

# 80<sup>th</sup> FIGHTER SQUADRON HEADHUNTERS ASSOCIATION



## HEADHUNTER HEADLINES



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### WWII HEADHUNTERS

Many of you already know our Association Historian, Bob "Driver Mac" McNeese. He's our point of contact with the National Museum of WWII Aviation in Colorado Springs where we have on display some of our better WWII memorabilia. I'm on their email distribution list and just received this article from them. While it is about the pilots and aircraft of the "Other Squadron" I think it worthy of mention here. Take a look at "A Story of Colonel Royal, Captain Sparks, and an Airplane Called White 33": <http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?ca=d19728f9-7335-465f-9ce5-756a7fef0e92&c=d4f45f20-7871-11e4-8817-d4ae52a4597c&ch=d4fa0470-7871-11e4-8817-d4ae52a4597c> Here's the tiny url: <http://tinyurl.com/hfvrefu>

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### MILITARY OLD AND NEW

1945 - NCO's had a typewriter on their desks for doing daily reports.

2016 - everyone has an internet access computer, and they wonder why no work is getting done.

1945 - we painted pictures of girls on airplanes to remind us of home.

2016 - they put the real thing in the cockpit.

1945 - your girlfriend was at home praying you would return alive.

2016 - she is in the same trench praying your condom worked.

1945 - if you got drunk off duty your buddies would take you back to the barracks to sleep it off.

2016 - if you get drunk they slap you in rehab and ruin your career.

1945 - you were taught to aim at your enemy and shoot him.

2016- you spray 500 bullets into the brush, don't hit anything, and retreat because you're out of ammo.

1945 - canteens were made of steel, and you could heat coffee or hot chocolate in them.

2016 - canteens are made of plastic, you can't heat anything in them, and they always taste like plastic.

1945 - officers were professional soldiers first and they commanded respect.

2016- officers are politicians first and beg not to be given a wedgie.

1945 - they collected enemy intelligence and analyzed it.

2016 - they collect your pee and analyze it.

1945 - if you didn't act right, the Sergeant Major put you in the brig until you straightened up.  
2016 - if you don't act right, they start a paper trail that follows you forever.

1945 - medals were awarded to heroes who saved lives at the risk of their own.  
2016 - medals are awarded to people who work at headquarters.

1945 - you slept in barracks like a soldier.  
2016 - you sleep in a dormitory like a college kid.

1945 - you ate in a mess hall, which was free, and you could have all the food you wanted.  
2016 - you eat in a dining facility, every slice of bread or pad of butter costs, and you better not take too much.

1945 - we defeated powerful countries like Germany and Japan.  
2016 - we come up short against Iraq and Afghanistan.

1945 - if you wanted to relax, you went to the rec center, played pool, smoked and drank beer.  
2016 - you go to the community center, and you can play pool.

1945 - if you wanted beer and conversation you went to the NCO or Officers' Club.  
2016 - the beer will cost you \$2.75, membership is forced, and someone is watching how much you drink.

1945 - the PX had bargains for soldiers who didn't make much money.  
2016 - you can get better and cheaper merchandise at Walmart.

1945 - we could recognize the enemy by their Nazi helmets.  
2016 - we are wearing the Nazi helmets.

1945 - we called the enemy names like "Krauts" and "Japs" because we didn't like them.  
2016 - we call the enemy the "opposing force" or "aggressor" because we don't want to offend them.

1945 - victory was declared when the enemy was defeated and all his things were broken.  
2016 - we haven't a clue as to what victory is or what it takes to achieve it.

1945 - a commander would put his butt on the line to protect his people.  
2016 - a commander will put his people on the line to protect his butt.

1945 - wars were planned and run by generals who knew how to fight and win.  
2016 - wars are planned by politicians who haven't a clue about fighting or winning.

1945 - we were fighting for freedom, and the country was committed to winning.  
2016 - we don't know what we're fighting for, and the government is committed to social programs and political correctness.

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If you're a Marxist bent on 'fundamentally changing America' here's the way you'd do it:

"SIR, I WILL NOT OBEY THAT ORDER." : <https://youtu.be/1DS2wXSKE5k>

## KOREAN WAR HEADHUNTERS

*Bwana Johnson* came through with this gem- *Zippo Fahey* in an F-86. Note the right shoulder patch...



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### Jerry Minton's 80FBS Presentation

A few years ago, LTM Jerry Minton gave a PowerPoint presentation to the US Air Force Academy that highlighted the role played by the 80 FBS in Korea.

Associate LTM (and 80 FS Association Korean War Historian) Gerry Asher was kind enough to transcribe the entire presentation to a CD.

Too bad there is no audio, but none was recorded during Jerry's program.

This is a remarkable peek into one Korean War veteran's view of life, service and sacrifice in this war which has been, unfortunately and despicably, forgotten by many Americans.

Many thanks to Jerry and Gerry!

You can view the presentation at the website here: <https://8ofsheadhunters.org/2016/04/28/jerry-mintons-8ofbs-presentation/>

## BETWEEN THE WARS HEADHUNTERS

Where are you guys???

## VIET NAM HEADHUNTERS

### **Vietnam – Why were so many Pilots shot down?**

<https://www.vietnam272nd.com/vietnam-why-were-so-many-pilots-shot-down/>

“The Secret War and Other Conflicts” (Published 2014 by GENERAL PETE PIOTROWSKI ISBN 978-1-4931-6187-4 (Hardcover))

“Nearly twenty years later, former Secretary of State Dean Rusk being interviewed by Peter Arnett on a CBC documentary called, “The Ten Thousand Day War”.

Mr Arnett asked, “It has been rumored that the United States provided the North Vietnamese government the names of the targets that would be bombed the following day. Is there any truth to that allegation?”

To everyone’s astonishment and absolute disgust, the former Secretary responded, “Yes. We didn’t want to harm the North Vietnamese people, so we passed the targets to the Swiss embassy in Washington with instructions to pass them to the NVN government through their embassy in Hanoi.” As we watched in horror, Secretary Rusk went on to say, “All we wanted to do is demonstrate to the North Vietnamese leadership that we could strike targets at will, but we didn’t want to kill innocent people. By giving the North Vietnamese advanced warning of the targets to be attacked, we thought they would tell the workers to stay home.”

No wonder all the targets were so heavily defended day after day! The NVN obviously moved as many guns as they could overnight to better defend each target they knew was going to be attacked. Clearly, many brave American Air Force and Navy fliers died or spent years in NVN prison camps as a direct result of being intentionally betrayed by Secretary Rusk and Secretary McNamara, and perhaps, President Johnson himself.

I cannot think of a more duplicitous and treacherous act of American government officials. Dean Rusk served as Secretary of State from January 21, 1961, through to January 20, 1969, under President John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson.

*I invite your comments on the website.:* <https://8ofsheadhunters.org/forums/forum/open-discussion/>

## JUVAT HEADHUNTERS

As a reminder, you can also view JL #109's ( LT COL John "NÜK" Gallemore) monthly newsletter on the website: <https://8ofsheadhunters.org/category/newsletter/juvat-lead-newsletter/>

### 80<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron Newsletter MAR 2016

#### COMMANDER'S WORDS

It is now official. JL 110 will be Lt Col Matt "Trap" Crowell. He is currently serving as the Director of Operations in the 555<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy. The change of command is scheduled for 10 Jun...but who's counting...

For those anxiously waiting on assignments, I wish I had more data.

The Juvat Winter-Spring excitement is on-going. Our next exercise kicks off sometime this weekend or early next week. We have about a week to catch our breath and then 15 Juvat fighter pilots, 3 support personnel and 30 maintainers are headed to Jungwon AB, RoK for a Buddy Wing exercise. Fast forward another week and we are in the middle of Exercise MAX THUNDER...fast forward another week...161 Juvats are "Taking The Fight West"...to RED FLAG-ALASKA!

#### WIG?

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#### MAR EVENTS

- 5 Mar – Meet AJ
- 7 – 11 Mar – ORE
- 28 Mar – 1 Apr – Buddy Wing

#### LONG TERM

- 1 Apr – Smalls/Acid/Kwondo Farewell
- 11 – 15 Apr – 8 FW UEI
- 17 – 29 Apr – Exercise MAX THUNDER
- 27 Apr – 30 May – RED FLAG – ALASKA / DISTANT FRONTIER
- 10 Jun – Change of Command



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- New JBC Lead - Ogre
- Happy Birthday – Doc Kim (14 Mar)
- Anniversary – SSgt Meechal (6 Mar)

#### INBOUNDS

- Mr. Taylor – Shaw
- Mr. Hickie – Shaw

#### UPGRADES COMPLETE

- Roberts – MQT
- Knight – Instructor Pilot

#### MAR PAIN TRAIN

- Flight Lead Upgrade: Kwondo / Triple / Flash
- Instructor Pilot Upgrade: Ogre / Thrust
- MQT: Johnson / Adams

#### JUVAT SWAG

- Contact Kramer Clasen for RMOs, T-Shirts, Mug orders, etc.

#### ACRONYM CORNER

- MQT – Mission Qualification Training
- ORE – Operational Readiness Exercise
- UEI – Unit Effectiveness Inspection

### 80<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron Newsletter APR 2015

#### COMMANDER'S WORDS

Assignments are here...aka...8 FW UEI, Exercise MAX THUNDER and then off to RED FLAG – Alaska. I forgot to mention as I write this letter we have 15 Juvat fighter pilots and 60 maintainers deployed to Jungwon Air Base, Republic of Korea. To say it is going to be a busy month is an understatement. I was on leave for 10 days, returned to 4 new Juvats and we are sending off 4 Juvats...it never ends.

The month of April is here...aka...8 FW UEI, Exercise MAX THUNDER and then off to RED FLAG – Alaska. I forgot to mention as I write this letter we have 15 Juvat fighter pilots and 60 maintainers deployed to Jungwon Air Base, Republic of Korea. To say it is going to be a busy month is an understatement. I was on leave for 10 days, returned to 4 new Juvats and we are sending off 4 Juvats...it never ends.

Best of luck to Acid & Leena, Kwondo, April & Baby AJ, SSgt Meechal, Smalls & Whitney!

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#### APR EVENTS

- 1 Apr – First Friday
- 8 Apr – Naming
- 11 – 15 Apr – 8 FW UEI
- 18 – 29 Apr – Exercise MAX THUNDER
- 15 Apr – JBC Tryouts
- 23 Apr – Farewell Bull\_senior
- 27 Apr – Red Flag – Alaska

#### LONG TERM

- 28 May – Red Flag – Redeploy
- 4 Jun – Hollandia
- 10 Jun – Change of Command

#### 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER AWARD WINNERS

- CIV – Ms. Choe / NCO – SSgt Cho / FIICC – Rock / CGO – Beast / FGO – Kwondo (OG Winner) / Wingman – AXE (OG Winner) / Flight Lead – Ogre (OG Winner) / IP – Wellen

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Anniversaries (Acid & Leena – 13 Apr / April & Kwondo – 30 Apr)
- Birthdays (Thrash – 26 Apr)

#### INBOUNDS

- Mr. Bolint – 15 Apr (Shaw)
- Mr. Emerson – 15 Jul (WIC)

#### UPGRADES COMPLETE

- Ogre / Thrust – Instructor Pilot
- Kwondo – Flight Lead
- Johnson, F., – Wingman

#### APR PAIN TRAIN

- Flight Lead Upgrade: Triple / Flash / Bull\_mini
- Instructor Pilot Upgrade: Mr. Grace
- MQT: Adams

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#### ACRONYM CORNER

- CGO – Company Grade Officer (2 Lt – Capt)
- FGO – Field Grade Officer (Maj – Lt Col)
- MQT – Mission Qualification Training
- NCO – Non-Commissioned Officer
- UEI – Unit Effectiveness Inspection



## HEADHUNTERS DOWN

To a fighter pilot, there is only one coin that matters: the nickel. Of all the fighter pilot traditions and accompanying heritage, the phrase "nickel on the grass" is easily held in the highest regard of all. The phrase, a chorus from an old fighter pilot song, has evolved to become synonymous with remembering a fallen aviator.

<http://barnapkinairpower.com/2016/02/14/a-nickel-on-the-grass/>

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To the 80<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron,

I wanted to drop you a short not to let you know that my dad, **Major Adrian W. Acebedo** passed away on August 25, 2015. He died peacefully with no pain at the Hospice House. My mom, **Louise Acebedo** preceded him on May 20, 2010. My parents enjoyed their time with the 80<sup>th</sup>- especially my Dad's tour of Japan where they lived for about two years. .. **Patti Taylor**

Folks this is very interesting note that contains some real historical gems. Please go the website and take a look: <https://8ofsheadhunters.org/2016/03/28/major-adrian-ace-acebedo-rip/>

FROM THE WEBSITE AND AROUND THE WORLD

Let's say hello to **Juvat Lead #110, LT COL Matt "Trap" Crowell**. He's currently the DO at the 555<sup>th</sup> which, apparently, is some Other Squadron from Aviano AB, Italy. Scheduled Change of Command ceremony is 10 Jun, but according to **LT COL John "Nuk"** (pronounced "Nuke") **Gallemore, JL #109**, "Who's counting??"

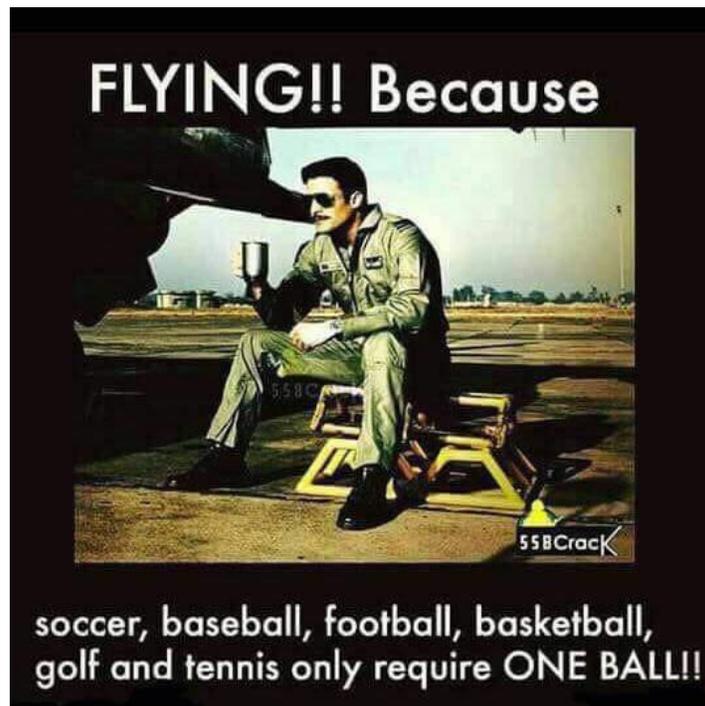
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**Colonel (congrats!) Hank "HOG" Griffiths** update: Juvat 1996-97, F-16 and F-35 Fighter/Test Pilot. Currently SPO Director within the Fighters and Bombers Directorate at Wright-Patterson AFB.

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Tex, Good news is I'm really enjoying being totally retired, volunteering my free time, and being involved as much as possible as a grandpa to our 13-yr old, 7th grader, living near us in DFW, and 3 other grand kids (12, 10, and 8) living in CO. I don't suspect you'd even remember me; when we last flew together, I was a young F-4 guy, a T-38 FAIP, in the 80<sup>th</sup> but was lucky enough to fly with some great back seaters when we were all together at Kunsan in 1978. Anyway, I grew up/got old, and went on to complete a very rewarding 20+yr USAF career flying F-4s & F-16s, followed by almost 20 years with Delta Airlines. Now, I'm a very happy "old retired guy", still happily married to my first wife, Sharon, living in north Dallas. I hope life is continuing to treat you well. **BJ (BJ Hall)**

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*There's a lot of Juvat Chick Fighter Pilots out there who have the required anatomical parts, too!*

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## VA INTOLERABLE ACTS

“A Bill has just passed the US Senate, mandating that the US Department of Veteran Affairs ensure that all veterans receive immunizations (vaccines) per a draconian schedule. At this juncture, active military must receive over a dozen vaccines. This piece of legislation is therefore an effort to extend the vaccine mandate to those who have previously served their country.

Sec. 101 of Senate Bill 1203, named the 21st Century Veterans Benefits Delivery Act, states that the Department of Veterans Affairs will be tasked with the mandate to “ensure that veterans receiving medical services under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, receive each immunization on the recommended adult immunization schedule at the time such immunization is indicated on that schedule.”

The schedule referred to above is frankly staggering. Over ninety vaccines are listed.”

<http://www.activistpost.com/2015/11/us-senate-passes-bill-approving-mandatory-vaccinations-for-veterans.html>

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### **260,000 Vets Stripped of Their Gun Rights With a Single VA Gun Regulation**

by [S. Noble](#) • March 26, 2016

Two Senate Republicans are trying to find out why 260,000 vets have been stripped of their gun rights. The Veterans Affairs office has made it a practice to report veterans to the FBI’s National Instant Criminal Background Check system.

If veterans need help doing paper work, they lose their rights. It’s clearly a violation of the Second Amendment.

Any veteran who is assigned a fiduciary trustee to act on their behalf is automatically declared “mentally defective” and is reported to NICS, the database Federal Firearms Licensees use to determine whether a prospective buyer is eligible to buy guns.

As of December 2015, the VA has reported [260,381](#) individuals to the FBI, effectively making them prohibited firearms possessors under the law.

<http://www.independentsentinel.com/260000-vets-stripped-of-their-gun-rights-with-a-single-va-gun-regulation/>

*WTF is going on at the VA, from the lack of care scandals, to the outlandish salaries paid to incompetent (criminally so) managers who are ‘fundamentally transforming’ the VA? Oh... never mind, I know the answer already.*

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*If you will remember, back the November 2015 newsletter, we featured an article on “Operation Spring High”. Recently, LTM **Vic Vizcarra** began a Kickstarter fund raiser to raise money to produce a professional documentary of that mission.*

*Here’s the info on the website:*

<https://8ofsheadhunters.org/2016/04/01/vic-vizcarra-needs-our-help-update/>

“Vic Vizcarra Needs Our Help”: To fund a professionally-produced video of “Operation Spring High”, the first counter-air surface-to-air missile (SAM) mission in history of aerial combat, July 27, 1965 . IMHO, this is an important project and worth a donation to recognize these guys and their heroic actions that day and to highlight the abject failure of Command to not properly support them by insisting on outdated, inappropriate tactics and munitions.

*Here’s a link to a computer-graphics video that Vic had to rush through in time for the 50th Anniversary of the flight. The new video will be a completely-redone version.*

**Watch the video here: <https://vimeo.com/134242421>**

*Here’s Vic’s description of the Kickstarter/video project:*

Hi Tex,

Would appreciate it if you could post the attached notice to the membership if you believe it is appropriate. Trying to produce an extended commercial version of my Spring High video you featured in the 80th FS Newsletter this past November. It is an expensive venture and I’ve created a Kickstarter project to help fund it. In case you’ve never heard of Kickstarter, let me provide a short synopsis of what it is and how it works. It is a website where individuals who want to create or produce something and need help in funding the venture can provide a proposal and get pledges from interested backers to help produce the product. The Proposers sets the time limit and amount he/she needs to generate the needed funds, the Backers pledge to contribute towards the funds and get charged only if the needed goal is met within the set time frame. If the goal is not reached, the project dies a painless natural death and there is no money exchanged. If the goal is met, then the backers are obliged to provide what they pledged and in return receive incentive awards for the different levels pledged and usually includes a copy of the product produced. In my case, backers will receive a copy of the new expanded DVD plus other incentives listed in my proposal. I’ll provide you a preview of my Kickstarter proposal so you can see my specifics by separate Kickstarter message. After viewing it, if you think it is appropriate to post my notice, I’d really appreciate it. Statistically, Kickstarter proposals are most successful when worked through social media so I need to get maximum exposure. Thanks, hope to see you and Rita in Vegas end of May for the Itazuke Reunion.

HERE IS THE KICKSTARTER INFO:

Calling all 80<sup>th</sup> Headhunters/Juvats! John MacKay and I are launching a Kickstarter project to help fund the creation of a commercially licensed version of our Spring High video, posted on these pages this past November. The new video will not just be a rehash of the original; it will include new scenes, which were omitted in the original video in order to complete it in time for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary last July. Many scenes from the original will be redone with interesting different camera angles and improved commercial modeling software. Please check out our project at [www.kickstarter.com](http://www.kickstarter.com) which will be up and running by 1 April. You can easily locate our project by typing in “Operation Spring High” in their search menu. We hope you’ll find it worthwhile and help get the project off the ground. It is a way of making this happen and get a copy of the new expanded Operation Spring High. Thanks!

*We had a lot of Headhunters in this goat rope that changed USAF tactics for the better and as Vic says of the NVA SAMS, “The hunter became the hunted!”. Please send a couple of bucks .*

*Your Association pledged \$500, but you can feel free to add to that amount at Kickstarter.*

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*HQ received this from Joe the other day:*

Hi Tex-

Just running over your message on Vic's project and the included issue of the Squadron Magazine. I was a member of the Association for several years--still have some of the old issues--and I am not sure how I dropped. (Probably forgot to pay dues!) I think I may have joined as a LTM but don't remember---needless to say, I know qualify for the "age" status.

I joined the Squadron at Itazuke in July 1960 and was in the unit until July 1963 when I went to MacDill and the F-4 for 13 years. I went back to the 8th Wing in the F-4 at Kunsan in July 1975 as the Wing Chief of Stan Eval and attached to the Squadron until January 1976 when I moved over to be the 35th Operations Officer. We have continued to have our Itazuke Reunions every two years and have one scheduled here in Las Vegas this year on the last week in May. Jack Redmond is the primary planner and says we have 30+ attendees already signed up. Let me know what I have to do to get back in the loop. **Joe Stockett** (Col, USAF, Ret) *No action required. Joe, you're a paid up LTM.*

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*I noticed that Yogi's profile picture on the website was very "manly" and told him so. He responded:*

On 4/11/2016 3:13 PM, **Dustin Brown** wrote:

Hey there, Tex. Good to hear from you.

Ha! That picture was taken back in March of 2014. I was stationed at Aviano in the 510 FS "Buzzards" and had just taken the Romanian Prime Minister for an incentive flight. It was fun flying up low initial with Romanian MiG-21s on each wing. Memorable day. Cheers, **Yogi**



#### FROM THE ORDERLY ROOM

HH HQ's grand daughter#1 invites me to her school each Veterans Day where a bunch of old pharts give a short presentation to the various classes about life in US Armed Forces. Most of the presenters are Army guys but there are a couple of squids and a Jarhead or two. I am typically the only AF guy there. Last year, in an effort to show the spirit and *elan* of Headhunter fighter pilots AND to shame the grunts (who mostly talk about Command and Control In Modern Warfare, what they ate at chow in SEA, and the latest Big Green Army Concept of Operations) I wanted to play TTL for the class and (of course) act out the song. Unfortunately, the last stanza contains a naughty word. I contacted LTM Emmit Brooks for a sanitized version of it. He did a quick remix and VIOLA! (sic). The fifth graders loved it- even the Asian kid! Thanks, Emmit! So, if you need a sanitized version without the "F" word, please drop me an email and I'll forward it to you in digital format.

### **Annual Yellow Postcard Project:**

For the second year in a row (!), I'll be sending out a yellow postcard for three purposes:

1. To QC snail mail addresses for the Master Roster;
2. To remind you that if your snail mail or email address has changed (since the beginning of time) to update it. Send me an email: [HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org](mailto:HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org)
3. To remind any Annual Members who've not "bought" their annual dues to go to the store and do so as soon as you can: <https://8ofsheadhunters.org/store/>
4. To tell you about the Association's "Hot Topic of The Century" *du jour*.

**If you're an LTM** : Remember you do not ever again owe any dues. Your LTM status should have already been input by your crack (STS) Webmaster Lude and you will have access to the Master Roster and Forums. If you have any problems, just drop me an email: [HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org](mailto:HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org) and I'll fix it in a day or so. If haven't done so already, please register on the website: [https://8ofsheadhunters.org/upme\\_register/](https://8ofsheadhunters.org/upme_register/).

### **Speaking of dues:**

While our finances are in very good shape, we still need annual dues to fund various projects, make memorial and historical donations, help defray reunion expenses, mail newsletters to our non-computer enabled members (114 of them), fund the website, supply Nogas with dollar bills for his Las Vegas visits and other administrative costs. So, if you have not "bought" your annual dues (*if you did buy them already using Paypal, see below*), please do so as soon as you can.

It's really easy now. Make a simple online payment by credit card and you won't have to worry about your dues every year nor listen to my whiny bleating while begging for your money.

Here's how:

1. Register: [https://8ofsheadhunters.org/upme\\_register/](https://8ofsheadhunters.org/upme_register/)
2. Then click on the "Store" tab and buy the dues package you like. Annual Membership (AM) is still only \$10. Fast. Simple. Secure. Your \$10 will be charged every year until you cancel. No Paypal. Cancel anytime. The whole process will take less than 5 minutes. Tops.

Some of the records did not properly transfer from the old website and the Paypal abortion. If Paypal dropped the ball and you are no longer being charged by Paypal, please "re-buy" your dues at the Store using our Stripe billing service.

If you have any problems, email Webmaster Lude Kibble: [Lude@8ofsheadhunters.org](mailto:Lude@8ofsheadhunters.org) and/or me: [HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org](mailto:HHO1@8ofsheadhunters.org)

Please take care of this while you're thinking about it.

**Remember the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion on 4-7 May 2017, in Ft Worth, Texas. We intend to highlight and honor the Founding Fathers of the Squadron- the pilots and support troops from WWII and the Korean War.**

### **Schedule cao 5/1/2016:**

**Thursday:** Early Bird meet and greet and pay as you go dinner at a local eatery (walking distance).

**Friday:**

\*Registration.

\*Dinner and Entertainment at Billy Bob's Texas in the Stockyards. <http://billybobstexas.com/> We'll have a private room [http://billybobstexas.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Guitar\\_Bar.jpg](http://billybobstexas.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/Guitar_Bar.jpg) with cash bar, entertainment by "The Gunfighters" and any that wish can stay for the evening's dance and concert (included ).

### **Saturday:**

\*Golf: <http://www.hawkscreek.com/>

\*Tour: Sid Richardson Museum <https://www.sidrichardsonmuseum.org/> (free or nominal cost)

\*Business Meeting

\*Banquet: Entertainment by Dick Jonas and Others

\*Sing Along with the Juvat Boys' Choir live from the Kun.

The hotel is the Sheraton Ft Worth Downtown Hotel: <http://www.sheratonfortworth.com/>

You can climb aboard Molly The Trolley and explore Fort Worth. She's free:

<http://www.the-t.com/MollytheTrolley.aspx>

Unfortunately the rooms are not. Normal rates are \$199. MRP got us a \$149 rate. Still outrageous, but cheaper than anything in the Stockyards.

**The Hospitality Suite fee is no more. The Association is picking up that tab. Free food and drinks all weekend.**

### **Active Duty Headhunters:**

1. Cross countries can use Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base located about a \$5 cab ride from the hotel:  
[http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas\\_jrb\\_fort\\_worth/about.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_jrb_fort_worth/about.html)
2. Aerodrome Information:  
[http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas\\_jrb\\_fort\\_worth/om/operations.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_jrb_fort_worth/om/operations.html)
3. On base lodging: <http://ngis.dodlodging.net/propertys/Fort-Worth-NASJRB---TX>
4. If you arrive via a cross country, Billy Bob's and the Banquet are free for your formation's Any Juvat.

Folks, reunions are the life blood of the Association. Without them we are all just nameless, faceless creatures who once served in a squadron with the number 80. Please mark your calendars, put in for leave or vacation, find a sitter for the dog and come (so to speak) out and meet your fellow Headhunters/Juvats.

What is good?

Best to all, Tex and Rita2

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



***“TWIN TAILED LIGHTNING WAS OUR WARPLANE, AS WE ROAM’D PACIFIC SKIES...  
SEARCHING OUT, THE SONS OF NIPPON, SENDING THEM TO THEIR DEMISE.”***