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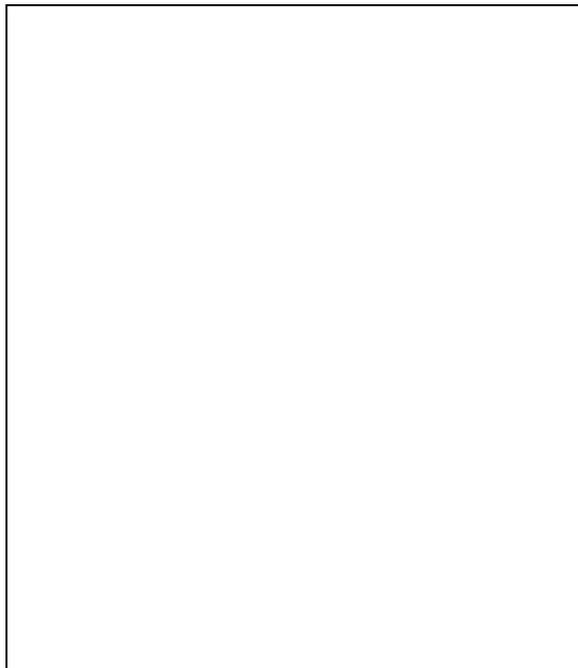
Greetings, Fellow **HEADHUNTERS!**

Bonnie & I hope this Newsletter finds all of you in the very best of health and happiness!

HEADHUNTERS ENTER A NEW ERA!

Historically in our Country, our American military has been limited to males only for any position that would bring that person in harm's way. In the past few decades or so, those rules have been slowly changing and evolving with women being accepted into more and more combat positions. Our 80th Fighter Squadron is no exception! Our first female fighter pilot last year was Sherrie McCandless. She is now stationed at Shaw AFB, SC, and we're hoping she'll join us in the near future.

Our second lady F-16 pilot is Capt Melissa May, who is in Korea as we speak! She has extended her normal one-year tour to be there until this Fall. (the **Scarlet Headed Killer**) is 28 years old and grew up as an only child in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was recruited to swim for the Air Force Academy, and she went there with every intention of becoming a pilot after graduation. Unfortunately, upon inprocessing, it was determined that Shock (curved spine) and would need a waiver just to get commissioned! So, after graduation in 1995, she went to Intelligence school in San Angelo, Texas. From there, her first "real" assignment was at Randolph AFB, TX at AETC HQ until June 1998. She also married her husband, Michael "Mach" May, during this time. Shock never gave up on her dream



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of flying. After 3 years of Intel and working behind a desk, she inquired about a waiver for flying. She also began taking private flying lessons and got her license in a few months. The rest is history. She went to pilot training in June 1998 at Laughlin AFB, TX and graduated first in her class. Of course, her first choice was an F-16 (even though her IP's and flight commander tried to talk her into an F-15 Eagle [ptooey])! Shock never doubted her decision to fly a fighter that could fly air to air as well as drop bombs. Going remote to Korea wasn't her first choice of assignments, especially considering the fact that her husband is also a Viper driver and they haven't been stationed together for over 2 years, but she wouldn't trade the experience as a **HEADHUNTER** for anything in the world. She's the Squadron Chief of Plans and Asst Safety officer and is about to start her upgrade training for Flight Lead in the next couple of months. She voluntarily extended an additional 6 months at the Kun and will PCS to Misawa, Japan in December. Welcome to the **HEADHUNTERS**, Shock—we're all very proud of you and your accomplishments, and we wish you the best of luck in your chosen profession!!

DC REUNION GREAT SUCCESS!

“Cherry blossoms, bursting forth in the appointed place, the old warriors came—pilgrims, drifting across the land they fought to preserve. Where they meet is not so important any more. They meet, and that's enough for now. Greetings echo across a lobby. Hands reach out and arms draw buddies close. Embraces, that as young men they were too uncomfortable to give, too shy to accept so lovingly. But deep within these early summer days, they have reached a greater understanding of life and love. The shells holding their souls are weaker now, but hearts and minds grow vigorous remembering. On a table someone spreads old photographs—a test of recollection. And friendly laughter echoes at shocks of hair gone gray, or white or merely gone. The rugged slender bodies lost forever, yet they no longer need to prove their strength. Some are now sustained by one of ‘medicines miracles,’ and even in this fact they manage to find honor. The women, all those who waited, all those who love them, have watched the changes take place. Now they observe and listen and smile at each other as glad to be together as the men. Talk turns to war, and planes, and foreign lands. Stories are told and told again reweaving the threadbare fabric of the past; mending one more time the banner of their youth. They hear the vibrations, feel the shudder of metal as props and turbines whine and whirl, and planes come to life. These birds with fractured wings can see beyond the mist of clouds, and they are in the air again, chasing the wind, feeling the exhilaration of flight, close to the heavens—the wild and blue yonder of their anthem. Dead comrades, hearing their names spoken, wanting to share in this time, if only in spirit, move silently among them. Their presence is felt and smiles appear beneath misty eyes. Each in his own way may wonder who will be absent another year. The room grows quiet for a time. Suddenly an ember flames to life. Another memory burns. The talk may turn to other wars, and other men of bravery. So this is how it goes. The past is so much the present in their ceremonies, the allegiances, the speeches, and the prayers; one cannot help but hear the deep eternal love of country they will forever share. Finally, it is time to leave. Much too soon to set aside this little piece of yesterday, but the past cannot be held too long, for it is fragile. They say, ‘Farewell...See you next reunion, God Willing’ breathing silent prayers for one another. Each keeping a little of the other with him forever.”

(The Reunion by Rachel Firth modified slightly by Jay Riedel)

Well, our 19th reunion is now history—and what another memorable one it was! Our thanks go out again to Col Sol & Carolyn Harp as our hosts, Col Bill Colwell who honchoed the golf tournament at Fort Meade, and all the others who participated to ensure this April reunion in Washington, DC was another great gathering for our Squadron Association! Please check our Web Site’s Washington, DC Reunion Page for photos!

Sixty of our members enjoyed the beautiful Thursday night dinner cruise on the Potomac and savored the outstanding food. Seven foursomes signed up for our “Headhunter Open Golf Tournament Friday afternoon, but rain took its toll with many retiring to the clubhouse as the diehards completed the 18 beautiful holes. The team of Ed “K-Town” & Denise Knouse, Steve Mac Isaac, and JayBird squeaked past the competition to take top honors, although Denise’s shoulder was so sore, she could no longer raise her arm. Another 50 saw the sights of DC very early Saturday morning, but unfortunately missed visiting the White House due to a change in procedures and heavy crowds. Sharon White picked up her new nickname of “Skateboard Sherry” as she slipped and fell backwards down the concrete steps of the Capitol Building! She was very fortunate not to have been hurt with her headfirst slide down several steps. However, after a thorough checkout by the medics, she was offered a wheelchair and a special tour of the Capitol pushed by a great member of the Capitol Police! As a finale to the reunion, over 110 people attended the Saturday night banquet and heard the outstanding USAF Singing Sergeants as entertainment. Gen (Ret) Charles Horner, who ran the Air War during Desert Storm, was our guest speaker with great words for all of us. Paul Loring, one of our members and brother of our Korean War Medal of Honor recipient, Maj Charles Loring, was introduced and recognized. Another special treat for all of us was meeting Marge Bong Drucker—widow of Medal of Honor recipient Maj Richard I. Bong, America’s “Ace of Aces” with 40 confirmed aerial victories during WWII. Maj Bong was flying with the 80th on 12 April 1944 when he got his 26th, 27th, and 28th kills, thus surpassing Eddie Rickenbacker’s WWI record of 26 to become America’s new “Ace of Aces.” In recognition of this fact, Marge was presented with our Association’s LifeTime Membership card in her name and a Squadron Coin keychain engraved, “Marge—America’s *‘Lady of Ladies’*.” It was a memorable night for all.

ROBBINS MEMORIAL DONATIONS

In memory of Lt Gen Jay T. Robbins, who passed away on 3 March, donations to our 80th Fighter Squadron Headhunters Association were requested by Gen Robbins and his family in lieu of flowers. This is a list of tax-deductible donations received to date:

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| Paul & Sue Murphey..... | \$200 |
| Anonymous..... | \$100 |
| Col Hal Fischer..... | \$100 |
| Louis & Ob Schriber..... | \$100 |
| Lt Col Don & Meg McGee..... | \$100 |
| Ken & Evelyn Lloyd..... | \$100 |
| Maj Gen James & Mary McInerney, Jr..... | \$100 |
| Lt Col Tony & Virginia Callanan..... | \$100 |

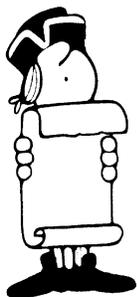
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| Robert & Mavis Siebenthal..... | \$100 |
| Lt Col Barry & Dot Johnson..... | \$100 |
| Col Jay & Bonnie Riedel..... | \$100 |
| Mrs. Ruth Saffro-Fink..... | \$ 90 |
| Lt Col Robert & Ann McDermott..... | \$ 50 |
| Lt Col Tom & Diana Strong..... | \$ 50 |
| Lt Col Robert & Vava Railey..... | \$ 50 |
| Col William & Dorothy Coleman, Jr..... | \$ 35 |
| Capt Hubie Hegtvedt..... | \$ 25 |
| Richard & Virginia Durkee..... | \$ 25 |
| The Family of the late Yale Saffro..... | \$ 25 |
| Patricia K. Hanover..... | \$ 25 |
| Doc & Debbi Lambert..... | \$ 25 |
| Jerry & Marty Minton..... | \$ 20 |
| TSgt & Mrs Louis I. Miksits..... | \$ 10 |

For those of you who wish to send in contributions, please make checks payable to “*The Headhunters*,” for whom you would like the contribution to be remembered, and whether or not you would like to remain anonymous. They are all tax deductible. **Thank you** in advance.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS !

It gives us great pleasure to welcome these **11 new members** to our ranks for the **first time** (in the order of "signing up" since 1 February). **Equally rewarding** are the **many** members who have **rejoined** after 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or even 9 years absence! **Welcome back to all!**
 As of this date we have 381 Yearly, plus 460 LifeTime Members (LTMs)—**841 Total!!**

Here is the roll call of our **new** members:



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| A1/C Menson E. Byrd (50-51) | Judy Hochuli Lee (WWII daughter) |
| Brig Gen Thomas B. Wood (1942) | Marge Bong Drucker (Dick Bong Widow) |
| Wilburt H. Blatter (Vietnam) | 1Lt Michael S. May (00-01) |
| Capt Jonathan D. Shultz (00-01) | Capt Melissa J. May (00-01) |
| Capt Michael J. Waite (00-01) | 1Lt Erik J B Fiederer (00-01) |
| Capt Kirk M. Schultz (00-01) | |

Friends of yours? You bet!! Look 'em up in your new Master Roster Change and/or Master E-mail & Fax List Change (enclosed), give 'em a call, write 'em a letter, or beam an e-mail message over to them. Or better yet, ask them to meet you at the **next reunion!** Great to have you **all** in formation—and what a **super** one it is!! Do you have **Headhunter** friends that aren't members? If so, please let me have their addresses, and I'll send a "Please Join Us" letter to them. **How about all of our active duty JUVATS in the 80th today? Cleared to join up, Y'all!!**
 See your *SNACKO* for Membership Forms and envelopes—**Thank you!**

Don't go through life with a
catcher's mitt on **MISSING HEADHUNTER BOOKS** both hands. You
need to be able to throw something back.

On behalf of Bob Williams and Milt Uzelac, I'd like to ask you all to take another look in your Squadron artifacts for their 80th Headhunter "Year Books" from their time in the Korean War. "Capt Robert Williams" and "Milt Uzelac" are embroidered on the black Korean War book covers, as well as our Squadron logo and "HEADHUNTERS" "Korea". Bob's book disappeared from the Hospitality Room during our 50th Anniversary Reunion at the Menger Hotel in San Antonio in 1992. Milt's book also disappeared from a reunion Hospitality Room. If anyone has them or knows where either or both may be, please contact Bob, Milt or me. Bob's address: Col Robert D. Williams; 115 Spyglass Rd; McQueeney, TX 78123. Phone: (210) 557-5706. E-mail is: bobf4thenqb@axs4u.net Milt can be reached at: Milton J. Uzelac; 30043 Grandpoint Lane; Palos Verdes, CA 90275. Phone: (310) 832-4272. E-mail: Miltyuze@aol.com Thank you very much—I hope we can find these important personal keepsakes and return them to their rightful owners.

THE MAIL BAG

E-mail on 30 January to Ken Lloyd:

"Good morning Ken: Jeremy had forwarded to me the web site information on the Headhunters some time ago. He was extremely impressed with the World War II information and, more importantly, your contributions to not only the web site for the 'Headhunters,' but your contributions, as a young fighter pilot, to your country.

I think it's great that you and your colleagues would take the time to commit to writing your experiences in World War II - this holds true with most things that have a historical significance. For young adults of Jeremy and Christopher's age really don't have an appreciation or understanding of the tremendous personal sacrifices made by people such as yourself during these conflicts. I'm sure Jeremy has shared with you that his grandfather is a Pearl Harbor Survivor, your experiences serve to crystallize what war and conflict is all about—tremendous sacrifices, with many paying the absolute and final price for liberty.

At any rate, I just wanted to let you know that I had an opportunity to visit the web site and read your memoirs. You did an excellent job of taking the reader through your personal experiences. The person(s) who designed your site did a very impressive job and the individual contributions bring it all together. Hopefully, you guys are doing outreach to the public schools. I'm pleased that Jeremy shared this with me and that I had an opportunity to visit. Jeremy holds you in very high regard, as he should and now that I know a little bit more about you I can say, "thanks for being there for us!" Have a great week – [signed] Kerry Pendergast [Ed note] *Kerry is a local bank president near Ken.*



E-mail on 1 February: "My Dad, Ben R. Lemaire (buried in Arlington), served in the 80th FS as radio operator/comm. section chief/part-time PB Y rescue crew member (Feb 42 - Nov 45). A P-38 pilot saved my Dad's life by removing his radio from behind the pilot's seat where my Dad crawled in and the pilot took off to another island evading capture by the Japanese. Do

any of you WWII Headhunter pilots/crew remember him or this event? He, also, pulled some Headhunter pilots out of their shot-up, crash-landed P-38s. Thanks for your Time and your Brave Service to our Country!” [signed] Bob Lemaire E-mail: bjlemaire@cfi.net

E-mail on 17 February: “Thanks very much for your help! I am planning a major article on the Headhunters in Korea for late this year. In the next newsletter, if you could mention that I would like to have some detailed mission accounts from the guys, I would appreciate it. I am always interested in borrowing and copying any 35mm color slides that the guys may have. My F-86F Fighter Bomber book covered the 80th's conversion to the ‘F’ during the final months of the war.” [signed] Warren Thompson; 7201 Stamford Cove; Germantown, TN 38138-4627 E-mail: migaley@attglobal.net

E-mail on 4 March: “JayBird: Thanks for the news but I'm saddened of the passing of General Robbins. He was a true top of the heap Fighter Pilot Leader. I'm sure he will be wearing silver wings and waiting to lead us wherever he has gone. There are Special Operations Flight Orders placing him at the right side of God where the best Fighter Pilots Go. Thanks again and I'll have a card in the Mail to Mrs. Jay T. Robbins. [signed] Duke Daries”

E-mail on 6 March: “Jay- thanks for your input on J T's [Gen Robbins] health. I will send a contribution to the 80th.

I owe you and the other members of the association an explanation as to why I have not joined. I feel strongly about the 80th, but I think the membership belongs to the fighter "jocks". When I was with the 80th in 1942 I was an administration officer. The only time I flew was when JT let me and the engineer officer fly behind the pilot. They took the radio out and I took its place. We made a bomb drop against the Jap's. [I did get to release the bombs]. I feel that you and all the fighter pilots of the past and the future fighter pilots like my son-in-law Terry & his twin brother Larry New have the right to be members of your association. I was fortunate after the war to become a Pilot and the AF has treated me exceedingly well.

I like your web and will continually keep abreast of all the happenings of the 80th. God Bless you all!!! [signed Brig Gen] Tom Wood”

E-mail reply on 6 March: “Thank you, Sir. I certainly understand your feelings about being a part of the pilots in the Squadron during WWII, but I sure wish you would reconsider. We have many non-flying members in our Association--ground officers and a few enlisted crew chiefs, etc. Many come to our reunions and enjoy them as much as everyone else! Our 12-page quarterly newsletters have a little something for everyone, too. I say this at every reunion—‘we are all family, and it takes ALL of us to do the job. The pilots alone would never get off the ground if it wasn't for all the rest of the Squadron who did THEIR jobs to make it all come together.’ It's certainly true!! Sorry--no more pressure!!! I'll get off my soapbox now!! Thanks again, [signed] Jay” [Ed note] *Gen Wood joined as an LTM on 8 March—Welcome!!*

E-mail on 7 March: “Here is the preliminary plan from the Wolfpack. The 80th just moved into an incredible new squadron building. I paid for several improvements to the mass briefing room. The squadron has done a super job of preserving our history while moving in. We intend to add LTG Robbins memorabilia to the Mass Briefing Room and dedicate it to him. Additionally we will fly, and film a missing man formation from the 80th this Friday in conjunction with retreat. Many of us will be at the flag during the flyover, JUVAT Lead, Lt Col Walden, will be #3 and do the pull-up. You can be confident that the Headhunters/JUVATS and the 8th

Fighter Wing will not forget this incredible warrior. [signed Col Philip Breedlove, 8 FW/CC] Wolf aka, Bwana aka Headhunter Lead 93-94”

E-mail on 11 March: “JayBird, Maybe you could pass on these words to Mrs. Robbins. Would like to update you on how the Juvats Honored Lt Gen Jay T. Robbins’ passing.

1. We conducted a "Fly Over" on Friday 9 March 01. I lead the flight of four Juvats directly over the Wing headquarters building and flags on the south side of the building. The formation looked good from my cockpit as well as from the ground, so I am told....
2. Saturday night, 10 March we had a Hail and Farewell with Party suits and during the invocation, we acknowledged his passing. I also had the Litho and certificate of authenticity you sent me that he signed back in 1995 framed in Black frame and mat and presented the Litho to the "AJ" [Any Juvat], our youngest Lt. and charged him and all future Juvats to remember our Heritage and Tradition.
3. The Litho and certificate are now hanging in the Mass Briefing room. I plan to not hang any other pictures in the room in honor of Lt Gen Jay T. Robbins. The only other wall hangings in the room are all of the squadron plaques we give as going away mementos and the American Flag. I feel that is the least we can do to honor such a great warrior. All for now and thanks so much for sending the Litho. I think the Good Lord had a plan.... [signed Lt Col Russell K. Walden, 80th FS Commander] Waldo.” [Ed note] *The Litho referred to is a beautiful 18” x 22” print of “High Noon Over Alicante” from the original oil painting by Roy Grinnell depicting Maj Robbins’ 22nd and last victory. It can be viewed on the “Song” Page of our Web Site. This print was autographed with a personal message and presented to the Squadron Association by Gen Robbins at the Saturday night banquet of the Ft Walton Beach reunion 29 April 1995. JayBird held it until about three months ago when other lithos were being sought by the Squadron to hang in their new building at Kunsan, Korea. What a fitting tribute to Gen Robbins—a Squadron legend as he passes into history.*

Letter received on 12 March: “...Enclosed is my \$10 Membership dues for 2001. Please enter me on your rolls as the daughter of Capt Robert G. Hochuli, Squadron commander from May 31, 1945 to August 12, 1945... [Signed] Judy F. Lee.” [Ed note] *Capt Hochuli was shot down on the last combat mission of the 80th in WWII. Welcome to Judy and her husband, David.*

E-mail received on 12 March: “We are sad to hear about our fallen comrade [Gen Robbins] and great fighter pilot. As Crusader Lead, I have many Headhunters in the squadron. We drank a toast in his honor this Friday night in remembrance. I always hate hearing of such a loss. Thanks for keeping me informed. Check six, Bob ‘Wilbur’ Wright, Lt Col, USAF, 523 FS / CC”

Letter received on 13 March: “What a great guy ‘Cock’ Robbins was. He was also a super leader and dear friend. It was an honor to have flown with him and a comfort to know he would do all in his power to get every pilot home safely. Murphey and I called him our ‘Mother Hubbard’—what he called us, I can’t repeat. I regret that I couldn’t attend the services, but my travel is limited and must be planned well in advance of departure. My check is enclosed as a memorial to J.T. Robbins and for you to continue as our Head Headhunter. Very best to you and Bonnie. [Signed] Lou Schriber”

E-mail received on 18 March: “You did your usual excellent job with the special edition honoring "Cock" Robbins. We who flew with him will always be grateful for his fearless

leadership and flying ability. On page 4 the guy sitting on the left engine of "Jandina IV" is yours truly, Ken Lloyd. Donald "Deac" Logslett took this picture on Neumfoor Island when the squadron was being outfitted with new P-38L5's. I have some others he took of me sitting in the cockpit, and standing with Robbins plane. Almost everyone jumped at the chance to have his picture taken with the famous Maj Jay T. Robbins plane. Those of us who were serving with the "Headhunters" are very lucky that Lt Donald Jarvis Logslett took so many pictures of the squadron's activities. He was very generous in giving many copies of those pictures to us that we now treasure. Hugh Hatfield found! With the help of Margaret Harris I was able to locate Hugh and had a nice chat. Good I got in touch, as he had not heard of Robbins taking his last flight. Hugh's new address is: 51 Carmel Court, Montgomery, TX 77356-8466. Phone number: (936) 697-8600. [Signed] Ken."

E-mail received on 13 April: "Dear Jay - Quick note but heartfelt with appreciation to you and the other Juvats. Cannot tell you what a surprise it was to be so wonderfully accepted and to become a member of the great 80th Squadron. Really had a wonderful time and a lot of laughs over all the little mishaps. If your group publishes a newsletter, would you please extend my best wishes to all and my thanks for this great honor upon become one of the group? Love - Marge. Hi to Bonnie." [Ed note:] *Marge Bong Drucker, widow of Richard I. Bong, America's "Ace of Aces," was honored as a LifeTime Member of our Association at our Saturday night banquet on 7 April during the DC reunion. Welcome to our Squadron, Marge!*

HURTIN' HEADHUNTERS



Robert M. McDermott, one of our Korean-era LTMs, suffered a stroke back in November. We received this e-mail from his wife, Ann, on 25 January: Jay, "Lt Col Bob McDermott, LTM of the 80th FS, and 80th FS D Flt Commander during Korean War, retired DC10 pilot for FedEx, you may recall had a heart attack on Nov. 10, and a stroke on Nov 13th last year. He has made a remarkable recovery. Don't ever skip rehab, if needed! Bob (Macie to me), is still facing serious health problems. The decision has been made; he will have "carotid endarterectomy" surgery on Mon. morning Jan. 29th at Baptist East in Memphis. Dr. Ed Garrett will do his surgery. Hopefully, we'll be home after a few days, maybe a bit longer to adjust his coumadin dosage. Please remember him in your prayers. Sincerely, Ann" We all wish Mac a full and speedy recovery!

E-mail on 3 February: "The Monday after Thanksgiving, I had a stent 'installed' due to a nearly closed artery. Seems as if us old folks have more in common as we age. I had been exercising rather regularly, one day suddenly, a pressure was felt across my chest. I had no idea what was happening since I had never had heart disease before. A week or so later, we went to Mexico for two weeks and it happened again. Making a long story short, we were able to complete our holiday, get back to the USA, saw my Dr, had the stent surgery, back to 'normal.'" [Signed] Jerry Pattison. We're glad to hear all's well with your new hydraulic lines, Jerry!!

LATE-BREAKING NEWS--NEXT REUNIONS!

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FL 19-22 Sep 2002
Phoenix, AZ Spring 2004

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For those of you who are Yearly Members and have memberships expiring at the end of the Membership Year on **30 June**, your Dues Renewal letter is enclosed with this newsletter. Stay with us—please return your dues in the envelope provided for “uninterrupted service!” If you’re tired of getting these “nag” letters every year, LifeTime Membership is the answer—get one, and your dues-paying, nag-letter days are over! Details are in the letter. If you didn’t get a “Your Dues are Due” letter with this newsletter, relax—you’re in “tall cotton” with at least a one-year reprieve! We’ll get the bloodhounds out after you next year!! Thank you!

MASTER ROSTER & E-MAIL/FAX LIST CHANGES

Enclosed are your Master Roster & E-mail/Fax List Changes. Please note these are only changes, and not complete new lists! Only information that has changed since the last (1 February) newsletter is included. We still receive letters and phone calls, “*Why have I been deleted from the Master Roster [and/or E-mail List] in the last newsletter?*” If you haven’t had any changes to your information since February, you are not in this change; however, you have not been deleted from the complete documents. If you have any additions/corrections to any of your information, please send to me for updating. A complete 52-page, 1800-person Master Roster and/or 15-page, 600-person E-mail/Fax List is (are) available upon request. Thanks.

HEADHUNTER STORE!!

Get these items now, and wear/use them proudly—not just at the reunions, but wherever you go! It’s a great way to find other **HEADHUNTERS**, too! Unless purchased at a reunion, a small fee of **\$4 should be added** for postage to all orders (unless otherwise noted)—I’ll take care of the “handling!”

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| Blazer Emblem (men’s or ladies) | \$35 | Golf Shirt (specify size) | \$29 |
| Squadron Unique Tie | \$30 | T Shirt (specify size) | \$12 |
| Ladies Floppy Bow (matches tie) | \$30 | Squadron F-16 Litho Print | \$20 |
| Sq “Nickel” Coin or Keychain | \$ 4 | White Hat | \$10 |
| *Personalized Sq coffee mug | \$20 | Black Hat | \$10 |
| *Personalized Sq beer stein | \$23 | Squadron Memorial Plaque | \$10 |

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| *Mug & Stein set as above | \$40 | Korean-era Sq Patch | \$ 5 |
| Current Squadron Patch | \$ 5 | **Personalized Sq beer mug | \$25 |
| Squadron Logo Golf Balls (sleeve) | \$10 | Lapel Pin/Tie Tack | \$ 3 |
| Headhunter Tattoos (fun!) 2 for a | \$ 1 | Reunion '99 Shopping Bag | \$ 5 |
| Reunion '99 Golf Towel | \$ 5 | ***Squadron Bolo Tie | \$10 |

* Please include **name and/or callsign** desired on your mug/stein (up to 20 letters), and **right/left** handed with your order. **Unless otherwise stated**, the Squadron logo & your first name in Old English will be on the front (handle left for right-handed drinker), and an F-16 will be on the back.

** Large 25oz mug is beautiful **etched glass**. Please indicate **Squadron logo** or our **Association logo** desired, choice of **P-38, P-51, F-80, F-86, F-84, F-100, F-105, F-4, or F-16**, and include **name and/or callsign in "HEADHUNTER" or standard bold font**, and **right/left** handed, with your order. **Personal markings** (tail number/markings, aerial victories, etc.) available. Other aircraft may be available. Please call for quote.

Please send check to **"The Headhunters"; 905 Arapaho Ct; Columbus, GA 31904-1242**. Please don't forget **\$4 postage** on all orders (accept patches, coins, tattoos, & lapel pin.)

***** HEADHUNTER BOLO TIE by Chuck Baisden *****

These **handmade** bolo ties, finely crafted from Montana, Colorado, and Wyoming **deer antler**, are truly beautiful. Of course, each one is slightly different, but they measure approximately 1" wide x 2" long x 3/8" thick, and have our **Headhunter** logo on the front. The tie string is olive drab nylon parachute cord with .30 cal copper bullets at the two ends. **The price of \$10 includes shipping**. They come with a **100% satisfaction guarantee**--if you don't like it, send it back for a full refund. **Please place your order directly with Chuck at (912) 897-1714** for these unique **Headhunter** gifts!!

Fighter pilot songs (Rated G) on professional CDs and/or tapes are available from World-renowned military songwriter and balladeer, and fellow **HEADHUNTER**, Dick Jonas. Contact him at: Erosonic; 2001 Mountain View Glen; Ft Mojave, AZ 86426-8833.

Thud Ridge and **Going Downtown**—two great books by our own **Headhunter** Col Jack Broughton, now in reprint. They both contain outstanding Vietnam air war coverage—and the politics behind it. Order direct from Col Broughton: (949) 859-9087

THE STORK CORNER!



We take great pride in announcing the birth of
the world's youngest **HEADHUNTERS!**

E-mail on 24 January: “Just an update, probably to late for the next issue [1 February news-
letter went to press that morning!], we had a healthy baby boy (Michael Christopher Fahey)
8.5 lbs on the 31st of December. Not quite as important but almost as much fun, I got checked
out in the F-86, so all and all a good year!” [Signed] Chris Fahey. **Congratulations!**

E-mail on 19 February: “I wanted to let my Juvat buddies know that GQ and wife Jean still
rock! Jean just delivered our fifth, Grace Marie George, on 19 Jan 2001. And that's five C-
sections! She had the doc put in a zipper, so the next five ought to be a little easier. Grace joins
Ben (10), Mackenzie (8), John Paul (3), and Max (2) as future Headhunters. I did just realize
that we are going to have 3 kids in college when I hit retirement age at 65, so look for a future
Headhunter College Fund Drive to support poor old flight surgeons!” [Signed] LTC Gary L.
“GQ” George, MD 80th TFS Flight Surgeon, 1984-85. MAN!! “Future Headhunters?” Looks
like you're going to replace the entire Squadron!!! **Congratulations!**

E-mail on 27 March: “Garrett and Melissa Thompson have added another addition to the
family - Michael Carl on 13 Mar 01, 6 lbs 13.5 oz.” **Congratulations!**
Congratulations to all on their newest “Wingman!”

HEADHUNTERS AT REST

Last, but certainly not least, we would like to take this opportunity to pass on to all
members the names of those **HEADHUNTERS**, who we know of, that have made their last
takeoff in this lifetime since our last newsletter.

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| Lt Gen Jay T. Robbins | WWII/CC/Ace/LTM | 3 Mar 2001 |
| Col Ernest T. "Smiley" Burnett | Korea/CC/LTM | 8 Mar 2001 |
| Jack Barry, Jr. | Korea/LTM | 6 Apr 2001 |
| Orland J. Harris | WWII/LTM | 1 May 2001 |

On behalf of the entire Squadron, we wish to officially pass on to these families our deepest
sympathies and sincere gratitude for the outstanding contribution each of these individuals
made to the Squadron and our Country. May they rest in peace and forever soar with the Eagles.

May God bless and keep them in His Flight forever.

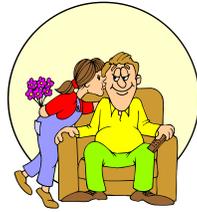


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Independence Day – 4 July



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