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NGAA-East (formerly the National Geospatial/Intelligence Alumni Association-NGIAA and the Defense Mapping and Charting Alumni Association-DMCA founded in 1980) provides a way for current and retired DMA/NIMA/NGA employees to keep in contact and exchange information, ideas, and experiences. Currently, NGAA-East has over 400 active and associate members.

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We also welcome any new articles or items of interest you would like to share with NGAA-East. Please submit to Ange Meoli at the email above.

Save the date and please plan to join us at the NGAA-East Fall Luncheon to be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at NGA-East Campus. The day will begin early with all briefings by NGA at this event at the unclassified level, followed by a visit to the Lunar Landing exhibit recently opened in the NGA museum. Following lunch we are invited to attend the GEOINT Hall of Fame 2017 Induction Ceremony. All the details are attached! *We hope to see you there!*

From the NGAA-East Chapter President: Greetings in summer 2017! This year is passing quickly. Since our last newsletter I hope you scheduled time to join us in some of our chapter outings—either a walking tour of old town Occoquan, Virginia, a festive day near the race track courtesy of Jack and Diane Hild in Maryland, one of our happy hours, a special event for our members at the Library of Congress, the dedication ceremony of the AMS marker at Turner Farm, or our Spring luncheon at NGA. Our NGAA-East Fall Luncheon, mentioned above, also promises to be memorable with a visit to the lunar exhibit, which includes a relief map of the landing site courtesy of one of our own members. Now, let me spend a bit of time on the three goals I set early in my tenure and report our progress. First, I wanted to double the size of our chapter from its 400 members to 800 during my tenure. This was what I call a “BHAG”—big heavy audacious goal. We did grow to 488 members, although this growth was likely more because of your efforts talking to colleagues and briefing NGA retirement seminars and board members not missing any opportunity to talk about our great chapter. We also added CIO and NPIC to our eligibility definition, thereby embracing those legacy groups in our NGAA family and we amended our by-laws to extend membership to contractor personnel embedded with NGA entities. Second, I wanted to hold more social events in Maryland. Thanks to our members offering ideas and opening their homes I can report we have added and are adding even more events in Maryland. Finally, I wanted to engage more with NGA. For this goal, the saying that “*it is better to be lucky than good*” does come to mind! NGA’s 20th anniversary, the museum on the ground floor, DNI Clapper’s retirement event, articles contributed to the *Pathfinder*, attending GEOINT Hall of Fame (HoF) induction ceremonies, participating in HoF selection panels, serving on NGA’s employee retirement planning panels, and other engagements provided opportunities for our members to be in the center of the planning and implementation of these events in support of NGA. I am also pleased to report the establishment of the NGAA-East Scholastic Scholarship Fund and you should have already received the email containing all application information. We’ll be announcing our first recipients at our Fall Luncheon. NGA continues to go beyond anyone’s expectations to formally host us twice each year at NCE. We owe the Director, Deputy Director, Bill Caniano and the OCC staff, and many others a debt of gratitude and a heartfelt thank you. This will be my last newsletter as President—my time in this role has passed much too quickly! I would be remiss if I didn’t thank the board members for their time, ideas, and energy. I appreciate the support, friendship, and mentoring along the way. I must add a special thank you to Ange Meoli, who works tirelessly to keep us moving forward. Many thanks Ange for all you do! Looking ahead, Joe Steele is our incoming president and will take the helm in January 2018. I wish Joe and the NGAA-East board all the best and continued success. I hope you enjoy our newsletter and look forward to seeing you at NCE for our fall events. With your support, we look forward to adding new people to our chapter and expanding the number of social opportunities to share stories and visit. With many thanks, Roy Combs



On June 24th 2017 a dedication ceremony was held at Observatory Park at Turner Farm for the unveiling of a Historic Marker commemorating work done at the former Army Map Service/Defense Mapping Agency Herndon Site. Among those in attendance and speaking at the ceremony were Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director of the Fairfax County Park Authority, Virginia State Senator Barbara Favola, Congresswoman Barbara Comstock, and Clyde Smith, Chairman to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources Board. Lee Ann Hennig, Science Director of Thomas Jefferson High School and wife of former NGA Hall of Fame member Tom Hennig also spoke.

Speaking on behalf of NGA was John Fahey, a retired Senior Leader of DMA and NGA. The marker is located west of Springvale Road between Wynkoop and Georgetown Pike. Thanks to Jeff Kretsch for working this issue and submitting the article.



In the words on the marker, *"The satellite tracking system contributed fundamentally to the Global Positioning System or GPS. Until 1993, the data gathered at this facility also enabled geospatial scientists to further refine both their estimates of the Earth's true shape and variations in its gravity field."*



NGAA East Celestial Observing Event

NGAA-East held a Celestial Observing Event on the evening of July 25th at the Roll Top Observatory at Turner Farm on Springvale Road in Great Falls at the former DMA Herndon Site. The skies were unexpectedly clear and the crowd of thirty



people were able to see the planets Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn as well as the moon, double stars, star clusters, nebula and galaxies. Helping with the event were NGAA member Jeff Kretsch who helped arrange it, and other Analemma Society (www.analemma.org) members Alan Figgatt, and Peter Gural.

Free public viewing events are held on clear Friday Nights. Fairfax County Park Authority also holds Parktakes courses: <http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov> at the Roll Top conducted by their staff and Analemma Society members.

Belmont Stakes Ponies & Paella Party – *The second running of the NGAA and DMS sponsored Ponies and Paella*

Jack and Diane Hild again hosted a fabulous Ponies & Paella Party at their horse farm in Ellicott City, Maryland on Saturday, 10 June 2017. Nineteen NGAA-East members and their spouses attended the recent and in Jack's own words, "All went well last night! About \$160 in winnings went to lucky attendees." Bet you can't wait until the next time to try your luck! From all accounts, the paella was wonderful! Thanks again to Jack and Diane for hosting a wonderful "Ponies and Paella" party!

Several photos taken of the farm are courtesy of Ed Valaer, Chris Andreasen, Chung Hye Read and Alan Huguley.



NGAA-East Spring Luncheon

Forty-six (46) members of the NGAA-E Chapter gathered at the NCE on May 22, 2017 for a series of briefings provided by NGA, a chapter meeting with lunch, and remarks by the D/NGA Robert Cardillo. Bill Caniano opened the briefings with overall NGA status. Director Cardillo has briefed congress and President Trump over the past several months. The new NGA campus in St Louis has continued to progress. Currently, they are performing environmental clean-up and await approvals prior to building. The upcoming GEOINT Conference is on the horizon and NGA members will have a prominent place in the briefings. The Hall of Fame selection process is progressing, with 19 individual names and one group as nominees. NGAA expects to participate as an advisor in the evaluations.

NGA briefings included a budget brief on FY17 and FY18, a briefing on producing digital elevation data above 60 degrees north and the Arctic area, a status on Analytic Modernization, and a status of commercial imagery.

At the luncheon, Director Cardillo discussed a new Culture of Respect initiative, his experience in briefing Congress and the President, and progress on cyber activities at NGA. Several NGAA-E members made some excellent suggestions for our next meeting, to include having NGA open the NGA store during the meeting, asking NGA to schedule CAC Card renewal during the meeting, and suggesting that the Constellation Federal Credit Union advertise the NGAA to their members.

The attendees who were available gathered for a group photo with the Director of NGA, Robert Cardillo. Photo, courtesy of NGA.



And a good time was had by all – more fun NGAA-East events:



Walking Tour of Historic Occoquan

On May 10, 2017, a private walking tour of Historic Occoquan, VA, led by former Occoquan Mayor Earnie Porta was provided for NGAA-East members. The group met at the Mill House Museum for the hour tour, then lingered afterwards to visit the unique Occoquan shops and have lunch. Thanks to Pam Troutman, in her retirement is currently an artist at Art A La Carte Gallery in Occoquan, for making the arrangements for this wonderful spring event.

NGAA-East Goes to Washington!

On May 24, 2017, NGAA-East was hosted at the Library of Congress for an orientation of the Geography and Map (G&M) Division's newly renovated Research Center. They also were provided with a behind the scenes tour of the world's largest map and atlas collection that showcases rare and unique items dating from the 14th century to the present. Of special note, the group met with cartographic catalogers who set the cataloging standards for map librarians worldwide, observed a demonstration of state-of-the-art large-format digital map scanning, and viewed a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) presentation. Thanks to Dennis Drum and Paul Mich for making the arrangements for this special tour!



UPCOMING EVENTS

The following events are provided for your planning purposes! Please save the dates! Details will follow, if applicable:

9 September 2017 – Dale Robinson sent a note to let you know our fellow NGA-East members, Terry and Clyde Housel, who own and operate the Hiddencroft Winery, will have the Senior Moment Band, an all former or current NGA band, performing at their winery on Saturday, 9 September 2017, from 2-5:30pm. This actually sounds like a NGA reunion! Enjoy!

For more details, check out Hiddencroft Winery's website at the following link:

<http://www.hiddencroftvineyards.com/events-2/>

NGAA-East Election for 2018 – 2020 Chapter Officers – Ballot is attached. Please vote now and return your ballot to us by 13 September 2017.

3 October 2017 - NGAA-East Fall Luncheon – Flyer is attached! If you plan on attending, please return your RSVP to us by 13 September 2017.

Other events are in the planning process now! Further details will be provided as soon as plans are firmed up and will be provided to you via email!

Note: Call Ange Meoli on 301-661-9378, if interested in any of our events and do not have access to e-mail.

MEMBERSHIP IN NGAA

Members of the NGAA-East Chapter Executive Board often hear the following question: How can I help? For many, unfortunately, the various answers – serve on a committee, attend meetings, write an article, etc. – don't fit with the particular individual's interests or abilities (e.g. live too far away to attend a meeting).

There is one thing, however, that each member can do and that is recruiting another member. Our rolls are **close to 500** strong now and if in **the next year** we each brought in one person we would be at more than **800** and after that the base would be strong, vibrant and stable. Hopefully each of you can commit to bringing a friend or professional acquaintance into the group.

When you approach someone they will of course ask: What does it cost and what are the benefits? To assist you, some "talking points" are provided below. If you have questions, or if your friend(s) want to talk with someone else about membership, please contact a member of the Board.

THANKS in advance for your active recruitment on behalf of NGAA-East. Your efforts are really helping as evidenced by the large increase in NGAA-E membership lately!

- Cost is \$40 for lifetime membership
- Periodic newsletter to stay in touch with activities involving all NGAA and other alumni groups
- Roster with contact information of all members (not to be shared outside the membership)
- Spring and fall luncheons, one or both of which are held at NGA at their invitation. Typically coincide with award ceremonies and/or optional classified presentations (attendees required to apply for one-day interim Secret clearances)
- Annual NGAA-East selection of an "NGA East Employee of the Year" from NGA nominees who have contributed significantly to the Agency's mission and their community. Selection is from NGA Campus East nominees
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with NGA on a variety of topics
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with the United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF) on a variety of topics
- Opportunity to have input on issues brought to NGAA-East by NGA, e.g. development of an annual calendar to mark Agency milestones
- Opportunities for professional contributions to NGA's Pathfinder magazine as well as submissions to NGA paper/electronic internal employee communication capabilities
- Official venue to provide artifacts and/or memorabilia about NGA and predecessor organizations to NGA, USGIF, the Spy Museum and others
- Support to NGA exhibits and displays
- Ability to nominate former employees to the NGA Hall of Fame
- Interface with other Intelligence Community alumni groups through the Intelligence Community Alumni Network (ICAN); provides additional linkage with former colleagues
- Access to Chapter information (and applications) at www.ngaaeast.org

For Prospective Members

The Constellation Federal Credit Union (CFCU) has agreed to sponsor the NGAA-East chapter. The CFCU will pay the current \$40.00 NGAA-East chapter lifetime membership fee for any new applicant who has been a Credit Union member in good-standing for a minimum of two years, if the CFCU has not previously funded the applicant's membership in the Association of Mapping Seniors. The agreement provides that the CFCU will also support special NGAA functions from time-to-time. We thank CFCU for its support. Please visit the CFCU website, <https://www.constellationfcu.org>, to learn more about their services.

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<small>*Offer requires that referral card must be presented at the time of account opening. Must meet eligibility requirement. To receive any of the rewards described, the person being referred must not be an existing member of Constellation Federal Credit Union in any capacity and must not have been a member who closed their membership within the last 6 months. Accounts closed by CFCU will be under review. A referring member may receive multiple incentives for referring multiple new members who meet the criteria for membership and the offer. Any referral cards missing information will not be eligible. We reserve the right not to credit the referrer's account until there is activity on the new account. A minimum of 3 financial transactions of at least \$20/transaction is required before the \$25 incentive is deposited into the referrer's account. Once it is determined that the referred member meets the criteria for this program, the referring member will receive a deposit in their account by Constellation Federal Credit Union within 30 days. Constellation Federal Credit Union reserves the right to terminate this program at any time.</small>	<p>Connect & Collect Refer a member and we'll give you \$25</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fill out the back of this card.2. Have the new member submit the card at the account opening.3. When the new account is opened, we'll deposit \$25.00 into your CFCU account. Plus, we'll pay the new member's \$5.00 initial deposit.



NGA NEWS



NGAA and the *Pathfinder*

As many of you may have noted, the *Pathfinder* – NGA’s corporate magazine – has published articles about our Alumni Association. These articles reflect the excellent rapport between NGAA and NGA but more importantly are a result of the quality of suggested articles from our membership. NGAA will continue to have opportunities to submit articles for consideration by the *Pathfinder*. All submissions must be of the highest professional caliber and meet the publication requirements announced by the *Pathfinder* (e.g. number of words). NGAA members will be notified by e-mail about future opportunities, including more detailed data about the submissions (e.g. any desired focus areas). Please watch for notification of publication opportunities and consider sharing your knowledge and experience. Any articles submitted that are not accepted by the NGAA Board of Directors or that are not published by the *Pathfinder* will be candidates for publication on the NGAA Web site. In fact, articles can be submitted at any time for that purpose. Contact the NGAA Webmaster, ngaaeastexec@aol.com for approval.

NGA Career Transition Seminar Participation

NGA continues to host Career Transition Program (CTP) Panels as part of the NGA Career Transition Seminars. NGAA-East members have been featured as panel participants for a series of NGA Career Transition Seminars. The usual format is an introduction and overview of NGAA, followed by a discussion by each of the panel members of their experience at NGA, and with retiring and working post-retirement. Feedback from the panels noted that all panel members gave great advice on finding employment, self-employment, volunteer work, balancing time and finding what is right with their needs/wants -- all information that is relevant to the purpose of the program. Especially valuable was the different perspectives that the various panel members were able to provide. A Question and Answer session normally follows the individual panel member discussions. Here are some of the questions asked of panel members:

- How do we connect with NGA and predecessor organizations alumni/groups?
- How did you go about adjusting to retirement the first month?
- What were your biggest challenges when you began your job search after leaving NGA?
- How did you acquire your position? What job search methods did you use?
- How long did it take you to find a position? How many positions did you apply for? How many interviews did you have? What are some of the questions you were asked during the interview?
- What is the single most important piece of advice you would give us as we retire from NGA?
- Did any of you consider self-employment or working for a non-profit when you left NGA? Or start up your own business (such as government contracting?)
- What problems have you encountered while retired and your spouse is still working?
- More community commitment versus less commitment?
- Is there a monthly lunch with retirees? If so, when and where?

NGAA-East provides retirees for the NGA Career Transition Panel: NGA once again asked for NGAA-East assistance with their Career Transition Program on September 9th. This is a panel session where each person talks about their experience in transitioning from NGA and/or provides tips about how to make the transition more effective. The talk is short and the rest of the time is spent on Q/A. One person opens with a few brief words about the NGAA to potentially solicit interest in membership.

NGA requested recent retirees (less than five years) with relevant experience with the retirement/transition process being most important. NGA would particularly like participation from women who have made a transition to the private sector. We were seeking a diverse panel (e.g. male/female, SES/Band Employees, individuals who transitioned to corporate jobs/started own company/independent contractor/full retirement) to accommodate the diverse interests of the NGA participants. Members who are interested in participating as panel members should contact Ange Meoli at: ngaaeastexec@aol.com. We are particularly interested in those who have recent, relevant experience with the retirement/transition process.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW?

If you have pictures to share of events, trips, etc., please send them to Ange Meoli, 3020 North Ridge Rd, #110, Ellicott City, MD 21043; 301-661-9378 cell; or ngaeastexec@aol.com along with a few lines describing the content. Or, if you have a narrative of your volunteer activities, a second (or third) career, an event, trip, or other item of interest that is appropriate to share, send that to the same address. Here are a few we have received recently.

As you can well imagine, many of us took advantage of the “Total Eclipse of the Sun” event – the first one in 99 years to provide a view across the entire country – on 21 August from places around the country! Here are just a few of the experiences our NGA colleagues have shared with us! Of special note, the next total eclipse is due to happen in 2024 – it’s always nice to have something to look forward to!

Phil Kania sends this firsthand account of his view of the eclipse from the totality zone – “I too enjoyed the viewing session at the observatory. I also was one of those who traveled to see the eclipse. I stayed at a friend's in Charlotte, NC. Monday we drove into SC to get to the totality zone. Our choice of location was a small town away from a major population center. We ended up in Cross Hills, SC, a small town of approximately 600 residents. The local Baptist church had a lunch line set up only asking for donations. They also had plenty of lemonade and ice water. And most importantly restrooms! About 100 to 150 people gathered on the property. My friend and I set up about 1/4 mile away along the RR tracks with about 50 other people spread out over an area of approximately 200 yards so there was no crowding. We were right on the center line of totality. A few telescopes were set up with the proper filters and at least one camera with a big lens. As the eclipse unfolded clouds popped up and took some of the edge off the heat. But about 10 minutes before, during and for about 10 minutes after totality, there were no clouds. Totality was like nothing I had ever experienced. The planet Venus was visible and the sun had a nice corona with several streamers. Next one is in about 7 years heading north from Texas to Canada. If you can get to the totality zone, I know I will be there if I'm able to travel. Oh and I got the T shirt.”

Dennis Drum writes – “Our solar eclipse experience was excellent! We were invited to a block party in Ste. Genevieve, Missouri and the neighborhood opened up their homes (air conditioning!) and food (pulled pork - Ted Drewes frozen custard!). We were on a hill above the Mississippi River flood plain and had large clear areas for viewing, but also some shade trees and lounge chairs. One homeowner made metal badges with an eclipse stamp and the Ste. Genevieve seal for everyone. We had beautiful weather and an unobstructed view of the entire event. Totality was wonderful! Mary and I had been to the Udvar-Hazy Eclipseapoolaza and an Astronaut there said to experience it directly and not through a viewfinder, but I couldn't resist and took two handheld shots during totality and nearly fainted when I saw them - the corona and the Diamond Ring were beautiful. Missouri was organized and we didn't have really bad traffic at all. An experience we'll never forget!”

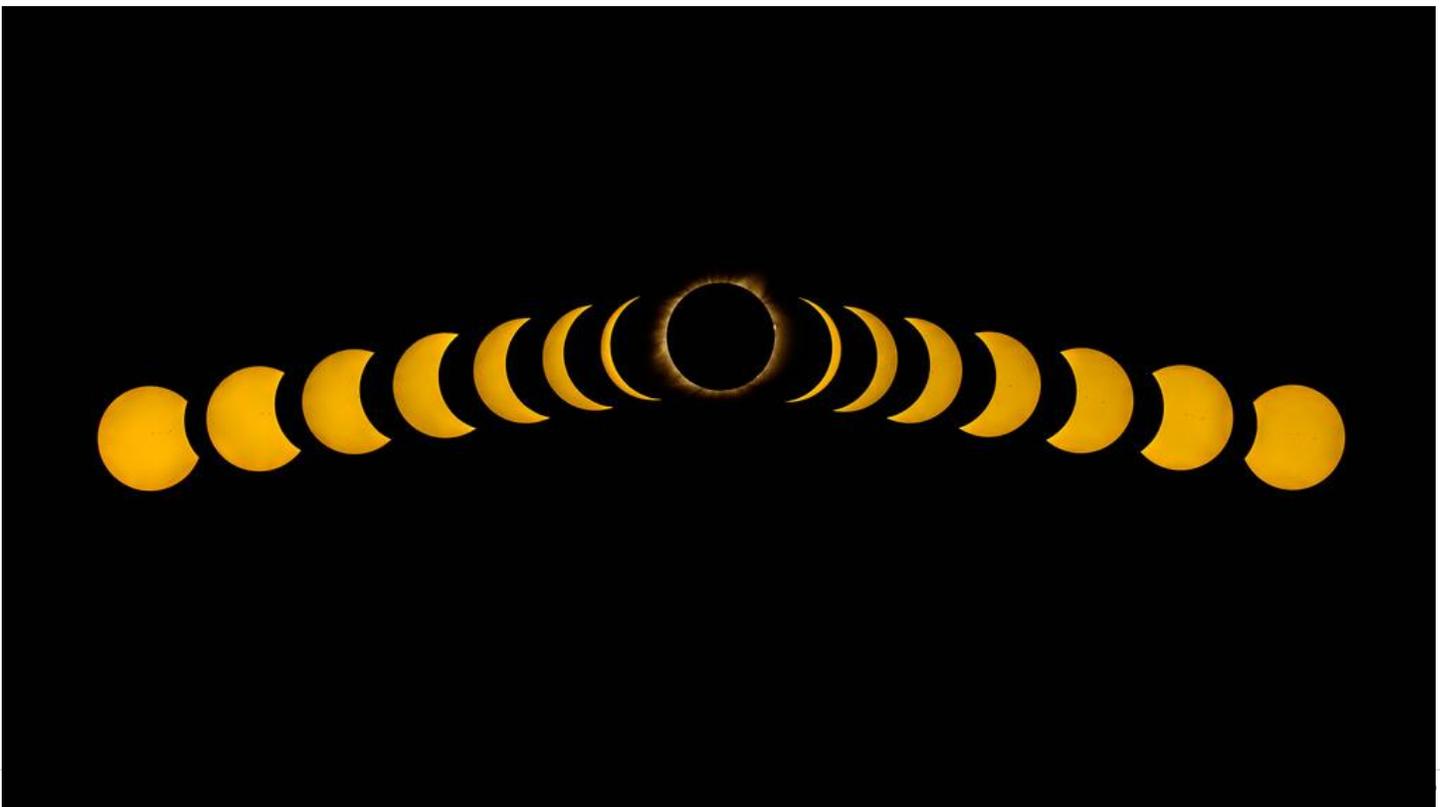


A plan goes awry! Dave Rogers writes – “I planned for six months to "see" the eclipse. Including my wife and 10 year old granddaughter, we made reservations just north of Charleston, bought our protective glasses, and made reservations for a boat tour of Fort Sumter and a carriage tour of Charleston. Well, come eclipse time, a BIG storm rolled in with loads of lightning and thunder. It got dark right on time, the street lights came on, and then went out. We proceeded to go get a steak dinner at Logan's. So much for planning ahead! I have included a map from NASA on future eclipses. I hope we live until 2024 for the next one.”

Jeff Kretsch writes – “I had better luck in Kansas, it stormed right before the eclipse started, then cleared enough to view all the phases of it including totality. I was a guest of the Frankfort School System there at a church with a cemetery where an aunt of mine in buried. There were 68 students, plus my extended family members, and teachers.”

Once NGA, always NGA! Sharing with the community! Dennis Moellman writes – “I was not at the totality but sequestered in DC. I set up a small, compact, antique Bausch and Lomb catadioptric telescope (Maksutov/Cassegrain) equipped with a solar lens filter at Trattoria Alberto on 8th St. SE. I have viewed several eclipses with this telescope including an earlier total where I observed the "Baily Beads". We invited passersby to come and put their eclipse glasses down and view the sight under some magnification. The clientele included Trattoria patrons, wait staff, and managers as well as the passersby, including one DC construction worker installing new systems under the street. Everyone seemed to enjoy the experience. I particularly enjoyed sharing with the viewers the dark cloud-like splotches -- sun spots -- that were present on the sun's surface prior to and following the partial eclipse and explaining to them that these were nuclear explosions on the surface of the sun.

Short Astronomical Curriculum Vitae: I was interested in astronomy since probably before Jeff Kretsch was born. In fact, I hired him out of graduate school after his PhD. My astronomy interest budded as a high school freshman, well before I could drive, when I joined the St. Louis Astronomical Society (STAS). My mother and dad would drive me from Belleville, IL, across the river, and wait for me while I attended the meetings at St. Louis University. The STAS had a roaring membership of 39 at the time. A short time later Sputnik was launched and that increased our membership by almost an order of magnitude. I subsequently built my own telescopes. P.S. We had a deep and dark back yard where my telescope(s) were set up. My parents could never figure out why so many high school girls could be interested in Astronomy.” 😊



IN LOVING MEMORY

We are always saddened to learn of the deaths of our long-time members as well as spouses, friends, and colleagues with whom some of us have worked throughout our careers. Our heartfelt condolences go out to their loved ones, and friends. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

OWEN W. WILLIAMS. Mr. Williams was the fourth Deputy Director of Management & Technology (Senior Civilian) of the Defense Mapping Agency.



WILLIAMSBURG - Owen W. ("Obie") Williams, 92, of Williamsburg, VA finished his race on June 1, 2017 and now rests with the Lord Jesus, his savior. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Betty Lou "Bou" Williams. Born on August 24, 1924, in Trouville, France, Owen was the third of five children of famed National Geographic photographer and writer Maynard Owen Williams, and former missionary Daisy Woods Williams. His first years were spent in France, Syria, and Turkey, and then moved to the Washington D.C. area in 1930. Obie grew into an avid sportsman, always fostering enduring friendships through team and individual competition. His sports included basketball, swimming, football, track and field, tennis, boxing, and semi-professional baseball. He had a lifelong love of golf, making four holes-in-one and several times "scoring his age."

In his career he served all four military services, and the Department of Defense. At Kalamazoo College, he trained in the US Marine Corps ROTC, but WWII sped things up and before being commissioned and graduating, he enlisted in the US Navy as a Patrol Torpedo (PT) boat gunner's mate aboard PT-334 in the Pacific theater (1944-45), serving combat around New Guinea and the Philippines. After WWII, he returned to be married in 1946 to his beloved Bou, and graduated from Kalamazoo College in 1948. He entered into the Mapping, Charting and Geodesy (MC&G) field for the US Army Map Service through 1955; the US Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratory where he became Director, Terrestrial Sciences Laboratory through 1972; and finally in the Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) where he rose to become Deputy Director, the agency's top civilian position through 1982. Always working with the best scientific minds in the world, he built dozens of international friendships and pioneered in satellite and laser geodesy (culminating in the deployment of the Global Positioning System or GPS). While at DMA, he was awarded the coveted Presidential Meritorious Executive Rank Award in 1981 by Secretary of State Casper Weinberger, as well as played tennis often with Vice President George Bush. His worldwide professional renown in MC&G broke international cooperation barriers through scientific research and development, and increased the understanding of the Earth's geodesy, gravity, and geophysics. Building scientific partnerships on all populated continents was his career achievement, especially with European, South American, and Asian colleagues who invited him to lecture in Scandinavia, the cold war Soviet Union, and to initiate a cooperative MC&G exchange with China. Raising five children with Bou in Garret Park, MD; Fayville, MA; and Annandale, VA; as well as at their New Hampshire vacation cabin, was a joy to Obie over four decades, from 1948 when the first child was born until the last graduated from college in 1987. After retirement, Obie and Bou enjoyed connecting with family that included grandkids and great grandkids from their homes in Williamsburg, VA. Obie was gifted to love each in their own way - connecting to each child's personality, right where they were in life, and then inspiring and encouraging them along their life's journey. In Williamsburg, Obie grew closer to the Lord especially through Williamsburg Community Chapel's Mini Bible College and Men's Fellowship Breakfast. After moving into Chambrel Retirement Community (now Brookdale), he found new friendships, deepened his old ones, and expressed his love of family with personal effort and quality time. No matter status or position, Obie Williams offered you his respect, love and humanity. He is survived by his children, Janet Ferrell (John) of Milford, DE, John Williams (Jody) of Rumney, NH, Marlene Lopez (Juan) of Fairfax, VA, Todd Williams (Amy) of Mechanicsville, VA and Daniel Williams (Meg) of Yorktown, VA; grandchildren, Brian, Tyler, Anna, Daniel, Benjamin, Robert, Matthew, Felicia, Sarah, Abigail, and Christopher; great-grandchildren, Palmer, Campbell, Collins, Emma and Hadley; brother, Chuck Williams (Carol) of Bakersville, CA; and sister-in-law, Mary Williams of Williamsburg, VA.

Celebration of Life Service was held on Sunday, June 11, 2017, at Williamsburg Community Chapel, 3899 John Tyler Hwy, Williamsburg. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to two of Obie's favorite local non-profit orgs: Carenet Peninsula, 11747 Jefferson Ave, Suite 3H, Newport News, VA 23606, www.carenetpeninsula.org, or Lackey Free Family Medicine, 1620 Old Williamsburg Rd, Yorktown, VA 23690, www.lackeyclinic.org. You may offer condolences at www.nelsencares.com

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CHARLES W. LESLIE, JR. On Saturday, July 29, 2017 of Falls Church, VA. Loving father of Karen Klopfer and her husband, Robert; father-in-law of Charles Tucker; grandfather of Andrew and Holly Tucker, Joseph, Katherine (Patrick Graham), Jaime, Timothy, Meredith and Samuel Klopfer; brother of Doris L. Wright. Mr. Leslie was preceded in death by his wife, Frances E. Leslie; daughter, Kathryn A. Tucker; two grandchildren, Tiffany Tucker and Matthew Klopfer; sister Isabelle H. Yount; brother Zeb H. Yount and brother-in-law William S. Wright. Friends will be received on Saturday August 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Advent Funeral Service, 7211 Lee Hwy., Falls Church, VA. Funeral Service will be held Monday, August 7, 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 2609 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington, VA. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, DC.

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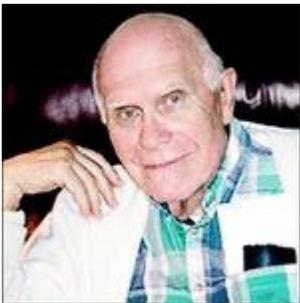
Charlie Leslie served as **Treasurer** and member of the Executive Boards of DMCA, NGIAA and NGAA-East from 1987 until he retired in 2013. In 2014 Charlie was presented a Certificate of Appreciation with this citation:

Certificate of Appreciation is presented to Charlie Leslie for his long and dedicated service as Treasurer of DMCA, NGIAA and NGAA-East since 1987, for over a quarter of a century-plus. For his dedication and loyalty Charlie is appointed Financial Advisor Emeritus to the NGAA-East Executive Board and will serve at the call of the President and/or Treasurer for financial advice.

Charlie retired from Headquarters, Defense Mapping Agency in 1986, as its Budget Officer/Deputy Comptroller. In 1987, he accepted a request to take over the position of Treasurer of the then Defense Mapping and Charting Alumni Association (DMCA) when the current Treasurer of the Association became ill. Subsequently, Charlie was elected in his own right and had been re-elected to the post in every following election, until 2013 when he decided to retire.

Charlie was a friend to all. And, he loved serving the Association.

ROBERT K. SALIN. At the time of his retirement, Bob was the Hydrographic Program Officer at HQ DMA.



Departed this life after a brief illness on Friday, June 16, 2017 in Greensprings Village, Springfield, VA where he was a resident since 2002. Born in Washington, DC on June 6, 1921 to Charles S. Salin and Florence King Salin, the family moved to Rehoboth Beach, DE in 1923 where he attended school, returning in summers, and in retirement in 1984. After several years at the University of Delaware, Mr. Salin attended the US Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY.

Mr. Salin was predeceased, by his wife of 61 years, Sarah in 2007. He is survived by six children, Sigrid Beeckman (Marc) of Springfield, VA, Robert K. Salin, Jr. (Pam) of Clovis, CA, Gretchen Delagrange (Vince) of Plantation, FL, Stephen L. Salin (Margie) Southlake, TX, Philip A. Salin Washington, DC and Lisa Len (Scott) of Southport, NC; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and many friends. There was no service. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to The Rehoboth Beach Historical Society, 511 Rehoboth Av, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.

