



# CHAMBLEY AB, FRANCE REUNION NEWSLETTER

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Chambley AB Reunion is a group of Cold War veterans, civilians, and family members who unselfishly served our nation and were stationed at Chambley Air Base, France during the period 1953-67. We are a not-for-profit, social organization dedicated to sustaining relationships and lasting memories, and continuing ties with French organizations dedicated to future development of the base. This newsletter is published once or twice each year in print form and on the organization's website: [www.ChambleyAB.com](http://www.ChambleyAB.com).

***We're going to Tampa!! The 12<sup>th</sup> biennial Chambley AB Reunion will be held 16 to 19 October 2014 in Tampa. Leonard Black and Joanie Morris is our local team making all the arrangements. Stay tuned to our website for details.***

## 2012 Chambley Air Base Reunion in Tucson

by Bob Ferguson

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[www.ChambleyAB.com](http://www.ChambleyAB.com)

Our team of Jim Kirkpatrick and Joe McClain did a superb job arranging all the details for our 11<sup>th</sup> biennial Chambley Air Base Reunion in Tucson, 18-22 October 2012! Chambleyites, spouses, and guests all had fun at the welcoming Barbeque Dinner, complete with Chambley war stories, raffles, and dinner. We had informative tours of the "Bone Yard" (309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group), the Pima Air Museum, and the Olde Tucson Studio (western movie village). Our Davis-Monthan AFB Banquet included a POW-MIA ceremony, a briefing by Col Garry Beauregard, Commander, 162<sup>nd</sup> Mission Support Group, 162<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, ANG, and awards to several of our Alumni. Two business meetings were conducted – Hot topics **were approval of a new Bylaws of the Chambley Air Base, France Reunion, selection of the 2014 Reunion location (Tampa), and election of our new Director, Bob Sisk.** We urge you to see our website for a complete set of photos and videos documenting this important event.

On a personal note, I welcome Bob Sisk on his return engagement as our Director. He graciously stepped forward and was unanimously elected by our Reunion at our second business meeting. We will all fly wing supporting Bob as our lead. I thank all of our Alumni for your support this past four-plus years. You made my service meaningful (your stories of service to our nation continue to move me) and our leadership team made my job easy. ***I salute each of you!***

## Chambley Air Base Reunion Organization Update

Your Reunion website is a gold mine of information – Take advantage of it!

**Contact Bob Sisk @ [sisk.judge.ret@verizon.net](mailto:sisk.judge.ret@verizon.net) or 903.473.2272 if interested in a self-financed trip to Chambley during the 13<sup>th</sup> International Balloon Festival, period of 26 Jul to 4 Aug 13 (dates TBD). <http://www.pilatre-de-rozier.com/defaultmab.asp?lg=gb>**

## 2012 Reunion Photo Memories:

We urge you to pay attention to your Reunion website for

- Updates on the Tampa October 2014 Reunion plans and details
- Current Reunion Financial Report
- Photo and memorabilia updates
- How to order your Reunion golf shirts and ball caps
- Extensive Chambley AB video links developed by our webmaster (there is some great history here, plus video of the past several years of Chambley AB International Balloon Festivals led by Philippe and Aline Buron de Rozier, our French Alumni)
- Listing of fallen Alumni and spouses

Notify Joe McClain via email if you want to receive an alert when updates are provided. He does this routinely for many of us – Is a great way to stay informed – [JMClain7@Cox.Net](mailto:JMClain7@Cox.Net) or [ChambleyAB@Cox.Net](mailto:ChambleyAB@Cox.Net) .

*(If you don't have internet access, ask a friend or son or daughter to assist you in keeping abreast of website updates and activities).*







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