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Welcome New Members

Brian Connolly
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Renewed
Members,
Thank You!

Coming to the Reunion? Got Orders, Photos, or Other Artifacts? Our 6WSAA Chief Historian Sez... BRING 'EM WITH YOU!!

Greetings from Shirley Eldringhoff! As some of you are aware, I am attempting to put together a "book of 6th Weather Squadron orders". Through the efforts of Joe Kerwin, when the 6th Weather Sq. was disbanded, we were fortunate to retrieve 23 manuals of history which have been put on CD. However, the book of orders was never located. In the past, I have asked and am asking you once again, to just copy any orders you may have and send them to me. You can still do that, but when you come to the reunion in June, you can just bring the copies with you and I will be delighted to accept them. I'll be looking for you!

LOGO (POLO-TYPE) SHIRT



Don, Carl, Miller, John, Hewitt, & Elmo
AVAILABLE FOR ORDER
(use Purchase Order Form page 3)

2007 Reunion

REGISTERED TO ATTEND

Betzold, Carl 'Chuck'
Biggs, Wilbur M & Georgia
Bishop, Elbert 'Carl' & Ann
Bongiovanni, Robert 'Bongo'
Brown, Floyd 'Ed' & Coralie 'Corky'
Brown, Kenneth A
Clarke, Carle & Margret
Connolly, Brian
Eldringhoff, Jim & Shirley
Frieburger, Roy F & Elaine N
Garbutt, Don & Erika
Gladish, Stephen & Betsey
Grace, John 'Tom' & Mary
Grona, Pat
Guay, Gerald P
Hayes, Gerri
Herman, Edward & M Ann
Hewitt, Charles & Anita
Jones, Clifford T & Wylie, Joann
Jones, Lorraine D
Kerwin, Joseph P 'Joe'
Lassiter, John G & Eunice
Lee, Charles E & Sarah
McCann, Gordon & Barbara
Miller, Clarence 'Chuck' & Carolyn
Nissen, Donald
Plisek, Robert 'Bob'
Pusin, 'Col' Bernard & Elinor
Reddick, Elmo E & Claire
Simms, Lee
Skowron, Edward 'Ed' & Joanne
Stewart, Joseph R. & Justine
Weiner, David A & Virginia
Whiteman, Jan & Mike
Winder, James P 'Tex' & Jausell
Workman, William G & Diana
Zinke, Kenneth R & Jeannine

EXPECTED TO ATTEND BUT NOT YET REGISTERED

Bucklin, Willard F 'Buck'
Hunt, Jerry D & Rosita
Morris, Charles D & Carmell
Reid, Robert & Angela
Rivers, Thomas & Pe-Jay
Weigle, Bill & Diana



History CDs are also still available for members to order. There are eighteen CDs that contain 6WSq history artifacts transferred from books and records retained/secured from the Squadron Deactivation and from some of our members. They are **\$1.50 each—includes postage**. You may order one, two or all 18 of the CDs **direct** from;



Shirley Eldringhoff, Historian
521 W Ring Factory Rd
Bel Air, MD 21015

Please allow two weeks for processing.

Operating Funds as of 18 Apr 07

\$ 4014.84

Ending Fund Balance 30 Nov 07

\$ 4878.48



6th Weather Sq. Patch Still Available

If you have not ordered a Patch, we still have them available for you to purchase at **only \$2.50/each, includes postage**. To receive your Patch(s), complete the order form on page 4 and mail to;
6WSAA
P O Box 96922
Oklahoma City, OK 73143-6922
Allow 2-weeks for processing.



The **6WSAA Decal** is available for members to order. This is a window decal that is **transparent** in the white area around the eagle & out-side the Logo, and is 4" X 6" in size. The price is **only \$5.00** include postage. Complete the order form on page 4 and mail to;
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Allow 2-weeks for processing.

**Remaining
Coins
Released**



1 May 07, the Coins remaining were released. Those who had requested a coin honored first. Others See PO form P-3 for price after 1 May 07.



Final Launch



**Get Well Wishes
To All Our
Members Who Are Ill**



Billy R. Jones

Billy Ramsey Jones, 75, died March 2, 2007, at his South Anchorage home.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no service. He will be cremated and his ashes will be scattered at a future date.

Billy was born March 12, 1931, in Toccoa, Ga., to Claud and Velma Louise Jones. He served with the U.S. Air Force Weather Service from Oct. 31, 1950, to June 1, 1973. He traveled "Tornado Alley" out of Tinker Air Force Base, Okla. He also served in the "Hurricane Hunters" in Bermuda and in Tonopah, Nev., in 1955 during the "Operation Teapot" atomic bomb tests. In 1951, Bill met his wife, Nancy, when he was assigned to Narsarsuak, Greenland. They were married in St. John's, Newfoundland, on May 30, 1953. They arrived in Anchorage in 1963, bought a lot in South Anchorage and in 1975 built their log house. After the 1964 earthquake, on his way to report at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Billy came to a large crack in the Old Seward Highway. He had some boards in his truck and laid a couple over the crack so he could get

across. Others followed his lead, and before long there was a bridge across the gap.

Billy also was a commercial fisherman in Bristol Bay for 18 years, using his military leave time each July. His boat, Kingfish, served him well. His sons, Jimmy and Claud, fished the Kingfish with him.

Billy owned a 1941 J-3 Piper Cub that he bought from a man in Virginia. Nancy and Bill made a trip there, loaded the plane onto a trailer and brought it to Anchorage. Lightning, as he named it, made a beautiful picture on the front page of the Anchorage Daily News not too long ago.

He enjoyed all of the outdoor sports Alaska has to offer -- hunting, fishing and, most recently, when walking became difficult for him, using his four-wheeler while clam digging. He grew up in a valley in the north Georgia mountains and always thought it was the most beautiful place in the world until he saw Alaska. This state stole his heart. His work in the Air Force gave him the opportunity to travel the state, making many friends during his trips.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Bonnie Jean, and older brother, James Louis Jones.

Billy is survived by his wife of 53 years, Nancy; son, Jimmy and his wife, Bonnie; son, Claud and his girlfriend, Kristy, and granddaughters, Jennifer, Sara, Jessica, Abbie and Haley.

Arrangements are with Witzleben Family Funeral Homes.

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6th WEATHER SQUADRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (6WSAA)

PURCHASE ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Street/P.O. Box: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone No: () _____ Alternate Phone No: () _____

E-mail address: _____

Item	Description	Size	Qty	Cost \$	Total
6WSAA Decal	Adhesive back decal	6" X 4"		5.00	
6WS(MOB) Patch	Embroidered patch	6" X 4"		2.50	
* Coin	20th Anniv Commemorative			10.00	
** Shirt(50% Cotton & 50% Polyester)	White Polo with 6WSAA Logo above left pocket	S, M, LG, XL		12.00	
" "	" "	2X		14.00	
" "	" "	3X		16.00	
** Shirts	Mail Orders—Per Shirt		ADD	4.00	
TOTAL					

* Coin Orders **After 1 May 07 Include** [\$ 5.00-Coin; \$ 5.00 Donation-6WSAA];

Plus \$ 5.00 for packaging & postage (while supply lasts). **BOD Directive 1 May 07**

Enclose a check or money order for TOTAL payable to 6WSAA.

Mail to: 6th WEATHER SQUADRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 96922
Oklahoma City, OK 73143-6922

Thank you for your order. Please allow 2 to 4 weeks after receipt for delivery by USPS.



**6th Weather Squadron (MOB)
Alumni Association
Schedule of Events**



*2007 Reunion
7 – 10 June 2007*

Wednesday **Early Bird Arrivals – Meet & Greet**

6 pm – Close: Registration – Lower Terrace

Thursday **Breakfast – On your own**

8 am – Close: Hospitality – Room 164, Refreshments

3 pm – 8 pm Registration – Lower Terrace

FREE Tour – 1:00 pm Tinker AFB

11:00 am – Front of Hotel; Car Caravan to Tinker AFB

Lunch – BX Food Court (Chinese; Steakery; Subs & Pizza; Popeyes Chicken)

Tour Tinker AFB (See Tinker Main Base & former South 40 Areas)

3:00 pm approx., Car Caravan Return to Hotel

Dinner – On your own

- **Visit Oklahoma City / Brick Town / National Memorial / Casino – On your own**

Friday

Breakfast – On your own

8 am – Close: Hospitality – Room 164, Refreshments

3 pm – 5 pm & 8 pm – Close: Registration – Lower Terrace

FREE Tour - 9 am National Severe Storms Laboratory & Weather Forecast Office

8:00 am – Front of Hotel; Car Caravan to Norman, NSSL & WFO

11:30 am - **Lunch (pay as you go) Western Sizzler, Moore (continue to TV tour)**

11:00 am – Front of Hotel Car Caravan (for those not on the NSSL & WFO tour)

Lunch (pay as you go) Golden Corral, N May Ave. near NW 63rd (then, TV Tour)

FREE Tour – 1:30 KOCO TV NEWSCHANNEL-5; Rick Mitchell, Chief Meteorologist

4:00 pm approx., All Car Caravans Return to Hotel

Dinner – On your own (or Arrange for Group)

- **Visit Oklahoma City / Brick Town / National Memorial / Casino – On your own**

Time TBD – Ad Hoc Committee Meeting – Shickey Eldringhoff

Time TBD – Informal – Basic Computer Operation Tips & Tricks

Saturday

Breakfast – On your own

9:00 – 10:00 am General Membership Meeting – Gate 1 / 2

- **Visit Tinker Open House & Air Show; 9 am – 6 pm Blue Angels – On your own**

8:00 am – 5:30 pm & 10:00 pm – Close: Hospitality – Room 164, Refreshments
Terrace Area -

Lunch – On your own

- **Visit Oklahoma City / Brick Town / National Memorial / Casino – On your own**

6:00 pm Banquet – Gate 1 & 2 Dinner, Program & Music

Sunday

Breakfast – On your own

Hospitality – Room 164, Terrace Area - Refreshments

<Farewell* 8 am – 11:00 am ***Farewell>>**

- Trolley/Bus Stop near Front of Hotel (**Time & information available near registration area**)

NOTE: (On your own; possibly, a local member may be willing to participate/transport)