



Happy 4th of July!!!

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Welcome to the ninth edition of your AMMO Chiefs Association “*Shell and Flame*” newsletter. This edition of the newsletter is being sent to you to provide information about the ACA, a not-for-profit organization of active and retired AMMO Chiefs and to provide Veterans Administration (VA) information of importance to all veterans. Hope you have a pleasant and enjoyable 4th of July!! Please visit the AMMO Chiefs web page for more information at <http://ammochiefs.com>. The 10th edition will be e-mailed in September 2006.



◆* ACA News ◆*

◆* As you are probably aware, the ACA elections were finalized today. By the time you receive this newsletter, the new ACA officers will be announced on the ACA web site, (<http://ammochiefs.com>) and will be installed on January 1st, 2007.

◆* ACA Golf Tournament ◆*

The AMMO Chiefs Charity Golf Tournament to benefit the Okaloosa County Habitat for Humanity will be held at the Fort Walton Beach Municipal Course on Friday, August 11, 2006. A

Shotgun start at 1 pm with a modified Florida low ball is planned. Entry fee is \$50.00. Prizes will be given to the first three places and longest drive-closest to pin. For additional information contact John Greer at 850-240-5217 or Tom Zima at 850-939-5870.

◆* 2006 ACA Reunion Update ◆*

From Jerry Modlin: The hotel contract has been signed and the invitations have been sent out. For those not having e-mail, they should receive their invitation in the regular mail. We are well into the planning phase and look forward to a great turn out. The hotel will be the Atlantis with 100 of Reno’s most beautiful appointed, spacious, luxury guest room and Jacuzzi suites. Indoor and outdoor pools and spas. Has exceptional dining ranging from fine dining to eight exotically themed bars. I am certain anyone attending will enjoy the Atlantis. An icebreaker reception is being planned for the evening of October 4th, so we are encouraging early arrival to get the fullest enjoyment out of this reunion. Thanks for all you help too.

Mike Roylance

(Mikeroylance@comcast.net) and Jerry Modlin (je464399@worldnet.att.net) are the POCs for the reunion. If you have any events you’d like to suggest for this reunion, pass them on to Jerry. It’s not

too early to start planning! Visit <http://ammochiefs.com> for more information.

◆* Morbach Ammunition Squadrons Reunion – 2007 ◆*

The 2007 reunion of our Morbach Ammunition Squadrons is scheduled for February 16-17, the Friday and Saturday before President's Day, a legal holiday.

The venue is Cayo Grande Hotel, 214 Racetrack Road NW, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32547, Toll Free: 800-827-9908 – Local 850-862-7540, www.cayograndehotel.com, just a short distance from the front gate of Eglin Air Force Base, on Florida's famed Emerald Coast.

Cayo Grande Hotel has reserved a block of thirty suites for our group (note suites, not rooms). Sixteen of these are Executive Suites; fourteen of these are Concierge Suites. All suites contain data port phones, voice mail, two televisions with cable, microwave oven, refrigerator, complimentary in-room coffee and snacks, wall-mounted hairdryer, iron and ironing board. The Executive Suites feature a bedroom separated by French doors, queen-size bed and sleeper sofa, executive desk, and mini bar. The Concierge Suites are comprised of two separate rooms: the bedroom contains a queen-size bed, the living room contains a sleeper sofa, kitchen area with stove and microwave, full-size refrigerator, dishwasher, and stackable washer and dryer. Other in-house amenities include three swimming pools, fitness center, two dry saunas, tennis court, nine-hole putting green, and the Market Café. Area nearby attractions includes Emerald Coast beaches, deep-sea fishing, golf courses, and Big

Kahuna Water Park (see www.destin-fwb.com).

Cayo Grande Hotel is offering both suites to our reunion for only \$67.84 per night (tax included). But please be advised that the first guests making their reservations may request one of the fourteen Concierge Suites, which are more advantageous than the Executive Suites. Financial arrangements for suites must be made with Cayo Grande. If you desire to come a few days early, or remain a few days afterward, the same rate still applies. When making your reservations, and in order to obtain a suite in our block and at the special rate, make sure to inform the staff that you are doing so for the ***Morbach Ammo Reunion***.

The only other cost for the reunion will be \$20.00 per squadron member for the reception room fee, payable to me at the reunion. The reception room, The Gardena, will be our "headquarters" Friday and Saturday. There will be no extra charge for family members accompanying squadron members.

Wives and families are welcome—assuming you do not mind your comrades telling them what you ***really*** did in the war!

Attendees arriving by airplane may fly into Okaloosa Regional Airport (VPS), situated on Eglin Air Force Base. American Eagle, ASA/Delta Connection, Continental Express, Delta, Gulfstream International, and Northwest serve it.

We will tour the Air Force Armament Museum on Eglin Air Force Base Saturday at 09:30am. This is not the only museum in the world dedicated to the collection, preservation, and exhibition of artifacts and memorabilia associated with Air Force armament and

its platforms of delivery. Aircraft on exhibit include P-51 Mustang, P-47 Thunderbolt, F-80 Shooting Star, F-105 Thunderchief, SR-71A Blackbird, and a Soviet MIG-21. Armament on exhibit include a wide variety of bombs, missiles, and rockets, including the AMRAAM and BGU-28 bunker buster developed for use during Desert Storm, and also the MOAB or Mother of all Bombs – the worlds largest conventional weapon. The museum also has a gift shop. (For more information visit www.eglin.af.mil/museum).

The only other scheduled events are a welcoming party Friday night in The Gardenia, and a farewell time Saturday evening. There will be no reveille, taps, parades, formations, and long lines. This will leave plenty of time for what most of us would rather do – mingle with friends and swap yarns about what we did in the war. Bring your scrapbooks, photographs, and other memorabilia.

If you have further questions, contact me by telephone, e-mail, or regular mail.

Please make your reservations with Cayo Grande as soon as possible, especially if you desire a Concierge Suite. (See toll-free telephone number above), Let the desk clerk know that the name of your group is ***Morbach Ammo Reunion*** in order to obtain the special room rate. Then let me know you are coming. Look for us in the Gardenia Room Friday. The Silver Fox and I look forward to seeing you all.

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☛* AMMO Schoolhouse Initiative ☛*

See the AMMO Chiefs web page for information at

<http://ammochiefs.com>. The schoolhouse is still taking personal information about AMMO Chiefs. If you haven't sent in your biography and picture yet, now's a good time to do it!! This is an ongoing effort with no end date in sight.

☛*ACA Memorial Initiative☛*

The ACA needs your help!! We are considering placing a monument or memorial at either the AMMO Schoolhouse at Sheppard AFB, TX or AFCOMAC at Beal AFB, CA, or both. The monument should reflect on the pride, hard work, and professionalism we have experienced in being AMMO Troops. This memorial would be dedicated to those past, present, and future AMMO Troops, with the intent of helping to promote and foster the continued tradition of pride and professionalism in our AMMO career field. To do this, we need your help. We are looking for your **ideas** as to what would be an appropriate, suitable monument/memorial that reflects the positive aspects of being an AMMO Troop. Secondly, we are looking for **artistic talent** that can translate this concept into reality. Please, if you can devote your time in either way, contact either Rich McVey or John Matthews.



★ Chapter News ★

☛* Virginia Chapter

The Virginia Chapter held it's quarterly meeting/picnic on June 17th at Langley. Topics discussed were welcoming a new member, Jack Miller

AMMO CHIEFS
CHARITY GOLF
TOURNAMENT

To benefit Okaloosa County Habitat for Humanity
FWB MUNICIPAL COURSE 11 Aug 06

1pm shotgun start

Modified Florida low ball

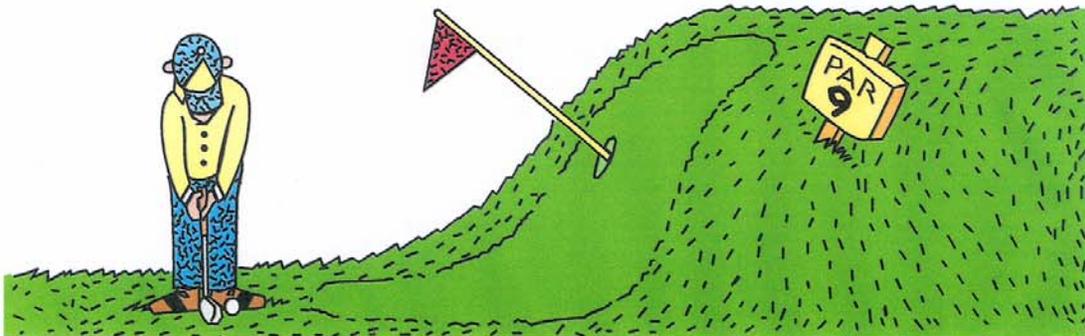
ENTRY FEE: \$50

Prizes for first three places,
longest drive-closest to pin

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AMMO CHIEFS



CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

TOURNAMENT LIMITED TO FIRST 22 TEAMS

PLAYERS NAME _____ HANDICAP _____

CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ACA AND MAIL ENTRY FORM TO ACA, PO BOX 266, MARY ESTHER FL, 32569. YOU MAY ALSO PRESENT YOUR PAYMENT TO **JOHN GREER 240-5217 OR TOM ZIMA 939-6659.**