



## ***AIRCREW LIFE SUPPORT/ AIRCREW FLIGHT EQUIPMENT VETERANS AND RETIREES NEWSLETTER***

*News for the men and women who served (civilian, government or industry) in the Personal Equipment (PE), Aircrew Life Support (ALS) or Aircrew Flight Equipment (AFE) professions. The views expressed herein are that of the individual mentioned and do not represent the views of the retired, active duty, ANG, Reserves, or veteran members of the PE, ALS, or AFE career fields.*

---

### Reporters

Tommy Tompkins, P.O. Box 372, Equality IL 62934 Email: [tombob@shawneelink.net](mailto:tombob@shawneelink.net)  
Allen "Al" Loving, 38 Crestwood Drive, Newport News VA 23601 Email: [aloving@cox.net](mailto:aloving@cox.net)  
Bob "Chili" McElwain, 12320 Roadrunner Lane, Victorville CA 92392 Email: [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net)  
Dave Chitwood, 9792 Corbett Place, Manassas Park, VA 20111 Email: [pantoum5@gmail.com](mailto:pantoum5@gmail.com)

**Visit our web site at [www.usafals-afe.net](http://www.usafals-afe.net)**

**May 2018 Edition**

### **Looking Forward**

*By Dave Chitwood, Group Vice President*

Greetings to all! Our 2018 reunion will be held in Biloxi, Mississippi. A large portion of this newsletter is dedicated to providing information on all of the exciting events that are in store, including; tours, picnic, golf, pinochle, banquet, hospitality suite, and more! At the end of the newsletter, you will find registration forms for individuals and corporate sponsors.

Please spread the word and encourage fellow veterans, retirees, Active, Guard, or Reserve to join us. All are welcome! Current and former aircrew members are also welcome.

Additionally, feel free to stop by the website <http://usafals-afe.net/> often for all the latest and greatest info!

### **From The Field**

We start off by offering hearty congratulations to the new active duty AFE SMSgt selectees:

- Bayle Jesse A
- Delgado William P
- Hall Daniel III
- Holmes Brian Alvin
- Kelley Panela J
- Lotito Dennis R
- Lundell J Michael
- Pickel Robert E
- Pulley John H
- Rudquist Bryan W
- Sapp Stephen W

- Tennyson Chris T
- Walker Jeremy E
- Wells James Edwin

And to those who will soon or may have retired from the military or civil service since the last newsletter, please accept our sincere thanks for your dedicated service to this Great Nation and the United States Air Force.

### **A Note From Ed MacKenzie**

I just thought I would put in my two cents worth so everyone would remember me...I know you are all saying who is this guy?

I am finally up and about after my fall and head injury. It has been almost three years. It doesn't seem that long to me because I can't remember a lot of the time when I first had surgery and all.

I can't make it to any reunions unless they are in Vegas because it is hard to get around on the walker and impossible to help with the luggage.

I wish I could be there to help out. You know Wilma and I really enjoyed meeting and greeting. Not to mention talking everyone's ear off. Please, give our very best to everyone and tell them we talk about past reunions often.

Best to all, Ed MacKenzie

### **Chili Sez!**

*By Bob McElwain*



**The Personal Equipment, Aircrew Life Support, Survival Equipment, and Aircrew Flight Equipment Reunion**

### **Our Annual Reunion**

The 23rd Annual Personal Equipment, Aircrew Life Support, Survival Equipment, and Aircrew Flight Equipment (PE/ALS/SE/AFE) Veterans and Retirees Reunion will be held, September 10-14, 2018 (10th and 14th are travel days) in Biloxi Mississippi. The Reunion will be centered at the Imperial Palace Hotel and Casino located at 850 Bayview Avenue just off Interstate 110 in Biloxi Mississippi.

This year's event is hosted by the 403rd Airlift Wing at Keesler AFB and promises to be an "Outstanding" get-together.

The goals of our group were established during the first reunion held in 1996. The objectives then, and still today, are to bring about unity of retired, veterans, and currently serving members of our critically important Career Field, to further among them the spirit of comradery, mutual help, esprit-de-corps; and to perpetuate the memory of those who laid the foundations of the past.

Government and industry representatives interested in attending and addressing the group should complete the registration form and inform Bob McElwain as soon as possible at [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net) or by calling (760) 684-3790. Government and military members, as well as industry partners are encouraged to attend this annual event.

The first day of the reunion (Tuesday, September 11) will be a business type meeting/setting led by our President SMSgt (Ret) John Patti. This forum provides an opportunity for industry partners to present information to our Aircrew Protection community which members may find of interest, and to bring the group up-to-date on the latest program developments and equipment issues.

Those presenting at the general meeting are requested to ensure the information is unclassified, unlimited access, and in the public domain. We also ask that presenters bring their presentations in electronic (Power Point) format using thumb drives or memory sticks.

Also, presenters may bring extra copies of their literature to the meeting for community distribution. Additionally, we expect to receive a State-of-the-AFE Career Field briefing from our USAF Career Field Functional Manager on this day. Finally, rounding out the week's activities will be a pinochle tournament, trip to Keesler AFB for our annual picnic, Golf Tournament and Hurricane Hunter AFE Shop tour. Two sightseeing visits are also being planned; the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, and at the Infinity Science Center in Biloxi. We will conclude the reunion with a semi-formal Farewell banquet on Thursday evening the 13<sup>th</sup> of September in the hotel ballroom. *You don't want to miss this year's festivities and event!*

For your information, The Infinity Science Center located outside of Biloxi, MS is a non-profit science museum dedicated to providing guests with a quality, fun, and fascinating learning experience. The Infinity also is NASA's official visitor center for the Stennis Space Center. The Infinity offers a blend of space, earth science, engineering and technology content, spiced with innovative programming that leverages expertise from the area's leading research and test operations. This combination guarantees an experience you will not find anywhere else.

The Infinity Science Center is primarily a self-guided experience. Visitors to the 35,000-square-foot science center enter a world where discovery truly is endless. The fun begins with outdoor exhibits such as the colossal F-1 rocket engine, a tsunami buoy, and a U.S. Navy riverine training boat.

Just inside the front entrance in the Science Express Gallery area, check out the Big Blue Blocks as you design and build your own inventions, or learn about more than 200 species of carnivorous plants.

Situated on the second-floor guests can practice landing the Space Shuttle while sitting in a full-scale Shuttle flight deck or walk through a life-size mockup of the International Space Station's Destiny module. You can watch the latest videos about the Orion space capsule while sitting inside

it or try your design and flying skills as you build small-scale flight crafts at our Paper Airplane exhibit. The gallery, peppered with artifacts from the Smithsonian and from Infinity's own collections, feature astronaut space suits, Space Shuttle rocket engine components and tires, and a moon rock from Apollo 15

Seniors also can get a jump on birthday and holiday shopping in the Infinity Gift Shop with a Wednesday-only 5% off most items. They can take 10% off lunch at Infinity's Cafe and even save \$1 on a Possum Walk Tram Tour. Children 3 and under are always admitted free at Infinity, so Senior Wednesday is also a great Grandparent Wednesday, too!

**HOTEL RESERVATION:** Hotel rates are \$65.99 per night plus a \$5 resort fee per room per night and tax for Sunday, September 9, through Thursday, September 13. The rooms come with complimentary Internet and free parking. Make your reservations ***before*** Monday, August 20, 2018, by going online to the hotel website located at: "<http://www.ipbiloxi.com/groups>" and use the **Group Code: S180509**. Or, you may call the hotel's reservations department directly at (888) 946-2847, press 1 for reservations, and identify yourself as a member of the "USAF PE/ALS/SE/AFE Reunion," or by using the **Group Code: S180509**. Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. First night's room and tax will be charged at the time the reservation is made. Checks cannot be accepted at check-in or check-out.

**HOTEL POLICY FOR CANCELLATION:** Guaranteed guest room reservation can be canceled at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to 4 pm of arrival date. Rooms released less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to arrival will be subject to a cancellation penalty equivalent to the first night's room rate plus tax.

Rates are for single or double occupancy. View Rooms, the standard rooms with a guaranteed view of the Biloxi Bay or the Gulf of Mexico, are available for an additional charge of \$20 plus tax, per night. Any rooms requiring triple or quad occupancy will be surcharged an additional \$15

plus tax per room, per night, per adult. Children age 17 and under, in the same room with parents in existing bedding, are no additional charge. Rollaway beds and baby cribs are available upon request for an additional \$15 plus tax per room per night.

All guests are required to post a credit card (or debit card) at check-in. (Be advised that if using a DEBIT card for incidentals at check-in, your bank will put a hold on funds in the amount of \$100 for several days, so a credit card is the recommended choice).

**HOTEL CHECK-IN:** Check-in is available after 4:00 PM and check-out is by 11:00 AM. The hotel cannot guarantee that all guest rooms will be available at 4:00 PM but will make every effort to accommodate guests arriving early.

Guestrooms must be occupied by and registered to at least one adult who is twenty-one years of age or older. Photo identification will be required upon check-in.

**ACCOMMODATION OF DISABLED PERSONS:** The Hotel shall take all reasonably necessary steps to ensure the accessibility of its facilities to disabled attendees and to accommodate their special needs. Please advise hotel, prior to arrival, of the anticipated needs for such accommodations.

We kindly request you stay at the host hotel to help defray hospitality and meeting room costs and help the 2018 Reunion Committee meet the blocked room quota. The hotel has exercise facilities, a pool/whirlpool, and free Wi-Fi as well as a superb dining, sports lounge, and restaurants.

The hotel is nestled on the Back Bay of Biloxi with Major International Airports a short drive away in Pensacola, FL and New Orleans, LA. Most rental car companies and taxi services are available at each airport. Parking at the hotel is complimentary.

Additionally, the Committee wishes to thank in advance all Veterans, Retirees, Industry Partners,

and Active Duty, ANG and AFRC military members planning to attend this year. A meeting agenda and program will be finalized and posted on our website approximately 2 weeks prior to the reunion start date.

Questions concerning the reunion can be addressed to the Reunion Committee Chairman, SMSgt (Ret) Bob McElwain at [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net) or by calling him at (760) 684-3790. We look forward to an excellent event this year and seeing everyone in Biloxi in September.

**REUNION RESERVATION:** To register, download and complete the registration form and put it in the mail NLT July 31, 2018. To cancel your reservation and avoid a loss of your banquet fee, contact Bob McElwain NLT August 31, 2018 at (760) 684-3790. (Registration forms are included in this newsletter)

**REUNION CHECK-IN:** After getting your room, look for the Reunion Check-in counter/booth in the hotel lobby. Don't forget to stop by our hospitality room after 5:30 PM for food and drinks.

**RAFFLE:** We are accepting gifts/prizes/give aways for our tournaments and raffle and thank you in advance for your support. Please bring your donation to the reunion or put it in the mail NET September 3 or NLT September 5, 2018 and address it as follows:

Address golf tournament prizes/hand-outs and etc. to Dave Chitwood. All other raffle gifts, prizes, give aways and etc. should be addressed to Bob McElwain. Address items as appropriate to:

Imperial Palace Casino Resort  
Attn: Bob McElwain or Dave Chitwood  
USAF/ALS/SE/AFE Reunion  
850 Bayview Ave  
Biloxi, MS 39530

**IF YOU ATTENDED ONE OF OUR RECENT REUNIONS, BRING YOUR REUNION ISSUED NAME TAG WITH YOU OR YOU WILL BE ISSUED A GUEST NAME TAG.**



**NEW NAME TAGS WILL ONLY BE ISSUED TO FIRST TIME ATTENDEES AND TO ATTENDEES WHO INDICATE ON THE REUNION REGISTRATION FORM THAT A NAME TAG IS NEEDED.**

**CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP:** If your company or business is interested in helping support this year’s reunion, please send a check or money order payable to our Reunion Committee Chairman, Bob McElwain. For your contribution, a board will be proudly displayed at the hotel entrance recognizing our industry partners and individual members who have been so generous. The amount you send is *entirely up to you*, but please mail it by July 31, 2018. If you will be joining us complete the Vender’s Registration Form and mail it by the cutoff date.

Send your donation to:

Bob McElwain  
12320 Roadrunner Ln  
Victorville, CA 92392

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:** If you plan on participating in the golf tournament please contact Dave Chitwood NLT August 31, 2018 to let him know you intend to participate. Send Dave a golf fee of \$50 per person and advise him if you need rental golf clubs. Golf clubs are not included in the golf fee and must be requested.

Dave can be contacted at 9792 Corbett Place, Manassas Park, VA 20111. Phone (850) 543-7771, Email: pantoum5@gmail.com.

**REUNION THEME:**

This year we will recognize the spouses of our career field. Therefore, our theme for reunion 2018 is “A Salute to the Spouses and Significant Others of the Personal Equipment, Survival Equipment, Aircrew Life Support, and Aircrew Flight Equipment Career Fields. We will recognize and honor all spouses and significant others in attendance at this year’s reunion including our beloved widowed

members who we are personally inviting to attend this year’s event. We respectfully ask everyone who has not contributed towards our “Go Fund Me” account to support this challenge by making a \$10 contribution.

We “Thank You!” in advance for your support of the reunion and for helping us recognize the spouses and significant others in our career field. To ensure your name is included on the recognition placard, please make your check or money order payable to Bob McElwain and mail it to his address located in this newsletter.

**Transportation To/From the Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport**

Consider the following for your transportation needs:



A1 Express Taxi Service provides airport shuttle service to or from the airport quickly. Book in advance, and they'll be waiting for you when you arrive at the airport.

Call to schedule your airport shuttle!

[\(228\) 697-8725](tel:2286978725) OR [\(228\) 697-0195](tel:2286970195)

\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*

**\$38 TRANSPORTATION FEE TO THE HOTEL FOR 1-4 PEOPLE**

Coordinate your arrival with other attendees to take advantage of this rate.

**[Airport Casino Military Taxi](#)**

Reservations Strongly Suggested  
Just Call for Reservations or a Rate Quote

**PREBOOK TODAY CALL (228) 596-5220**

Local Dispatch 24-7

Remember to also consider the following for your transportation needs:

Uber <https://get.uber.com/>

Lyft <https://www.lyft.com/>

For additional reunion information visit our website located at [www.usafals.net](http://www.usafals.net)

See you in September at the reunion.

Chili

### **FINAL ROLL CALL**

We have been advised that the following members of our "family" have made their final roll call:

TSgt (R) Arvol "Hamp" Hampton, 6 Jan 18

SMSgt (R) Johnny W. Vaughn, Jan 18

CMSgt (R) Otis Jackson, 19 Feb 18

MSgt (R) Jay Moosman, 26 Mar 18

William Shaffer, 19 Mar 18

### **Loss of Another Member**

A letter from one of our newsletter recipients informed me of the passing of her husband. The letter reads as follows:

Dear Bob,

My name is Harlene Huffman. I'm sorry I forgot to write to you when my husband passed away.

Ryeon (Ray) R. Huffman passed away July 29, 2016, after a brave fight of 22 years with chronic lymphatic cancer. He never complained and faced all his problems with courage. He survived 3 bouts of chemotherapy and one bout of radiation.

Ray kept his sense of humor right up to the end. His 22 years with cancer showed his family and friends that his strength made you strong. That he did with dignity.

Again I am sorry I am so late informing you.

Thank you,  
Harlene

We offer our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of our dearly departed.

### **Same Old Problem**

Here we go again with the same old problem, returned newsletters! Because address changes were not reported to us 26 of the over 300 December 2017 newsletter were returned. Fortunately, four of them had a forwarding address so I could update our address list. Once again, if your address has changed or for that matter, if any of your contact information has changed, let us know about it. And don't forget, if you're registered on our website you can update the info yourself.

### **Paper vs Electronic Newsletter**

Our newsletter is published twice a year and is posted to our website. A copy of the newsletter and an announcement regarding its online availability is emailed to registered members and mailed to those who do not have an email address on file with us. If you're receiving the newsletter via postal mail and have an email address, please let us know. This will help us save on the cost of printing and mailing you a copy of the newsletter.

### **News You Can Use**

VA has announced that the application process for the national Veterans Identification Card (VIC) is now available for veterans. The new Veterans Identification Card provides a safer and more convenient and efficient way for most veterans to show proof of service to obtain veteran discounts and other services."

The VIC provides a more portable and secure alternative for those who served the minimum obligated time in service but did not meet the retirement or medical discharge threshold. Veterans who served in the Armed Forces,

including the reserve components, and who have a discharge of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) can request a VIC.

To request a VIC, veterans must visit vets.gov, click on "Sign In" in the top right hand corner and establish an ID.me account. Once the veteran verifies their identity they may request to "Apply for the Veteran ID Card".

### **Withdrawal From SBP Based On Total Disability**

There is a dollar for dollar offset of a spouse's SBP annuity by the spouse's VA Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC). The law recognizes the offset of SBP by DIC and allows retired members to withdraw from SBP if they have a service-connected disability rated by the VA as totally disabled for five continuous years from the date of retirement or, if awarded after retirement for ten continuous years. Withdrawal is allowed in these cases because the VA will presume the retiree died of a service-connected disability regardless of the actual cause of death. Based on the VA determination the death is service connected, the surviving spouse will qualify for VA DIC benefits.

Retirees who meet the time requirement must request withdrawal in writing from the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). The spouse's concurrence is required for withdrawal from SBP. DFAS will send the spouse information on the pros and cons of withdrawing from SBP along with a withdrawal concurrence statement. The spouse's withdrawal concurrence statement must be notarized and returned to DFAS. The address and fax number for DFAS are Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Retired Pay, 8899 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46249-1200 or (800) 469-6559.

When the retired member who withdrew from SBP for VA total disability dies, the surviving spouse will be entitled to a refund of all the spouse SBP premiums paid upon receipt of DIC. However, the surviving spouse will not receive any SBP that exceeds the DIC amount and will not receive Special Survivor Indemnity Allowance (SSIA).

### **Dental And Vision Coverage**

Beginning in Nov. 2018, retirees and their family members will have their first opportunity to join the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) sponsored by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Vision coverage is new to TRICARE beneficiaries and may be very appealing, especially to families. FEDVIP will replace the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) and will be available to those currently using the TRDP as well as eligible retirees who are not enrolled in dental insurance. FEDVIP operates with an annual Open Season that takes place each year from mid-Nov. to mid-Dec. In 2018, Open Season will run from Nov. 12 through Dec. 10. All TRICARE beneficiaries desiring coverage must make a specific choice of plan during the open season. There will not be an automatic transition for current TRDP enrollees. Once you have selected a plan, benefits begin on Jan. 1, 2019. To be sure you don't miss important dates or details, you can sign up to receive FEDVIP email updates at TRICARE.benefeds.com.

### **In Closing**

*By Dave Chitwood, Vice President and Newsletter Editor*

Once again let me say thank you for the honor to serve as the vice president of the USAF ALS/AFE Veterans and Retirees Group and your newsletter editor. See you in Biloxi this September! Don't forget to fill out the attached registration form!

---

*Mark your calendars now for the 23rd Annual USAF PE/ALS/SE/AFE Reunion being held September 10 – 14, 2018 at the Imperial Place (IP) Casino Resort in Biloxi, Mississippi. Be sure to visit our Group website ([www.usafals-afe.net](http://www.usafals-afe.net)), and on social media.*

# 23rd Annual USAF Personal Equipment, Survival Equipment, Aircrew Life Support/Flight Equipment Reunion

September 10-13, 2018

Imperial Palace (IP) Casino Resort 850 Bayview Ave, Biloxi, MS 39530

## Registration Form

Registration fee includes one veteran, one active duty, one Guard, or one Reserve member of the US Military and one family member or guest....Or, one civilian working in any profession related to aircrew survival and one family member or guest.

YOUR NAME (as you want it on your name tag) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER/GUEST ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU OR YOUR FAMILY MEMBER/GUEST NEED ONE OF OUR NAME TAGS? \_\_\_\_\_

### HOTEL AND REUNION REGISTRATION

**HOTEL REGISTRATION:** The rate per night is \$69.99, plus a \$5 resort fee plus tax for Sunday, September 9 thru Thursday, September 13, 2018 for single or double occupancy. Reservation must be made before Monday, August 20, 2018, by going online to the hotel website located at [www.ipbiloxi.com/groups](http://www.ipbiloxi.com/groups) and using the Group Code: S180509. Or, you may call the hotel at 888-946-2847, press 1 for reservations and identify yourself as a member of the "USAF PE/ALS/SE/AFE Reunion" or by using the Group's Code above. Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. First night's room and tax will be charged at the time the reservation is made. Hotel cancellation without penalty must occur at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to 4 pm of scheduled arrival date.

**REUNION REGISTRATION:** To register, complete this form and mail it NLT July 31, 2018. To cancel your reservation and avoid a loss of your banquet fee, contact Bob McElwain NLT August 31, 2018 at 760-684-3790 or email him at [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net).

**REUNION REGISTRATION FEE (Covers handouts, meeting rooms, coffee, pastry, picnic & etc.):** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$75.00**

**BANQUET FEE:** \_\_\_\_\_ *Number of people* X \$50.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**INFINITY SCIENCE CENTER TOUR** \_\_\_\_\_ *Number of people* X 7.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**\$10.00 DONATION TOWARDS THE SALUTE TO OUR SPOUSE/SIGNIFICANT OTHER THEME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**WILL YOU BE STAYING AT THE HOTEL?** YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

### ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our annual golf tournament will be held on Thursday, September 13, 2018. Please contact Dave Chitwood NLT August 31, 2018 to let him know you intend to play. Send Dave a golf fee of \$55 per person and advise him if rental golf clubs are needed. Rental golf clubs are not included in the golf fee and must be requested. Dave can be contacted at: 9792 Corbett Place, Manassas Park, VA 20111. Phone: 850-543-7771, Email: [pantoum5@gmail.com](mailto:pantoum5@gmail.com)

Part of the reunion will be spent on documenting some of the history of our career field. If you have any historical information, equipment, pictures, etc. that you would like to share with us, please bring it with you.

-----  
Complete this form and mail it NLT July 31, 2018 with a check or money order payable to:

BOB MCELWAIN  
12320 ROADRUNNER LN  
VICTORVILLE, CA 92392

CELL PHONE: 760-684-3790  
Email: [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net)

See our website located at [www.usafals-afe.net](http://www.usafals-afe.net) for additional reunion information



**23rd Annual USAF Personal Equipment, Survival Equipment, Aircrew Life Support/Flight  
Equipment Reunion  
10 – 13 September 2018  
Imperial Palace (IP) Casino Resort 850 Bayview Ave, Biloxi, MS 39530  
Vender's Registration Form**

Registration fee includes one veteran, one active duty, one Guard, or one Reserve member of the US Military and one family member or guest....Or, one civilian working in any profession related to aircrew protection and one family member or guest.

YOUR NAME (as you want it on your name tag) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR FAMILY MEMBER/GUEST ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU OR YOUR FAMILY MEMBER/GUEST NEED ONE OF OUR NAME TAGS? \_\_\_\_\_

**HOTEL AND REUNION REGISTRATION**

**HOTEL REGISTRATION:** The rate per night is \$69.99, plus a \$5 resort fee plus tax for Sunday, 9 September thru Thursday, 13 September 2018 for single or double occupancy. Reservation must be made before Monday, August 20, 2018, by going online to the hotel website located at [www.ipbiloxi.com/groups](http://www.ipbiloxi.com/groups) and using the Group Code: S180509. Or, you may call the hotel at 888-946-2847, press 1 for reservations and identify yourself as a member of the "USAF PE/ALS/SE/AFE Reunion" or by using the Group's Code. Reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. First night's room and tax will be charged at the time the reservation is made. Hotel cancellation without penalty must occur at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to 4 pm of scheduled arrival date.

**REUNION REGISTRATION:** To register, complete this form and mail it in NLT 31 Jul 2018. To cancel your reservation and avoid a loss of your banquet fee, contact Bob McElwain NLT 31 Aug 2018 at 760-684-3790 or email him at [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net).

**REUNION REGISTRATION FEE (Covers handouts, meeting rooms, coffee, pastry, picnic & etc.): \$75.00**

<b>BANQUET FEE:</b>	<i>Number of people</i>	<i>X \$50.00=</i>	_____
<b>INFINITY SCIENCE CENTER TOUR</b>	<i>Number of people</i>	<i>X 7.00 =</i>	_____

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**WILL YOU BE STAYING AT THE HOTEL? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_**

**ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Our annual golf tournament will be held on Thursday, 13 September 2018. Please contact Dave Chitwood NLT 31 Aug 18 to let him know you intend to play. Send Dave a golf fee of \$55 per person and advise him if rental golf clubs are needed. Rental golf clubs are not included in the golf fee and must be requested. Dave can be contacted at: 9792 Corbett Place, Manassas Park, VA 20111. Phone: 850-543-7771, Email: [pantoum5@gmail.com](mailto:pantoum5@gmail.com)

**WILL YOU BE SETTING UP A BOOTH OR BRIEFING THE ATTENDEES? IF YOU ARE THEN COMPLETE THE INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM.**

Complete this form and mail it NLT 31 Jul 2018 with a check or money order payable to:

BOB MCELWAIN  
12320 ROADRUNNER LN  
VICTORVILLE, CA 92392

CELL PHONE: 760-684-3790  
Email: [bob.mcelwain@charter.net](mailto:bob.mcelwain@charter.net)

See our website located at [www.usafals-afe.net](http://www.usafals-afe.net) for additional reunion information

If setting up a booth, contact the hotel for info and cost at 888-946-2847 or 228- 436-300. If briefing the reunion attendees, complete the info bellow.

**SHIPPING TO THE IP**

Following are instructions for shipping materials to the IP Casino Resort Spa:

- FedEx & UPS pickup and deliver to IP Casino Resort Spa during their normal business hours Monday through Friday between 3pm and 5pm. All packages must be prepared for shipping before 2pm. • If you are using an alternate carrier, prior arrangements must be made directly with that carrier. • IP must be notified by carrier for any pallet shipments, at least 72 hours prior to delivery.

- Please notify Receiving Department of any pallets arriving, by emailing our Receiving Department ([BiloxiReceivingMgmt@boydgaming.com](mailto:BiloxiReceivingMgmt@boydgaming.com)). Additional storage fees may apply. • Items should be delivered to our property no more than 5 days prior to the scheduled tradeshow or event. IP Casino Resort Spa will not be held responsible for storage of items received prior to that time period.

- IP Casino Resort Spa will not be responsible for any packages that are not properly labeled. Package Labels MUST Read:

CLIENT NAME:            CLIENT PHONE #: ARRIVAL DATE:  
CONVENTION NAME/ COMPANY NAME:  
BALLROOM NAME: c/o IP CASINO RESORT & SPA  
850 BAYVIEW AVENUE  
BILOXI, MS 39530

Phone number (228) 436-3000

**Subject of your briefing:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Visual Aids needed to support briefing:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**