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Veterans In-person Events Return



West Valley Christian School Veterans Chapel

On Wednesday, November 3, 2021, a small group from Wings Over Wendy's attended the West Valley Christian School Veterans Chapel. Susan Emslie and USMC Gunnery Sargeant Ernie "Gunny" Napper, who formerly conducted the St. Martin's School Veterans Chapel are now at West Valley Christian School, 22450 Sherman Way, West Hills.

Susan was the Master of Ceremony for the chapel as the students filed in to take their seats. Many wore headbands honoring Veterans Day. The anthem for each service was played with the veterans of their branch of service standing while students waved flags of the service. Derek Swales, the School Administrator, spoke as a native Canadian, his impressions of Americans' support of the United States flag and their veterans. He was followed by Gunny and the Commandant of the President Ronald Reagan Detachment #597, Marine Corps League conducting a flag ceremony. Gunny then gave a rousing speech about the men and women who served in wars since WWI. It was a very emotional speech. He followed by folding the flag and the symbols for each of the 13 folds.

Wings Over Wendy's members that attended the event were Ed Reynolds, Ron Boggess, Howard Swerdlick, Bill Wentz, and Peggy Jean Bassett. It was good to see Peggy Jean out and about. Wings Over Wendy's members that didn't attend missed a great ceremony honoring veterans.



Photo by Larry Kusner

Canoga Park Women's Club Veterans Luncheon

On Saturday, November 6, 2021, the Canoga Park Women's Club held its annual Veterans Lunch. Attending the event included Wings Over Wendy's members: Dave Anderson, Shirley Andrews, Ron Boggess, Barry Chapman, Gerald Detamore, Bob Donovan, Marilyn Hauck, Fred Kaplan, Larry Kushner, Barney Leone, Marion Lovelace, Tom, and Rebecca Maiden, Ethel Margolin, Chuck Mathews, Bill Ratner, Ed Reynolds, Rosalie Rifkin, Ray, and Maria Rodriguez, Joe Weber, David and Gayle Worley.



LtCol Dave Woorly conducted the POW/MIA Ceremony, followed by Steve Oliva with popular and familiar music renditions. In addition, many veterans gave a personal account of their service to our country.



21711 Ventura Blvd, Woodland Hills

Veterans Day Event

On November 9th, The Commons Woodland Hills hosted a Veterans Day event at their facility on Ventura Boulevard, Woodland Hills. Wings Over Wendy's WWII veterans: Ethel Margolin and Joe Weber were honored. Gunny Napper was the featured speaker, Ed Reynolds spoke about Wings Over Wendy's, and Bob Donovan spoke about Operation Gratitude.



Ethel Margolin

Joe Weber



Gunny Napper

Bob Donovan

Attending the event from Wings Over Wendy's were;

Lee Auger, Ron Boggess, Bob Donovan, Marilyn Hauck, Fred Kaplan, Larry Kushner, Marion Lovelace, Ethel Margolin, Ed Reynolds, Howard Swerdlick, Karen and Tony Velarde and Joe Weber,



Howard Swerdlick

Ron Boggess

Lee Auger

Photos by Larry Kushner



Malibu Veterans Events

After canceling Veterans Day events last year, the Malibu Chamber of Commerce scheduled many events to honor veterans in 2021. They started the week by honoring the Wings Over Wendy's veterans by attending the November 8th meeting and providing cookies for the Coffee Line.

On Thursday, they conducted a virtual ceremony via Zoom. The ceremony showed a video of twenty years of Malibu Veterans Day programs. Wings Over Wendy's members were prominent in the video, including Bob Donovan as an MC of an event, Art Sherman, Mike Lavere, Ethel Marglin, Richard Kinder, Leon Waldman, Ed Reynolds, Lee Augar, and Commander Dan Stark and his WWII Jeep.



In a WWII WAC uniform, Margo Marty fires a Civil War cannon.



Warren Weinstein, Fred Kaplan, and Ron Boggess

Ronald Reagan Library Veterans Day Event

On Thursday, November 11, 2021, several Wings Over Wendy's members attended the annual Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Veterans Day Event.

Margo Marty, dressed in a WWII WAC uniform, fired a civil war cannon at 11:11 to mark the signing of the WWI Armistice. Attending the event were Wings Over Wendy's members: Bob and Suzanne Bermant, Ron Boggess, Fred Kaplan, Margo Marty, Lucy Volotsky, and Warren Weinstein. The day's activities included live musical entertainment, a civil war encampment, a military vehicle display, and a program honoring all branches of our military. Keynote remarks were by U.S. Marine Corps Vietnam veteran Bob Parsons. An American entrepreneur, he is best known as the founder of GoDaddy.com and PXG. He and his wife are also the founders of The Bob & Renee Parsons Foundation, which provides transformational grants to nonprofit organizations, including those that focus on the needs of wounded veterans and military families.



Photos by Larry Kushner

Canoga Park Elks Lodge Veterans Day Dinner

On the evening of Thursday, November 11, 2021, the Canoga Park Elks Lodge held their annual Veterans Day dinner. This year it was held on Veterans Day evening and drew many Wings Over Wendy's members. The event was covered by KTLA Channel 5's Rick Chambers, co-anchor of the KTLA Weekend News and Sunday Edition.



WWII Veterans Jimmy Weldon and Joe Weber

Rick interviewed Jimmy Weldon as he sat at a table of Wings Over Wendy's members. Attending the dinner was: Lee and Cherie Auger, Ron Boggess, Fred Kaplan, Larry Kushner, Erick, and Jill Lace, Barney Leone, Marion Lovelace, Ed Reynolds, Maria, and Ray Rodriguez, Bob Stiles, Sharon Fine, Karen, and Tony Velarde, Lucie Volotsky, Joe Weber, Jimmy Weldon, and Bill Wentz.



Photo by Alma Wesley

San Fernando Valley Academy Veterans Day Celebration

On November 12, 2021, a Wings Over Wendy's group attended the San Fernando Valley Academy Veterans Day Celebration. Jimmy Weldon led the celebration's salute to the flag, Ed Reynolds accepted letters and knitwear donations from the Academy to Operation Gratitude, and Councilmember John Lee gave the keynote address. In addition, Councilmember Lee presented Certificates of Appreciation to each veteran. Attending were: Ron Boggess, Erick Lace, Ed Reynolds, Tony Velarde, Joe Weber, and Jimmy Weldon. A buffet brunch was served following the program.

November 2021

Meetings

November 1, 2021



The Legendary Commando Raid At St. Nazaire – The Greatest Raid Of All Time

On November 1, 2021, we watched the video titled *The Legendary Commando Raid At St. Nazaire – The Greatest Raid Of All Time*. Jeremy Clarkson told the story of one of the most daring operations of World War II - the Commando raid on the German occupied dry dock at St. Nazaire in France on 28th March 1942. It was an operation so heroic that it resulted in the award of five Victoria Crosses and 80 other decorations for gallantry.

The following is a review of the film.

At times, Jeremy Clarkson, the unprepossessing host, almost turns this story of an impossible and probably lethal war-time task into something comic. A ship, the aging destroyer HMS Campbelltown, is modified to resemble a German destroyer -- slightly. The sailors' job is to fill the ship with explosives, slip the ship up the estuary and ram it into the gates protecting the large drydock. The goal is to prevent the use of the port by the German battleship Tirpitz.

And so we see Clarkson standing before a map of the estuary, using a pointer to indicate the features, and counting out the obstacles the Campbelltown must get past. One after another, the gun emplacements, the floodlights, the submarine nets -- all distributed neatly up and down the estuary through which the destroyer must travel.

And only after Clarkson gets to the "eighteen guns -- here, here, here, here, here, and here, and here," does it become clear that it's virtually impossible and that all the ships and men will be lost. (Another destroyer, traveling the same path, will be standing by to pick up survivors, assuming that it, itself, hasn't been sunk.) And Clarkson keeps a straight face throughout this hair-raising presentation.

It's a story of incredible bravery, and no film could do it justice. The minute details of the problems the planners faced are gone into. Eg., where on the ship do you place the four tons of explosives that are supposed to destroy the locks. The detonation device was so crude that its designer could only predict the explosion within limits defined by hours -- assuming that a sudden jolt didn't set it off prematurely and kill everyone on board.

As planned, the destroyer smashed into the dock, but the Germans were alert and all hell was breaking loose. Commandos jumped onto the dock and destroyed some additional facilities, but almost all of the frail wooden boats to deliver them from the scene had been shot up and burned in the river.

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The men, now isolated, were told to make for Spain, 320 daunting miles away, but few escaped from St. Nazaire, reduced to running through the streets and shouting at civilians, "Dedans vite!" Of all the men on the mission, 214 wound up as POWs, and 168 were killed. Forty VCs were awarded, deservedly.

HMS Campbelltown blew up the next day and destroyed the docks, which weren't made operational again until 1947. The explosion took numerous German and French curiosity seekers and military celebrants with it. The mission was a success, an important one but a costly one.

November 8, 2021



Photo by Larry Kushner

Valley Native Returns to Talk About His Father – Facts, Fiction, and Secrets Revealed

Monday, November 8, 2021, Gary Powers, Jr., son of Francis Gary Power, the U-2 pilot shot down over Russia in May 1960, addressed a crowd at the Wings Over Wendy's meeting. With 90 people in attendance. Several who knew and worked with his father. Gary talked about growing up in the SFV, losing his father at the age of 12. He did not realize the whole truth of his father's USAF and CIA assignments for years. In 1998 a declassification conference revealed that his father's mission was a military operation. His father turned from a disgraced spy to a military hero.

Gary talked about his father's mission, the filming of "Bridge of Spies," where he served as a technical consultant, founding the Cold War Museum at the former Vint Hill Farms Station, Warrenton, VA, and the other museums that he is on the board of directors. He answered many questions for the attendees. Gary has published: *Letters from a Soviet Prison: The Personal Journal and Correspondence of CIA U-2 Pilot Francis Gary Powers*, and *Spy Pilot, Francis Gary Powers, the U-2 Incident, and a Controversial Cold War Legacy*, plus many articles on the subject.

The meeting drew the largest attendance since we moved to the Auditorium. Visitors included Heidi Bernard and Sophie Kidian from the Malibu Chamber of Commerce, inviting Wings Over Wendy's to the Malibu Veterans Week events.



Roger Merideth



Gordon Fell



Heidi Bernard



Harvey Cohen

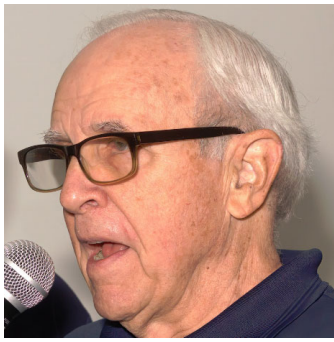


Gavin Ruhne



Steve Ginter

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Alex Daunis



Jimmy Loon



Frank Garrett



Wayne Wright



David Emch



Matindas Yaffet

November 15, 2021



Photo by Larry Kushner

**Jimmy Weldon
Presented with
Betsy Ross Flag**

On November 15, 2021, Ed Reynolds started the meeting, presenting Jimmy Weldon with a thirteen-star "Betsey Ross" flag. Jimmy recites the history of "Old Glory" at so many events it was fitting to obtain a replica of the first flag.

After the presentation, Ethel Margolin asked about the meaning behind the thirteen folds of the flag she has witnessed so many times. :

The flag-folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our great country was originally founded.

1. The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
2. The second fold is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.
3. The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks, and who gave a portion of his or her life for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.
4. The fourth fold represents our weaker nature; as American citizens trusting in God, it is Him we turn to in times of peace, as well as in times of war, for His divine guidance.
5. The fifth fold is a tribute to our country. In the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but it is still our country, right or wrong."
6. The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
7. The seventh fold is a tribute to our armed forces, for it is through the armed forces that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
8. The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor our mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.
9. The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood. It has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that has molded the character of the men and women who have made this country great.
10. The 10th fold is a tribute to father, who has also given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since he or she was first born.
11. The 11th fold represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
12. The 12th fold represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies God the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost.
13. The 13th and last fold, when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God We Trust."

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Hank Garrett

Photo by Larry Kushner

Hank Garrett, an old friend of Jimmy's and fellow voice-over actor, was attending the event.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Bobbi Stamm

Neptune Society

On November 15, 2021, the featured speaker was also a fellow actor and old friend of Jimmy and Hank, Bobbi Stamm. Bobbi talked to Wings Over Wendy's about the Neptune Society. The Society was offering a special for veterans during November.

November 22, 2021



Photo by Larry Kushner

LAPD Officer

Cesar Alvarez

On November 22, 2021, LAPD SLO Duke Dao introduced LAPD Officer Cesar Alvarez, recently assigned to the West Hills area. Officer Alvarez gave us a brief history of his career in the LAPD.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Roscoe Frazier

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We were happy to see Roscoe Frazier return to a meeting. Roscoe reported that he had undergone heart stent surgery and then vacationed with his family in Belize.

He survived the heart stent surgery but almost lost the battle of the mosquitoes in Belize. Nevertheless, we are happy he won the battle and hope to see him at future meetings.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Hank Garrett

Hank Garrett returned to be the featured speaker on November 22, 2021.

He performed a sample of his standup comic routine and a history of his life which he has documented in his book *From Harlem Hoodlum to Hollywood Heavyweight*.

The following is a recap of his book.

Hank Garrett was raised in a multi-cultural neighborhood. In the 1950s, where poverty was a way of life, Survival was the goal, and violence was the means. By age 12, Hank was carrying a .25 caliber handgun. He would either end up dead or in prison. But a serendipitous meeting with Sammy Davis Jr. changed the trajectory of Hank's life, and Hank stepped into the worlds of comedy, acting, martial arts, and wrestling. Lying about his age, at 17, Hank balanced a career as a pro wrestler with doing comedy acts at various clubs, all while still attending high school.

By age 19, he had landed a role in a successful television series. With success also came challenges, however. Hank experienced love, loss, injury, and discrimination. Opportunities were lost or stolen from him. But Hank persevered. The fight inside the man, which could have proved disastrous, became his greatest asset. Up from the Streets is a true story of survival, redemption, and hope.

His book, "From Harlem Hoodlum to Hollywood Heavyweight," will make you happy, sad and will make you laugh all the way through as he tells us all the stories

of his life, the famous people he worked with, and all he had to go through to make it from the streets of Harlem to his hard-earned stardom. He was going to survive the street life of Harlem, where he learned to become a professional wrestler along with reaching the top as a martial arts expert inducted into the Hall of Fame in both sports. Hank was also an accomplished comedian and moved on to acting, where he landed the part of officer Nicholson in the highly acclaimed *Car 54 Where Are You*. His story will surprise and entertain you as you read of all his accomplishments, successes, the surprises in his life, and the sometimes sad stories told in his book, *From Harlem Hoodlum to Hollywood Heavyweight*. One thing guaranteed is that Hank's book will entertain and surprise you by reading about all he accomplished in his life written with his unique style of comedy and truth. His book will leave you smiling at Hank's take on life....so far.

November 29, 2021



Photo by Larry Kushner

Dennis Zine Report on Smash and Grab

On November 29, 2021, Dennis Zine, retired LAPD Officer, former LA City Councilmember, and current Reserve Police Officer, reported to the group about the recent "smash and grab" events at the Topanga Mall and other Los Angeles high-end stores.



Bill Dillon to be Honored

Bill Dillon has been selected to be the Veteran Honoree at the December 5, 2021, LA Rams football game

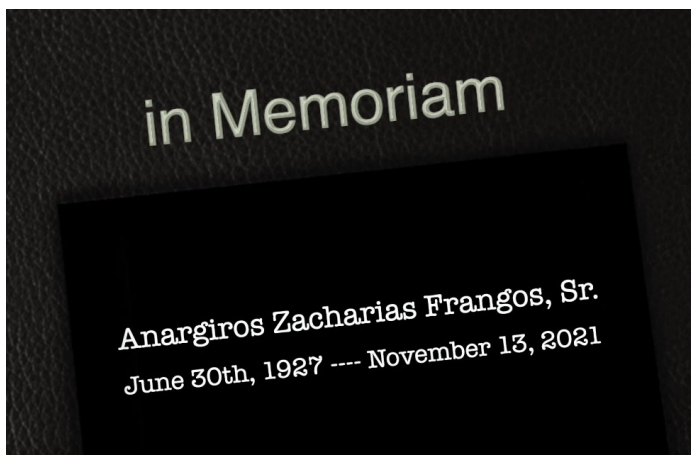


Photo by Larry Kushner

Memorial Program for Anarg Frangos

On November 29, 2021, the featured program was a Memorial for Anarg Frangos conducted by three of his sons. Zachary recited a poem, Steven sang the poem *High Flight*, and Chris produced a video of Anarg's life and family.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Following the program, Erick Lace presented the brother a Certificate of Recognition for his service as a substitute teacher in Los Angeles Unified School District. Anarg was the oldest and longest-serving substitute teacher in the system. He will be missed!

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Thursday, December 16, 2021
Hybrid meeting at Lulu's Restaurant
Zoom Meeting, 6:00 PM Pacific Time.

To join the zoom meeting,

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4041566382?pwd=dGtMTnVUNXNSV1RmRndkRlhSdVFzdz09>

Meeting ID: 404 156 6382

Passcode: ANATBF

Reminder

**Wings Over Wendy's
monthly food drive is
Monday, December 6**



**Wings Over Wendy's
Annual Christmas Toy
drive is Mondays,
December 6th and
December 13th
It should be a \$10 Value**

Prayers

Unfortunately, several of our most active members were hospitalized or in Nursing Homes or at home recuperating from their injuries or illnesses. Our prayers are for a speedy recovery and a return to our meetings:

Howard Davis, Ginger Lyons, Jack Tobe, Dick Guyer,
Nancy Eisenhart, and Jan Edwards

New Members & Guests

We welcomed the following new members, guests, friends, and relatives to our physical and Zoom meetings during November 2021:

**Caser Alvarez Heidi Bernard, Harvey Cohen, David Emch,
Gordon Fell, Chris Frangos, Steve Frangos,
Zachary Frangos, Frank Garrett, Hank Garrett,
Steve Ginter, Jimmy Loon, Roger Merideth, Bobbi Stamm,
Yaffet Matindas, and Wayne Wright**

December Birthdays

Bruce Cullen	December 03, 1942
Shirley Andrews	December 04, 1936
David Greenberg	December 04, 1965
Bob Eisenhart	December 05, 1938
Dave Worley	December 05, 1953
Howard Swerdlick	December 07, 1936
Roscoe Frazier	December 08, 1939
Tom Bradley	December 10, 1929
Manny Iglesias	December 10, 1929
Ronald Roscoe	December 11, 1944
Keith Blowers	December 13, 1947
Dan Pemberton	December 13, 1939
Frank Lopez	December 14, 1961
Alex Daunis	December 15, 1940
Larry Kushner	December 15, 1946
Dave Anderson	December 16, 1942
Cliff Rose	December 16, 1926
Julio Jimenez	December 17, 1944
Arnold Perlin	December 17, 1930
Jim Sivazlian	December 17, 1945
Sharon Para-Lavender	December 18, 1946
Peggy Jean Bassett	December 20, 1938
Jerry Watts	December 21, 1946
Peter Helm	December 22, 1944
Alan Hill	December 22, 1966
Lee Auger	December 23, 1929
John Helm	December 24, 1929
Barbara Wright	December 24, 1932
John Poltere	December 27, 1942
Claude Maugein	December 28, 1952

For Help with your Zoom Connection

Contact:

Charles Scott

(818) 448-1737

pcinfoman@gmail.com.

The WOW Zoom Equipment GoFundMe account link is: [gf.me/u/x9pst6](https://www.gofundme.com/u/x9pst6).

Charles has offered to help Wings Over Wendy's members with their computer problems for FREE.

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Monday Zoom Meeting Agenda

The URL is always the same:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/661372701?pwd=NEZCWjIuMUTArRW1tRetWUWRLNmpDQT09>

- **Meet & Greet starts at 8:00 am.**
- **The formal meeting starts at 9:30 am.**
- **Visitors and guests interviewed about 9:40 am.**
- **The presentation starts around 10 am**

Meeting ID: 661 372 701

Password: 200220

**THE MEETING ID and
PASSWORD DO NOT
CHANGE**

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Please rename yourself to the name you are listed in the WOW Roster.

If you didn't enter the name when you joined the Zoom meeting, click on the name, and a box will appear in the middle of the screen, and you can change it. Note that it only changes it for the session. If you drop off and rejoin during the meeting, you should change your name again.

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Wings News Patrons

The following is a list of WOW members who have contributed \$10 to fund the publication for 12 months.

David Alvarez	Lee Ambers
Steve Andersen	Dave Anderson
Lillian Anderson	Shirley Andrews
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Tom Bates	Bob Bermant
Darlene Birgel	Karl Boeckmann
Thyra Boeckmann	Ron Boggess
Paul Boghossian	John Boiko
Marge Callahan	Barry Chapman
Patrick Daly	Howard Davis
Skip DeYoung	Malcolm Dipperstein
Bob Donovan	Jan Edwards
Bob Eisenhart	Mike Emch
Nancy Emch	Gordon Fell
Anarg Frangos	Roscoe Frazier
David Freeman	Midge Gisel
Anita Green	David Greenberg
Richard Gross	Connie Hein
John Helm	Corinne Ho
Neil Houston	Manny Iglesias
Carol Jensen	Fred Kaplan
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WOW Meetings

WOW Events Calendar Additions

Because of Wings Over Wendy's members' high participation in their events, the teamup.com WOW Events Calendar has been extended to include: ANA Meetings, MOAA/MOWW Meetings, and Operation Gratitude Events.

The key is: **kswpwdaecovnb1jans4**

In Memoriam

In November 2021, we lost two faithful attendees of meetings, lunches, tours, and events. Their presence will be missed!



Photo by Harlis Brend

Anarg Frangos 06/30/27 to 11/13/21

Anargiros “Anarg” “Eddie,” “Ed” Zacharias Frangos, the beloved Frangos Family patriarch, died peacefully at 94 years young on November 13, 2021, at his home in Winnetka, California. Anarg was surrounded by family throughout life and at the end of his battle with prostate cancer, which he fought valiantly for 14 years and never let it stop his ability to live life to its fullest.

Born June 30, 1927, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, son of the late Zachary Christos Frangos and Aphrodite Napoleon Kourelakos, Anarg was the youngest of three siblings in a first-generation Greek American family. Anarg attended the University of Pennsylvania, receiving BS and MS degrees in Mechanical engineering. Later on, he would attend UCLA and receive another masters degree in Engineering Management.

Anarg served in the US Navy during World War II and the Korean War interspersed among his 37 year career in aerospace. Following his retirement from aerospace at the age of 62, Anarg began to substitute teaching with the Los Angeles Unified School District, where he taught for the rest of his life (32 years), including during the COVID-19

pandemic. He was the oldest active substitute teacher in the Los Angeles Unified School District at his passing.

Anarg was the husband of 64 years to the late Katherine “Cassy” Vallas Frangos (1929-2016), who was the absolute love of his life. His brother Chris Z. Frangos and sister Mary J. Frangos also preceded his death. Anarg is survived by his loving sons and their wives, who he loved as daughters, Zachary (Kelly), Stephen (Jennifer), Chris (Lisa), and Anarge Jr. (Veronica); and his grandchildren, Nicholas, Timothy, Katherine, Zachary, Sarah, Matthew, Stephanie (Sam), Andrew (Cat), Eddie, Patrick, Sean, and Liam, who were the lights of his life.

When Anarg was not with family or teaching (or swimming in his pool nearly every morning), he was engaged in his lifelong passion for flying. He spent 70 years as a certified pilot with an active license at the time of his death. Flying from Van Nuys to Catalina was his favorite cross country. He was always eager for a partner to fly with and would give the gift of flight along with a personalized flight certificate to all who asked.

Anarg’s warmth drew people to him, and he touched the lives of all who knew him. His family and friends will always remember being offered ice cream upon entry to his home, being serenaded by his harmonica, being told a joke tailored to every occasion, and being bathed in his infectious laughter, and don’t forget to take a few oranges and grapefruits off the trees before you leave.

Anarg asked that any donations in his memory be made to his favorite charity, Boys Town, an organization much like the community center that provided him support as a child growing up in South Philadelphia. bit.ly/AnargBoysTown

Messages to Anarg’s family or dedicated donation notifications can be directed to: InMemoryOfAnarg@gmail.com

Anarg’s life will be further honored later when he joins his beloved Cassy in inurnment at Arlington National Cemetery.

In the words of his favorite poem, Magee’s “High Flight,” all who knew Anarg know he will continue now to **“dance the skies on laughter-silvered wings” as he puts out his hand to touch “the face of God”**





Tom Villanueva
03/07/1924 to 11/17/2021

Thomas Villanueva was born on March 7th, 1924 and raised in Gallup, New Mexico. He attended school in Gallup and entered the USAAF after graduating from high school. Tommy was stationed in Burma,

Following his discharge, he returned to Gallup. In August 1948, he eloped with his girlfriend, Lucille. They remarried in the Catholic Church on March 8th, 1949

Lucille and Tommy had 6 children. 4 boys and 2 girls. His oldest son Russ served two tours as a US Army Green Beret in Viet Nam.

Tommy worked as a carpet layer for most of his life and retired at 65 years in 1989. He lived in West Hills near Howard Swerdlick and was encouraged by Howard to attend the Wings Over Wendy's meetings in the Platt Village Wendy's.

He really enjoyed the weekly meetings, going on the trips and participating in the Parades. He had a lot of good memories from WOW. Tommy was a kind and gentle man and would strike up a conversation with anyone. He would make everyone he talked to laugh to the very end of his laugh.

He loved to give Lucille flowers. When they were first married, he could only afford to buy her one flower at the end of his workweek. He told her that he would be able to afford a whole bouquet one day. Until she died in 2010, she had a bouquet of flowers next to her for 63 years.

We will all miss his kind and gentle spirit. And, of course, his laugh and his daughter Toni.

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In Other News

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Army Gets Navy's (Wrong) Goat



The U.S. Naval Academy mascot stands on the sideline during the 113th Army-Navy game at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8, 2012. (Department of Defense photo by EJ Hersom)

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Mascot-nabbing has been technically off-limits between the service academies for nearly 30 years, but that didn't stop West Point cadets last weekend from executing a heist of Bill, the Naval Academy's beloved goat.

Problem was, they took the wrong kid.

At some point over the weekend, a band of U.S. Military Academy cadets snuck onto the Maryland farm where Bill, his understudy and predecessors live. They stole what they thought was the current mascot, a curly-haired Angora that attends all Naval Academy football games.

But instead of goat-napping current mascot Bill XXXVII, they made off with Bill XXXIV, a 14-year-old billy with just one horn who retired in 2015.

The heist, first reported in The New York Times, was a clandestine mission Times reporter Dave Philipps called "a Bay of Pigs-style embarrassment."

"The noisy assault team spooked the goats into a run, though, and when the fumbling cadets gave chase, they managed to grab only one goat -- and not the right one," Philipps wrote. "The usual post-raid gloating has been decidedly muted."

In 1992, officials at both schools signed a memorandum of agreement banning the "kidnapping of cadets, midshipmen and mascots."

That accord followed a raid on West Point by Naval Academy midshipmen, who cut phone lines and tied up six Army employees in order to steal West Point's mule mascots.

On Monday, school superintendents Army Lt. Gen. Darryl Williams and Vice Adm. Sean Buck reminded students of that agreement, issuing a statement that they are disappointed that it was violated over the weekend.

"The Academies have an agreement that live animal mascots are off-limits when it comes to 'spirit missions' ahead of our football rivalry weeks," Williams and Buck wrote. "These actions do not reflect either Academy's core values of dignity and respect. USMA has ensured the goat was returned safely and is investigating those responsible."

The weekend goat-napping marks at least the 10th since 1953 by Navy rivals including West Point, the Air Force Academy and the University of Maryland.

And the heist was the first in nine years to make the news: On Nov. 24, 2012, a goat was found tied up in the median of Army-Navy Drive in Arlington, Virginia, near the Pentagon.

The manager of Maryland Sunrise Farm, then home to Bill XXXIII and Bill XXXIV, said at the time he did not know which of the two goats had been stolen, but a public affairs officer told Military.com on Tuesday the animal was Bill XXXIII, an Angora with distinctive blue eyes that died earlier this year.

Although most pre-game pranks are in good fun and even subtly condoned with a wink and a nod by higher-ups, they can go wrong. In 2018, West Point publicly apologized

to the Air Force Academy after cadets stole two Air Force falcons and injured one during the birdnapping.

The Air Force Academy's official mascot at the time, Aurora, a 22-year-old gyrfalcon, suffered injuries while thrashing in the dog crate she had been placed in by the West Pointers.

"The U.S. Military Academy sincerely apologizes for an incident involving USMA cadets and the Air Force Academy Falcons, which occurred Saturday, November 3, 2018," West Point officials wrote in a press release at the time. "We are taking this situation very seriously, and this occurrence does not reflect the Army or USMA core values of dignity and respect."

The New York Times initially reported that it was Bill XXXV, not Bill XXXIV, that was stolen.

The Army-Navy football game will be held at 3 p.m. Dec. 11 at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

Hollywood Will Take on the My Lai Massacre in 'Two Wolves'

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On March 16, 1968, the soldiers of Charlie Company, 11th Brigade, Americal Division entered the village of My Lai. Frustrated by previous attacks from the Viet Cong, the men took out their anger and frustration on the villagers as part of a brutal "search and destroy" mission.

Army pilot Maj. Hugh Thompson witnessed the attack from his vantage point in a Hiller OH-3 Raven helicopter and tried to stop it, helping villagers get away from the troops and radioing in what he was seeing on the ground.

Thompson was initially labeled a traitor and threatened with a court-martial while President Richard Nixon, and much of the media celebrated the actions of Lt. William Calley and his men. The truth came out only after Gen. William Peers launched an investigation.

Thompson's story is coming to the screen in a new movie called "Two Wolves," set to star Caleb Landry Jones and Viggo Mortensen. Alex Gibney, who won an Oscar for the documentary "Taxi to the Dark Side," is set to direct a script written by four-time Oscar nominee Anthony McCarten, best known for "The Darkest Hour" and "Bohemian Rhapsody."

There's no word on exact casting, but it's likely that Jones, so excellent as Medal of Honor recipient SPC Ty Carter in "The Outpost," will play Thompson. Mortensen, best known as Aragorn in the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy, seems right to play Peers.

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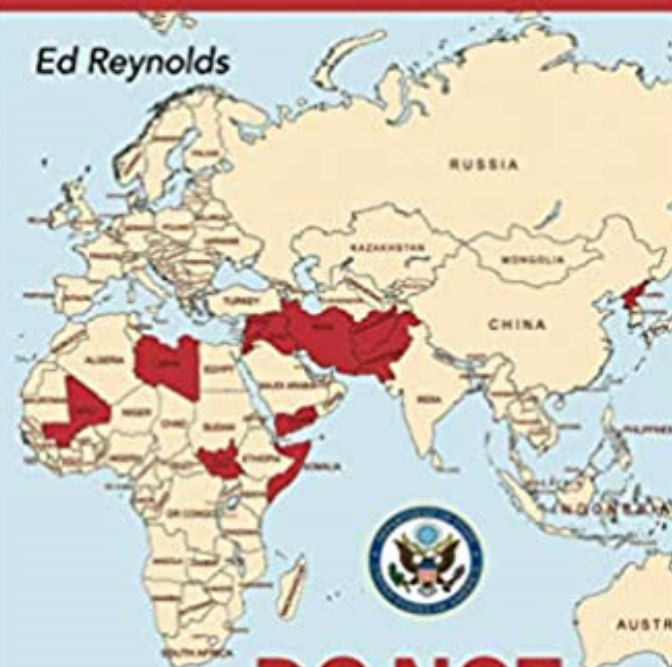


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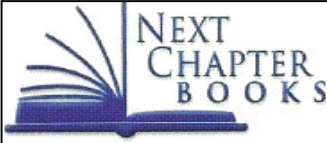
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