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## Everett (Ducky) Dunn

*By Jim Bostick*

On Jan. 1, 2002, all of us lost a true friend, Everett B. (Ducky) Dunn. Ducky was born Everett Billy Jean Dunn on January 21, 1931, in Livingston, Tennessee. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1951 as a radio operator and electronic warfare technician and retired as a Chief Master Sergeant in 1984. Subsequently, he worked as a field representative for Collins-Rockwell. After his real and final retirement, Ducky and his wife, Jewel, settled in North Carolina. Jewell passed away in October 2000 after a brief battle with cancer. Ducky died at approximately 0015 on January 1 of a massive heart attack. He went quickly and quietly at home after having enjoyed New Year's Eve with his daughter and her family next door. His daughter was with him when he passed away.

His family requests that any memorial contributions be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Children, c/o Sudan Shriners, P.O. Drawer 490, New Bern, NC 28563-0490 or to the charity of one's choice.

All of us who knew Ducky knew him as a loyal friend, a "can do" individual, a devoted family man, a model citizen, a true Air Force professional, and, on frequent occasions, a wild and crazy guy. Clear skies and smooth air, Ducky. We miss you already.

## **The President's Corner**

*By Carl E. Bryant*

The year 2001 has come and gone. It has been a year of disaster, sadness, grieving, and the terrible attacks by the Al-Qaida on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon that killed so many people. The "evil one" surely underestimated the resolve and military might of the USA. The determination and the will of every American to give their all for the cause has defeated the Taliban and Al-Qaida in Afghanistan. Osama Bin Laden is now on the run, with no place to hide! "WE SHALL OVERCOME" with American perseverance!

2002 is the year of healing and planning for the Airborne Command Control Association Reunion, October 9-13, in St. Louis, Missouri. Thanks to Jim Bostick, Reunion Coordinator, for planning this great reunion. Jim has many wonderful tours scheduled in and around this historical city where the west begins. Let each of us spread the word about this great social meeting where we visit with old friends and tell great war stories. I'm extremely optimistic that the St. Louis reunion will be one to remember for years. **"MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS."**

## **Reunion 2002**

From the Reunion Chairman,

*Jim Bostick*

It's coming together, folks. October 9-13, 2002, are the magic dates. The reunion will be held at the Airport Renaissance Hotel St. Louis, a Marriott brand hotel. Rooms are \$89 (plus tax) and include a buffet breakfast for 2 each morning. Rates are guaranteed from 2 days before through 2 days after the reunion. Make your reservations via Marriott central reservations toll free at 1-888-236-2427. Please make your reservations early (now would be good) and be sure to tell the reservations agent that

you are attending the "SAC Airborne Command and Control Association" reunion. The hotel is located adjacent to St. Louis' Lambert International Airport (free shuttle to/from the hotel) and also adjacent to I-70. More information on the hotel is available at [www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com) or [www.renaissancehotels.com](http://www.renaissancehotels.com).

We're still working the menus and tours, but here's the current status. The reunion package will include the welcome reception, a buffet dinner on Thursday, the banquet on Saturday evening, and all registration fees.

Tours currently in the planning stage include:

- Grant's Farm (\$18, 4 hours) - the Busch family estate with a deer park, the famous Clydesdale horses, and beer samples.
- Anheuser Busch Brewery and Historic South Side (\$18, 3.5 hours) - Tour the home brewery of AB and the historic south side of St. Louis with its many architectural highlights.
- Discover St. Louis (\$31, 6 hours) - Tour St. Louis and visit the Arch, Cathedral Basilica, Laclede's Landing, Busch Stadium, Union Station, Old Courthouse, and Forest Park.
- Pioneers, Past and Present (\$20, 5 Hours) - Tour the Boeing Prologue Room aerospace museum and historic St. Charles, the oldest city on the Mississippi.
- Living it up on the Landing (\$44, 3.5+ hours, includes dinner) - Dinner at Hannigan's followed by time to stroll through the Landing and enjoy drinks and music at the many clubs in the area. Travel past the illuminated Arch on the way home.

Other possibilities still in the works are:

- Full tour of the Boeing assembly plant in St. Louis.
- Tour of Scott AFB and Air Mobility Command Headquarters.
- An Evening at the Royal Dumpe - An Old English comedy dinner theater on Laclede's Landing. This would be in place of "Living in up on the Landing" mentioned above.

Please let us know what you'd like to see.

Help us find the best tours and dinner to offer.

## **More on the Reunion**

*By Steve Leazer*

Our Reunion Chairman, Jim Bostick, has proposed some great tours for your consideration. As always, they are prepaid with your registration form. ***Please indicate on your registration form the order of your preferences.*** In the event any tour or event which is cancelled, your advance payment will be refunded to you at the time of registration in St. Louis.

Nearly all of the tours listed require a minimum requirement of 30 participants to book. The first 30 registrants will have preference for the tours. The motor coaches provided with each tour are all 40+ passenger coaches so there will be some room for those whose tours did not have sufficient participants to book.

You will notice when you read the registration form that costs have risen a bit this year. However, your Association is underwriting a part of that cost for those who are paid up members and who preregister. The full cost estimate at this time is \$113.41. The ACCA will offset that cost with \$20.00 for members and their spouse. **So the cost to you if you are a paid up member and you preregister before 1 September is \$93.41 per person for the reunion package (the tours are not included in this price).**

Please note that Friday night is not included in the reunion package. However, Jim is working to get either the "Living it up on the Landing" which includes dinner at Hannigan's or an evening at the Royal Dumpe dinner theater worked out for Friday night. So, if you are interested in either of these events, please select that tour and add the tour price. Otherwise, dinner will be your choice for Friday evening.

Select the tours which you wish to participate. Please indicate your selections in order of preference and include the payment for up to three tours along with the reunion package cost. Forward the completed registration form to Fred Kemp.

Even if your plans to attend the reunion are

tentative, and you feel you can not preregister for the reunion, please let me or Fred Kemp know so that we can include your name in the next newsletter as a probable attendee. Contact your old friends from those days, talk with them and encourage them to attend too. We aren't getting younger and we need to renew those friendships now.

This is shaping up as a great reunion and we look forward to seeing you there!

Editor's note: Some time ago, I received an email from Tim Skaja. We were both maintainers and had both flown as such (although several years apart). I thought you might enjoy his comments. Perhaps you even remember some of these events.

## **Looking Glass**

*By Tim Skaja*

I flew a lot of third shifts as a PACCS In-flight Maintenance troop. As you know, that could get boring at times. I used to try to find things to do to keep myself, and the rest of the crew entertained. I believe I am the first to do all of the listed items ... unless somebody can dispute them.

First to;

Visit the PACCS shop as a high school student, then join the USAF and actually work there!

Have an audible ringer for our phone line at the Airborne Performance Monitor (APM) console. I used to carry it onboard each flight, hook it up, use it, and take it home with me after each flight.

Pour a whole serving of noodle soup into an RO's helmet and O2 mask (not on purpose! things just happen sometimes, as you know).

Have a fondue party onboard the Glass (steak, potatoes, onions, etc.)

Install an 8-track tape player and pipe music to the battle staff and Comm areas.

Bring a yard lawn chair recliner onboard the Glass (In-flight Maintenance had no seat, so I put it next to the left overwing hatch).

Pop popcorn onboard.

Have a clothing article sucked partially out of the aircraft (a door seal blew in the left overwing hatch and my coat, which was hanging next to it, got partially sucked through the opening.

### **From the Secretary**

Let us not forget that while the purpose of the reunion is the renewal of old friendships and the enjoyment of the camaraderie of other warriors, it also is the time that we must select new leaders for the forthcoming two years. Please give some thought to this between now and October. Virtually all of the officer positions will be available, so select one and let the President or Vice President know about it. You can get the word to them via me or directly, as you wish. If we are to continue as a vibrant organization, then someone has to take the yoke, set the heading and adjust the altitude.

Along with new officers, we must also determine at the reunion where we will conduct the next one. There are always lots of ideas for that, but the fact remains that we need someone located in the selected city to serve as the reunion chairman. That means selecting a headquarters, evaluating and coordinating with hotels, seeking and arranging tours, and gathering price information. Please give this a great deal of thought and be prepared to step forward at the business meeting.

### ***How would you like to be... the next Secretary and newsletter editor?***

You can probably tell that my major was not English. I'm sure that at least one of you is saying to yourself that you could do a better job with the newsletter or draft better correspondence than the current Secretary (and you are probably right). So here is your opportunity. The reunion is coming upon us quickly so let the President or me know that you would be interested in becoming the SAC ACCA Secretary for the next two years.

The primary functions of this Secretary are composing and editing the newsletter, initiating

and answering correspondence, maintaining a mailing list database. By far the biggest task is assembling, producing and mailing the newsletter.

The database maintained by the Secretary is a master file which includes the names of every current and former member of the association of which I am aware. It also includes names of those who participated in the ABNCP PACCS program and which have been added and actively solicited for membership. The "official" membership database is maintained by the Treasurer.

Since the business meeting is conducted only once every two years, it is my opinion that it is essential that a prospective Secretary have email access. The vast majority of the routine Association business takes place during the period between reunions and decisions have to be made. The officers have to communicate frequently. Email gives us rapid and frequent capability that snail mail does not. Yes, there is always the telephone, but costs are high for routine discussion.

By the time Reunion 2002 takes place, I will have been doing this job for three years... It's time for new blood. I thank the Association for giving me the opportunity to actively participate these last three years.

### **DUES CURRENT?**

While you still have this newsletter in your hand, please turn it to the page where the mailing label is located and examine the label. The two numeric digits following your name in-

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### **Information, general correspondence, changes of mailing address, newsletter articles or recommendations to:**

Steve Leazer, Secretary SAC ACCA  
6141 Bagley Ave.  
29 Palms, CA 92277-2502

### **New Memberships and renewals to:**

Fred Kemp, Treasurer SAC ACCA  
2356 S Orchard View Dr.  
Green Valley, AZ 85614-1400

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dicating the year to which your dues are paid. Please do not forget that dues for the year 2002 were due on December 31st 2001. If you haven't yet paid your 2002 dues, please take the time to do so at your earliest convenience AND why not include your dues for 2003 while you are at it.

There continues to be confusion regarding the letter "T" on the label. I use a combination of "T" for temporary and then a date. This is indicative of a name that I have received from one of our members who think that a former ABNCP participant, or friend might want to join the ACCA. I add them to the database and send them a couple of cycles of the newsletter as a kind of courtesy. If they have not chosen to join the association I drop them from the mailing after the second cycle. So, if you find a number that begins with a "T" such as T0201 it means you are not a dues paying member, but that I added your name to the mailing list for a couple of courtesy copies of the newsletter in the hope the receiver might be interested in becoming a member of the ACCA.

### **From the Treasurer**

I would like to thank the organization for giving me the opportunity of serving as Treasurer of the SAC Airborne Command Control Association. It has been a rewarding and at times a challenging task. However, after six years, I am stepping down and relinquishing it to someone else. This will be effective at the October 2002 Reunion in St. Louis at the business meeting.

Sandy and I have recently moved to Green Valley, Arizona where we are becoming more and more involved in the community. This, combined with our travels in our R.V., will severely limit my ability to serve as Treasurer. For anyone that is considering the position, I would recommend that you:

1. Have internet access for weekly membership roster updates to the SAC ACCA Secretary and "instant updates" to the reunion chairman and secretary as a reunion approaches. Snail mail won't satisfy the time restrictions and "Ma Bell" could get very expensive.

2. To continue our present checking account (and use up the 200 unused checks we have on hand) a Wells Fargo bank close enough for weekly deposits. Basic duties are:

- a. Maintain the membership roster.
- b. Make deposits of membership dues and reunion reservations.
- c. Balance the check book with the monthly account statement.
- d. Weekly updating of the membership roster and updating the SAC ACCA Secretary of the changes for the mailing list.
- e. Maintain the reunion attendee list and make name tags for those attending. Provide the reunion chairman and the ACCA secretary with the information.
- f. Maintain the accounting records for the organization.
- g. Provide funds as required.

Anyone who is interested in filling this position should contact the SAC ACCA Secretary, Steve Leazer. See address elsewhere in the newsletter.

Fred Kemp, Treasurer, SAC ACCA

### **Comments & Messages**

For you former 8<sup>th</sup> AF Warriors: I recently received a flyer about a reunion called SAC 2002. This reunion will be held May 16-18 at The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum near Savannah Georgia. For more information contact the Museum at (912) 748-8888 OR Tommy Harrison at TGHarrison@AOL.com or (407) 886-1922 OR visit the museum website at [www.mightyeighth.org](http://www.mightyeighth.org).

The following was found inscribed on a "C" ration box by an unknown Marine at Khe Sahn, in 1968. It is as true today as it was then...

**"FOR THOSE WHO FIGHT FOR IT,  
LIFE HAS A SPECIAL FLAVOR THE  
PROTECTED NEVER KNOW..."**



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**Membership Application or Annual Dues**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last, First, Middle

Rank/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Active, Retired, other

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your affiliation with PACCS, ACCS: [Organization - Duty - (Dates)] Examples: [22<sup>nd</sup> ARS - IP (74-82)], [34ARS - BO (63-66)], [HQ SAC - ABS (69-71)], [2<sup>nd</sup> ACCS - In-flight Maint (69-72)], [55<sup>th</sup> SRW - Staff (72-73)], [(4<sup>th</sup> ACCS - Crew Chief (74-76)], [AEAO/40ADIV (74-76)], [SAC Hq - Planner (88-90)].

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Amount Enclosed:

Initial Fee (\$10.00)

Annual Dues (\$15.00)

Reinstatement (\$10.00)

Initial membership requires the payment of the initial fee and dues for the year (\$25.00). Dues are for the period 1 Jan through 31 Dec. Dues are due the first day of January (\$15.00) each year. A reinstatement fee, plus current dues is due for inactive members who wish to reactivate their membership after an absence of two years or more (\$25.00).

Please indicate your preferences regarding the publication of you name and address on membership rosters which may be provided to the membership of ACCA.

I authorize my;  Name and Address to be published on ACCA rosters to the general membership  
 Neither are to be published on ACCA rosters to the general membership.

Send to: SAC/ACCA  
Fred Kemp, Treasurer  
2356 S. ORCHARD VIEW DR.  
GREEN VALLEY, AZ 85614-1400

# SAC ACCA

## REUNION OCT 9 -13, 2002

Mail Completed registration form to:

SAC ACCA  
 Mr. Fred Kemp, Treasurer  
 2356 S. Orchard View Dr.  
 Green Valley, AZ 85614-1400  
 Tel (520) 393-1054

<u>Registration Data</u>
Attendees: _____ _____ <i>(Member, spouse, guest names)</i>
Address: _____
City/State/Zip _____
Telephone No. _____

Reunion Attendance requires current membership in the SAC ACCA. Reunion Package: \$93.41, Includes Registration, Reception (Wed), Buffet Dinner (Thu), Banquet (Sat). Meal prices below reflect full projected actual cost. Individual reunion selections are available at the listed price, plus the \$15.00 registration fee.

Event Date	Event	No. Persons	Cost Each	Total
<b>Oct-2002</b>				
	<b>Registration Fee</b>		X \$15.00	
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Reception</b>		X \$28.00	
Thu 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Buffet Dinner</b>		X \$37.91	
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	See tour - Living it up on the landing		N/A	
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Banquet</b> (choice of chicken or beef)		X \$32.50	
<b>Early-Bird registration:</b> received <i>on or before</i> 1 Sep. 2002 - \$20.00:			X \$93.41	
<b>Regular registration:</b> received after 1 Sep. 2002:			X \$113.41	

I would be interested in the Boeing tour if available.

Pri.	Tours	Cost	Total
( )	<b>Anheuser-Busch Brewery &amp; Historic South Side</b>	X \$18.00	
( )	<b>Discover St. Louis</b>	X \$31.00	
( )	<b>Pioneers Past &amp; Present</b>	X \$20.00	
( )	<b>Living it up on the Landing or Royal Dumpe</b>	X \$44.00	
( )	<b>Grant's Farm</b>	X \$18.00	
<b>Tour Total:</b>			

**Package Total (reunion selection + tour total):**

Note: Registration mailed to Fred Kemp must be received by August 31, 2002. After that date registration should be sent directly to Jim Bostick 1025 Edgewood Dr. O'Fallon, IL 62269-2860. Early submission is greatly appreciated as it helps with planning the numbers and activities. **SEE YOU IN St. Louis**

*SAC Airborne Command Control Assn.  
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*ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED*



**63-8048 at Offutt AFB, Looking Glass Farewell Ceremony 1998  
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