



# The 6th Dimension

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(Mobile)  
Alumni Association

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The  
Board Of Directors  
Join in Wishing You

*Christmas is a time for sending  
Wishes warm and true...  
These wishes are for happiness  
At Christmas time for each of you.*

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

and a



*Try To Fly World*



## What's New?

- **Hotel Has New Look**
- **New Hospitality Room**
- **Distinctive "Storm Chaser" Cap**
- **River Ride New Transportation Mode to Brick Town**
- **WW II Weather Observation Van On Display**

**Members, We Appreciate  
You Renewing Your  
Membership.  
Thank You!**

**December**



*Celebrating  
50 Years*

December 7, 2008—

Chuck and Carolyn Miller celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They were wed near the end of Chuck's first tour in 6th Weather in '58, prior to his PCS to Alaska. She accompanied Chuck on every subsequent assignment. As their gift for their Golden Anniversary, their son will fly them to join him in Germany for Christmas, and the New Year in Paris, France.

**Congratulations**



## Key-Chain Coin-holder

**N**ew! Now available, a key-chain that is also a coin holder. Thanks to BOD member Ted Lungwitz, these nifty coin companions add portability and allow members to carry their coin along for ready/instant display to one & all. \$6.00, Please allow 2-weeks to process.



## Fourteen Coins Remain

We still have 14 of our 20th-yr commemorative Coins on hand. They are available on a first order basis. See PO form Pg-4 to order.



**H**istory CDs are 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.



### The original 6th Weather Sq. Patch is 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 3 and mail to;  
**6WSAA**  
P O Box 7642  
Oklahoma City, OK 73153-1642  
Allow 2-weeks for processing.  
**69 Available**



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** includes postage. Complete the order form on page 3 and mail to; **6 WSAA**  
P O Box 7642  
Oklahoma City, OK 73153-1642  
Allow 2-weeks for processing.  
**64 On Hand**

## LOGO Shirts



### MOST POPULAR

"Polo" type shirts; white, with a collar, and a pocket just below the logo. These shirts are our most popular item, and we have a number of them on hand. To get yours, complete and mail the order form with your check to our Treasurer, Carl Bishop.

### NEW "Original Storm Chasers" Cap

Pictured at right is a sample of what the cap will look like, but the message will be slightly different than what is shown here. As you can see, the colors will be two-tone. We will have four different color sets from which to choose. More information on the color combinations and price later.

This cap will be available at reunion time.



## Financial Report as of 11/14/08

Web Funds Remaining	\$ 118.00	
Dues Paid Beyond 1 Jul 09	\$ 510.00	
Reserved For Bills Payable	\$ 200.00	
Operating Funds Available	\$ 3183.88	
11/14/08 Bank Balance		\$ 4011.88

**Do you have some Orders from your 6th Wea days?  
Shirley Eldringhoff, our Historian  
would like copies to transfer to our History CDs.**

**6<sup>th</sup> 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			15.00	
Key-Chain Coin Holder	See Image on Page 5 of NL			6.00	
** Shirt(50% Cotton & 50% Polyester)	White Polo with 6WSAA Logo above left pocket	S, M, LG, XL		13.00	
" "	" "	2X		15.00	
" "	" "	3X		17.00	
** Shirts	Postage—Per Shirt		ADD	4.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>					

\* Limited number; Only 14 remain: First come, while supplies last  
 Enclose a check or money order for the TOTAL payable to 6WSAA.

**Mail to:** 6th WEATHER SQUADRON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
 P.O. Box 7642  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73153-1642

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



## 2009 Reunion Registration Form

\*\*\*\*\* Complete and return this registration form not later than 1 Jun 2009 \*\*\*\*\*

Registration fee is \$35.00 per person—includes all Hospitality and Saturday Banquet Dinner  
**(Registration fee cannot be refunded after 1 June 2009)**

Please list the names of persons attending;

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues; number of years \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Optional**

**Make Check Payable to: 6WSAA** Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail To: P.O. Box 7642, Oklahoma City, OK 73153-1642

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 10 Jun \_\_\_\_\_ Thu 11 Jun \_\_\_\_\_ Fri 12 Jun \_\_\_\_\_ Sat 13 Jun \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your Tour/Activity of interest\*: **(To plan, we Need Your Response Early; by Phone, Email, or Note to any BOD Member [see member list]—if your registration will be mailed later)**

Tinker \_\_\_\_\_ National Severe Storms Lab/WFO \_\_\_\_\_ CASINO \_\_\_\_\_ Local TV Station. \_\_\_\_\_

\* Brick Town Restaurants, Canal, Bass Pro, National Memorial, Western Heritage Museum (Formerly, Cowboy Hall of Fame)  
 All may be visited on your own via Metro Trolley that runs on a regular schedule from a stop by the Hotel.

**Disclaimer:** The reunion has been arranged for the sole enjoyment of 6WSAA members and guests. The 6WSAA, it's 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: \_\_\_\_\_



### Wyndham Garden Hotel

*(formerly Holiday Inn)*

Oklahoma City Airport  
2101 South Meridian Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73108

Reservations may be made via the telephone numbers below

(405) 685-4000      1-800-622-7666

Confirmation #

Ask for 6th Weather Rates

Blocked Room Rates are \$79 plus Tax Single/Double/Triple/Quad,  
(Rates available Wednesday—Sunday; Check-in 3:00 pm, Check-out 12:00 Noon)

#### 2009 Reunion

Thursday through Sunday, 11—14 June 2009



Large New Hospitality Room next to the Exercise Room on the Pool side Atrium.





Get Well Wishes  
Go To All Our Members  
Who Are Ill

Rodger Allen Black, Senior Master Sergeant Retired USAF, age 68, of Midwest City, OK passed away on Monday, November 17, 2008. Son of Louis T. and Mary Jane (Wills) Parker in Huntington, West Virginia, he was born August 4, 1940. He was a meteorologist for the U.S. Government retiring from the U.S. Air Force in 1984 and retired from Civil Service at Tinker AFB in 2004, completing 43 years of service. He served with 6th Weather from '62-'76 and was a member of the 6WSAA. Rodger was a member of the V.F.W., Choctaw Lions Club and nominated "Civilian of the Year" several times and was awarded the "Civilian of the Year" award in years 1997 and 2002 for Tinker AFB. "Mr. Black", as he was known at Tinker, was living proof that dedication, service, and commitment to mission and family, were more than just words. His devotion to his family and the duty he felt to serve his country were not just philosophies, they were character traits. His passion was always the science of meteorology. It gave him great pleasure to educate and inform others about the dynamics of weather and how it affected so many lives. Even after his retirement, he was always available for discussion and to answer questions about the weather. He is survived by one son, David A. Black of Albuquerque, NM two daughters: Donna Thompson and husband Ralph Anthony of ASG Kuwait, and Rhonda Stilwell and husband Bobby of Euless, TX, seven grandchildren: four great-grandchildren: one sister, nephews, nieces, and many other Tinker family members and friends. He joins in heaven his most beloved wife, Linda R. Black, his parents and one sister. A Graveside funeral service was held at 3:00 pm, Thursday, November 20, 2008 at Arlington Memory Gardens of Midwest City, OK .directed by Bill Eisenhour NE Funeral Home.



### Condolences

To Col, Norman J. Clark on the loss of his wife, Madeline in March of 2008. We extend our deepest sympathy to Col. Clark and his family.

Col Clark now resides in the Tulsa area.



We will have a fully restored  
WW II Weather Observation Van  
On Display-front of Hotel  
During Our 2009 Reunion