

# AFTAC Alumni Association

The AFTAC Alumni Association (AFTACAA) December Quarterly General Membership Meeting was held at Beef O'Brady's on South Patrick Drive, in Satellite Beach and via a teleconference on 17 December 2021, beginning at 1130am. Members present were Frank Hall, Rick Manley, Tony De Marco, Arlin Massey, Sean Ryan, Bob Wiley, Lou Seiler, Ed Lindsay and Pete Gilbert (remotely).

**The President and Vice President were not in attendance. Sean Ryan conducted the meeting.**

**New Members/Guest:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Sean Ryan requested a motion to approve November minutes, Ed Lindsay motioned to approve and Rickey Manley gave a 2nd, motion passed.

**Comments by AFTAC CC/CV/Command Chief:** Not present.

**Treasurer Report:** Sean Ryan reported that the checking account has a balance of \$4,511.31.

**Membership Report:** Mike Steskal was not in attendance. **(OPEN)**

**Post Monitor (PoMo):** Representative not in attendance. December PoMo is being finalized. Still looking for an individual to take over PoMo duties. Rob Christman is still being considered to take over the process. Still recommend Rob shadow Judy Milam-Henderson/John Horsch for the development of upcoming issues. **(OPEN)**

**Website Committee:** Ed Lindsay mentioned that work on the TEST site is still proceeding. Pete Gilbert sincerely requested that we get someone to take over the website. This is precautionary, but it is advisable to get someone trained up or part of the website team. **(OPEN)**

**SAGE Shop:** Ed Lindsay mentioned that he was still looking for a vendor that might be able to manufacture AFTACAA Hats. Still waiting for feedback from Mark Bitters on the manufacture of a wooden memento to honor the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of AFTAC/USAF. This could be displayed/available via the Sage Shop. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Historian:** Not present. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Heritage Committee:** Coin for the Alumni of the Year has the blank etched. Waiting for the metal, so that the coin can be poured. Will need to put in the order for the AOY shirt to Magic Lion. Sean Ryan said he would pick up the coin and order the shirt, once confirmed. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Memorial Corporation (AFTACMC) Memorial for Line of Duty Deceased AFTAC'ers:** The AFTACMC has a new 100% complete design with a new contractor that can build the memorial at more reasonable cost. The AFTACMC currently has approximately \$52,000 in donations. Due to increased material costs and total funds not being raised, they are looking at a \$10K increase in project costs. Phone calls are forthcoming to further get the word out. Lou Seiler talked about a possible Burger Burn for a fund raiser. They would need a Private Organization sponsor to make that happen. **(OPEN)**

**20 Year Wall:** We now have 120 members on the wall. Ray Baney and Chad Brotherton were added. Tony De Marco is still assisting with cleaning up some other areas of the website. Tony DeMarco is also enhancing older 20 year wall postings. **(OPEN)**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**2022 World Wide Reunion (2022 WWR):** Reunion is 18 through 22 May 2022, and it will be held at the Radisson Resort At The Port, Cape Canaveral, FL. Sean Ryan is still working with Sherry at A Complete Reunion (ACR), on the reunion planning. Pursuing the possibility of WC=135 Aircraft tour and a Cape Canaveral Tour. May have a mini golf tourney. Looking for any other events that might be included. Additional information will be provided as available to include fees, room rates, activities, etc. **(OPEN)**

**AFTACAA Constitution, By-Laws Review/Update, Waiver of insurance and Current Officer Information:** Constitution/By-Laws still need to be reviewed and approved by the membership. Discussion and closure to occur at January meeting. **(OPEN)**

**Membership Enhancement Ideas for 2022:** Tabled for now. No discussion. **(OPEN)**

**SnowBall:** Sean Ryan stated that the AFTAC Annual Awards are scheduled for 24 Feb, 2022. He also reported that he had been in conversation with the Holiday Inn staff about having the SnowBall there again. He proposed dates of 12 and 19 Feb. Sean proposed a vote to be taken determine the interest in having the SnowBall at Holiday Inn vs. an outside venue. Vote was unanimous to have the event at Holiday Inn. Sean will get back with the membership on a solid date and plans. Event 2 months away, so will need all hands on deck to pull this off. **(OPEN)**

**AFTAC Alumni Picnic:** Tabled for now. TBD. **(OPEN)**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Next AFTAC Alumni Meeting:** Our next AFTAC Alumni Association meeting will be determined after consulting with Phil Godfrey and Rob Christman.

### **Comments:**

Sean Ryan mentioned that he had been on contact with Ruth Creery about collecting the mementos that Clark had collecting over his decades of association with AFTAC and the AFTACAA. She has some boxes that she said we could go through.

**Adjournment:** With no further comments Ed Lindsay made a motion to adjourn. Arlin Massey seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1230hrs.

Note: There were only 2 individuals that had brought items for the Yankee Swap. Opted to not conduct.

Ed Lindsay  
Secretary, AFTAC Alumni Association