

Chambley Air Base News & Updates Fall-Winter 2007

THIS NEWSLETTER WAS UPDATED ON JAN. 7, 2008 WITH NEW ORDERING INFORMATION FOR OUR 2008 REUNION.

SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHAMBLEY AB, FRANCE EXPERIENCE 1954 TO 1968.

NOTE: THE WEB NOTICE IS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT THAN THE NEWS LETTER DUE TO LIMITED SPACEPLEASE READ ON......

It's that time of the year to prepare for our up-coming reunion. We have several new members who will be first time attendees, plus our new web-site has really opened the door for new contacts. I am getting numerous calls from sons and daughters of the Chambley experience. Some of your teachers will be in attendance. I hope to see all of our old friends as well as our new members at Dayton.

NOW DOWN TO BUSINESS: <u>The 2008 reunion is set for Wright-Patterson AFB</u>, Ohio, Dayton, Ohio between Thursday 11 September and Sunday 14 September at the Holiday North Hotel/Motel at 2301 Wagner Road, Dayton, OH - 45414, tele: 937-278-4871, fax: 937-278-0146, - e-mail: jspurling@hidaytonnorth.com.

- $\underline{1}$. All rooms are \$80 + tax. I have contracted for 50 rooms, so please make your reservations early (like today) so that we have a good count of who will be attending . Please no surprises.....
- 2. Airport transportation: The hotel bus will provide transportation to and

from the airport. In addition, 2 small buses are available for transportation with a 10 mile radius of the hotel.

- 3. ACTIVITIES: Thursday arrivals: No schedule events at this time...to early for planning.
 - Friday evening: Picnic at the hotel \$14.95 pp plus tax and service charges. Tour activities being planned.
 - Saturday: (1) Tour of the air museum at W-P AFB.
 - (2) Banquet at the W-P Officers Club Price: Approximately \$35.00
 - NOTE: Photo ID and a roster of attendees with SSN will be required to get on the base so keep me posted and up-to-date.

Sunday: Departure and farewell to old and new friends.

- (1) 0900 hrs Memorial Services
- (2) 1000 hrs Business Meeting
- (3) 1130 hrs On your own

NOTE: Tour bus costs will be shared equally by the number of attendees.

<u>4.</u> Shirts/squadron logs/coffee mugs: These items will be via direct order. Reason: It is difficult to determine quantity and sizes to buy AND number of wing and squadron logoss to purchase. I have on hand his and hers coffee mugs are \$20 (includes S/H).

If you want Dan to apply the logo to your shirt, that will increase the price of the shirt to \$45.00 Good deal to let folks know how proud we are of the Chambley Group. If you just want the patch and will put it on something of your own, you can do that for \$15.00. The cups are to be ordered directly from Bob Sisk. 903-473-2272

Shirts and Squadron patches - contact:

Dan McAlister 5365 Rocky Hill Dr. Lilburn, Ga. 30047 770-921-0580 home 404 626-8212 cell email bubbadan@aol.com

Reunion shirts are collared pique golf type shirts with pocket. If you do not want a pocket make a note on your order. The F-86 and wording unique to the 2008 reunion will be embroidered on the left side. The shirts are available in small thru 3X. Available colors are White, Gray, Black, Red or Royal Blue.

SHIRTS ARE \$25.00 EACH

Squadron logo patches are available for the 72 nd, 416 th and 531 st squadron.

PATCHES ARE \$15.00 EACH

SHIPPING IS \$5.00 PER ORDER

To order, email or write Dan (address above) indicating what you want. Please clearly indicate how many, size and color. Send a check payable to Dan McAlister to the address above for the items ordered plus \$5.00 shipping. Please provide your name, shipping address and email address or phone number in case Dan has any questions.

Feel free to contact Dan if you have any questions or any special requests.

Imprinted on Shirts
Chambley Air Base, France Reunion
18th Year Reunion
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

b. Mugs w/F86 and squadron Logos: Bob Sisk - 903-473-2272

5. <u>DUES AND ROSTER UPDATES</u>; <u>Dues</u>, <u>address changes</u>, <u>and additions</u> <u>are posted to the web site quarterly</u>. <u>The Chambley financial statement will be posted monthly</u>. We have 350 members on our roster with only about 15% actively keeping their dues current. Dues keeps our organization afloat, for

example this single page mail out with postage cost \$341.13. For those of you who continue to support us on an annual basis, A BIG THANKS TO EACH OF YOU. I take this opportunity to remind you we no longer have the financial resources to produce those beautifully annual recap booklets that Chuck Timms provided. Our member ship is growing smaller each year.

ATTENTION SON AND DAUGHTERS OF CHAMBLEY: WE HOPE YOU WILL CONTINUE YOUR INTEREST IN THE CHAMBLEY HISTORY AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO KEEP YOUR AND OUR EXPERIENCES ALIVE.

6. THE NEW WEB SITE IS: www.chambleyab.com - check us out and we are looking for your input and bio's. BIO's - as recorded in previous news releases, may of you have great career stories......PLEASE share those moments with us in "WHAT EVERY HAPPENED TO" you.

7. THE SABRE STAFF

Director: Bob Sisk

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Web-Master: Joe McClain

Thanks to Joe, we have a great web site. I cannot thank him enough for the work is doing.....so give him a call and say THANKS, JOE. Joe was a two stripper in Field Maintenance and went on to retire as an Army Warrant Officer in the Medical field. We have an exciting program because of Joe McClain.

SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL AND BEST WISHES FOR JOYOUS NEW YEAR IN 2008.....THE SABRE STAFF

P.S. The sooner you make reservations the better handle we have on the events that we are planning. A program such as this does not just evolve over-night.

Thanks......Bob and Collene