

ECHOES

Past — Present —
and Future

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AFTAC THE COLORADO ALUMNI CHAPTER

UPCOMING EVENTS!

ALL CURRENT AND FORMER AFTAC PERSONNEL, SPOUSES AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. MEMBERSHIP IN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND THESE EVENTS.

AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants
May 29-31, 2015

DOUBLETREE HOTEL OCEANFRONT
COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA
321-783-9222



General Membership Breakfast 28 Feb 2015 09:00 cost \$12.00 —
— Buffet Breakfast. Eggs, potatoes, meats, toast, chili, etc., juice and coffee.
Please **RSVP** to **Steve Clark** president@aftacco.org Bill Schmied at
treasurer@aftacco.org or home phone 303-367-0625. **NLT 21 Feb 2015.** We will collect your money at the breakfast.

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Steve Fritts passed away on 07/15 around 3-3:30pm while in the hospital.

CARL F. ROMNEY, JR died at home in Warrenton, VA. He was 90. He was a Scientific Advisor to the US delegation during negotiation of the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty of 1962. He later served as Director, VELA Seismological Center, AFTAC; Deputy Director for Research, DARPA; and Director, Center for Seismic Studies.

GERALD D AGERSTRAND, November 11, 1943 - July 27, 2014, He was a 99125 and was stationed for in Sonseca (Spain), mid-late 70s.

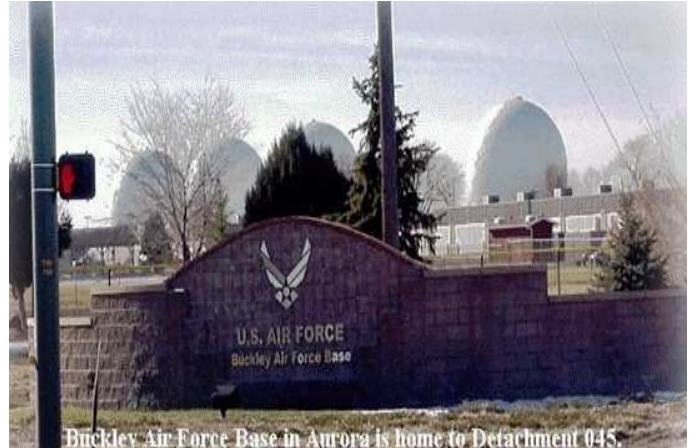
Kermit Gerald "Jerry" Wampole, MSgt. USAF, retired, departed this life September 22, 2014 in Roseville CA. Jerry joined the US Air Force shortly after high school, where he worked in electronics as a **Systems Repair Technician**.

Horace Leland Loftis, 77, husband of Becky Pruitt Loftis, died after a brief illness October 16, 2014. A veteran of the Vietnam War, he retired as a Technical Sergeant after serving 20 years with the U.S. Air Force.

TSgt (Ret) Robert E Jackson. He was one of three supply men at Det 207 (now 460) from shortly after the det's activation in 1963 until December 1965. He was reassigned back to the Air Force following his tour in AFTAC.

Charles H. Wallace began his 15 year career as a member of the elite Air Force Technical Application Center (AFTAC). After postings to Sacramento, CA, Fairbanks, AK, Japan and Washington, DC, he retired.

Christopher John O'Brien, 42, died at the Viera Hospital after a brief illness on October 29, 2014. He was a computer network administrator for Mission First under a contract with the Air Force Technical Applications Center at Patrick Air Force Base. He was recognized for his expert ability to troubleshoot difficult computer problems.



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American Red Cross	303-343-1294
Base Exchange	720-847-9628
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Pharmacy	720-847-7455
Retiree Activity	720-847-6693
Ticket/Tour Info	720-847-6853
TriCare for Life	888-363-5433
Veterans Admin	800-827-1000
Visitors Center	720-847-9381

Steve Cook. Lost our Brother Steve yesterday (12.06), no more pain for him. JoAnn is doing OK.

Maj Gen Paul Dettmer, former AFTAC Commander, passed away the morning of Dec 30th after bravely fighting cancer this past year.

CHAMBERLAIN, Richard Eugene "Dick", LtCol USAF Retired Of Sacramento, died January 1, 2015, at 90 years of age.



Remember these??

September Alumni General Meeting Breakfast



On some air bases the Air Force is on one side of the field and civilian aircraft use the other side of the field, with the control tower in the middle.

One day the tower received a call from an aircraft asking, "What time is it?" The tower responded, "Who is calling?"

The aircraft replied, "What difference does it make?"

The tower replied, "It makes a lot of difference. . . If it is a commercial flight, it is 3 o'clock . If it is an Marine Corps plane, it is 1500 hours. If it is a Navy aircraft, it is 6 bells. If it is an Army aircraft, the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 3. **If it is a Air Force aircraft, it's Thursday afternoon and 120 minutes to "Happy Hour."**



Both **Frank and Jeanne Barbosa** are former AFTACers residing in Aurora and joined our alumni chapter at this meeting. **Bill Yohman** lives in San Angelo, Texas and just happened to be visiting our area when he heard about our breakfast. He too joined our alumni chapter at this meeting. **MSgt Brown**, the new superintendent at Det 46 made the trip from Colorado Springs and was introduced to and received a welcome from our members.



**Submitted by Charles E. Toner
with our appreciation**

28 March 2012,

While thumbing through some old files I ran across these two 'documents' (**On the Following Pages**). Perhaps they're copies of the first 'Newsletter' generated by, what is now, the AFTAC Alumni Association, Colorado Chapter.

It appears that Ben Vlassick, in November 1986, obtained some old rosters and put together a mailing list (approx 115 names). From this he apparently received 18 responses and put together the 'SAMPLER', dated Mar 1987 with three forwarding \$5.00 to become the first dues-paying members, and the 18 who responded as the 'Charter Members'.

I'm thinking that sometime during 1987 there was an initial meeting held at the Club House adjacent to the Rocky Mountain Swimming Pool. As I recall, there was a fairly large turn out, some 25-30 people.

Perhaps there are some still out there that could add more information covering the initial start up of the current Alumni Association.

RETIREES		AND FRIENDS	
Names	Addresses	Names	Addresses
		(Initial)	
		November 1986	
Rodolph, Richard H.	244 S. Miller St. F.O.E. Denver, CO 80227	Schultz, Stan E.	1173 Poplar St. Denver, CO 80220
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Stenger, William	4815 S. Pagosa Circle Aurora, CO 80015	Ward, Edsel	14701 E. Colfax Ave. D101 Aurora, CO 80011
Toner, Charles	3218 Ursula St. Aurora, CO 80011	Weber, Marvin	922 Durax St. Aurora, CO 80011
Walters, Clifford	4773 S. Denver St. SUMNER Aurora, CO 80015	Zerratti, Ron	1757 S. Iola Aurora, CO 80012
Warne, Lawrence G. F.O.E.	5590 W. Colorado Pl. Lakewood, CO 80226	FUTRELL, BABS	101 ONIEBA DENVER, CO 80230
Yingling, Tom	12660 E. Alaska Pl. Aurora, CO 80012		
Rogers, William (Bill)	4151 E. Weaver Pl. Littleton, CO 80121		
Sander, Ron	Rte 1 Box 44B Broomfield, CO 80020		
Scott, John	890 Durax St. Aurora, CO 80011		
Smith, Jimmie	10633 E. Berry Ave. Englewood, CO 80111		
Tomkinson, Ma	8175 S. Waco St. Aurora, CO 80012		
Vlassick, Ben	18207 E. Loyola Dr. Aurora, CO 80013		
Ware, Tom	3007 Victor St. Aurora, CO 80011		
Wieder, Dave	Pt 1 Box 100E Strasburg, CO 80136		

November 2014 Dinner/Social



MSgt Blomstedt, the new superintendent at Det 45, got a welcome back to Colorado from our alumni and provided an update on detachment happenings.



SMSgt Schuler, Superintendent NGA-Denver has been selected for CMSgt!!



CMSgt (Sel) Schuler and **MSgt Ellwinger** were introduced to the alumni and provided updates on happenings in their area. Both joined our alumni chapter at the dinner.





AFTAC WORLDWIDE REUNION 2015

“Standing on the Shoulders of Giants”

*Hosted by the Florida Chapter of the
AFTAC Alumni Association, “Serving Those Who Served, and Those Still
Serving, for over 30 years.”*

**29-31 May 2015 - DOUBLETREE HOTEL OCEANFRONT
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FROM THE COMMANDERERS DESK



COL WORLEY, AFTAC COMMANDER
Greetings AFTAC Alumni! I hope everyone is gearing up for the Worldwide reunion just around the corner. We are thrilled the Space Coast is hosting this May 2015 event, and even more pleased many alumni have expressed an interest in attending.

I know many who call Brevard County home were able to join us at AFTAC’s Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on March 11, 2014 – the day we officially opened our brand new, \$158 million dollar facility. More than 150 people took advantage of the “Open House” and toured the campus, complete with a state-of-the-art radiochemistry laboratory – something missing from AFTAC since the old McClellan days. It was an historic day for AFTAC, and the start of a new chapter in the future of the center and its nuclear treaty monitoring mission.

For those who weren’t able to make it in March, I encourage you to consider making the trip to the reunion so you can network with other alumni, see the new campus, visit the Doyle **Northrup** Conference Center, and enjoy an AFTAC tradition: a burger burn in your honor! You’ll also have the opportunity to tour Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, something everyone should experience at least once in a lifetime.

We will also be presenting a mission briefing to the reunion attendees with an accompanying video to illustrate all the great things going on each and every day in the center. My goal is to make it dynamic and exciting for those making the investment to attend and participate. My staff and the reunion project officers are committed to achieve this goal and make this reunion the best we’ve ever held.

Throughout my Air Force career, I’ve never experienced a more active, robust or engaged group of alumni as I have with former AFTACers, so I feel it’s my responsibility to raise the bar and make this an event to remember, and an absolute honor to serve those who made it possible over the past 68 years!

I look forward to seeing you all in May ... Col Worley



FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK



LOU SEILER, AFTAC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The members of the Florida Chapter of the AFTAC Alumni Association are so very pleased to be hosting the AFTAC Worldwide Reunion for 2015, which we are calling "WWR 2015." And it promises to be an event to remember for a long time.



Our event committee has been planning the details of the weekend for months now. Their efforts have definitely paid off with a reunion plan sure to appeal to everyone. In addition to the traditional Ice Breaker on Friday evening and the Saturday evening banquet, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a golf tournament at the Cocoa Beach, FL, Golf Course, take a specially arranged tour of the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and tour the currently being installed Hall of Heritage in the brand new AFTAC Headquarters building. The AFTAC Commander has also arranged for a special mission briefing for our attendees inside the new AFTAC Auditorium. Following the briefing on Saturday morning, the AFTAC Booster’s Club has invited the Alumni to a "Burger Burn" on the AFTAC Campus in "Stonehenge". And if you are now wondering where that could be and what is that name, well, you will just have to attend and see for yourself. And let us not forget the beaches.

The committee has arranged for special room rates and food discounts at the hotel that are simply fabulous for this area and time. I hear that some may have already made reservations.

Of course there are any number of outside activities that are available to you for a fun filled time here on the Space Coast of Florida. There are River Boat cruise tours, Air Boat rides, Casino Cruise Ship activities and let us not forget the Theme Parks located in the nearby Orlando area.

We hope to see a record number of AFTAC Alumni from around the country at the reunion, and with so much to do, come on over and spend a few extra days taking in all that the Space Coast area has to offer. And who knows, maybe reconnect with your fellow alumni and meet the current generation of AFTACers, for they are definitely following in our footsteps!

See you in May ... Maj (USAF, RET) Seiler

Air Force Technical Applications Center Worldwide Reunion 29, 30, 31 May 2015

Yes, it's reunion time again! It's time to get together with old friends, make new friends, and see what everyone has been up to in recent times ... and it's time to come back to Florida. The Florida Alumni Chapter is excited to host the 2015 AFTAC Worldwide Alumni Reunion, which we nicknamed WWR 2015. We have an amazing team planning a spectacular weekend. General Chairpersons, Deborah **Carson** and Arlin **Massey**; Committee chairs: Venue/Dates, Bob **Wiley**; Registration/Finances, Frank **Calenda**; Publicity/Programs, Eric **Lam**; and Hospitality/Activities, Judy **Milam-Henderson**. We are delighted to announce our guest speaker is one of our alumni, Dr. Glenn **Sjoden**, AFTAC Chief Scientist, who served in AFTAC while in the Air Force. His selection fits well with our theme.

Venue/Dates (Bob Wiley): We selected the DoubleTree by Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 2080 N. Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931 for reunion headquarters. The room rate is \$103 (plus applicable taxes) per night for a standard double room. The FL alumni web site provides a hotel reservations URL especially for our reunion dates. However, if you want reservations on other days (within +/-3 of the reunion dates) at our reduced rates you need to call the hotel directly during business hours (EST), (321) 783-9222. Ask for Lauren Edwards or Morgan Childrey. Explain that you are with the AFTAC Alumni Reunion and what days you want outside the reunion dates. If you don't have internet access, call the number above and ask for AFTAC Alumni Reunion, Group Code AFT. We have a hospitality room reserved starting Thursday afternoon, 28 May. The Friday night Ice Breaker and Saturday evening Banquet are limited to a 300 person capacity. The casual Ice Breaker starts with a social time at 5:30pm with hors d'oeuvres served at 6:00pm. Our formal Banquet will start with a 6:00pm social hour followed by posting of the colors, invocation, dinner, and entertainment. A room is set aside at 7:00am for Sunday breakfast buffet (discount coupons provided for each morning) for those who wish to get together one last time.

Registration/Finance Committee (Frank Calenda): We provided a link to a web-based registration process on the FL alumni web site (<https://sites.google.com/site/wwr2015reunion/>). Also there is a link to print a hard copy to mail with your payment. Finally, in this Reunion Newsletter is a registration form for those not having access or using a computer. Early registration is imperative; we are limited to a 300 person capacity. This allows planning for our scheduled activities. Signing up on the web is not difficult. We ask that you PLEASE READ ALL of the text before entering your data. To prevent hackers from entering our site, you will be asked to enter your email address to be verified. If you are not in our data base, you will be asked to send an email to the data center. You will receive confirmation telling you that you are now able to sign-in. If you register properly you will receive a prompt stating "Your Registration Successfully Completed." If you don't see this page, your registration was not saved. In this case you have three options; try again, send an email to the data center for assistance, or return to the Alumni Reunion Web page and print out a hard copy to mail in your registration. For those of you taking the Cape Canaveral tour and the AFTAC building event, be sure to send the additional requested personal data. You or guests cannot attend these functions unless we receive this required information prior to the cut-off date of 25 April 2015. We cannot accept registrations or payments after April 25. Because of early Friday activities, we will have a reunion registration table in the lobby adjacent to the Hotel Check-in desk on Thursday 3:00pm to 6:00pm. This allows an opportunity to get your welcome packages with your badges and information. You need your badge to take the Cape Tour and the AFTAC Building event. The sign-in table will also open early Friday morning at 6:00am and will close promptly at 7:30am for people arriving late Thursday night or early Friday morning.

Publicity/Programs Committee (Eric Lam): We will use all available social media and reporting to keep AFTAC alumni members informed. Look for us on FaceBook, LinkedIn, and the FL Chapter Alumni web site. We will advertise in the AF Times, PoMo, local base paper, and each alumni chapter web sites. This newsletter will also be sent out eAlert to our recorded members. If you wish to be added to our eAlert list, provide your email address to our web site monitors: John Horsch chrisjohn2@gmail.com or Clark Creery ccreery@cfl.rr.com. Check our FL Chapter web site regularly for current information. <https://sites.google.com/site/lrdalumniassnneedtoknownow/Home>.

Hospitality/Activities Committee (Judy Henderson): The committee planned activities to make the Reunion enjoyable. Starting Friday morning, a narrated Bus Tour of a secure area of Cape Canaveral AFS is planned, with pick-up/drop-off at the Doubletree Hotel (depart 8:00am, returns 12:15pm); cost is \$15 and attendance is limited so register early. Tour participants will return to the hotel with enough time to attend the 1:00pm Golf Event at Cocoa Beach Golf Course. This is an "event," rather than "tournament," and includes some unusual twists for a 9-hole course which ends in time to get you back to the hotel to attend the Icebreaker. An AFTAC Briefing is planned for Saturday at 10:30am, which includes an opportunity to see the Hall of Heritage designed by the AFTAC Historian, Dr. Mike Young. After the briefing and tour, AFTAC personnel will provide a pay-as-you-go burger lunch. We carved out time for beach goers to enjoy our beaches and soak up some Florida sun. If you choose to forego any or all of these events, you can hang out at the Hospitality Room, with a drink or snack, trade stories, check out the photos, or talk with friends. The hospitality room will be open starting Thursday evening; however, the room will be closed one hour before each hotel activity.



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This form must be returned with payment NLT: **April 25, 2015**
Applications will be returned and Refunds Cannot Be Made After This Date – Attendance Is Limited To 300

*** Indicates Required Fields**

Please Print All Information

We MUST Have Accurate, Legible Information In Order To Contact You

*Attendee First Name _____ *Last Name _____

*Are You A Current Alumni Member ___ Yes ___ No *If Yes What Chapter ___ Fl ___ Co ___ Ca

Spouse First Name _____ *Will Spouse Attend? Yes ___ No ___ No Spouse ___

Guest First Name _____ Last Name _____ **For Additional Guests See Below**

*Your Address _____

*City/State/Zip Code _____ - _____ - _____

*E-Mail Address **Please Print Legibly** _____ *** If No Email Please Provide A Phone # On Next Line**

Phone Number - Include Area Code: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

*Can we share the above information with other members? Yes ___ No ___ Note: Names Will Always Be Shared

FOLLOWING RATES ARE PER PERSON:

Registration Fee Per Person (**Required If Attending ANY Function**)..... x \$10 = _____

Ice Breaker (Friday Evening, May 29, 2015 – Doubletree Hotel) x \$35 = _____

Banquet Dinner (Saturday Evening, May 30, 2015 – Doubletree Hotel) x \$45 = _____

WWR Golf Extravaganza, May 29, 2015 @ 1pm Cocoa Beach, Clubs Provided..... x \$25= _____

Cape Canaveral AFS Tour (**Requires additional personal information**)..... x \$15 = _____ **Only 90 Spaces Available**

AFTAC Building/Unclassified Briefing (**Requires additional personal information**)..... How Many _____ **Only 250 Spaces Available**

Important: If either or both Cape Tour or Building Event are selected, notate the requested information on the second page of this form. **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____**

BANQUET Offers (Show How Many of Each):

- ___ Chicken Breast stuffed w/Apple and Cheddar Cheese
- ___ Grouper with Lime Tortilla Crust
- ___ Garlic and Rosemary Roasted Pork Loin

All Meals Served With:

- Caesar Salad
- Chef's Choice of Starch and Vegetables
- Warm Rolls and Butter
- Dessert
- Chocolate Ganache Cake W/Raspberry Drizzle
- Freshly Brewed Starbucks Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: AFTAC Alumni Association
Note On Check: "For 2015 Reunion"

MAIL WITH THIS FORM TO: AFTAC Alumni Association
P.O. Box 254892
Patrick AFB, FL 32925

For more guests, check here and enter names on the second page of this form



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***If you selected the Cape Canaveral Tour, please provide the following for each person:
Note: This information is **required** for this event.**

First Name	Last Name	Drivers License State	Drivers License Number

If not a US citizen, provide Passport Number instead of Drivers License

***If you selected the AFTAC Building Event please provide the following for each person:
Note: This information is **required** for this event.**

First Name	MI	Last Name	Suffix	Date Of Birth	Social Security Number	Citizenship (US, Canada, etc.)

If not a US citizen, provide Passport Number instead of Social Security Number

List Additional Guests Not Entered On Page One:

First Name	Last Name

**For Questions, Please Call/Email the below between the hours of 0900 – 1900 Eastern Standard Time:
Data Center 321-773-2046 Cell 321-987-7557 datacenterwwr@aol.com
Reunion Committee Chairman 321-242-9017 deborah@aftac2015wwr.com**

IMPORTANT: Register early, registration is needed to monitor our contractual obligations with the hotel or changes required in any of our offered venues.



**Colorado AFTAC
Alumni Association**

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Colorado Chapter:
<http://www.aftacco.org/>
Florida Chapter Location:
<http://sites.google.com/site/irdalumniassnneedtoknownow>
West Coast Chapter:
<http://www.aftacwcc.org>
Official AFTAC Web Site:
www.afisr.af.mil/units/aftac.asp



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Patrick AFB, Florida 32925-0892

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Name: _____
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City: _____
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Unless advised to the contrary, personal information listed above is releasable to other AFTAC/LRD members.

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