



Association President's Message:

September 14, 2017

Dear AC-119 Associates:

Greetings from NJ. September flying by and we are 2weeks away from our Dayton, OH Reunion XVIII. This is a SHORT FLASH, focused on some Web site/reunion registration issues, and the latest "Who's Coming" list of attendees. At this time, we may exceed 250 participants at the Saturday evening banquet! I have been working closely with Ron Julian (Lead Reunion Coordinator) in order to verify SO MANY details for this five day event. I'm pleased to report that again this year, we have a good number of "first timers". Further, with some consideration of time/scheduling, the Reunion Planning Team has extended the registration DEADLINE to Sept. 16 (added one week). Here are three specific reminders:

1. After some recent Facebook discussion as a reminder, you may now dress casual (neatly) at the Banquet, if you prefer. There will be lots of Party Suits, and I'm sure sharp troops in civvies.
2. For reunion returnees, to please BRING your AC-119 name tag lanyards with you.
3. Don't forget to pack and bring special items for the auction. This is an important part of our reunion, and helps keep our bank account healthy.

Be safe out there.

Mike Drzyzga, Association President

Web Site and Reunion Registration Information

We did some troubleshooting & found some problems that affect many web sites internet-wide:

1. Simply put, if you use Firefox or AOL, you may have problems accessing our web pages, web page folders, or registering online. If you use any older, outdated browser versions, they may not automatically update on your computer, may be incompatible with the updated versions of our website and PayPal, and you may have problems accessing our web pages, web page folders, or registering online.
2. If you want a longer explanation:
 - a. SOME browsers don't automatically update to keep current with all the ongoing software changes that some other programs implement. As a result, those browsers may not be compatible with other programs or websites you try to access through those browsers. For example, we seem to have problems if you use Firefox or AOL to access our website.
 - b. Also, if you use an older/outdated version of ANY browser, they often stop trying to keep those older versions current with the ongoing software changes that other programs implement (they want you to use the most current version of their browser). As a result, older outdated versions of many browsers are not compatible with other programs you try to access through those older browser versions. For example, we seem to have regular problems with older versions of Internet Explorer.
3. So what can you do?
 - a. Update your browser to a current version. It may work.
 - b. Download an up-to-date version of Google Chrome or Internet Explorer to use as your browser (those browsers seem to work). Microsoft Edge for Windows 10 users seems OK too. Those browsers are free & we haven't experienced problems, as long as you keep them current (i.e. allow automatic or prompted software updates they send).
4. Yes, you can keep on using your old browser for whatever else you want, but if you have problems accessing our web or anything related to that, try 3a & b above.
5. If you still have trouble accessing anything on our web, contact Wayne

Laessig qadvocate@sbcglobal.net 707-592-4492. If you still have trouble completing your online registration transaction, contact Ron Julian AC.119.2017@gmail.com 937-546-3219

Reunion Updates (check latest details)

- * Reunion registration has been extended until 2359 hrs, 16 September.
- * Hotel Accommodations: The Homewood Suites still had some rooms available as of 7 September. Our contract with them expired on 5 Sep so folks must call Caitlin Garber directly (937-431-4644) to get the Reunion rate if rooms are still available. **STRONGLY RECOMMEND YOU MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A HOTEL ROOM PRIOR TO BOOKING AIR FARE.** As it turns out, numerous military reunions have popped up on our weekend. Close-in hotel rooms are at a premium. If you run into real problems, please contact Ron (937-546-3219 – AC.119.2017@gmail.com).
- * Special meals. If you haven't done so already, please contact Ron Julian (ac.119.2017@gmail.com) with any special meal requests (gluten free, etc).
- * Tours. The NMUSAF tour and the Dayton Historical tours are almost full. Instructions are on the website. (<https://www.ac119gunships.com/reunion/upcoming-reunion/>)
- o Ron has a hard deadline with the NMUSAF to submit names for clearance into the Restoration Hanger. No NMUSAF tour requests will be accepted after 12 Sep.
- o We will continue to accept registrations for the Dayton Historical tour until it is full. We have six spots available as of 8 September.
- * Bus for Memorial Service. We will have one 56-passenger bus available to transport folks to/from the memorial service on Friday afternoon. Since we have a number of folks who are NOT driving in, we respectfully ask those with cars to save the bus seats for those without vehicles. You do NOT need a military ID to get in the Museum for the memorial service. (Leave your pocket knives in your car. No backpacks or large purses/bags) The bus will board about 1230 at the Holiday Inn and depart about 1245 on Friday afternoon.
- * Cancellations: We are past the date (26Aug17) for refunds of reunion cancellations.
- * Auction. Due to time and venue constraints, we are creating some different options this year. If you have something to donate to the auction, please contact Jim Alvis (shadow1969@indy.rr.com) and include a photo if you can.
- * Golf Outing. Please contact Vern Hansen (vchansen@woh.rr.com) after 25 August for outing details.
- * Contacts: Ron Julian, 937-546-3219. Please leave a voicemail.

Who's coming to the Dayton Reunion XVIII (as of Sept. 13, 2017)

**First Time Attendee*

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| Jim Alvis | Sam Gallo | Ralph Lefarth | Jerry Riesenberg* |
| Judi Alvis | Debby Gallo | Joyce Lefarth | Chris Riesenberg |
| Rich Baldwin | Sam Gallo, Jr | Robert Lyall | Tom Riggs |
| Debra Baldwin | Kelly Worrall | Cheryl Lyall | Mary Jo Riggs |
| Jack Bastin | Roger Vaglia | Steve (Col Mac) Mac Isaac | Richard E (Dick) Ring |
| Carolyn Bastin | Marylin Vaglia | Nancy Mac Isaac | Richard W (Rich) Ring |
| Tad Berkebile | Larry Cavazos | JP Mac Isaac | Wayne Rodgers |
| Tricia Berkebile | Susan Cavazos | Dan Mages | Gary Rubingh |
| Claude Blum | Ron Gilbert | Arlene Mages | Becky Rubingh |
| Jim Boyd | Patricia Gilbert | Don Main | James Russell |
| Jim Boyd (son) | Paul Goen | Cleo Mason | Ann Russell |
| Tom Brander | Todd Goen | Joyce Mason | James Russell Jr |
| Andy Bright | Karen Graves | Larry Mason* | Dave Gregory |
| Linda Bright | John Griffin | Marilyn Mason | Julie Gregory |
| Windell Bunton* | Rich Grimsley | Jim Mattison | Mike Ryan |

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| Bernadette Bunton | Patty Grimsley | Lynn Mattison | Terry Sarul |
| Chuck Callahan | Vern Hansen | Cash McCall | Theresa Sarul |
| Mary Ann Callahan | Becky Hansen | Mary McCall | Rich Seth |
| Gene Caruso* | Chuck Hansen (B) | Doug MCDaniel | Chantorn Seth |
| Karen Caruso | Chas Hansen | Janie MCDaniel | Elaine Seth |
| Jay Collars | Corinne Hansen | Kelley Price | Jim Shope |
| Jan Collars | Ian Hansen | Lily Chou | Gus Sininger |
| Robert Connolly | Fred Riggs | Steve Meleen | Lonnie Sininger |
| Cathy Henry | Josh Riggs | Chris Barnett | Robert Dangler |
| Jim Cooper | Libby Riggs | Larry Mersek | Charles Glickman |
| Sandra Storm | Ricky Riggs | Ed Metz | Donna Glickman |
| Craig Corbett | Dennis Harris | Pat Milacek | Al Smith |
| Don Craig | Mary Harris | Christine Milacek | Carmel Smith |
| Peggy Craig | Jerry Hester | (Kokojan) | Don Smith |
| Charles Daenzer | Ellen Hester | Diane Milacek (Pool) | Mike Smith |
| Sharon Daenzer | Aubrey Laird | C.J. Millard | Becky Smith |
| Pres Davis | Jenna Laird | Beverly Millard | Jerry Snyder |
| Carole Davis | Landon Stout | Jimmy Montgomery | Everett Sprous |
| Phil Diehl | Herman (Al) Heuss | Karen Montgomery | Ken Stearn |
| Mary Lois Diehl | Helen Heuss | Cheryl Artis-Huling | Veronika Stearn |
| Fred Dietsch | Daniel Heuss(B) | John Morrow | James Stewart |
| Kathy Dietsch | Elizabeth Gray(B) | Lynn Morrow | Jerry Stout |
| Ron Dorazio | Matt Heuss(B) | Mike Mullen | Kathryn Stout |
| Mike Drzyzga | Sally Heuss(B) | Theresa Mullen | Dan Thompson |
| Andrea Drzyzga | Tarah Huess(B) | Bruce Muller | Larry Belt |
| Jeff Duford | Tim Heuss(B) | Mary Muller | Bill Tobias |
| Teri Duford | Rachel Clark(B) | Jerry Nailor | William Tyler |
| Jim Dunn | Judy Heuss (B) | Wilhelmenia Nash | Wilma Tyler |
| Janet Dunn | J.R. Gray(B) | Sharon Nash | Dave Voisey |
| Wade Dunn | Daniel Hightshue | Larry Nelson | Mary Voisey |
| Earl Farney | Mary Ann Hightshue | Lorrie Nelson | Earl Wall |
| Jim Farrell* | Ron Hinton | Marty Noonan | Dixie Wall |
| Tina Farrell | Carol Hinton | Sandy Noonan | Gary Weaver* |
| Ken Firestone* | Larry (Baby Huey) Hunter | Dan O'Leary | Darrell Weaver |
| Donna Firestone | Soncy Hunter | Geri O'Leary | Tom Weisenfluh |
| Larry Fletcher | Duane Huntington | Bill Petrie | Marisa Weisenfluh |
| Sue Fletcher | Peggy Huntington | Karen Petrie | Bob Wells |
| Bruce Foster | Lee Jordan | Bill Posey | Paul Werner, Jr* |
| Robyn Foster | Tim Jordan | Cindy Posey | Joyce Werner |
| Leroy Frahm | Ron Julian | Jim Rash | Chuck Williams |
| Rose Frahm | Kathy Julian | Vernon Raveling | Doug Wohlgamuth |
| Bob Frederick | Jim Kitts | Betty Raveling | John Wolff |
| Adam Hitt | Ruth Kitts | Dale R Doll | Laura Wolff |
| Ashley Littell-Hitt | Mike Krauss | Mary Doll | Larry Wright |
| | Bob La Rosa | Jim Ray | Margie Wright |
| | Viki Bullock | Howard (Ollie) Reid | Hans Wurfel |
| | Clark Caldwell | George Renfroe | Karen Wurfel |
| | Wayne Laessig | Becky Renfroe | Bill Zito |
| | Lynette Laessig | Frederick Rider | Paula Zito |
| | Kaimipono (Jesse) Lau | Jean Rider | |
| | Melvin Jackson | | |