxine Merten
 Bill Musslewhite
 DO & Neysa Neary
 Frank Niehaus
 Steve Pahs
 Gerrie Pawley
 Bill & Joan Pickens
 Mike Popovich
 Lloyd & Diana Richards

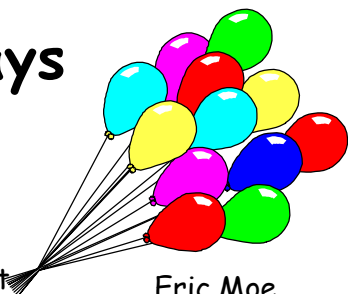
Mike & Shelly Rowan
 Joyce Saitta
 Larry Schlager
 Mike & Susan Schnurstein
 Steve Shaw
 Eddie Shreeve
 Jerry Smith
 Arlo Sorheim
 Doug Teasdale
 Linda & Paul Turner

Taps



BJ Nanney died on 2 November, in Houston, TX. BJ had surgery for an aneurism on 29 September. Memorial Services were held 13 November at Fort Logan Cemetery. It is speculated that over 300 people were in attendance.

Birthdays



Jim Alford
 Joann Alford
 Sandy Barron
 Ileen Bernhardt
 Debbie Cable
 William Cardinal
 George Clark
 Bobbie Hadley
 Barbara Hoekstra
 Sally Jensen
 Judie Lehman
 Don Mandonado
 Chuck McNelley
 Diane Miller
 Jim Miskin

Eric Moe
 Dan Moore
 Bill Musslewhite
 Robert Quinn
 Eddie W Shreeve
 Keith Smith
 Thomas Surprenant
 Harold Taylor
 Patricia Thurmond
 Linda Turner
 Betty Valiant

Sick Call



Elton Klusman - Chuck Hoffman spoke with Kluss's daughter this month. He is in the hospital with pneumonia, not doing well. He has both Alzheimer's and Parkinson's and was moved into a nursing home a year or so ago (JoAnn Klusman has been in a nursing home for several years). We will keep you updated.

Jack Darveau - Had his right shoulder replaced on 13 Nov at St. Joe's. I assume the surgery was successful as I have not heard other wise.

Joe Broom - Due to a fall, Joe had is left rotator cuff repaired the first part of October. The doctors postponed his knee replacement surgery, until his shoulder is healed. Joe & Sonja were at the November meeting. Even though his arm is in a sling, Joe seemed to enjoy his turkey dinner.

Date Book

2010

December

1st - OSOTMG Meeting
 6th - 140th Wing Christmas Party
 12th - Hanukah begins
 21st - First day of Winter
 25th - Christmas
 26th - Kwanzaa begins

January

5th - OSOTMG
 23rd - Military Ball

February

2nd - OSOTMG

March

2nd - OSOTMG

April

6th - OSOTMG

May

4th - OSOTMG

June

1st - OSOTMG

July

6th - OSOTMG

August

3rd - OSOTMG

September

7th - OSOTMG

October

5th - OSOTMG

November

2nd - OSOTMG

December

7th - OSOTMG

Committee's Corner

Dear OSOM Gang!

My how time flies (especially when you are having fun)! We all enjoy being together and having our meetings at The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA #39), it's been a nice change for us. Food and drinks are available and it is easy to hear our speakers even without a microphone. Tom Lynam and company would be proud of their legacy from the "original six" to over 660! Quite a legacy!

Our Air Heritage Committee met for Veterans Salute, 4 Nov, at the Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum. It was a fine tribute to "the fallen" and all Vets. Rick Crandal was the MC. Governor Ritter spoke and our own MG and Mrs. Edwards (Mike & Laury) were there to honor families of the fallen.

Most of our Heritage Committee members (26) were there and several of the OSOM Gang as well (35 total). The COANG Exhibit has several new features that you all will be proud of; to include a P-51 and artwork by our own Woody "Rembrandt" Glaser.

Thanksgiving is coming up, 26 November and we OSOMG Committee wish you and yours only the best. Please remember all of ours who served, and those now in the Colorado National Guard and their families, serving to maintain freedom.

Best Ever,
D.O. & Neysa Neary

P.S. I'd be remiss if I didn't thank our committee members for their efforts on a great informative newsletter, coordination of our TREA luncheons, keeping track of our financials, and maintenance of a fine web site filled with all the OSOMG news! Great job!

If you know of **any** past members of the Colorado Air National Guard we haven't reached, please pass along our E-Mail address, OSOTMG@comcast.net or our mailing address, OSOTMG, 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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CHRISTMAS PARTY

It was suggested (several months ago) that instead of having a "White Elephant" exchange we collect and donate toys to be distributed at Christmas.

We will be collecting books at the December meetings. Anyone who would like to make a monetary donation can make checks or money orders payable to "The Ronald McDonald House" and we will take the gifts to the house in early December.

We collected 12 books this month, so we are off to a good start!

A BIG THANK YOU!!!! Con't

November

Sue & "Andy" Andrews

Gary Brison

Art & Nadine Caldwell

Don & Marty Chambers

Reed & Cheryl Lutz

Pat Smutz

*Checks should be made payable to "OSOTMG" and mailed to 16059 E. Milan Drive, Aurora, CO 80013.

Thank you!