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"Shell and Flame"



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This is the seventh edition of your AMMO Chiefs Association "*Shell and Flame*" newsletter. This edition of the newsletter is being sent to you to provide information about the ACA, a not-for-profit organization of active and retired AMMO Chiefs. Please visit the AMMO Chiefs web page for more information at <http://ammochiefs.com>. The 8th edition will be mailed in March 2006.



🎖️ ACA Awards Night 🎖️

If you couldn't attend the annual ACA Awards Night social function, you missed a great event. Members and guests arrived at 1800 for cocktail hour. There was great conversation and socializing until dinner. Old friend met and renewed past friendships. Mark Madamba opened the dinner with a few remarks and congratulations to all award winners. Award categories presented were the AFCOMAC and School House awards, 2005 Worldwide AMMO Bowl Award, and the Shell and Flame Award recognition of LG (Ret) Leo Marquez. After diner, Big John Greer recognized and toasted the Worldwide AMMO Bowl winner, 20EMS, Shaw AFB, SC. He presented the Shaw representatives with their rotating trophy to be retained

at the 20th EMS until the 2006 Worldwide AMMO Bowl winners are determined. Darrell Beasley gave a quick rundown on the School House Top Graduate award criteria. Students must maintain a 95%tile average or higher to receive this award. In 2004/2005, there were only nine (9) students to accomplish this monumental feat. (The nine recipients are identified in the attachment to this newsletter).

Darrell then gave a rundown on the AFCOMAC award criteria. AFCOMAC award recipients are selected by the class based on their performance during the Iron Flag exercise portion of the class. Basic AMMO knuckle dragging, asskicking, and bomb building ability count big for this award. The AFCOMAC faculty does not select these winners. (Names of AFCOMAC award winners are identified in the attachment to this newsletter).

Mark recognized and toasted the awardee of the Shell & Flame Award, LG Leo Marquez, for his lifetime support and contributions to the AMMO Community. Mark closed the awards dinner with words of congratulations and announced the 2006 Reunion with hopes to see everyone there next year in Reno, NV.

Mark also announced the ACA donated \$1,000 to the CMSgt. Richard

Gauvin Scholarship Fund at AFCOMAC for 2004 and 2005.

The final event of the evening was music and dancing. The DJ started playing oldies music and everyone enjoyed dancing to the oldies and socializing the rest of the evening. A great night for all who attended and a great night to recognize AMMO's Best of the Best!!



◆* Reunions ◆*

◆* 2006 ACA Reunion ◆*

The ACA has approved Reno, Nevada as the site for the 2006 ACA Reunion, being held in conjunction with an important milestone; the 20th Anniversary of AFCOMAC. Look forward to this being the biggest and best ACA reunion to date! Mike Roylance (MikeRoylance@comcast.net) and Jerry Modlin (je464399@worldnet.att.net) are the POCs for the upcoming reunion. If you have any events you'd like to suggest for this upcoming reunion, pass them on to Mike or Jerry. It's not too early to start planning! Visit <http://ammochiefs.com> for more information.



◆* AMMO Schoolhouse Initiative ◆*

See the AMMO Chiefs web page for information at <http://ammochiefs.com>. The schoolhouse is still taking information about AMMO Chiefs. If you haven't sent in your biography and picture yet, now's a good time to do it!!

◆* ACA Memorial Initiative ◆*

We need your help!! The ACA is considering placing a monument or memorial at either the AMMO Schoolhouse at Sheppard AFB, TX or AFCOMAC at Beal AFB, CA, or both. The monument should reflect on the pride, hard work, and professionalism we have experienced in being AMMO Troops. This memorial would be dedicated to those past, present, and future AMMO Troops, with the intent of helping to promote and foster the continued tradition of pride and professionalism in our AMMO career field. To do this, we need your help. We are looking for your **ideas** as to what would be an appropriate, suitable monument/memorial that reflects the positive aspects of being an AMMO Troop. Secondly, we are looking for **artistic talent** that can translate this concept into reality. Please, if you can devote your time either way, contact either Rich McVey at randrmcvey@classicnet.net or John Matthews at AmmoChief63@Comcast.net. We are hoping to make this a reality in time for the 20th Anniversary of AFCOMAC and the 2006 ACA Reunion.



◆* Chapter News ◆*

◆* Virginia Chapter

The Virginia Chapter had a meeting and social on December 10th at Bill McCullough's house. The event started at 1300 hrs. Topics for discussion at the meeting were Virginia Chapter logo and other business as identified on the agenda. The ACAVC

I am always interested in helping my fellow Ammo Chiefs and Vets. By the way, I also know how to get free prescription medications for senior citizens living on social security and assistance in getting reduced prices for others who exceed the annual income limitations.

Thanks,

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In case you haven't heard, the ACA held elections in September and October this year. The following ACA members have been elected to the offices identified:

Vice President	Rich McVey
Secretary	John Greer
Orator	Johnny Long
Director at Large 3	John Cecere

The winners assume their posts on January 1, 2006. Congratulations to all.



New active duty AMMO Chiefs for the 2006 promotion cycle are:

Patrick Adams

Timothy Culbertson

Larry Duff

Kevin Greenawalt

Edward Weisheit

Joseph McKenney

Thomas Hittle

Gary Hofstetter

Antonio Johnson

Gerald Thompson

David Torelli

Congratulations to you all!!



AMMO School ACA Top Performers



Airman Justin L. Sheaffer	20041112	97%
Airman Barry A. Smith	20050427	99%
Airman Chad W. Johnson	20050502	97%
Airman Jason R. Matias	20050525	98%
Airman Kevin M. Wiemann	20050601	95%
Airman Robert Segrin	20050608	97%
Airman Michael R. Farrell	20050624	96%
Airman Ty R. Melton	20050714	98%
Airman Geoffrey R. Dooley	20050901	97%

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AFCOMAC Top Performers



0401, SSgt Damian M. Quillinan, Langley AFB

0402, SSgt Jason A. Bartol, Hill AFB

0403, SSgt Ryan J. Percivalle, Medina AFB

0404, MSgt Anthony S. Koberstein, Misawa AB

0406, SSgt Jay Way, Misawa AB

0407, TSgt Troy F. Hultgren, Forbes Field

0408, SSgt Jack D. Pederson, Nellis AFB

0502, SSgt Shane C. Annan, Selfridge ANG

0503, SSgt Anna E. Wray, Luke AFB

0504, TSgt Royce O. Hutchins, Tyndall AFB

0505, SSgt Michael W. Dees, Barksdale AFB

0506, SSgt Patrick J. Hallet, Toledo ANG

0507, SSgt Monica L. Skaggs, Fresno ANG

0508, MSgt William M. Stroup, Travis AFB

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**The ACA BOD
Wishes You and Yours**

Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

An AMMO Recipe

The following recipe is one I use for those cold days when something really warm inside feels good. I'd recommend making this at least two times, once to get familiar with the recipe and the second time to adjust the "flame". Some like it hot!!!

Brown 1 ½ lbs of ground beef (use "not less than 85% lean and you won't have to drain it).

Add ½ chopped onion and salt and pepper before browning.

After the meat has browned, sprinkle the top of the meat with Chili powder (cover entire surface of meat).

Add:

1 Can Stewed Tomatoes

1 Can Campbell's Tomato Soup

1 Can Red Kidney beans (don't drain)

1 Can Mild or Hot Chili Peppers (not drained)

2 Tbsp El Paso Chili sauce

To make it HOT, also add the following:

3 Tbsp El Paso Chili Sauce

1 small jar El Paso Taco Sauce

6 whole Jalapeño peppers

Use McCormick Hot Chili powder instead of regular Chili powder.

After mix comes to a boil, lower heat and simmer covered for 30 minutes. Serve over cooked white rice.