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Joint Chapter Christmas Party

December 3, 2016

San Diego - Gen JP Holland - Camp Pendleton

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This was the 2nd Annual Joint Chapter Christmas Party held at the Bernardo Heights Country Club. This year, the San Diego Chapter hosted our annual Christmas Party and planned and executed the silent auction. The Holland Chapter members provided five of the thirteen baskets auctioned. The San Diego and Camp Pendleton Chapters provided the remaining eight baskets. The silent auction earned \$575. Our members and guests also brought in over two dozen new toys to be given to military children during the Christmas Season. From our Past National Commander, Debbie Kash, "Saturday's party was really fun. Thank you for all the wonderful baskets donated and for all the generous buyers. We had 13 great baskets in the silent auction which earned the YLC \$575! We also had a lot of toys donated! Having fun while doing a lot of good that's my kind of party. Attached are the pictures I took during the party. I hope you enjoy! Merry Christmas, Debbie."





For the Good of the Order

Old Bold Pilots

Oceanside, CA



"Courage is doing what you're afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you're scared"

The Old Bold Pilots (OBP) group meet for breakfast at the Oceanside Denny's off El Camino Real every Wednesday at 0700. The group was founded by four P-47 Fighter Pilots in 1984.

These men meet to enjoy the companionship, tell stories, to talk about the past, the present, and the future. They are men who were young Patriots and now, are seasoned veterans of what it means to be an American Patriot. Most any OBP you talk to is a true "War Hero."



Don Donohue (11) is up in the air about things during Sewart's game with the 188th Airborne Regiment team from Fort Campbell, Ky. The Carriers lost this one, 66-45.
Photo by A. JC Metzmaier

This Month's Old Bold Pilot is LTCOL Don Donohue, USAF (Ret). Don was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, February 6, 1930 of an Irish Truck Driver Father and an Immigrant Italian Mother. Don was raised in a Catholic, Midwestern Family environment with sports being the primary interest of the entire family. During that period in America, everyone worked and contributed to the Family. Don cut grass, shoveled snow/coal, worked on a vegetable truck, delivered newspapers from the back of a horse-drawn buggy, worked in a grocery store, a pool hall and delivered mail for the US Post Office to help the family. He played high school basketball and earned his varsity letter in his sophomore year. The coach excused him from Saturday practice because he had to work. "I managed to be an Honor Student and a charter member of the National Mathematics Honor Society. I played semi-pro baseball, in the Buckeye League, and tried out with the Yankees and Brooklyn in 1947. I made enough money to buy my (future) wife an engagement ring. I attended the University of Cincinnati for 2 years and studied Electrical Engineering. I dropped out and worked at the Headquarters of Albere Super Markets, running business machines in their accounting office. I took night classes in various business subjects, in addition to playing semi-pro baseball and basketball. My dad was a Corporal in Eddie Rickenbacker's 94th Aero Squadron (WWI). My brother was a 17 year old 2nd LT in WWII. I was the youngest Fully Qualified Air Raid Warden in Cincinnati (12 yrs. old).

Don is #11 High and in the Middle



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OLD BOLD PILOTS *(Continued from page 2)*

Don enlisted in the USAF in 1951. During his first tour of duty, he completed Aircraft and Power Plant Schools and got married. Over the next two years, Don became a C-119 Crew Chief, completed R-4360 Engine Specialist School, and had his first son. He entered OCS (Mustang) in March 1953, graduating in September of that year, and had his 2nd son. In October of 1953, he entered pilot training, flying the PA-18, T-6, T-28, and the T-33, graduating in September, 1954. That same year he became an Instructor Pilot in the T-28 and T-33. In 1955 thru 1957, Don was sent to Germany to be an Instructor Pilot in the T-33, in MDAP School and the German Air Force. He flew with students from 14 different countries and was the Instructor of the 1st class of Jet Instructors Pilots after WWII (Aug 57). Here his 3rd son was born. In 1958, he attended Maintenance Officer School. From 1958 thru 1962, Don worked a variety of Maintenance Officer positions and aircraft, including C-47s, T-33s, H-19, H-13, L-20, F-101, F-102, and completed Squadron Officer School, and had his 4th son.



F-101 Voodoo

Don was then assigned to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and Area 51, from 1962 thru 1965. He became the Maintenance Officer for Support Aircraft (F-101, T-33, H-43, C-130)) and the understudy for the Director of Material. His flying duties included Chase, Instructor, and Flight Test Pilot for the F-101 and T-33. Don flew the Chase Plane for the first Official flight of the A-12. He also flew the F-101 using special fuel, to test Engine Relites, due to the high Flash Points of the fuel. Don also, demonstrated air refueling with a KC-135, and 12 engine relites (6-left engine, 6 right engine). Don completed Command and Staff School (by correspondence) prior to his transfer to his next Command. It took two Air Force Officers to replace Don and his knowledge and skills in Maintenance and Operational Qualifications.



A-12 and F-101

photo via the Tony Landis collection

Don was then assigned to YF-12, Joint Test Force, Edwards AFB, where he was the Maintenance Officer for the YF-12, Joint Test Force. He was responsible for two YF-12 test aircraft. Since this Program was New and Unique, he had to establish Requirements, Policies, and Procedures to conform to Air Force Standards. Numerous radar and missile launches were successfully tested by the YF-12. On May 1, 1965 the YF-12 set eight (8) World Speed records, and altitude records. All of these records were set despite a Presidential restriction of 2000 MPH and a ceiling of 80,000 feet. During the Speed Tests, the YF-12 was turned around for three (3) Mach flights in one day. It was turned for a 4th flight, if required to fly. During one turn, 19 Titanium cracks were repaired.



F-104 Starfighter

“Thanks to Jim Eastham, LAC YF Test Pilot and Kelly Johnson, I was able to fly the F-104 without cockpit time, Simulator time, or dual flight time. I did read the manual.” Don was now qualified to fly the F-104 as a Chase Pilot for the YF and SR-71 test flights.

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OLD BOLD PILOTS *(Continued from page 3)*



F-4 Phantom

After the YF-12 Program was terminated, “I was placed on a 5 year Travel Restriction by the CIA. I got permission to lift my travel restriction so I could fly F-4’s and volunteer for South East Asia (SEA). I graduated as “Top Gun Straffe” with my Mother and Father in attendance. The CIA reinstated the Restriction the day my class graduated.

Don was assigned to the 475th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW), from 1968-1971.

The wing operated from two countries and three (3) bases. Misawa, Japan was Headquarters. Taegu, Korea was for training, and Kunsan, Korea for Nuclear Alert. The three (3) Fighter Squadrons would rotate to Taegu for thirty (30) days every month. **“My operational duties were interrupted by multiple Maintenance Duties whenever maintenance got in trouble. This included a Saturday AM call to go to Kunsan. I was met at the aircraft**



by the Wing Vice Commanding Officer and Ralph Brooks, former Thunderbird Leader. Ralph was in route to DaNang with twenty (20)

F-4E’s, when he was diverted to Kunsan. A Navy EC-121 was shot down by the North Koreans. He did not have a Maintenance Officer with his squadron. I was given the task of getting the Unit on Air Defense Alert in 48 hours and establish a Maintenance Program. Everything was

accomplished and I returned to Misawa forty days later.”

1971 thru 1973, Don completed his Korean Tour as the Commanding Officer of Organizational Maintenance and state-side as the Chief of Maintenance, Aeronautical Systems Division, Air Force Flight Test Wing.

Don retired in July, 1973 in Las Vegas without a plan. By 1979, he owned and operated the Grand Canyon Air Tour Operations. Don also owned Las Vegas Piper - Dealership and Flight School and D & J Aircraft Services - Full Line Service. His contribution to the Las Vegas economy was \$23+/- million per year.



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Pictures from the November Meeting





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Pictures From Joint Chapter Christmas Party





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Commanders Corner



Dear Companions and Friends of the Chapter—The Holidays are past and the New Year has begun at a rapid pace. Soon the Spring will lead to Summer and the Chapter will be presenting JROTC Medals and certificates and sending great young men and women to SDYLC. I ask again for your support for this year to generously give to these noble causes.

I am proud to inform you, that **the 2016 Winner of the MOWW National Phoenix Essay Award**, has been selected from the San Diego Youth Leadership Conference (SDYLC) attendees. This award is given to a graduate of the past year's conference, from the many thousands of young men and women attending a Youth Leadership Conference (YLC) throughout the Nation. This is the second time a winner has been selected from the SDYLC in the last four (4) years. I congratulate the CEO and Director of the SDYLC, Companion Travis Putnam. His Leadership Dedication, and Hard Work is directly responsible for the success of his attendees. I also congratulate his staff (including Past National Commander Debbie Kash) and student assistants who have greatly contributed to this highly successful Program. Travis's goal, each year, is to have 50 students attend this conference. The quotas have been to far below this reasonable number, for lack of funds. I ask you all, to financially support this wonderful, Patriotic Program. The cost to send one student is \$400. Donations can be made all year round to support this noble cause of the Military Order of World Wars (MOWW). **We must all work hard to recruit new members to join our Chapter of the MOWW.** Family and friends is a good start for new members. God Bless, and may this New Year be Happy, Healthy, and Fruitful.

The General John P Holland Chapter is the local Chapter of the MOWW located in Rancho Bernardo, California. The Chapter meets on the first Saturday of the month except for July. The luncheon/meeting is held at the Bernardo Heights Country Club, located at 16066 Bernardo Heights Parkway, San Diego, CA 92128. Typical attire is coat and tie, but dress comfortably as you desire. The meeting starts at 1130, followed by an excellent luncheon at 1145. The cost of the luncheon s \$22 (\$23 for Buffet). Guests Speakers follow lunch, and usually speak for 30-45 minutes. Come join us and see if this organization is for you.

Birthdays

Calendar of Events

General Meeting - Jan 7th
GSP – Lcdr Robert Kihm, FA-18 Combat Instructor Pilot

Business Meeting - Jan 7th
1030, BHCC

General Meeting-Feb 4th,
GSP– Paul Breed, Rocket- designer and Breezy pilot

General Meeting-Mar 4th,
GSP - LtCol Don Donahue
Blackbirds in Area 51

Business Meeting - Mar 4th

January

14th Andre LeCault
15th Arnold Regardie
27th Tom Morgan



February

None

Anniversaries

January - NONE

February - NONE



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Pictures From Joint Chapter Christmas Party





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Guest Speaker February 4th

Paul Breed - Rockets and the “Breezy”

Paul T. Breed

Embedded Systems Engineer



Paul T Breed grew up in Alaska where his father ran a bush air-line. He learned to fix and build things at a young age out of necessity. He has an engineering degree from Harvey Mudd college and has been working as an embedded systems engineer for 25 years.

Paul is the CEO of the company he started, called Unreasonable Rockets. He has been working with his son, Paul A. Breed, 21, building a rocket for the Lunar Lander Competition. **Ninety five percent of the work for Unreasonable Rockets is by this father and son team. Paul and his son won the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics' (AIAA) Innovative Research Award for the San Diego Chapter in 2009.** The AIAA is a professional society for the field of aerospace engineering. The AIAA was founded in 1963 from the merger of two earlier societies; the American Rocket Society, founded in 1930 as the American Interplanetary Society and the Institute of the Aerospace Sciences, founded in 1932 as the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences.



Paul is also developing a small launcher for smallsat orbital deployment.



Paul is the first person to build his rocket design by using a 3-D printer. Initial test of this 3-D printer rocket were interesting to say the least. Investigation, analysis, and redesigning portions of the rocket, have lead to more favorable results.

Paul has a particular vision for the future of operations in space. Unique and innovative, his ideas are receiving notice from the most unlikely sources.

Paul is also an aviation enthusiast. He flies his LRU-1 “Breezy” for relaxation and the pure fun of flying like a bird.



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Guest Speaker March 4th

LtCol Don Donohue - Area - 51



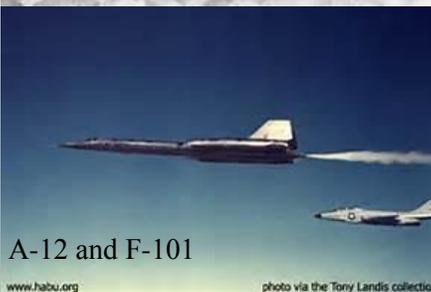
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A-12 and F-101



F-104 Starfighter



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Plaque of Appreciation for November



Andy Keech

The Companions and Guests of the General J. P. Holland Chapter sincerely thank you for sharing your most informative and entertaining presentation, "The Flying Suit," used by extreme parachutists. These daring men and women glide thru the Swiss Alps, missing the mountain peaks by mere feet, pulling their chute only when approaching the valley below. We were most intrigued by your amazing video of these Extreme Parachutists. We wish you the very Best in your future endeavors.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"



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Jim and Sharon Oster

The Companions and Guests of the General J. P. Holland Chapter sincerely thank you for your Loyal Service to the Gen. JP Holland Chapter. We will miss your Companionship and Friendship. May God Bless you both. We wish you the very Best in your future endeavors.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"



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Tour of Beach Masters Unit One

Dear Companions and Friends

Commander Jessica O'Brien

Commanding Officer

Has invited the members of the

General J. P. Holland Chapter

to

Tour Beach Masters Unit One

3205 Attu Road, Coronado, CA 92118

Bldg. 80

February 2, 2017

Thursday

0900 - 1100

Coronado Amphibious Base

RSVP - Nick Herbka at

858-254-4905



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Chaplain's Corner



Rabbi Dr. Bruce H. Charnov Ph.D. J.D. FRAeS

CAPT CHC USN (Ret)

Picking and Choosing

Akiva ben Joseph (c. 40 – c. 137 CE) was a poor illiterate shepherd boy who rose to become the greatest rabbinic sage of his age before being martyred by the Romans. When asked for the most important principle in the Jewish Bible, he chose “you shall love your neighbor as yourself: (Leviticus 19:18). He believed that love was the most important value in human relationships.

(Scholarly note – there are two Bibles: The Jewish Bible, written in biblical Hebrew and Aramaic with loan words from other ancient languages, has been read and preserved by the Jewish People for over 3,000 years. The Christian Bible consists of the Christian translation of the Jewish Bible, called the Old Testament, and the New Testament, with the Old Testament not being identical with the Jewish Bible. For example, the Hebrew word “Sheol” denotes the underworld, a place of darkness to which both the righteous and unrighteous go after death. When the Hebrew Bible was translated into Greek in ancient Alexandria c. 200 C.E., “Sheol” became “Hades” and acquired the characteristics of Hell found in the Old Testament. But enough of scholarship . . . back to the interesting stuff)

There are those, however, in our time who would selected a verse from the very next chapter in Leviticus to justify their passionate demand that homosexuals be denied rights and even be put to death: “If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.” (Leviticus 20:13) Those who would kill their fellow men based on this verse, however, are faced with a serious dilemma – are they also going to enforce the other Biblical verses that call for the death penalty, some of which *inter alia*, are:

“For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood shall be upon him.” (Leviticus 20:9)

“If, however, this charge is true, that evidence of the young woman’s virginity was not found, then they shall bring the young woman out to the entrance of her father’s house and the men of her town shall stone her to death” (Deuteronomy 22:20)

“If someone has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey his father and mother, who does not heed them when they discipline him, then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his town at the gate of that place. They shall say to the elders of his town, “This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey us. He is a glutton and a drunkard.” Then all the men of the town shall stone him to death.” (Deuteronomy 21:18)