### From The Chairman Of The Board

What can we say? Thank you all for joining! Since beginning our drive earlier this year we have enrolled 260 members from across the United States and overseas.

That number far surpasses our expectations, and there is hardly a day that passes when we don't receive another membership application. This response proves that we all want to stay in contact with our public affairs friends and colleagues.

The Lifetime Founder Members have provided the backbone of our financial solvency, and all our members have shown great faith by joining, thereby making the Association a living, breathing reality. Active duty Associate Memberships will be the source of the Association's future strength. They are picking up, and we are very pleased to have Director of Public Affairs Brigadier General Woody Hogle in our ranks.

Now, the question is: What is the Association going to do? First, we are committed to listening to our members. As a fledgling organization, NOT overly bureaucratic and committed to not becoming bogged down in policies and rules, we have the flexibility to pick our course. But, to make those choices, to avoid mistakes, we want to hear from ALL members on what the Association should be. If we listen to one another, make smart choices, and take deliberate actions, the Association will be something everyone enjoys and benefits from. We want the Association to be "user friendly" and hope the members of the first elected board, whom you are voting for right now, will continue in that vein.

The plans for our first annual



# <u>Deadlines</u>

#### Voting

Ballots from full members voting for the new board of directors must be postmarked no later than May 27. The original May 2 deadline was extended to give the full members who have joined since March 24 a chance to vote. Dave Shillerstrom heads the panel counting the votes. The results will be announced at the annual meeting in San Antonio.

#### **Annual Meeting**

Mailed registration forms and checks – \$75 members; \$50 spouses – must be received by June 1. After that date, only on-site registration at the Airport Ramada Hotel – \$100 members; \$50 spouses – will be available. Please call Doran Hopkins, Annual Meeting Chairman in San Antonio, (210) 736-1000 (office) or (210) 497-3203 (home), if you will register on-site.

### Last Newsletter For Non-Members!

We're sorry, but just as "there is no free lunch," there is no free Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association newsletter after this issue for non-members. So, if you don't want to miss the report on the first annual meeting or receive a copy of our member directory, it's time to join by mailing your membership form and dues to:

Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association P. O. Box 540 Fairfax, VA 22030-0540.

#### OOPS!

The bad news is - we gave you the wrong phone number for the San Antonio Airport Ramada Hotel, headquarters for our first annual meeting, June 9-11. The good news is – we now have the right number: (210) 828-9031./ membership meeting in San Antonio, June 9-11, are progressing well, thanks to alumnus Doran Hopkins and Colonels Johnny Whitaker and Ted Tilma and their staffs at AFETC and AFNews.

It's going to be a meaningful and, of course, fun event. In response to the feedback we got from many members, a job/employment discussion panel is being put together, in addition to the updates, medical, and other briefings and tours scheduled . The meeting will give the full retired and the active duty associate members insight into what is happening outside the Air Force and how to prepare for it.

We're allowing as much time as possible to renew friendships, share memories, and just plain relax in an atmosphere that should result in a very successful gathering with something for everyone.

> Sincerely, Michael P. McRaney Chairman & President

## To Acronym Or Not; That Is The Question

Have you tried saying A-F-P-A-A-A out loud? Not easy, is it? Sounds like a goat seeking someone's attention.

Yet, most of us, having lived with the alphabet soup that is rife in the Air Force, DoD, and the government – remember COMCINCPACFLTAIR and those other indecipherable Navy signs – have a soft spot in our hearts (or is it our heads) for acronyms. So, we have been considering an acronym – other than AFPAAA.

We thought of something like "AFP Triple A." But that might upset the other Triple A people.

Bill Campbell addressed us as AFPA<sup>3</sup> (for non-technical types that's pronounced "AFPA cubed"). What can we say about Bill that is printable except, you can take a PA out of Systems Command, but you can't...

Tell us what you think is a suitable acronym; better still, tell us "no" if you've had enough alphabet soup and don't want us to adopt an acronym. We'll send a prize to the best response.

# Membership List! Check Below For Those You Know

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### 12 States To Go

The Association has members in 38 states plus Guam and Germany. The missing are Idaho, Kentucky, Maine, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island. Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming. The Washington, DC area claims 67 members, followed by Texas, 48; California, 26; and Florida, 22.

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As of May 3,1994. Lifetime Founder Members in Bold/Ital.