

7th Year Edition



OUTLAW MONTHLY BULLETIN



*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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Outlaw display F-16 to be dedicated to 924th and displayed at ROTC building UT Austin (*more info below*)

Listen to music as you read the newsletter.

Click Here http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhoM0nph_fE&feature=related "Outlaws Theme Song",

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 [YouTube...](#) then select *close*.





924th Air Force Reserve
The Unit That Refuses to Disband



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924th Webmaster Says...



924 FLOWER FUND IS “OUT” OF MONEY: “Need Donations...Pleazzzzzzzz”

The purpose is to send a nice flower arrangement to all 924th funerals. The ribbon will read; “**924th BAFB**”. A flower arrangement has been sent to the last **16** funerals. *Jim Chapman is the POC for collecting funds and sending the flowers.* jchapman90@austin.rr.com

Send donations to:

Jim Chapman
145 Oak Ridge Dr.
Cedar Creek, TX 78612





John C. Cernoch



Published:

Wednesday, August 19, 2009 5:21 PM EDT

Oct. 16, 1934 – Aug. 15, 2009

John C. Cernoch, age 74, of Alvin died peacefully with his family by his side on Saturday, August 15, 2009 in Webster, Texas. He was the husband of Judith Ann Cernoch, whom he married on November 20, 1966 at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Hostyn. John was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Manvel. He served in the United States Air Force from which he retired. He later worked at and retired from the Texas Department of Transportation. He was also a member in the Knights of Columbus Council 6403. Preceding him in death are his parents, John Anton Cernoch and Lillie Leona Kana Cernoch.

John is survived by his wife of forty-two years, Judith Ann Cernoch; daughter, Margaret Ann Cernoch and husband, Shawn Thompson; son, John Richard Cernoch and wife, Michelle Mount; sister, Rose Mary Shimek of La Grange; and grandchildren: Matthew Charles Cernoch, Garrett Matthew Mount and Dean Allen Mount.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 from five-thirty until eight o'clock in the evening with the Rosary being recited at seven o'clock at the Chapel of the Froberg at Oak Park Funeral Home.

Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Manvel on Thursday, August 20, 2009, with Father John Broussard presiding. A second visitation will be held on Sunday, August 23, 2009 from one o'clock until two o'clock, with a Mass of Christian Burial at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Hostyn, Texas with Father Joseph Kariuki presiding. Interment will follow in the Holy Rosary Church cemetery.

Arrangements under the direction of Froberg Funeral Home.

Charlie Torruella's Annual 924/Fasching Party: *Always around 11 Nov....Veterans Day*

This year's party will still be held in Austin at the regular place, as his new home will not be completed by then.

Contact Charlie for details: Cell 512-589-3817 email GTorruella@austin.rr.com

F-16 Display Ceremony: Honoring the men and women of the 924th Fighter Wing

The Outlaw display F-16 that was located in front of the 704th OPS building, has been restored and will be displayed at the ROTC building, UT Austin.

Ceremony: Thursday 17 Sept 2009 at 11:00 AM

*Colonel Christopher W. Bowman
Commander, AFROTC Detachment 825
Requests the pleasure of your company at
a Dedication Ceremony honoring
The men and women of the 924th Fighter Wing
including a POW-MIA Tribute and
Birthday Salute to the United States Air Force*

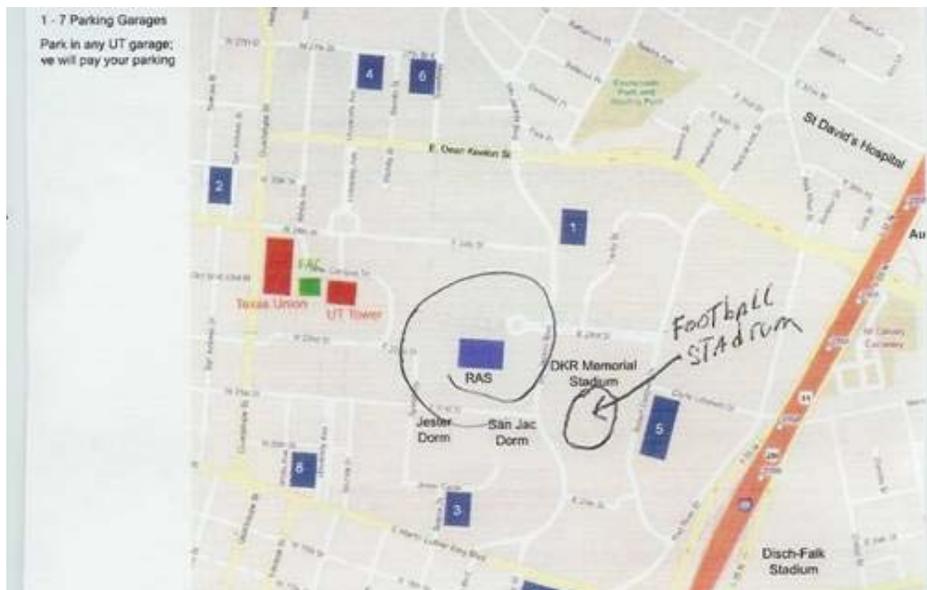
*Thursday the seventeenth of September
Two thousand and nine
at eleven o'clock in the morning*

*First Floor Atrium, Russell A. Steindam Hall
The University of Texas at Austin*

R.S.V.P. by 14 September: afsadmin@uts.cc.utexas.edu

Business Casual/Short-Sleeved Blues

The blue with numbers are Parking Garages



924 Drone F-4E at Randolph AFB: Photos by Al Arrowood

This jet was just repainted at Randolph. Tail number 74-167. She was a part of the 924th TFG at Bergstrom AFB from 1989 to 1991. I worked on this airframe.

Alan





[VA Begins \\$250 Payments to Veterans](#) 30 June 2009 *Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)*

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As part of the national recovery plan, VA is making one-time payments of \$250 to eligible veterans and survivors to offset the effects of the current economy. The VA estimates \$500 million in payments will be made to approximately 1.9 million veterans and eligible beneficiaries as part of this measure. The first payments were sent Monday, June 22. All payments will be distributed by June 30.

This payment is not countable in determining eligibility for VA pension or parents' dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC). The law allows one \$250 tax-free payment per person. VA beneficiaries who also receive benefits from the Social Security Administration or Railroad Retirement Board will be paid through those agencies and will not receive the payment from VA.

To be eligible for the payment, VA beneficiaries must have received VA's compensation, pension, DIC, or spina

bifida benefits at any time between November 2008 and January 2009. Beneficiaries also must reside within the U.S. or its territories.

No application is necessary. VA used its existing payment records to determine eligibility for the \$250 payment. Beneficiaries will receive their payments the same way they receive their monthly VA benefits — either by direct deposit or in the mail.

The [VA's Web site](#)

provides additional information about how the VA handles recovery act funds to benefit veterans.



Austin, Texas
Your National Weather Service forecast



NOAA/924th National Weather Service: About 15 former 924th folks work for the NOAA!!!!

Austin Current Weather: <http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?CityName=Austin&state=TX&site=EWX&textField1=30.267&textField2=-97.743&e=1>



*****MAIL CALL*****



Message from Karl Hoepfner: 21 Aug

Ed, did you get the news that Sgt Thornhill received 20,000 pieces of mail? They are no longer accepting mail for him at Fort Sam. He is embarrassed about receiving so much, wants to share it with his buds. Amazing - I sent the info to Fox News, hoping they'd use it as a human interest story to show how much we care for our troops. A large difference between Viet Nam and now, isn't it? Great!!

Karl

Message from Curtis Simmons: Civil Service Retirement pay issue

Message #1:

ED, did you get my message a few months ago about my catch 62 retirement reduction? Anyway, I had to get a lawyer in Dallas to represent me before the merit system protection board. OPM pulled their letter of reduced annuity as soon as the hearing started. They said they would figure up my retirement their self. They sent for all my records. I didn't hear anything from them until I got a phone call from a lady that said she had been recalculating my annuity and wanted to know if I would like to buy my time for annual tours and mandays between the time that I was discharged and the time I became a full time employee. That's right, the Air Force at Bergstrom did not figure this time, only your active duty time. This should add about three months to my total service. I am willing to bet that a lot of people are getting screwed that were at Bergstrom. I would write to OPM and tell them to refigure your annuity, or file a case at MSPB in Dallas. You can do it on line and over the phone. I can tell you right now that they will refigure it because most of the judges up there are Vets and they don't put up with OPM or the services screwing Vets. Anyway get this info out to the troops, and let me know if you get this message. Curtis

Message #2:

The lady that called me said she had been working on my stuff for three weeks. They sent for all my military and civilian records and evidently they got copies of my orders. It cost me \$60.00 plus \$120.00 interest. They are under the gun to get my retirement correct, because the Judge told OPM if I was dissatisfied, I could appeal the decision. We were on a conference call during the hearing and before OPM got on the line it was just me and the judge, and this judge was ready to award me anything until OPM finally got online and revoked their previous decision. He knows that the agencies and OPM screw retirees ever chance they get and he doesn't take any crap from them.

Curtis

WEB SITES OF INTEREST

Sergeant First Class John C. Beale Returns to Peachtree City, GA:

Click Here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9306gUTzUOc> *Awesome touching video 12:36 minute*

This is a wonderful tribute. So sad that the deplorable media cannot find time to present how the country really feels about there military. But what are we presented, garbage. Oh I need to stop now for I am getting mad. Enjoy this tribute to a true hero.

Killed in action the week before, the body of [Staff Sergeant First Class John C. Beale](#) was returned to Falcon Field in Peachtree City, Georgia , just south of Atlanta, on June 11, 2009. The Henry County Police Department escorted the procession to the funeral home in McDonough, Georgia.

A simple notice in local papers indicated the road route to be taken and the approximate time. Nowadays one can be led to believe that America no longer respects honor and Americans no longer honor sacrifice. Be it known that there are many places in this land where people still recognize the courage and impact of total self-sacrifice. Georgia remains one of those graceful, grateful places. The link below is a short travelogue of that day's remarkable and painful journey. But only watch this if you wish to have some of your faith in people restored. Please share widely. <http://freedomremembered.com/index.php/staff-sgt-john-c-beale/>

Body of fallen soldier Sgt. Jeffrey Jordan returns to Rome, Georgia:

Jordan, a local man serving with a Calhoun-based Georgia National Guard Unit, was killed in Afghanistan on June 4th, 2009, the first birthday of his only son, Tailor.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_GKbTTNWtU

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0vVQbvijpLs>

RAO BULLETIN Update, 01 SEPT 2009

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



924 RECALL ROSTER

Known Whereabouts: (656 Names)

Revised 29 August 09

New & Changed Addresses:

Charlie & Gloria Torruella: (changed) GTorruella@austin.rr.com

Joe Rodriguez: (changed) jrodriguez385@austin.rr.com

Complete Roster can be found on the 924th website –
www.924tfg.com
(password: *outlaws*)

Newsletters in Archives: *Past month's newsletters*

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