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PIRATE
CAPTAIN
BILLY BOWLEGS

THE BILLY BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL HAS WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BOWLES, A NOTORIOUS OLD BOY, AS ITS PATRON PIRATE. HE ARRIVED IN WHAT WAS TO BECOME FLORIDA'S PLAYGROUND AREA IN 1778 WHEN THE SPANISH, ENGLISH AND AMERICANS WERE MANEUVERING FOR CONTROL OF THE GULF SHORES AND ITS SHIPPING LANES. BELIEVING HIMSELF DESTINED TO COMMAND INSTEAD OF OBEYING, CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS GATHERED A FORCE OF A "COUPLE HUNDRED PLUNDERING INDIANS, RELICS FROM THE AMERICAN ARMY AND WHITE BANDITTI", A ROLICKING PIRATICAL CREW WHICH GREW TO BE THE CONCERN OF ALL THREE OF THE POWER-HUNGRY COUNTRIES. CAPTAIN BOWLEGS (BOWLES) CREATED HIS OWN THRONE AND THE THREE NATIONS CONSIDERED EVERYTHING FROM MURDER TO A GENERAL'S COMMISSION TO GET HIM ON THE RIGHT SIDE. FINANCED BY LOOT FROM A SPANISH SHIP AND SURROUNDED BY A HANDFUL OF INDIANS, CAPTAIN BILLY INVADED ENGLISH SOCIETY FOR SUPPORT. HE WAS REWARDED WITH A FLAG OF "ENGLISH AND INDIAN COLORS MIXED", A SILVER PIPE, TOMAHAWK, A CHAIN OF FRIENDSHIP AND TRADE SUPPLIES, WITH WHICH HE FORMED THE STATE OF MUSKOGEE. THE SPANISH ENTICED HIM TO NEW ORLEANS AND GRABBED THE HEAD OF THE STATE OF MUSKOGEE. HE WAS SHIPPED OUT TO MADRID, SPAIN, AND THEN TO THE PHILIPPINES, BUT HE JUMPED SHIP AND RETURNED TO HIS "STATE" AND GREATER DEEDS OF PIRACY. HE RAIDED ON THE GULF AND ON SHORE. HIS SCHOONERS FLEW HIS PIRATE FLAG, EXCEPT WHEN THEY SWITCHED TO THE BRITISH FLAG TO CLAIM THEIR "SALVAGED" LOOT AT INTERNATIONAL PORTS.

..... BUT ALL GOOD PIRATES MUST HAVE AN END; AND CAPTAIN BOWLEGS' CAME AFTER HE WAS LURED TO PEACE TALKS IN THE PRESENCE OF SPANISH, AMERICAN AND ENGLISH AGENTS AND THERE SEIZED. THE SPANISH PAID THEIR DISENCHANTED INDIANS A REWARD AND TOOK POOR OL' CAPTAIN BOWLEGS TO MORRO CASTLE, WHERE HE STARVED HIMSELF TO DEATH IN 1803 RATHER THAN "SINK" SO LOW AS TO SPEAK TO THE CUBAN GENERAL!





HISTORY of the FESTIVAL

BACK IN 1953, A SKI SHOW WAS SPONSORED BY THE FORT WALTON BEACH CITY RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO GIVE THE LOCAL RESIDENTS AND TOURISTS SOMETHING TO ENJOY OVER THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND. IT WAS A CROWD-PLEASER, BUT THE CITY DECIDED IT WAS TOO LARGE FOR THEM TO HANDLE ... SO THEY ASKED THE JAYCEES, THEN IN ITS FIRST YEAR AS AN ORGANIZATION, TO TAKE IT OVER.

THE EVENT BECAME SO POPULAR THAT THE FOLLOWING YEAR THE JAYCEES DECIDED TO FOLLOW A PIRATE THEME AND NAME IT AFTER THE INFAMOUS PIRATE, BILLY BOWLEGS, WHOSE BASE OF OPERATIONS WAS THE AREA WATERS. EACH SUCCESSIVE YEAR, THE GROWING POPULARITY OF THE FESTIVAL REFLECTS A COOPERATIVE COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND MANY MANHOURS AND DOLLARS CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS OF AN IDEA.

THE FESTIVAL FINALLY GREW INTO A WEEK-LONG AFFAIR AND WAS MOVED TO "OPEN" THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER TOURIST SEASON. THE GREATER FORT WALTON BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S ATTRACTIONS COMMITTEE WAS ASKED TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PLANNING THE EVENTS. STEADY GROWTH FINALLY DICTATED AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE COMMITTEE UNDER THE CHAMBER TO OPERATE THE EVENT ... THIS ACTIVE COMMITTEE IS THE BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:

CHAIRMAN, CHARLES BORN III; CO-CHAIRMAN, BOB BLIZZARD; JOHN SHORTALL, DICK BIXBY, ROLAND MC COSKRIE, GEORGE BRENNER, FRAN MC CARTNEY AND CLAUDINE REED (FESTIVAL COORDINATOR), WITH BOB GATES AND BOB BLIZZARD AS ADVISORS.

BOB BLIZZARD IS CHAIRMAN, ATTRACTIONS COMMITTEE; BOB GATES IS PARADE CHAIRMAN; DOUG M. EVERETT IS EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER.

THESE COMMITTEES ARE GRATEFUL TO THE CITY OF FORT WALTON BEACH FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE.



the KREWE ~ ~ ~



..... ALTHOUGH THE KREWE OF BOWLEGS IS A MYSTIC ORDER, UNDER CHARTER RULES AND REGULATIONS, THERE IS NOTHING OCCULT IN THE MINDS OF MIRACLE STRIP RESIDENTS AND PARTICIPANTS CONCERNING ITS VALUE AS A LOFTY, SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION AND AN INVALUABLE PUBLIC RELATIONS IDENTITY.

THE KREWE, CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN ITS TWENTY-THIRD YEAR, IS A DIRECT AND BRILLIANTLY PROMISING MULTIPLE OF THE BILLY BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL. THE OVERWHELMING ACCEPTANCE AND ENSUING SUCCESS OF THE INITIAL CELEBRATIONS SPARKED VIGOROUS, LOCAL INTEREST AND RESULTED IN SOME EXTREMELY GRATIFYING PUBLICITY BEYOND ITS INTENDED BOUNDARIES.

COGNISANT OF OTHER GULF COAST EVENTS SUCH AS MARDI GRAS AND ITS KREWE ORGANIZATIONS, THE KREWE OF BOWLEGS WAS CONCEIVED AND BORN OF A SMALL GROUP OF AREA CIVIC LEADERS. THE KREWE'S ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS OF 180 AND IS GOVERNED BY A 10-MAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS: PRESIDENT (THE CURRENT CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS), 1ST AND 2ND VICE-PRESIDENTS, SECRETARY AND TREASURER, THE CURRENT FIRST MATE, 3 BOARD MEMBERS AND THE IMMEDIATE PAST-BILLY BOWLEGS AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE BOARD. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET AT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS TO DISCUSS POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE GROUP.

THE KREWE IS COMPOSED OF PROMINENT CITIZENS AND CIVIC LEADERS WHOSE BUSINESS'S HELP FORM THE FOUNDATION OF THE CITY'S AND COUNTY'S ECONOMICAL STABILIZATION AND ARE, THEREFORE, INVALUABLE AS FESTIVAL SUPPORTERS.

VISITORS TO AND CITIZENS OF THE AREA ARE ANNUALLY IN FOR MANY DAYS OF UNPRECEDENTED FUN AND FROLIC DURING THE CELEBRATION WITH THE SPOTLIGHT OF POMP AND CEREMONY FOCUSED ON THE KREWE'S PARTICIPATION. HOURS OF VOLUNTEERED TIME AND SIZABLE SUMS OF MONEY ARE EXPENDED EACH YEAR ON COLORFUL FLOATS, IMPRESSIVE DECORATIONS AND GAILY COLORED COSTUMES USED BY THE KREWE DURING THE GRAND TORCHLIGHT PARADE AND AT THE CORONATION PAGEANTS AND BALLS. THE BEAUTIFUL "THEME" FLOATS WHICH THE MASKED KREWE RIDE, ALLOW THE MEMBERS TO THROW SHOWERS OF SOUVENIR TRINKETS AND COINS TO THE THOUSANDS LINING THE PARADE ROUTE.

THE LAST EVENING OF EACH FESTIVAL WEEK, A CORONATION CEREMONY DISCLOSES, WITH THE UNMASKING OF A NEW SUCCEEDING CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS, HIS QUEEN, FIRST MATE AND THE NEW HONOR GUARD. THE CAPTAIN IS SELECTED BY A "SECRET COMMITTEE" AND HE, IN TURN, CHOOSES HIS ENTIRE COURT.

THE KREWE WISHES YOU, ONE AND ALL, A VERY WONDERFUL EVENING AND ASK THAT YOU BE ON BOARD NEXT YEAR WHEN THEY ONCE AGAIN CAN BE YOUR HOST FOR THE PAGEANTRY OF THE BILLY BOWLEGS' FESTIVAL.

Ballad öf Ätlantis Föünd

OUT OF THE PORT OF 'ORLEANS ON THE RIVER'S MUDDY FLOW,
PURSUED AT LENGTH BY SOUNDS OF JAZZ AND MEMORIES OF SOUTHERN BELLES,
STATELY "BLACKHAWK" SAILED FAMILIAR ROLLING SWELLS OF THE DAZZLING
BLUE-GREEN GULF OF MEXICO;

THROUGH FAVORITE HAUNTS AMONG GREY-BEARDED BAYOUS, THEIR MYSTERIES
YET UNTANGLED, BEFORE THE WIND SHE FLEW
SAFELY BEYOND THE TREACHEROUS TRIANGLE TO
CARIBBEAN'S WATERS OF INDIGO;

EAGER FOR NEW ADVENTURES, HER LUSTY CREW CHALLENGED STORMY ATLANTIC'S
BOUNDING MAIN,
PRAYED TO PALAEMON ON HIS DOLPHIN TO PROTECT "BLACKHAWK" FROM SHIPWRECK'S DOOM,
AND THUS BROUGHT THEIR TRUSTY PIRATE VESSEL THROUGH GALE AND RAIN, PAST
THE PILLARS OF HERCULES TO THE PALE GREEN MEDITERRANEAN;

THERE RISING FROM IMPENETRABLE MISTS OF GLOOM,
LEUCOTHEA, ENCHANTING GODDESS OF THE SEA, BECKONED THE WEARY SAILORS
TO THAT LONG-SOUGHT SECRET PASSAGE, THE EMERALD DOOR
THAT LEADS TO LOST ATLANTIS;

FEARFUL SKEPTICS, BRAVE ADVENTURERS, "BLACKHAWK'S" BAND
FOLLOWED AFTER THE ALLURING MAIDEN
TO THE MYSTIC REALMS OF NEPTUNE AND POSEIDON
TO SHARE THE WONDERS BENEATH THE SAPPHIRE SEA;

AMONG THE ANCIENT WALLS OF LOST ATLANTIS, ASSIMILATED NOW BY THE POWER
OF OCEANUS
WITH UNDERWATER WORLD'S ALLUVIAL FEATURES,
SINGLED OUT FOR THEIR LOVE OF FROLIC AND TRUST OF THE SEA NYMPH'S GRACE
"BLACKHAWK'S" WORTHY CREW JOINED SEA GODS AND GODDESSES AND OCEAN CREATURES
FOR REVELRY IN A WATERY NEW DIMENSION BEYOND THEIR TIME AND SPACE.

..... B. LOGENE SOLBERG



THE EMPIRE OF ATLANTIS.

Twenty Third CORONATION-

LA MER OVERTURE "SUNDOWN"
- BOB HARRELL, DIRECTOR

Gränd Mårch

SEA SONGS COMMUNITY CHORUS
- CECILE KEYSER, DIRECTOR



Äct 1 - jöurnèy bègûn

GREETINGS BOB KAY
- MASTER OF CEREMONIES

ANCHORS AWEIGH NEW ORLEANS - "GOODBYE"
- LOGENE SOLBERG

CARIBBEAN CABANA -
PORT-O-CALL "THE GOLD DIGGERS"
- KEN HARRIS, DIRECTOR
- AGNES SWIFT, ACCOMPANIST
LAURA CAIN, ETHEL HARDING,
IRMGARDE HAERR, LEE ANNIE
FRAZIER, IDA FOWLER & MARIE
COOK



Tréäsûré Trövé -

?? JAWS II & JIMMY JAWS ??

Pärådé Äwårds -

BOB GATES, PARADE CHAIRMAN





Äct 2 - ätlántis föûnd

LURE - OF - THE - SEA NYMPH BARBY LINNEN

UNDERWATER KINGDOM FORT WALTON BEACH BALLE
- BERNADETTE CLEMENTS,
DIRECTOR

~ INTRODUCTION OF '77 HONOR GUARD ~



"SEA - LESTIAL" CHOIR COMMUNITY CHORUS

~ '77 HONOR GUARD ~

EBB TIDE WALT RICHARDSON

~ '77 HONOR GUARD ~

OCTOPUS' GARDEN FORT WALTON BEACH BALLE



Act 3 - cöürt öf thè sèà èöns



GRAND MARCH TO THE THRONE

**** PRESENTATION OF THE PRINCESSES ****

MISS CYNTHIA LYNN BROOKS

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. JOHN W. BROOKS

MISS CAROL LYNN CROTZER

. DAUGHTER OF DR. & MRS. MALCOLM C. CROTZER

MISS GWENDOLYN GIESEN

. DAUGHTER OF DR. & MRS. ANDREW GIESEN

MISS MARY CELESTE MATHEWS

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. CHARLES BENSON MATHEWS

MISS LISA ANNE MC LAUGHLIN

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. FRED C. MC LAUGHLIN

MISS CATHERINE COLE PRITCHARD

. DAUGHTER OF MAJ. GEN. (RET.) & MRS. GILBERT L. PRITCHARD

MISS JUDITH LEE RICKS

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. ROY L. RICKS

MISS DEBBIE RISHER

. DAUGHTER OF COL. (RET.) & MRS. EDWARD H. RISHER

MISS KATHLEEN SAXER

. DAUGHTER OF DR. & MRS. ROBERT J. SAXER

MISS ERIN LOUISE TERRELL

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. PAT TERRELL

MISS SUSAN ELAINE WHATLEY

. DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. JAMES C. WHATLEY, JR.



M I S T Y BARBY LINNEN

&

WALT RICHARDSON



CHILDREN-OF-THE COURT

FIRST MATE

CORÖNATION

CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS XXIII & HIS QUEEN



..... CORONATION GUESTS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPROACH
THE NEW CAPTAIN BILLY BOWLEGS XXIII, HIS QUEEN AND COURT, TO EXTEND THEIR
CONGRATULATIONS FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY AND PRIOR TO THE CORONATION BALL

CÖÜRT ÖF 1976



Cäptäin Billy Böwlégs XXII Röy L. Ricks

..... THIS STALWART GENTLEMAN WAS BORN AND GREW UP IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA. HE RECEIVED HIS DEGREE IN ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING FROM LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY. RECEIVING A DIRECT COMMISSION IN THE USAF RESERVE, HE SERVED TWO ACTIVE TOURS OF DUTY, THE LAST AT EGLIN AFB, 1954-56 AS AN INSTALLATIONS ENGINEER. RICKS HOLDS REGISTRATION AS AN ARCHITECT IN FLORIDA AND LOUISIANA AND RECENTLY GAINED REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER THRU EXAMINATION FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA. HE ESTABLISHED THE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM WHICH IS PRESENTLY RICKS/ KENDRICK/STOKES/DAVID - ARCHITECTS, INC. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS; SERVED AS FLORIDA NORTHWEST CHAPTER, A.I.A: PRESIDENT FOR TWO TERMS AND AS A DIRECTOR OF THE A.I.A. STATE ASSOCIATION FOR THE PAST EIGHT YEARS. ROY IS PRESIDENT OF THE GREATER FORT WALTON BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; MEMBER OF THE CITY OF FORT WALTON BEACH MUNICIPAL PLANNING BOARD FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS ; ALSO IS A MEMBER OF ST. SIMONS-ON-THE-SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER MARY ELLEN STEGALL WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY OF QUEENS. THEY HAVE TWO SONS, CAREY AND BRIAN, AND A DAUGHTER, JUDY, WHO IS ONE OF THE PRINCESSES THIS YEAR.

ROY ENJOYS ALL OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, ESPECIALLY GOLF AND HUNTING. CAP'N BILLY IS A PILOT AND INTERESTED IN LIGHT AIRCRAFT FLYING.

Qüéén Bétty - Mrs. Päül R. Eyrich

..... BETTY WAS BORN IN OPP, ALABAMA, BUT CONSIDERS HERSELF A NATIVE FLORIDIAN BECAUSE SHE HAS RESIDED IN THE FORT WALTON BEACH AREA SINCE 1945. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE AND THE JUNIOR WOMENS' CLUB; ALSO, AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER IN NUMEROUS CHARITY FUNDS-RAISING ACTIVITIES.

AMONG HER HOBBIES ARE GARDENING, DECORATING AND FOREIGN TRAVEL. SHE IS A MEMBER OF ST. SIMONS-ON-THE-SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND IS MARRIED TO PAUL R. EYRICH, JR. THE EYRICH'S HAVE ONE DAUGHTER, PAULA, WHO ATTENDS TULANE UNIVERSITY IN NEW ORLEANS. THE FAMILY LIVES ON SANTA ROSA SOUND AT WYNNEHAVEN BEACH.

First Máté ~ Chârlés B. Mâthéws



..... A NATIVE OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA, CHARLIE AND HIS FAMILY HAVE LIVED IN FORT WALTON BEACH AND MARY ESTHER FOR 17 YEARS. HE IS AN AEROSPACE ENGINEER WITH THE AIR FORCE ARMAMENT LABORATORY AT EGLIN AFB. HE ATTENDED AUBURN UNIVERSITY WHERE HE RECEIVED DEGREES IN MANAGEMENT, AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN AEROSPACE ENGINEERING. HE SPENT FOUR YEARS IN THE USAF IN VARIOUS ASSIGNMENTS AS A BOMBER AND FIGHTER PILOT AND TWO YEARS ON THE AUBURN FACULTY.

HE IS A MEMBER OF ST. SIMON'S-ON-THE-SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THE RESERVE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF AERONAUTICS AND ASTRONAUTICS AND THE NATO ADVISORY GROUP FOR AEROSPACE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. HE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LAKE LORRAINE GOLF AND TENNIS CLUB. HIS FAVORITE HOBBY IS GOLF.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER LYNNE FOSTER OF OPP, ALABAMA, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY OF QUEENS. THEY ARE PARENTS OF TWO CHILDREN, CISSY AND SKIPPER. CISSY IS ONE OF THIS YEAR'S PRINCESSES AND SKIPPER IS A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Hönör Gård-

THESE SALTY, GOOD AND STURDY NINE, WHO WERE THE "INSIDE MEN" OF YE KREWE AND LISTED ALPHABETICALLY SO THAT, AMONG PEERS, ALL ARE EQUAL AND SHOULD BE GIVEN RECOGNITION ALONG WITH THEIR "WENCHES"

..... DARRELL E. "ANK" ANKNEY

A NATIVE OF IDAHO, WAS BORN IN SWEETWATER, GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL IN LAPWAI AND ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO AND OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, PORTLAND, OREGON, BEFORE ENLISTING IN THE USAAC IN 1941. DURING WW II, HE WAS STATIONED IN ENGLAND AS A TECHNICAL INSPECTOR ON B-24'S AND B-17'S AND WAS IN THE ARMY OF OCCUPATION BEFORE RETURN TO THE STATES AS A MEMBER OF GENERAL BILL KEPNER'S CREW FOR THE BIKINI ATOM BOMB TESTS IN THE PACIFIC IN 1946. HE RECEIVED A DIRECT APPOINTMENT AS A WARRANT OFFICER IN 1950, RETIRING FROM THE AIR FORCE IN 1969. AS AN AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE OFFICER, "ANK" SAW DUTY IN ENGLAND AND GERMANY, AS WELL AS MANY STATE-SIDE ASSIGNMENTS. THESE INCLUDED DUTY AT HURLBURT WITH THE AIR COMMANDOS. HOBBIES INCLUDE BRIDGE, GOLF, BOWLING & CARPENTRY. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE ROCKY BAYOU COUNTRY CLUB, THE RETIRED OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION AND THE AIR COMMANDO ASSOCIATION. HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER ALYCE MARSHALL OF DALLAS, TEXAS. THEY HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS, VICKI CARR & KATHLEEN ROBINSON, AND THREE GRANDSONS, JEFF, KYLE AND NATHAN. ALYCE IS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE KREWE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

..... WARREN D. BROCKMAN

IS A NATIVE OF GREER, S.C. FOLLOWING GRADUATION FROM CLEMSON UNIVERSITY IN 1941 WITH A B.S. DEGREE IN GENERAL SCIENCE, HE ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE AS AN AVIATION CADET IN THE U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS. MILITARY ASSIGNMENTS OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS WERE NUMEROUS WITH EXTENSIVE DUTY OVERSEAS AND AN ASSIGNMENT IN VIETNAM DURING 1969-70. ON RETIREMENT, HE AND HIS WIFE, "ERNIE", ACQUIRED WILSON'S FASHIONS IN DOWNTOWN FORT WALTON BEACH AND THEY PRESENTLY OPERATE THE BUSINESS.

THEY LIVE AT 527 MOONEY ROAD. THEIR TWO CHILDREN ARE WILLIAM H., AN AIRMAN STATIONED IN MICHIGAN, AND TINA A., ONE OF LAST YEAR'S PRINCESSES.

..... EUGENE R. CELANO

EUGENE WAS BORN IN CORONA, N.Y. HE SPENT FIVE YEARS IN THE NAVY AND RECEIVED HIS WINGS AS A NAVAL AVIATOR IN PENSACOLA IN 1946. HE THEN ENTERED TULANE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS M.D. DEGREE IN 1955. FROM THERE, HE ENTERED HIS INTERNSHIP AND RESIDENCY IN GENERAL SURGERY IN MOBILE, ALA. HE IS A FELLOW IN THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS; A DIPLOMATE OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF SURGERY AND IS PRESENTLY SERVING AS CHIEF OF SURGERY AT GENERAL HOSPITAL, FORT WALTON BEACH. HE IS A PAST-PRESIDENT OF THE FORT WALTON BEACH HOSPITAL; OKALOOSA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY AND IS PRESENTLY A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AND ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTS COMMITTEE.

HIS FAVORITE SPORT IS FLYING. HE HOLDS COMMERCIAL AND INSTRUMENT RATINGS IN SINGLE AND MULTI-ENGINE AIRCRAFT. HIS OTHER HOBBIES INCLUDE WATER AND SNOW SKIING AND GOLF. HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER DELORAS DAVIS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY AND THEY PRESENTLY HAVE THREE CHILDREN AT HOME - GENO, LISA AND CLAY.

..... CLIFF FOSTER

CLIFF IS A NATIVE OF OPP, ALABAMA. HE RECEIVED HIS B.S. DEGREE FROM SAMPSON UNIVERSITY, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, WHERE HE WAS A MEMBER OF SIGMA NU FRATERNITY. HE WORKED FOR THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OPP AND IN 1936, ORGANIZED THE FOSTER OIL COMPANY WHICH HE OPERATED UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT. HE CONSTRUCTED A WATER TERMINAL FOR OIL PRODUCTS IN NICEVILLE IN 1946, BRINGING THE FIRST PETROLEUM BY WATER TO OKALOOSA COUNTY, DISTRIBUTING THESE PRODUCTS OVER NORTHWEST FLORIDA, CENTRAL ALABAMA AND GEORGIA. HE IS PAST-PRESIDENT OF THE OPP ROTARY CLUB, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE COUNTRY CLUB, CHARTER TRUSTEE OF MIZELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION; CHARTER MEMBER OF THE FORT WALTON YACHT CLUB, MEMBER OF ST. SIMONS-ON-THE-SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH. HE BEGAN VACATIONING IN MARY ESTHER IN 1919.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER CELESTE GRESHAM OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA. THEIR THREE CHILDREN ARE LYNNE MATHEWS OF MARY ESTHER, CLIFFORD FOSTER III OF MOBILE, ALABAMA AND SCOTT FOSTER OF NEW YORK. THE FOSTERS ALSO HAVE SIX GRANDCHILDREN.

.....HENRY B. KUCHEMAN

A NATIVE OF VIRGINIA, "HANK", A FORMER COMMANDER, ARMAMENT DEVELOPMENT AND TEST CENTER, IS NOW RETIRED FROM THE AIR FORCE AND LIVES IN LAKE LORRAINE. GENERAL KUCHEMAN ATTENDED VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE PRIOR TO HIS ENTRY INTO THE U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS IN 1941. HE SERVED DURING WW II IN THE EUROPEAN THEATER AS A FIGHTER PILOT IN THE 8TH AIR FORCE. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE WAR, HE RETURNED TO VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS DEGREE IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING. IN 1949, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE PENTAGON AS A RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT STAFF OFFICER. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE RECEIVED A SERIES OF ASSIGNMENTS INVOLVING MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AIR FORCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. AMONG HIS ASSIGNMENTS WERE DUTIES AT EGLIN (1953-59), ARMAMENT TESTING; BALLISTICS MISSILE DIVISION, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (1960-66) AIR FORCE SPACE PROGRAM; AERONAUTICAL SYSTEMS DIVISION, OHIO (1966-68); VICE-COMMANDER; PENTAGON (1968-72) ASSISTANT DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF R&D; AND ARMAMENT DEVELOPMENT AND TEST CENTER, EGLIN AFB (1972-75) COMMANDER. ON SEPT 1, 1975, HE WAS RETIRED FROM THE AIR FORCE AFTER 34 YEARS' SERVICE.

HE IS A MEMBER OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, THE AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION, A PAST-PRESIDENT AND OFFICER OF THE AMERICAN DEFENSE PREPAREDNESS ASSOCIATION AND IS NOW SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF THE N.W. FLORIDA RETIRED OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION. HE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LAKE LORRAINE AND EGLIN GOLF CLUBS. HIS FAVORITE HOBBIES ARE GOLF, FISHING AND WOODCRAFT.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER FRANCES HALL OF TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA, AND THEY ARE THE PARENTS OF THREE SONS.

.....JOHN ROBERT MARKHAM, SR.

BOB IS A NATIVE OF DECATUR, ALABAMA. HE LEFT FORT WALTON BEACH 17 YEARS AGO AFTER LIVING HERE FOR 11 YEARS. HE IS WITH BROYHILL FURNITURE INDUSTRIES AND NOW LIVES IN MONTGOMERY, ALA. HE GRADUATED FROM AUBURN UNIVERSITY IN 1950 WITH A B.S. DEGREE IN INDUSTRIAL DESIGN. HE BECAME A MEMBER OF KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY. HE IS A MEMBER OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF HOLY COMFORTER IN MONTGOMERY. WHILE LIVING IN FORT WALTON BEACH, HE WAS ON THE BOARD OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, KIWANIS CLUB, AMERICAN RED CROSS, AND WAS ALSO AN OFFICER OF THE JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, ST SIMON'S MEN'S CLUB AND A MEMBER OF THE FORT WALTON YACHT CLUB.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER ANNA COVINGTON OF QUINCY. THEY ARE PARENTS OF FOUR CHILDREN; JOHN ROBERT, JR., LOGAN, BLAKE AND JULIA.

..... HOWARD F. MC GEE

A NATIVE OF ALABAMA, HOWARD HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF FORT WALTON BEACH FOR 38 YEARS, EXCEPT FOR FOUR YEARS' DUTY IN THE U.S. COAST GUARD DURING WW II. HE OPERATED THE MC GEE OIL COMPANY UNTIL 1965 WHEN HE BECAME PRESIDENT OF THE FIRST CITY BANK OF FORT WALTON WHERE HE IS PRESENTLY CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.

HOWARD IS A GRADUATE OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY, MAJORING IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND WAS A MEMBER OF THETA CHI SOCIAL FRATERNITY. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CHARTER MEMBER OF THE FORT WALTON YACHT CLUB, CHARTER MEMBER OF THE FORT WALTON BEACH ELKS CLUB, AND HAS SERVED ON MANY PRIVATE AND CIVIC BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

HIS FAVORITE HOBBIES ARE FISHING AND SPECTATOR FOOTBALL. HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER KATHERINE CHANCY OF ALABAMA AND THEY HAVE ONE SON, JOHN C. MC GEE.

..... TOM PIANOWSKI

TOM IS A NATIVE OF SCHENECTADY, N.Y., AND HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE FORT WALTON BEACH AREA FOR 21 YEARS. HE IS AN ADVERTISING EXECUTIVE FOR THE SOUTHERN PUBLISHING COMPANY. HE IS A GRADUATE OF ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY. HE SERVED WITH THE U.S. ARMY IN KOREA. HE IS A MEMBER OF ST. SIMON'S-ON-THE-SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTS COMMITTEE AND ELKS LODGE NO. 1795.

HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER MARY JIM MERRILL OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA. THEY ARE PARENTS OF MRS. JAMES MOATES OF BIRMINGHAM, AND DR. WALTER H. MERRILL OF JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

..... JAKE W. PURVIS

JAKE IS A NATIVE OF GENEVA, ALABAMA. HE HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF FORT WALTON BEACH FOR 16 YEARS AND IS A PRACTICING VETERINARIAN. HE ATTENDED AUBURN UNIVERSITY AND GRADUATED IN 1960. HE IS A VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, NORTHWEST FLORIDA VETERINARIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, FLORIDA VETERINARIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF EQUINE PRACTITIONERS.

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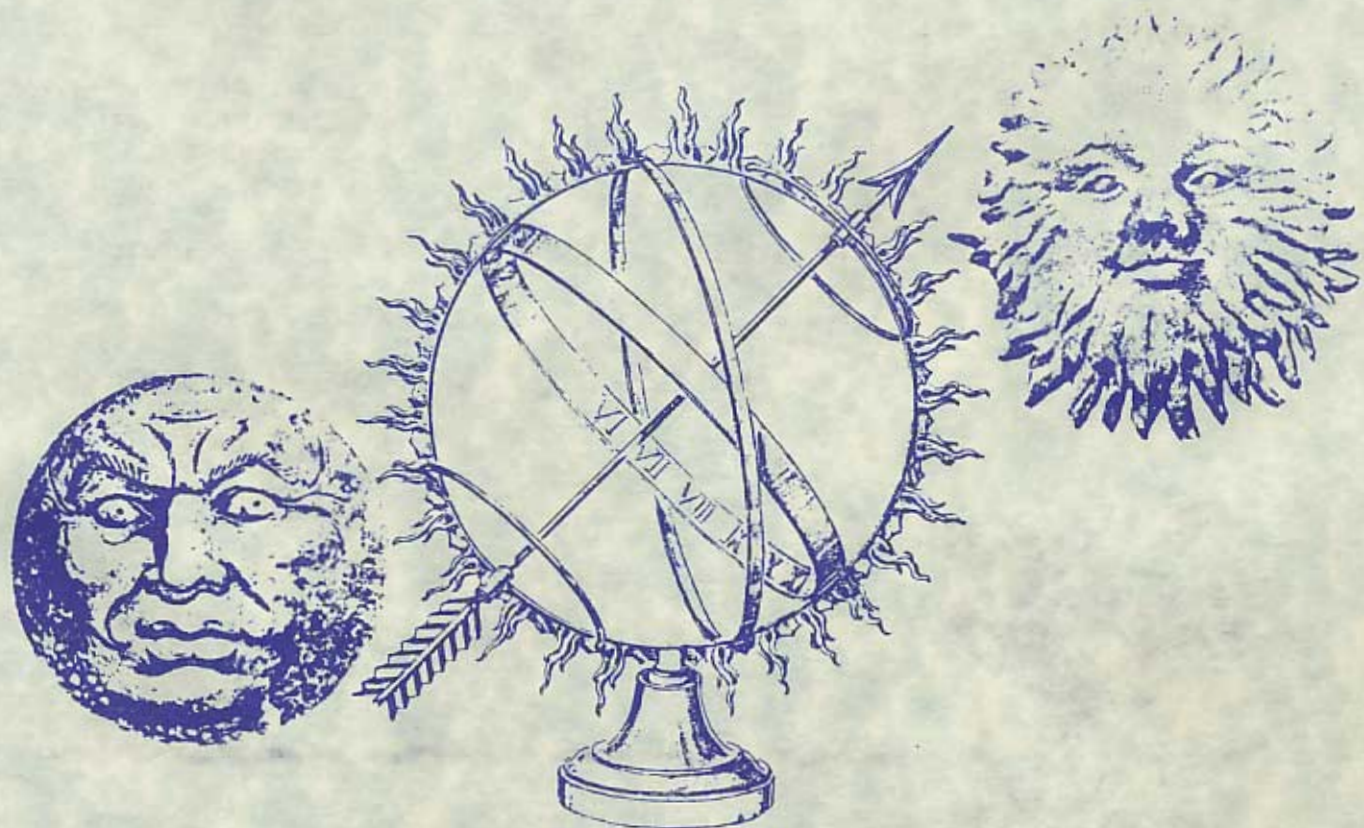
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