



# OSOTMG NEWS

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✳️ **NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1 DECEMBER 2009, 1100, at TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. TREA phone number 303.340.3939. DECEMBER LUNCH: Holiday Ham Dinner \$8 at the door. If you are going to eat, *you must RSVP* to Jan Love at 303.693.7538 or E-MAIL [OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET](mailto:OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET), *NLT 24 November*. More info on Christmas Party on Pg 3.** ✳️

Important  
Frequently Used  
Phone Numbers  
**140th Phone #'s**  
**Casualty Assist**  
720-847-6946  
**Family Support**  
720-847-9116  
**460th Phone #'s**  
**RAO** (Retired Activities  
Office)  
720-847-6693  
**Legal**  
720-847-6444  
**Other Phone #'s**  
**VA**  
1-800-827-1000  
**TRICARE** (TRIWEST)  
1-888-874-9378  
**TRICARE for Life**  
1-866-773-0404  
**Social Security**  
1-800-772-1213  
**TREA 39**  
303-340-3939

## Howdy Duty Time

I joined the COANG as a weekender or a "try a year wonder", in Feb 1976.

My Friends asked me why since I was discharged from the USAF in Dec 1969.

I told them that since the USAF taught me about aircraft repair, there was no sense in wasting that training.

I told the COANG if they liked my work effort, they might keep me onboard until I'd retire, which they did.

In Apr 1976, I was injured on my civilian job. I called my COANG supervisors. I was released, by my doctor and returned to work in Sept 1976,

I called my COANG supervisors, who said congratulations and to bring the release paperwork

from the doctor that said what my work limits were. I made up my 18 days of UTA's.

When I turned the paperwork into the 140th Flight Surgeon, he examined me and told me I was lucky to have enlisted in Feb 1976, because I wouldn't have been able to enlist in Apr 1976 UTA. Some people are lucky.

I'm sure that a lot of my COANG friends remember that I have a lot of sayings because this one ranks at the top:

"A THOUGHT UNSAID, REQUIRES NO DEFENSE"

By our Dec 2009 meeting, I'll have all of my COANG pictures ready for the museum.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
Tony Burczyk

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### 2010 Military Ball

On behalf of Major General H. Michael Edwards, The Adjutant General of Colorado, and the Soldiers and Airmen of the Colorado National Guard, we extend an invitation to join us for the 150th Birthday Celebration of the Colorado National Guard on Saturday, 23 January 2010. We will begin our 150th Celebration Year with our "Colorado Minuteman Birthday Ball."

Flyer with website to follow

## A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

I owe the following "Gang" members an apology. They sent in donations in October, I put the pile of envelopes in a place I wouldn't forget...then I forgot were I stashed' em! I am truly sorry, as I know no one likes the errant missing check when trying to balance the checkbook.

Gary Bison (Yes, he sent a donation two months in a row!)  
Tony & Amelia Lucero  
Jim & Dianne Sanford  
Herman & Margaret Klap  
Stan Wood

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## Attendance \* 1st Timers

Sue Andrews  
Elton & Cindy Baggett  
Robert Barker  
Harold Brewer  
Dale Bristol  
Joe & Sonja Broom  
Tony Burczyk  
Jack Darveau  
Ralph Evans  
Don Ford

Kenneth Forrest  
Woody Glaser  
Bob & Myrt Herbst  
Dewey Hicks  
Chuck Hoffman  
Karen Larsen\*  
Barry Layton  
Jan Love  
Reed Lutz

Pat McCabe  
Maxine Merten  
Bill Musslewhite  
DO & Neysa Neary  
Frank Niehaus  
Steve Pahs  
Gerrie Pawley  
Bill & Joan Pickens  
Mike Popovich  
Lloyd & Diana Richards

Mike & Shelly Rowan  
Joyce Saitta  
Larry Schlager  
Mike & Susan Schnurstein  
Steve Shaw  
Eddie Shreeve  
Jerry Smith  
Arlo Sorheim  
Doug Teasdale  
Linda & Paul Turner

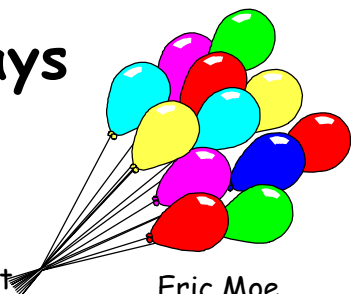
## Taps



BJ Nanney died on 2 November, in Houston, TX. BJ had surgery for an aneurism on 29 September. Memorial Services were held 13 November at Fort Logan Cemetery. It is speculated that over 300 people were in attendance.

## Birthdays

Jim Alford  
Joann Alford  
Sandy Barron  
Ileen Bernhardt  
Debbie Cable  
William Cardinal  
George Clark  
Bobbie Hadley  
Barbara Hoekstra  
Sally Jensen  
Judie Lehman  
Don Mandonado  
Chuck McNelley  
Diane Miller  
Jim Miskin



Eric Moe  
Dan Moore  
Bill Musslewhite  
Robert Quinn  
Eddie W Shreeve  
Keith Smith  
Thomas Surprenant  
Harold Taylor  
Patricia Thurmond  
Linda Turner  
Betty Valiant

## Sick Call



Elton Klusman - Chuck Hoffman spoke with Klus's daughter this month. He is in the hospital with pneumonia, not doing well. He has both Alzheimer's and Parkinson's and was moved into a nursing home a year or so ago (JoAnn Klusman has been in a nursing home for several years). We will keep you updated.

Jack Darveau - Had his right shoulder replaced on 13 Nov at St. Joe's. I assume the surgery was successful as I have not heard other wise.

Joe Broom - Due to a fall, Joe had is left rotator cuff repaired the first part of October. The doctors postponed his knee replacement surgery, until his shoulder is healed. Joe & Sonja were at the November meeting. Even though his arm is in a sling, Joe seemed to enjoy his turkey dinner.

## Date Book

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### December

1st - OSOTMG Meeting  
6th - 140th Wing Christmas Party  
12th - Hanukah begins  
21st - First day of Winter  
25th - Christmas  
26th - Kwanzaa begins

### January

5<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG  
23<sup>rd</sup> - Military Ball

### February

2<sup>nd</sup> - OSOTMG

### March

2<sup>nd</sup> - OSOTMG

### April

6<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### May

4<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### June

1<sup>st</sup> - OSOTMG

### July

6<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### August

3<sup>rd</sup> - OSOTMG

### September

7<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### October

5<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

### November

2<sup>nd</sup> - OSOTMG

### December

7<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

## Committee's Corner

Dear OSOM Gang!

My how time flies (especially when you are having fun)! We all enjoy being together and having our meetings at The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA #39), it's been a nice change for us. Food and drinks are available and it is easy to hear our speakers even without a microphone. Tom Lynam and company would be proud of their legacy from the "original six" to over 660! Quite a legacy!

Our Air Heritage Committee met for Veterans Salute, 4 Nov, at the Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum. It was a fine tribute to "the fallen" and all Vets. Rick Crandal was the MC. Governor Ritter spoke and our own MG and Mrs. Edwards (Mike & Laury) were there to honor families of the fallen.

Most of our Heritage Committee members (26) were there and several of the OSOM Gang as well (35 total). The COANG Exhibit has several new features that you all will be proud of; to include a P-51 and artwork by our own Woody "Rembrandt" Glaser.

Thanksgiving is coming up, 26 November and we OSOMG Committee wish you and yours only the best. Please remember all of ours who served, and those now in the Colorado National Guard and their families, serving to maintain freedom.

Best Ever,  
D.O. & Neysa Neary

P.S. I'd be remiss if I didn't thank our committee members for their efforts on a great informative newsletter, coordination of our TREA luncheons, keeping track of our financials, and maintenance of a fine web site filled with all the OSOMG news! Great job!

If you know of **any** past members of the Colorado Air National Guard we haven't reached, please pass along our E-Mail address, [OSOTMG@comcast.net](mailto:OSOTMG@comcast.net) or our mailing address, OSOTMG, 16059 E. Milan Drive, Aurora, CO 80013.

Due to the increase in Identity Theft and compliance with The Privacy Act of 1974, we will not longer be publishing signatures or personal information on the electronic version, on the website.

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## CHRISTMAS PARTY

It was suggested (several months ago) that instead of having a "White Elephant" exchange we collect and donate toys to be distributed at Christmas.

We will be collecting books at the December meetings. Anyone who would like to make a monetary donation can make checks or money orders payable to "The Ronald McDonald House" and we will take the gifts to the house in early December.

We collected 12 books this month, so we are off to a good start!

## A BIG THANK YOU!!!! Con't

### November

Sue & "Andy" Andrews

Gary Brison

Art & Nadine Caldwell

Don & Marty Chambers

Reed & Cheryl Lutz

Pat Smutz

\*Checks should be made payable to "OSOTMG" and mailed to 16059 E. Milan Drive, Aurora, CO 80013.  
Thank you!