



# West Texas Wing Logbook

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## New Wing Public Information Officer Needed

After four years as West Texas Wing Public Information Officer (a.k.a. PIO or Newsletter Editor), I have turned in my resignation to our Wing Leader, Mark Novak. It's been fun, but like any other job it gets old after a while.

Until a new PIO volunteers, I'll continue to do the newsletter bimonthly in a bulletin/calendar format, instead of the more extensive (and time consuming) detailed version done in the past. Once a new volunteer steps up, I'll do whatever I can to help my replacement get started.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mark Novak or one of the other elected Staff officers. If you would like to get a few more details about what the job involves, please contact me.

Thanks! *Steve Sehnert (ssehnert@bigfoot.com)*

## Gone West

### Jerry Knox

Colonel Edward Gerald (Jerry) Bishop, a member of the Cactus Squadron, went home to be with his Lord on February 16, 2006, at Merrell Gardens of Graham due to complications from congestive heart failure. Jerry was born in Grandfield, Oklahoma, on January 4, 1924, and married Dorene Mildred Knox of Graham when he was a First Lieutenant in the USAAF, in 1944. For the next 33 plus years Jerry served in the United States Air Force, retiring from Active Duty as a Colonel in July 1977. He flew as a combat pilot in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War, flying over 900 combat missions. Jerry was especially active in the First United Methodist Church, the Noon Lions Club of Graham, the Goodfellows, and the Cactus Squadron. Nationally and internationally he was involved with the Air Force Association, the Order of Daedalians (a national fraternity of Military Pilots), and the Association of Old Crows (a national association of professionals in the Electronic Warfare career field). Mildred (who passed away in 2005) and Jerry have three children, Colonel Knox Bishop, USAF Ret, of Graham; Christy Bishop of Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Colonel Greg Bishop, USAF, of Reston, Virginia. They also have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of whom survive them.

### Hugh O'Donnell

Colonel Hugh W. O'Donnell, a member of the West Houston Squadron, passed away suddenly on February 26, 2006 in Ft. Bend County, Texas. Hugh was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on February 11, 1938. A recognized expert in the field of using horizontal directional drilling (HDD) for pipeline construction under waterways and other obstructions, Hugh worked with engineering, pipeline transmission and pipeline construction companies, and he worked on the Mile-by-Mile Design Team for the Trans Alaska Pipeline System. He was a founder, President and CEO of SPIE Horizontal Drilling from 1984 until retiring in 1992 to begin his consulting firm, O'Donnell Associates, Inc. Hugh received his private pilot license in 1964. He regularly flew his 1977 Cessna 182, but his real love was the 1945 Piper L-4 that he and two friends recently restored to represent the US Army 36th Infantry Division, which was based in Texas. In recent months Hugh had the honor of flying several WWII pilots in the L-4. Hugh is survived by his wife Barbara Britt O'Donnell, son James Britt (USAF stationed in Korea) and his wife, Marlene of Monterey, California, and sisters, Shirley Singeltary and husband Dalton of Beaumont, Texas, and Jean Anderson and husband Don of Jacksonville, Florida.

## Mark Your Calendars

### Riverbend Squadron Open House

April 8  
Wharton Regional Airport  
Wharton, TX

### West Houston Squadron Open House

April 22-23  
West Houston Airport  
Houston, TX

**March 31, 2006** - deadline for WTW membership forms and dues to be received for inclusion in the 2006 directory

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Big Country Squadron	Charlie Hanna	325-672-7753	River Bend Squadron	Ron Fountain	281-398-7533

### About the 'Logbook'

The 'Logbook' is the bi-monthly newsletter for the West Texas Wing of the CAF.

The 'electronic edition' of the Logbook (Acrobat PDF format) is available at the West Houston Squadron website ([www.WestHoustonSqdn.org](http://www.WestHoustonSqdn.org)). Look for the "Newsletters" link.

## O'Club Volunteer Reservations

This year we have only one hotel willing to give us a good rate. The **Day's Inn** in Odessa. We have used this hotel in the past so most of you are familiar with them. We will be limited to rooms this year so if you require a certain type of room get your reservations in early or you can make your own some where else.

- **Fill in the requested information completely.**
- **Fill out the form correctly and return to Sharon Short.**
- **If the form is not completed or correct, it will be thrown away and you will not receive a room!**
- **If you have to cancel, you must give Sharon or the hotel a 72-hour notice or you will be charged for the full original reservation this is a hotel requirement.**

IMPORTANT DATA – ALL BLANKS MUST BE COMPLETED					
Name					
Address					
City		St		Zip	
Telephone	(      )				
Arrival Date		Departure Date			
Number Arm Bands		Number Car Passes			

### **DAY'S INN – ODESSA TEXAS \$45.00/NIGHT (NOT PER PERSON)**

SELECT ROOM TYPE:					
King (1 bed)		Smoking		Non-Smoking	
Queen (1 bed)		Smoking		Non-Smoking	
Queen (2 beds)		Smoking		Non-Smoking	

**THIS FORM MUST BE  
RETURNED TO SHARON  
SHORT NO LATER THAN  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2006**

**DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2006 FOR  
ARMBAND AND CAR PASSES**

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### **SB2C Schedule - 2006**

Event	Location	Date	Status
Rockin' AirFest 2006	Van Nuys Airport, Los Angeles, CA	June 11	Tentative
Lincoln ANGB Airshow	Lincoln, NE	Sept. 23-24	Tentative
Tucumcari Airshow	Tucumcari, NM	Oct. 4	Tentative
Fina-CAF AIRSHO® 2006	Midland, TX	Oct. 7-8	CONFIRMED
Wings Over Houston® 2006	Ellington Field, Houston, TX	Oct. 21-22	Tentative
Pioneer Days/ Big Country Sqdn Pearl Harbor Open House and Flughafen 2006	Abilene, TX	Dec 8-9	CONFIRMED



## ONLINE RESOURCES

CAF MAIN WEBSITE :

[www.commemorativeairforce.org](http://www.commemorativeairforce.org)

CAF MEMBERS WEBSITE :

[www.ghostsquadron.org](http://www.ghostsquadron.org)

WEST TEXAS WING WEBSITE :

<http://mywebpage.netscape.com/westtexaswing/Home+Page.htm>

*(note that the full address must be typed on one line).*

SQUADRON WEBSITES :

West Houston: [www.westhoustonsqdn.org](http://www.westhoustonsqdn.org)

DEW Line: [www.datatronsyste.ms.com/dewlinesqd/](http://www.datatronsyste.ms.com/dewlinesqd/)

River Bend: [www.riverbendsquadron.org](http://www.riverbendsquadron.org)

SB2C WEBSITE : [www.sb2chelldiver.org](http://www.sb2chelldiver.org)

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**Membership forms are also available on the West Houston Squadron website.**

The Colonel's Ladies' 2006 raffle is underway with the drawing being held on the last day of AirSho '06. The objects of the raffle are a beautiful diamond bracelet with matching earrings. Tickets sell for \$5.00 each. Please contact any Colonel's Lady for tickets.



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