

New Air & Space Channel

Wingspan: Air & Space Channel was launched in April to provide up-to-date information on air and space subjects to aviation and aerospace enthusiasts around the world. The cable and satellite channel disseminates news, entertainment, documentaries and educational programs. *Wingspan*, also producer of the "Wings" series on the Discovery Channel, broadcasts in 39 countries and 11 languages.

Wingspan, headquartered in Bethesda, Md., is carried in the Washington, D.C., area by Media General Cable, which covers Fairfax County, Va.

Berlin Airlift Veterans

The German-American Steuben Parade Committee of New York is searching for U.S. military personnel who participated in the Berlin Airlift 50 years ago to honor them in this year's German-American Friendship Week parade up Fifth Avenue on 19 September. The parade is part of year-long international ceremonies taking part on both sides of the Atlantic to commemorate the undertaking by Allied forces during the Soviet blockade of West Berlin. Berlin Airlift veterans should contact William Hetzler, 1435 Bay Blvd.,

Atlantic Beach Estates, NY 11509; phone 516-239-0741; fax 516-239-1174.

For a schedule of German-American Friendship Week events on the internet, go to www.gasp-ny.org.

U.S./Australian Memorial

Gifts are sought for a memorial to friendships between Australians and U.S. armed forces personnel stationed in Brisbane during WW II. The memorial will be composed of windows in the base of the tower of St. John's Cathedral, begun in 1901 and due for completion in 2006. A list of donors and each unit remembered will be on permanent display.

Written memories of friendships are also desired. Tax deductible gifts (payable to St. John's Cathedral Completion Fund) may be sent to: U.S. Memorial Windows, St. John's Cathedral Completion Fund, GPO Box 421, Brisbane, Australia 4001. E-mail: john-cath@hub.com.au.

Locator

I wish to contact for a reunion anyone who went through the 85-day accelerated program boot camp from June to September 1965 at NAS Floyd Bennett Field, NY. Contact Peter Byrne, 8945 E. 58 St., Tulsa, OH 74145; phone 918-252-5241.

Naval Aviation On-line

www.vpnavy.com – Information on U.S. Navy patrol operations.

<http://flighttest.navair.navy.mil> – Naval Aviation flight test activities, resources and photographs.

Finding Fame with Photos from the Fleet

PHAN Chris Howell interviews an airman aboard *Independence* (CV 62) for the Navy Office of Information (CHINFO) News Photo Division. Images of life in the Navy are made available to the public through the efforts of photographers like Howell.



PH3 David Levy

Reunions, etc.

Navy/Marine AOC/NAVCAD/MARCAD Class 29–65 planned reunion. POC: Louis Sheldon, 8937 NW 3rd Place, Coral Springs, FL 33071, 954-753-5647; e-mail: lsheldon@worldnet.att.com.

TACAMO 30th Anniversary Celebration, 20–22 MAY, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma City, OK. POC: Cdr. S. A. Davies, VQ-3, 7791 Mercury Rd., Bldg 820, Tinker AFB, OK 73145, 405-739-3805; e-mail: sdaviesvq3@aol.com.

Santee (CVE 29), 9–12 JUN, Glen Burnie, MD. POC: John B. Mitchell, 315 Acebo Ln., San Clemente, CA 92672, 714-492-7527.

Association of Aviation Ordnancemen, 25–28 JUN, Laughlin, NV. POC: Kenneth Foster, 8979 Via Caracas, San Diego, CA 92126, 619-271-0169.

VFs 53 and 141, JUL, Corpus Christi, TX. POC: Harold Dolin, 9646 Hamilton Hills Dr., Fishers, IN 46038, 317-849-0218.

Independence (CVA/CV 62), 8–12

JUL, Baltimore, MD. POC: Denis Bagley, 12 Trenton Ave., Edison, NJ 08817, 732-819-0359.

"Warbirds over Kalamazoo," 25–26 JUL, Kalamazoo, MI. POC: Renee M. Newman, Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum, 3101 East Milham Rd., Kalamazoo, MI 49002, 616-382-6555.

America (CVA/CV 66), AUG, Washington DC. POC: Bill Golden, 508-966-2568 or Edward Pelletier, 26 Chestnut St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.