

OSOTMG NEWS



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NEXT IN PERSON MEETING IS TUESDAY DECEMBER 2, 2025 1100 AT HEROS PIZZERIA, 16070 EAST DARTMOUTH AVE, AURORA, CO. <u>COME AT 1030 TO SOCIALIZE AND EAT FROM A FULL MENU WE</u> INTEND TO ALSO INTEGRATE A ZOOM CONNECTION FOR THOSE FOLKS WHO CANNOT BE THERE IN PERSON. CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR ZOOM REQUIREMENTS OR OUR "OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUN-TAIN GANG" FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFO.

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IMPORTANT Frequently Used Phone Numbers

TRICARE PRIME WEST 844-866-9378; **EAST** 1-800-444-5445 TRICARE for Life(65 and older) 1-866-773-0404

BUCKLEY PHARMACY REFILL 720-847-7455; EXPRESS SCRIPTS PHARMACY 1-800-282-

Social Security 1-800-772-1213

VA BENEFITS INFO 24 HRS 720-857-5000; ROCKY MTN REGIONAL <u>VA</u> 303-399-8020

DMVA ARCHIVES(for ANG records)720-250-1560

ARPC(for all records requests) 1-800-525-0102

COANG ID CARDS 720-847-9296

BUCKLEY SPACE FORCE **LEGAL** 720-847-644 op-

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Dan Gay

JUNE 3, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America followed by the Invocation.

In new business, Dewey's interment at Ft Logan is Friday, June 6, 2025 at 1000at stagine Area "C". The Veteran's Salute is on Thursday, November 13 at 1000 at the Hyatt Regency Denver Conference Center on East Colfax. The cost is \$15 and you need to send your money to Paul NLT October 15 so that we can sit together.

The RAO personal data checklist is available and Paul will obtain it from the website. Old Business is the video recorded by Paul of the Memorial Day celebration at the Colorado Freedom Memorial Saturday May 24,2025 celebrating 80 years of the end of WWII. Seven WWII veterans attended the ceremony. The Navy Reservists were guarding an piece of the USS Arizona, pictures of the sailors, and a uniform from the ship. There was a four round Howitzer volley by the CONG 157th that was known for being a part of freeing the prisoners at the Dachau Holocaust prison in WWII. The Colorado Freedom Memorial has started the process to construct a building to show the history of Colorado Veterans. They need donations to complete the project. You can watch the video on Paul's YouTube page, "Paul Turner COANG"

Chief Saitta talked about next years State NGACO conference at Wolf's Lodge in Colorado Springs possibly having the date moved to the third weekend in April 2026. The group is working on having state educational benefits being available to family members of those currently serving 6 or more years. The allocated monies will now go directly to the school, the member is attending instead of to the enrolled member. Go to your NGACO. Org for more information.

Sick Call: Jay Gates, Joan Pickens, Bob Enderson, Bob Kenworthy, John Christopher, Bill-Nuens, and Bob Quinn. Taps: none

Birthdays present: Jan Love and Paul Turner.

Next meeting is: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 1030 at Hero's Pizzeria.

WE ALWAYS NEED YOUR DONATIONS; Contribution Checks should be made payable to "OSOTMG" can be mailed to Paul Turner at 1945 Ensenada St., Aurora, CO 80011-5353. WEBSITE: https://www.osomg.org; YOUTUBE: **Paul Turner COANG**

JULY 1, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America followed by the Invocation.

No quests today.

The Veteran's Salute is Thursday, November 13, 2025, 1000 at the Hyatt Regency Denver Conference Center on East Colfax. Cost is \$15 and send to Paul Turner NLT October 15, 2025 so we can sit together.

Sick Call: Bob Enderson, John Christopher, Bill Nuens, Bob Quinn, Jay Gates, and Jan Love.

Taps: Robin Foss, Bob Nelson, and Joe Broom.

Joyce talked about NGACO events. The NGACO State conference is the third weekend in April 2026 at The Gray Wolf Lodge in Colorado Springs. There are State scholarships, NACO scholarships, EANGUS scholarships and NGAUS scholarships for the current members of the COANG and CONG. Joyce will be in Reno for the EANGUS conference. Go to the NGACO.ORG website for more information.

We are working on an End Of Life checklist. Ken Love brought a fireproof portable carry box that can store all of your important documents. Buckley JAG can do wills only for no cost.

Next meeting is Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at Hero's Pizzeria.

MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 5, 2025

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America followed by the Invocation.

Our guests are Capt Steve Imeraj who is the 140 Wing Exec previously with the 138 Space Squadron at Peterson AFB and Duston Absher. There are 300 COANG Space Force people down range at this time. The Space Group is facing dissolution by October 1st since there will be no Space Force National Guard. There is a possibility of them becoming a part of the Air Mobility Command such as the unit in Wyoming. Also, there are 30 people from the Medical Group going to the country of Slovenia.

Dustin briefed us on the EANGUS Conference on August 11th in Reno and the NGAUS conference 22-25 August in Milwaukee. The Jordanians will be here in September. The COANG Security Forces will be training in the mountains with our partnered State Police Force. There is NO Family day this year due to readiness practice needs. Instead, the 140 Wing will focus on a Christmas gathering this year. (continued on page 3)

JUNE 3, 2025 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Paul Turner Linda Turner Sue Andrews Dale Brown Mac MacKensie Jan Love Ken Love Art Bowens

Bonnie Rought

Joyce Saitta

Robert Nessler Jr Jerry Kelsey Paul LeHardy

Shirley Pfister Anna Kobashigawa Pat Mckensie

JULY 1, 2025 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Paul Turner Linda Turner Jack Darveau Mac McKensie Art Bowens Joe Butkovich Ken Love Robert Nessler Jr Joyce Saitta Anna Kobashigawa

Cliff Wagner Shirley Pfister

Allen Buck

Pat McKensie

AUGUST 5, 2025 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Mac McKensie Pat McKensie Dan Gay Joe Butkovich Paul Turner Linda Turner Jan Love Ken Love Janet Clark Dan Heinz Jerry Kelsey Jack Darveau Joyce Saitta Sue Andrews *Capt Steve Imeraj Robert Nessler Jr

Duston Absher Bonnie Rought Alan Buck

SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Dan Gay Jack Darveau Linda Holiday Janet Clark Linda Turner **Paul Turner** Mac McKensie Pat McKensie Jerry Kelsey Jessica Hoffman Chuck Hoffman Violet Hoffman Jan Love Art Bowens Sue Andrews

Dan Heinz Bonnie Rought * LTC Megan Strabala Joyce Saitta Anna Kobigashigawa Shirley Pfister David Bell Joe Ashby Joe Butkovitch

(continued from page 2) The "End Of Life" concerns were discussed using the "RETIREE PERSONAL AFFAIRS LOG" 19 page document available as a PDF file from the Buckley RAO Office. It has been sent out as an attachment to emails to our retirees. Ken Love demonstrated a fireproof ENGPOW file box for \$35.99 available on Amazon to store these important documents.

The Retiree Appreciation Day sponsored by the Buckley RAO office will be Saturday, September 20, 0800-1300 at The Leadership Development Center.

Joyce briefed us about the State NGACO conference the Third weekend in April 2026 in Colorado Springs. She will in Reno for the National EANGUS conference Friday.

Sick: Jay Gates, Steve Spahr Taps: Don Bianiz, Bob Quinn

Next meeting is Tuesday September 2, 2025 at Hero's Pizzeria

MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America followed by the Invocation.

Our Guest is LTC Megan Strabala the 140th Wing Inspector General. There was an 140th exercise evaluation in June where we had to launch aircraft within a certain amount of time. We Passed the ACC inspection so this prevents another inspection in a year. Also ACC IG team inspected our exercise performance at the same time. Then in November 3-7 the 460th Space Group will be performing an inspection and exercise with periodic gate closures. So avoid being on Buckley during this time. There is a new force structure in the USAF and ANG. The Group level will disappear with the squadrons reporting directly to the 140 Wing. The 233rd Space force will be decommissioned in October. The personnel in the units are being allowed to transfer directly to the active duty Space Force and will have to PCS. So far only 17 folks out of a hundred or so have applied to the Space Force. The 140 Wing is trying to place folks in open positions in other COANG units.

Joyce briefed us about the Reno EANGUS conference. She talked about the Women's Veteran's Alliance. Also, she talked about the contacting Military One source for non medical personal problems. The VA has a direct line if you are having personal problems, too. Have your children/grandchildren apply for scholarships for active members.

Birthday present: Dan Heinz

Sick Call: Jay Gates, Bob Enderson, Joan Pickens, Joyce Saitta Taps: Bill Neuens, Amelia Lucero, Mody Diop, Larry Linn Next meeting is Tuesday. October 7, 2025 at Hero's Pizzeria

Birthdays

JUNE

Jan Allen Mike Bertz Jodie Brice Jeanne Brown Pat Brown Chris Chaney Dave Chatman Vernon Clark Ben Fagen Robin Foss Carole France John Frary Curtis Gress Flick Guerinna Jerry Kelsey Jan Love Virginia Love Thomas B Markus Joyce Mason Ann McCauley Pat McHenry Stanley Minarsky Richard Oelker Ray Panaguiton Joan Pickens Kathy Sander Dale Seiler Tom Schultz Allan Skarie **Bob Stack** Ben Steffey Bill Swedell David Thistlehawk Jim Thurmond Paul Turner Alma Vandeest

AUGUST

Cindy Baggett Ginny Barcroft Bill Bates Tom Burlace Brenda Burns Nadine Caldwell Larry Cavener Maria Clark Kevin Corns Michael Dodd Tammy Dudley Wendall Elmore Eileen Fagen Karen Fisher Steve Flanagan Danny Fouts Paula Greene Sue Ann Hatch Myrt Herbst Larry Housley Pauline Jaouen Tony Lucero Lynn Miller Barbara Jean Minarsky Eric Moffitt John Mullin Joe O'Neil Thomas Ortega Greg Parker Diana Parkos John Paul Rona Pierce John Prentiss Dinah Rodgers Jim Sandman June Sheehan Golden Sherman Gloria Swenson Terry Thompson Peter Triolo Orlando Valdez

Larry Asher Gill Thompson Elton Baggett George Blackwell Buck Buckingham Deb Burlace Terry Burns Ronald Campbell Pat Christopher Randy Dolan Chris Faber Dick Farmer Dennis Fitzgerald Cathy Forrest Marilyn Fouts George Franzen Thomas Gunning John Hadley Joe Harnke Trish Housley David Knipprath Darrell Koenig Larry Lantz Sam Lovell Marvin McCash Russ McFarland Gary Meis Lynette Meis Carol Mielke Bill Miller Mary Lou Misken Thomas Moermond Don Pipkin John Pittman **Becky Price** Michael Rowan Mike Schunerstein Jane Schomber Vivian Schultz Larry Sell Tony Skarie Bobbie Terroux Gill Thompson Eileen Triolo Stephen Upton Harold Zimmerman

SEPTEMBER

Ruth Allen Judy Ashby Ray Beckage Kathy Blackwell Theresa Blumberg Anita Brown Rita Buck Samuel Burton Ray Carter Larry Catlin Cindy Disney **Alvin Dorsey** Robin Ecklund Ken Elliott Judy Gay Dee Hawkins Dannie Heinz Vanessa Irvin Irwin Kalcits Cathy Kenworthy Robert Kenworthy Dave Kidston Steven Linn Larry Mathay Thomas Mitchell **Connie Moos Patty Navarette** Natalia North **Bill Neuens** Chris Perkins Michael Pfister **Bonnie Rought** Jim Sanford Terri Schmied Sabrina Taylor Bill Thomas Beatrice VanDeest Helen Vitale Ellen Williams

Sick Call



Taps



Bob Enderson Bob Kenworthy John Christopher Jay Gates Randy Rought Joan Pickens Pat Calilo Steve Spahr

Michael Sean Gary Mittelstadt Greg Glavez Mariah Markus Joe Broom Don Bianiz

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2025/2026



DEC 2025- 2nd OSOTMG MEETING 7th Pearl Harbor Day 25 Christmas Day 31 End Of WWII(1945)

JAN 2026- 1st New Years Day 6th OSOTMG MEETING

19th MLK Day

23rd CONG Birthday(1860) FEB 20<u>26</u>-

3rd OSOTMG MEETING 14th Valentines Day

16th Presidents Day

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