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In 2016 I was very excited to have been elected by the board of directors to be the president of the 193rd Special Operations Wing Association. I served as a board member and the recording secretary prior to that election. I learned from, been mentored by and continued serving with some outstanding individuals. Those directors and officers before me had our retirees, Wing members and their families' welfare and success as one of the primary goals of our Association. My plans to continue that goal and to look at ways we could further help the Wing maintain the pre-eminent role within the Air National Guard is what drove me then, and continues to drive me to help the Association and Wing in any way I can.

This past year has been eye opening and fret with bumps in the road that made me shift some of my priorities and as such I decided the Association could use a change in leadership to continue in its goals to provide the best support to the Wing. I want to thank past Presidents Barry Frey, Bill Shupp and President Emeritus Paul Weidensaul, outgoing Vice President, Dale Perry and Treasurer Dennis "Fuzz" Walborn for their outstanding service to our organization. Their leadership has forged a strong, dynamic and growing Association. We initiated many successful programs and have helped many members and families of the 193rd SOW. I also want to thank our volunteers on the Board of Directors, past and present who perform a variety of tasks in providing assistance to the Association, and 193rd SOW members.

I would like to thank and congratulate MSgt Amy Snyder (President) for volunteering to lead our Association with the help of SMSgt, retired Pete Mireles (Vice President), Lt Col, retired Kimber Connelly (Recording Secretary), MSgt, retired Tom Franklin (Treasurer) and CMSgt, retired Randy Eckert (Financial Secretary). They have all stepped up to the challenge of continuing, and building on our legacy.

I will continue to extend a challenge to all our members to help increase our rolls by talking with your friends in the Wing and those retired about joining the Association. Membership rates are reasonable and the cost benefit to our brothers and sisters in arms is seen in our Assistance Fund. We continue to report our membership numbers which reflect we have only one percent of the active wing members on our rolls. We will continue supporting our Airmen and their families with our Assistance Fund, Scholarships, providing "uniform" T-Shirts to the Right Start program and funds for special activities at the Wing. These benefits are only possible with continued memberships and your support of our fund raising efforts.

The board of directors are doing the best we can to be relevant to you and the Wing. I look forward to what can be achieved by our new leadership of our Association that continues the fellowship and friendships we established in the 193rd, helping to ensure our history and heritage is preserved, assist with projects as we are able and to provide financial assistance to the 193rd SOW, its Airmen, their families and our retired members.

David Hawkins, Immediate Past President
193rd Special Operations Wing Association

193rd SOW Association
Annual Membership Meeting
Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2020

1. Call to Order:

President Dave Hawkins called the zoom meeting to order at 17:00.

2. Meeting Minutes:

The minutes from the last membership meeting were posted and approved as presented. Motion to accept was made by Kimber Connelly and 2nd by Rick Hamm. All were in favor.

3. Financial Review:

A financial summary covering the 2019 calendar years income and expenses was in the recent newsletter. The 2020 budget that was approved by the Board of Directors was also in the newsletter.

4. New Business:

A. Election of Directors- President Hawkins asked for a motion to close elections. Randy Eckert made motion and Kathy Suhr 2nd. All were in favor. Vice President Perry provided electronic voting ballots and Committee Chairman Pete Mireles received the votes. Results were Kimber Connelly, Ed Maurice and Tom Franklin.

B. Recognition of our 2019 Scholarship winners. There were 2 winners this year, SSgt Nicholas McCarty from 271st CCSQ and A1C Caleb Hertzler from 193d AOG.

C. Recognition of Outstanding Airman of the Year.

- 1 st Sgt	MSgt Adam Walter 211 th EIS
- Officer	Captain James Callahan 211 th EIS
- SrNco	MSgt Christopher Johanson 271 st CCS
- NCO	TSgt Eric Shaner 148 th ASO
- Airman	SrA Clayton Colson 193 rd AOG
- Honor Guard	TSgt Michael Graby 201 st RHS

5. The next membership meeting will be held in April of 2021. The date and place have not yet been determined.

6. President Hawkins thanked everyone for attending this year's meeting through Zoom.

7. Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 1750 hours.

Respectfully submitted by Sue McMurray.

BOARD of DIRECTORS and OFFICERS

At the June meeting of the Board of Directors after its election, Officers were elected for the upcoming year. They are as follows:

President - Amy R. Snyder
Vice President - Peter D. Mireles
Past President - David S. Hawkins
Treasurer - Thomas E. Franklin
Financial Secretary - Randy L. Eckert *
Recording Secretary - Kimber L. Connelly

3 - Year Directors:

Kimber L. Connelly
Thomas E. Franklin
Edward J. Maurice

2 - Year Directors:

David S. Hawkins
William A. Lengner
Amy R. Snyder
Kathy A. Suhr

1 - Year Directors:

Patrick M. Devine
Suzanne McMurray
Peter D. Mireles
Raymond M. Yurista

* Elected each year



Approximately 1,000 Pennsylvania National Guard members were involved in supporting our response to COVID-19 in April.

Penna National Guard supports Broomall Nursing Center

At the direction of PEMA and DOH, the Pennsylvania National Guard deployed a Joint Force Medical Strike Team to assist at a rehab and nursing home in Delaware County starting April 18th. The team included 6 nurses from the PA Air National Guard's, 193rd Medical Group Det 1, from Ft. Indiantown Gap. They reported to the Broomall Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Broomall Pa. to assist in current staffing shortages. The group, assisted the facility with providing routine care to non-acute patients. The military providers worked 12 hours shifts.

Major Thomas Wagner, Doctor of Nursing Practice 193rd Medical Group, Det. 1, said. "I'm real appreciative to the Air Force for allowing us to be here and this civilian workplace. It's something that we train for all the time, we're ready, we have the equipment and the experience and I'm pretty sure that is why we were tasked to do this mission,"





Wreaths Across America
193d SOW Enlisted Council
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Indiantown Gap National Cemeteries is the final resting place for over 42,000 Veterans including some former members of the 193rd SOW. Your Association is encouraging everyone to support the Indian-town Gap National Cemeteries efforts to put a wreath on every grave on December 19th. Contact the Enlisted Council or your Association at reckert@193sow.org for more information about sponsoring a wreath that will be placed that day. Better yet, come and help place the wreaths that Saturday. Please view this link for a short video of the hallowed grounds of the cemetery at last years event <https://youtu.be/HQZKPcayoqc> .



TOP COPS! Show some love for our very own 193d Security Forces team, on the job in Philadelphia providing military support to civil authorities to enhance local law enforcement's ability to provide continued public safety and critical infrastructure security during the recent unrest.



STANDING TALL! Let's hear it for our Brothers and Sisters standing watch over Philadelphia, protecting our people, our property and our principles. Let Freedom Ring and peace prevail.

Operation American Resolve

Operation American Resolve was a nationwide effort designed to salute health care workers, first responders and others working to stop the spread of COVID-19. The Pennsylvania Air National Guard took part with a flyover for three Pennsylvania cities: Pittsburgh, Johnstown and Harrisburg, on May 19.

Pilots with the 171st Air Refueling Wing flew their KC-135 Stratotanker, while pilots with the 193rd Special Operations Wing flew their EC-130j Commando Solo aircraft over hospitals located in the three Pennsylvania cities.

The aircraft started in Pittsburgh just after noon and include the following hospitals in their flight path: Forbes Hospital, UPMC Presbyterian Hospital, UPMC Mercy Hospital, UPMC Mercy Greentree, St. Clair Hospital, Heritage Valley Hospital, Allegheny General Hospital, UPMC Children's Hospital and UPMC Shadyside. The aircraft then flew over these Johnstown area hospitals: Conemaugh East Hills, Conemaugh Medical Center and Conemaugh Medical Park. Then on to these Harrisburg-area hospitals: UPMC Pinnacle West Shore, UPMC Pinnacle Polyclinic Hospital, UPMC Pinnacle Community Osteopathic, Hershey Medical Center, UPMC Pinnacle Harrisburg and Holy Spirit Hospital.

United Way and SECA Giving

The 193rd SOW Association is a 501(c)(3) federally recognized nonprofit organization. Your contributions help support Association initiatives. All donations are tax deductible. (Combined Federal Campaign #45961 & SECA #4401).

In most cases contributions made through the United Way Program are anonymous. So we want to take a moment to say THANK YOU!! to all those who choose to make those donations. Our only regret is that we cannot thank you personally. Without you, we could not do much of what we are currently doing.

By the way, it's almost that time again. Remind your friends of the good work we do.

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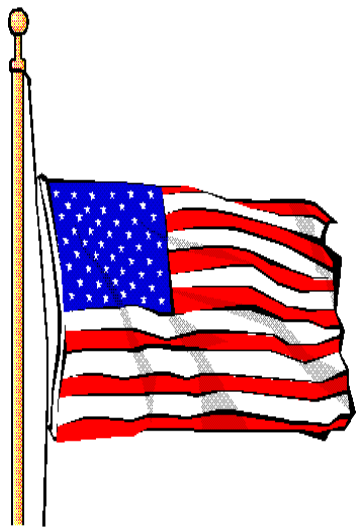
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