

# AFTAC Alumni Association

The monthly meeting of the AFTAC Alumni Association was held on Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Beef O" Brady's. Members and guest present were Frank Calenda, Lou Seiler, Mike Steskal, George Mirda, Ed Lindsay, Gene Melchior, Dee Melchior, John Goll, Dr. Mike Young, John Horsch, Judy Henderson, Jim Whidden, Sean Ryan, and, Arlin Massey,

**New Members/Guest:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:** With no changes to the minutes, John Horsch made the motion that they be approved as published. Mike Steskal seconded. Motion carried.

**Comments by AFTAC CC/CV:** AFTAC CC/CV not present. Jim Whidden discussed the recently completed IG inspection and the thought process behind today's IG inspections versus those of the past, when most of us were on active duty. He also discussed some of the upcoming visitors and the "Change of Command" in early summer, 2018.

**AFTAC Command Chief:** not present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sean Ryan reported that the checking account balance is \$4,622.60 and savings is \$22,027.44. Arlin Massey made the motion that the treasurer's report be approved as submitted. John Horsch seconded. Motion carried.

**Membership Report.** Mike Steskal reported there are 609 Florida Alumni Members of which 558 are lifetime members and 51 are year-to-year. Of these, 258 live in Florida and 184 live in Brevard county. He reported that 22 members have paid their yearly 2018 dues. The third notices are being sent out and if dues are not paid, by the next meeting, these members will be dropped from the active rolls to the inactive rolls.

**Post Monitor:** John Horsch said that once the final review is completed, the PoMo will be released. **(OPEN)**

**Website Committee:** Frank Calenda thanked John Goll for helping on the web site and again discussed the requirement that all submissions must go through him prior to being put on the web site. Also discussed were his concerns of people not fully reading eAlls. **(OPEN)**

**SAGE Shop:** Travis Goll discussed ways of displaying the SAGE shop during various events. **(OPEN)**

**Historian:** Dr. Mike Young discussed various activities such as 20 Year Wall and updating the names of those who served over 20 years in AFTAC. It was suggested any input should come directly to him.

**Heritage Committee:** Jim Whidden discussed the upcoming nominations for the Wall of Heritage and said the selection has been narrowed down to 5 names with further work taking place prior to final selection. He reiterated that non-selection doesn't mean permanently eliminated from consideration, but the packages need strengthening.

**Memorial for Line of Duty Deceased AFTAC'ers:** Lou Seiler discussed the ongoing status of this project. The paver contractor has been lined up, proposed budget is done, etc. He is hoping for dedication of the memorial around 2019 realizing there is a lot of work ahead. The request for memorial design ideas is out with 4 inputs to date. All design ideas/suggestions are encouraged from everyone whether a sketch, written comments, pictures, etc. More details to follow.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Budget:** The budget discussion will to be continued at a future meeting. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Toilet Bowl:** Very successful with a good turnout by all. **(CLOSED)**

**Snowball:** Sean Ryan noted that there have been some management changes since last year and that he will be meeting with the hotel to be discussed (negotiate) meals and pricing. He also said that no entertainment is planned for this year's event. More information to follow as available. The Snowball is Jan 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Snowball at the Holiday Inn, Melbourne-Viera Hotel and Conference Center. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Cares Program:** The next "Pack A Wrap" is scheduled for the first Thursday of Jan. **(OPEN)**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Gift Basket:** Judy made a motion that we use \$300 to create the gift basket. Motion approved. Sean Ryan and his wife will create the gift basket.

**Next AFTAC Alumni Meeting:** The next AFTAC Alumni Association meeting will be at 4:00PM on Jan 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the AFTAC Lobby Conference Room.

**Adjournment:** With no further business, Judy Henderson made a motion that we adjourn. Sean Ryan seconded. Motion Carried.

Arlin Massey  
Secretary, AFTAC Alumni Association

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