MATCA member Buddy Wyatt once again volunteered to shop, wrap, box and mail the MATCA Christmas packages to those ATC Troops in harms way. (Paul Humber, U S Army Ret., assisted Buddy with the shopping). Thank you, Paul.

These 15 packages, 28 Gift packs, were mailed on Dec 6. 2017.

Michelle Meyers, (ATC Tower Manager, Martha’s Vineyard Airport), again this year, helped Buddy with the wrapping and the boxing of the Christmas packages to our ATC unit members in harms way.

Michelle has volunteered to assist us in this task for the past couple of years.

Michelle is retired Navy AC1.

Thank You, Michelle!
EDITOR’S THOUGHTS

I will not write too much, for space is very limited in this, the Members Roster Edition, of your “Hotline”. I want to thank Jackie for all of her hard work in design and layout work on the Hotlines. I say that because I am taking on more responsibilities/work while Jackie pursues her other volunteer obligations. There will NOT be any “Roster Changes” in this edition because the members roster is up to date as of this mailing. There is limited Reunion 2018, Oklahoma City information because of the limited space, but, I have included enough information to allow you to get that Hotel reservation in so that Rock and Sandy Lyons will have an easier time with events, getting the best deals possible, (see Page 17). One can ALWAYS cancel that Hotel reservation with 24 hour advanced notice and suffer no loss in funds, so make those reservations NOW. I will end on a positive, note: for the first time that I can remember, we have no “TAPS” section to post in this issue!!

See you in Oklahoma City next September. Thank you, Rock and Sandy!

SEMPER FI.

Skip Redpath

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President’s Message

Merry Christmas to the entire Marine Air Traffic Control Association family!! May this Hotline find you enjoying the holidays with family and friends.

Once again a huge THANK YOU goes out to Buddy, Michelle Meyers and Paul Humber for purchasing, packaging, and mailing Christmas gifts for those Marines that are in harm’s way. Also a thank you goes out to first Vice President Phil Kenoyer for coordinating the head count and obtaining mailing addresses for the gifts. The gifts were mailed the first week of December. An upside to the project is the fact we only sent 15 packages versus the dozens we have sent in the past. The Marines are always on call, but it would not be a terrible thing if the number of Marines in harm’s way was zero!

The second week of December brought the pleasant surprise of the delivery of the 25th anniversary MATCA reunion book and CD. Jackie Redpath has set the standard of excellence in producing the book. The amount of companionship, camaraderie and smiles shown throughout the pages can only bring laughter and smiles to our many members. Jackie has told us that this will be her last reunion book and I must say she has gone out with a bang. Fear not, Jackie is now the trainer that will be responsible for the next reunion book staff!!

I received an email from Jim Price regarding the MATCA website. If you did not know, Jim has maintained the “marine-atc-association.org” website for a number of years. He would like to step down from this endeavor and is looking for a replacement. I will be presenting this to the board of directors and will have a recommendation for the body in the April Hotline. In the mean time, if there is another member that has the expertise and would be interested in maintaining the website, please contact a board member.

The next reunion will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 19th thru September 23rd, 2018. The reunion will be hosted by Rock and Sandy Lyons. It is never too early to think about attending. The April edition of the Hotline will contain information about the reunion and will include registration information. Hope to see the majority of the members there to share the fellowship and comradeship.

May all the MATCA family enjoy a happy and prosperous New Year. As we all celebrate let us not forget to take a moment to give thanks and prayers to all those that sacrifice in order for us to enjoy this great country!

Semper Fidelis
John Trosper
Snow? What snow? As of the writing of this message we have no snow here in Northern Virginia, but it's coming...or so the prognosticator columnist in the local newspaper is saying. It may not be till late January or February, but it's coming, and my snow shovel and galoshes are ready! (I exercised them only a few times last year.) In the meantime, my lawn mower is still getting a workout every few weeks vice the twice a week it gets during the warmer months...and I'm still raking leaves. But since my house is no longer festooned with Christmas wrapping paper, bows and the (fake) scent of evergreens that were present while the Christmas present wrapping production line was churning out its products for further dissemination, I know it's almost the end of December and Spring is coming.

I hope this finds you all well and recovered from the multiple holidays experienced since the closing of our 25th MATCA Reunion. Thank you, Jerry Fisher, for a thoroughly enjoyable event. Having the opportunity to spend time with many of our MATCA members reminiscing and listening to “war stories” makes each of these Reunions memorable. (And thank you Joe Medico for establishing our Association back in 1991 and hosting the first MATCA Reunion in 1992.) Our 2018 Reunion in Oklahoma City, hosted by Rock and Sandy Lyons, 19-23 September, will be another opportunity to sit back, reminisce, and absorb even more wisdom from our MATCA members. Look for Reunion updates in this edition and future editions of the HOTLINE.

As many of you know, Buddy Wyatt again volunteered his (and Michelle Meyers, one of his co-workers at Martha Vineyards Tower) time to coordinate our 2017 MATCA Christmas Care Package effort for our Marine Air Traffic Controllers and Technicians in harm’s way. This year Buddy procured, sorted, individually packed, and shipped Christmas Care Packages for 28 of our active duty Marine ATCers and Technicians “standing the watch” in some unsavory places. Buddy, your efforts did not go unnoticed or unappreciated. Thank you (and thank you for volunteering to host our 2019 Reunion in Providence, Rhode Island).

Since the closing of our 25th Reunion my world has somewhat changed. Yes, I'm still enjoying the benefits of being employed – getting up early, commuting in traffic, staying late at work, commuting in traffic, earning a pay check, commuting in traffic, paying taxes, and commuting in traffic – and my employer is still the same, and who I support is still the same, the Marine Corps Systems Command’s Long Range Radar Program Office. But what has changed are my "Marine" bosses. Who would have guessed that not just one, but two of my former "junior" officers who worked under me while I was on active duty are now not only my "customers," but my Marine "bosses"? A little awkward at first? Yes, but I think we're over me doing "incentive" PT for them. I guess it’s called 'payback' for a reason...

Take care and I will see you in Oklahoma City.

Phil Kenoyer
1st Vice President
MATCA REUNION - OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. - SEPTEMBER 19 - 23, 2018

Make your reservations now! **You must call this hotel direct** (844) 456 - 2351 identify yourself as a member of MATCA attending this reunion. The “official” reunion dates are Wednesday, Sept 19 - Sunday, Sept 23. Room rates are: $92 for a room or $129 for a suite, PLUS TAX. These rates are available for those of us who enjoy longer stays, (Sunday - Sunday, Sept 16 - 23, 2018). MAKE THOSE RESERVATIONS NOW..... should you have to cancel later, there is no charges with at least 24 hour notice.

**WYNDHAM GARDEN HOTEL**
2101 S Meridian Ave
Oklahoma City, OK. 73108
(844) 456 - 2351
### January
- 03 Larry McKee
- 05 Tom Doyle
- 07 Terry Bobell
- 09 Patricia Gibbs
- 13 Dan Walczak
- 14 Tony Tilghman
- 14 Lou Rosgen
- 14 Musa Johnson
- 15 Frank Quallen
- 18 Buddy Wyatt
- 21 Leah Doyle
- 26 Robert Sopko

### February
- 02 Terry Terrell
- 03 Robert Gerber
- 07 Patty Cullison
- 13 Judy Gagner
- 14 John Gibbs
- 17 Donald Gummersheimer
- 18 Brenda Smith
- 18 Ron Gagner
- 19 Bill Burgard
- 19 Ann Carman
- 20 Jack Mefford

### March
- 02 Richard York
- 04 Mary Ann Keyfauver
- 07 Roger McIntosh
- 08 G.S. Pahl
- 10 Rose Applebury
- 12 Lance Oliver
- 13 Sue Largue
- 13 Pat Bader
- 13 H. “Toney” Conteo, Jr.
- 13 Rufus Honeycutt
- 14 John Hansard
- 15 Ellen Von Brentano (Kranhold)
- 17 Bill Pressley
- 20 Ann Marie Lewis
- 21 Bill Runyan
- 21 Barbara Trosper
- 25 Kathleen Boudewyns
- 28 Jim Price

### Birthday Notices in the Hotline
If you would like your birthday to appear in the Hotline, please be sure you have given us that information. And don’t forget your spouse.

### OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. SEPT 19-23, 2018
Do you like to “go off on your own” to see various sights? Here is an aid for those that do. This article was in the Washington Post Newspaper: [http://wapo.st/oklahoma-city?tid=ss_mail](http://wapo.st/oklahoma-city?tid=ss_mail)
This could be of assistance to your reunion planning.
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

RENEWAL FORM

Mail completed form with check to the “MATCA” Secretary - Terry Terrell

Renewing members: Please include personal data only if corrections or updates are necessary

NAME……………………………………………………...………………...
ADDRESS……………………………………………………...………………
CITY / STATE ……………..……… ZIP…...……...RANK…………...
DAY/MONTH/YEAR OF BIRTH ………....……………...……….
SPOUSE ………….……..………BIRTH DAY/MONTH……..
PHONE ………………….………………………...MOS……………….
E-MAIL ADDRESS …………………………………………………...

By submitting this application I certify I was/am assigned by official orders to duty with a Marine Air Traffic Control Unit, Marine Air Traffic Control Squadron, Marine Air Traffic Control Detachment, or a Marine Air Station or Air Facility Air Traffic Control Facility wherein my reporting senior was/is the Air Traffic Control Officer or the Electronics Officer responsible for ATC and Air Navigation Equipment.

Dues are $25.00 per year and due 1 January each year.

DUES FOR THREE YEARS — $70.00 $ ……………………………..
DUES FOR FIVE YEARS — $110.00 $ ……………………………..

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

AGE 50 AND UNDER — $300.00 $ ……………………………..
AGE 51 THRU 69 — $200.00 $ ……………………………..
AGE 70 THRU 89 — $100.00 $ ……………………………..

AGE 90 AND ABOVE HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Donation to Memorial Fund $ ……………………………..
Donation to General Fund $ ……………………………..

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED $ ……………………………..
HAPPY NEW YEAR 2018