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CHAPTER XVI MAN & WOMAN OF THE YEAR WAYNE & YOKO KARVONEN

Wayne has been the Chapter treasurer for several years. He is one of those Chapter officers whose ability and leadership has made the Chapter run well over the years.

Wayne's lovely wife Yoko is one of a handful of ladies, whose presence and willingness to help out, give the Chapter a wonderful feeling of civilization and gentleness.

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**CHAPLIAN JAKE'S
CORNER**

GOD'S BLESSING OR OURS?

Do you recall the children's fable that tells of a dog that received a nice, juicy steak bone from his master? Holding the treasure tightly between his teeth he headed toward a nearby field. However, as he crossed a small footbridge, he noticed a dog standing beneath the bridge that looked just like himself. Taking a closer look, he realized his rival also had the same type of bone in his mouth.

A sudden flash of greed shot through his mind and he lunged after the other dog's bone. There was a splash and then a whimper. What he had seen was his own reflection in the water below. When he tried to grab the other dog's bone, he lost his bone as well.

We often take for granted the gifts God provides for us. We look at others and think, it's not fair. I should be the one who has the new car or house or promotion.

There is never a time God fails to provide for us in an abundant way. When we reach for things other than what He has for us, we end up the losers. Just like the dog that lost his bone we lose our peace, joy and happiness.

Learn to be content with the things God has given you. Pray when there is a need. He wants to hear about your desires and hopes. But be willing to wait for His timing. Give Him the opportunity to bless you instead of you seeking to bless yourself.

THE YEAR'S BEST [ACTUAL] HEADLINES OF 2003:

1. Crack Found on Governor's Daughter
2. Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says
3. Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers
4. Iraqi Head Seeks Arms
5. Is There a Ring of Debris around Uranus?
6. Prostitutes Appeal to Pope
7. Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over
8. Teacher Strikes Idle Kids
9. Miners Refuse to Work after Death
10. Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant
11. War Dims Hope for Peace
12. If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last Awhile
13. Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures
14. Enfield (London) Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide
15. Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges
16. Man Struck By Lightning Faces Battery Charge
17. New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group
18. Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft
19. Kids Make Nutritious Snacks
20. Chef Throws His Heart into Helping Feed Needy
21. Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half
22. Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors
23. And the winner is....
Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead

FUTURE EVENTS

“JK” Wright

Memorial Breakfast

Day: Oct. 2 & first Sat of each month

Time: 09:00 hours

Place: Happy Days Dinner
11521 Bridgeport Way S W
Lakewood
Off I-5 McChord Exit 125

This breakfast is held in memory of all our comrades who have jumped to the big DZ in the sky. All members of the SF family are invited to join with their comrades for these remembrances.

Dinosaurs' Luncheon

Day: Sep. 24 & last Fri of each month

Time: 11:30 hours

Place: Fort Lewis. Golf Course.

I-5 South of Fort Lewis, Take exit 116 (Mounds Rd.) Golf Course is on west side of I-5

Membership Meeting

Day: Oct. 9 & the second Sat of each even numbered month.

Time: 10:00 hours

Place: Team house

Party & Pot-Luck Dinner

Day: Oct. 9

Time: 12:00 hours

Place: Team house
17650 SE 295th Street
Kent WA

Directions to Team house: From I-5 traveling north toward Seattle take Exit 142 A on to State Highway 18. Traveling south on I-5 toward Tacoma take Exit 142 B and turn left onto State Highway 18. Go approximately 11 miles on Hwy 18 to the 272nd Street SE/Hwy 516 Exit. Turn right onto 272nd St SE and go east about one-half mile to SE Wax Road (there will be a McDonalds on your right) turn right onto SE Wax Road. At the end of Wax Road, turn left onto SE Covington-Sawyer Road. Follow Covington-Sawyer for about a mile to a sign on the right that reads 179th PL SE/AIRPORT. Turn right and then bear right at the Y ahead. Continue on 288th Ave SE. Bear left and proceed to SE 295th Street and turn left again. 295th ends in a cul-de-sac. To the left is the Team house. Lost?

DINOSAURS LUNCHEON IN ATTENDANCE WERE

Joseph Chambers
Sa Won Chang
Robert Ervin
Bill Frye
Butch Hall
Bart Heimness
Mike Karr
Wayne Karvonen
Fred Kropp
Stephen Kubiszewski
Bud Lawson
Nick Marvais
Bill Morrow
Ron Nakahara
Al Park
Kevin Patton
Eulis Presley
Capt. Ron Rismon
Hugo Sills
Mark Terry
Ted Wicorek
Fred Zabitoski in memory of

J.K. WRIGHT MEMORIAL BREAKFAST

IN ATTENDANCE WERE

Fred Callahan
Mike Cassidy
Glen Craig
Skip Ettinger
Bob Head
Wayne Karvonen
Yoko Karvonen
Ron Nakahara
Kevin Patton
Jerry Pool in memory of
Eulis Presley
Ted Wicorek



Photos of the J.K. Wright Memorial Breakfast at the Happy Days Diner.



Bob Head and Wayne Karvonen taking some time to talk about current issues. Bob is the Chapter's new secretary and we are all looking forward to working with him.

OpinionEditorials.com

September 06, 2004

A Fundamental Fact Of War With Fundamentalists

/Bob Newman/

There's nothing so clarifying as standing among hundreds of dead bodies. I've had to do that a couple of times: once in 1983 when I was the Marine Corps' liaison to the FBI forensics team working to identify 241 dead Marines and sailors who had perished in Beirut, and the second time in Kuwait on the Highway to Hell, where hundreds of Iraqi soldiers paid the ultimate price for their crimes against humanity in a grisly, miles-long jumble of mangled vehicles on the road between Kuwait City and Basra. (Sometimes nightmares of the Beirut bodies haunt me, but the Highway to Hell bodies never invade my sleep, I suppose because the latter were scum-sucking bottom feeders who got what was coming to them.) Experiences such as these clarify things in one's mind because it reveals a basic truism many Americans still cannot—and perhaps never will—grasp. That truism is that we are at war with fundamental Islam.

Many Americans can't or won't understand this, some because they are simply too stupid or naïve to get a grip on the fact that we are at war with a monster that wants every American man, woman and child dead, and others because of their blinding hatred for a president who is quite clearly willing to do his duty.

The slaughter at a school in southern Russia should not have come as a surprise to anyone, but it no doubt did to some. I first began warning in the fall of 2001 that Muslim terrorists would target schools filled with children. Some self-proclaimed terrorism analysts also in the media disagreed with me, saying terrorists would not intentionally target kids because of the negative publicity. These pundits fail to understand the underlying tenet of terrorism, which is any publicity is good publicity when that publicity is seen by certain factions as Islam striking back at who tens of millions of Muslims perceive as their enemy. And their perceived enemy's children, according to scores of Muslim clerics around the world (and governments like those of Syria and Iran) are just as legitimate and valuable a target as adults.

Why? Because those children are not only the spawn of infidel evil, but they will soon grow into adulthood, from which additional evil, such as Western influence, concepts, values and principles, will come.

The greatest fear of fundamentalist Islam is that the West will reveal this vile hoard to be precisely that: a maniacal mob of feral fiends in league with Beelzebub. Yet it matters not to many Americans how many innocents die gruesome deaths at the hands of these killers, for some politically correct, sensitive Americans, and perhaps even more Europeans of the same ilk, fatally insist on believing we can talk these brutes out of it. Nevertheless, reality tells those who will listen to reason that, just as you can't talk a black mamba out of chasing you down and biting you, nor can you talk fascist jihadists out of it. They've gone after Israeli children and now Russian children. Eventually American children will be targeted. Those who don't believe that are fools. France and now Russia have learned how strategically unsound it is to refuse to fight terrorists abroad, for reports say 10 of the schoolyard terrorists were Arabs; hired guns on loan from al Qaeda. Will we, too, succumb to pressure from the foolhardy to pull back? Our enemy understands two things: pain and death.

Given this undeniable fact, if we are to prevent this festering faction of Islam from repeating their heinous deeds of last week on American soil, we must stand and deliver horrific pain and grim death to their doorstep, regardless of where that doorstep is found and regardless of what the corrupt and morally bankrupt United Nations has to say about it.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

I never put anything of a political nature in the newsletter, but this article was so well written and so timely I felt it must be included. The newsletter must represent the entire membership so I edited out the political overtones.

**ANNIVERSARIES
OCT.**

Jorge & Alice Calero	7th
Hom & Yec Tong Deo	20th
Hoa & Dung Hoang Dieu	22nd
Juan & Gina Fernandez	3rd
Walt & Irene Fiedler	31st
Ed & Vicki Fleming	17th
Domingo & Mary Floresta	2nd
Steve & Dolly Gough	7th
James & Opal Greene	31st
Kenneth & Darla Hurst	24th
Ben & Kyle Hwang	1st
Brian & Shannon Jaenicke	4th
Charles & Kathryn Knight	31st
Charles & Colleen Kraus	10th
James & Diane Lake	7th
John & Tsuruko Larsen	5th
John & Terri Libert	8th
Warren & Debra Martin	30th
Nick & Reiko Marvais	11th
Norm & Lil Moffett	25th
Ronald & Monique Riley	20th
Bill & Jane Slawson	26th
Lewis & Vermadene Vasey	19th
Stephen & Kennette Weatherford	22nd

**HAPPY OCT. BIRTHDAY
MEMBERS**

Stanley Allison	19th
John Berry	18th
Colin Chaffee	9th
Bobby Frazier	24th
Tom Garcia	14th
Kenneth Garrett	29th
Tony Grey	2nd
Walt Hetzler	10th
Al Hill	26th
Harold Jorgensen	31st
Elroy Leppard	27th
Jim Lessler	8th
Keith Long Kei	6th
Bryon Loucks	11th
Dick Noble	21st
Al Park	26th
Bill Pere	13th
Danny Poulos	24th
Richard Reilley	31st
Sean Rooney	19th
Sol Saffery	11th
Kurt Schmid	4th
Jason Sepanic	5th
Michael Sherlock	25th
Duke Snider	11th
Robert Stevens	18th
Richard Thomas	22nd
Dennis Thompson	16th
John Weaver	29th
Bill Wheeler	29th

**HAPPY OCT. BIRTHDAY
SPOUSES**

Yoko Backer	21st
Carol Craig	30th
Stevie Crisson	7th
Patricia Davis	4th
Sheila De La Montagne	29th
Karen Doran	27th
Barbara Foster	27th
Sumiko Hannah	25th
Tina Harrington	13th
Brenda Hawkins	11th
Michelle Kau Johnston	22nd
Fry Kerr	8th
Tsuruko Larsen	10th
Luom Le Lo Sa	10th
Phim Tran Lu	12th
Debra Martin	19th
Eileen McEtchin	20th
Amy Miller	17th
Edith Morgan	28th
Frances Murphy	3rd
Debbie Perry	1st
Monique Riley	26th
Doris Robbins	17th
Hye Tong Robinson	12th
Julie Rooney	15th
Christine Sills	5th
Kathleen "Kasy" Smythe	31st
Christie Vault	12th

"NOTES"

Chapter XVI President Capt. Ron Rismon is looking for a V42 fighting knife, if you have one you wish to sell call Capt. Ron at 1(253) 630-0570.

Two donations

Col. Roger Donlon \$100.00 General Fund
Mike Karr \$13.50 50/50 Donation

TREASURY REPORT

Checking Account	
Begin Balance	\$1,290.12
Deposits	\$2,516.49
Disburses	\$3,223.33
End Balance	\$ 583.28
Savings Account	
Begin Balance	\$ 58.29
Interest	\$.03
End Balance	\$ 58.32
CD Account	
Begin Balance	\$3,236.94
Interest	\$3.98
End	\$3,240.92
QM Account	
Begin Balance	\$ 534.65
Deposits	\$549.00
Interest	\$ 0.11
Disburses	\$256.10
Bank Charge	\$ 4.00
End Balance	\$ 823.78
Total Bank Accounts	\$4,706.30
Physical Assets	\$5,595.00
Total Net Worth	\$10,301.30



1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) Special Activities Association First In Asia Fund



15 September 2004

First Special Forces Group First In Asia Up Date

Thanks to every one who donated to the memorial wall. As every one knows we are completed through phase 4. Phase 5 will be the addition of electricity and lights around the entire site. Phase 6 will be to resurface the old stone and engraving the names of our Canadian counterparts from PPCLI and other supporting units.

The project is funded through the completion of phase 4. We are continuing to sell engraved bricks (\$125) until all necessary funds are raised. The long-term intent is to have every brick in the walkway and patio engraved. We still have prints of the Jim Dietz painting "Free The Oppressed" for \$100. The board has also elected to sell a brick and a print for \$200.

First in Asia will also be sponsoring the Menton Day Ball for the group. The ball will be at the Sheraton in Tacoma on December 3rd. FIA will be taking donations and seeking corporate sponsorships to defray the cost of the event. Mark your calendars and if you know someone who might be interested in helping to sponsor the event please put them in contact with us.

Tax deductible donations can be sent to FIA, PO Box 33944, Ft. Lewis, WA 98433. Points of contact are SFC Kevin Patton at kevinpatton@comcast.net or cell at 253-208-8388, CSM Mike Sherlock at 967-8719 or CSM Perry Davis at 967-8600.

Sincerely,

Kevin Patton
First in Asia

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