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## CINCINNATI-NORTHERN KENTUCKY CONVENTION-OCTOBER 8-12 2003

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There have been 55 National Conventions of the Fourteenth Air Force Association Flying Tigers beginning with our first convention in Dayton, Ohio, in 1948. Here we are 55 years later, back in the same geographic area for the last of our Annual National Conventions as we have known them. Beginning next year, the Annual Convention will be combined with the Washington Memorial Weekend in May, each year.

Each of our conventions over the past 55 years has given our members and friends an opportunity to get together with others they served with in China, and make new friends who shared similar experiences as wartime "China Hands." This convention will give our members and friends the opportunities to continue that tradition.

Every one of our conventions has offered something unique for those who attended. This one is no exception. There are many things to do and places to go in this area that are truly unique, but perhaps its most outstanding assets are the attitude of the people who live in this area, and the wholesome atmosphere they have created here.

Every effort will be made to make you feel at home among friends whose goals are to make this convention something very special.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** We think we have a winner in our choice of hotels for this convention. The Cincinnati Airport Radisson Hotel offers first class accommodations, plush surroundings, and outstanding hospitality. You will find the sunken Atrium hospitality area particularly attractive and an excellent place to catch up with old friends, and perhaps make some new ones.

Each of the hotel's 214 luxuriously remodeled guest rooms have been personally detailed for your comfort and privacy. Each sound-proof room is cozy and elegantly furnished, and provides a number of important amenities including remote control color TV, modem hook-ups, AM-FM radio, alarm clock, individual climate control, coffee makers, hair dryers, and even an ironing board and iron. You can, if so inclined, also treat yourself to readily available valet laundry and dry cleaning service.

**TRANSPORTATION:** The Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky area is easily accessible by both surface and air transportation.

## TRANSPORT (CONTINUED):

**Air Transportation:** The Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky International Airport is the second largest and fastest growing Delta Airlines hub and home for eleven other airlines. Named #1 in the U.S. in overall passenger satisfaction, and #2 for passenger convenience by J.D. Powers and Associates, the Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky Airport offers 580 daily departures with non-stop service to over 114 cities worldwide. One-half of the population of the U.S. is within an hour's flight of Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky.

Located just across the Ohio River from downtown Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky enjoys all the benefits of a major metropolitan area while maintaining low costs for hotels, free parking, complimentary airport shuttles and much more.

If arriving by air, proceed to the baggage claim area of the terminal where you will see a bank of telephones on the wall. Push a button for the Airport Radisson Hotel. Tell them which airline you used, and you will receive information about the free shuttle to the hotel. There are two Radisson Hotels in the Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky area. Be certain you call the Airport Radisson.

**Ground Transportation:** Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky is easily accessible via three major Interstate highways. I-71 from the west and southwest, as well as from the east and northeast; I-74 from the west and northwest; and I-75 from the north and south. It is within an easy one-day's drive for 60% of the population of the U.S. It is also readily accessible by Amtrak; from the north, via Chicago, and Indianapolis, and from the east, via Washington, D.C., and Charleston, West Virginia. For those who travel by automobile or RV, free parking is available at the hotel for both autos and RV's, but there are no hookups available for RV's.

**Local Transportation:** If you want to see the sights in the local area on your own (other than planned tours), you can arrange with the front desk for shuttle service to the airport (a 10 minute drive) where you can get a bus (T.A.N.K.) which goes to all local points of interest. If you wish to go shopping at the nearby full service Florence Mall, again contact the front desk. There will be someone there who can arrange free shuttle service to the mall for small groups.

## CINCINNATI-NORTHERN KY CONVENTION (CONTINUED):

**Squadron Parties:** Wednesday, October 8th(after the Welcome Reception and Cocktail Party), and Friday, October 10th, are evenings for squadron or group parties. Squadron Honchoes are reminded that the responsibility for individual parties is theirs. The convention planners will assist in any way they can, but the basic responsibility lies with the squadron concerned. The Radisson-Airport Hotel can handle six squadron parties at any one time. Those who wish to use the hotel facilities should contact the hotel now! Other party possibilities include nearby restaurants such as Ming's Garden, Tumbleweed, Italian Carlos, or other hotels in the area. There are also a number of ethnic restaurants in nearby Covington, Kentucky, area.

**Restaurants:** The Airport Radisson's Atrium Restaurant offers casual elegance in a full service facility where you can treat yourself to a variety of savory continental and local dishes. Or you can relax with your friends for a snack in Bungee's Lounge which features wide screen television for the sports fans. In addition, for those who need a quick fix, you will find most of the chain and fast food outlets you are familiar with within an easy 7 to 10 miles from the hotel.

**Hospitality Room:** We are trying something new this time. No more complaints about not being able to find the hospitality room, or that it was too far from the rest of the action. Our Hospitality Room is going to be in the Atrium Area of the hotel's main lobby. You can't miss it. No excuses for not participating.

There will be plenty of tables and chairs, in a setting conducive to relaxation, conversation and entertainment. We expect our group to be the only guests in the hotel during our stay, so privacy will not be a problem. All you have to do, is come and enjoy.

Having the Hospitality Room in the Lobby area, close to the Country Store, Media Room, Registration, and the all important Rest Rooms, etc., will be a convenience to all.

Hours of operation, including hours the bar is open, will be posted on Hotel and convention bulletin boards.

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CINCINNATI-NORTHERN KY, CONVENTION (CONTINUED):

**CONVENTION PROGRAM: Wednesday, October 8, 2003**

REGISTRATION: Travel and arrival day. Convention registration; registration hours will be posted at the registration site.

WELCOME COCKTAIL PARTY: Usually one of our most popular events. Meet and greet old friends and new. Enjoy our cash bar.

DATE: Wednesday, October 8, 2003

TIME: 5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: Airport Radisson

**CONVENTION PROGRAM: Thursday, October 9, 2003**

FIRST TIMER'S BREAKFAST: For those Association members who are attending their very first convention. Admission by invitation only.

DATE: Thursday, October 9, 2003

TIME: 7:30 A.M. to 8:30 A.M.

PLACE: To be announced.

ORIENTATION MEETING: Here is where you get the lowdown on what the Cincinnati–Northern Kentucky area has to offer, and answers to any questions you may have. Don't miss it!

DATE: Thursday, October 9, 2003

TIME: 8:45 A.M. to 9:30 A.M.

PLACE: Airport Radisson Ballroom

BOARD MEETING:

DATE: Thursday, October 9, 2003

TIME: 9:45 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

PLACE: Concorde Rooms A & B

HIGHLIGHTS OF CINCINNATI TOUR: 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

For starters see Fountain Square in the heart of the city, where throngs of Cincinnatians gather for brown-bag lunches, concerts, sports and political rallies. You will see the city's Contemporary Art Center, Proctor and Gamble's International Headquarters, and the Taft Museum in beautiful Lytle Park.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF CINCINNATI TOUR (CONTINUED):

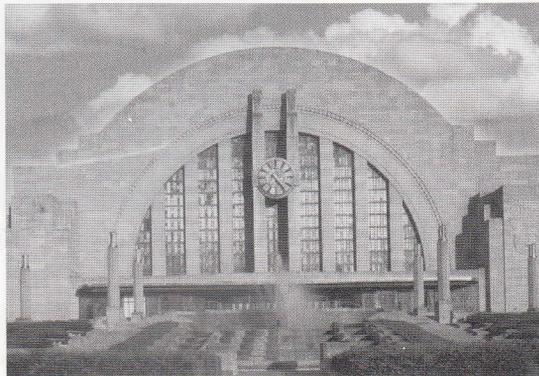
The city tour provides an excellent opportunity to familiarize yourself with the city and many of its most well-known landmarks.

See the Music Hall, the Plum Street Temple, the Museum Center in Historic Union Terminal, the brand new Great American Ballpark, home of the Cincinnati Reds and Paul Brown Stadium, home of the Cincinnati Bengals. As your tour takes you up and over some of Cincinnati's famous hills, you will glimpse spectacular views of the city and its immediate environs. Here you can enjoy the old-world charm of Mount Adams with its "shot-gun" row houses and a drive-by view of Eden Park with its mirror lake, the Cincinnati Art Museum Playhouse, and Krohn Conservatory. You will cross the historically and architecturally important Roebling Suspension Bridge to visit Northern Kentucky's historic Riverside Drive and its antebellum homes. During this tour, you will discover why Cincinnati has been historically known as "The Queen City of the West."

COST: \$20.00 per person

**Museum Center Union Terminal:** Your visit to Cincinnati will not be complete without a trip to the city's Union Terminal, a nationally acclaimed landmark and a monument to Art Deco Architecture and a magnificent 110 foot high mural-filled rotunda. This former Railroad Passenger Terminal, now restored to its former grandeur and revitalized as the Museum Center, is home to the Cincinnati Historical Society, the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History, the Cinergy Children's Museum, and the Robert D. Linder Omnimax Theater.

Don't miss seeing the nation's largest WW II retrospective, "Cincinnati Goes To War," featuring the Cincinnati area's homefront contributions to the war effort. Enjoy a recreation of the city's 1850's Public Riverboat landing, complete with an authentic 94 foot side-wheeler.



Cincinnati's Museum Center

## MUSEUM CENTER TOUR (CONTINUED):

With all that, there will still be time to relax at the Snack Bar or the Rookwood Tea Room, maybe visit the Newsreel Theatre, or browse the several large gift shops in search of that perfect souvenir. World Class Exhibits in a historically and architecturally significant facility combine to make the Museum Center an outstanding attraction.

COST: \$26.00 per person

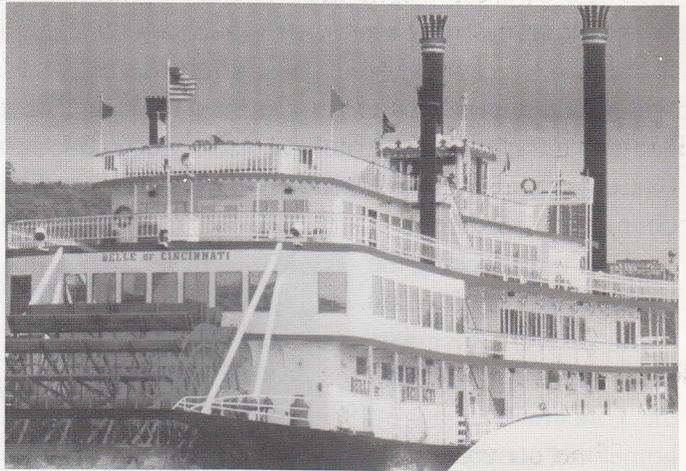
## RIVERBOAT DINNER CRUISE : 6:00 to 10:00 P.M.

Drift back to a bygone era of the calliope, churning paddlewheels, and assorted riverboat rascals, and fair young maidens. With a blast of a deep-throated whistle, and a gentle surge from the mighty engines, your nostalgic voyage on the historic Ohio River is underway. Relax and enjoy the ever changing scenery, from the picturesque Ohio Bluffs to the historic homes set against the magnificent backdrop of Kentucky's rolling hills.

As we travel up the lazy river, you will conjure up memories of Southern Belles, and Mark Twain-like characters. You will dine on a very special dinner buffet while you listen to, and enjoy, the Banjo Dixieland music of the old South. Come along while we capture the spirit of our Cincinnati-Ohio River Heritage.

Experience, a unique view of what remains of America's wilderness, beauty, adventure and local character.

COST: \$50.00  
per person



Cincinnati's Paddlewheel Riverboat

## **CONVENTION PROGRAM: Friday, October 10, 2003**

### **WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB AND AIR FORCE MUSEUM TOUR 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M**

The United States Air Force Museum located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, is the oldest and the largest military aviation museum in the world. The museum's layout features a series of exhibits (dioramas) telling the story of the development of aviation from the days of the Wright brothers at Kitty Hawk to the space age of today. Exhibits include approximately 200 aircraft and missiles, plus family-oriented, historically-motivated aeronautical displays.

Our visit will include a viewing of an exciting aviation-oriented film at the museum's IMAX Theatre. The film adventure puts you in the center of the action as no ordinary motion picture can, with images that are so real and so powerful, that you can literally feel them. Our visit to the Air Force Museum will begin with a stop at the 14th Air Force Flying Tiger Memorial monument and carillon in the nearby Memorial Park, a monument built using funds raised by members and friends of the 14th Air Force Association. If you haven't seen it, our Memorial Monument is, in itself, well worth the visit. Worried about lunch? For your convenience, a box lunch will be served to you at the museum, with luncheon seating reserved for our group, presumably in the museum cafeteria. The cost of the box lunch is included in the cost of the tour. Transportation from the hotel to the Wright-Patterson museum and return, is, of course, also included in the overall cost. And never fear, we will be back in Northern Kentucky in time for squadron parties, if any.

COST: \$40:00 per person.

### **Friday evening, 10 October**

Time off for a bit of personal rest and relaxation. Time individual squadron, or other unit, parties. Time to enjoy..

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## CONVENTION PROGRAM (CONTINUED):

**Saturday, October 11, 2003**

### FAREWELL WINE AND CHEESE PARTY, 6:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

Our host hotel, The Cincinnati Airport Radisson, invites you to a complimentary Wine and Cheese party before the Annual Awards Banquet which starts at 7:00 P.M. We are assured that the wine will flow freely, and there will be an ample supply of cheese for you to sample. There will also be a cash bar available for those who have a taste for something other than wine. Come early and enjoy our host's Northern Kentucky hospitality.

### ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET, 7:00 to 10:00 P.M.

PLACE: The Radisson Ballroom

Plan now to attend the Awards Banquet featuring the presentation of the Chennault Trophy to the winner of the 14th Air Force's outstanding unit competition for this year, plus recognition of certain individuals or groups of individuals for extraordinary service to the 14th Air Force Association. Be there for the introduction of the newly elected officers and board members who will be charged with running the organization in an orderly and efficient manner for the next year. And, finally, come and enjoy the camaraderie of participation in the last of the Annual Conventions as we have known them.

As has been the custom for some years, there will be assigned seating for this affair, so be certain to indicate on your Convention Registration Form (page 18) with WHOM or WHICH GROUP you wish to be seated. Your convention planners will make every effort to comply with your wishes.

The Banquet menu offers a choice of three similarly-priced entrees as indicated on the Convention Registration form. Please be sure to complete this portion of the form. And, if you have special dietary requirements, please make them known to the convention planners and every effort will be made to meet those requirements.

COST: \$26.00 per person

## CONVENTION PROGRAM (CONTINUED):

**Sunday, October 12, 2003**

### SUNDAY FAREWELL BREAKFAST (Tentative).

Plans for this usually very popular event are incomplete. Much depends on attendance at the Convention and the state of our finances at the time, versus the hotel's willingness to support such an event. Final plans will be announced at a later date.

### FINAL THOUGHTS:

The decision to hold our 56th Annual Convention of the 14th Air Force Association in the Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky area was in part prompted by a desire to return to the vicinity of our first Annual Convention in Dayton, Ohio, in 1948. The decision to hold the convention in the Cincinnati area was, in part, due to a shortage of adequate hotel accommodations and/or facilities in Dayton, and the wider variety of outside attractions available in the Cincinnati area. In addition, Cincinnati is close enough for us to still make the centerpiece attraction a day-long visit to the Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton. Also, the decision to choose a hotel in Northern Kentucky was based on the overall quality of the facilities available, as well as the economic factors concerned. We believe that, once there, you will agree that we made a wise choice. We look forward to seeing you there.

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## "WAY OF A FIGHTER"

We have recently learned that, through the efforts of Barry Corfman (530th FS 311th FG), General Chennault's book, *Way of a Fighter*, is now available on audio tape. Barry, who suffers from eye problems, was able to persuade Washington Talking Books Library to put the book on tape and is pleased with the results. You can learn more about it from the Library by e-mail at [wtbbl@wtbbl.org](mailto:wtbl@wtbbl.org) or by telephone at (800) 542-0862.

# *Long Live the Flying Tigers*

By Robert Marviscm and Bruce Gust

They heard the cry for help  
A call for volunteers  
China needed their planes  
To guard her weak frontiers

They looked like fearsome cats  
As they flew among the clouds  
But they were knights in shining armor  
To China's cheering crowds

## **Chorus**

Long live the Flying tigers  
The courageous men and women  
That stood in dangers way  
May their fearless fighting spirit  
Inspire us today  
Long live the Flying Tigers

## **Verse two**

Chennault was their Captain  
Chiang Kai Shek was their host  
The enemy outnumbered them  
But the Tigers were better than most

Everest was their barricade  
Between them and their supplies  
But when the Tigers' planes took the air  
Bravery ruled the skies (chorus)

## **Bridge**

When you see the stars and stripes  
Waving proudly in the breeze  
It means all that it does because of  
Soldiers such as these

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## LONG LIVE THE FLYING TIGERS (CONTINUED):

The words on the previous page are the lyrics of a song written by Robert Marvicism (son of Steve Marvicism, 93rd FS, 81st FG, 14th AF), and Bruce Gust, in honor of Steve Marvicism and all who served in China in WW II. Robert sent it, and a professionally produced CD of the words and music done in Nashville, in the belief that it might be of interest to us, and to our readers. Although we are not music critics, in any sense of the word, and not even a particular fan of Nashville Music, it did get our attention. We liked it!

We not only appreciated the sentiments expressed in the words, but also the time and effort expended by those involved. As Robert described it to us, "Inspired by my father and the other men and women who served their country [in WW II], I began writing a song that would tell a brief version of 'The Flying Tigers Story,' hoping that the song would move people to seek out those who lived it and assure those heroes that they will never be forgotten. I quickly felt the need for help with the song and soon my prayers were answered. My good friend Bruce Gust agreed to help. As a busy husband, father and musician himself, time is very important to him, yet he took the time to meet with me on many occasions...until over a year later, the project was ready for the recording studio. This project was truly a labor of love on our part, inspired by my father and others like him."

This was obviously not an amateur production. Produced at the Oak Valley Studio in Nashville, it involved the work of over a dozen lead and backup singers, skilled musicians on the keys, string instruments, and drums, as well as engineering and production volunteers: all named in the credits on the CD package.

Although the CD is not yet commercially available, Robert has informed us that copies of the CD are available to our members at no cost, other than a \$5.00 donation to help cover the cost of production, preparation for shipping, and shipping. If interested in getting a copy, send your request, and your donation to Steven Marvicism, 3807 Deerpath Drive, Sandusky, OH 44870 We recommend it.

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## HOOKERS--ACCORDING TO AL

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By Al Sorrentino, Former 1st Sgt, 16th FS, Las Vegas, NV

In all my traveling days, from Coast to Coast, from Canada to Mexico, I crossed the International Date Line, crossed the Equator, sailed the seven seas, saw the Southern Cross, and had been to the Pecos, Texas Rodeo, but I never heard the word "hooker" till I came to Las Vegas in 1946. As I went around the casinos, I kept hearing the term "hooker." Then I learned that a "hooker" was a prostitute. Back in Jackson County, Missouri, we called them "whores." I knew that "hooper" was slang for a dancer, but this was something else.

So, I did a little research on why a prostitute is called a "Hooker." One hundred and forty years ago, back in our American Civil War there was a Union General named Joseph Hooker. Hooker was one of President Lincoln's favorite generals. A U.S Military Academy graduate (1837), he had served in the Mexican War (1846-84), and was known as "Fighting Joe" Hooker for his performance in the battles of Bull Run, Antietam-Sharpsburg, and Fredericksburg. And here is where it gets interesting.

It seems that while Hooker was preparing his troops for the defense of Washington, which ended in a battle near the town of Chancellorsville, in northern Virginia, some [probably many] of the troops took a great liking to a place called Mable's, some 12 miles from camp. In the meantime, General Hooker was getting reports about some of the troops being unfit for duty. He did an investigation and found that the ones most likely to be too tired, fatigued, or exhausted for duty, were mostly those who had visited Mable's place the night before.

General Hooker was a regular guy and liked to see his troops go out and have some fun once in a while, but he did have a problem. He did not want to put Mable's place off limits, but he must have his troops in good condition for the coming fight. Finally, he gets an idea. He takes his 1st Sgt. and goes to visit Mable. He asks her if she could possibly move her place of business closer to camp, so his men wouldn't have to walk so far for their recreation.

Mable told General Hooker that she would be glad to move, but did not have the men, wagons and horses necessary to do so. The General replied that he would furnish the men and equipment necessary to move Mabel and her girls to a new location near Wilderness Church, an area close to Chancellorsville, and only four miles from camp.

Now the 1st Sgt is getting a detail together for the move. All you can hear are rumors about General Hooker's girls being moved closer to camp, and everyone naturally wanted to join in the fun. Half the camp volunteered to help with the move. Everyone was now calling the girls "Hooker's", and that's how prostitutes got their name...Hookers!!!

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## 2003 E-MAIL ADDRESS UPDATES

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<b>BOUCHARD, LAWRENCE J</b> 5573 W COLORADO AVE LAKEWOOD, CO 80232	374BS 308BG	<b>MC NULTY, TRUMAN Q</b> 6178 WASHINGTON CIR WAUWATOSA, WI 53213	232 MED DISP (AVN)
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## WEB SITE REPORT

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We have recently learned that Elmer Bukey (396th ASS 12th ASG) has added a page to his already excellent site. It features the Flying Tiger monuments at Wright Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio, Taipei, Taiwan, and Kunming, Nanjing, and Taishan, China. If you have not visited Elmer's web sites, you should do so. The URL for his web site index is: <http://community.webtv.net/HaoBooHao/doc25> This URL will give you access to all his web sites, including the one mentioned above.

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## ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY-2003

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### **Any complaints? Any suggestions? Want to volunteer?**

President Bob Lee, 717 S. 19th Street, Arlington, VA 22202-2704

Telephone, 703-920-8384

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### **For information about the Washington Memorial Weekend:**

President Bob Lee, 717 S. 19th Street, Arlington, VA 22202-2704

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### **For info about the 2003 Convention in Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky**

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### **To give to the 14th AFA Historical Preservation Trust**

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**The Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky  
Convention Registration Form  
is on the next page.**

**14th AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION FLYING TIGERS  
2003 CONVENTION REGISTRATION**

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ China Outfit: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members and Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

2003-2004 Membership Dues @ \$15.00.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee, \$22.50 per person.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to Robins AFB Museum of Aviation.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, October 9, 2003**

First Timer's Breakfast, 7:30 to 8:30 A.M.

I am a first timer and wish to attend the breakfast as a guest.

There will be \_\_\_\_\_ of us. My wife will attend with me.

Highlights of Cincinnati Tour, 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

\$20.00 per person.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Museum Center Tour, 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.

\$26.00 per person.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Riverboat Dinner Cruise, 6:00 to 10:00 P.M.

\$50.00 per person.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, October 10, 2003**

Wright Patterson AFB, Air Force Museum Tour, IMAX

Theater, Lunch, 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

\$40.00 per person.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, October 11, 2003**

Treasures of Northern Kentucky Tour, 11:30 A.M to 3:30 P.M.

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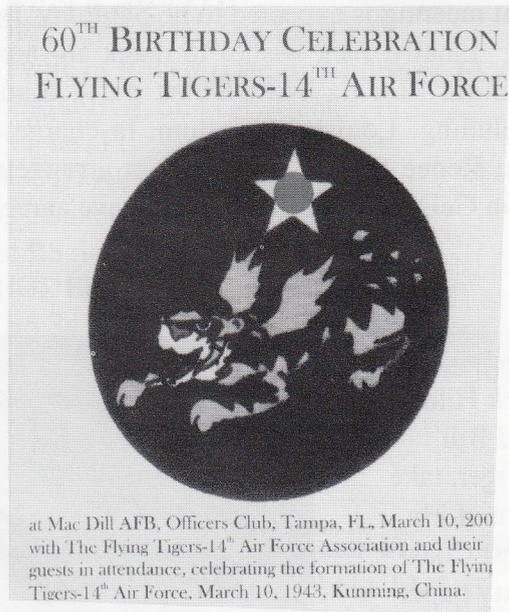
## 60TH ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY PARTIES

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March was, once again, the month for 14th Air Force birthday parties; parties celebrating the birth of the 14th Air Force in China 60 years ago. Once again, we are pleased to report that there were four local area parties sponsored and hosted by individual 14th Air Force Association members or groups of members. We are also pleased to report that attendance at each of the four parties equaled or exceeded that of last year, with a total of 283 members and friends of the 14th AF Association in attendance. Proving, if nothing else, that there is continuing interest in such affairs; a fact that has not gone unnoticed, with all four of the groups already making plans for next year

The Florida West Coast group under the leadership of Jack Hild (21st PRS 35th PRS) led the parade with their party at the MacDill AFB Officers Club on

Friday, March 7. Jack, surprised the 65 members, nonmembers and guests with an unusual memento for each of those present: a full-color, 8 1/2 by 11 inch, glossy print of the 14th Air Force insignia, complete with the 60th Birthday Celebration announcement, suitable for framing, or otherwise preserving, as a souvenir of this year's Florida West Coast Party. A reduced size reproduction appears here (at right).



A total of 65 people registered for the West Coast party, with only two no-shows. Joe and Margaret Digirolamo of Bellaire Beach, Florida, were not present due to Joe's entering the hospital the day before the affair. Several others who usually attend, including long-time Florida West Coast party participants Wayne and Virginia Billig, Emmaus, Pa., were unable to make it because of health problems.

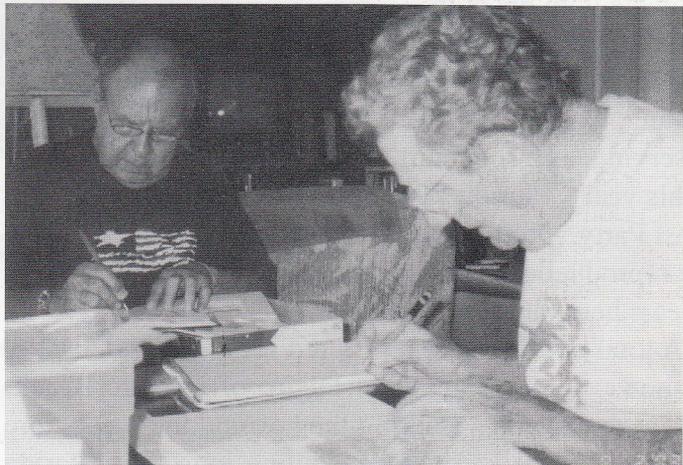
## FLORIDA WEST COAST PARTY (CONTINUED):

The annual Tiger Gift exchange continued as usual, but it was decided that this would be the final year for this event in its present form since finding something new and different to present as a gift has become too much of a challenge for many of our members. The tradition will be continued however, but with only one Tiger Gift being given each year. That gift will be the ever-popular overstuffed Tiger, originally given by Jim and Dorain Palmer several years ago, and passed on through the gift exchange every year since then. It will be given on a rotating basis to the lucky winner of a drawing among the party participants each year. This year's winner was Bessie Eaton (Associate, 491st BS).

Another change planned for next year's party involves scheduling. The 2004 party is expected to be held a week earlier than usual in order to accommodate those who wish to attend the Florida East Coast or the Southeast U.S Area parties as well as the West Coast affair. The date for that meeting is expected to be Saturday, February 28, 2004.

Finally, Jack wishes to thank all those who have helped to make the Annual Florida West Coast party a success for the past five years, including: Louise McCollum, in charge of the Birthday Cake; Charles and Renee Fisher, dining room arrangements and decorations; Bill and Jean Geiger, co-treasurers. All have agreed to serve again in 2004.

Jack Hild, left,  
and Bill  
Geiger, take  
care of Fla.  
West Coast  
Party paper-  
work



## FLORIDA WEST COAST BIRTHDAY PARTY (CONTINUED):

Here's who was there:

### **14th AF Assn. Members and Spouses:**

Horace and Betty Lou Bedsole (425th BS 308th BG), Leesburg, FL  
Chester and Dora Borawa (374th BS 308th BG), Sun City Center, FL  
Jeremiah and Barbara Browne (76th FS 23rd FG), Palm Harbor, FL  
Lee and Mary Lee Chalifour (425th BS 308th BG), Port Charlotte, FL  
Joseph and Margaret Digirola (311th FG), Belleair Beach, FL  
Ethel Doherty (Assoc. 491st BS) wife of Leo (Dec'd), Clearwater, FL  
Bessie Eaton (Assoc. 491st BS), wife of Henry (Dec'd), Madiera Beach, FL  
Charles and Renee Fisher (26th FS 51st FG), Tampa, FL  
Gregory and Virginia Fox (22nd BS 341st BG), St. Petersburg, FL  
William and Jean Geiger (25th FS 51st FG), Punta Gorda, FL  
Ted and Libby Gensel (373rd BS 308th BG), Wesley Chapel, FL  
Robert and Claire Glaser (491st BS 341st BG), Brooksville, FL  
George and Margaret Greene (118th TRS 23rd FG), Clearwater, FL  
Don and Marjorie Griffin (69th DRS 301st ADG), Tampa, FL  
Barbara Harmon (Assoc. 25th FS) wife of Robert (Dec'd), Mulberry, FL  
Joseph and Mary Hart (425th BS 341st BG), Sun City Center, FL  
Jack Hild (35th PRS 21st PRS), Naples, FL  
Mel and Nancy Levitt (69th DRS 301st ADG), Bradenton, FL  
Steve Marviscin (95th FS 81st FG), Sandusky, OH  
Dan and Louise McCollum (491st BS 341st BG), Longboat Key, FL  
Bob and Geneva Nesbitt (308th BG), Elida, OH  
Arthur and Carol Nyberg (490th BS 341st BS), Sun City Center, FL  
Bernard and Fay Pagels (375th BS 308th BG), Sun City Center, FL  
Jim and Dorain Palmer (491st BS 341st BG), Spring Hill, FL  
Ed and Audrey Ponge (11th BS 341st BG), Bradenton, FL  
Walt and Nita Stachler (491st BS 341st BG), Dayton, OH  
Vernon and Rose Teel (375th BS 308th BG), Albany, GA  
William and Ruth VanVleck (491st BS 341st BG), Clearwater, FL  
Tony and Asta Wojciak (14th TRA 322nd TCS), St. Petersburg, FL

### **Non-Members and Guests:**

Ace Cheesman, wife Rosemarie, and guest, Dorothy Owen, Nokomis, FL  
William H. Eaton, son of Bessie Eaton, Madiera Beach, FL  
Bill and Jean Gerencer, guests of Jack Hild, Waterville, ME  
Cathy Griffin, daughter of Don and Marjorie Griffin, Tampa, FL  
William Nesbit, son of Bob and Geneva Nesbitt, Elida, OH  
Beverly Pound, Guest of William Nesbitt, Elida, OH  
Karen Scott, guest of Steve Marviscin, Sandusky, OH  
Paul and Delores Sinkhorn, guests of Walt and Nita Stachler, Dayton, OH

## Florida East Coast Party, Saturday, 8 April 2003

Florida East Coast Birthday Party host for the 28th consecutive year, 14th AFA Treasurer, Gene Boyars, reported that he had been observing thousands of Tigers and many 14th Air Force Association events for a long time, and that this one was an outstanding success.

The weather was lovely, like a day in June up north. There were 38 14th AFA members, spouses and guests present for the affair. Our special Almond/Carrot cake with apricot mousse filling and cream cheese icing, was decorated with a complete American Flag, with the birthday greeting inscription minimized a bit this year. Although everyone seemed to enjoy the camaraderie of the occasion, the couple who seemed to get the biggest charge from the event was Associate Member, Geoffrey Seidler (son of Selig Seidler, 16th CCU) and spouse, Karen. They were well informed of what we did in China, and had made a trip to China, where they sought out every location where Selig had soldiered. Geoffrey was particularly captivated by Mark Conn. Selig claims that Mark taught him to box while they were in China.

Mark Conn is himself a noteworthy Tiger. In his youth, he was a Golden Gloves champion. In his professional career with the New York City Board of Education, he was responsible for athletic programs in each of the hundreds of New York City schools and visited everyone of them. In addition, he was a popular championship prizefighting referee for the New York State Boxing Commission. If you ever watched a championship prize fight in New York, you probably saw Mark dancing his way around the ring. As if that weren't enough, he also became a Tournament Bridge Master, an accomplished piano player, and in recent years, a much sought after Toastmaster. To top it off, he is locally in great demand as a stand up comedian, and has become a fixture at our Tiger parties where his comedy act keeps Tigers and nearby diners rolling in the aisles.

Here's who was there:

### **14th AFA Members and Spouses:**

Gene and Mae Boyars (8th Airdrome Sq), Coconut Creek, FL  
John and Martha Budd (22nd BS 341st BG), Rockaway, NJ  
Elmer and Grace Bukey (396th ASS 12th ASG), Orlando, FL  
Russ and Janice Castaline (14th AF Hq), Hollywood, FL  
Mark and Genie Conn (Hq 308 BG), Pompano Beach, FL  
Leonard and Lynn Connolly (322nd TCS). Pompano Beach, FL  
Joe and Teenie Cooper (396th ASS 12th ASG), Delray Beach, FL

## FLORIDA EAST COAST PARTY (CONTINUED):

### More who were there:

Herb Corkin (11th BS 321st BG), Key Biscayne, FL  
Bernard and Sandra Danzig (375th BS 308th BG), Lake Wales, FL  
Bonnie Frazier (Associate 75th FS), Hobe Sound, FL  
Sam Leventhal (373rd BS 308th BG), Boca Raton, FL  
Ed and Ann Lydon (7th FS CACW), West Palm Beach, FL  
Ben and Fritz Minkin (373rd BS 308th BG), Lima, OH  
Joe and Georgiana Pesek (12th ASG), Oviedo, FL  
Geoffrey and Karen Seidler (Associate 16th CCU), Brooklyn, NY  
Bud and Charlene Sholl (373rd BS 308th BG), N. Palm Beach, FL  
Mel Spencer (373rd BS 308th BG), Palm Beach Gardens, FL  
Jack and Dorothy Stettner, (373rd BS 308th BG), Nashua, NH  
Dr. R.A. and Catherine Swiezy (21st PRS), Port St. Lucie, FL

### Non Members and Guests:

Pauline Altman (Guest of Sam Leventhal), Boca Raton, FL  
Irving Bergman (Guest of Mel Spencer), Boca Raton, FL  
Joseph Ficaro (Guest of Mel Spencer), Boca Raton, FL  
June O'Donnell (Guest of Bonnie Frazier), Hobe Sound, FL



East Coast party goes  
From left:  
Mae Boyars,  
Ed Lydon  
Bonnie Frazier  
Ann Lydon

From right:  
Ben Minkin  
Fritz Minkin  
Pauline Altman  
Sam Leventhal  
Bernie Danzig  
and Sandra Danzig



## BIRTHDAY PARTIES (CONTINUED):

### Dallas/Ft. Worth Area Party, Saturday, 8 March 2003

It was another very successful party for 14th AF Association members, spouses and friends in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. It happened on Saturday, 8 March 2003 in Kang's Café private dining room, in Irving, Texas. The original list of 35 members and friends that were expected to be present soon expanded to the approximately 55 who actually came to help celebrate the 14th Air Force's 60th birthday.

Honored guests for the occasion included Dr. Charles T. Ku, acting on behalf of Mr. Edward Feng, Director, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston, and Mrs. Charles Ku; also Mrs. Patricia Root (Casey Vincent's daughter), and her husband, George Root. In addition, we were honored by the presence of several members of the local Chinese Community Veteran's Association.

The party program included a social hour for the camaraderie, a several course Chinese Banquet dinner, recognition of honored guests, a drawing for a special stuffed Tiger, plus the presentation of special gifts from TECO Director, Mr. Edward Feng, and the cutting and serving of the traditional 14th Air Force Birthday cake.

Finally, Party Honcho Dick Maddox expressed his thanks to the volunteers whose assistance made the Dallas/Ft Worth party possible. Those volunteers included: Frank and Carol Andeas, Shirley Carlisle, Larry and Ann Dennis, Len and Ginny Logar, Frank Norton, and interpreter, Fulchu Li.

Dr. Charles Ku,  
Dick Maddox, and  
Kuang Fu Wang  
prepare to cut  
the Birthday Cake.  
More photos on  
page 30.



DALLAS/FT WORTH PARTY (CONTINUED):

Here's who was there:

**14th AF Assn. Members, Spouses and Guests:**

L.P. Bloodworth (490th BS) and guest, Muriel Stiekles, Sonora, TX  
Shirley Carlisle (Associate, HQ 51st FG), Mesquite, TC  
Larry and Ann Dennis (Affiliate), and guest, Lottie Davis, Grand Prairie, TX  
Barry Dewalt (Associate, 22nd BS 341st BG) and son, James, Arlington, TX  
Emmet Fenton (322nd TCS), Irving, TX  
Forest Green (449th FS 51st FG), Corsicana, TX  
Norman Larsen (16th FS ), and sons, David and Rick, Haltom City, TX  
Leonard and Virginia Logar (19th LIAS), Grand Prairie, TX  
Phil and Kit Loofbourrow (75th FS 23rd FG), Dallas, TX  
Bessie Lowry (Associate 76th FS), and son and dtr-in-law,  
    Kris & Vicki Lowry, Henrietta, TX  
Richard Maddox (449th FS 51st FG), Richardson, TX, and guest,  
    Charles Maloney, Duncanville, TX  
Charles and Delores Moser, (491st BS 341st BG), Ft. Worth, TX  
Frank Norton, (1369th AFBU, ATC), Dallas, TX  
Don and Violet Orr (60th FS 33rd FG), Burleson, TX  
Leroy and Jean Parramore (322nd TCS), Cedar Hill, TX  
Eddie and Ethel Patrick (74th FS 23rd FG), Lewisville, TX  
Ron and Elsie Phillips (118th TRS 75th FS 23rd FG), Butler, MO  
Patricia (Associate, 68th CW), and George Root, Gambrills, MD,  
    and guests, Rusty and Elizabeth Ann Ketz, Dallas, TX  
Frank and Joan Rousseau (375th BS 308th BG), Irving, TX  
Thomas R. Salter (374th BS 308th BG), Dallas, TX  
Ronnie (Associate, 90th AS), and Linda Tuel, Gilmer, TX  
Robert and Dorothy Walters (529th FS 311th FG), Addison, TX  
Col Kuang Fu Wang (7th FS 3rd FG CACW), Dallas , TX

**Other Attendees:**

Dr. Charles T. Ku, Overseas Chinese Commissioner, and  
    Mrs. Ku, Dallas, TX  
Fulchu Li, Chinese Community Liaison, Richardson, TX  
Esther Wu, Dallas Morning News, Columnist

**Members of local Chinese Community Veterans Association:**

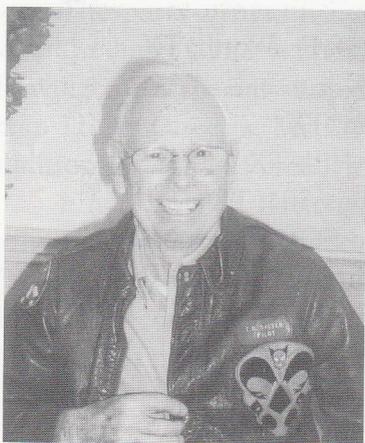
Gen. John Chang, Gen. Cxi-Wu Wu, Jui-Lin Chen, Tony Kung,  
P.J. Lee, and Sam Sung.

D/FW PARTY (CONTINUED):



Left: Dick Maddox and Patricia (Vincent) Root during the introduction of special guests

Below: Left, Tom Salter, and his original jacket. Right, Len Logar (19th Lias. Sq.), with Forrest Green (449th Ftr. Sq.), also in original A-2 Jacket.



Right: Col. Kwang Fu Wang (center), and members of Dallas/FT. Worth Chinese Veterans Association.



## BIRTHDAY PARTIES (CONTINUED):

### Southeastern U.S. Party, Saturday, 8 March 2003

It was another great day for a birthday party in Warner Robins, Georgia. With 125 14th AFA members, friends, and guests present to help celebrate the 14th Air Force's birthday, the fourth annual Southeastern U.S. birthday party, again demonstrated the popularity of the Robins AFB Museum of Aviation as a party site, and the high level of interest among our members in such meetings. We commend all concerned, including the entire staff of the Robins Museum, for helping to make this annual affair a great success.

Hangar One, the oldest, and now the smallest of the several "hangars" housing the museum's aviation collections, exhibits and memorabilia. It is the site of the Annual 14th AF Birthday Party.



Special guests included Capt. Paul Maykish and Capt. Chris Gallaway (and their spouses) of the 116th Air Control Wing J-STARS, (Joint Surveillance Targeting Attack Radar System) and Lt. Col. Daren P. Durkee, 116th Operations Support Squadron Commander, who briefed the party guests on the mission of the Robins AFB based 116th Air Control Wing and their J-STARS ACW aircraft. With most of their aircraft already deployed to the middle-east, the J-STARS aircraft were a current news item at the time of the party.



Capt. Paul Maykish (left), and Lt. Col. Darren Durkee, of the 116th Air Control Wing meet some of the 14th AFA "Tiger" veterans of a much earlier war.

## SOUTHEASTERN U.S. PARTY (CONTINUED):

Other special guests included: Director Maggie Chien of the TECO (Taiwan Economic and Cultural Office) in Atlanta; Col. Ming Shi Wang, President of the CAFVA (Chinese Air Force Veterans Association) and several CAFVA members; and Col. Marvin Smoot, Commander of the 78th Air Base Wing, Robins AFB, GA.

Following is a list of all who are believed to have attended. If we missed anyone, we apologize.

### **14th AF Association Members and Spouses:**

Chris "Sully" Barrett (75th FS 23rd FG), Rockledge, GA  
Bill Bartlett (449th FS), Columbus, GA  
Oliver Bateman (118th TRS 23rd FG), Macon, GA  
Joseph Bavuso (26th FS 51st FG), Orlando, FL  
George and Helen Blekas (373rd BS 308th BG), Port St. Lucie, FL  
Bob & Diane Boulier (Affiliate 118th TRS 23rd FG), Bradenton, FL  
Sam and Lucy Carson (10th WXS), Atlanta, GA  
Fred and Toni Chiao (29th FS 5th FG CACW), Norcross, GA  
Art and Betty Cobert (11th BS 341st BG), Isle of Palms, SC  
Tom and Muriel Coleman, (491st BS 341st BG), Okatie, SC  
Ted and Joanne Connolly (2nd TCS), Miami, FL  
Paul and Jean Crawford (529th FS 311th FG), Atlanta, GA  
Frank Cross (Affil. Museum of Aviation), Ft. Valley, GA  
Katherine Dahlberg (Associate, 76th FS 23rd FG), Mobile, AL  
Ed and Sandy Hay (Associate 16th FS), Jacksonville, FL  
Al and Betty Johnson (16th FS 51st FG), Gainesville, GA  
Robert Jones (27th TCS), Tucker, GA  
John and Annie Laura Kelly (449th FS 51st FG), Stockbridge, GA  
Hal and Jeane King (75th FS 23rd FG), Leesburg, GA  
Ernie Kitterman (16th FS 51st FG), Noblesville, IN  
Joseph and Nancy Lamping (10th WXS), Salem, SC  
Bob and Caroll Leavell (118th TRS 23rd FG), Washington, GA  
Cheng Lu (32nd FS 3rd FG CACW), Atlanta, GA  
Ed Massey (315th ASG), Bronwood, GA  
Charles and Barbara McMillin (118th TRS 23rd FG), Montgomery, AL  
John Pensyl (5th FG CACW), Ft Valley, GA  
Robert L. Scott, Jr. (23rd FG), Warner Robins, GA  
Herman and Ruth Smith (373rd BS 308th BG), Milledgeville, GA

SE AREA PARTY ATTENDANCE (CONTINUED):

Grady and Kay Taylor (426th NFS), Aiken, SC  
Elaine Thacker ( Associate, 27th TCS), Watkinsville, GA  
Mitch Touart (11th BS 341st BG), Atlanta, GA  
Charles and Elizabeth White (25th FS 51st FG), Winter Park, FL

**Present From the Museum of Aviation Foundation:**

President Pat and Dee Bartness, Warner Robins, GA  
Chairman Tom McMichael, Warner Robins, GA

**From the Museum of Aviation**

Paul and Carlene Hibbits, Museum Director  
Darwin Edwards, Curator  
Judy Blackburn  
Ken Emery  
Irene Harner  
Meryl Harner  
Linda Pullen  
Phyllis Quirk, Archivist

**From Robins AFB:**

Col. Marvin T. Smoot, Commander 78th Air Base Wing  
Lt. Col. Darren P. Durkee, Commander, 116th ACW Ops Support Sq.  
Capt. Chris, and Edna Galloway, 116th ACW.  
Capt. Paul, and Christina Maykish, 116th ACW.  
Pat and Elizabeth Maykish (Parents of Paul Maykish), Pennsylvania

**Non members and Guests:**

Ray and Jeanne Baker (375th BS), Fairburn, GA  
Oliver, III and Sallie Bateman (Guests of Oliver Bateman), Macon, GA  
C.D. Blankenship (Guest), Eastern Airlines, Newnan, GA  
Edna Chennault, wife of Max Chennault (Dec'd), McDonough, GA  
Carl Christensen (Guest), Eastern Air Lines, Newnan, GA  
David and Frances Christensen (Brother of Warren 118th TRS),  
Theodore, AL  
Beth Dahlberg (Guest of Katherine Dahlberg), Mobile, AL  
Ron Gause (Peachtree City Airshow), Atlanta, GA  
Kaye Gosline (Guest of Oliver Bateman), Smyrna, GA  
Jim Grundy (449th FS), Columbus, GA

## SE AREA PARTY ATTENDANCE (CONTINUED)

D.A. Harris (Guest), Eastern Airlines, Newnan, GA.  
Jerris and Julie Hayes (27th TCS), Athens, GA  
Darwin Johnson (Guest), Eastern Airlines, Fairburn, GA  
Miriam Lowe (118th TRS), Macon, GA  
Kathie Mayfield (Guest, 76th FS) Mobile, AL  
Maynard and Marian Presnell (Guests, 118th TRS), Theodore, AL  
Rocky Root (Guest), Eastern Airlines, Atlanta, GA  
John Webb (Guest of Mitch Touart), Atlanta, GA  
Marion White (425th BS), Forsyth, GA  
John Wilfong (426th NFS), Florida  
John Wise (425th BS), Forsyth, GA  
John and Louise Younger (2nd TCS), Atlanta, GA

### **Chinese A. F. Veterans Assn. (CAFVA) Members and Guests**

Ted Boothanakit, Mrs. Kami Boothanakit, Stephen Ho, Mrs. Joyce Ho,  
Vincent Ho, Mrs. Laurette Ho, Pao Te Huang, Shu Ming Huang, Andrew Li,  
Ms. F.F. Lian, Chia Hung Liu, Cheng Chi Sun, Ms. Tsaiping Sun, Loretta  
Tseng, Rolf Tseng, Ming Hsien Wang (President, CAFVA), Ms. Yu Lin  
Wang, Teddy Wang, Ms. Shirley Wang, Ddie Wang, Mrs. Helen Wang,  
James Yang, Mrs Lily Yuan.

### **From TECO Atlanta:**

Director General Maggie Tien  
Mrs. Jennie Tien  
Warren Wong,  
Rhonda Whitmire

Party co-host (with Al  
Johnson) Bateman  
thanks TECO  
Director Maggie Tien  
for a contribution to  
the Museum Fund.  
(More party photos  
on following pages).



SE AREA PARTY PHOTOS (CONTINUED):



Left: Betty Johnson and Joanne Connolly, Registration Desk "volunteers" welcome party goers to the Museum.

Right: Early arrivals, Muriel and Tom Coleman with 14th AFA Past President McMillin, waiting for the party to begin.



Above: The ever popular, B/Gen. Bob Scott (Right) with 426th NFS members John Wilfong and Grady Taylor.

Right: 14th AFA Past President Al Johnson (seated) and long time VP Membership, Ernie Kitterman, find something to smile about.



SE AREA PARTY PHOTOS (CONTINUED):



Left: Bob Scott and 14th AFA Museum Committee member, Ed Massey. Note the General's wild, "forever young" scarf..

Below: The party ends with the traditional cake-cutting ceremony.



*Fred Chiao*

M/Gen. Fred Chiao, TECO Director Maggie Tien, B/Gen. Bob Scott and Capt. Paul Maykish prepare to do the honors, while Museum Curator Darwin Edwards stands by in the background.

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## 14TH AIR FORCE HERITAGE BALL

In addition to the four regional parties celebrating the 14th Air Force's 60th birthday, the new Fourteenth Air Force at Vandenberg AFB, California, celebrated that historic event at their annual Heritage Ball, held this year on Saturday, 15 March. Unfortunately, we did not receive notice of the occasion in time to publicize it in advance. Nevertheless, a number of our members knew of the affair and were able to attend. We do not have a complete list of those present, but we are informed that Past President McKay, and Lorraine Nelson, Executive VP Hal, and Florence Fenton, as well as long-time member, George Pappas, were there.

The evening's program featured an address by General Ronald R. Fogelman (Retired), former Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, and recognition of the achievements of the leader of the American Volunteer Group and first Commander of the 14th Air Force, Claire Lee Chennault. The program for the evening also recognized the contributions of the "vintage tigers" present for the occasion, and included an award to the 14th Air Force Association for our dedication to the preservation of the history and traditions of the 14th Air Force.



14th AFA Executive VP, Hal Fenton, accepted the Award, an appropriately inscribed, cut-glass trophy, bearing the Flying Tiger logo, for the Association. Shown here with wife, Flo, and George Pappas.



## **BLACK BORDER DEPARTMENT**

- George S. Alderman, (22 BS 341 BG); wife, Frances, 5038 Pearl Davis Dr, Valdosta, GA 31602  
Charles G. Allen, (449 FS 51 FG); no kin listed, P O Box 14061, Roanoke, VA 24038-4061  
Marian Alt, wife of: Melvin (118 TRS 23 FG); 513 Bostian Ave., Kannapolis, NC 28083  
Maurice W. Buchmiller, (375 BS 308 BG); no kin listed, 8602 M 5 Rd., Gladstone, MI 49837  
Buster Burris, (1 CCS 1 CCG); wife, Vernita, 8382 N Sayante Way, Tucson, AZ 85743-1403  
William E. Butler, (491 BS 341 BG); wife, Jeanette, 3105 Bonham Ave., Odessa, TX 79762  
Bert M. Carleton, (14 HQ); wife, Charline, 1014 Mockingbird St., Stephenville, TX 78401-1749  
William L. Carman, (23 FCS); wife, Ruth, 895 State Route 369 #35, Chenango Forks, NY 13746  
Warburton E. Cross, (449 FS 51 FG); son, John Cross, 20 Van Heusen St., Albany, NY 12205  
Robert M. Dykstra, (68 CW); wife, Ruth, 308 Zimmerman Blvd., Buffalo, NY 14223-1024  
Peter Gee, (14 ASG); wife, Corinne, 1662 Joshua Tree St., Davis, CA 95616  
John B. Harmon, (22 BS 341 BG); wife, Mary, 24 Legend Rd., Ft Worth, TX 76132-1036  
Hazen D. Helvey, (26 FS 51 FG); son, Bob Helvey, 7501 Palm Ave.#114, Yucca Valley, CA 92284  
Milton B. Katz, (22 BS 341 BG); no kin listed, 797 11th Ave.#4-A, Paterson, NJ 07514-1078  
Olney E. Kestenbaum, (373 BS 308 BG); wife, Selma, 123 Rosewood Ter., Linden, NJ 07036  
Doris Kramer, wife of: Vernon (76 FS 23 FG), 16400 Saybrook Ln.#13, Huntington Bch., CA 92649  
Cleater J. Meaders, (69 DRS 301 ADG); wife, Billie, 109 Ginny Dr., Warner Robins, GA 31093  
Faye Miller, (ASSOC 375 BS); widow of Milt, 8343 Via Sonrisa Del Sur #390,  
Boca Raton, FL 33433-8216  
Eugene E. Montgomery, (491 BS 341 BG); Dale Montgomery, 649 W Broad St.,  
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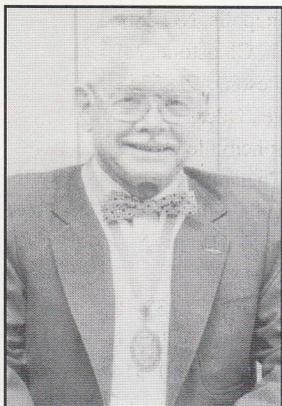
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## DONALD L. RODEWALD

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(1918-2002)

Don Rodewald (AVG, 75th FS, 23rd FG), a former member of the 14th Air Force Association, and a resident of Fairchild, California, died on September 16, 2002, at age 84.



We did not know Don Rodewald, but he was very highly regarded by those who did. He first served in China as an armorer with the American Volunteer Group (AVG) and then as Armament Officer for the 75th Fighter Squadron, 23rd Fighter Group, China Air Task Force. He returned to the U.S. in 1942 where he went through Air Force pilot training and subsequently returned to China and again joined the 75th Fighter Squadron. He served with the 75th until war's end. In

later years, he flew combat missions in Korea, and in 1954, survived a crash landing near Andrews Air Force Base that left him a paraplegic for the rest of his life. In 1970 he and several other pilots founded the Wheelchair Aviators Association, and he was perhaps best known nationally as being the first "wheelchair pilot" to fly around the world, solo. He did so in 1984 in a single engine Comanche aircraft, covering 31,150 nautical miles, with 34 landings in 24 countries.

Don Rodewald was indeed a unique individual. He was a member of The Flying Tigers Association, the Order of Daedalians, the 14th Air Force Association, American Legion and Disabled American Veterans. He was certainly deserving of all the many honors he received. He will be missed...CLMc (Source: *The Daedalus Flyer*)

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