



Willie Flight 82 Daedalians

FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

Greetings Fellow Daedalians,

Our next gathering will be on Thursday, February 13 at the DoubleTree Phoenix/Mesa. The address is 1011 W. Holmes Avenue, Mesa, AZ 85210. W. Holmes is just north of the 60 and Alma School interchange. Head east on Holmes. The hotel will be on your right a few hundred yards down the road. The social hour will begin at 1700, and dinner will be served at 1800. The dinner will be an Italian buffet featuring Caesar Salad with Croutons and Parmesan Cheese, Rolls and Butter, Chicken Parmesan, Buttered Pasta, Roasted Italian Vegetables, and Tiramisu Mini Cakes for dessert. Since this gathering will be the day before Valentines Day, it is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate with your spouse or significant other and have a nice dinner without the hassle of trying to get reservations at a crowded restaurant!

Our speaker will be Colonel Royetta Dooley. Colonel Dooley will discuss her role as a liaison officer for the first 10 women to attend Undergraduate Pilot Training in the United States Air Force. Please see the attached biography of Colonel Dooley's distinguished career.

As always, we need to have a head count of members and guests who plan to attend the February meeting. Please contact your Element Leader NLT Saturday, February 8th, using the alphabetical list below with a yes or no answer. Even if you can't attend, a response lets us know that you are receiving the information we are sending out.

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January 2025
Meeting
Photos

February 2025
guest speaker

13 Feb - 1700
1011 W. Holmes Ave
Mesa, AZ



COLONEL ROYETTA MARCONI-DOOLEY

Colonel Royetta Marconi-Dooley was raised in LaGrange Park, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. She attended Arizona State University where she received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology in 1971 and her Masters of Social Work in 1973.

Colonel Marconi-Dooley entered the Air Force in 1973, and was the first mental health professional at Williams AFB, AZ. While there she also served as the Liaison Office for the first 10 women in the Undergraduate Pilot Training Program. As the only military female on the planning committee for this historic program, her contributions ensured a smooth transition for both the first ten women students as well as the rest of the base. As a result of her outstanding work she was named the 1976 Williams AFB Junior Officer of the Year.





In 1978 she moved to David Grant Medical Center, Travis AFB, CA and practiced clinical social work in the Outpatient Mental Health Clinic and served as the Family Advocacy Officer. In January 1983 she was certified as a sex therapist by the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors, and Therapists and maintained that certification throughout her career.

From June 1983 - July 1984 she was Chief, Social Work Services, USAF Clinic Osan, Osan AB, Korea. In addition to her Mental Health and Family Advocacy duties there, she worked with Korean social workers to better understand issues of intercultural marriages. While in Korea, she was selected to attend the 1984/85 Air Command and Staff College in residence at Maxwell AFB, AL.

After ten months as a student at Maxwell AFB, she became the Chief, Mental Health Clinic, USAF Clinic, McChord AFB, WA from Jun 1985 - September 1987. In addition to providing Mental Health and Family Advocacy services at McChord, she provided clinical supervision for the Sex Offender Treatment Program at the Detention Facility, Ft Lewis, WA, the first program of its kind in the Air Force. Because she fostered such a close working relationship between the base and county agencies, Pierce County Department of Child Protective Services honored her with a special recognition plaque.

As Chief, Social Work Services and Quality Assurance Coordinator for the Department of Mental Health, Malcolm Grow USAF Medical Center, Andrews AFB, MD from October 1987 - October 1989 she established the first AF Family Advocacy Center to be co-located in a Family Support Center.

From November 1989 - July 1991 she was the first Family Advocacy Program Manager, Office of the Command Surgeon, at Headquarters, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, IL, (formerly Military Airlift Command). During the Gulf War, the materials she provided to all AF deployed mental health personnel greatly improved the coping with stress and reunion services offered to service members and their families.

After arriving at Ramstein AB, Germany in July 1991, she was Chief, Social Work Services for one year and then the Director of the Ramstein Family Advocacy Model Program. She was also the USAFE Consultant for Family Advocacy in Germany and her expertise in child sexual abuse issues led the AFOSI to send her to the US Embassy in Madrid, Spain to assist them with a very sensitive case there.