



# OSOTMG NEWS

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NEXT MEETING WILL BE 2 FEBRUARY 2010, 1100, at TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. TREA phone number 303.340.3939. FEBRUARY LUNCH: Soup & Sandwich \$7 at the door. RSVP to Jan Love at 303.693.7538 or E-MAIL [OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET](mailto:OSOTMG@COMCAST.NET), NLT 26 JANUARY.

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Phone Numbers  
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**Family Support**  
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Office)  
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**VA**  
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**TRICARE** (TRIWEST)  
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303-340-3939

## Howdy Duty Time

I have often wondered what the difference between *a character* and *character* is? During my career with the COANG I met, worked with and enjoyed friendships with a lot of *characters*. And after everything is said, done and considered I honestly believe that all of those *characters* helped me develop and build whatever *character* I ended up with. For that I am truly thankful and honored!

One of my most notable *characters* passed away on November 3, 2009. Master Sergeant B. J. Nanney loved and lived his life to an extent that most of us will never know. B. J. was the happiest when he could help others. For over 25-years B. J. and his sidekick and *character extraordinaire*, Master Sergeant Leo Seeba, were involved in the Colorado Special Olympics. B. J. and Leo made things happen for those kids that were not only remarkable but also changed many of their lives for the better. The large turnout of Special Olympians at B.J.'s memorial service was truly a tribute that I will never forget.

B.J. Nanney was a soldier that you knew you could count on when and if you ever had to. Wherever the 140<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering Flight/Squadron went and whatever we did, I always knew that B. J. would do his job to the best of his ability, would take care of all of his fellow Guardsmen and would see to it that we would all return safely home. It was truly an honor for me to serve with and learn from Master Sergeant B.J. Nanney!

His mother Dorothy, son Rob, sisters Dorothy and Donna, brother Tom, his dog Doc, and MANY other friends and family survive and miss B.J. I want each of you to know that B.J. saw it all: life, death, hope, despair, triumph, and tragedy. Yet he was always a steadfast friend that gave more than could be expected. I hope that you will always remember that his time was spent with the best people doing their best work for the best country in the world. What an honor that is!

Jerry Bowling

### CHRISTMAS PARTY BOOK DONATION -

We collected and delivered 87 books, 7 workbooks/ coloring books and \$85 for the Aurora Ronald McDonald House. I would like to say thank you to everyone who contributed!

**VALENTINES FOR VETS** - During the February meeting, we will be signing Valentines to be taken to the Veterans Home. All Valentine donations will be accepted.

### A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Spike Boyle  
Lisa & George Franzen  
Homer & Loretta Johnson  
Don & Audrey Lucke  
Bill & Mary McGaffin  
Ed & Pauline Morrisey  
Larry & Nancy Smith  
Jerry Bowling  
James Burghardt  
Ruth Coomer

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

**Attendance****\* 1st Timers****DECEMBER**

Andy & Sue Andrews  
 Elton & Cindy Baggett  
 Dale Bristol  
 Art Bowens  
 Joe & Sonja Broom  
 James Burghardt  
 Tony Burczyk  
 Dudley Butler  
 BG Trulan Eyre  
 Ralph Evans  
 Don Ford  
 Kenneth Forrest  
 Woody & Nancy Glaser

Cpt Kristin Haley  
 Bob & Myrt Herbst  
 Dewey Hicks  
 Chuck & Violet Hoffman  
 Bob & Elly Huffman  
 Vicki Jennings  
 Dick & Sharon Jones  
 Barry Layton  
 Jan & Ken Love  
 Maxine Merten  
 Ann Muniz  
 DO & Neysa Neary  
 Tom & Kim Ortega  
 Bill & Joan Pickens

Mike Popovich  
 Lloyd Richards  
 Diana Richards  
 Mike & Shelly Rowan  
 Joyce Saitta  
 Mike Schnurstein  
 Susan Schnurstein  
 Arlo Sorheim  
 Doug & Jan Teasdale  
 Herman Trujillo  
 Linda & Paul Turner  
 Harry Wales

**JANUARY**

Andy & Sue Andrews  
 Dale Bristol  
 Art Bowens  
 Tony Burczyk  
 Gilbert Callow  
 Ralph Evans  
 Don Ford  
 Kenneth Forrest  
 Woody Glaser  
 Sy Harjes  
 Bob & Myrt Herbst  
 Vicky Jennings  
 Jan & Ken Love  
 Ken McGill

John Morris  
 Bill Musslewhite  
 DO & Neysa Neary  
 Bill & Joan Pickens  
 Judy Pock  
 Lloyd Richards  
 Diana Richards  
 Joyce Saitta  
 Mike Schnurstein  
 Susan Schnurstein  
 Larry Sell  
 Arlo Sorheim  
 Doug Teasdale  
 Linda & Paul Turner  
 Harry Wales

**Birthdays****December**

Joann Barber  
 Pat Bowling  
 Bettina Bledsoe  
 Angela Cavener  
 Bob Cherry  
 Ann Darveau  
 Donald K Goe  
 David Hatch  
 Terry Hatchett  
 Dewey Hicks  
 Lois Hoops  
 Beverly Kalcits  
 Peggy Klapp  
 Yolanda Leggett  
 Ken Love  
 Andy Love  
 Don Lovisone  
 Dee MacLaughlin  
 Margaret McGaffin  
 Barbara Mandonado  
 Jim Mielke  
 Evan Mitchell  
 Don Neary  
 Larry Peters  
 Mike Popovich  
 Dianna Richards  
 Susan Schnurstein  
 Dennis Simpson  
 Rose Surprenant  
 John Swenson  
 Faye Weickum

**January**

Sue Andrews  
 Bonnie Asher  
 Ralph Bernhardt  
 John Christopher  
 Linda Coble  
 Smokey Fields, III  
 Dan Gay  
 Karen Kyritz  
 John LeVan  
 Verlene Lee  
 Lowell Leigh  
 Armin Lichtfuss  
 Reed Lutz  
 Jo McDonald  
 William McGaffin  
 Ron McHenry  
 Anne Neuens  
 Sandy Overfield  
 Deb Popovich  
 Tom Rochford  
 Hazel Rutter  
 Eva Shreeve  
 Hal Smethills  
 Jerry Smith  
 James Weickum  
 Deb Wray

**Taps**

None (knock on wood), for December or so far this month.

**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.

Joe Broom had rotator cuff surgery on his right shoulder the end of November. He is doing well and attended the meeting in December. His knee replacement has been rescheduled.

Arliss Guerrero had an unscheduled surgery on 13 December, for a twisted bowel. She is at home recovering. (I just got off the phone with her.) She is doing "okay" but undergoing two surgeries slow close together has taken the "git" out of her gitty-up. She hasn't started doing laps around the block and her diet is temporarily limited but her she is just sassy as always and looking forward to getting out more.

Gloria Hicks had a pace maker installed on 30 December. She spent one night in the hospital and should be returning to work next week (18 January). Dewey says she is doing great, she hasn't felt this good in years!

Ed O'Connor had surgery to remove kidney stones, two weeks ago. They could not do laser surgery due to the size of the stones. Ed is at home recovering and planning on attending the Military Ball, the end of this month.

# Committee's Corner

Dear OSOTM Gang!

Sorry about not putting out a newsletter in December there was sick children, PT & Dr appt and then the holidays were here and the month was gone. Jan and Joan both apologize and beg your forgiveness. Hope you all have a wonderful New Year.

Joan Pickens

Dear Gang!

I have recently been tasked to publicize our Colorado Air Heritage Museum located in the Northwest corner of the Wings Over the Rockies Museum.

The right hand side of the entrance has a masterful painting and display of a P-51, our first COANG fighter, thanks to Woody Glaser.

The entrance and displays can now be seen on a streaming video on the OSOMG.ORG web page. Just click on the "Air Museum" tab on the left side of the home page to access the Museum page. Scroll down to the video tour in three different versions. Try the one that works best on your computer- they are all the same.

Enjoy and visit the Museum soon!!

Paul Turner

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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## Date Book

### 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

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

**ANG WESTERN REGIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT** - 13 & 14 February, Phoenix, AZ. Tammy Dudley is looking for bowlers. If you would like to bowl, please contact her at: [tammy@theflanagans.net](mailto:tammy@theflanagans.net) or 303.699.6090. The host hotel for the bowling tournament is the Best Western of Tempe, 670 North Scottsdale Rd., Tempe, AZ 85281. We will be bowling at Scottsdale Lanes, Scottsdale AZ.

We are looking at trying to get together on Friday, 12 February for drinks and/or dinner. The tournament is having "Social Quarters and Tournament Check-in" from 1600 - 1900. You are all welcome to join us. Several of us are bringing our clubs, if you would like to play or have suggestions of where we could/should play, please contact Jan, as soon as possible.