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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ALL VHPA MEMBERS:

The past several months have been very busy for my wife Terrie and I with the first reunion and business meeting consuming most of our time. The VHPA is making a major step forward with the transition from being run only by my wife and I from our home, to a national organization with elected officers and committee chairmen throughout the country. Please be patient with us as we all get our act together. The first major change you will notice is the format of this newsletter. A big step forward from the single page, copied sheets we sent out last year.

Since the reunion we have been busy with the more than 300 orders for T-shirts and member directories we received from you, the 1984 membership. If you sent an order in for a shirt and directory you should have received the merchandise by now, if not please contact us so we can check our files. New VHPA shirts, caps, patches, cups and other items will be advertised in the newsletters. Your annual dues will entitle you to a copy of the annually updated directory which will be mailed out during April each year.

As we approach the 1000th member milestone of the VHPA and move forward as an organization we, Terrie and I, want to thank all of you for your support and words of encouragement that kept us going with our efforts to form the VHPA. Many times we almost gave up, but your letters and phone calls boosted our spirits and renewed our energy. The VHPA is no longer my dream, but has matured into your organization.

Sincerely,

Larry Clark,
Executive Director

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Larry Clark, Executive Director: Larry is a Senior Marketing Representative and test pilot for Sperry Corporation in Phoenix, Arizona.

Don Hildebrand, President: Don is the owner of Southwest Helicopters in Tucson, Arizona. Due to business commitments at the present time, his duties will be assumed by the vice President.

Bill Ringer, Vice President: Bill is the Marketing Manager for the Rocky Mountain Region of Hughes Helicopters. He will be performing the duties of both the President and the Vice President for the present time.

Mike Law, Three Year Member at Large: Mike is employed by United Airlines in their Computer Data Center. We are very fortunate to have Mike's expertise in the computer field. He has assumed the duties of recording all the information on the applications and maintaining the data base on his personal computer.

Mike McDonald, Two Year Member at Large: Mike is a corporate helicopter pilot in Houston, Texas. He is also serving on the arrangements committee for the 1985 reunion in Houston.

Roger Gould, One Year Member at Large: Roger is employed by Hughes Helicopters in Mesa, Arizona in the Flight Test Data Department. He will be assuming the duties in coming months of our newsletter editor.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Ron Wright, Arrangements: Ron is employed by Executive Air Link, a helicopter airline in Houston, Texas. He and his group are working hard on the reunion to be held in Houston next year.

Mark Hansen, Membership: Mark is the helicopter pilot for KING/TV in Seattle, Washington. Mark is taking care of all new inquiries for membership in our organization.

Brian Novak, Public Relations: Brian is a helicopter pilot for Landells Aviation in California. He is taking care of media coverage.

Bill Rheams, Nominating: Bill is employed by Air Logistics in EMS marketing. His committee is responsible for the nomination of individuals to fill vacancies for the office of Vice President and Member at Large, to be voted on at next years Business Meeting.

Editor of the Newsletter: This position was to have been held by Dolph Todd. Since the reunion, Dolph has accepted a job as Chief Pilot for EMS Helicopters in Louisiana. Due to business commitments and his recent relocation from Los Angeles, he will be unable to fulfill this position. Roger Gould, our One Year Member at Large, will be assuming these duties in the near future.

FIRST REUNION HELD IN PHOENIX

The first reunion and organizational meeting of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association (VHPA) was held in Phoenix, Arizona on June 15 - 17, 1984. One hundred and two people attended! Sixty-seven of these were members with the remaining thirty-five being wives or girlfriends.

Pre-registration was held on Friday evening poolside, however, there were already groups that had reacquainted themselves or had met that afternoon by the pool. For those that had pre-registered, packets had been made up with agendas, directories, T-shirts and name tags. There was a lot of activity at the registration desk for those that decided to come at the last minute but all were accommodated.

Friday evening was spent looking through the directory to find a particular name or names. There was a great mixture of feelings, for some to find an old friend that was on the MIA/KIA list or to find that an old friend was selling insurance, an engineer or a pilot. For some, it was the face that looked familiar across the table. After lengthy discussions, finally place that person as someone you served with in the same unit for a few days as one was returning home and the other was just starting his tour of duty. And the stories started!

Saturday morning business got under way. There was a coffee hour and registration for late arrivals. At 9:00 a.m., the business meeting was called to order by Larry Clark, the VHPA organizer. The first order of business was introductions of the attending members by name, unit in Vietnam and their present occupation. The remainder of the morning was spent in setting guidelines for membership and the adoption of the VHPA constitution.

Members, wives and families ate a buffet lunch. During lunch the members started breaking into areas of special interests in anticipation of the organizing of committees in the afternoon session.

The order of business for the afternoon was the formation of committees for the first reunion, the nomination and election of officers and the selection of committee members and chairmen for the standing committees for the next business year. The final order of business was the acceptance of the Executive Council and the Standing Committees by majority vote of the attending members. (Please refer to the list of the Executive Council and Committee Chairmen on page 2.

Media coverage during the first reunion was extensive and very favorable. The local paper, *The Phoenix Gazette*, did their interviews during the lunch break on Saturday. The article that appeared in the paper on Sunday generated interest in surrounding areas and quite a few new applications after the reunion. Late Saturday afternoon was dedicated to television interviews. Two of the local television stations gave excellent coverage of our reunion. One gave coverage on the evening news of the reunion, our goals and functions. The other is compiling the extensive interviews of some of the attending members into a documentary to be aired sometime in November.

Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. was the start of the cocktail hour. At 7:30 p.m. the festivities began. The introductions of the newly elected officers were made before dinner. At this time, Larry Clark was presented with the first life membership and Terrie Clark was bestowed the first honorary membership, for their efforts in getting the VHPA organized. Kathy Uster, representing the women of VHPA, presented Larry and Terrie with special gifts, a corsage for Terrie and a boutonniere for Larry.

After dinner, Jim Thompson, a test pilot for the AH-64 Apache program with Hughes Helicopters in Mesa, Arizona, presented a slide program and talk on the Apache helicopter. Jim, who now has over 1000 hours in the Apache, did a fine job and it was greatly appreciated.

Around midnight, we started breaking into smaller groups. There were those that had to travel home, a group that sat around and talked in the dining room until approximately 2:00 a.m. However, the most talked about group on Sunday morning were those that set a new record at the hotel for the most people in the hot tub at one time...thirty-two!

Sunday was spent with a leisurely breakfast around the pool and the exchanging of addresses and reluctant farewells. There was a sadness that the weekend had passed too quickly, but that feeling was soon replaced by the plans and the anticipation of the next reunion in Houston.

Hope to see YOU there!

NEW FRIENDS

The women that attended the first reunion were at first at a little bit of a disadvantage. There were no shared experiences as with the men. On Saturday morning, a "Get Acquainted" session was conducted by Terrie Clark. In a few short hours everyone was very familiar with each other. Names, location of homes, hobbies and a serious "rap" session was conducted of the women's feelings in regards to the men and their experiences. It was extremely enlightening and served as a common bond between the women. As a closing of the morning session, the women participated in "A Special Being". For those that attended, it showed just how very much we all did have in common and produced a very special feeling of friendship.

In the afternoon, those that wished to enjoy the Arizona sunshine stayed poolside. There was a large group that were extremely helpful to their husbands. They relieved them of some of the excess weight in their wallets by going shopping!

VHPA TO ATTEND HAI

The Helicopter Association International 37th annual meeting will be held in New Orleans between January 17-19. The VHPA will be in attendance and is making plans for a social get-together of members and a strong recruitment effort to sign up new members. Watch the next newsletter for more details.

MEMBER CERTIFICATES

When you pay your annual dues you will receive a Membership Certificate with your member number. The numbers will be issued sequentially as dues are paid. Each number will be prefixed with a letter to denote the type of membership. "L" for Life Members, "M" for General Members, "C" for Corporate Members and H for Honorary Members. If a member first joins as a General Member and later decides to pay life dues he will receive a new certificate with a new letter prefix but will retain the same number. (ie. M1234 would become L1234)

LETTERS

The VHPA NEWSLETTER welcomes letters to the editor. As space permits, we will publish as many as possible. Letters are subject to editing for brevity and accuracy. Mail to Newsletter Editor, VHPA, P.O. Box 35699, Phoenix, AZ 85069

CREWMEMBERS

This one item of business at the first reunion probably received more time being debated by those present than any other topic. However, the vote from the floor was to not include crewmembers in our organization at this time. The original Constitution was worded: "It is an organization for all helicopter pilots, aviation crew members and others who have been engaged in or actively supported in any capacity, the helicopters flown in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam Era." This would have included not only crew chiefs and door gunners but also flight instructors back at Wolters and Rucker plus ground personnel in aviation units. Many present at the meeting felt that this was too broad. Others voiced their view that the VHPA should be limited to only pilots at first and perhaps later include other air crewmembers as Associate Members without voting privileges. Plans are being made to present an amendment at the next years' business meeting. If you feel strongly about this issue, either way, write to the VHPA and let us hear from you.

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16 June 1984

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME

This Association shall be known as the "Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association", hereafter referred to as the "VHPA". It is an organization for all helicopter pilots, who flew in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam Era. (1961 - 1975)

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the VHPA are to advance the knowledge of helicopters and to enhance future endeavors whether they be military or civilian. These objectives will be accomplished through annual meetings, active coordination with mutual associations and consideration by the membership of essential matters pertaining to helicopter activity during war and peace. The VHPA is dedicated to the fulfillment of the following purposes:

- Improve helicopter flight techniques by providing a forum for discussion of common ideas and problems whether military or civilian related.
- Assist all Federal agencies and civilian organizations with recommendations and professional advice on the use of helicopters.
- Represent the VHPA to national professional organizations, Federal Government offices and to the public as an organization dedicated to the improvement of vertical flight.
- Provide an opportunity for continuing education of its members.
- Improve the effectiveness, cohesiveness, esprit de corps and traditions of valor of the Aircrews who flew during the Vietnam Era.

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ARTICLE III

MEMBERS

Section I. Membership is open to all helicopter pilots who flew in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam Era. (1961-1975)

Section II. Members shall be classified as Life, General, Corporate and Honary. To be recognized as an active member in any of these classifications, the member must be in good standing and current in his dues.

Section III. Membership classifications are as follows:

- a. Life membership may be conferred upon an individual who pays \$300.
- b. General membership is a non life-time annual dues paying member.
- c. Corporate membership is open to any company which supports the objectives of the VHPA.
- d. Honorary membership is open to distinguished persons, such as the Commanding General, Ft. Rucker, aviation pioneers, guest speakers and aviation dignitaries. Honorary memberships must be voted upon by the Executive Council.

Section IV. All active members with the exception of Corporate and Honorary members are entitled to vote and to hold office within the VHPA.

ARTICLE IV

ORGANIZATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Section I. The officers of the VHPA shall be as follows:

- a. President
- b. Vice President (who shall be President-elect and shall succeed the President)
- c. Three Members at Large.
- d. The immediate past President of the VHPA.

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Section II. The Executive Council shall consist of:

- a. The President of the VHPA who shall act as chairman.
- b. Vice President.
- c. The immediate past President.
- d. Three Members at Large.
- e. Executive Director, who will be appointed by the Executive Council.

Section III. Responsibility and Authority of the Executive Council:

- a. The Executive Council shall be the governing body of the VHPA. It shall be responsible for the management of the affairs of the VHPA, including funds, programs and regulations. It shall have authority to approve budgets, authorize expenditures, seek and accept contributions and approve annual meeting sites and program arrangements.
- b. The Executive Council may delegate authority and functions to the Executive Director or specific members of the VHPA.
- c. The President, Vice President and Executive Director will have the authority to appoint assistants to facilitate the functions of their offices.
- d. The Executive Council shall perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws.
- e. The Executive Director shall have a vote only as a tie-breaker.

Section IV. Committees. The following committees shall be selected annually by the President and ratified by the Executive Council:

- a. Nominating Committee is responsible for presenting its selections for Vice President and the Member at Large at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting of the VHPA.
- b. Arrangements Committee is responsible for planning the annual meeting of the VHPA. Their proposal shall be presented to the Executive Council at least six months prior to the annual meeting. This Committee may create subcommittees as required.
- c. Other committees may be appointed by the Executive Council as required.

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ARTICLE V

Attending eligible members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at annual meetings of the VHPA.

ARTICLE VI

The VHPA will operate on a calendar year basis.

ARTICLE VII

The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by the following procedures:

- a. Approval of the proposed amendment by the Executive Council; and
- b. Adoption of the amendment at an annual meeting of the VHPA by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting at the business session.

ARTICLE VIII

Should the need arise or a desire exist, local chapters may be initiated upon approval of the Executive Council. Chapters may have such officers, organizations and meetings as they may determine, not in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the VHPA. Each chapter will be required to provide the Executive Council with the names of its officers and activities on an annual basis.

ARTICLE IX

Section I. There shall be an annual meeting of the VHPA. It shall be conducted at a place and time as determined by the Executive Council.

Section II. Holding office or other positions of influence and trust shall be limited to eligible members as defined in this Constitution.

Section III. Executive Council and committee recommendations, nominations or decisions can be made by telephonic polling but must be a majority consensus.

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BYLAWS

CHAPTER 1

MEMBERS

1. Life, General and Corporate memberships shall be approved by the Executive Council.
2. Honorary membership shall be conferred by the Executive Council for life.

CHAPTER 2

EXPULSION FROM MEMBERSHIP

1. Members of any classification may be expelled for cause or conduct which the Executive Council deems contrary to the best interest of the VHPA.
2. General and Corporate members shall be suspended for nonpayment of annual dues and shall be dropped from the active membership roster.

CHAPTER 3

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. The Vice President and Members at Large shall be elected by a majority vote of those members present and voting at the annual business meeting.
2. The Vice President of the VHPA shall be the President-elect and shall succeed to the presidency at the close of the next annual meeting of the VHPA.
3. Members at Large are elected for a three-year term. One Member to be elected each year.

CHAPTER 4

ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. There shall be an annual meeting of the VHPA as determined by the Executive Council. The Council shall announce the date and place selected not later than six months prior to the annual meeting.

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2. Special meetings of the VHPA may be called by the Executive Council after 30 days advance notice to the membership. The notice shall state the reason for calling the special meeting.
3. In the event of a national emergency, the Executive Council shall have the authority to cancel or postpone annual meetings.

CHAPTER 5

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The President shall preside at meetings of the VHPA and the Executive Council.
2. In the absence of the President or his inability to act, his duties will succeed, in order, to the Vice President, or to another member of the Executive Council selected by it. Such successors will act for the President and sign appropriate official documents.
3. Following their installation at the close of annual meeting, the elected officers of the VHPA shall serve for the term of office in which they are elected. The duties of the officers shall be those which are customarily ordained for such office and such other functions as may be prescribed by the President and these Bylaws.

CHAPTER 7

DUES

1. Individual Life membership is \$300.
2. Annual General membership dues are \$20 per year. Membership renewals are based on the calendar year and are due not later than 1 January.
3. Corporate membership is \$300 per year. Corporate renewals are based on the calendar year and are due not later than 1 January.

LIFE MEMBERS

What a vote of confidence in the future of the VHPA when the first 3 members to join all chose to become Life Members! Rick Freeman, Ron Wright and Roger Searcy joined, in that order, within the first 24 hours after the VHPA was officially formed. Ron and Rick had a quick draw contest with their checkbooks to see who could get the honor of the lowest member number. Life Membership #1 had earlier been bestowed upon Larry Clark for his contribution in time and money to get the VHPA up and going. In similar fashion Terrie Clark was recognized for her dedication by being named our first Honorary Member.

BOOKS, CATALOGS, ETC.

CHICKENHAWK. . . Now available in paperback

VET VITTLES. . . The Post Traumatic Stress Team 37-2 is trying to raise \$800 to cover the cost of printing this book of recipes that have been tried and survived by the members of the team. Make checks payable to "Vets Vittles" and mail to Margaret Kennedy, RN Bay Pines VA Medical Center Bay Pines, FL 33504

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NEW APPLICATION FORMS

With our new computer data base for member information, we need for each of you to complete the new application form in this newsletter and return it to the VHPA. Please keep the original form and make copies to pass along to your friends, post on bulletin boards, etc. Complete the new form, which asks for more detailed information than the old form, even if you do not want to join the VHPA and pay dues. We want to include you and as many other former Vietnam pilots as possible with units and flight school class information in our computer files. We are getting numerous requests for information on how to contact former members of certain units or classes. Other members are doing research for books and may want to correspond with you to obtain photos or information. Help us and help your former stick buddies by providing us accurate information and pass along application forms to recruit more new members.

EVENTS

The VHPA NEWSLETTER welcomes notices of future events that may be of interest to our members.

Nov. 11, 1984

Washington, DC - Dedication ceremony for *THE NURSE* a bronze statue dedicated to the military nurses who served in Vietnam. For more information contact Diane Evans, Vietnam Nurses Memorial Project, Inc. 511 Eleventh Ave. South, Box 45, Minneapolis, MN 55415

July 4-6, 1985

Houston, TX - VHPA annual reunion at the Astro Village Hotel, Houston, TX. Watch for more information in future issues of the newsletter.

Jan. 17-19, 1985

New Orleans, LA - Helicopter Association International 37th Annual Meeting.

Oct. 23-27, 1984

Nashville, TN - Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association Annual Convention Contact AOPA (301) 695-2160

Nov. 2-4, 1984

Pensacola, FL - United States Pilots Association Fall Meeting/Fly-in. Naval Air Station and Naval Aviation Museum tour. Seminars. Contact Edward Norris (501) 758-4019

IN SEARCH OF...

Harry Maurer, [REDACTED] is interested in interviewing former Vietnam Vets for a book he is working on about Vietnam.

Michael Pell, [REDACTED] is a collector of military insignia. He would like to buy or trade insignia from aviation units.

David L. Johnson, [REDACTED] would like to acquire a copy of a tape recording which included "Army Aviation Brigade's great "sign off" about 1968.

Steve Malerba, [REDACTED] 13501 is an 18 year old who would like to have any unit patches for his collection.

Edward Mazzeo, [REDACTED] 08610 was a USMC grunt and would like any pictures of helicopters in Vietnam.

Dave Moley, [REDACTED] GA 30021 would like to communicate with anyone who served with the 155th AVN CO "Stage Coach" at Ban Me Thuot during the first part of 1969.

Tom Garcia, Box 15186, Tucson, AZ 85708 would like to hear from anyone with first hand knowledge about a Huey that was shot down in an area of heavy jungle and the chopper never hit the ground. It hung up in the trees 12 or 15 feet above the ground. The crew jumped down but left their weapons up in the bird. His unit mounted their AR-15's in door racks so that if they crashed, jettisoned doors and hit the ground, they would have their guns with them. Also he heard that the 57th AHC flew without pilot doors. True or False?

MEMBER NEWS

New job? Promotion? New PCS? New baby? Let us hear from you. All news items should be marked Attention: Editor of Newsletter

For those of you at the reunion, we are pleased to announce that the "fat" lady is again slim and trim. Rick and Janice Freeman are the proud parents of an 8 lb, 8 oz. daughter. Allison Michelle was born on September 5. Her birth added to another special family day, the 63rd wedding anniversary of Janices' grandparents. Congratulations!

OFFICIAL VHPA LOGO

Shown below is the official VHPA logo, as approved by the executive council. It is a four color design consisting of a yellow background, silver wings, red rings and black lettering. Authorization must be obtained from VHPA for the use of this logo on items or products.



NAME THE NEWSLETTER

Please send in your suggestions for a name for our newsletter. Submit your ideas to the editor no later than Dec. 1, 1984.

VIETNAM VETS IN BUSINESS

Do you know of a Vietnam Veteran that is the owner of a small business? Some of you have asked for a list of these types of small businesses. Let us know about these people and we will print a list in future newsletters.

SORRY FOR THE DELAY

We would like to thank everyone for their patience and understanding. We have had a few problems in the past few months since the reunion. The transition period from an organizing effort to an organization has had a few minor problems. These have started to work out and things are starting to run smoothly.

NOTICE: Annual Dues are \$20.00 per year, payable on or before December 31 of each year. Be sure to enclose your check, made payable to "VHPA" with your application form. For more information about dues see page 6 (Chapter 7) of the bylaws. Only currently paid up members will receive the newsletters and the directory that will be published each year.



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