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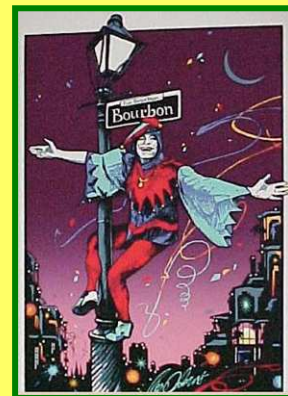
**Your reunion registration form is on page 7.
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NEW ORLEANS - REUNION 2013

New Orleans is like no other American City. She is a city with a rich history and traditions. She has old world charm and modern central business district. She has neighborhoods with multi-million dollar mansions near neighborhoods with run down structures. Her culture is a mix of French, Spanish, English and Caribbean/ African traditions.

New Orleans is a City of many celebrations, the people here celebrate almost anything with a parade and music, they say *'laissez le bons temps rouler'* (let the good times roll). Celebrations are not the only thing that is important here. Food in New Orleans is also celebrated. The City offers an incredible diverse choice of cuisines influenced by the many ethnic groups, some remain religiously faithful to their roots and others mix in the local characteristics. They say some people eat to live, but here they live to eat. There are so many things going on that it is difficult to choose from an outdoor concerts, watch a parade, take a walking tour, visit a museum, take a River Boat cruise, have a drink in a French Quarter courtyard, tour an Antebellum Plantation, browse through an antique shop or eat a delicious dinner and watch people.



**Make reservations directly with the Maison Dupuy Hotel at 800-535-9177.
Request the "Old Salts and Assorted Spies" reunion rate.
Our rate is only good until 29 April 2013 so call now to ensure your room.**



New US Freedom Pavilion: Reunion Trip

This new \$35 million venue at WWII Includes exhibits and interactive experiences that paint the picture of a nation mobilized for war, including those who answered the call of service and those who supported our fighting forces by producing planes, tanks, ships and other vital military machinery.

The building conveys the story of America at war-on land, in the air, and at sea in a way that fully engages the senses, mind, and heart. Exhibits include vehicles of war, war birds, and Boeing's contributions to the war effort.

There is also an interactive experience that places visitors aboard the USS Tang, the most successful submarine in WW II. Visitors perform the battle actions of actual crewmembers in a re-creation of the sub's final patrol that includes loud noises, flashing lights, smoke effects and more. "Final Mission: USS Tang" carries an additional separate \$5.00 fee.

Chairman's Corner

Greetings from the Nation's Capital where we are working sequester, budget cuts, furlough, and I'm humbly trying to learn how to be a Principle Deputy Director for the Defense Intelligence Agency. The current atmosphere and environment reminds me of the prior times we all experienced post Vietnam and the Peace Dividend in the 90's.

I recently had the opportunity to have lunch with an incredible Wounded Warrior by the name of Greg Gadson. He lost both legs in Iraq and went through an extremely challenging road of both physical and mental survival. Those movie buffs who maybe saw the recent Movie called Battleship where the Navy saves earth from the Aliens, Greg was the actor going through rehab who played a significant role. BTW: Col Greg Gadson still remains on active duty as the Ft. Belvoir Base Commander and he was used by the New York Giants NFL team to motivate their players for their Super Bowl win in 2012. I remain committed to find ways that we can help the Wounded Warrior Program as a way to increase the value of our organization. See you soon.

V/R Jim Manzelmann



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Jan. 1, 2013 – Mar. 13, 2013

OS&AS Operating Fund:

Beginning Balance, Jan. 1, 2013 \$9,181.23

DONATIONS/INCOME:

Contributions	\$880.00
Bank Account Interest	\$4.42
Reunion 2013 Income	\$3,050.00

TOTAL 2013 INCOME \$3,934.42

Total Operating Fund to Date

\$13,115.65

Expenses, Jan. 1, 2013 – Mar. 13, 2013:

Newsletter Printing	\$0.00
Postage to Mail Newsletter	\$0.00
General Postage /Postal Box	\$0.00
Other Printing & Printing Supplies	\$0.00
WEB Site	\$0.00
Reunion Expenses	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$0.00

Ending Balance Mar. 13, 2013 \$13,115.65

OS&AS Ship's Store Operations:

Beginning Balance Jan. 1, 2013 \$2,345.19

Bank Account Interest	\$1.87
Matching Donations	\$0.00
Ship's Store Sales	\$0.00
Misc	\$0.00

TOTAL INCOME: \$1.87

TOTAL Ship's Store to date \$2,347.06

Fund Income:

Bank Account Interest	\$0.00
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TOTAL INCOME \$0.00

Fund Expenses:

Ship's Store Inventory (2012)	\$0.00
Shipping	\$0.00
Sales tax	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$0.00

Ending Balance Mar. 13, 2013 \$2,347.06

- Lester A. Alfortish, Jr
Treasurer

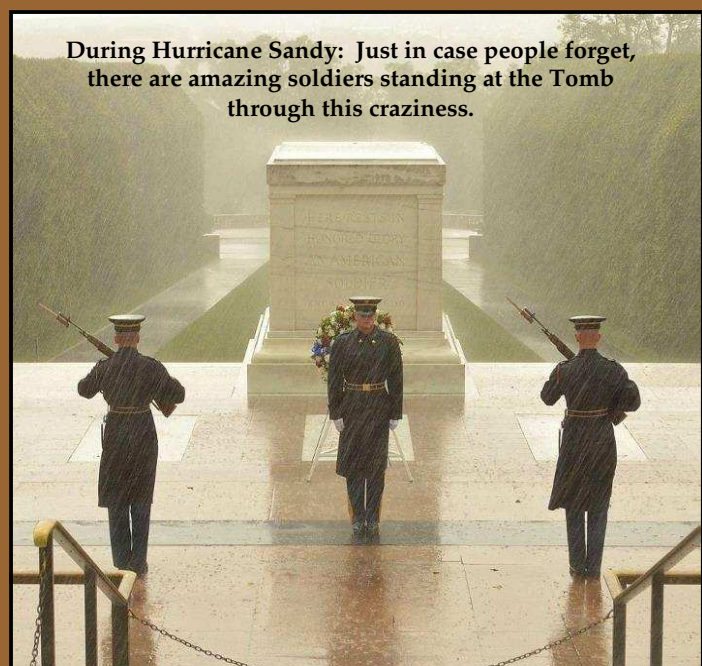
CAPT Chilson Outstanding USNA Officer

On 27 February 2013, I received the Commandant's Award from the U.S. Naval Academy -- outstanding USNA Blue-and-Gold Area Coordinator for Region 1, Northeast United States. I have been a USNA Blue-and-Gold Officer since 1999 and I have been the USNA Area Coordinator for Area 122, Northwest Ohio, since 2009.



This photograph was taken Nov 19, 2012 during a USNA OPINFO visit to one of several high schools in Northwest Ohio. (l-r) Midn 2/c Michael Watrol, Midn 1/c Steven Billmaier, Notre Dame Academy Guidance Counselor Mrs. Diane Krohn, Midn 1/c Hannah Mayer and CAPT David Chilson. The Midshipmen get to come home several days early for Thanksgiving break in exchange for doing high school visits with me.

- David Chilson



During Hurricane Sandy: Just in case people forget, there are amazing soldiers standing at the Tomb through this craziness.

From the President

Hard to believe we are so close to the next reunion. Look's like it is going to be another great one. Beware of the hurricanes, the ones you drink. Things are busy as usual. The



barn is finally a real structure and we will soon begin the inside phase. We did allow a little time off to do a little fishing in the lake.



(l-r) Jordan and Bill fishing on his lake.

Ronda had some surgery done on her wrist. De Quervain syndrome is similar to carpal tunnel but is located in path to the thumb. I think this syndrome is related to pushing the TV remote

control buttons. *(Remote control? How about stringing barbed wire fencing? He forgets who has access to the newsletter copy. This could be bad news for him.)*

Anyway, she is much better now so I can get her back to work. *(Oh buddy, are you asking for it.)*

Speaking of surgery, *(You'd better change the subject now if you know what's good for you.)* Ronda's daughter, in Dallas, had some surgery so while we were there we took the grandsons to a patriotic rally. The oldest one, Jordan, will be in basic at Great Lakes this June.



Resistance Rally at Flag Pole Hill in Dallas, (l-r) Tristan, Ronda and Jordan.



We have more fencing to put up and the picture above is me on the tractor spraying after the first round of posts were pounded. *(Riding on the tractor. Hmmm - Who is putting up the fence posts do you think?)*

The picture on the right was taken *(by Ronda, my wonderful wife)* at a book signing. I am having Glenn Beck sign the



Bill getting Glenn Beck to sign Agenda 21, his new book.

book. I did not read the book until a few days later and it was not that impressive. The book signing was in Waco on the way home from visiting friends in Hillsboro, TX.

Well at least one thing that is going to be impressive is the end of May and our reunion. Come ready for a great time and the sea stories for the umpteenth time.

Chairman Lester Alfortish is really doing a bang up job for this one. Plan to eat some great food, tour the remodeled WWII Museum, hear a great speaker at our Saturday night dinner and enjoy the much needed company of longtime friends.

See you in New Orleans,

Bill Kelberlau

ALCON,

If you or anyone you know were military instructor pilots but are not currently CFI/CFII's, here's the scoop on how to get that added to your pilot license. It could be a source of extra (retirement) income if you want to take advantage of the program. Just take the written exams (no practical) and viola! You're a CFI/CFII.

- Lee Lance CAPT USN (Ret)

Military Competency Instructor Exam

By Maj. John Williams, CAP

To My Fellow Former Military Instructors in the CAP Community: Are you familiar with the FAA Military Competency Instructor (MCI) Exam? In October 2009 the FAA wrote a new section to CFR61 specifically designed to acknowledge the experience of military veteran aviators.

The new CFR61.73 is designed to help grow the CFI ranks in general aviation and hopefully then grow the pilots numbers in today's ever shrinking and graying general aviation community. I think this is worth beating the bushes to create every CFI possible.

I wonder since the change to CFR61.73, the MCI exam, and this opportunity is relatively new, just how many former or retired military instructors are aware of this option?

The FAA MCI written exam gives a former or retired military instructor pilot a ticket for free, with whatever aircraft categories and class you were instructor qualified in while in the military and the instrument ticket too. It's the best thing since sliced bread and I wonder if all our members are aware of it. With this exam it is then easy to add any other aircraft category to new CFI certificates, like glider.

Unlike the old version of CFR61, the FAA also dropped the one-year time limit. Previously, anything you tried to add to your FAA certificate based on your military aviation experience had to be accomplished within one year of your last military flight. The restriction no longer exists and even if your last flight was 50 years ago, you can get a free CFI certificate now.

Granted the preparatory electronic course is \$40 and all FAA written exams are \$140 and \$150 if you are an AOPA or an EAA member. So, for a mere \$180 you are a new CFI! I sure wish CAP would join forces and get us the same \$10 discount from the FAA for whenever we need to take an FAA exam.

I was just wondering if we in the Civil Air Patrol community might have any former or retired military instructors who may not be aware of this fairly new CFR61.73 that would benefit from it and of course would then benefit the Civil Air Patrol as a whole?

BECAUSE NO ONE ELSE CAN



Inside the Military Intelligence Secret Sausage Factory

By Lieutenant Colonel Jim Nicholson
US Army Reserve (ret)

We all know that we should never say "never." But, we all do. I always did regarding writing a book whether it would be about intelligence or anything else. Then that day came to me as it comes to everyone when they glance down and see a long shadow that changes the texture and contours of the landscape. You look up, take a long squint at the horizon, and suddenly see the unimaginable; the end of "Never."

So it is not merely a person's usual change of mood that impelled me

to write this book but a natural imperative of mortality that has nothing to do with money or fame. Anyone harboring notions of fame or recognition resulting from doing intelligence work should quietly let the air out of their ego because they picked the wrong career field.

Over the past forty years or more I have mentored hundreds of analysts and investigators. Once in a while when a mission worked or a plan clicked the young investigator or analyst would say something to the effect that I was pretty smart. I always squashed that notion by saying: "I'm not smart. You are benefitting not from my wisdom, but my mistakes. I've driven up every dead end road, run into every ditch, fallen with collapsed bridges and sped over steep cliffs. I did all of this more than once. I'm just showing you the other way to go." That is what I hope to do with this book.

All of the help I tried to render went out in many bits and pieces spread out over many years and several countries to whoever was working with me on a project or mission at that particular time. I now want to gather all of those bits and pieces into this book. I want to leave it for analysts and investigators who might find some of this information useful and perhaps prevent them from driving into ditches and running off cliffs by making the same mistakes I made. It is written for a lot of people I never met and never will, perhaps even for analysts yet unborn.

By paying a reasonably low price for this book you may feel that you are getting a bargain. The real bargain is what is inside. All of that has already been paid for.

- Jim Nicholson

Old Salts & Assorted Spies Tentative Reunion Agenda 2013

Final agenda will be in registration packet

(times subject to change)

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

The Hotel will honor the Reunion rates for those who wish to come in early, to soak-up the "Spirit of the French Quarter", and/or take a side tour of New Orleans or one of her many venues.

Thursday, May 30, 2013

1400 - 2100 – Reunion Registration in Maison Dupuy VIP Hospitality Suite

Morning and afternoon sightseeing opportunities

1800 - 1900 – OS&AS President's Reception – Open Bar – Maison Dupuy VIP Hospitality Suite

1900 - Dinner on own in New Orleans

Friday, May 31, 2013

0830 – Reunion Registration in Hospitality Suite

Morning and afternoon sightseeing opportunities

1630 – 1730 - Mardi Gras Traditional King Cake, Lemonade – Reception in Hotel Courtyard

1730 - Dinner on own in New Orleans

Saturday, June 1, 2013

0800 - **Breakfast Buffet – Maison Dupuy**

0900 - **OS&AS Business Meeting**

1230 - **Meet and board bus at designated location near hotel for tour of WWII Museum**

1500 - **View Tom Hanks' produced "Beyond All Boundaries" at the Museum auditorium**

1630 - **Depart WW II for the Maison Dupuy Hotel**

1745 - **Cash Bar – Maison Dupuy Hotel Courtyard**

1845 - **Old Salts and Assorted Spies Reunion Dinner** with CDR James Letten, USNR (Ret), Assistant Dean, Tulane University Law School, formerly US Attorney, Eastern District of Louisiana as Guest Speaker.

Sunday, June 2, 2013

Morning and afternoon sightseeing opportunities in Historic New Orleans

5th National “Old Salts and Assorted Spies” Reunion Registration Form

Experience the Charm of the New Orleans French Quarter

Name: _____ Rank/Rate/Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

RIA or NRIC/NRIP Staff retired from: _____ Year of retirement: _____

Name of Spouse/Companion/Guests attending:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

Notes: (1) Each person attending the reunion must pay the registration fee. The fee will be used to pay for reunion incidental costs. (2) Each person attending the business meeting must pay for the meeting's breakfast.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># People</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Thursday</u>					
May 30	Registration begins VIP Hospitality Suite	1400-2100	\$35	_____	_____
<u>Friday</u>					
May 31	Mardi Gras Welcome Reception with King Cake	1630-1730	Included	_____	_____
<u>Saturday</u>					
June 1	Business Meeting Breakfast	0800-0900	\$20	_____	_____
	Tour of WWII Museum and “Beyond All Boundaries” <i>Transportation cost included</i>	1230-1630	\$30	_____	_____
	OS&AS Reunion Dinner	1845	\$50	_____	_____
<u>Total Amount Due</u>				\$	_____

Registration instructions:

- ★ Complete this form and enclose total amount due
- ★ Make check payable to: ***Old Salts and Assorted Spies***
- ★ Mail Registration form and check to:

**Lester Alfortish
5813 Lafreniere Street
Metairie, LA 70003**



Registration form and check must be received by May 15, 2013

You are encouraged to stay at the Maison Dupuy Hotel in New Orleans Historic French Quarter, as the buses will embark/debark for the tour from the hotel. A special rate of \$129.00 + tax per night, per room, has been negotiated. Call the hotel and register, requesting the “Old Salts and Assorted Spies” reunion rate. Make your own hotel reservation prior to **April 29, 2013** at 800-535-9177 for this group rate.

Changes to FITREP Reporting

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Below is an article for your newsletter about the changes to FITREP reporting that will begin to affect the Information Dominance Corps later this year. Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks for the opportunity.

V/r CDR Curtis Jenkins
Ph. 719-554-4905

March 22, 2013

IDCRC HQ, NAS FT WORTH, TX - Anyone who has been in the military any length of time will notice that good ideas come and go with the tide. One test of an idea's seaworthiness is whether it survives when its original champion(s) go ashore. The Information Dominance Corps (IDC) is another good idea. Those who first floated the idea back in 2009 have gone ashore and, by all indications, the IDC appears to be seaworthy.

Evidence is found in the fact that OPNAV N1, N2/N6 and BUPERS have recently directed that all IDC Officers - Active and Reserve - will now be competing for promotion across all IDC communities and FITREPs on all Officers of the same rank across all IDC designators will be submitted within a single Summary Group.

RADM Gordon Russell, Commander of the IDC Reserve Command (IDCRC) (which now comprises more than 10% of the total Reserve Component) sees this as a good thing. In an email to IDCRC leaders earlier this year, Russell described this as "...the most sweeping change to the Corps since the IDC was established."

The change was formally announced in a NAVADMIN message issued in late Feb. 2013. Here is an excerpt:

SUBJ/INFORMATION DOMINANCE CORPS FITNESS
REPORT OFFICER SUMMARY GROUPS//

THIS NAVADMIN IMPLEMENTS AN UPCOMING CHANGE...DIRECTING REPORTING SENIORS TO USE A SINGLE COMPETITIVE REPORTING CATEGORY (BY COMBINING OFFICER SUMMARY GROUPS (OSGS)) FOR INFORMATION DOMINANCE CORPS (IDC) OFFICERS. THE MODIFICATION BRINGS THE 18XX DESIGNATORS INTO A COHESIVE, UNIFIED CORPS AND ENABLES A MORE FOCUSED INFORMATION DOMINANCE CAPABILITY FOR THE NAVY WHILE PRESERVING THE UNIQUE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL 18XX COMMUNITIES. THIS CHANGE WILL TRANSITION THE IDC TO A FORCE WITH COMMON PURPOSE, VALUES, AND WARFIGHTING CULTURE.

The word that comes to mind here is, Wow. Certainly Officers affected may feel trepidation in having to compete against Officers in other designators, but Russell describes the competition as healthy and will go a long way in helping Officers move forward in their careers and for selection to command.

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FINAL ORDERS

☆ YNCM Sam. J. Bruno
CPO USNR (Ret)
September 1929—August 2011

☆ CDR Henry (Jack) Conger
USN (Ret)
May 1916 - March 2012

☆ CAPT Donald Lee Davis
USN (Ret)
October 1933 - November 2011

☆ CDR Harold "Hal" Feeney
USN (Ret)
Sept. 22, 1922 – June 9, 2012

☆ CAPT Emile J. Fourcade, Jr.
USN (Ret)
February 19, 1936-October 5, 2012

☆ CAPT Thomas W. Fritz, Sr.
USN (Ret)
April 2, 1939-September 15, 2012

☆ CAPT J. Ronald Hale
USN (Ret)
February 1940 – February 2011

☆ CAPT Alan Currie Parker
USN (Ret)
October 1934—October 2011

Voices of Valor

JD. Chastain is a man of the land at heart. "I'm a country boy," he said "Born on a farm, one of 11 children." Chastain attended a four-room schoolhouse.

In 1943 Chastain joined the Navy. "Everybody was wanting to go. They sent me to boot camp and gunner's school at Great Lakes Naval. Then they sent me to the *USS Saratoga*." He worked as a trainer on a 5-inch, .38-caliber open mount anti-aircraft gun. "The pointer raises it up and down; the trainer makes it go fore and aft. The Navy thought everyone was tough, of course, so no ear protectors. I'm hard of hearing to this day," he said. The Navy was an education in several ways for young Chastain. "Before I joined the Navy, I had never even ridden a public bus. You talk about a country boy come to town. I didn't even know what pizza was," he said. Chastain boarded the *USS Saratoga* in Washington state where the ship had undergone repairs from a previous attack. Nevertheless he was undaunted. "On a ship, it's all about teamwork. I was too young and dumb to be scared. I knew the history of the *Saratoga*. I never had a fear of a great ship like that being sunk. The main danger anyway on a ship like that is fire."

Built before the war as a battle cruiser, the *USS Saratoga* was converted to a carrier and a mighty one she was. "Her hull was nearly unbreakable. I slept in a hammock.

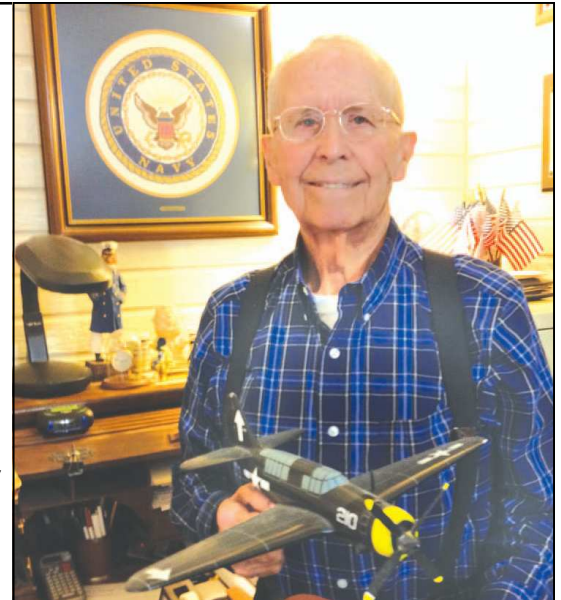
Some people had racks, but not us seamen. They reserved the good places for what we called airedales, who work on aircraft," Chastain said. "Later I'd get to be one."

Pearl Harbor was a frequent re-supply stop. Chastain recalled his first sight of the legendary site.

"It was all cleared out by the time we got there. The only thing in the way was the *USS Arizona*," he said. With tears filling his eyes he will tell you, "The real heroes are the ones who didn't come home."

The great ship prowled the Solomons Islands. "My job was sky aft, on the aft end of the smoke stacks about 60 feet above the flight deck all you can see is water. I was too low on the totem pole to know where we were. My biggest memory is being tired.

"There was hardly ever any mail, so I did get to missing my family. And contrary to popular belief, the food was not great. Beans for breakfast was about the best meal of the day, otherwise it was powdered eggs and milk that would make you want to gag. They did have hot coffee all the time," he said. "It was so stout it would almost dissolve a spoon." The *Saratoga* was disabled at Iwo Jima and returned to Hawaii where Chastain transitioned to a career he loved: tuning up airplanes. He enjoyed Hawaii and moved up in rank but was thrilled to return home in 1946. "The whole time in the service, I never had a leave," he said.



After the war, Chastain graduated from Howard Payne University and worked his way up in the Texas Department of Public Safety crime lab. He supervised creation of field labs, completion of the NCIC criminal records system and implementation of the breathalyzer system for estimating blood alcohol levels. He also rose in the ranks as a member of the Naval Reserves. He later served as a Brown County commissioner.

By Amanda Freudensprung
Special to the Waco Tribune-Herald



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reservations
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Home from Bagdad. Final. Report:

Family, Friends and Associates,

It is good to be home! The 50+ hours of travel from U.S. Embassy, Baghdad to Incline Village, NV, broken only by a 3-hr. debrief in Washington, DC, was arduous – but uneventful.

Status of security in Baghdad:

While I was doing my final outcrop in Baghdad on the 17th, there were attacks all across Baghdad. (Previously, Intel from public sources had warned of Al Qaeda attacks on the 18th). Iraqi helicopters were in the air all morning, flying near the Embassy, which was my first clue. I didn't hear any explosions, although they were relatively close to the Embassy (just across the river) because of the fortifications on our housing and work facilities (not the same as the beer can I lived in at FOB Shield last deployment!). <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/02/17/officials-series-bombs-in-baghdad-kill-at-least-28-and-wound-dozens> <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/02/18/al-qaida-in-iraq-claims-responsibility-for-car-bombings-that-killed-37-in>

And, as the reporting has previously indicated, attacks are on the rise once again, with January the worst since Sep, 2012, and rising sectarian discord. <http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/02/19/nearly-10-years-after-us-invasion-iraq-sunni-protesters-dig-in-as-familiar>

Good time to depart.

The mission:

We had the right team in place, with the right kind of support from the Iraqi govt, which was a reversal of the position they took in July, 2012: <http://worldnews.nbcnews.com/news/2012/07/30/13029275-doomed-from-the-beginning-200m-wasted-on-iraqi-police-training-report-says?lite> Every Iraqi leader and student we met with wanted more support from the Americans.

One of the counterintelligence tactics that I stressed in my course was to have their agents on the scene of a bombing look for the suspect with a video camera, because they record their attacks, and their pre-attack surveillance. I stressed that if you could find the intel collector with the video camera, you could get him to lead you to their intelligence apparatus, and to the primary suspects. So, it looks like they did learn this tactic, whether or not it was from my class, see news article summary below:

Kirkuk Governor Announces Capture of Kirkuk Bombing Perpetrators
(All News Agency, February 5)

In a Feb. 5 press conference attended by the Governor of Kirkuk, Kirkuk Police Commander, his deputy, and the Commander of Asayesh forces in the province, Governor Najm al-Din Kareem revealed details of arresting the Qaeda network responsible for the bombing that took place in Kirkuk Feb. 3, stressing that the people's awareness and work of the security forces helped in apprehending the first detainee who confessed during investigation about the other terrorists. Kirkuk Police Chief MG Jamal Tahir added that one of the suspects was apprehended by the Peshmarga while recording the attack on camera. Tahir also said that the suicide bomber who carried out the attack was a foreigner of Arab nationality.

However, as you can see from the NBC news article, it was a tough go from the beginning. Department of State had never put together a police advisory mission of such magnitude and cost. (It was easy to ID a half billion dollar per-year cost for the original 100+ advisors that were planned.) Based on the rough start, decisions were made at the highest govt. levels (including Congress) to shut it down, so they did.

They did just a tremendous, well-planned program shut down. All went very smoothly, no problems with pay (yet), travel, etc. Many "end of mission" and "after action" reports were generated, focus groups formed and documented, all the way up to a final dinner with the Ambassador himself. (See photo attached. Ambassador is in the middle, across the table, I am about 3 down from him.) Now if only they had the same planning in the establishment of the mission.....



Final notes: Time will tell on the Iraqi situation. In the bigger picture, things have been unstable and troubled since the fall of the tower of Babel, so the outlook may not be for immediate peace and security, or a quick solution. But, there will be NO U.S. police advisors there to do anything about it.

And on that note, my family, friends and associates, I will end my reports on Baghdad. Thanks be to God for my safe return, and to you all for your prayers and support. I will not forget how much that meant to me.

- Michael A. Barnes



Who has already registered for the New Orleans Reunion?

- Lester and Robbye Alfortish
- Bruce and Margie Black
- Bill and Laura Craig
- Gene and Fanna Loma Dickey
- Steven and Donna Earles
- Robert and Mildred Gilles
- Wallace Goodey
- John and Sandy Hitchcock
- William and Anne Marie Hoyle
- Bill Kelberlau & Ronda McCauley
- Normand and Peggy Lussier
- Pat Merrill
- Charles and Beth Morrison
- Paul and Judy Pappenheim
- Steve and Debbi Warren



MAIL ADDRESS AND INFORMATION UPDATE FORM

New Member

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Home Address: _____ () Check if preferred mailing address

City, State, Zip: _____

Spouse's First Name: _____ Email: _____

Bus Address _____ () Check if preferred mailing address Fax: () _____

City, State, Zip: _____

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Changes to FITREP Reporting

"Additionally, they should know that OPNAV N1, N2/ N6, BUPERS, and NPC will work together to incorporate explicit convening order language prior to the FY-14 promotion boards," he said.

Some important points related to this change:

- * It will not affect Enlisted rates at all.
- * Individual officer designators will not change.
- * Reporting seniors will continue to adhere to existing guidance for upper limits on Early Promote and Must Promote recommendations.
- * Reporting seniors are strongly encouraged to continue to use soft breakouts and verbiage to clearly indicate sustained superior performance.
- * Officers will continue to compete for statutory promotion within their individual competitive categories (180X/181X/182X/183X/184X).
- * The first statutory promotion board under the new OSG guidelines will be O-6s up for selection to O-7 in December 2013. Again, these officers will compete in their individual sub-community competitive categories.
- * Limited Duty Officer and Chief Warrant Officer communities will continue to compete and be ranked under existing structures.

This is the first step in a two part process. In two to five years, the Navy plans to migrate toward a single IDC promotion board for each pay grade across the four individual sub-communities. By implementing this FITREP shift to single Officer Summary Groups, we begin to accumulate the data that will enable future selection boards to make quantified, informed decisions for promotion across the IDC.

The first regular FITREP cycle effected by this change will be for O-1 FITREPs in May 2013, followed by O-6 in July and O-4 in October.

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