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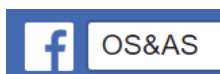
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## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL 2021 REUNION FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS 18-21 APRIL 2021

The reunion planning is complete and Registration will open early next year. All of the 2020 plans and activities for the reunion will remain the same in 2021.

Book your room now at Inn on Baron's Creek -  
**830-990-9202.**

The web page will be updated when the new registration forms are done.

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## A message from your President, Reunion Coordinator, and Deck Hand:

Little did we know when we made the decision in late March to reschedule our 2020 Reunion that the worst was yet to come. By the time the planned date of our reunion rolled around in April the Museum was completely closed to visitors, the tour company was locked down, and the caterer was closed. Fortunately, all of the vendors involved were very cooperative in working with us to reschedule the reunion. At this point we plan to gather in Fredericksburg April 18-22, 2021. Assuming that the coronavirus crisis is over we will enjoy all of the same previously planned activities...just need to make some pen-and-ink changes to the program brochure.

Like most of you Laura and I spent the month of April dealing with the anxiety of the unknown risks presented by the coronavirus pandemic. We spent our time in lockdown divided between our home in San Antonio and our ranch a hundred miles south (where the nearest neighbor is over ½ mile away...makes social distancing simple!). After a month or so of cabin fever and increasing concerns fueled by the media I discovered that I felt much better if I just turned off the television. Throughout the summer we have resumed our normal lifestyles with sensible precautions...social distancing, masks where required/appropriate, and good hygiene. So far, so good.

I hope that all of you are in good health and stay that way! Mark your calendars now for next April's reunion. And don't forget to wash your hands!





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## A message from your Chairman:

Greetings and best wishes from Waxahachie, TX. After spending a couple of months quarantined to the house, Jan and I completed several home chores that we had put off for years. Both our garages have been cleaned, reorganized, shelves painted. We have donated lots of clothes and household items to a local charity. Our Hobie Wave catamaran has a new trampoline, new main and jib lines and new halyards. Now the problems with the hot weather and low lake levels make it undesirable to expend the effort to sail. Blame it all on Covid sounds like a Garth Brooks song that is appropriate in these times.

Jan and I have had motor homes for several years and recently traded for a new 34 foot Thor diesel pusher that fits the two of us perfectly. We have enjoyed trips to Ruidoso and Red River NM to escape the sweltering heat in TX. Both areas are beautiful and have exceptionally great weather. We are trying to decide where our next trip will be to increase our arduous duty in the land yacht.

OS&AS is fortunate to have a president like Bill Craig who made the call last spring to postpone our reunion until next spring. The Texas Hill Country is beautiful in the spring and we should experience a much safer gathering. I feel confident that the Covid "pandemic" will be more controlled next spring.

In a few months our country will have completed a very important election process that will have significant impact for us all and our future generations. Please exercise your duty and right to vote by voting for those candidates whom you feel will provide the support you desire.

As I write this article on 25 August, I recall that Admiral Gene Dickey is celebrating his birthday. He is a wonderful 87 years young today and still one of the most insightful, intelligent and nicest people I have had the pleasure to call a friend. Happy Birthday Admiral Dickey.

Congratulations to Admiral Jim Manzelmann on his recent retirement from serving numerous DoD agencies. He has been extremely successful in a wide variety of professional opportunities through the years. His contributions to the service of our country have been exceptional. We all hope you and Denise enjoy your extra time together and are able to lower your golf scores.

Pat Merrill



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## TREASURER'S REPORT June 30, 2020 OS&AS Operating Fund:

### 2019 Financial Activity

Beginning Balance 1-1-2019	<b>\$16,043.62</b>
Donations	\$825.00
Ship Store Sales	\$(258.00)
2018/2019 Reunion Revenue	\$18.36
Landing Zone Grace Donation	\$(2,500.00)
2021 Reunion Advance	\$(2,500.00)
Administrative Expenses	\$ (70.52)
Membership Expenses	\$(384.12)
<b>Ending Balance 12-31-2019</b>	<b>\$11,690.34</b>

### 2020 Year To Date Financial Activity

Beginning Balance 1-1-2020	<b>\$11,690.34</b>
Donations	\$1,389.00
Ship Store Sales	\$258.00
2022 Reunion Advance	\$(2,500.00)
<b>Ending Balance 6/30/2020</b>	<b>\$10,579.34</b>



## Many thanks to these OS&AS members for their donations:

- ⚓ Anna Clark
- ⚓ Bill & Laura Craig
- ⚓ Carrie McCutcheon
- ⚓ Charles & Beth Morrison
- ⚓ Dennis Selig
- ⚓ Don & Ana Maria McLeod
- ⚓ Drew Jones
- ⚓ Forrest Frank
- ⚓ Gary & Sally Ryan
- ⚓ Gary Powers
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- ⚓ Thomas "Tucker" Coughlen
- ⚓ William & Bonnie Anderson
- ⚓ William & Laura Craig



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## OS&AS Members 'Forward Presence' in the community



## Battleship Texas

Some of you may know that Mike & Shirley Winkler are docents aboard the Battleship **Texas** near Houston. The ship's high rating as a historical destination has been discussed in past Newsletters. Our Old Salts may be interested in the attached video that was done a while back for the World of Warships on-line game folks (who gave the ship a generous donation).

The **Texas** will start a drydock period this winter, so is not now open to visitors. It's not certain when the transit will occur, which drydock will be used, how long it will be there, or the port to which it will return — other than that, we have a plan.

Battleship Texas tours start here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0YkWkMut77o>



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## OS&AS Ropeyarn

CAPT Lee Roy Lance, Jr USN (Ret) of Bryan, TX received a Graduate Certificate in Homeland Security (with emphasis in National Security Policy and Management) on 13DEC2019 from Texas A&M University's Bush School of Government and Public Service.

The program requires successful completion of 15 Masters-level hours related to the curriculum. Courses in his degree plan included Fundamentals of Homeland Security, Fundamentals of Domestic Intelligence Operations, Homeland Security and Homeland Defense, Safeguarding The Nation's Maritime Gateways, and Domestic Terrorism (The Internal Threat to America). He reports attaining 4 As and 1 B for his effort and highly recommends the program for others.



With a BS and MS in his back pocket, he was often asked why go back to school at this stage of life? Well, the VA in its ultimate wisdom reinstated 12 months of unused Vietnam era GI Bill under the Post 9/11 GI Bill and "I just couldn't pass up going to school for free and getting paid over \$1000 per month BAH on the side...heck, at my age and living in a college town, I couldn't get a part time job that paid that good!" He hopes to use the remaining educational benefits to upgrade his private pilot license.



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### Request for Intel:

A friend of Skip Paul is writing a novel that involves a nuclear submarine. Part of the novel involves entering and exiting the sub. Other than the deck hatches he would like to use a hatch on the sail. In researching, he has searched the internet and can not find any pictures of nuke subs showing hatch on the sail. So, his question is does anyone who may have served on a nuke sub have knowledge of a hatch on the sail. And, if so, what class was the sub.

Anyone having this knowledge can contact me at either of my email addresses: [captskippaul@gmail.com](mailto:captskippaul@gmail.com), [captskip@earthlink.net](mailto:captskip@earthlink.net)

### Upcoming dates of note:

- 19 September - [Texian Navy Day](#)
- 08 October - [Capt Eddie Rickenbacker's birthday \(WWI flying ace\)](#)
- 13 October - [U.S. Navy Birthday](#)
- 27 October - [Teddy Roosevelt's Birthday](#)
- 10 November - [USMC birthday](#)
- 11 November - [Veterans Day](#)
- 18 November - [RADM Alan Shepard, Jr. Birthday \(USNA grad & Astronaut\)](#)
- 20 November - [The title 'Director of Naval Intelligence' re-instated by General Order No 132, in 1911](#)
- 7 December - [Pearl Harbor Day](#)
- 12 December - [National Wreaths across America](#)



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### Upcoming Event:

#### **NAVAL INTELLIGENCE PROFESSIONALS VIRTUAL SPEAKER SERIES**

Thursday, September 24, 2020,  
1800/6PM EDT; 1500/3PM PDT; 1200/12PM HST

Video Conference (Go to Meeting) - details to be provided in follow up email no later than week of 14 September

#### GUEST SPEAKER:

Ms. B. Lynn Wright, Former Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence (N2N6I) & Director, Naval Intelligence Activity and Independent Consultant, TS Pilgrim, LLC

#### TOPIC:

“Reflections on the evolution of Naval Intelligence from the Global War on Terror to the Era of Great Power Competition: Constants and Disconnects”  
If you wish, please email questions before or during video conference to: [bob\\_allen36@hotmail.com](mailto:bob_allen36@hotmail.com) and they will be presented.

#### For further information visit:

<https://navintpro.org/news/2020/09/01/sept-thurs/>



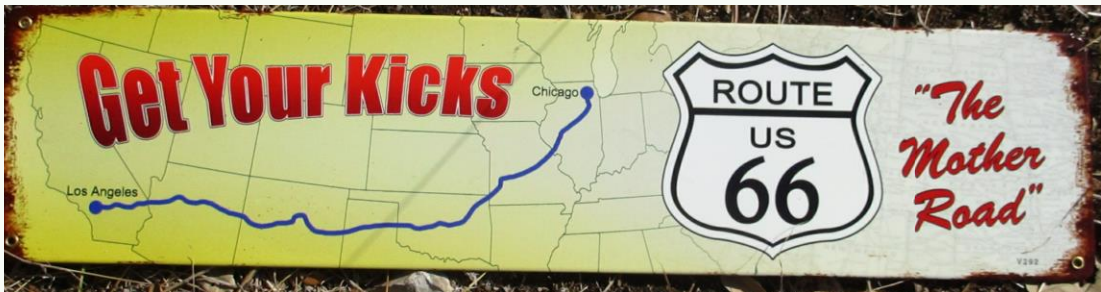


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### Getting Our Kicks . . .

Bill swears that somewhere in the house is his bucket list that says: *Get Your Kicks on Route 66.*



I believed him so we headed for Chicago to begin our adventure on "The Mother Road." As it happened, troops were being sent to calm the crowds there, so we stopped at a town just outside the city to visit his daughter and husband. Then we started to head southwest to get our "kicks." We drove for a few days and got the feel of Route 66 with all the little shops, filling stations and stops along the well-traveled route. We were planning the remainder of the "kick" when California caught on fire so we ventured back into Texas for a break and new strategy. Currently, we are waiting to finish our meandering trek starting the first week in September, as long as no federal troops or fires prevent us from checking this one thing off that bucket list. Will find the finish of the Route 66 escapade soon - I hope. (I guess better keep that bucket list hidden for a bit longer.) – Ronda McCauley



Bill Kelberlau, the driver of that snazzy white vet, is starting a bucket list quest. Guess where he is.

Bill Kelberlau and Ronda McCauley are two of the many "junky" features in this crowded store somewhere/everywhere on Route 66.





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### Message Board



OS&AS members Cynthia Faschini & Andrew Wallach hosted the Norfolk Reunion Attendees in their magnificent home. Last December they were in a terrible accident and have been striving to recover this year. We look forward to seeing them at the 2021 OS&AS Reunion!

Cynthia and Andy:

Bill and I and all of the OS&AS crowd are pulling for your complete recovery.

Our prayers and our best wishes are always being sent. We hope to see you both soon - happy and healthy.

Ronda





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## Profiles of Service

CAPT Warner W. Tyler Biography

By Steve Maffeo

CAPT Warner Tyler was the first RIAC in Denver's RIA-5, 1977-1980.

Affectionately known as "Captain Chaos," he was insufferably fun, charming, friendly, and helpful. Unless you noticed the ribbon for the Navy Cross, you might not realize he was also a fierce and skilled warrior.



On 25 Oct 1944, ENS Tyler -- flying with the USS Lexington's Torpedo Squadron Nineteen in a TBF "Avenger" aircraft -- put a torpedo into a Japanese battleship. Braving unusually fierce anti-aircraft fire, and challenged by the ship's excellent evasive maneuvering, Tyler showed indomitable courage and brilliant airmanship. He, his squadron commander, and a squadron mate all apparently scored damaging hits.

CAPT Tyler went into the Reserves shortly after WW II ended, first in the Air Reserve and then moving to Intel around 1962. He had a solid career running his own company and was happily married with two fine kids. He lived 76 impactful years and passed away in 1998.

So, it's fitting that CAPT Steve Maffeo is working on a biography of Captain Chaos. He plans to focus on Tyler's role in the huge Battle for Leyte Gulf but of course will flesh out the rest of the old warrior's life before and after the war. This will be Maffeo's sixth naval history book.



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## Final Orders



*Paul Barnes*  
1923 ~ 2020

**“Diary of an Airman” –**

**Capt Paul Barnes, USAFR, WW2 Veteran**

By CAPT Michael A. Barnes, USNR (Ret)

On February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 my father, Capt Paul Barnes, USAFR, U.S. Army Air Corp WW2 veteran pilot, and career airline pilot with Continental Airlines, passed quietly in his sleep at age 97. He has gone on to the greater heavenly home of our WW2 heroes.

Raised on a dirt-poor homestead in Southern Colorado; he moved to Boulder, CO. and worked as a meat cutter. Then came WW2. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in February, 1943 and was selected for flight training. He was commissioned as an Army Air Corps pilot in April, 1944. Then the challenges and heroic efforts began; he flew a twin engine cargo plane, the C-46.



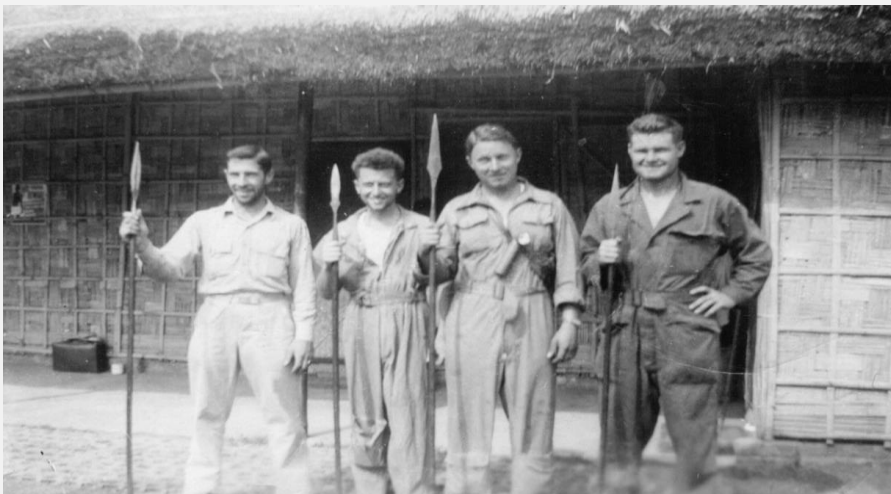


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Flying over the Atlantic in a twin engine C-46 (imagine crossing the Atlantic in one of these!) with a navigator using the stars and a sextant for navigation. They came close to missing the Azores for their fueling station when the navigator (who my father said graduated in the lower-half of his class) mis-calculated their time of arrival and only found the Azores when they accidentally spotted them through an opening in the clouds; 15 minutes earlier than the navigator had calculated.

Ultimately stationed in the China-Burma-India theatre of operations, he flew missions over the Himalayas and throughout the area. The C-46 had a recognized engineering fault – the carburetor heaters were known to fail and the carburetor to freeze; killing the engine. They learned to be good at flying on one engine. Then, on one mission over the Pangsau Pass between India and Burma, the inevitable happened, both engines failed and they bailed out over the jungle of Burma (the radioman hesitated and got a helpful boot-boost from my dad.) He heroically led his entire crew to a successful bail-out and recovery through the jungles of Burma, in head-hunter territory, to safety behind friendly lines.



Paul Barnes, 2<sup>nd</sup> from the right



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## Final Orders - continued

They were fortunate to all get out unharmed, and to encounter friendly natives (albeit head-hunters). One night, while they were traveling through the territory, the natives went on a head-hunting mission (unknown to my father and crew) and brought back some trophies to show him and his crew. Though there are no photos of the 'trophies', my father did trade some parachute silk and "salt chits" for native spears and a safe passage to friendly lines. (The natives could trade chits for salt when they assisted downed airmen.)

My father continued war-time flying until his discharge on 10 Jan 46. He then went on with life, raising a family, and a full 30-year career as an airline pilot with Continental Airlines. Like so many unsung heroes of WW2, he hardly mentioned his WW2 service to family and friends until much later in life, when we challenged him. (He also did some Korea service for which we do not have the details, receiving his final service discharge as Capt, USAFR in Dec 1958.)



Due to Covid, he did not receive military Honors at Ft Logan National Cemetery until 14 Aug 20.

Now, the National World War II Museum in New Orleans has his war-time memorabilia and records, and a fully documented "Diary of An Airman", published by family and friends, have all been placed in the museum's "China-Burma-India" Collection.



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Click for [Full Obituary](#).

### Wayne Roger Pelaez 1939 - 2020

Captain Wayne Roger Pelaez, USNR (Ret.), age 81, passed away on August 25, 2020, on Orders from his Supreme High Commander, after a short battle with cancer. Born on May 8, 1939, in New York City, he was preceded in death by his parents Joseph G. and Mary Carmen (Jordan) Pelaez. He is survived by his loving wife of fifty-seven years, Eleanor Ann Rutherford (Ellie) Pelaez; his son Randall Wayne (Randy) Pelaez (Mary Lee McInnis), step-grandson Cameron Knapp, all of Gulf Breeze, FL; his brother Edsel (Elaine) Pelaez of Clearwater, FL; and five nieces and nephews.

Wayne began his career with NCIS in Charleston, SC, transferring to Nashville in 1967. He was extremely proud to have served on three Presidential Details. He spent forty-five years as a federal agent with four different agencies. Simultaneously with his federal position, in December 1971, he entered the Office of Naval Intelligence Naval Reserves, which included time spent at Camp LeJeune during Desert Shield.

During his Naval Intelligence career, he had two commands: one at Millington, TN, and the other at Ft. Campbell, KY. During intermittent active duties, he was assigned to ONI in Washington, D.C. to set up a team to declassify information that was twenty-five years or older (with some exceptions.) This was in compliance with President Bill Clinton's Executive Order and set the tone for the rest of the Navy to follow. For this, he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. His last six months before his retirement in May, 1999, were spent on active duty at the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C.



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## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Business ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

RIA/NRIC of Retirement: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank/Rate: \_\_\_\_\_

*I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Operating Fund for the Association for Old Salts & Assorted Spies.*

*A yearly donation of \$25.00 is suggested for the Operating Fund. More or less is appreciated, too.*

**Make checks payable to OS&AS and send to:** *Richard P. Martinez*  
248 Palomino Court  
The Woodlands, Texas 77382-1812

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