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NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2018 SOCIALIZE AT 11 am, MEETING STARTS AT 11:45 AM AT TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. MEALS WILL BE CATERED BY GOLDEN SHERMAN. SO COME AND ENJOY REMINISCING WITH YOUR FRIENDS!! THE MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE.

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Important Frequently Used Phone Numbers

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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
Deputy Director
CODMVA
Mickey Hunt
720-250-1510
303-249-0146(c)
michael.hunt@dmva.state.gov
TRICARE (UNITED HEALTHCARE-WEST
1-877-988-9378
TRICARE for Life
1-866-773-0404
Social Security
1-800-772-1213
TREA 39
303-340-3939
COUGAR TALES:
www.140wg.af.mil

AUGUST 1, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting opened with The Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America and the Invocation by Paul.

Guest speaker was Mike Bertz, COL, COANG (Retired). He briefed us on his ownership of the P-51, "Stang Evil". He purchased the only undamaged (never wrecked) P-51, S/N 45-1163 (same number as his birthday, June 11, 1936) in 1957 for \$1057.99 from government war surplus. He flew the aircraft for 46 years and 2000 hours. The aircraft was in the COANG inventory in the early 1950s. He flew it to about 300 airshows. The aircraft was really difficult to fly since it had 4 factors that required practice- power factor, torque, gyroscopic precession, a tendency to loop and of course the lack of ground visibility of a tail dragger. He commuted with the aircraft from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee to his work in Denver regularly stopping Missouri to refuel after 3 hours of flight cruising at 300 knots (345 mph). The aircraft had several different markings, 8 AF, 330 FS and finally Colo Ang in 1996 with a Red nose. He sold it to Mark Bingham for several million dollars recently.

Bonnie and Randy Routt briefed us about the American Legion participating in the COANG Family day October 14, 2018. Also, there is a meeting the Parker Library about Home Loans, date TBA.

Judy Pock talked about her classic 1957 Italia that needs restored. She is knitting coloring bags for kids. Her knitting group gave out 3000 bags at church and 6000 knitted hats to GIs.

Dewey briefed us about the Veteran's Salute at the Wings Museum on November 7, 2018. Cost is \$25 and you can give that to Paul or Dewey. The flyer will be out shortly.

Chief Saitta briefed us about the EANGUS Conference that took place in W.V. August 11.
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(continued from page 1) Remember about the retiree Dental change in January 2019. There are ten new plans to enroll in starting on November 12 and ending December 10, 2018 to start up in January 2019. The NGAUS National Convention will be held in Denver in July 2019. We need a lot of VOLUNTEERS!!!

There were no birthday folks present.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America by Paul with the Invocation by Joe.

Guests were Chief Sundin and Chief Perry.

COANG 95 Anniversary Celebration, 68 Callup Reunion, 200 AS Deactivation Ceremony and COANG Family day will be Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 0830 in Hangar 801. There will a tour of the shops at 1100, History picture display and videos will be on display. Also, there will be a Missing Man Formation Flyover with the COANG F-16s. The Flyer will be put out according to Chief Sundin.

Allie Bess briefed us about the NGACO Social Event on October 20, 2018 at 9150 Voyager Parkway, Colorado Springs, CO. RSVP by October 19, 2018. NGAUS National Convention is in July 2019 in Denver, CO.

TREA 39 is having a meeting about potential sale of the current building on September 15 in the evening.

There were 7 retirements last UTA.

August birthdays present were Dan Heinz, Bonnie Rought, Leo Seeba, Dan Gay for his wife Judy Gay.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday October 3, 2018.

AUGUST 1, 2018 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Mark Covalt	Judy Pock
Dewey Hicks	Mike Bertz
Dale Bristol	Joyce Saitta
Bill Frazier	Monroe Mathias
Harry Wales	Joseph Broom
Reed Lutz	
Jerry Smith	
Larry Sell	
Dan Heinz	
Chuck Hoffman	
Randy Rought	
Bonnie Rought	
Ben Benedict	
Allie Bess	
Paul Turner	
Linda Turner	
Art Bowens	

SEPT 5, 2018 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Joe Broom	Mack Sundin
Sonja Broom	Dale Bristol
Dan Heinz	Judy Pock
Dan Gay	Arlo Sorheim
Jack Darveau	Allie Bess
Larry Sell	Dale Brown
Harry Wales	Bonnie Rought
Leo Seeba	Jan Love
John Kirkpatrick	Lisa Perry
De Kirkpatrick	
Chuck Hoffman	
Roderick Williams	
Andy Andrews	
Sue Andrews	
Paul Turner	
Linda Turner	
Ben Benedict	

OCTOBER 3, 2018 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Ben Benedict	Dewey Hicks
Angie Benedict	Dan Heinz
Susan Schnurstein	Bob Beabout
Judy Pock	Tru Eyre
Harry Wales	Sue Smith
Chuck Hoffman	Leo Seeba
Jan Love	Carne Burnett
*Dave Fuller	Michelle Rowan
Dale Bristol	Nathan Rowan
Jerry Smith	Golden Sherman
Reed Lutz	
Joyce Saitta	

TRICARE DENTAL PROGRAM CHANGE LETTER JANUARY 2019

Thank you for the opportunity to support your dental health care needs through the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP). Coverage under the TRDP will end for you and your enrolled family members on December 31, 2018. Not to worry — you and your eligible family members can purchase dental coverage under the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP). FEDVIP is sponsored by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), which serves federal civilian and U.S. Postal Service employees, retirees, and their family members. Vision benefits under FEDVIP are also available to you for the first time, as long as you are enrolled in an eligible TRICARE health plan. OPM and the Department of Defense are working together to achieve a smooth transition between the TRDP and FEDVIP. If you're currently enrolled in a TRDP plan, you will not be automatically enrolled in a FEDVIP plan for 2019. To take advantage of this coverage, you must enroll during Federal Benefits Open Season, which runs from November 12 through December 10, 2018 for coverage starting on January 1, 2019. FEDVIP offers a choice between 10 dental carriers and four vision carriers. This gives you flexibility in selecting the right coverage for you and your family. Visit tricare.benefeds.com to sign up to receive updates when new information is available and key dates approach. Delta Dental will continue to process eligible claims (received within one year of the date of service) for services under TRDP received through December 31, 2018. The last premium allotment for TRDP coverage will be paid by the November retirement pay. If you pay your premium via electronic funds transfer or credit card, your last payment will be made on December 5, 2018.

OCTOBER 3, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America and the Invocation by Dale Bristol.

Jan Love introduced Major General Trulan Eyre who along with Sue who did not have a business card, briefed us on the Legacy Foundation. They are dedicated to serving the best interests of the Colorado Air National Guard and the Colorado Army National Guard. The Legacy programs support recognition of retiring members, family celebrations, deployment celebrations and preserving the legacy of the Colorado Air National Guard. Preserving the legacy is where The Other Side Of The Mountain Gang comes in. The foundation is a non-profit organization and he asked for our support. Chuck Hoffman reminded the General about the Air Heritage committee at the Wings Over the Rockies museum. General Eyre also spoke about the purchase of the Minute Man statues for retirements. They purchase them in bulk 10 at a time to get the best price. The foundation is on Facebook and we are asked to visit that site for more information. A question came up about State ribbons. They are available at Revere street.

Joyce Saita updated us on activities at the NGACO.

Sick call - Bill Pickens is improving and will be attending the Comm Flight reunion on October 6th. Joseph Broom had a mishap with his arm. Due to the Privacy Act, we cannot release any details.

Dewey Hicks and Joyce Saita registered a few more folks for the Veterans Salute.

There was one birthday. The singing was led by Dale Bristol. He was a busy man that day.

Next meeting, we be on Thursday November 8, 2018. This is since most of us will be at the Veterans Salute on Wednesday the 8th.

AUGUST 2018 BIRTHDAYS

CINDY BAGGETT	LYNN MILLER
GINNY BARCROFT	BARBARA
BILL BATES	MINARSKY
TOM BURLACE	ERIC MOFFITT
BRENDA BURNS	JOHN MULLIN
NADINE CALDWELL	JOE O'NEIL
LARRY CAVENER	THOMAS ORTEGA
MARIA CLARK	GREG PARKER
KEVIN CORNS	DIANA PARKOS
MICHAEL DODD	JOHN PAUL
TAMMY DUDLEY	RONA PIERCE
WENDALL ELMORE	JOHN PRENTISS
EILEEN FAGEN	DINAH RODGERS
KAREN FISHER	JIM SANDMAN
STEVE FLANAGAN	JUNE SHEEHAN
DANNY FOUTS	GOLDEN SHERMAN
PAULA GREENE	RON SILVRANTS
ANGELO GURRINI	GLORIA SWENSON
SUE ANN HATCH	DOUG TEASDALE
LARRY HOUSLEY	TERRY THOMPSON
PAULINE JAOUEN	PETER TRIOLO
	ORLANDO VALDEZ

**Sick Call****Taps**

Bill Pickens, Tom Suprenant
Joseph Broom, Pete Triolo
Bob Huffman, Tony Burczyk
Peggy Seiler, Arlo Sorheim

Dwayne Trebold
Elly Huffman

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

November 22- Thanksgiving

December 5- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

December 25- Christmas Day

January 1, 2019- New Years Day

January 2, 2019- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 2018

RUTH ALLEN
JUDY ASHBY
RAY BECKAGE
KATHY BLACKWELL
THERESA BLUMBERG
ANITA BROWN
RAY CARTER
LARRY CATLIN
CINDY DISNEY
ALVIN DORSEY
ROBIN ECKLUND
KEN ELLIOTT
JUDY GAY
DEE HAWKINS
DANNIE HEINZ
VANESSA IRVIN
IRWIN KALCITS
CATHY KENWORTHY
ROBERT KENWORTHY
DAVE KIDSTON
STEVEN LINN
LARRY MATHAY
CONNIE MOOS

PATTY NAVARETTE
NATALIA NORTH
BILL NEUENS
CHRIS PERKINS
MICHAEL PFISTER
CINDY ROCHFORD
BONNIE ROUGHT
JIM SANFORD
TERRI SCHMIED
LEO SEEBA
SABRINA TAYLOR
BILL THOMAS
BEATRICE VANDEEST
HELEN VITALE
ELLEN WILLIAMS

**Birthdays**OCTOBER 2018

DON ALLEN
JACQUELINA AYMANI
JEAN BRADLEY
CHARLES CABALLER
BARBARA CAMPBELL
MICHAEL CRADER
CINDY CRAMER
JIM DISNEY
GENE EDDY
JEANNINE ETTER
MARVIN ETTER
NANCY GLASER
JOHN HOEKSTRA
VICTOR HOOPS
DICK JONES
SHARON JONES
KAREN KAMLA
DEANNA KIRKPATRICK
HERMAN KLAPP
RON KROUPA
KEN KRUMPELMANN
CHRIS LEE
JANIE LITHTFUSS
DAVE MCDONALD
DAVE MOOS
MARTHA MUELLER

KAROL MUSSLEWHITE
JOE MUZY
DAN NORTH
PATRICIA OELKERS
KIM ORTEGA
TOM PAOLILO
BECKY PARADISE
LINDA PARKER
CAROL PAUL
BILL PELLETIER
SHIRLEY PITTMAN
PATRICIA QUINN
BOB RODEKOHR
KENNY ROGERS
JEFF SANFORD
WAYNE SCHULTZ
JEAN SHARPLEY
STEVE STEENROD
DAVE STEPHENS
BOB SWANSON
DAVID THACKER

OCTOBER 14TH, 2018 68 CALLUP 50TH ANNIVERSARY, 200 AS DEACTIVATION CEREMONY, 95 ANNIVERSARY OF THE COLORADO AIR NATIONAL GUARD



2 Members Gone...but Not Forgotten...



MAJ. CLYDE SEILER

Two members of the Colorado Air National Guard are absent as the units end a year of active

duty with the Air Force.

Maj. Clyde Seiler, one of 26 F-100 jet pilots of the 120th Tactical Fighter Squadron, was killed during a combat mission in South Vietnam late last month—about two weeks before he was to return home.

Capt. Perry Henry Jefferson, the 120th's intelligence officer and historian, is listed as missing in action. He was a passenger in a light observation aircraft—piloted by a forward air controller—that failed to return from a mission in South Vietnam, April 3.

Both men had been with the squadron based at Phan Rang Air Base since April 1968.

MEMORIAL RITES

A memorial service for Seiler, with full military honors, will be held Sunday at Fort Logan National Cemetery.

Seiler, 38, of 456 Oakland St., Aurora, died when his aircraft exploded and crashed during a low-level strafing operation. It is presumed his plane was hit by rifle fire from the ground.

He had flown approximately 200 sorties, according to Maj. Gen. Joe C. Moffitt, state adjutant general.

Seiler was a Continental Airlines pilot when called to active duty with the 120th in January 1968.

He received his wings in 1954 and served two years as a flight instructor in the Air Force Air Training Command. After leaving the Air Force in 1956, he flew C46 transport planes in the Air Force reserve and later was a pilot in the Illinois and Wyoming Air Guards before joining the Colorado unit in 1962.

Officiating at the memorial service will be Father John Solberg of St. Stephen Protomartyr Episcopal Church, Aurora.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, those who wish may send contributions to the Clyde Seiler Memorial Fund, People's Bank of Aurora.

Seiler was born May 24, 1931, at Erie, Pa. He is survived by his widow, Joyce; three sons, Steven, 3, William, 16, and Michael, 15, and his mother, Mrs. Mneatha Eckenberg, Seattle, Wash.

Jefferson, 37, of 944 Malley Drive, Northglenn, was employed by the Air Guard as an air technician when called to active duty with the 120th. His family includes his wife, Sylvia; a stepson, Richard K. Berry, 20;



CAPT. PERRY H. JEFFERSON

a stepdaughter, Cynthia R. Berry, 17, and his father, Perry G. Jefferson, Chicago.



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 68 VIETNAM CALLUP 10/14/2018



200 AIRLIFT SQUADRON DEACTIVATION CEREMONY 10/14/2018

