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Happy New Year!

Greetings from LZ Langley located in Sunny Florida. Now that we are in the new year this is a reminder that your dues are now due. If you are a new member and paid your dues in either November or December you are paid for 1996. Please send them to Steve Ray @ 1300 Shadow Ridge Dr. Huntsville, Al 35803. The dues remain at \$10.00 for 1996.

Reunion 96

We are in need of a headcount to see how many are planning to attend our reunion in San Antonio this year. Please send your count to John Langley at 150 Aurora Rd Venice, Fl 34293-2601. We need to let the hotel know many rooms to set aside.

Newsletter Articles Needed!

We need articles and pictures for our newsletter Send them to John Langley at the above address.

Membership

We are approaching the 200 mark in membership but we still need more. Remember we have strength in numbers. Terry Morris has a national telephone directory so if you have a name or two send them to Terry with an idea what part of the country they came from. This is quite a good feature, so let's use it. Send to: Terry Morris W5148 E Bush Rd. Pardeeville, Wi 53954. or call 608-429-9090 days.

Vietnam Flight Crew Reunion

Patrick McKinney is planning a reunion on May 17,18 1996 in West Palm Beach, Florida for all former civilian flight crew members who flew our troops in & out of Vietnam. This is your chance to thank these people for their tiredless efforts in the war effort. For more info contact Patrick at 1043 So 14th St. Lantana, Fl 33462-4107.

377th Security Police (Tan Son Nhut)

Steve Ray has sent for the honors & lineage of the 377 th Security Police Squadron and it is impressive. If you would like a copy please send a LSASE to John Langley at LZ Langley.

Honors to one of our members

Ted Janiak one of our members received the Air Force Commendation Medal for actions in battle on Decenber 4,1966. Commedation attached.

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

THADDEUS M. JANIAK

Airman Second Class Thaddeus M. Janiak distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as an Air Policeman, Law Enforcement Section, 377th Air Police Squadron, Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Republic of Vietnam on 4 December 1966. On that date, Airman Janiak valiantly fought against a force of Viet Cong attackers attempting to penetrate the base perimeter defenses. Although faced by a numerically superior force, Airman Janiak held his position throughout the ensuing firefight, which resulted in the attacking force being repulsed. This courageous stand against superior odds closed the entry/exit point of the Viet Cong, preventing further entrance by the hostile force and trapping those already on base. The distinctive accomplishments of Airman Janiak reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

Dick Brown also a Hero!

The following is the story of how member Dick Brown won the Airman's medal.

During early 1969, I was sitting in my office as the Superintendent of Police at Phu Cat AFB. A TSGT., Edward S. Harmon from EOD came in and requested someone come with him to our anti personal mine field to take a compass reading in order to find the first cluster of 3 mines so he could start taking them out. I knew nothing about the operation and I told him that I had bleachers put up at that location and sold tickets to watch him get his ass blown off. Ed was a good friend of mine and he laughed at my joke. I told Ed that I would go with him and take the compass reading, which I did. Ed found the 1st cluster of 3 mines and started to dig them out. He would hand them to me just on the other side of the barbed wire and I would unscrew the small detonator and put both items in an ammo box filled with saw dust. Ed had removed 2 clusters and was working on the 3rd when he stepped to his left, there was an explosion knocking him down and me backward. He started screaming, "I can't see, I can't see." He was also thrashing around and I thought he would roll onto more mines so I immediately ran along the barbed wire to the entrance and immediately ran into the mine field to Ed. I picked him up and assisted him out of the mine field and immediately radioed for an ambulance. When the ambulance arrived, they put Harmon on a stretcher, placed him into the ambulance, I got in with Ed As the ambulance started to drive away, it was on a bumpy dirt road and Ed's leg was bouncing around causing Ed to scream out from the pain. I then knelt beside him, picked up his left leg to cushion the ride. As I did, I could see his entire foot had been blown away, also I noticed a large tear in his pants just below his crotch. I put his leg down and tore open his pants to see if there was any further damage I had not seen. I could see a very large opening in the inner thigh area and there was little or no blood. I then again picked up his leg to cushion the ride again. Ed still was blinded from the explosion said to me "is it still there" I told Ed that I had seen it and it was still there. He kept this question up for several minutes when I ask him why he was so worried about it. He said that he was going on R&R to Hawaii next week and his wife was going to meet him there and he planned on using it. Even it what had to be great pain to him, he had a sense of humor. Ed was Air Evac'd out to a large Army Hospital and one of my Captains and myself drove down to see him before he was returned to the States. Ed told us that they would be able to save the heel bone and make things much easier for them to replace his foot.

I had not heard from Ed since that day in 1969. After a couple years, I tried many time to some how locate Ed, but I had forgot his first name and could only remember Harmon from either Washington of Oregon. I tried for all these years and during October 1995, I was looking thought the reunions section

when I saw that the Retired AF EOD Master Blasters were having a reunion on November 11, 1995 in Florida. There was a phone number for information so I called and when someone answered, I explained that I had saved an EOD man's life at Phu Cat AFB and all I could remember was Harmon and either Washing or Oregon. The individual said he knew who I meant and gave me his phone number in Prinville Oregon and that his name was Edward S. Well I immediately called the number and got an answering machine and I repeated who I was and that I was looking for an EOD person who I carried out of a mine field at Phu Cat AFB and said "are you that man." Few minutes later Ed returned my call and confirmed that he was in fact that person. We talked about old times and his injury and how he was getting along. He told me that he was still in the explosive business and was doing great.

We intend to get together soon and he said that he has pictures of the incident and would send me copies when he finds them.

Air Police Times

Bill Boswell is publishing a newsletter titled the "Air Police Times" and is looking for stories. If you would like to see a copy you may write to Bill at PO Box 399, Red Oak, Tx 75154.

Association Merchandise for sale.

1. Association Patch - made around a QC design. \$5.00ea
2. Air Force Combat Veteran Patch. \$4.00 ea.
3. Security Police Badge Patch. \$4.00 ea.
4. QC lapel pin. Just arrived. \$3.50 ea.
5. QC patch. Actual size. Quality Reproduction. American Made. \$5.00ea
6. Air Force Security Police Lapel Pin. Official Dress. Pewter. \$6.00ea.
7. Black Baseball Style Cap with any of the above Patches on it \$10.00 ea.
8. Air Force Flag 3' x 5'. Nylon. \$10.00
9. Hanes Beefy T- Shirt with QC patch silk-screened on it. \$12.00 ea M,L,XL,XXL
10. Association Bumper Sticker. \$1.00
11. 7th Air Force - Patch \$ 4.00 Pin \$3.00
12. Mini-Security Police Badge. 1 3/4 " high. Official issue. \$10. ea

Please add \$1.00 per item for shipping up to a maximum of \$3.00. Please make checks for merchandise out to Steve Ray. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Send checks to 1300 Shadow Ridge Dr. Huntsville, AL 35803



Lord, you have called us to be guardians of a nation founded on your principles. Whatever our tasks as Security Police men and women, we do them to serve you and our nation. We are proud to accept the responsibility of this high calling. We dedicate ourselves to our vocation, and ask for guidance and courage in aiding our people to live with dignity, in safety and peace.

We know that true security comes from your presence, so we pray with the psalmist:

*You bless those who obey you, Lord;
Your love protects them like a shield.*

Use us, O Lord, as shields for your people, reflecting your security and peace.

Amen

SECURITY POLICE PRAYER



SECURITY POLICE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTY

SSgt Terance K. Jensen RVN
A3C James B. Jones RVN
A1C Millard W. Lehman RVN
A2C George M. Bevich Jr. RVN
A2C John M. Cole RVN
A2C Oliver J. Riddle RVN
A2C Gary L. Fuller RVN
A2C Horace A. Holbrook RVN
A2C Jerry R. Moon RVN
Sgt William J. Cyr RVN
Sgt Louis H. Fisher RVN
Sgt Charles E. Hebron RVN
Capt. Reginald V. Maisey RVN
Sgt Roger B. Mills RVN
A1C Gary B. Midkiff RVN
A1C Joel C. Loftis RVN
A1C Paul W. Anthony RVN
A1C Aaron Davis Jr. RVN
SSgt Edward S. Wissig RVN
Sgt Jimmy P. Black NKP
Sgt Bobby G. Collums NKP
SSgt Gerald A. Coyle NKP
Sgt Thomas D. Dwyer NKP
Sgt Bob W. Ford NKP
Sgt Gerald W. Fritz NKP
TSgt Jackie D. Glenn NKP
Sgt Darrell L. Hamlin NKP
Sgt Gregory L. Hankamer NKP
Sgt David A. Higgs NKP
SSgt Feleagaferlu Ilaoa NKP
Sgt Michael D. Lane NKP
Sgt Dennis W. London NKP
Sgt Robert P. Mathias NKP
Sgt William P. McKelvey NKP
A1C Edgar C. Moran II NKP
Sgt Tommy R. Nealis NKP
Sgt Robert W. Ross NKP
Amn Daniel J. Schlin RVN - Not RVN
Sgt Jerome A. Cierezewski RVN
A1C William F. Urban RVN
A1C Frederick G. SMith RVN
A1C A.J. Peterson RVN - Not RVN
SRA Robert S. Gray Clark AB
IP3C (CSU) Helmut Zimmer Germany
GS-5 Robert R. Dover Kelly AFB
SSgt Thomas L. Campbell Maxwell AFB
A1C *Herrington, Turkey*

12 Air Policemen lost their lives at Kimpo AB, Korea in Jan 1950. We have not been able to obtain their names.

* Vietnam RVN

** NKP - the helicopter crash in Thailand

NOTE: These are the ones we know about. There are probably others but until someone gives us a name we have no way to check the records.

Nam- Jams 96

We will be attending Vietnam Vet gettogethers in many places in 1996. Here is a short list of a few. We would like to see you there. If you can help man a booth let John Langley know. Volunteers are appreciated!

Melbourne, Florida - April
LZ Bluegrass, Frankfort, Ky - May
LZ Friendly, Commerce, Georgia - May
Firebase Indy, Indianapolis - June
Kokomo Reunion, Kokomo, Indiana - September

Here are the pictures of members David Dobson & Mike Daoust taken at Melbourne, Florida in 1995.



Terry Morris, Steve Ray, John Langley, Mike Daoust

