

## AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION INFO

### ASSOCIATION BOARD INFO

#### 2003 Board communication and decision-making ROEs

1. Communication:
  - Use distribution listing for all messages to keep everyone in the same loop
  - E-mail distribution listing includes current board, committee members, and POCs  
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[normevans873@cs.com](mailto:normevans873@cs.com)
2. Spending decisions:
  - Made by board; inputs from anyone
  - Financial management/payment/tracking actions: Art  
Discuss pros and cons, then board decision on need for 2 accounts and interest-bearing options for  
Operating Account (regular memberships/Reunion \$\$) and Reserve Account (Life Membership \$\$):  
**Art and Board**

#### Current 2002-2003 Board/Committee POCs

President	Gus Sininger	<a href="mailto:g.sininger@seii.net">g.sininger@seii.net</a>	
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			320 Tully St, Bldg 90343, Hurlburt Field, FL 32544

#### Prior Association Boards

	<u>2001-2002</u>	<u>2000-2001</u>
President	Dutch Payne	Chuck James
Vice President	Larry Fletcher	Norm Evans
Secretary	Jimi Grant	Walt Ribeau
Treasurer	Art Perry	Doug Wohlgamuth
Web Master	Bill Petrie	Fred Graves/Bill Petrie
Newsletter Editor	Everett Sprous	

### REUNION III WRAP-UP TASKS

- Need electronic copy of approved by-law revisions (Done)
- Need electronic copy of Association Mtg Minutes with policies made, votes/decisions (Done)
- Need Certificates of Appreciation for Donna Crews, Peggy Beren (Done)
- Need latest membership contact lists updated and distributed to Board (Done)
- Need USAF Gunship Association Project Officer (done)

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### REUNION IV PLANNING

#### **Ft Walton Four Points Sheraton:** Gus

- Oct 3-5 confirmed
- Room Blocks confirmed
- Rate confirmed

#### **Registration Package:** Ray

#### **First-Night Party:** Gus

- Four Points: menu, set-up, and location confirmed
- Heavier munchies

#### **Party Hootch:** Gus

- Four Points: set-up and location confirmed
- Need lots more diet sodas and water

#### **Association Meeting:** Gus

- Four Points: set-up and location confirmed
- Agenda: drafted

#### **Banquet**

- Dinner: Gus
- Banquet Program: Bill, can you assist here?
  1. Door Prizes: Wayne's contributing 1 Altimeter Alarm Clock & 1 ADI Alarm Clock from Pensacola Air Museum
  2. Certificates of Appreciation: Bill and Wayne
- Banquet Speaker Candidates: Lt Col Mathews 18th SOS Commander 72; Chief Ables 71st, 17th, 18th FE; Jerry Woods and Richard Miller Tech Reps; Peppermint Patti; Col Ron Terry, MG Metcalf
  1. MG Metcalf accepted for R4
  2. Col Terry Accepted for R5 (plus may attend R4)

#### **Memorial Service:** Gus

- Memorial Service Hurlburt Air Park  
Brass Memorial: Gus and Norm

#### **BBQ:** Gus

- Four Points: menu, set-up, and location confirmed

#### **Golfing:** Jim Bennes doing this?

#### **Visits/Tours** 18<sup>th</sup> FTS Tour / Visit / Mini-Hootch-Party? Maybe at least a stop in?

#### **Contacts**

- Robertson needs to become an Association Member: **has anyone called him?**
- Members who attended prior Reunions then stopped
- Publicity/Reunion Notices:

Vietnam Magazine	Retired Enlisted association	Retired Officers Association
AF Association Magazine	Air Commando Association	AC-130 Association
AF Times	Retiree Newsletter	

### REUNION V PRE-PLANNING

- Dayton POCs Ron Julian and Rogers Stevens  
Museum Curator Contact for Displays and Tours  
Terry Aitken  
Senior Curator U.S. Air Force Museum  
USAFM/MU  
1100 Spaatz Street, WPAFB, OH 45433-7102  
937-255-7204 ext 337 <http://www.wpafb.af.mil/museum>

## AC-119 GUNSHIP ASSOCIATION INFO

- Tour/Visit Candidates:  
WPAFB Museum (overall)  
WPAFB Museum Special Ops and Gunship Areas/Displays  
German Village in Columbus

### **REUNION BACKGROUND INFO**

- Reunion 2000 Sept 29-Oct 1      Ft Walton 4 Points Sheraton
- Reunion 2001 Sept 28-30      Ft Walton 4 Points Sheraton
- Reunion 2002 Sept 27-29      Ft Walton 4 Points Sheraton
- Reunion 2003 Oct 3-5      Ft Walton 4 Points Sheraton
- Reunion 2004 Oct 1-3      Tentative WPAFB Museum

Note: Reunions will always be weekend before or after Columbus Day weekend because the Air Commando Association always has their Reunion that weekend and many of our members are members of theirs as well.

#### **Reunion Location POCs**

- Four Points Sheraton POC Peggy Beren 1-800-874-8104
- Eglin NCO Club POC Carolyn (Catering) 850-882-5226
- Dayton POCs Ron Julian and Rogers Stevens

#### **Reunion Banquet Speakers:**

- 2000 Gen Tony Robertson 71-72 Stinger Pilot
- 2001 Maj Gen Richard Marr 70-71 Shadow Pilot
- 2002 Lt Col Rusty Napier

#### **Reunion Memorials/Tours/Visits:**

- 2000 Memorial Service Hurlburt Air Park
- 2001 Memorial Service Hurlburt Air Park
- 2002 Memorial Service Pensacola Vietnam Wall Memorial and Pensacola Air Museum Tour

### **ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**

#### **Newsletter Schedule:**

- Now: "What Happened" send late Oct-early Nov (theme: you should have been there)
- Mid-point: "What's Planned" send early May (theme: fence-sitters and new contacts – y'all come)
- Pre-Reunion: "Plans Include" send early-mid Aug (theme: enthusiasm and confidence booster shot)

#### **Newsletter Logistic costs**

- Printer: \$400
- Scanner: \$150
- Printer cartridges/paper/postage: \$2,100 @ \$700 each Newsletter  
Printing cheaper than copying  
Individual 1st class mailing (max 3 double-sided pages) cheaper than permit
- PC Upgrade: \$TBD  
Faster, better memory, better imaging, better software capability = better Newsletter  
Reduced labor for volunteer editor (3 versus 1 Newsletter)  
Use to scan old crew pix and marry with current digital camera pictures at R4
- Need link on Website for electronic version

#### **1st Newsletter**

- Prez Message: Gus and Wayne
- 18th SOS History Search: Ron
- Pictures: Doug and ????
- Reunion III recap/summary: what you missed if you were not there!!

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- Association Mtg Minutes with votes on \$\$ and other decisions like “Next Reunion in FWB Oct 3-5; Will research AF Museum at WPAFB for decision next year on Reunion V; etc  
Confirm the Association Policies established at meeting
    - Cancellations are refunded
    - Lifetime memberships @ \$119 or can pay additional \$99 more between Reunions and increase from member to Lifetime. New "cycle" begins with end of Reunion.
  - Confirm Brass Memorial approved for Hurlburt Air Park: \$1000 Norm Evans POC
    - Gunship Memorial Plaque
    - Stinger Plaque
  - Short Summary of By-Law Changes on membership
  - Financial Status Update: Art
    - Identify how much we have
    - Clarify we’re a Non-Profit (or is it Not For Profit?) (501e3) Association (must not have a gross over \$25K or have to "file" tax return - not "pay" taxes) and that donations are tax deductible: **We need someone to design a "tax deduction receipt" Bill had some ideas**
  - Updated Honor Role of deceased members
  - Videos and Shirts
    - What, when, and how to order them
- Sent Draft Newsletter to distribution list for review  
Distribution (mail) and publish (web) date: **Everett and Bill**

## WEBSITE

**Webmaster:** Bill

- Need note for Newsletter (how to use our web) and links for Newsletter E-Message: Bill and Everett

### **Website Ownership, Funding, and Management**

- Bill donates annual “posting” fees of \$450
- **Things to discuss w/Bill for his ideas and needs: Wayne and Gus**

We hear you

How help you?

Posting photos

Editing and posting cartoons

Editing and posting stories

Backup needs

What pages for project officer? POC?

Specific pages

Research

## VIDEOS/HATS/T-SHIRTS

### **Videos**

- 18 SOS in S.E.A  
Norm ordered the film; cost will be \$1300 which includes 60 copies of the final tape. There were over 4hrs of tape they compressed to just over 1 hr for us. We will sell them for \$20.00 ea at the next reunion (\$20 x 60 = \$1200 recoverable)
- 17th SOS in S.E.A Who's getting copies made? Are we selling them on web?

### **Hats**

### **T-Shirts**

- Gus POC

### **Pins/Misc**