



F-16 Fighting Falcon
1991 -1996

Once an Outlaw, Always an Outlaw



OUTLAW MONTHLY BULLETIN



ALSO ON 924 WEBSITE

*Distance and time may separate us
but friendship and memories won't*

Dedicated to those who have invested their lives to the cause of Freedom in America! God Bless our Men and Women who are (or Have) in any way or manner served to protect our Great Nation and the freedom we have. And God Bless the United States of America



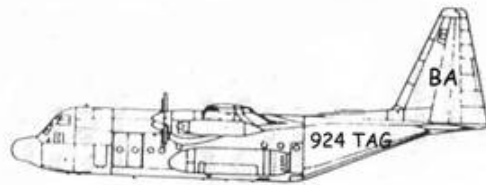
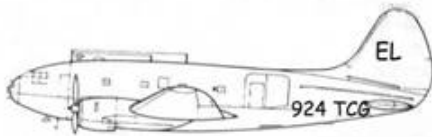
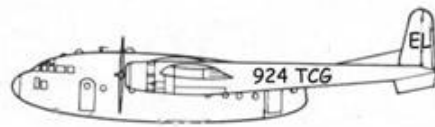
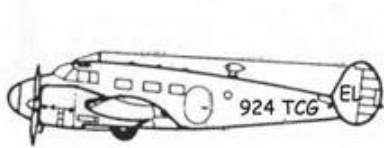
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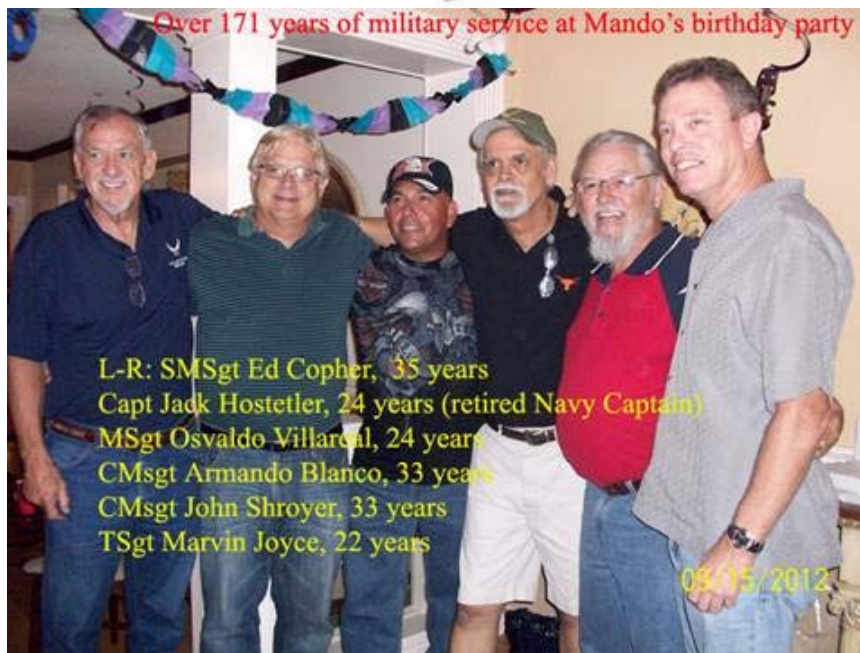
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Ed Copher, Editor, "924 Keeper of the Flame"

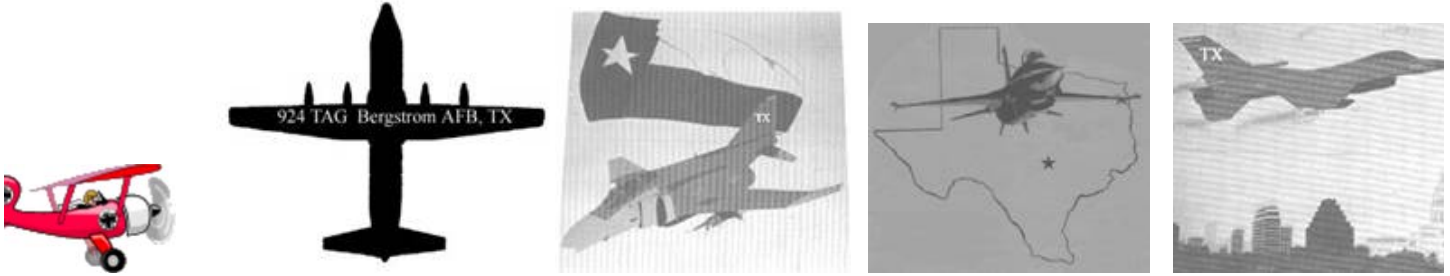


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L-R: SMSgt Ed Copher, 35 years
Capt Jack Hostetler, 24 years (retired Navy Captain)
MSgt Osvaldo Villareal, 24 years
CMsgt Armando Blanco, 33 years
CMsgt John Shroyer, 33 years
TSgt Marvin Joyce, 22 years

Birds of a Feather...Flock Together



Listen to music as you read the newsletter

Click Here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2pfCFU3Mqww&feature=related> "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" by The Andrew Sisters, then click on the Minimize minus sign (-) at the top right corner of your screen. It will then go back to the newsletter with music playing. When finished listening to music, go to desktop home page, on the bottom tool bar, right click [The Andrew Sisters...](#) then select close.



924th Air Force Reserve
The Unit That Refuses to Disband



924th



[924 Photo Albums \(Sets\)](#)

35 Albums....1850 Photos.....12,667 Views (as of 30 Sept 12)

Click here: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/924outlaws/sets/>

Click on each photo to enlarge



[OUTLAW WEB SITE:](#)

www.924tfg.com (password: [outlaws](#))

5080 Visitors since Jan 09

******NOTE:** *Guestbook has been removed due to excess SPAM*****

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924th Webmaster Says....



[924 FLOWER FUND](#)

The purpose is to send a nice flower arrangement to all 924th funerals. *Each arrangement cost over \$100*

The ribbon will read; **"924th BAFB"**. A flower arrangement has been sent to the last **26** funerals.

Jim Chapman is the POC for collecting funds and sending the flowers. jchapman90@austin.rr.com

Send donations to: *Make out check to [Jim Chapman](#)*

Jim Chapman

145 Oak Ridge Dr.

Cedar Creek, TX 78612



Col Ron Compton, DCM, 924 Maintenance Sq 1978-80 had a massive stroke on Tuesday 25 Sept 12. His wife Becky and kids Ryan and Sara are by his side. Life support has been removed. He is in a deep coma and has extensive brain damage. He lives near St. Louis.....near Scott AFB where he retired....in Belleville, IL

Charlie Torruella's Annual 924 Party to be held on 10 Nov:

Just want to get the word out about the party this year--it will be on 10 Nov. We will even have some live music this year hoping to get the Billy Prichard band, but have others lined up if not. Thanks once again for all your hard work and time you spend keeping all of us in the loop with current affairs and all.

**26/43 APS
2012 REUNION**

It's that time of year again
Friends, Food and Good Times!

Place: VFW Post 76
#10...10th Street,
San Antonio, Texas

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2012

Time: 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.

BBQ Meal Plates \$5.00

Cash Bar Available

Contact the following individuals for update information

CMS Ret. Andy Vaquera: (210) 559-7487-andyvaquera@sbcglobal.net (San Antonio Area)

CMS Ret. Freddie Rodriguez: (713) 560-3014-frede9@earthlink.net (Houston Area)

CMS Ret. Bob Riojas: (512) 461-9501-RRiojas14@austin.rr.com (San Antonio Area)

SMS Ret. C.J. Johnson: (512) 256-2629-cj3919@msn.com (Austin Area)

Hope To See You There!!!!

Photo by Ed Copher from my house



“Houston we have a problem”: TX flag upside down

The space shuttle **Endeavour**, carried atop NASA's 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft, arrives **at Ellington Field** on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2012, in Houston. Endeavour stopped in Houston on its way from the Kennedy Space Center to the California Science Center in Los Angeles, where it will be placed on permanent display.



Over Austin 20 Sept 12....on way to Edwards AFB, California.



New handbook available for veterans, dependents, survivors

8/24/2012 - **WASHINGTON (AFRNS)** -- The 2012 edition of the Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors is available online.

Produced by the Department of Veterans Affairs, the handbook's chapters cover such topics as VA pensions, home loans, medals and records, special veterans groups, and other federal benefits. It also has a listing of VA facilities, plus links to helpful websites and a telephone directory.

People can view the handbook by individual chapters and sections, or download the

entire document, in English or Spanish, in .pdf format. Visit www1.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp. (Courtesy of VA News)



http://images.military.com/NL_WK/1,14845,7684,00.html

MILITARY REPORT

— The Military's Largest Benefits Update —

Military Report is the most comprehensive military benefits and quality-of-life newsletter for military personnel and retirees. Make sure that you and your colleagues [subscribe](#) for this free update publication. <http://www.military.com/LeadForms/NewsLetterSignup?newsletter=13>

Reserve Retirement "New Rules": <http://askjune.military.com/2010/07/new-rules-about-guard-and-reserve-retirement.html>

Reserve Retirement Point Chart: *(before age 60 folks only)*

Reserve Personnel Contact Center 1-800-525-0102 or via the virtual Personnel Center-Guard Reserve website at <https://arpc.afrc.af.mil/vPC-GR/>

Go to the AFRC link and it will direct you to Air Reserve Personnel Center-**Retirements/Separations**. Everything you need including the point chart for 2010.

Reserve Benefits: http://www.militarybenefits.com/military_reserve.html

Reserve Benefits and other Information:

http://search.military.com/search?q=Reserve+and+Guard+Newsletter&search_string=&site=military&client=military&proxystylesheet=military&output=xml_no_dtd&access=p&filter=1&entqr=3&tabname=military&words=Reserve+and+Guard+Newsletter&dne=&rad=50&x=55&y=11&ie=UTF-8&ip=172.30.3.185&sort=date%3AD%3AL%3Ad1&oe=UTF-8&ud=1&start=0

MAIL CALL



Message from Loraine Simard:

Hi Ed, I go to the Reading WWII weekend every year as a WASP. It's the largest WWII weekend in the US. They have lots of vintage airplanes. I got a ride in a P-51 last year. Great fun!

I've included a picture of me from the website.

Take care,

Lorraine

She now is retired Col. and works as a civilian at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Message from Audrey Walter: 06 Sept

Just thought I would drop you a line and let you know our whereabouts. Dennis is now the AMXS Superintendent at NAS Fort Worth JRB. We left beautiful Alaska and came back to Texas about 3 months ago, we will be residing in Weatherford, TX. His email address is dwalt10@hotmail.com and dennis.walter@us.af.mil. It is nice to be home.
Audrey

Message from Melinda Carignan: 6 Sept

I've moved from the Pentagon and am now an ART at AFSPC in Colorado Springs, CO with a cell phone of 703.505.2069. I really love it out here...beautiful mountains, cool weather and the lack of humidity and bugs! Course there was the big fire here recently, but I escaped any damage. I hope to retire here someday.

Take care,

Bird (Melinda Carignan) dbrdzt@mac.com

*****WEB SITES OF INTEREST*****

Music & Video from 924 member Tommy "Shotgun" Williamson:

Thought ya'll might enjoy this, compliments of Tommy!!!!

Four video links below, share with your friends also

I never knew what love could do...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXgamqffBA0&feature=plcp>

Hey God...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QN6Xoxa_T6U&feature=plcp

Hurricane Katrina...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hq6gFEBZvNQ&feature=plcp>

Riding Cowboy...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oz1cmnSO_-8&feature=plcp

Bob Odegaard was killed in a Commerative Air Force air show crash on 12 Sept 12.

<http://www.worldwarbirdnews.com/2012/09/09/bob-odegaard-killed-in-super-corsair-crash/>

Robins AFB Retiree Activities Office Newsletter:

Attached you will find the September Retiree Newsletter. I have included it in both "pdf" and "doc" format. Hopefully you will be able to open one of them. Should you have difficulty opening them please send me an email at richard.delaney@robins.af.mil and I will try to figure out the issue and get it fixed so you can get the newsletter in a timely manner.



October 2...doc

[View online](#)

[Download](#)(1575.5 KB)



October 2...pdf

[Download](#)(832.5 KB)

Neil Armstrong's ashes buried at sea:

9/15/2012 The cremated remains of Apollo 11 astronaut **Neil Armstrong**, the first man to set foot on the moon, were committed...

<http://photoblog.nbcnews.com/news/2012/09/14/13866917-neil-armstrongs-ashes-buried-at-sea?lite>

[Penny Postcards of your hometown, etc.](#) THIS IS REALLY GREAT!

What did your town look like according to Penny Postcards?

Check out your old stomping grounds during the times of the penny postcard.

Click on the state and then on the county name to see old penny picture postcards from that area...pretty neat. Once you get your state-you can click on the county you live in

Click here>> [Penny Postcards](#)

[Virtual Aircraft Encyclopedia:](#)

<http://www.aviastar.org/index2.html>

General Dynamics F-16: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/general_f-16.php

McDonnell-Douglas F-4 Phantom II: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/mcdonnel_phantom.php

Lockheed C-130 Hercules: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/lok_hercules.php

[RAO BULLETIN Update, 01 OCT 2012](#)

Read the **Articles** go to the web site at: http://post_119_gulfport_ms.tripod.com/rao1.html

[2012 VA Benefits Guide Now Available](#)

Click here: [VA Benefits 2012 Edition](#)

The VA 2012 guide to "Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents, and Survivors" is now available online. This is the all-in-one place to learn about the benefits to which you or a family member might be entitled.

Click [here](#) to view the guide.



[924 RECALL ROSTER](#)

Known Whereabouts: *(689 Names)*

Revised 30 Sept 12

New & Changed Addresses:

Dave Rosset: *(changed)* daverosset49@gmail.com 13 Aug

Tom Garcia: *(changed)* tomgarcia@stx.rr.com 17 Aug

Complete Roster can be found on the 924th website – www.924tfg.com

(Password: *outlaws*)

Will email the Roster upon request

[Newsletters in Archives:](#) *Past month's newsletters*

Go to 924 Web Site, click on [Newsletters](#), password *(outlaws)*

Da...Dat...Dhat's all folks