



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



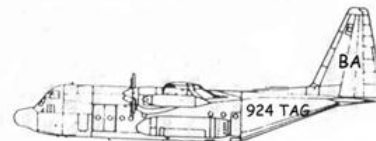
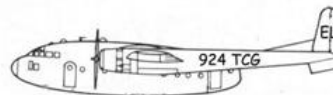
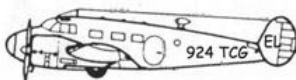
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Birds of a Feather...Flock Together



Listen to music as you read the newsletter

Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy: The Andrew Sisters

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qafnJ6mRbgk> 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.

The Warrior Song: Marching Snare Drums

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITs6a0ORdQU&feature=player_embedded

Ghost Riders in the Sky: Johnny Cash

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mynzbrmp9I>

Run Through the Jungle: CCR

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ebi0cMyyw_M

Courtesy of the Red, White and Blue: Toby Keith

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PXSK3iDeAI>

American Soldier: Toby Keith

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2hLBUkcFJoY>

Proud to an American: Lee Hazelwood

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ps7xmW-9LXQ>

[Ballad of the Green Brets...1966](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5WJJVSE_BE); SSGT Barry Sadler
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5WJJVSE_BE

[America, The Land I Love](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ICCyjZs3hY); James Rogers
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ICCyjZs3hY



924th Air Force Reserve
The Unit That Refuses to Disband





924 Photo Albums *(Sets)*

37 Albums....1915 Photos

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

Click on each photo to enlarge

Added new Album in July: "924th Luncheon, Austin, 15 July 2015"

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/924outlaws/sets/72157656380953641>

View counts 03 Sept 15

Photos

280,809 views

Photostream

15,629 views

Albums

16,600 views

Total

323,228 views

*****FYI***** www.Flickr.com charges \$24.95 per year to keep the **OUTLAW Photo Albums** on their website.

****Paid the one year fee on 15 Nov 2014****

OUTLAW WEB SITE:

www.924tfg.com (password: *Outlaws*)...O is capital

13,026 Visitors since Jan 09

[History](#), [Latest Info](#), [Photos](#), [In Memoriam](#), [Miscellaneous](#), [Newsletters](#), [Links](#), [Recall Roster](#)

924th Webmaster Says....



924 Website and Photos site FEES:

Jim Houston, Palm Coast FL, is the 924 webmaster, he designed the website, and does all the updates etc.

Website Hosting is done by **GoDaddy** at a cost of \$76 for two years (**Paid up until 10 Sept 15**)

Domain Name: (Whois Proof) There is an annual charge for keeping the Domain Name www.924tfg.com which is \$5 p/yr (**Paid up until 31 Mar 2016**)

Domain Provider: (Active Domain) \$12 p/year, paid for 2 years (**Paid up until 31 Mar 2016**)

Photos Site: I also pay for the 924 Photos on the **Flicker site** which is \$25 p/yr (**Due 15 Nov of each year**) **Paid 15 Nov 2014**

Donations are appreciated

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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 **38** 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

Joe "Ray J" Schwartz wife passed away:

Joan C. Schwartz (1936-Aug 2015)

Visitation: Monday 10 Aug 12:00

Services: Monday 10 Aug

Planned 924 Reunion for 2016: Austin....need some upfront contributions to get Park reservation.

924 OUTLAWS!!!!

The planning committee met and came up with the following date and location for the 20 year 924th FW Reunion. The park has the availability; however, in order to secure the date and the amount of shelters needed, **we are required to pay a \$225.00 deposit rather quickly**. Since we're not sure of what the ticket costs will be just yet, we would like to ask those who attend the 924th Luncheon in October to be kind enough to pass the "hat around" for a small donation to help offset that cost or if there are any others of who would like to make a contribution please contact myself, Johanna Oren or Henry Harrison. It would be appreciated. Looking at setting up an online service for ticket payments, but many charge a hefty service fee, so still checking into the best option for that ie Go Fund Me or PayPal.

As more planning takes place, the info will be shared along with requests for help.

Here we go:

SOCIAL: *To Be Determined; 7 OR 8 OCTOBER 2016* (Last reunion, gatherings were both nights with appetizers on the second night).

Hoping to have it again at the Hilton Bergstrom Airport Hotel.

TENTATIVE REUNION DATE: 8 OCTOBER 2016

LOCATION: RICHARD MOYA PARK, AUSTIN, TX

Folks, looking forward to a great get together even though it's a ways off yet, it will be great to see everyone and catch up as to what we have all been doing for the last 10 years....besides growing old.

Any questions, you can hit Henry Harrison, Johanna Oren or myself up!

Take Care and God Bless America!

Lois Fontenot Johnson gljohnson09@att.net 214-215-5701

924 Quarterly Luncheon in Austin: October....mark your calendars!

924th Quarterly Luncheon

Date: Wednesday 14 October 2015

Time: 12:00 (noon)

Location: Golden Corral Buffet & Grill (12509 North Lamar Blvd. Austin, Texas)

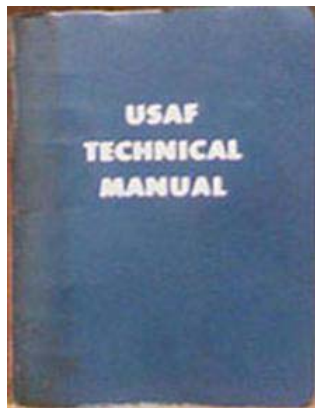
Point of contact:

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Please let know if you can attend!

See you there!

Mark



Al Arrowood had a CT scan

[Randolph AFB weekly news](#): The Wingspread



<https://www.facebook.com/JBSARandolph/posts/10153205932557842:0> and <http://ow.ly/Rs4Ns>

Mail-Order Those Drugs: A TRICARE How-To

Plenty of **TRICARE** users will be switching to mail-order for their regular, daily drugs over the next few months thanks to a rule change <http://www.military.com/daily-news/2015/08/25/new-tricare-drug-prices-take-effect-oct-1-pentagon-says.html> . That switch requires non-active duty and non-overseas users to buy name-brand maintenance medication through the mail-order system or pick them up (for free) at the MTF. If you don't live near an MTF, mail-order is going to be your only option. The time to figure out how to use it is now.

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The bonus here is that mail-order is actually cheaper than what you are paying right now at a retail pharmacy — and an MTF is free. Right now you are paying \$60 at a retail pharmacy for 90-day name-brand drug supply. By mail you'll only pay \$16 for a 90-day supply. It's pumpkin spice latte time, people. Add that extra cash to your Starbucks fund.

What is a maintenance drug?

Maintenance drugs are medications that you take every day to manage a chronic condition. Drugs like Prozac, name-brand cholesterol, blood pressure or allergy medications fall into this category.

Not currently considered a "maintenance" drug? Birth control. That's was weird to me because as far as I'm concerned, birth control is the very definition of a maintenance drug (maintaining my sanity! I kid. Sort of.). But that doesn't mean it won't be added later, Tricare officials said. The current list was put together for pilot program done with the Tricare for Life users, all of whom are over 65-years-old. You know who doesn't use birth control? People who are over 65. And so it isn't on the list.

Tricare officials note that the list of what is considered a maintenance medicine will grow and change — so stay tuned.

How to switch your current prescription to mail order:

If you have a civilian, non-military treatment facility provider (which you probably do if you're worrying about this), you have a few options:

- You can call Express Scripts and talk to the very nice people (no really, I've tested this — they are very nice and helped me unlock my account) and they will request it be moved from your doctor for you. You just need to give them the drug name and information and the name of your provider. Boom. They take care of it. If they can't get your doctor's office to respond within 10 days, you'll get an email or letter in the mail (your choice) that it didn't work. If that happens you can try one of these other methods. If you're lucky your doctor's office will confirm it within just a few hours. Their number is: 1-877-882-3335.
- You can ask your provider to send in your prescription electronically to "Express Scripts Mail Pharmacy." Doing so should not be impossible for them ... but it didn't go so well with my provider, so you're on your own with this one. They can also fax it. The form for that is on the same page as the one I talk about below, so read on.
- You can print out and mail in a form. Yes, I said "mail." To do this you need to be able to find the form on the Express Scripts website.

Easier said than done? That's why I'm here. Go to this website: <http://www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE>

Once you are registered (yeah, I know — it's a pain) visit the "Health and Benefits Information" tab, and choose "print forms" from the menu. A box will pop-up with the form you need to fill out and mail. To do this you will also need a physical copy of your prescription. And that one I can't help you with.

If you are seen at an MTF and really want to do the mail order thing (even though you'll have to pay for it ... but maybe \$16 every 90 days is worth not having to ever go into your MTF pharmacy again), you can ask your provider to fax in an order or you can call Express Scripts and ask them to make a request.

How to get a new prescription into the mail-order system.

If you've just been prescribed a new maintenance drug, you probably want to start taking it today — not in a few weeks when they can get it shipped to your house.

So how should you proceed?

First, fill your prescription for your first month at your retail pharmacy. Tricare will cover your initial purchase under the old \$20-per-30-days rate.

Then, call Express Scripts (1-877-882-3335) and ask them to help you move your prescription over to the mail-order system. You'll want to do this sooner rather than later, as it can take a few weeks for delivery of the drug to start.

How to get a prescription from your civilian provider to your local MTF:

You have two options:

- You can hand carry it. But make sure the place you are hand carrying it to will fill prescriptions from providers outside of their specific practice. For example, our local MTF has a community-based satellite office called a "Medical Home" with its own pharmacy. It happens to be located across the street from my kids' civilian provider. Genius that I am, I decided that instead of paying out of pocket at Publix for expensive antibiotic for Chronic Ear Infection Kid, I would just trot that piece of paper across the street and get the drug at the MTF pharmacy. But no dice — they only fill drugs there are ordered by in-house doctors.
- You can have it sent electronically. All MTFs accept electronic prescriptions from civilian providers, Tricare officials told me. Easy.

Bonus tip: make sure you research ahead of time whether or not your MTF carries the drug in question. Not all drugs are carried by MTF pharmacies. Check out the MTF Formulary.



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](http://www.military.com/LeadForms/NewsLetterSignup?newsletter=13) for this free update publication.

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



From Dick Eustace

Ed, when it traveled through Austin many years ago, I went with Ernie Morales 924th LG, and he looked at many of his fellow Army buddies ehode names were inscribed on the wall. It was a very moving time for both of us. I had two of my fellow F-4 fliers on the wall.

Dick

Subject: Vietnam Memorial traveling wall...Russellville, Ark

Photos

26-30 Aug 2015

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.1608179212780968.1073741882.1489497647982459&type=3>

OUTLAW Newsletters in Archives: To view the last 12 months newsletters

Go to www.yahoo.com (click on the URL link in blue)

On the Yahoo home page, select **Sign-In**

Type in Yahoo ID: afreserves924th@yahoo.com

Type in Password: [outlaws](#)

After Signed In, back on the Yahoo home page, select **MAIL**

When you get into the mail box, select **Inbox** (on left side window)

Select the newsletter that you want to view.

To get out of Mail, under the top toolbar, find [Yahoo!](#) click on that to get back to the home page.

“ALSO”

[Newsletters are on 924 Website:](#) Past month's newsletters

Go to 924 Website, click on [Newsletters](#), password ([Outlaws](#))

Websites of Interest

Boot Camp” Into the Wild Blue Yonder”

<http://www.cnet.com/pictures/into-the-wild-blue-yonder-u-s-air-force-basic-training-pictures/?ftag=ACQ63afa6d>

FACEBOOK PAGES:

AF Reserve Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/airforcereserve>

United States Air Force Veterans Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/USAFVeterans/>

You Know You Are an Air Force Mechanic when...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/109677762396385/>

US Air Force CrewChiefs:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/USAFcrewchiefs/>

Randolph AFB weekly “Wingspread”:

<https://www.facebook.com/JBSARandolph>

Tour of Duty Photos:

<https://www.flickr.com/groups/435090@N22/>

Boneyard Video:

<http://www.boldmethod.com/blog/video/2015/09/incredible-views-from-an-aircraft-boneyard/>

C-130 Video:

<https://fbstatic-a.akamaihd.net/rsrsrc.php/v2/y4/r/-PAXP-dejE.gif>

C-130 with music:

<https://www.facebook.com/C130MRO/videos/623917177755167/>

Randolph AFB Post:

<https://www.facebook.com/cmsafecody/posts/426259774229613>

Airman’s Magazine:

<http://www.af.mil/News/ArticleDisplay/tabid/223/Article/612098/latest-airman-magazine-now-available.aspx>

Vintage Lucky Strike Cigarette Commercial

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ly2-92H1nmA>

Aviation Buffs:

Even if you are not into this you might want to pass this treasure trove on to others who are.

Click on any of the blues:

- [Aviation](#) [Pioneers](#)
- [World](#) [War I Aces](#)
- [Hall](#) [of Fame of the Air](#)
- [WW2](#) [European Theater \(ETO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [Pacific Theater \(PTO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [US Marine Corps](#)
- [WW2](#) [US Navy Aces](#)
- [WW2](#) [Mediterranean \(MTO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [German Aces](#)
- [Korean](#) [War Aces](#)
- [Russian](#) [Aces](#)
- [Vietnam](#) [Era Aces](#)

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- [1930s](#) [Aircraft photos](#)
- [WW2](#) [Fighters](#)
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- [WW2](#) [German Planes](#)
- [WW2](#) [Airplane Pictures](#)
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- [Postwar](#) [Jets](#)
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- [WW2](#) [Facts and Firsts](#)
- [WW2](#) [Medals](#)
- [WW2](#) [Museums](#)
- [WW2](#) [Pictures](#)
- [WW2](#) [Ships](#)
- [WW2](#) [Weapons](#)

John Wayne and the Pledge of Allegiance

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Jf3MQpfBc>

Great Music Video: Military/Miami Dolphin Cheerleaders

The Miami Dolphin cheerleaders sent the US Troops in Afghanistan a music video and they sent one back...mimicking them almost to perfection. SO cool!!! Plus the Soldiers light off a four point deuce mortar as a point of punctuation. Soldiers win...hands down!!!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O7zdr-82WAo>

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/mcdonnell_phantom.php

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

RAO BULLETIN Update, 01 Sept 2015

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



924 RECALL ROSTER

Known Whereabouts: (689 Names)

Revised 03 Sept 2015

New & Changed Addresses:

See website roster

Complete Roster can be found on the 924th website

www.924tfg.com

(Password: **Outlaws**)...**O** is capital

Will email the Roster upon request



Outlaw low level, at range near Corpus Christi



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