



# TAILHOOK EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION



Combined Federal Campaign No. 10251

Dear Tailhookers,

Over the past few years it has been enjoyable to watch the growth of our Foundation assets. It is no secret that this growth has come from the generous donations of many individuals, groups and companies. During this period, members of the Foundation board have concentrated our attention on increasing perpetual scholarship donations through corporate and individual sponsors. Additionally, we have worked hard at getting the word out to the active-duty force about the power of making our Foundation the recipient of their Combined Federal Campaign donations.



**RADM Ham Tallent**

are "Honorary Tailhookers" of the Year for 2007.

This year the Tailhook Educational Foundation set a record with six additional endowments bringing our fully funded total Perpetual Scholarships to 29. Just a couple of years ago we had only 20. My hat is off to all of you for your continued support and especially to our two latest Donors in the Spotlight — CAPT Mindy Suszan, USN, and Mrs. Dorothy "Dossie" de Ganahl (who funded two Perpetual Scholarships). Both women

Our exciting new donation program allows members to donate via Planned Giving, setting aside bequests for the Foundation from their estates. To have your family help our larger Tailhook family, you can name a dollar amount, a specific property, stocks or a percentage of your estate in your trust or will. Many of our members have made the decision to support the organization in this way. Our children truly are our future. We hope you will join the growing list of "Tailhook Educational Foundation Planned Giving Successes" (Golden Hook Society) by reserving a portion, no matter how small, of your estate for the future education of our children through the Tailhook Educational Foundation Scholarship Program. You may log onto the Internet and visit the list of 27 estate donors on our Web site, <http://www.tailhook.org/FoundationPlannedGiving.html>. The Tailhook Educational Foundation thanks the members of the Golden Hook Society for their generous donations of legacy gifts. We have two new members — CAPT Robert "Curley" Evans, USN(Ret) and CAPT Mark Grissom, USN(Ret).

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Robert Proano (center), Vice-President, Operations of Omega Aerial Refueling, presents a \$1,000 donation check for The Tailhook Educational Foundation to Beth Rollins and Marc Ostertag. Omega also donated a 26-in. HD flat panel monitor to the Foundation.

The board of directors and scholarship winners thank all of the donors listed on the following pages.

Thank you for your continued support,



**RADM Ham Tallent, USN(Ret)**  
President, Tailhook Educational Foundation

## Donors in the Spotlight

### CAPT Mindy Suszan and Dorothy "Dossie" de Ganahl

#### CDR Glen "Lefty" Hansen Perpetual Scholarship

CDR Glen "Lefty" Hansen graduated from the Naval Academy, class of '86. During his career as a Naval Aviator he was assigned to the VA-95 *Green Lizards*, VFA-81 *Sunliners* and VFA-87 *Golden Warriors*. He made deployments on board USS *Abraham Lincoln* (CVN-72), *Enterprise* (CVN-65) and *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN-71) as well as logging traps on several other carriers. As an instructor at Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center, he trained senior pilots as air wing strike leads while acting as fleet liaison for training in the use of laser-guided and standoff weapons including GBU-24 and *Walleye*. With numerous combat missions over Iraq and the former Republic of Yugoslavia, Lefty was individually recognized for delivering the first U.S. Navy combat strike in Kosovo. A prolific reader, avid adventurer and world traveler, Lefty never shied away from a challenge and put great value on life experience and continuing education. He earned a master's degree in strategic studies from the Army War College and two additional master's degrees in business. His wish was to establish a perpetual scholarship to help children within our community realize their dreams, continue the growth and progress that makes America great and improve the world in which we live.

CAPT Mindy Suszan, the scholarship's sponsor, is the widow of CDR Glen "Lefty" Hansen and resides in northern Virginia with their two young daughters, Meredith and Julia.



**CAPT Mindy Suszan**

#### James A. de Ganahl Perpetual Scholarships (No. 1 and No. 2)

James de Ganahl was born in 1924. He graduated from Kent School and then the USNA class of 1947. He was winged in 1949 and married "Dossie," with whom he had four children. Jim retired in 1968 and passed away in May 2007. His wife Dorothy "Dossie" de Ganahl is the sponsor of two perpetual scholarships.



**James A. de Ganahl**