



# OSOTMG NEWS

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**NEXT MEETING WILL BE 7 December, 11 am, TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIR-**

**\* CLE, AURORA, CO 80011. If you are going to eat, you must RSVP to Jan Love at 303.693.7538 or [osotmg@comcast.net](mailto:osotmg@comcast.net) NLT 30 November. More on page 2**



## Howdy Duty

On 15 November 1950, I joined the COANG and was assigned to the 140th Motor Vehicle Squadron and given a vehicle mechanic AFSC. A few months later, I went into Unit Supply. Bob Talbot was my First Sergeant. In those years, we drilled on four Thursday nights and one Sunday, per month.

The 140TFW was activated on 1 April 1951 along with units from Colorado, Utah and Wyoming for the Korea War. We re-activated Clovis AFB that had been closed after WWII. Our mission aircraft was the P-51. I went back to my civilian job in auto body repair after being released on 7 September '52.

On 12 May 1953, I accepted a full-time position as the supply man in the Motor Pool, at \$285 per month. A year later I married my lifetime partner, Peggy. Unit supplies were eventually eliminated and I became the Senior NCO/Supervisor of the Base Equipment Management

Office. I was activated again for the Berlin Crisis from October '61 to August '62. This activation was pretty much uneventful since most our time was at the base except for rotations to George AFB, CA, where our F-100s were based during runway repair at Buckley.

For the 3rd time I was called to active duty from January '68 to January '69, for the Pueblo Crisis. The Wing Headquarters and many of us were sent to Cannon AFB. I became part of the newly formed Combat Crew Training Squadron as senior NCO of the supply section. Our primary mission was converting from multi-engine to fighter aircraft. Upon return from active duty, I resumed my duties in the Equipment Management Office. The functions of this office were merged into Base Supply, so in August 1976, I began a very interesting career as a Contract Administrator/Contracting Officer for the Architect, Construction and Service contracts. I retired from Civil Service on 30 December 1987.

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### 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

##### **CODMVA**

303-343-1268

[www.colorado.gov](http://www.colorado.gov)

**Deputy Director**

##### **CODMVA**

**Mickey Hunt**

720-250-1510

303-249-0146(c)

[michael.hunt@dmva.state.gov](mailto:michael.hunt@dmva.state.gov)

[dmva.state.gov](http://dmva.state.gov)

**TRICARE** (TRIWEST)

1-888-874-9378

**TRICARE for Life**

1-866-773-0404

**Social Security**

1-800-772-1213

**TREA 39**

303-340-3939

## Committee's Corner

Dear Other Siders,

I will keep this short because there is so much other news to tell you. However challenging this year has been, we are still "above ground". Besides that there is one month to go and more adventures to experience. Hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for. Please remember our troops.

Best Always,  
Jan Love

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## A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Jan Axton  
James Burghardt  
Boen Chambers  
Homer & Loretta Johnson  
Herman & Peggy Klap  
Mac McCarley  
Bill Pelletier

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## Attendance \* 1st Timers

### October

Joe Ashby	Dewey Hicks	Renee' Pace, CODMVA	Larry Sell
Jean Bradley	Check Hoffman	Tom Paulilla	Eddie Shreeve
Harold Brewer	Vic & Lois Hoops	Gerrie Pawley	Jerry Smith
Dale Bristol	Mickey Hunt*	Bill Pelletier	Steve Taylor
Joe & Sonja Broom	Greg Krzyzak	Dennis Pepple	Doug Teasdale
Jerry Brooks	Paul Le Hardy	Bill & Joan Pickens	Paul & Linda Turner
Tony Burczyk	Jan Love	Judy Pock	Peter Triolo
Kenneth Forrest	Pat & Helen McCabe	Wilson & Diana Price	Harry Wales
Woody Glaser	Mac McCarley	Lloyd & Diana Richards	Flo Wilhelm
Sy Harjes	Diana McGraw	Mike & Shelley Rowan	
Bob & Myrt Herbst	Stan Minarsky	Joyce Saitta	
	D.O. & Neysa Neary	Mike & Susan Schnurstein	

### November

Jean Bradley	Bob & Myrt Herbst	Dave Moos	Joyce Saitta
Dale Bristol	Chuck Hoffman	Frank E Mullins	Steve Spahr
Joe & Sonja Broom	Vic & Lois Hoops	D.O. & Neysa Neary	Steve & Sabrina Taylor
Tony Burczyk	Jan Love	Greg Parker*	SSgt Theurer (Family Support)
Phil & Robin Ecklund	Reed Lutz	Gerrie Pawley	May Trumble
Don Ford	Pat & Helen McCabe	Dennis Pepple	Paul & Linda Turner
Kenneth Forrest	Diana McGraw	Bill Pickens	Harry Wales
Woody Glaser	Larry Mayo	Judy Pock	
Sy Harjes	Maxine Merten	Lorene Reposa	
	Stan Minarsky	Mike Rowan	

### Sick Call



I received a note from **Virginia Spesshart** in July, and failed to mention that **Bill** had back surgery and was doing well except for being able to walk without assistance. I have talked with Virginia in the last few weeks and he is getting stronger but could use your good thoughts.

**Larry Cavener** will be having brain surgery on 2 December for a tumor on his pituitary gland.

### Taps



I received a note from Wilma Worley (spouse), at the end of September that **Joel M. Worley**, LtCol (Ret) passed away 26 April 2010. She did not indicate the cause of his death.

**Walt Schreiber**, Col (Ret), past away 10 October 2010. A memorial service was held on 30 October, in Aurora.

**Robert Talbot**, CMSgt (Ret) passed away 31 October 2010. Services were held 8 November, in Thornton with internment at Ft Logan National Cemetery.

### DECEMBER LUNCH Con't from pg 1

The meeting in December will be 7 December, 1100, at The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA). The consensus at the last meeting was to not have a large meal at the December meeting, as we seem to eat continually from Thanksgiving to the Super Bowl. The available meal will be soup & sandwich for \$7. **Please RSVP** to Jan Love (303.693.7538 or [OSOTMG@COMCAST.net](mailto:OSOTMG@COMCAST.net)) **NLT 30 November**.

## Committee's Corner Con't from pg 1

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](mailto: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 no longer be publishing signatures or personal information on the electronic version, on the website.

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## LIFE CHANGES

Don & Sharon Banach recently moved to Heather Gardens. If you would like his new address or phone number, please contact Jan.

James Tipton will be moving to Maryland (home state) next month to continue his college education.

MG Whitney has retired as the Colorado State Homeland Security Director. He & Miriam bought a home near Miriam's girlhood home in Alabama and they will be spending well-deserved time together in the near future.

Larry Mathay & Jeff Schjodt have both returned to "Active Duty". I believe Jeff is stationed at Peterson AFB and Larry is assigned "somewhere" in Nevada.



## Birthdays

### October

Don Allen

Jacqueline Aymani

Jerry Brooks

Barbara Campbell

Cindy Cramer

Gene Eddy

Jeannine Etter

Marvin Etter

Nancy Glaser

Fran Goe

Pamela Gress

John Hoekstra

Victor Hoops

Dick Jones

Sharon Jones

Herman Klapp

Ron Kroupa

Kenneth Krumpelmann

Chris Lee

Janie Lichtfuss

Dave McDonald

Dave Moos

Martha Mueller

Karol Musslewhite

Ed O'Connor

Patricia Oelkers

Kim Ortega

Becky Paradise

Carol Paul

Bill Pelletier

Patricia Quinn

Kenny Rogers

Jeff Sanford

Wayne Schultz

### November

Jim Alford

Joann Alford

Sandy Barron

Ileen Bernhardt

Debbie Cable

Richard Cardenas

William Cardinal

George Clark

Bobbe Hadley

Barbara Hoekstra

Sally Jensen

Judie Lehman

Don Mandonado

Diana McGraw

Chuck McNelley

Diane Miller

Jim Miskin

Eric Moe

Dan Moore

Bill Musslewhite

Robert Quinn

Eddie W Sheeve

Keith Smith

Thomas Surprenant

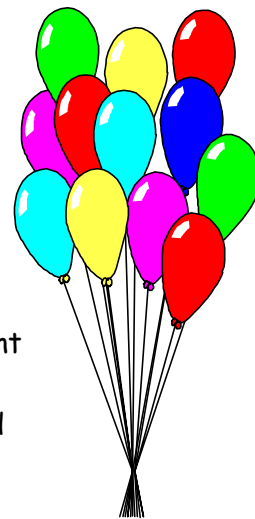
Steve Taylor

Patricia Thurmond

May Trumble

Linda Turner

Betty Valiant



## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We would like your opinion on conducting a meeting on a week night or on the weekend for those who cannot attend during the day. These meetings would be held quarterly (at first) at TREA.

## RETIREMENTS

Retirement ceremonies were held in **October and November** for the following members of the COANG:

CMSgt Kevin Sullian

SMSgt Greg Albert

SMSgt Deb Brooks

MSgt Tom Oaks

MSgt Izzy DeLaRosa

Retirements for the month of **December** (so far) are CMSgt Golden Sherman and MSgt Del Schneider.

## BOOKS FOR RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE

Again this year we will be collecting books (new) for the two Ronald McDonald Houses in the Denver area. We started this last year, in place of the December "holiday exchange". We donated 107 books and approximately \$100 last year. We will be collecting books or donations at both the December and January meetings and we will take the collected items to the Aurora house the middle of January. Donations should be made out to Ronald McDonald House.

## GUEST SPEAKER

### OCTOBER MEETING

Our guest speaker was **Mickey Hunt**, CMSGT (Ret), who is currently the Deputy Director for the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs. He addressed disability compensation, pension, benefits and how to get assistance using the various offices throughout the state.

**Renee Pace** also from the CODMVA, helped answer questions

We should also mention this is the first time they have addressed the Other Side of the Mountain Gang.

## Date Book

### December 2010

7<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### January 2010

1<sup>st</sup> - Happy New Year

4<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### February

1<sup>st</sup> - OSOTMG

### March

1<sup>st</sup> - OSOTMG

### April

5<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### May

3<sup>rd</sup> - OSOTMG

### June

7<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### July

5<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### August

2<sup>nd</sup> - OSOTMG

### September

6<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### October

4<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### November

1<sup>st</sup> - OSOTMG

### December

6<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

Please check these dates, the ones for July, and September in particular. If there is a consensus to change the dates we can. Thank You



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## DENVER VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

The weather was in the 70s and sunny. The Colorado National Guard was the first unit with MG Mike Edwards as the Grand Marshall. The Air Guard followed the amazing big toys of the Army Guard. The marching members of the COANG were phenomenal. They looked sharp and the pride really showed. There were other retirees accompanying other units of the parade but the five that escorted the COANG were Dale Bristol, Jan Love, Bill Pickens, Steve Taylor and Paul Turner. It was a beautiful day and the parade was great!

## COANG CHRISTMAS PARTY

The holiday party will be Sunday, 5 December. Governor Ritter is expected to attend and address the families. Santa and Mrs. Claus are expected to arrive around 0900, in Hangar 801. Pictures with the Claus's, Unit Tree Decorating Contest, crafts for the children and light refreshments will be served. Unit parties are expected to start after 1100, in their designated areas.



## Howdy Duty

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I wished to remain in the Guard and was accepted for a Services slot in 240CEF. This was a very special unit to me to close out my military career. In January 1991, during Desert Shield, three of us were sent to Tyndall AFB, FL, for special Mortuary Affairs Training. We were activated the next month for Desert Storm. Our duties were in the Command Post of the Air Force Mortuary Affairs Office. I will always remember one case file I worked on concerning an A-10 pilot who was shot down over Iraq. He appeared on Iraqi TV so we knew he was alive. (He spent a total of 46 days in captivity.) A number of years later, I learned that he was the nephew of a close friend and got to meet this brave pilot. He became a tanker pilot for the Washington State ANG. I was released from active duty on 15 March 1991.

Peggy was able to accompany me on my last AFT to Hickham AFB, HI. She got to play while I worked in the HQ PACAF office. We did have some free time together.

I retired from the 240CEF on 28 October 1991 because my 60th birthday was two days later. I am grateful for my career and friends from my 41 years with the Guard. My most unforgettable character would be Tom Linam. General Moffit was most special to all of us. My travels were priceless, and specially my AFT to Holland, which allowed me to visit my Father's birthplace and visit relatives.

We have earned many rewards in retirement, so Peggy and I decided it was "payback" time and got involved with volunteer work. We left much of this in Denver when we moved to Arizona in 2005. We are now into our 18th year of disaster relief service. We volunteer three weeks a year to repair/rebuild homes that have been damaged/destroyed in disasters.

We are also thankful to the OSOTMG for keeping us informed.

Herman Klap, SMSgt (Ret)  
Sahuarita, AZ