30TH FLIGHT AVIATOR'S LOG NOVEMBER 2025 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

FLIGHT CAPTAIN: COL TONY BOWEN
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TREASURER: COL BRIAN DELAHAUT
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ADJUTANT: COL BOB HERMES
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SCHOLARSHIP (ROTC): LTC MARY GOLDSMITH
SCHOLARSHIP (DVT): BGEN RANDALL BALL
CHAPLAIN: LTC ERIC GRUENLER



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2025 Daedalians Holiday Party at The Victoria Club

We would love for you to join us at our Holiday Celebration!

4 DECEMBER 2025 (Thursday)

Kindly RSVP by November 25, 2025
THE VICTORIA CLUB
2521 ARROYO DRIVE, RIVERSIDE, CA 92506
THURSDAY DECEMBER 4TH, 2025 at 6PM
COCKTAILS, HORS D'OURVES, DINNER, & DANCING
MUSIC BY THE MARVELS
\$99 / Person



MENU

Appetizer – Shrimp Cocktail with Lemons & Cocktail Sause

Starter Salad – Chopped Salad with Romaine, Mesclun, Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumber, Red Onion, Ranch & Italian Dressing

Chose One Below

Entrée – Braised Short Ribs with Wild Mushroom Demi, Potato Puree, & Roasted Asparagus

Entrée – Atlantic Salmon with a Lemon Caper Sauce, Potato Puree, & Roasted Asparagus

Vegetarian Entrée – Vegetable Wellington – Roasted & Caramelized Squash, Onion, Mushroom, in a Puff Pastry Finished with a Roasted Tomato Sauce

Dessert – Same Propeller Dessert from 2024

RESERVATIONS: Copy and Paste the following link:

"CAPT'S CORNER"

I would like to thank everyone for their understanding and patience with our Veterans Day program this year. Due to circumstances beyond our control the Riverside National Cemetery (RNC) was unable to support us. However, we were still able to honor our departed brothers at the Victoria Club luncheon with an abbreviated ceremony. Many thanks to everyone who helped with the program. Hopefully, next year we will be back at RNC for our annual Veterans Day service.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Annual Christmas Party this year. It's always a great time celebrating the holiday season with Flight 30 members, family and friends. Make sure you RSVP using the email link provided (See Page 1). If unable to do so, please contact Paul Gill or Jeff Schall directly (See Page 5).

Finally, we are still looking for someone to step-up and fill the Flight Captain's position for the next two years. Don't be shy!

FLIGHT 30 FLIGHT CAPTAIN VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Flight 30 Flight Captain Col Tony Bowen's two year term of office ends on 31 December 2025.

Flight 30 needs a Flight 30 Daedalian to step up and volunteer to fill the Flight Captain duties indicated below for a two year term, 2026-2027.

FLIGHT 30 BYLAWS

ARTICLE VIII. EXECUTIVE STAFF DUTIES

FLIGHT CAPTAIN: The Flight Captain is responsible to the membership of the Flight for the executive direction and management of Flight activities. These activities include but are not limited to

- 1. The overall functions of the Flight, Executive Staff and for the appointment of all committee Chairpersons.
- 2. Shall preside over all Flight meetings.
- 3. Shall provide the leadership, counsel, and administrative supervision necessary to promote and conduct the ideals, aims, and objectives of the Flight and the Order of Daedalians in accordance with the Flight Bylaws.
- 4. Shall provide general supervision over all matters pertaining to the Flight including the preservation of and assures that Roberts Rules of Order are enforced; and performs such other duties as may be required by the rules of the Order and by the members of the Flight.
- 5. Shall serve as Chairperson of the Board of Directors, without a vote, except to break a tie vote.

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30th "Hap" Arnold Flight, 2025 Century Club

The 2025 Scholarship Fund continues on and we appreciate those that have given. The I fund as of 11/18/2025 is \$19,541. Thirty-nine members, widows, family members and friends donated to the Flight's Scholarship Fund. Recognized below are those who so generously donated \$100 or more. Please donate if you can as we are still not at our annual goal.

30th "Hap" Arnold Flight 2025 Century Club Aces

LTC HUGH E. PICKETT \$6000 COL JEFF HOLSHOUSER \$1000

LTC ALAN STREMIECZNY \$3000 LTC HAINES GRIDLEY III \$600

INLAND EMPIRE COMMUNITY FUND \$2680

COL JOHN B. KERR, JR. \$500

COL DAVID WARD \$650 COL AL AIMAR \$500

30th "Hap" Arnold Flight 2025 Century Club Note: Donations less than \$100 not shown

COL MARK A. BOWEN \$300 LTC JOHN C. FISCHER \$250 LT DON BROWER \$200 **COL ROBERT HERMES \$200** LTC MICHAEL KOLBOLD \$200 MRS ROBERT KRONE \$125 COL RICHARD BOUSMAN \$100 COL JOE DUGARD \$100 MRS PATRICIA KRAEMER \$100

MARK OBER \$300 COL PAUL GILL \$250 LTC ERIC GRUENLER \$200 **COL ALFRED RIVERS \$200** LTC ROBERT J, DONOVAN III \$125 COL JOHN T. ALLEVATO \$100 MRS PEGGY CRABTREE \$100 MAJ ROBERT GARCIA \$100 LTC THOMAS KUHNS \$100 MINER FAMILY TRUST \$100 DR. WILLIAM PATTON \$100

MRS CELENE BUTLER \$250 LTC WILLIAM HEITMEIER \$201 COL CHARLES E. HALE, JR. \$200 CWO2 JOE WALKER \$200 COL MARILYN KOTT \$125 MRS PAUL E. BELL \$100 LTC KELLY CURTIS \$100 MRS PAT HUBBELL \$100 RS JOHNNIE MAROUEZ \$100 LTC JEFF SCHALL \$100

"IN MEMORIUM"

 ${}^{\mathbf{y}}$ ol John B. Kerr, Jr., USAF (Ret) took his final flight on October 25, 2025 at 93 years of age. He was a native of Englewood, NJ and a resident of Redlands, CA since 1976. The last two assignments of his 27-year United States Air Force career were at Norton AFB, CA as the Commander of the Aerospace Audio-Visual Service (AAVS) and as the Vice Director of the Defense Audio-Visual Agency (DAVA). He was a pilot for 17 years with 9300 flying hours and 310 combat missions as a Forward Air Controller over South Vietnam and Cambodia. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and nine air medals. His unit was also awarded a Presidential Unit Citation.

After retirement, Col Kerr was an executive recruiter focusing on plastics companies. He owned his own business from 1996 to 2007 when he retired.

Col Kerr was a graduate of Syracuse University where he played frosh baseball and was captain of the tennis team. He was selected as a Letterwinner of Distinction in 2000. Col Kerr, who played five different sports in high school, majored in Physical Education and planned to coach after a tour in the Air Force, but he fell in love with flying so much that he stayed in the Air Force which resulted in lots of flying and some coaching. He also earned a Masters of Science Degree in Secondary Education from the University of Southern California while attending school at night.

Col Kerr had a strong belief in giving back. He was a volunteer reader at his grandchildren's elementary school in Highland, CA and a judge for the high school academic decathlon at the county, state, and national levels. He was a long-term college scholarship chairman for the Daedalians, a fraternal order of military pilots. He was a member of The Order of Daedalians since 1978, a former Flight Captain of a large flight at Norton AFB, and a member of the Board of Directors. He was the chief planner for six of his USAF pilot training class reunions. He also was an American Cancer Society counselor pertaining to prostate cancer patients.

Col Kerr is survived by his wife of 51 years Barbara; his son "Brink" Kerr (Grace) of Fayetteville, AR; two stepsons Steve Haskins (Kathleen) of San Bernardino, CA and John Haskins (Kathryn) of Redlands, CA; four grandchildren (Ross and Ryan Kerr of Fayetteville and Amanda and Bryan Haskins of Highland); and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the Riverside National Cemetery on November 18, 2025. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations to the American Cancer Society or the charity of your choice.

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LT GEN MARK "CHRIS" NOWLAND, USAF (Ret)

VICE COMMAND NATIONAL ORDER OF DAEDALIANS
11 NOVEMBER 2025 VETERAN'S DAY SPEAKER

FLIGHT 30 DAEDALIANS WHO TOOK THEIR LAST FLIGHT IN 2025

Lt Col Joseph P. Calderon Lt Col Robert J. Donovan Col John B. Kerr, Jr.



















































Order of Daedalians



NOTIFICATION

In the event of an Emergency, or when a member of 30th Flight has passed on, please notify our 30th Flight Adjutant, Col Bob Hermes, 207-214-5079 or adjutant30flight@yahoo.com.

4 DECEMBER 2025 CHRISTMAS PARTY

VICTORIA CLUB THUR — 4 DEC 2025

START ENGINES 6 PM

PROGRAM (See Page 1) MENU: (See Page 1).

RESERVATIONS: Your name and guest(s), if applicable:

- 1. Email Jeff Schall: mjmschall@gmail.com or call 714-686-27022 or call Paul Gill 951-961-1945 with Entre Choice (See Page 1 for Entre Choices) or use the link on Page 1.
- 2. Pay at the door. <u>Do not mail</u> reservations or checks to Jeff or the Flight mail box.
- 3. <u>Reservation Deadline</u>: Make or cancel your reservation not later than <u>1200</u> <u>Hours, Tue, 25 Nov 2024</u> (NOTE: A reservation made is a reservation paid.)
- 4. <u>Ensure Jeff or Paul has replied and confirmed your reservation or cancellation and Entre choice from the menu on page 1.</u>
 - 5. Cost: \$99. Pay at the door with check, cash, credit card, or Zelle. Or prepay with Zelle using

Zelle email (Note: New Email): flight30treasurer@gmail.com

DIRECTIONS TO VICTORIA CLUB: I-215 TO CA-91W; <u>EXIT 63</u>, east toward 14th Street and merge onto Mulberry St; <u>LEFT</u> on 14th St; <u>RIGHT</u> on Victoria Ave; <u>LEFT</u> on Arroyo Dr to 2521 Arroyo Dr, Victoria Club, Riverside, CA

ACE OF SPADES FOR DEC One half of \$80? And 52 Cards