



# OSOTMG NEWS

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NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1 JUNE 2010, 10:30, at Wings Over the Rockies Museum 7711 E Academy

\* Blvd, Denver, CO 80230. SEE STORY BELOW



## 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

**No Howdy Duty this month as we haven't received any. We really need your stories. Please!!**

## Committee's Corner

Dear Other Siders,

WWII veterans hold a special place in my heart. They achieved tremendous success, and endured staggering losses in defense of our country. Yet, they are soft spoken. Never ones to brag or complain, they are what we strive to be.

Prior to my service in the Colorado Air National Guard, I served with the Marines in Vietnam.

Those of you who were in during that time will remember that coming home was not always as pleasant as we thought it would be.

Things are different now. The military has the support of most of the civilians. There are family support groups. We make hats and blankets for our heroes. Our leaders come to retiree meetings to keep us in the loop and check the six to make sure that the path is clear.

With that being said, I have embarked on a personal mission to speak to and thank WWII veterans that I come across. Jan and the committee suggested a framed certificate of appreciation and a one page summary to give them. Joan helped to design a picture of our logo and a place for the veteran's name. She also fixed my watermark of the American flag

for the narrative. Bill gave technical support and Colonel Neary gave suggestions on questions to ask. We had a task, reviewed it, provided solutions, and made it happen. This process is an example of the Colorado Air National Guard that I know and love.

To date, I have interviewed two veterans and handed out frame certificates. There are two more in Pueblo that J.R. Ewing gave me to interview by phone. A representative of the Air Force Association has two veterans that served on bombers to interview. The numbers are small, but it is part of the big picture. Copies of what we have done will be kept in a binder and available to anyone at anytime. The Other Side of The Mountain Gang can say that we gave our WWII veterans a salute of pride and thanks.

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## June 1st Meeting at The Wings Over the Rockies

**Menu is a Pasta Bar (2 kinds) with salad, roll, grilled veggie, dessert & beverages for \$15**

**MUST RSVP & BE PRE-PAID TO  
JAN LOVE BEFORE MAY 28, 2010.**

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

There is no museum charge for OSOTMG luncheon attendees

## A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Thank you to all who have donated in the last couple of months. At time of printing we didn't have the list put together,

# Attendance \*1st Timers

## April

Andy & Sue Andrews  
 Elton & Cindy Baggett  
 Dale Bristol  
 Art Bowens  
 Harold Brewer  
 Tony Burczyk  
 MG Edwards  
 Moe & Jeanne Etter  
 Ralph Evans  
 Don Ford  
 Kenneth Forrest  
 Woody Glaser  
 Sy Harjes  
 Joe & Kay Harnke  
 Bob & Myrt Herbst

Dewey Hicks  
 Jan Love  
 Pat & Helen McCabe  
 Maxine Merten  
 Stan Minarsky  
 John Morris  
 Ann Muniz  
 DO & Neysa Neary  
 Gerrie Pawley  
 Bill & Joan Pickens  
 Judy Pock  
 Lloyd & Diana Richards  
 Mike & Shelly Rowan  
 Joyce Saitta  
 Larry Sell  
 Arlo Sorheim

Steve Shaw  
 Steve Taylor  
 Doug Teasdale  
 Harry Wales

## May

Andy & Sue Andrews  
 Robert Barker  
 Dale Bristol  
 Tony Burczyk  
 Lt Col Pete Byrne  
 Ralph Evans  
 Don Ford  
 Kenneth Forrest  
 Michael Haines  
 Sy Harjes  
 Bob & Myrt Herbst  
 Dewey Hicks  
 Chuck Hoffman  
 Rachela Hrenko  
 Jan Love  
 John Morris

Stanley Minarsky  
 Ann Muniz  
 Bill & Anne Neuens  
 Gerrie Pawley  
 Bill & Joan Pickens  
 Mike Popovich  
 Lorene Reposa  
 Lloyd & Diana Richards  
 Mike & Shelly Rowan  
 Joyce Saitta  
 Larry Schlager  
 Arlo Sorheim  
 Steve Taylor  
 Doug Teasdale  
 Linda & Paul Turner  
 Harry Wales

## April

Joe Aguinaga  
 Lance Baber  
 Ron Barron  
 Art Bowens  
 Tony Burczyk  
 Janet Clark  
 Karen Dutro  
 Richard Fisher  
 Sy Harjes  
 Rob Harkins  
 Bob Herbst  
 Steve Jaouen  
 Darlene Lovisone  
 Helen McCabe  
 Pat McCabe  
 Nancy Prentiss  
 Michelle Rowan  
 Ronald Rutter  
 Ron Schomber  
 Kay Silvrants  
 Carole Smith  
 Jan Teasdale

## May

Paul Barcroft  
**B** Marilyn Beckage  
**K**en (Dale) Bristol  
**J**anet Bowens  
**D**udley Butler  
**S**harie Butler  
**A**nn Eddy  
**B**everly Elmore  
**E**lwood P (Woody)  
**G**laser  
**B**ob Goetz  
**B**ob Hales  
**B**arney Jensen  
**H**arrel Lambert  
**M**ary-Lou Lane  
**S**cott MacLaughlin  
**M**arty Martinez  
**M**onroe Mathias  
**N**ewell May  
**J**erry Navarette  
**H**elen Nold  
**J**oanna Perkins  
**L**orene Reposa  
**L**loyd Richards  
**A**rlo Sorheim  
**J**im Vitale  
**F**lo Wilhelm  
**B**ob Zepp

# Taps

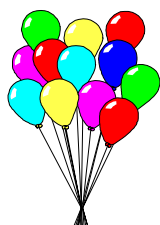


**Doug Gill**, MSgt (Ret), 78, died April 4th after a short illness. His services were held at Ft Logan, 9 April. Doug worked on the "Docks" in the 140th Maintenance Squadron.

**Jim Carter**, LtCol (Ret), passed away on 7 April, at the age of 78. Jim was an Ops Officer/Pilot in the 60s. He was activated when the unit went to Vietnam, and then stayed on active duty until his retirement. A Celebration Life will be held at a later date.

**Harry Emily**, MSgt (Ret), died on 12 April, at the age of 93. He was the oldest living charter member of the Colorado Air Guard and certainly among the oldest in the entire Air Guard. Harry joined the National Guard in 1938 and was discharged after World War II. He helped train pilots, navigators and aero engineers on B-25 Mitchell bombers, and he went to school to serve in a P-38 Lightning fighter squadron. He rejoined the Colorado National Guard 28 June 1946 and was one of the 17 members in 1946 when they reorganized the 120th Aero Observation Squadron into the 120th Tactical Fighter Squadron which flew P-51 Mustang fighters. They were the first Air Guard members in the country to be federally recognized. There was a Memorial Service held 19 April at Colorado National Headquarters.

**Joel "J" Worley**, Lt Col, (Ret) took off to the sky on April 26, 2010 after 91 years of living life to the fullest. A celebration of life was held on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Contributions may be made to Namaste Hospice, 1633 Fillmore St., Suite 300, Denver, CO 80206 or the charity of your choice



## Committee's Corner cont'

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 publish personal information on the website without permission of individual.

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## LIFE CHANGES

Bob Talbot has moved to Sterling House at the Orchids in Loveland. (He was at Generations at Lowry.) He is in #123 and would be happy to have visitors or phone calls. **Please call me for his phone number.**

## Sick Call



**Lois Hoops** - We have not heard any thing about her condition since her bicycle accident in June. If anyone has information, please contact Jan Love.

**Sonja Broom** - had hand surgery and is doing well and is in therapy.

**Joan Pickens** - had a bad case of Bronchitis - is doing much better

**Jan Love** - Going to have day surgery on her foot and expected to do well. No driving for a while.

## MINUTE MAN WEB SITE

Bob Cherry (son of deceased Col Robert Cherry, former 120th TFS Commander) is in the process of building a web site dedicated to the Minute Man.

[www.theminuteman.us](http://www.theminuteman.us) is the web site. If you have information, pictures, or other documents you may contact Bob through the web site or call Jan Love.

## Date Book

### June

1<sup>st</sup> - OSOTMG

14<sup>th</sup> - Flag Day

20<sup>th</sup> - Father's Day

### July

4<sup>th</sup> - Independence Day

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

11<sup>th</sup> - Veteran's Day

### December

7<sup>th</sup> - OSOTMG

## Hats for Heroes

In January the Army invited us to 2 events over 2 weekends where we gave out 1306 hats bringing our total to **5582**. We still collect hats but concentrating on the comfort blankets. Comfort blankets are small blanket 30" x 30" with a 6" x6" square of the same pattern. The member deploying takes the small square and the children keep the blanket for comfort.