

The Ugly Angel

Memorial Foundation Newsletter

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Memorial Flash

OooRah! Our memorial finally has a beautiful temporary home until the Marine Corps Heritage Center is completed, thanks to the personal intervention of the CG, MCB Quantico, BGen Leif Hendrickson. The Ugly Angel Memorial will rest peacefully in a grassy area, landscaped specially for the memorial, between the Chapel and a parking lot that serves both the Chapel and Lejuene Hall, the base headquarters. The location will allow Marines of all ranks to view the memorial as they walk from the parking lot to church. I've seen pictures of the site (and will personally inspect it later this month) and it is ideally situated to honor our fallen brothers. Meanwhile, our contractor, Elite Granite, is right on schedule and the memorial should be ready in time to make the 8 July dedication date.

Dedication Ceremony

The dedication will take place at 1100 on Saturday 8 July 2000. The tentative program for the ceremony (about 45 minutes in duration) is shown below. A reception will be held at the nearby Clubs at Quantico immediately following.

National Anthem – MCB Quantico Band
Convocation – Chaplain
Introduction of VIPs – Secretary UAMF
Recognition of Memorial Authors– Secretary UAMF
Introduction of President, UAMF – Secretary UAMF

Dedication Speech – President, UAMF
Dedicatory Prayer – Chaplain
Taps – Bugler
Rifle Salute – Ceremonial Platoon
Marine Corps Hymn – MCB Band

Personal Planning

Before the June edition comes out, I will research motels in the Dumfries/Stafford, Virginia area with a view to publishing information in the next newsletter and via e-mail for those attending the dedication from out of town. I had hoped to be able to reserve a block of rooms for our use, but find I have too much other dedication/reunion business to do to fit it in. The bottom line is, you're on your own. If you're planning to attend, please contact me ASAP cause I still need the info for arranging the reception.

More importantly, if you are in contact with the family of one of our lost Angels, please send me their name and address so we can invite them to the dedication. As important as the day is to us, it is that much more important to the families of our fallen brothers.

Detailed directions to the dedication site and recommendations for dress will be published in the next edition.

Warning! Traffic along the I-95 corridor south of Washington is a bitch, even on a Saturday. Allow plenty of time for the drive from the airport or your motel to Quantico.

What is the difference between a fighter pilot and a pig?
A pig doesn't turn into a fighter pilot when he's drunk.

Fund Raising Status

Because 42 very generous Angels (17% of our mailing list) have responded to our most recent plea for contributions, we're now up to an unbelievable \$10,600 in the UAMF bank account. Included in the total is a pledge of \$600 per year from one dedicated Angel, two \$1000 contributions (one anonymous), and \$500 from a third. Contributors listed below are those since the last edition. Previous contributors are listed in the April edition

Ray Schellinger

Charlie Upshaw

Greg Armstrong

Ben Cascio

Jay Erbeck

Ron Hamilton Ron Ice Dave Kemna Denny Van Liew Jack Lodge
Ken Logue Art Nash P.T. Nemetz Joe Vignere Bill Walker
Glen Woods John Burns Art & Liddy Zarone (daughter & son-in-law of a proud Tom Hewes)

Our programmed expenditures have grown since the last edition because of the requirement to fund the post dedication reception. At the moment, approximately \$6600 to \$7000 of our bank balance is earmarked to fund completion of the memorial, the reception, and the other items listed in the April edition. Since it's only prudent to maintain a healthy reserve, additional contributions are always welcome. No amount is too small to signify your support. If you can afford it and would like to contribute a buck or two, make your check out to the Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation and mail it to: Sachs Law Office (attn UAMF) , P. O. Box 1360, Norwich, Vermont 05055

What's the difference between a fighter pilot and a hammer?
A hammer head is not as hard as a fighter pilot's.

Ugly Angel Dinner

As with our previous reunion dinners, you are obliged to pay in advance so I won't have to run around like a Tasmanian Devil trying to collect dinner money during the reunion. Since I'm old, tired, and have a very short fuze, no exceptions will be permitted. If you plan to attend, I strongly recommend you reserve early since we have to give the T & C a final count before the reunion begins. Please make your out check to either the Ugly Angel Association or Tom Hewes for \$30 per person (include the names you want on your place cards in the check's memo section) and mail it to:

Tom Hewes 384 Hartland Blvd. E. Hartland, CT 06027

All dinner funds will be deposited in a new Ugly Angel Association savings account established for the reunion dinner.

The dinner will be held at our reunion hotel, the Town & Country Resort, on Friday evening, 25 August. Cocktails will be served from 1730 to 1900 (Room TBA) with dinner promptly at 1900. The cocktail party will feature mostly drinks this year because the cost of the T & C's pou pous is out of sight. I hope you like...

*Chicken Floresco, a Choice Chicken Breast finished with a Light Sauce of Shallots, Wine, Cream, Garlic & Basil with Julienne Vegetables and Fresh Herbs.
Included is a choice of Salad served with Freshly Baked Rolls, Appropriate Accompaniments, Dessert & Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee & Tea.*

For The 10%

What: USMC/Vietnam Helicopter Association Reunion 2000.

Where: Town & Country Resort Hotel in San Diego.

When: Thursday, 24 Aug to Sunday morning, 27 Aug 2000.

Reservations: contact the Town & Country Resort Hotel at the following: Tel (800) 772-8527, FAX (619) 291-3584, or < <http://www.towncountry.com/reserv.htm> >. Tell them you're with the USMC/Vietnam Helicopter Association to obtain the convention rate of \$99 per night (good for three days prior to and after the reunion).

Warning: to attend any of the Association sponsored functions, you must be in receipt of a reunion packet. To receive a packet you must be a paid up member (\$35 this year only). To become a member, dial up the Pop A Smoke web site at < <http://www.popasmoke.com/index.html> > and follow the FNG link to the sign-up form. When you've sent in your dues, a reunion packet will be sent to you. If you're not on the net, let me know and I'll mail you the bloody form.

How many fighter pilots does it take to change a light bulb?
Just one. He holds the bulb and the world revolves around him.

Uncle Mark Needs...

Mark Stanton still needs a few more good men to man the HMM-362 registration desk from Thursday morning, 24 August, until registration is complete sometime Saturday afternoon. Two watch standers will probably be required from the Thursday opening until 1600 Friday, but only one thereafter. It is anticipated that the Saturday watches will be on an "on call" basis. No watch will be longer than four hours in length. Drinking on duty is permitted!

The following thirsty guys have already signed up:

Mark Stanton	Lyman Phillips,	Hal Coffman,	Gil Sanders	Lew Barnes
Chuck Travis	Tom Hewes	Ken Logue	Tim Wilson	Ron Ice
Denny Van Liew				Cal Cormier

YL 42 Testimonial

The following from the eloquent pen of Bob Case after his experience supporting YL 42 at the Chattanooga Air Show:

"If you have a chance to work/attend one of the many airshows scheduled for YL 42 this summer, quit your job, sell the farm, do whatever you have to to get the time to go! The only lines longer and more consistent than the lines of kids and grownups waiting to climb around the belly of YL 42 were the lines for the foul smelling port-o-johns. The M-60 door gun with ammo belt was a standout favorite with the 18 and under crowd, with the self directed cockpit tour running a close second. Memories of landing near a village with medical help for the local Vietnamese back in 67 came back as I watched the kids play. I remembered that the kids in Vietnam had the same juvenile curiosity and would have liked to do what these children were doing, but it was a different time and a different place back then and nobody was going to play with my M-60!"

"Standing around the edge of the crowd, it wasn't difficult to pick out the men whose lives had been changed by the war and by the plane. Several times during the day we heard how a UH-34 had saved a life, fed a hungry Marine and in general been a welcome sight wherever it landed and touched the lives of these men so many years ago. They hadn't forgotten, and more than one tear was shed as memories of a time and deeds long ago came flooding back."

"After the airshow had closed and the crowds had gone wherever crowds go after a day of ear shattering, cutting edge technology in action, Jim Bob Moriarty topped off the tanks and we saw all of the sights in Chattanooga riding First Class! For an hour or so we saw Lookout mountain from the reverse angle and waved to the tourists, who from their lofty vantage point could not only see the advertised 7 states, but also a proud old war bird with "MARINE" painted on the side that had come up the hard way. All said and done, history is what we remember and the knowledge we transfer to those who will inherit all of this when we are gone. There is a lot of history in that plane, a lot of memories, and some folks who deserve to be remembered for a long, long time."

If you would like to volunteer to support YL 42 as it tours the nation and tell the Ugly Angel story to the world, please contact Ben Cascio at < bencascio@aol.com > or 201-848-7811 (day), 201-337-6621 (evenings). Everything you ever wanted to know about YL 42's air show itinerary, including when it hits your ville, may be found on our web site at: <http://www.hmm-362.org/>

What is the difference between a fighter pilot and a jet engine?
A jet engine stops whining when it pulls into a parking spot.

Shirts & Hats

This reunion we're again recommending you buy your soft goods from Honorary Angel Frenchy LaFontaine. He offers a dynamite forest green Outer Banks golf shirt with the Ugly Angel logo on it for only \$30. Golf shirts in the following styles are also available for the same price.

"USMC/Vietnam" over Pilot Wings w "HMM-362"

"USMC/Vietnam" over silver Combat Aircrew Wings

"USMC/Vietnam" over w gold (for corpsmen) Combat Aircrew Wings

"USMC/Vietnam" over Eagle, Globe, & Anchor

Ugly Angel logo w "HMM-362" & "Ugly Angels" in patch colors
Ugly Angel patch

Ugly Angel ball caps in dark green for \$14, front design only. Name or other lettering on the back, \$3.00 extra.

Plan on adding another \$3.20 to \$5.00 for shipping via priority mail. We're not in the soft goods business anymore (thank God) so please order directly from Frenchy - and I recommend that you do it today. Visa, Discover, and MasterCard orders are welcome. You can place your order by contacting Frenchy at: Ultra Marine Productions, 9810 Indian Ford Rd. Milton, FL 32570. Tel. (850) 957-9069/e-mail: <comprise@bellsouth.net >.

What's the difference between God and a fighter pilot?
God doesn't think he's a fighter pilot.

Get Well

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Madilyn Skinder who is recovering from ~~marriage to Bob~~ an automobile accident.

Hallelujah!

Will the good Samaritan who sent me the following deeply moving anonymous letter please contact me immediately:

Dear Sir:

I want to inform you that you are the first to know of this. 1st Sgt. Logue and Sgt. Barnes have graduated from the West Coast Temperance League. After their unconscionable behavior at the last reunion, I was shocked and knew it was time for drastic measures. So, I'm proud to inform you that both Logue and Barnes are at long last in a kinder, gentler state of being.

Mrs. Logue called last week and informed me that 1st Sgt. Logue no longer comes home from being with Sgt. Barnes reeking of booze. It's a sad story that after exiting his car he would walk over to the neighbors and kick their old blind dog, Muffy. Mrs. Barnes called just today and was also happy. It seems that Sgt. Barnes would get up around 3 am, open the closet door and pee all over her shoes. Thank God that has stopped.

As for their embarrassing acts at the last squadron dinner, I know the kindness and generosity that all Naval Aviators have for forgiveness. And knowing this, I also know that at the next squadron dinner all will be forgiven and forgotten like a bad dream. The shame and sorrow Sgts. Logue and Barnes feel now, looking through sober eyes, could almost break your heart.

Sir, I have taken these old worn out Sgts. out of the darkness and have shown them the light. Now it's time for ALL to step up, forgive and forget their dirty deeds of yesteryear.

Your Obedient Servant,

signed X

HMM-362 Flight Schedule for 25 August 2000

Archie Clapp & Lady	Chuck Travis & Francine	Ed & Ethel Langley	Bill & Carol Duffy	
	Mark & Lorraine Stanton*	Ben & Ailene Cascio	Lew & Jean Barnes	
	K D & Raeanne Logue	Jerry & Turmi Kottkamp*	Bob Scarbrough	Clay & Judy
Canfield	Ron & Gerry Fix			
Butch Gorman & Caroline	Carl & Anne Wheeler	D J & Fran Leighton	Ron Johnson	
Carl, Adele, & Kay Yung	Jerry & Eleanor Dooley	Jim & Fran Perryman	Jack & Cindy Lodge	
Rusty Sachs	Tim & Karen Wilson	Ron & Anna Gall	E V & Ruby Rose*	
Joe Syslo & Jennifer	Bill & Nancy Reese	Dave & Amelia Moore	Muddy & Ruth Waters	
Bobby & Lynda Johns	Garret Hatcher & Lady	Lou Stefan & Lady	Al & Susan Cain	

Steve Atell	Chuck & Linda Linn*	Cal & Wanda Cormier	Romy & Linda Myszka
Bill McNair	Bill Walker	Orm & Sharon Hall	Rick & Susan Bartlett
Tom Kane	Hal Coffman	Willie Sproule	Tom & Joanne Hewes*
Mush Melin & Lady	Bob & Joanne Bringham	Rick & Shelley Sarmiento	George Federow
Ralph & Candy Jones	Mike & Sue Zacker	Bill & Carol McCluskey	Charlie Upshaw*
Ron & Carla Sorensen	Ken & Dee Davis	John Donnelly	Curt McRaney
Curtis Gray & Denise Paliter	Tom & Anita Thurber*	Pete King*	Doug & Jenny Snipes*
Lyman Phillips & Friend	Hal Coffman	Gil Sanders	Mac & Dee Crocker
Wimpy & Julia Wimpler*	Ed & Shirley Creamer	John & Suzanne Gonneville	Ron Ice*
Norm Derylak	Curt & Renette McRaney	Roger Cook & Lady	John & Grace Bowman
Frenchy & Susan Caouette	Ed & Pat Tatman	Jim Mullen & Lady	Al Thomas*
Denny & Carolyn Van Liew*	Dick Houghton*	Greg & Nancy Armstrong*	Frank & Holly Matucheski
Pete Gligor*	Dick Cline & Doris Murphy		

* indicates attending the reunion dinner.

If you don't see your name (or that of your date, roommate, or best friend) on the schedule and you want to play, call, drop me a line or an e-mail and I'll happily include it.

How do you know if there is a fighter pilot at your reunion? He'll tell you.

courtesy Muddy H2Os

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