



# West Texas Wing Logbook

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## The End of the Logbook?

### New Wing Public Information Officer Needed

After four years as West Texas Wing Public Information Officer (a.k.a. PIO or Newsletter Editor), I turned in my resignation to our Wing Leader, Mark Novak, in late 2005. It's been fun, but like any other job it gets old after a while.

I agreed that until a new PIO volunteered, I'd continue to do the newsletter bimonthly in a bulletin/calendar format, instead of the more extensive detailed version done in the past. However, it has been a year, and no one has stepped up. Out of almost 300 Wing members, only one person has even considered it, as far as I know.

The November/December 2006 Logbook will be the last edition I will prepare and distribute. At that point, unless a new PIO volunteers, the Logbook will end its publication run.

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.

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## Gone West

### George Berkeley Ross

WTW and West Houston Squadron Colonel George Ross passed away on Friday, September 1, 2006 in Smithville, Texas after a motoring accident. Born in 1918, George lived and worked in Midland for many years before his arrival in Houston in 1969. In 1939, George married Virginia Louise Elkin of Midland. During WWII, George had a distinguished military career, serving with the Ozark Division in the European theater during the Allied advance of 1944-45 and the First Cavalry during the Korean conflict. A pioneer of the Permian Basin, George had a fifty-year career at Humble-Exxon. A graceful ballroom dancer, George had a large circle of friends and relatives. His wife predeceased him in August, 1971. He is survived by: Virginia Kathryn Ross and Michael Carmichael of Oxford, England; Linda Louise Ross and husband G. A. Bupp of Barksdale, and Susanna Alene Ross and fiancé Abel Gonzales of Austin, and his granddaughter Susanna Swan and husband Tom and great-granddaughter, Isabel Louise Swan of Oxford, England; and nephew, John Elkin Corey and wife Gail of Conroe, and companion, Loris Woolley of Houston and friend, Raju Malik of Austin.

## SB2C Schedule - 2006

Event	Location	Date	Status
VNA Air Show	Stuart, FL	Nov. 11-12	CONFIRMED
Pioneer Days/ Big Country Sqdn Pearl Harbor Open House and Flughafen 2006	Abilene, TX	Dec 8-10	CONFIRMED

### Mark Your Calendars

**December 8-10, 2006 - Flughafen, hosted by the Big Country Squadron, Abilene, TX**



# FLUGHAFEN

DECEMBER 8-10, 2006

ABILENE, TEXAS



INFORMATION PAGE - HOTEL - PARTIES - FUN!!

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 26th!**  
**AFTER NOVEMBER 26th, PRICE & AVAILABILITY ISN'T GUARANTEED**

**HOTEL: WHITTEN INN** (used to be a Holiday Inn a few years back & 1-1/2 to 2 mi from field)  
1625 Highway 351, Abilene, Texas (Highway 351 is the highway to Albany)  
**Local phone number (325) 673-5271** (to leave with family or for contact information)

**RESERVATION PHONE NUMBER 1-800-588-5050** (this toll free number is AT the local hotel)

**USE CODE: CAF WEST TEXAS WING RATE: \$58 + TAX = \$67.20 per night Fri, Sat & Sun nights**

Give the hotel: **YOUR NAME, Day & time of arrival, Day of departure**

**Type of room and number of beds** (i.e.: smoking King, nonsmoking 2 beds, etc.)

## **PARTIES, MEETINGS and ACTIVITIES**

To the field take **Elmdale Rd.** off I-20 and go north. Turn left on **CR 510**. Follow the signs to the **Big Country** hangar. **Elmdale Air Park ID** is "6F4" if flying in - no lights on strip

**FRIDAY, Dec. 8th, - HOSPITALITY PARTY.....5:30 PM until?? Big Country Hangar - BRING SNACKS, DIPS, CHIPS, ETC. - COORDINATE WITH DELL CANNON OR LINDA FOUNTAIN**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - WING LADIES MEETING...9:30 TO 11:00 - WHITTEN INN meeting room**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - WING STAFF MEETING...11:00 TO 12:00 - Big Country Hangar**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - LUNCH...12:00 - Big Country Hangar**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Immediately following lunch**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - FREE TIME - FLY - SHOP - NAP - SITE SEE - VISIT WITH THE GANG!**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - HAPPY HOUR - 6:00 PM TO 7:00 PM—Big Country Hangar - cash bar**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - BUFFET DINNER - 7:00 PM—Big Country Hangar - catered by ABUELO'S**

**SATURDAY, Dec. 9th - AWARDS PRESENTATION - Immediately following dinner**

**DRESS FOR THE SATURDAY DINNER IS CASUAL, CAF UNIFORM OR COAT & TIE**

**AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!! ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING IS WELCOME - YOU CAN SPECIFY WHERE THE PROCEEDS ARE TO GO!** You can specify an aircraft (your unit's or the Wing's), your WTW Squadron - just say where you want the money to go and it will go there!

**SUNDAY, Dec 10th - 2:00 PM - join Big Country in celebrating Pearl Harbor Day and Aviation Day with a live band, introduction of attending veterans, flying and a Missing Man Formation weather permitting. Coffee and snacks will be served.**



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ABILENE, TEXAS



**THE LAST GREAT "WING EVENT" OF THE YEAR 2006!!**

**RESERVATION FORM Please complete and mail with your check to be received NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 20th! As this is a catered event, your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. THANK YOU. PLEASE PRINT!!**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Squadron \_\_\_\_\_ Col. ID# \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Squadron \_\_\_\_\_ Col. ID# \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please indicate the activities that you and your guest(s) will be attending:**

FRIDAY, Dec. 8th, HOSPITALITY PARTY..... Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

SATURDAY, Dec. 9th, LUNCH BUFFET..... Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

SATURDAY, Dec. 9th, DINNER BUFFET..... Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee \$35.00 per person: #attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Big Country Squadron Flughafen 2006 and mail with this form to:

**COL TINY MALM - Squadron Leader  
1433 SYLVAN DRIVE  
ABILENE, TX 79605**

If you have any questions, please contact **TINY MALM** by phone at **(325) 698-2673** or e-mail your questions to **tinybt@sbcglobal.net**

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