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(Mobile)
Alumni Association

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6th Weather Squadron Mobile HISTORY CD'S Completed

Thanks to our Historian, Shirley Eldringhoff's diligent efforts, all of our on-hand original 6th Weather Squadron (Mob) artifacts have been transferred from their paper form to electronic images on CDs. To identify the contents of each CD, Shirley cataloged each artifact in chronological order by the span of years. Presently, the CDs can only be viewed using a computer; however, we are working to format the CDs so they can be viewed on CD/DVD players. CDs are available for member purchase at \$1.50/CD plus postage. You may order one or more. Place your orders with Shirley Eldringhoff.

CD Summary List

CD#1: History of 2060th Mobile Weather Squadron – April 1947 through December 1949. Missing pages from the histories: 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 61. Page 262 is not missing, just mis-numbered. 398 pages.

CD#2: History of 2060th Mobile Weather Squadron – October 1949 through June 1950. Pages missing from the histories between 118 and 119 and from 336 and 337. 376 pages.

CD#3: History of 2060th Mobile Weather Squadron – this one was copied out of chronological order. Started with 1 July – 30 September 1950 and then follows with January to September 1950. There is no picture on page 52. 390 pages.

CD#4: History of 2060th Mobile Weather Squadron and 6th Weather Squadron – October 1950 through June 1952. 2060th personnel were reassigned to 6th Weather Squadron effective 20 May 1952, see Special Order #78 on page 388. 402 pages. (continued page 2)

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY for Carl & Ann



Moore, OK., 13 Nov 2004
Carl and Ann Bishop hosted their fiftieth wedding anniversary celebration at the First Baptist Church in N Moore, Oklahoma. This momentous occasion was well attended by friends. Family came from as far away as Tennessee and Okinawa, Japan to help them celebrate. 6WSAA extends a hearty Con-



gratulations to Carl and Anna Bishop!

Plans for Coin Scraped
Due to lack of funds, the BOD decided to **cancel the Coin plans.**

(see minutes page 4)

WELCOME New Members

Michael 'Mike' & Angie Fazio
Caryl A. Hill
Billy R & Agnes Y Jones

'Steve' & Mary Styron
Valois 'Buz' Young

2005 Reunion Set

- 23 –26 June 2005 is the date for our 20th Reunion
- The HOLIDAY INN OKC Airport, South Meridian Ave is location (same as before)
- Hotel rate is \$65 plus Tax (single/double)
- Registration is \$40.00/person; includes Hospitality and Banquet dinner (see insert)



CD Summary List

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CD#5: History of 6th Weather Squadron and 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – July 1952 through July 1953. 6th Weather Squadron was redesignated as 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) effective 1 August 1952, see General Order # 106 on page 58. There were no pictures available for after pages 49, 215 and 220. See Oklahoma State Fair brochure on page 126. 374 pgs.

CD#6: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – July 1953 through December 1953. See Oklahoma State Fair brochure on page 226. 344 pages.

CD#7: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January 1954 through September 1954. There was no picture available for after page 46. 408 pages.

CD#8: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – September 1954 through January 1955 (pages 1-85) and History of Weather Reporting Element, Provisional for Operation Castle, pages 86-228; and History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January through June 1955, pages 229-394. Note: Pages 100-113 were legal size and some portions appear twice. 394 pages.

CD#9: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January through December 1955, pages 1-220 and History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January through June 1956, pages 221-368. See page 157 for Special Order #157 dated 10 September 1955, reflecting Lt. Colonel Bernard Pusin assuming command. 368 pages

CD#10: - History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – July through December 1956. See pages 35, 36 and 37 referring to the 2nd annual Christmas party for local children. 340 pages.

CD#11: A synoptic compendium of historical data reflecting the activities of the Weather Report and Forecasting Element, Provisional during Operation Redwing, the 1956 atomic test program. There were no pictures available for after pages 54, 55, 85, 232, 359, 360 and 361. 535 pages.

CD#12: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January through July 1957, pages 1-519 and Classified Annex – July through December 1957, pages 520-804. There was no picture available for after page 9. See page 708 regarding a casualty. 804 pages.

CD#13: History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) – January through July 1957, pages 1-519 and Classified Annex – July through De-

ember 1957, pages 520-804. There was no picture available for after page 9. See page 708 regarding a casualty. 804 pages.

CD#14: Final History of the Weather Reporting and Forecasting Element, Provisional for participation in OPERATION HARDTACK 1958, Volume 1, pages 1 – 459, Volume 2, pages 460 – 852. Note: Pictures were not available even though they are mentioned. Also, History of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) July through December 1958, pages 853 – 873 and Letters of Appreciation and Commendation regarding Operation Hardtack, pages 874 – 881. 881 pages.

CD#15: Histories of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) January through June 1959, pages 1-91; January through June 1960, pages 92-112; July through December 1960, pages 113-140; July through December 1959 (*out of chronological order*), pages 141-155; *no 1961 history available*; January through June 1962, pages 156-174; July through December 1962, pages 175-214; January through June 1963, pages 215-247; *no July through December 1963 history available*; January through June 1964, pages 248-326; July through December 1964, pages 327-408; January through June 1965, pages 409-477; July through October 1965, pages 478-534; October through December 1965, pages 535-602; January through June 1966, page 603-692; July through December 1966, pages 693-794; January through June 1967, pages 795-893; and July through December 1967, pages 894-975. Some children's Christmas parties are on pages 206, 399, 600 and 774. 975 pages.

CD#16: Histories of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) January through June 1968, pages 1-113; July through December 1968, pages 114-234; January through June 1969, pages 235-349; July through September 1969, pages 350-366; and October through December 1969, pages 367-384. 384 pages.

CD#17: Histories of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) January through March 1970, pages 1-13; April through June 1970, pages 14-23; July through September 1970, pages 24-32; October through December 1970, pages 33-42; January through March 1971, pages 43-52; April

through June 1971, pages 53-62; July through December 1971, pages 63-95; January through June 1972, pages 96-152; July through December 1972, pages 153-170; January through June 1973, pages 171-197; July through December 1973, pages 198-293; January through June 1974, pages 294-394; July through December 1974, pages 395-441; January through June 1975, pages 442-492; July through December 1975, pages 493-557; January through June 1976, pages 558-624; July through December 1976, pages 625-655; January through June 1977, pages 656-717; July through December 1977, pages 718-761; January through June 1978, pages 762-800; July through December 1978, pages 801-872; January through June 1979, pages 873-909; July through December 1979, pages 910-1059. 1059 pages

CD#18: Histories of 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) January through June 1980, pages 1-44; July through December 1980, pages 45-88; January through June 1981, pages 89-163; July through December 1981, pages 164-109; January through June 1982, pages 199-241; July through December 1982, pages 242-288; January through June 1983, pages 289-359; July through December 1983, pages 360-457; January through June 1984, pages 458-517; *no July through December 1984 history available*; January through June 1985, pages 518-568; July through December 1985, pages 569-593; January through June 1986, pages 594-606; July through December 1986, pages 607-628; January through June 1987, pages 629-640; July through December 1987, pages 641-655; January through June 1988, pages 656-678; July through December 1988, pages 679-691; January through June 1989, pages 692-711; July through December 1989, pages 712-725;

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**6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) Alumni Association
2005 (20th-year) Reunion**
will be held Thursday through Sunday, 23—26 June 2005 at the

Holiday Inn Oklahoma City Airport

2101 South Meridian Avenue

Oklahoma City, OK 73108

(405) 685-4000 1-800-622-7666

Blocked Room Rates are \$65 Single/Double/Triple/Quad, plus Tax (presently 10.375%)

(Rates available Wednesday—Sunday; Check-in 3:00 pm, Check-out 12:00 Noon)

Reservations may be made via the telephone numbers above; cut off date is 8 June 2005

Registration Form

***** Complete and return this registration form not later than 1 June 2005 *****

Registration fee is \$40.00 per person—includes all Hospitality and Saturday Banquet Dinner
(Registration fee cannot be refunded after 8 June 2005)

Please list the names of persons attending;

Total Number Attending _____ X \$40 = \$ _____

Annual Dues; number of years _____ X \$10 = \$ _____

Make Check Payable to: 6WSAA Total \$ _____

Mail To: P.O. Box 96922, Oklahoma City, OK 73145-9622

Please indicate How you will be Traveling?

Air _____ Auto _____ Other _____

Will you be staying at the Hotel?

Yes _____ No _____

Please indicate your Arrival Date?

Wed 22 Jun _____ Thu 23 Jun _____ Fri 24 Jun _____ Sat 25 Jun _____

Please indicate your Tour/Activity interest:

Tinker _____ Down-town* _____ National Severe Storms Lab _____ Western Heritage** _____

* Brick Town Restaurants, Canal, Bass Pro, National Memorial, etc.

** Formerly "Cowboy Hall of Fame"

Disclaimer: The reunion has been arranged for the sole enjoyment of 6WSAA members and guests. The 6WSAA, its Directors and reunion organizers are not liable for any damage, injuries or inconveniences incurred to reunion attendees. Over indulgence of alcoholic beverages causing impaired motor responses or navigational ability will be cause for terminating use of Bar facilities. The Association's Directors encourage responsible drinking and the use of a designated driver.

When you sign and return this registration, you agree to have read and understand these terms and assume personal responsibility for any damages or injuries resulting from your, or your spouse and/or guests' actions.

Date: _____

Signature: _____



Member Profile

By the numbers

Number of members

Paid to year

24	Honorary (no Dues)		
3	7/1990		
2	7/1991		
8	7/1992		
1	7/1993		
3	7/1994		
7	7/1995		
3	7/1996		
13	7/1997 *		
7	7/1998 *		
5	7/1999		
2	7/2000		
5	7/2001 *		
6	7/2002		
11	7/2003		
10	7/2004		
59	7/2005 Considered Active		
18	7/2006	“	“
9	7/2007	“	“
4	7/2008	“	“
0	7/2009	—	—
3	7/2010	“	“

Total Active = 93 **

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Potential

* Include 1 member who requested to be removed.

** Include 2 Associate members



CD Summary List

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CD#18: continued

January through June 1990, pages 726-744; July through December 1990, pages 745-758; January through June 1991, pages 759-773; July through September 1991, pages 774-786. Miscellaneous articles: Air Weather Service Press Pack, pages 787-842; undated 6th Weather Squadron History Summary, pages 843-845; undated statement on 6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) (MAC), pages 846-847; assorted miscellaneous articles and pictures, pages 848-863. See page 545 for Special Order G-105, dated 1 March 1985 regarding relocation to Hurlburt Field FL effective 1 April 1985. See page 783 for Special Order GA-71, dated 26 September 1991 regarding inactivation effective 30 September 1991. 863 pages.



Memory Lane by Don Garbutt

I wonder how many of our members remember the Jet Lounge, the Tinker Tavern, Bamboo Room, the Bombardier Club?



I'm sure these "Watering Holes" were built in the late 40's or early 50's.

Just a few weeks ago, the Jet Lounge and the Tinker Tavern joined the Bamboo Room as piles of rubble as Midwest City—in its infinite wisdom—has decided to clear all the land west of Marshall Drive, all the way to Air Depot and one block north of SE 29th.

They say it's to build a Park and new Mall. They want to attract customers traveling east and west on I-40. I don't know how since I-40 dips from sight during that entire area and you can't even see 29th.

The only "Watering Holes" left are the Frog Pond, the Midway, and the Bombardier.

MEMBER'S MISSING

Please help us find...



Anderson, Leonard Jr & Betty
 Bodner, Robert & Christine
 Davis, Thomas & Martha
 Douglas, David
 Dropco, Kenneth & Jo Anne
 Harvey, James & Mickey
 Henthom, Harold & Barbara
 Hesbol, Douglas & Kristina
 Hodgkins, Charles & Edith
 Pittman, Ellie H Jr & Jerry
 Rapp, Francis J & Jeanne
 Reese, David W & Rhonda
 Vanderwall, Edward & Linda
 Webb, John & Arleen
 Whitely, Edwin L & Geraldine
 Yeager, Jerry

The address' we have are no longer valid !!!

If you have an address, email or phone number, you can either contact them; or you can pass their info on to Buck, Shirley, Carl or Chuck & We will contact them. Let's make this a team effort.
THANKS for your help!



WS
 Hope You're
 Feeling Better



Did You Know???

When we are informed a member is not well, *left* is a picture of the card we mail to wish a full and complete recovery.

Our on-line members can receive an electronic *Birthday Card* on their Birth Day when they provide their birth day information to Chuck Miller. There is no cost for this on-line card. We have sent 30 to date. Unfortunately, we do not have funds for postage to acknowledge our members Birthdays who are not on-line.

MEMBER, WRITER, Steve Gladish, Sr. SIGNS CONTRACT with PUBLISHER

America for his first novel "Moonlight, Missiles, and Moana". According to Steve, this novel is based on *Sixth Weather Squadron's mission "Operation Roller Coaster" in the Pacific.* He expects it to take 4-6 months before the novel is published. "*Sixth Weather Squadron (Mobile) will be first on the page of Acknowledgements*" says Steve who was assigned to 6WS(MOB) 1960 to 1963. His two other novels making up the trilogy are "Mustang Fever" based on the squadron's mission in Nevada, and "Tornado Alley" based on 6th Weather Squadron's primary stateside mission.

Congratulations are in order for Steve on signing a contract with Publish-

Correction

An enquiry on newsletter numbering has revealed that Vol. *represents the number of years the organization's publication has been published*, and Issue *represents the number of Issues for the year*, therefore, the two previous should have been: Vol. 18, Issue 1 and Vol. 19, Issue 1. respectively.



**6th Weather Squadron (Mobile) Alumni Association
BOD Minutes
14 Sep 04
Holiday Inn Oklahoma City Airport**

Board Members Present

Chuck Miller – Chair
Carl Bishop – Treasurer
John Lassiter – Assistant Treas

Jerry Hunt – Member
Elmo Reddick – Secretary
Ted Lungwitz – Member

Board Members Absent

Don Garbutt – Past Chair
Leonard Allen – Member
Chuck Hewitt – Vice Chair
Rick Tasetano – Member
Chuck Morris – Member
Bill Weigle – Member

Meeting was called to order 14:15 by the Chair.

Approval of the agenda: **Motion** to accept – John Lassiter and **seconded** by Jerry Hunt. **Approved**

Reading of 4/17/04 Minutes: The minutes were read by the Secretary, Elmo Reddick. **Motion** by Ted Lungwitz to approve as read, **seconded** by Jerry Hunt; **approved**.

Reports:

- Treasurer**—Carl Bishop; Bank balance of \$2000 less \$520 of reserved funds for purchase of Patches \$1480 of which \$760 are for dues beyond 2004; leaving \$720 in operating funds. **Motion** to accept by Jerry Hunt; **Seconded** by Ted Lungwitz. **Approved**.
- Patch Orders**—Carl Bishop reported; only about a third of the Patches have been sold to date, The reserved funds used to purchase patches is slow being recovered.
- New & Renewed Members**—Carl; there have been several renewals and some new members, we are at 79.
- Decal**—Ted Lungwitz; reported the decal is a window, alumni association logo design. The artwork will cost a \$100 one-time setup fee. The BOD asked Ted to check if 50% of fee can be paid. Since our fund is low, Ted offered to pay the up-front cost and recover his out-of-pocket from decal sales or when the Funds has recovered. **Motion** by Ted to temporarily absorb cost, **Seconded** by Jerry Hunt. **Approved unanimously**.

Old Business:

- 2005 Reunion – 23-26 June** (Carl provided a cost comparison sheet of last reunion numbers.
 - Registration fee** is \$40/person – includes; all Hospitality and Banquet Dinner. **Motion**—John, **Second**—Ted. **Approved unanimously**.
 - Hotel** – *Holiday Inn* OKC Airport, 2101 S. Meridian Ave; rate is \$65 **Single/Double**. Menu TBD.
 - Activities** – **John Lassiter** and **Chuck Hewitt** (agreed at last meeting), Chair and Co-chair respectively are heading a committee to identify some possible activities/tours such as Western Heritage Museum, etc. **Jerry Hunt** will check w/Ken Brown on NWS & w/Les Tyree on NSSL. C. Miller will check Tinker.
 - Commemorative Items** – **John Lassiter** will check on some items. Although Don was not at the meeting, telephone contact revealed he will also check on some items.
 - Comp Room (s);** **Motion**—John to again provide some lucky member (s) who attends. **Second**—Ted. **Approved unanimously**.
 - Program**—Shirley Eldringhoff agreed to Chair. **Approved unanimously**.
- Coin** – A schedule of costs to purchase a coin was obtained from Midwest Trophy. After review by the BOD, it was decided that the association did not have enough funds to meet the up-front costs. **Motion** by John Lassiter to abandon the coin. **Seconded** by Jerry Hunt. **Approved unanimously**.
- Next newsletter** – mid to late November 04 with deadline for articles, 1 November. Don has an article

New Business:

- History – Shirley has completed transferring our history items to CDs. There are a total of 18 CDs. She created a summary that identifies what is on each CD that we will publish in the newsletter. She says members can order one or all CDs and has agreed to accept member orders directly. Shirley would like the BOD to decide what the selling price should be.
- Next meeting – Thursday, 10 Feb 05 at 6 pm with the wives..

Adjourn: **Motion** to adjourn by Carl, **seconded** by Jerry. **Adjourned** 16:10.

Submitted by Elmo Reddick, Secretary, with added notes by Chuck Miller, Chair