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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to 2022 and the first newsletter of the year for the 193rd Special Operations Wing Association. I want to share with you that I am glad that 2021 is behind us and hopeful that 2022 will be better than the past two years!

In the new year we are looking forward to celebrating our 75th Anniversary! Unfortunately, due to the increase in Covid cases the Wing Dining Out that was originally scheduled for April 2022 is postponed. Once this is back on the calendar, we will send out the information. It will be the first one in many years and we hope that many current and retired members will attend. We ask that you strongly consider attending this event and help us by spreading the word to fellow members that you know once it is rescheduled. It is our intent to set up an information table at the Wing Dining Out in order to try and promote new membership and grow our Association.

I would like to also invite you to attend our annual meeting scheduled for April 9, 2022. Last year we had a very poor turn out and we really need the support of our members at these meetings. We have big changes coming to the 193rd SOW and this would be a great time for our members to come and hear how the Wing will evolve in order to continue to be relevant in AFSOC.

Please also look at our financial summary to get an understanding of the significant amount of monies that go to the Wing and Airmen who need financial help. This past year we did not have many Assistance fund requests, but we assisted the Wing with Leadership Development courses, Annual Scholarships, Outstanding Airman of the Year Awards and The Right Start program. We need our present and retired members to continue to support us and encourage others to join the association. If we don't continue to grow our Association I'm afraid we will not be able to continue doing the great things we do for the members of the 193rd. Please do not underestimate any, and all, support you can offer to our great organization.

We welcome anyone to help us on the board or on any of our committees as they are created to work on projects. And if you didn't know, our meetings are not just for board members. Anyone can attend the meetings and assist with our projects that support our Airmen and their families.

I look forward to working with everyone as we strive to achieve our goals of; providing fellowship and friendships established at the 193rd SOW, helping to ensure our history and heritage is preserved, assisting with projects, and to provide financial assistance to the Wing, its Airmen, their families and our retired members.

Amy Snyder, President

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**193rd SOW Association
Spring Membership Meeting
Agenda**

9 Apr 2022 - at 1600
In the Dining Facility

1. Call to Order - President
2. President's Opening Comments
3. Wing Update
4. Approve the minutes from the previous meeting
5. Election
6. Recent Accomplishments and Future Plans
 - Association Assistance Fund
 - SECA / United Way Giving
 - Scholarship Program
 - Airman of the Year Program
7. Recognition of the Airman of the Year
8. 2021 Financial Report
9. 2022 Budget
10. By-Law update
11. Meeting Adjournment

**193rd SOW Association
2021 Scholarship Winners**

1st Place SrA Keith Pate 271st CCS

2nd Place SSgt Cody Jones 193d LRS

3rd Place A1C Ian Fogelman 201st RHS

**193rd SOW Association
2021 Assistance Fund**

Income	
United Way Giving	2014.54
SECA included	
Donations	<u>1900.00</u>
Total Income	\$3,914.54

**Association Presents Thirteenth Annual
Outstanding Airman Awards**

The 193rd SOW Association presented the following 2021 Outstanding Ready Guardsman awards.

Officer: Capt Andrew Verriotto, SOS, SOG
 Senior NCO: SMSgt Kristin Graby, 203 WF, RSG
 NCO: SSgt Alan McCutcheon, SOMXS, SOMXG
 Airman: SrA Christopher Harkins, AIS, AOG
 First Sergeant: MSgt Katrina Wetzel, SOSFS, SOMSG

This year the Association will present each recipient at our annual meeting, a free years' membership and a \$100 gift card.

Requests for Assistance:

In 2021, 7 cases were received for monetary assistance from the Association. A total of \$5,517.86 was awarded to these needy cases.

Application Fees	340.00
Case 21- #1	556.00
Case 21- #2	1095.97
Case 21- #3	775.89
Case 21- #4 Scholarship	1000.00
Case 21- #5 Scholarship	500.00
Case 21- #6 Scholarship	250.00
Case 21- #7	1000.00



Budget 2022

INCOME

Donations	2000.00
Scholarship Donations	500.00
Fund Raising	2500.00
Interest, Checking	3.00
Interest, Investments	600.00
Annual Membership Dues	1500.00
Life Memberships Dues	<u>1000.00</u>
Total Income	\$8,103.00

EXPENSES

Outstanding Airman Awards	745.00
Donations,	
Airman MWR Activity	1850.00
Right Start Program	500.00
Scholarship	1.00
Leadership Seminars	50.00
Other	250.00
Death Benefit	250.00
Dues Notices	250.00
Fund Raising	200.00
Insurance	1200.00
Membership Meeting	250.00
Newsletters (Two)	1300.00
Office Supplies	50.00
PayPal Fees	35.00
Postage	116.00
Professional Fees(Audit & Taxes)	800.00
Special Project	250.00
Troop Care Packages	1.00
Website Services	<u>1.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$8,099.00

Surplus 4.00

Financial Summary 2021

INCOME

Donations	630.00
Scholarship Donations	358.17
Fund Raising	1250.00
Interest, Checking Accounts	1.34
Interest, Investments	603.59
Annual Memberships Dues	1080.00
Life Memberships Dues	<u>1239.00</u>
Total Income	\$5,161.73

EXPENSES

Outstanding Airman Awards	529.75
Donations	
Airman MWR Activity	744.00
Scholarships 3 (Assistance Fund)	0.00
Right Start Program (Shirts)	750.00
Dining Out	2237.25
Senior Enlisted Seminar	250.00
Leadership Development Prog	250.00
Death Benefit	250.00
Dues Notices	193.69
Fund Raising	47.85
Insurance	1045.00
Newsletters	1239.02
Office Supplies	49.09
PayPal Fees	34.51
Postage	55.00
Professional Fees (Audit & Inc)	845.00
Special, Awards & Engraving	300.00

Total Expenses \$8,820.16

Subject to Audit

Demographics of Your Association

As of 31 December 2021 we have:

Total Membership:	383
Associate Members:	4
Life Members:	296
Retirees:	259
Officers:	108
Senior NCO's:	229
Airman:	47
Members with at least;	
18 Years continuous longevity:	120 31%
15 Years continuous longevity:	49
10 Years continuous longevity:	79
5 Years continuous longevity:	85



The 193d SOW Enlisted Council wishes to thank the members of the Association for their assistance in making their **Wreaths Across America** Program another successful year. This year we assisted Indiantown Gap National Cemetery placing a wreath on every grave. We sponsored 187 wreaths this year.

Then on December 17th a group of unit members laid a wreath on the graves of the 83 known departed unit member interred at the National Cemetery. The 201st RHS Alumni also placed wreaths on their 32 deceased unit members the day before. We would welcome the assistance of the Association members in placing these wreaths next year.

2022 193rd SOW Association Scholarship Program

The 193rd Special Operations Wing Association Scholarship is an annual program that gives a \$1,000 award directly to a wing member or members it feels demonstrates outstanding leadership potential. This will be the seventh year for the scholarship program and the association is looking forward to receiving many qualified submissions. The Association will be awarding at least one THOUSAND dollar prize. The 2022 Scholarship program will open June 1, 2022 and close July 31, 2022. The requirement for the scholarship this year will be a 300-500 word essay in your own words on the following topic: **Due to the challenges created by COVID, over the last year and a half, many innovations in processes and programs have been developed. Some of these innovations may prove to be beneficial not just now but into the future, beyond COVID. Describe at least 3 of these innovations you have experienced and explain why you believe they may be beneficial for future generations.** The paper should be double-spaced, grammatically correct and not exceed 500 words. If the paper does not meet the requirements specified it will not be considered for the scholarship!

All packages need to be mailed to the 193rd SOW Association at; 193rd SOW Association, 81 Constellation Court #14, Middletown PA 17057, post marked no later than July 31, 2022. Or they can be e-mailed to scholarship@193sow.org by the same deadline. If there are any questions please contact SMSgt Peter Mireles, at pmireles@193sow.org.

Good luck to everyone, we are looking forward to your application.

Peter Mireles, Scholarship Chairman

Board of Directors Recommended Changes to the Association By-laws

The Board has completed the biennial review of the Association's Bylaws. Very few changes were noted and all were minor or grammatical in nature. Here are the proposed changes:

Article II Purpose and Mission, section 2.01 C - change the wording from “**men and women**” to “**members**”

Article VI Directors, section 6.03 Additional Powers- change the wording of the 1st sentence from “In addition to the powers and authority by these by-laws” to “In addition to the powers and authority of these by-laws”

Article VI Directors, Section 6.10 Fiduciary Relationship- add “**or her**” to the first sentence after the word “his” where stated “...shall perform **his** duties as Director, including **his** duties as a member of any committee...” and in (C) add “**or she**” where stated “A committee of the Board upon which **he** does not serve...”

Article X Membership Certification, Section 10.01– add “**If provided,**” to the beginning of the last sentence where stated “They shall be signed by the President or Vice President...”

Article XII Annual Report, Section 12.01- change “**annually**” to “**at the annual meeting**” in the first sentence. To read “The Board of Directors shall present at the annual meeting.... the following:”

Article XIII Notices, Section 13-01 Manner of Notice- add “**or by email**” and “**or her**” to the 1st sentence to now read “Whenever written notice is required to be given to any person, it may be given to such person, either personally; by sending a copy thereof by first class mail, postage prepaid; by telegram, charges prepaid; **or by email** to his or her address appearing on the books of the corporation or, in the case of Directors, supplied by him **or her** to the corporation for the purpose of the notice. And add “**email**” to the 2nd sentence to now read “If the notice is sent by mail, **email** or telegraph, it shall be deemed to have been given to the person ...”

Article XVII Dissolution, Section 17-01– add “**This Article is also part of our Articles of Incorporation filed with the PA Dept of State.**” To the end of the paragraph.

These changes will need to be approved by the general membership at our annual meeting in April.

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The 193rd Special Operations Wing Association is a qualifying federally recognized 501 (c)3 (nonprofit organization) and we have linked up with the Amazon.com organization to allow anyone making qualifying internet purchases to have a donation made to our organization at no cost to them. The Association has designated this source of donations to go into the Association Scholarship Fund.

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Annual Election of Association Directors

We will be holding our upcoming General Membership meeting on 9 April 2022. If available it will be in the 193d Dining Facility at 1600 hours, other wise it will be via Zoom. As our by-laws are written we will elect four (4) members to serve as Board of Directors for a three (3) year term. Any member in good standings is eligible to hold office in the organization. EVERY VOTE IS IMPORTANT. You can nominate an individual on the absentee ballot by printing the name on the blank line of the Absentee Ballot. The floor will be open for nominations at the beginning of the election. In the event you will be unable to attend this election, we are enclosing the “2022 Absentee Ballot” for your convenience. Please fill it out and mail it to us with a post mark of not later than 20 March. We will also accept your vote via an e-mail to ballot@193sow.org. Write in nominations from the absentee ballots will also be brought to the floor. **All nominees must be present to accept the position, or be excused by the Association Board of Directors.** Mail your Absentee Ballot to: 193rd SOW Association, Judge of Elections, 81 Constellation Court, #14, Middletown PA 17057.

Dave Hawkins,
Nominating Committee

Jessica L. Barder, MSgt.

Master Sergeant Jessica L. Barder enlisted into the Pennsylvania Air National Guard in December of 2000 as a Supply Management Specialist. During her time as a traditional guardsman she obtained her Bachelors (2006) and Masters Degree (2010) in Social Work. Additionally, she was employed as a Children and Youth Caseworker until 2010 when she cross-trained into Aviation Resource Management in the Special Operations Group Squadron. She recently cross-trained again and is currently an AGR in the Wing Command Post. MSgt Barder has deployed numerous times in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Afghanistan. MSgt Barder is the Vice President of the 193d SOW Enlisted Council. Master Sergeant Barder joined the Association in 2018 and is a current Board member.

Anthony L. D’Antonio, SMSgt.

Senior Master Sergeant Anthony D ’Antonio joined the active duty Air Force in February, 1990 as a Fuels Specialist (POL), and was stationed at McGuire AFB, Howard AFB and Andrews AFB. SMSgt D’Antonio Palace-Chased to the Pennsylvania Air National Guard in March 2000, joining the 211 EIS as an Engineering Assistant at Fort Indiantown Gap. He earned 2 Community College of the Air Force degrees. SMSgt D’Antonio is currently serving as a member of the 201st RED HORSE Sq/Regional Training Site as the Engineering Instructor. As an instructor, SMSgt D’Antonio is innovative with creating and teaching Engineering classes to the Total Force, at his home station and around the world. He has deployed in support of both OIF and OEF, served in Saudi Arabia, Kyrgyzstan, Qatar, Panama and Cyprus. SMSgt D’Antonio is a current member of the Board of Directors having joined the Association as a Life member in 2019.

William A. Lengner, CMSgt. (Ret)

Chief Master Sergeant William A. Lengner entered the active duty Air Force in June of 1982 as a Military Working Dog Handler and separated from active service in 1988. Chief Lengner joined the 193 SOW in April of 1995 as an Airborne Mission Systems Operator on the EC-130 Commando Solo aircraft. His professional development includes assignments at US Special Operations Command MacDill AFB Florida and a 6 month deployment to Djibouti Africa as the Joint Special Operations Air Detachment Senior Enlisted Leader. Chief Lengner retired with over 30 years of military service and is currently a member of the Association Board of Directors.

Amy R. Snyder, SMSgt.

Senior Master Sergeant Amy R. Snyder enlisted into the Pennsylvania Air National Guard in February of 2001 as a Supply System Analyst. During her time as a traditional guardsman she obtained her Bachelors (2006) and Masters Degree (2009) in Education. Additionally, she is employed as a Special Education Teacher for the past 16 years. SMSgt Snyder has been a Drill Status Guardsman with the 193d SOW for over 20 years. In 2015, SMSgt Snyder became a First Sergeant with the Medical Group; she has since held the position in Mission Support Group and currently serves as the Wing/SOG First Sergeant. SMSgt Snyder joined the Association in 2004 and is a current Board member. She was elected as the Association President in 2020.

193rd SOW Association 2022 Absentee Ballot

Anthony D'Antonio - Jessica Barder - William Lengner - Amy Snyder

Circle or write in four names

Mail to: "Judge of Elections"
193rd SOW Association,
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Middletown, PA 17057

Or e-mail your selections to:
ballot@193sow.org
include your name.

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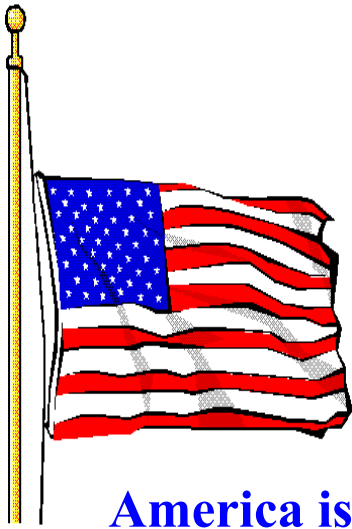
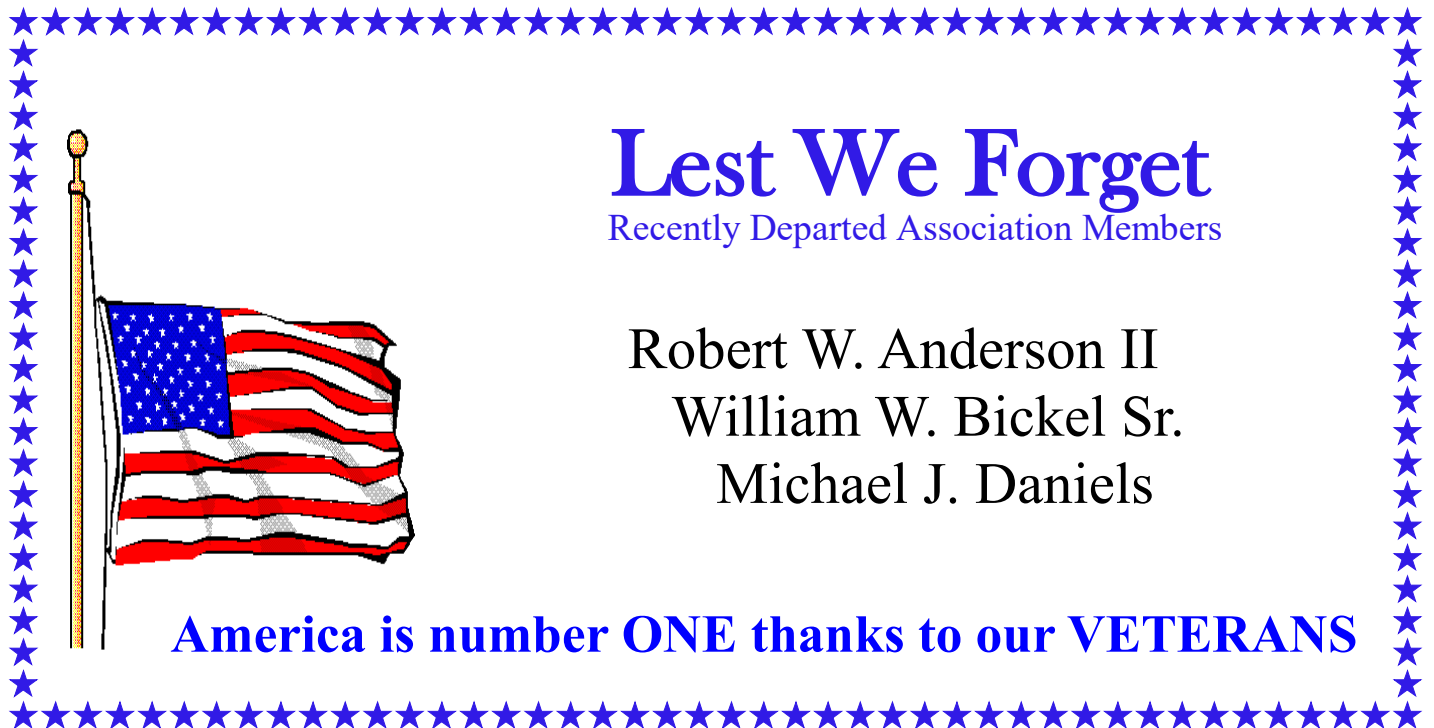
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