



556 SMS ASSOCIATION JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER

Greetings once again to members of the greatest Strategic Missile Squadron there ever will be. Bar none. This is our winter 2016 newsletter. Because of other activities this is a little late. (A lot late.) But better late than never, as the old saying goes.

The first thing I want to mention is that we plan to have a reunion this year. You heard that right. This year. As we have done in the past we will be joining the AAFM group. In 2016 they will be in Omaha, NE. I have never been there so I am going to make every effort to attend. I hope most of you can be there also. Exact dates are 12 – 16 October, 2016. This is an important meeting because we will be discussing the future of the Association. AAFM sent the registration info out and I am sending it out to you. The way it works, for those who have never attended one with the AAFM is, you just register for their reunion (You don't have to be a member of the AAFM) and any activities you want. We plan to have a room or an area set aside for the 556th as we have in the past. Then, one day of the reunion, we have our own business meeting!! More details when they are available.

For those who may not know about it, John Stone has written a book about the history of the 556th. It can be purchased through the BYU bookstore. I recommend it. It is excellent reading and some good stories by some of our members. Contact John Stone at coldwarwarriorutah@gmail.com on how to purchase.

Also, Attached is a copy of the official orders regarding our squadron patch I found in my files. FYI, definition of "fimbriated" – "Having a fringe or border of hairlike or fingerlike projections. Hmm. Now we know the "official" meaning of the motto.

Hope to see you in Omaha.

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