

Section Two

The Early Military Years

The following will take us from after Graduation through Desert Shield

Phew, needless to say, we survived the early driving headaches and after graduation we sold our NJ home and moved south to Palm Coast, Fl. Palm Coast was a small bedroom community that Mike liked to refer to as ‘Sleepy Hollow’ but after he had his fill of menial labor jobs he entered the Air Force and used his Civil Air Patrol experience to gain him an additional stripe at enlistment. The challenge presented itself again and he applied for the Academy and was accepted to the AFA Prep school. A wonderful education and opportunity and a difficult year of Prep School, preparing for the Air Force Academy. Things were looking up. He survived the Preppy year and most of the first year on the hill. It was at that point in time that he realized his prior enlisted service made him the ‘old man of the class’ and he was not in the same category as the students who went there directly from high school. Mike was a grown man who had been on his own for a few years, learned to care for himself and was a terrific financial planner, the AFA was not for him. There were so many mixed feelings and long trying phone calls about what to do and how to go about it. Naturally, he was to control his own destiny and recognized he could have made a fine officer but he could not



and would not deal with the, ‘I told you so’ philosophy. He would question and ask ‘why’ and that was not the intent of the academy training. They train you to react on command. Too bad, but he knew the sacrifices and made the decision to return to the enlisted ranks where he felt he could work hard and make a difference, and not because someone ‘told him so’!

The Air Force was his new home away from home. This was his career choice and he loved it. The military took him to the ends of the earth and to the top of it many many times and he never seemed to tire from it. When you enjoy what you do the rewards come.

Being a single young man is not always an easy way to be but being married to the AF is not easy either. He planned to settle down and raise a family one day but wanted to serve 20 years first and after that be able to focus on a new life with new challenges and rewards.

As parents we looked forward to planning a wedding and to spoiling grandkids but that is a dream that will never be fulfilled.

When Mike was flying around the world we would tease him about settling down and his comments were something like, give me time, when I'm 35 will be soon enough. He had seen too many friends go through painful divorce and didn't feel it was right to marry and be TDY as much as 300 days per year. Because of his unselfish attitude and leadership ability he was either volunteering to do or to help or take on new tasks. Danger never entered into the equation as you were trained to do what needed to be done to the best of your ability. What more could anyone ask? Of course his favorite saying was, when it is time for change, the government will promote to the highest level of incompetence.



All the good work was recognized and he was well liked and respected and known as a guy who would get things done. Sometimes he came across as a hard ass but the seriousness of the job made things appear that way. In his mind there was only one way to do it, the right way and do it now!

His analytical mind won him many kudos and much recognition among his peers. His friends knew how he was and would go to him with the problems that needed to be fixed right, not just with a band aid repair. That was how he was in the military. At home he was just a guy home on leave enjoying some quiet time with his family. These were special times for all of us.

Starts Training

Mike Heiser, son of Fran and Gary Heiser of Palm Coast, started training in the U.S. Air Force June 25 at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

Mike was graduated from Ocean Township High School, New Jersey, before moving to Palm Coast with his parents. He was listed in "Who's Who

Among American High School Students" and was an active member of the Civil Air Patrol, where he rose to the rank of Warrant Officer.

His parents own and operate the Hour Glass, a card, gift and jewelry shop, in the New Palm Coast Shopping Center.

Dear Mom and Dad
I arrived safely at Lackland Air Force Base Texas and have been assigned to the 3706 Basic Military Training Squadron. My Mailing Address is:

AB Heiser Michael G
138-50-3985

PSC NO 3 SQ 3706 FLIGHT 0515

LACKLAND AFB, Texas 78236

In event you require information as to my status, contact the Commander of the 3706 Basic

Military Training Squadron. The telephone number is

Area Code 512, 671-3326

This is an OFFICIAL military business telephone;

not for personal conversation.

If an emergency arises which requires my presence

at home, contact the closest American Red Cross

office, explain the emergency and give them my name,

rank, Social Security Account Number and military

address. The Red Cross will do the rest.

Michael G. Heiser
Signature

FORM
LACKLAND TC APR 79 142 PREV EDS ARE OBSOLETE

June 25, 1979



Heiser Graduates

Airman First Class Michael G. Heiser, son of retired Army Sergeant Major and Mrs. Gary G. Heiser of Palm Coast, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force security police specialist course at Lackland Air Force Base, here.

Airman Heiser studied security and law enforcement. He is being assigned to Keflavick Air Base, Iceland, for duty with a unit of the Aerospace Defense Command.

In order for him to feel at home away from home, we would exchange boxes of videos and local news articles regularly. Gary would tape TV movies and shows and Fran would add some personal touches to each care package. He would return the tapes to trade for new ones but each box from him was like Christmas. There were surprises from around the world. Sometimes foreign newspapers or menus or photos, other times a David Winter Cottage or a Hummel or a Russian hand painted tray or box but always something thoughtful that was out of the ordinary. When the mail person delivered these to our office, the whole real estate group would hover around and wait to see what Mike sent this time. These were fun times that kept us all close at heart.

Out of sight, maybe, out of mind, never!





YOUNG RECRUIT HOME FROM BASIC TRAINING 1979



LOOKING OVER ORDERS

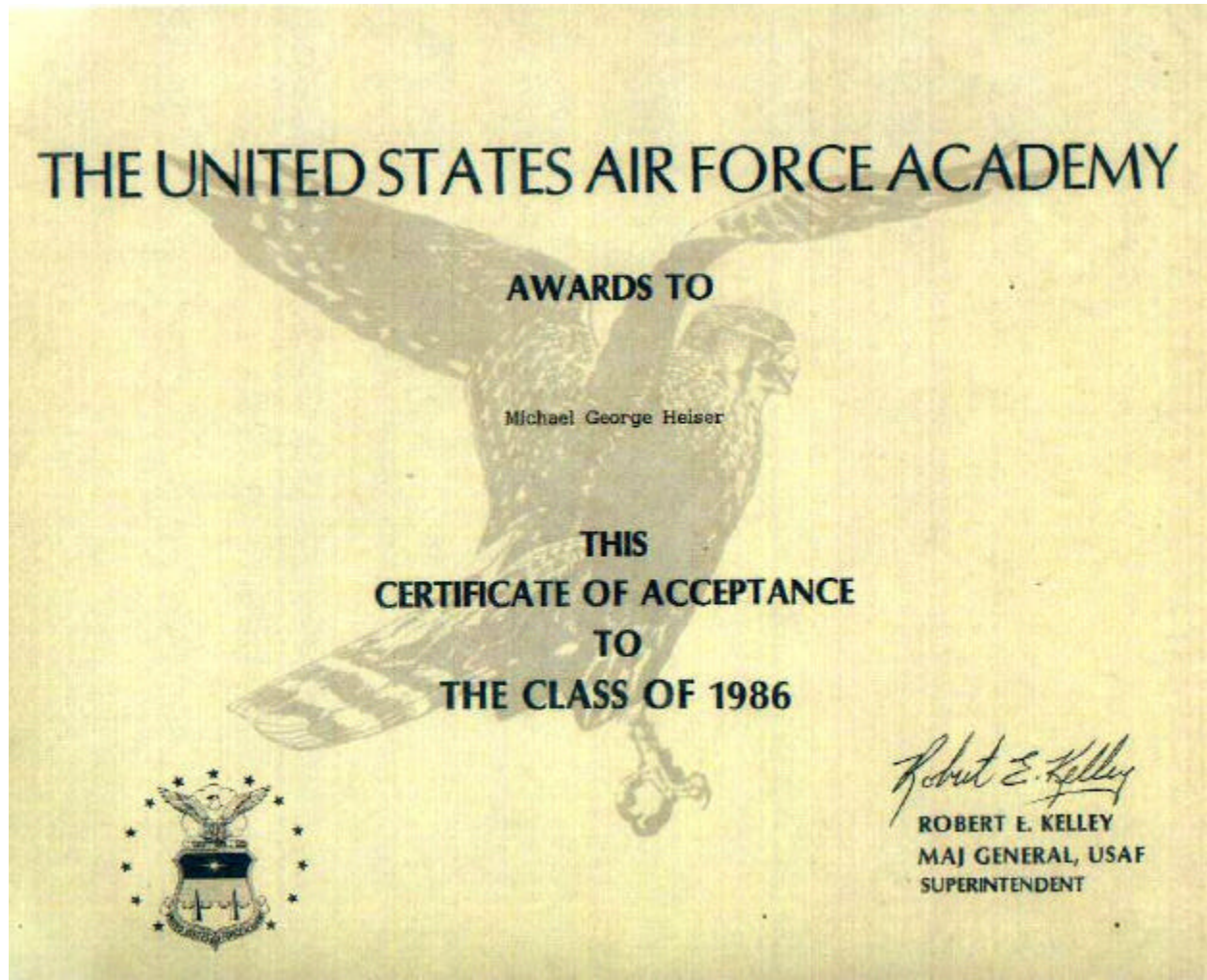
GETTING READY FOR ICELAND

Kirkland AFB, New Mexico Security Police



**Is it the Kirkland
Kops or the
Keystone Cops?**

ENTERING A NEW PHASE



AIR FORCE ACADEMY PREP SCHOOL



**PARENTS WEEKEND 1981
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO**



AIR FORCE ACADEMY PREP SCHOOL



**PARENTS WEEKEND 1981
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO**



**The name on the jacket says it belongs to General Oaks
But he doesn't look like the general.
Must be a Mike prank.**



**Some people don't even stay on the ground
long enough to re-enlist**

**I solemnly swear, blah
blah blah,**

Sign here!



It seemed strange to be purchasing property in England as things are handled differently over there. The real estate ad call introduced him to the seller, a real British Bobbie, and they worked out all the details and soon Mike became a homeowner again.

This turned out to be a good investment as it became rental property when he transferred to Ramstein, AFB.



Rental
Property
AKA
My
Write
Off!



IN 1988 THIS 'FLAT' IN RED LODGE
WAS CONSIDERED NEW AND MODERN.
WHILE VISITING, WE WATCHED MIKE
STOKE THE COAL FURNACE! Brrrr!





THE BOYS ARE AT IT AGAIN

**THE 'FLAT'
AT
RED
LODGE IN
THE
UNITED
KINGDOM**





HOME FOR A VISIT MEANS GOING TO THE OFFICE IN A SPOOK SUIT AND SHADES, ABOVE (WHO WOULD EVER GUESS) AND SORTING MAIL AT HOME



Gulfstream G-20

Mike invited to

Savannah, GA

Plant to

Assist with

Practical

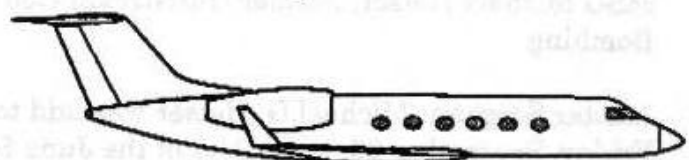
Application of

Communication

Equipment



Gulfstream Aerospace





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HEISER REALTY, INC.
PALM COAST, FLORIDA



**Here we grow again.
Decent working conditions and room to add on as progress dictates.**

The first career was the Air Force. The next career was to be real estate related. With everything in place we were growing and marking time!

On May 6, 1982 Heiser Realty was Incorporated
THE REST IS HISTORY

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Palm Coast, FL 32137

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Coldwell Banker Heiser Realty, Inc.

The Beginning

Heiser Realty, Inc. was established on May 6, 1982. The owners, Gary and Fran Heiser, were the early industry leaders to recognize the growth potential of Flagler County.

By 1985, it was apparent that Heiser Realty was on its way to becoming the "Premier Real Estate Company" in the County. That same year Gary and Fran joined Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates, Inc. as the 25th Affiliate Broker in Florida.

Our New Home

In 1986 the completion of HEISER PLAZA on Old Kings Road became the new home office for Coldwell Banker Heiser Realty.

Coldwell Banker Heiser Realty continues its commitment to service and are so very proud to be playing a major role in the continued growth of Palm Coast and Flagler County, as the company nears its third decade of service.



Nostalgia

The World of Sports: 1982

NBA Champions: LA Lakers
NFL Champions: S.F. 49ers
World Series: St. Louis
World Cup Champions:
Italy

1998 and Beyond

With over 25 Sales Associates and 6 Staff Members, Coldwell Banker Heiser Realty is ready to meet your expectations in buying or selling real estate.

Our approach to business is simple, "Expect the Best". It's a pledge we practice every day, in every transaction. It's a pledge to lead the way in offering services that keep pace with the ever changing needs of the real estate industry.

Statistics: 1982

1 Dozen Eggs: \$1.02
Bread: \$0.54
Sugar (1lb): \$0.30
Stamp (1st ounce): \$0.20
President: Ronald Reagan
U.S. Population: 232,138,000

Entertainment: 1982

Best Movie: Gandhi
Best Actor: Ben Kingsley
Best Actress: Meryl Streep
Best Song: Always On My Mind

**THE
NIGHT
THE
WALL
CAME
DOWN**



NOVEMBER 9, 1989

The crew escorted Helmut Kohl to this historic event. Grafetti laden souvenirs were plentiful and made nice accent jewelry.



CHECK POINT

CHARLIE

When 'Charlie' was retired



Senator Phil Gramm with crew and dignitaries in India. This was memorable for Mike as they stayed in the same hotel where the US Tennis Team were staying in New Delhi and the banner welcomed the Davis Cup Champs and the captain of the team was none other than our own Palm Coaster, the touring pro, Tom Gullikson. They exchanged business cards and shocked the rest of the crew as having bumped into someone from home when so far away. Knowing Mike, he probably gave Tom a real estate pitch while renewing an acquaintance



**AFTER A LONG FLIGHT,
'HOMEWORK' WAS RELAXING**



**MARCH 1993---PAIGE AND TABITHA WALLACE CAME TO VISIT
WHILE MIKE WAS HOME ON LEAVE. THESE WERE HAPPY TIMES.**



**Continuous entertainment with
Yakov Smirnof**

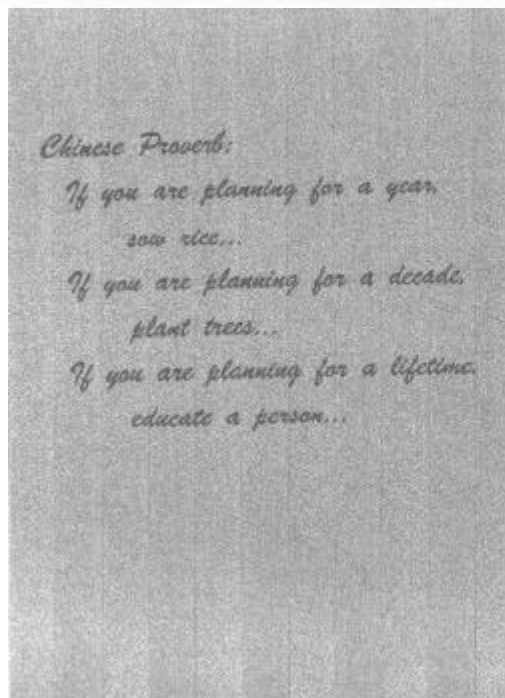
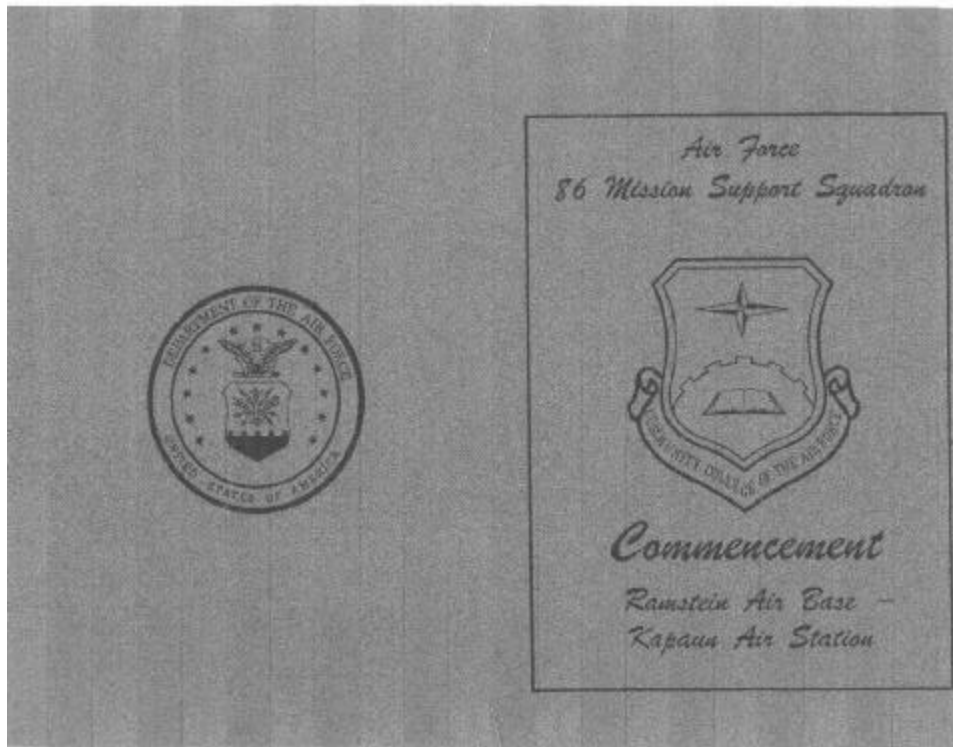


Home on leave with good friends Lars and Vicki Helland



COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

IT TOOK LONGER TO GET TO THE FINISH LINE
BUT WORTH IT IN THE END



1400 HOURS PROGRAM	
ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY	PLEASE RISE
POSTING OF THE COLORS	86 PW HONOR GUARD
INVOCATION	CHAPLAIN (CAPTAIN) MARK S. STANFORD 86 PW/HC
WELCOME	MR. DONALD L. WEITZ EDUCATION OFFICER 86 MSSQ/MSE
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The Commander, Air Training Command,
by virtue of the authority vested by law
and on the recommendation of the College does hereby confer on

Michael G. Heiser

the degree of

Associate in Applied Science

Information Systems Technology

with all rights and privileges pertaining thereto

Given this 14th day of July 1992

In witness whereof the Seal of the College
and our signatures are hereto affixed



Paul A. Lord
Colonel, U.S. Air Force
President, Community College of the Air Force

James H. Hester
Lieutenant General, U.S. Air Force
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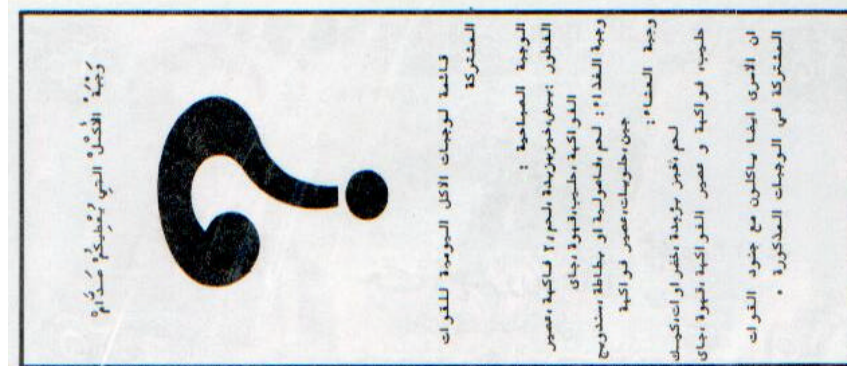
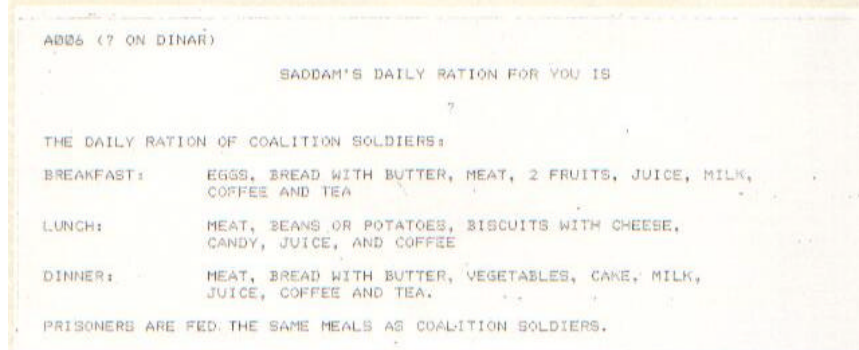
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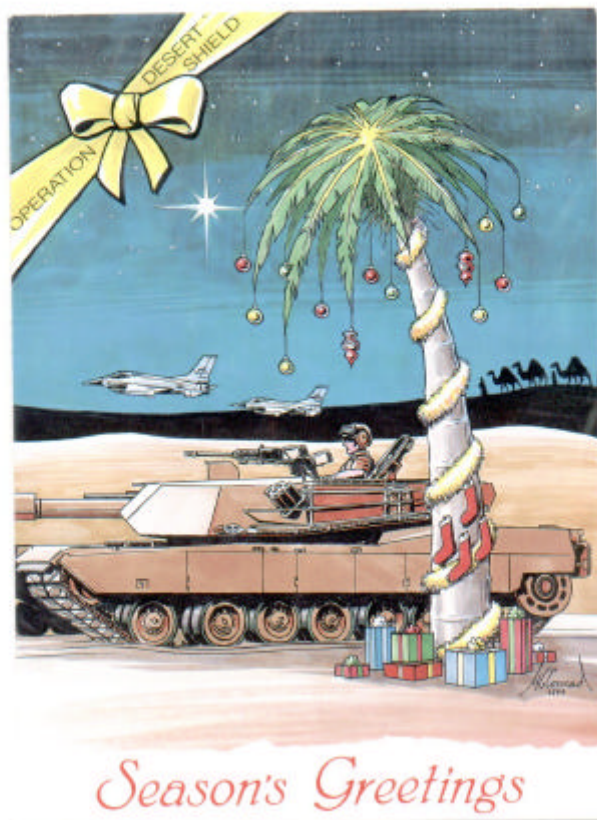
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WAR PROPAGANDA

PAMPHLETS WE DROPPED FROM THE AIR

I'M SURE THEY STOPPED THE WAR TO READ
THE AIR MAIL



OPERATION HOMEFRONT

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Season's Greetings!



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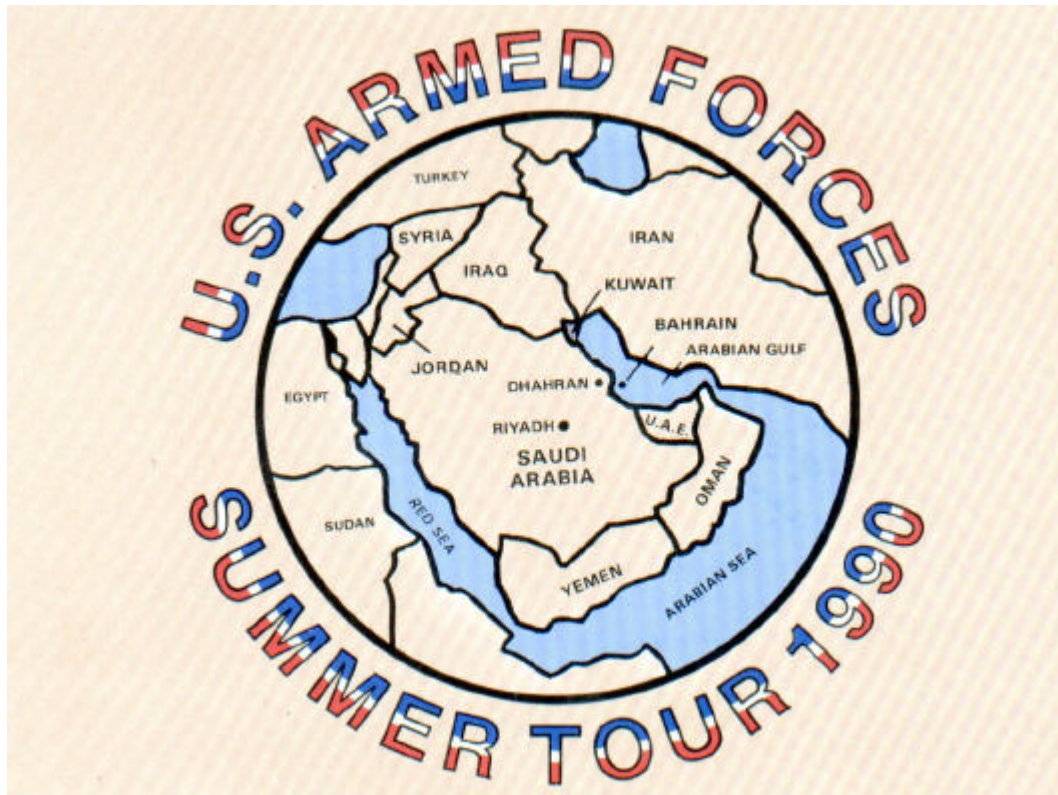
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Project Coordinator

A Message From Oliver North

Merry Christmas!

This little gift package is just a token of the concern we here at home have for you. We care about you! We know you're there for us! I remember what it was like to be far from home during the holidays -- certain only of my family's love. Well, be assured, we here at home appreciate the sacrifice of your service.

Semper Fidelis, *Oliver L. North*



With Desert Shield now behind us, we move onward to Desert Storm, another chapter in our history books

Morale was high and support was strong. The action made us proud to be Americans





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Dear TSgt Heiser:

I am proud of how well all of us in Military Airlift Command have performed in Desert Shield. Certainly this tremendous airlift operation is a perfect example of how much America depends on our contribution to the security of the United States and the safety of the free world. The success of our airlift effort is indicative of the quality that already exists in MAC. But, MAC has a proud history of continuous improvement, and we will build on our success in Desert Shield to be even better in the years ahead.

To be even better I need your help. I need your help to shape MAC's future. I'm convinced the best way to do that is to commit ourselves to quality and get everyone more actively involved in the command's day-to-day management. That's why we must adopt a total quality management process. By making better use of everyone's talents, we will improve customer support and services, our working environment, and the quality of life for ourselves and our families.

To focus our efforts, we must create a clear vision of MAC's future. That vision is: **Proud MAC—Support America Can Always Count On.** In other words, **we are proud of our command** and its mission. This pride is based on achievement and consistent performance to the highest standard. **Our role is support—** support the nation **can always count on.** We will reach this goal only through dedicated effort and total commitment to serve our nations and our customers.

You are best qualified to improve the way you do your job and support our customers. Our vision requires your help to create an environment where everyone is encouraged to surface ideas and empowered to implement the good ones within their area of responsibility and expertise.

We are making fundamental changes in the way we think and do business. It won't happen overnight, and we won't see results immediately. Success demands we begin now. First be open-minded to the quality process and learn as much as you can about it. Second, join the team and commit yourself to improving the quality support you provide your customers. Third, constructively challenge the way we do business and look for better ways. Finally, share your ideas with your commanders and supervisors and be receptive to the ideas of others.

Together we can continue to make MAC a better and more effective command—one that we're truly proud of, a command that others want to be part of, and one that others hold in the highest regard. Together we can reach our vision and say with pride and conviction that MAC provides support America can always count on.

Committed to quality

HANSFORD T. JOHNSON
General, USAF
Commander in Chief

R&R in Germany
At neighborhood bier fest



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