

◆ 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association ◆

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Highlights of the Alumni Association

Many of you were involved in numerous activities this past year, often working with our associates to make 1999 a successful year for us. Lets take a look at some of those activities:

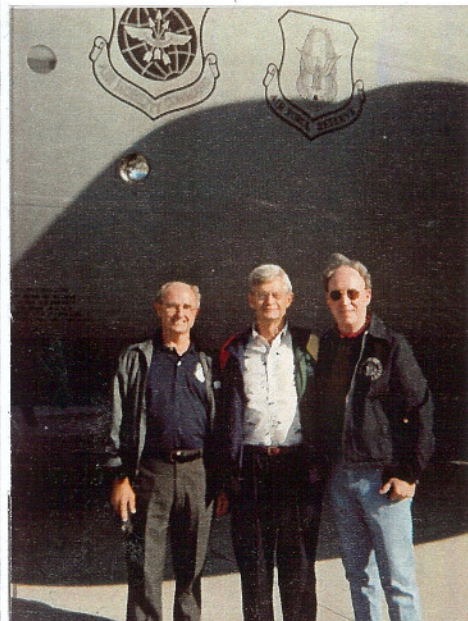
- (a) Provided assistance for the 315AW's 30th Anniversary Gala
- (b) C-17/141 orientation flights for the Alumni members
- (c) Provided an Alumni Float and participated in the Vetran's Day parade on 7 November 1999
- (d) Held Alumni Golf Tournaments
- (e) Provided Alumni t-shirts, golf shirts, baseball caps, and coffee mugs at reasonable prices
- (f) Increased membership from 250 to 351 members
- (g) Published semi-annual Alumni Newsletter
- (h) Sponsored 315th Alumni Association Boat Cruise to Nassau
- (i) Provided input to the 315th Public Affairs and Alumni Affairs
- (j) Attended retirement functions, and military night ball games



30th Anniversary Gala at the
Charleston Club, Orientation
Flight on the C-17

As you can see, your alumni members and officers have been busy working on your behalf. The 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association officers and members are dedicated to increasing membership, planning a variety of activities, and making your association the best since the alumni was organized. Those goals were achieved with the help and support of all our alumnus and associates. Last year, we asked your response to quarterly alumni lunch meetings, "Alumnus of the Year" award, and establishing area representatives. The majority voted for this.

315th Airlift Wing's 30th Anniversary



Center Photo: Brenda Oxford, Maxine Fuller, Barbara Pack

Top Photo: Ray Ardis, Bob Stewart, Del Oxford

Bottom Photo: Maj Jerry Bishop (Commander 81APS, John Mims, CMSgt(Ret))



Members of the 315th Alumni, & former members of the 31AES, in the photo above are (L-R) Col Mary Jane Koch, Col Linda VonCannon, & MSgt Monica Cowart

Other farewell festivities: Friday, golf at Wrenwoods Golf course, followed by a "grip & grin" social at The Charleston Club. Saturday, C-141 flight, 315th Alumni Annual Business Meeting & Luncheon- everyone invited, and finally the big bash at The Charleston Club ballroom. Sunday: Final tribute to the 707th at the C-17 Nosedock.

A "big thanks" to the many members of the 315th Alumni who participated and helped in all the activities. This was a very memorable event, and all of us really enjoyed seeing so many of our old friends again

Brig. Gen. Gerald A. Black, a native Charlestonian, has assumed command of the 315th AW, from Col Edward A. Stickler. Gen Black is a former member of the 315AW where he served in various capacities from January 1978 to October 1988

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Membership: Our membership is well over 500, and continues to rapidly climb with everyone pitching in. We are asking for your help once again, by passing along our membership information to other eligible members, **active duty... reserves... separations... and GS civilians**. Annual dues are \$5 per year or \$12 for 3 years. Please return the form below.

Please enter my membership. Check enclosed (make payable to: 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association)

NAME: _____ RANK: _____ Sqdns./Former Units: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Email: _____

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