The poem, “The Road Not Taken,” by Robert Frost has always been very special to my family, and I strongly believe it is one of the key elements that have taken my extended family, the Aerospace Medical Association, to the forefront of international aviation, space and environmental medicine. Our family has come a long way since 1929, when the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA) was founded under the guidance of Louis H. Bauer, M.D. Today we are as diverse an organization as you can imagine with over 2600 members from over 70 countries. AsMA’s great diversity of scientific expertise—physicians, nurses, physiologists, bioenvironmental engineers, industrial hygienists, environmental health practitioners, human factors specialists, psychologists, and other professionals—and the willingness to take the road less traveled have led to our recognition as the international authority and advocate of Aerospace Medicine, the forum for integration of all aerospace medicine disciplines, and the venue for our members to contribute to the field and our organization. These elements are our “Guiding Principles” and I promise to do everything in my power to enhance each and every one of them during my year as your President.

The foundation and fundamentals of our organization have seen continuous improvement over the last few years. During Dr. Andy Bellenkes’ year our Policy and Procedure Manuals were codified and our Bylaws were updated, solidifying our processes for the way forward. Dr. Robert Weien’s determination and diligence in identifying a most qualified replacement for Dr. Russell Rayman was fruitful, and Jeffrey Sventek, M.S., CAsP is now at the helm as our new Executive Director. Our most recent past President, Marian Sides, Ph.D., has identified our four main goals, which are related to governance, membership, representation and advocacy, and education and research. These goals have aligned the efforts of our 15 Standing Committees in order to optimize their efforts, and have facilitated synergy from every aspect of our organization.

As we move forward following our successful 82nd Annual Scientific Meeting in Anchorage, we have many challenges as an organization, most of which are very similar to our own family. Last year your Executive Committee identified our website’s modernization as the number one strategic requirement. This modernization will greatly facilitate our ability to meet our strategic goals. The funding of this effort is currently under evaluation and once a decision is reached, it will be communicated to our members. As with most extended families, communication and a growing awareness of the unique strengths of its members are extremely important. Over the next year I plan on reintroducing each of our Constituent and Affiliated Organizations, the Wing, Corporate Members and our Standing Committees to the AsMA family. By doing so, I hope to paint a picture of the vast diversity and synergy we have as well as providing a roadmap to advancement into leadership positions of our committees, becoming an Associate Fellow, Fellow, member of Council, and all the way to being President of our Association. I look forward to serving each and every member of our organization and I ask that you be as active a member as you can. Your extended family, the Aerospace Medical Association, needs your participation and insight in order to expand our role as the International Leader in Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine.

You can reach me at president@asma.org or call me at 786-338-8777.

Fanancy Anzalone, M.D., M.P.H.
Association News

Billings Estate Donates to AsMA Foundation

The AsMA Foundation has received an unrestricted gift of $10,000 from the estate of Charles and Lillian Billings. Dr. Billings, who passed away in August 2010, was President of AsMA from 1979-80 and was devoted to the Association throughout his long career in Aerospace Medicine. [See ASEM 2010; 81(11):1062.]

The Foundation appreciates this generous gift that will support Aerospace Medicine research, education, and training—particularly for those early in their careers.

If you would like to donate to the foundation or are considering a bequest, you can find out more by visiting the Foundation page on the AsMA website:
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SAFE Call for Papers

49th Annual SAFE Symposium
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All 200-word abstracts in the fields of safety, survival, and life support must be submitted electronically in MS Word format to the SAFE Office at safe@peak.org using the form available on the website http://www.safeassociation.com. The SAFE office will coordinate all review and acceptance.

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Meetings Calendar

June 15-18, 2011; 44th UHMS Annual Scientific Meeting; Ft. Worth, TX. Renaissance Worthington. Info: http://www.uhms.org
October 6-8, 2011; CAMA Annual Scientific Meeting; Tucson, AZ. Info: david.millett@yahoo.com
Oct 17-19, 2011; Air Medical Transport Conference; St. Louis, MO. Association of Air Medical Services Info: http://www.aams.org

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With the 82nd Annual Scientific Meeting behind us, it’s time to start planning for NEXT year—The 83rd Annual AsMA Scientific Meeting will be held in Atlanta, GA, May 13-17, 2012. ABSTRACT DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 31.
Rodriguez-Redington to Lead AMDA

Patrick Rodriguez-Redington is the incoming President of the Airlines Medical Directors Association (AMDA). Born in France, he has dual French and British citizenship. He studied medicine in Paris, earning his M.D. in 1974. His first experience in aviation was when he served as a trainee for 3 months in the medical department of McDonnell Douglas in Long Beach, CA, during the summer of 1970. From 1974-1984, he served as Medical Director at Robapharm Laboratories in Paris and as a general practitioner. From 1976-1984, he also served part-time as a doctor with Air France. In 1984, he became a full-time Occupational Medicine doctor at Air France, a position he held until 1986, when he became Deputy Air France Medical Advisor.

In 1990, Dr. Rodriguez-Redington became head of the Medical Service at Air France dealing with vaccinations and ill passengers. In 1997, he was promoted to Vice President of Medical Services. He has been a French Aviation Medical Examiner since 1974 and was a Civil Aviation Medical Examiner for Canada from 1991-2010. Since 2010 he has been a member of the French Civil Aviation Medical Council.

Dr. Rodriguez-Redington holds diplomas in aviation and space medicine, occupational medicine, sports medicine, and tropical medicine and has lectured at various Parisian medical universities. He is a member of the French Society of Aerospace Medicine (and President for 2011 and 2012), the French Society of Travel Medicine, the International Society of Travel Medicine, the International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine, and the International Airline Medical Advisory Council. He was honored with an AMDA award in 2006 and is a Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association.

Taylor Leads ANS Again

Nora Taylor, R.N., is the incoming president of the Aerospace Nursing Society (ANS) for the second time. Since she joined the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA), Taylor has been a driving force for the promotion of flight nursing, actively promoting the integration of new members to the ranks of AsMA and the Aerospace Nursing Society (ANS). She is the recipient of the 2011 Mary T. Klinker Award from AsMA. She has served on AsMA’s Membership, Awards, and Registration Committees. She also serves on the AsMA Council and is an Associate Fellow. Since 1995 she has been working in St. Louis in the insurance industry. Her civilian positions within Blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri and its parent companies have been many. She has worked in medical management certification, training and case management. Taylor is currently the Business Change Manager for WellPoint’s Behavioral Health Central Operations Unit where she has been since February 2007.

At the time of her retirement from the Air Force Reserve, she was the Functional Trainer for the Joint Patient Movement Team of the Joint Transportation Reserve Unit. She was born Nora Reimers in Condor, OR, and graduated from Ben Eielson High School on Eielson Air Force Base, AK. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from California State University, Hayward, CA.

Taylor has long been a member of the Reserve Officer’s Association and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Ortega Next ASAMS President

Hernando Jose Ortega, Jr., M.D., M.P.H. is the next President of the American Society for Aerospace Medicine Specialists (ASAMS). Currently he is the Surgeon for the Air Force Intelligences. Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, Lackland AFB, TX. He earned his B.S. in Biology in 1981 from the University of Georgia, an M.D. in 1986 from the University of Tennessee in Memphis, and an M.P.H. from the Harvard School of Public Health in 1999. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the USAF in 1982 and began active duty in 1986 after graduating from medical school. During his medical career, he served an internship in general surgery at Wilford Hall Medical Center, and a residency in aerospace medicine at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine.

Dr. Ortega has served in a variety of positions in the U.S. Air Force, including Squadron Flight Surgeon, Flight Surgeon, Mission Support Surgeon for various Space Shuttle and NASA/Mir missions, NASA/Star City Surgeon, Flight Commander, Commander, and as medical support to Capstone. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, commanding the 332d Expeditionary Medical Support (EMEDS) Squadron at Balad AB, Iraq, during the historic turnover of national sovereignty to the people of Iraq. Prior to assuming his current duties, he was Commander, 8th Medical Group, Kunsan AB, Korea.

Dr. Ortega is board certified in aerospace and occupational medicine. He is a member of the Aerospace Medicine Examination Committee of the American Board of Preventive Medicine, the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, the American Medical Association, the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, the Society of USAF Flight Surgeons, the Space Medicine Association, and the Society of NASA Flight Surgeons. He is a Fellow of AsMA and has served on a variety of committees, with the Associate Fellows Group, and as an Alternate Delegate to the AMA House of Delegates.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, several Meritorious Service Medals, several Humanitarian Service Medals, and AsMA’s Julian E. Ward Award in 2001.

Albery Heads AsHFA

Dr. Bill Albery is the incoming president of the Aerospace Human Factors Association (AsHFA). He has been a member of AsMA for over 25 years and is a Fellow of both AsMA and AsHFA. He is a member of the Aerospace Physiology Society (AsPS) and a past president of the Life Sciences and Biomedical Engineering Branch (LSBE). He has been a planner and organizer for the International Acceleration Workshop that meets annually during AsMA’s Scientific Meeting. He has served on the AsMA Program Committee and is currently a member of the Awards Committee.

Dr. Albery is currently employed by Booz Allen Hamilton at Wright-Patterson AFB, OH. From 2005-2008 he was the Crew Interface Systems Engineer on the Air Force Research Laboratory’s Rotary Wing Brownout study. He retired in 2008 after a 36-year civilian career with the U.S. Air Force and technically managed the Wright Patterson AFB human centrifuge facility. He currently leads a NATO RTO Task Group on Rotary Wing Brownout comprised of 20 scientists/engineers/pilots from 9 countries. The group is reporting the results of their research at the Anchorage meeting.

Bill received his B.S in Systems Engineering from Wright State University in 1971 and his M.S. in Biomedical Engineering from Ohio State in 1976. He returned to Wright State and received his Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences in 1987.

Dr. Albery has over 150 presentations and publications including three book chapters to his credit and has contributed to the ASEM journal. He has three Air Force inventions, one U.S. Statutory Invention Registration, and two U.S. Patents pending. He has been honored by the State Scientific Research Test Institute of Aerospace Medicine in Russia, and is a National Research Council Associateship Program Advisor.

He is a Past President of the SAFE Association and was selected Life Member in 2010. Dr. Albery is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Wright State University (WSU) School of Medicine, an adjunct professor in the WSU Psychology Dept and a full faculty member of the WSU Biomedical Sciences PhD program.

He has received the Moseley and Gillingham Awards from AsMA, the Paul See ALBERY, p. 668.
Lance Annicelli Leads AsPS

Lt. Col. Lance Annicelli is the incoming President of the Aerospace Physiology Society (AsPS). He is currently assigned as an Exchange Officer with the Royal Air Force Base, Centre of Aviation Medicine, RAF Henlow, UK. In this capacity, he serves as a program manager for the Aircrew Equipment Integrations Group. His career as an Aerospace Physiologist includes experience in aircrew protection, high altitude and acceleration research, and aircrew safety, education, and training. He graduated from Framingham State College in Newton, MA, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology and followed that with an internship at Newton-Wellesley School of Medical Technology. Before he received his Master’s degree in the Naval Reserves, he served as a medical technologist at Shands Hospital in Gainesville, FL. In 1994, he transferred from the Naval Reserves into an active Air Force commission.

In his first assignment Lt. Col. Annicelli served as Flight Commander, Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services for the 14th Medical Group, Columbus, MS, and in 1997 transferred to MacDill Air Force Base, FL, where he served as Chief, Laboratory Services for the 6th Medical Group. He was competitively selected for training as an Aerospace Physiologist in 1999 and posted to his first assignment as Flight Commander, 14th Aerospace Physiological Training Flight, supporting pilot training at the 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus Air Force Base. In 2003, he earned a Master’s Degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Nevada, having successfully defended his thesis “Analysis of Two Methods of Isometric Muscle Contractions during the Anti-G Straining Maneuver.” His next assignment was to the Air Force Research Laboratory serving as Chief, Altitude and Acceleration Operations, where he provided critical oversight for the Department of Defense’s only high altitude research and rapid onset centrifuge facilities. He was subsequently selected to serve as Deputy Branch Chief, Counterpolation. In 2005, he transferred to Headquarters Air Force, Office of the Air Force Surgeon General, Bolling Air Force Base, where he held the position of Associate Chief, Force Management Division. In 2007, he was appointed to serve as his career field’s first Assistant Director of Operations for the Air Force’s Aerospace and Operational Physiology Program and selected to lead the Air Force Medical Service’s Research and Development’s Environmental and Occupational Health Research Branch. Following his assignment in Washington, DC, he was selected as Flight Commander for the 12th Aerospace and Operational Physiology Training Flight, Randolph Air Force Base, TX, where he was appointed as both the Aerospace Medicine Deputy Squadron Commander and the Medical Group’s Biomedical Sciences Corps Executive.

Lt. Col. Annicelli is board certified in Aerospace Physiology by the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA). In 2010, at the AsMA 81st Annual Scientific Meeting, he was recognized for the research spurred by his master’s thesis and received both the AsPS’ Paul Bert Award and the Life Sciences and Biomedical Engineering Branch (LSBB) Research and Development Innovation Award. He is an active member and Chair Elect for the AsMA Fellows Group and a member of the LSBB, the Aerospace Human Factors Association (AsHFA), the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), the Society for Human Performance in Extreme Environments (HPEE), and the Society of Armed Forces Medical Laboratory Scientists (SAFMLS).

Lex Brown Begins 2-Year Term as IAMFSP President

Col. David L. (Lex) Brown is the incoming President of the International Association of Military Flight Surgeons (IAMFSP).

Lex Brown earned a Diploma in Aviation Medicine from the Royal College of Physicians and is a Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the Royal Aeronautical Society. He is also a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice, a member of the Society of U.S. Air Force Flight Surgeons, and Vice Flight Captain in the Order of the Daedalians. His awards include the Legion of Merit, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal, and the Upjohn Achievement Award for Humanitarianism, Scholarship, Clinical Expertise, and Leadership from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. He has been lead or co-author on five articles and seven abstracts published in Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine and eight other articles or reports published elsewhere.

Bert Award from the AsPS, Henry Taylor Award from AsHFA, and the Professional Excellence Award from the LSBEB.

Martindale to Head LSBEB

Lt. Col. Valerie E. Martindale is the incoming President of the Life Sciences and Engineering Branch (LSBB). She is currently Associate Chief of Operational Medicine for the 711th Human Performance Wing of the Air Force Research Laboratory. She oversees and coordinates research in pursuit of solutions to current operational problems and works to shape research that invests in future human performance capabilities. She also works to connect operational leaders and capability gaps with research efforts and new technology in the many disparate fields that contribute to human performance.

Lt. Col. Martindale earned a B.A. and an M.S. in 1983 from Northwestern University and a Ph.D. in Developmental Genetics and Anatomy in 1989 from the University of Rochester. She joined the Air Force in 1990 and completed Squadron Officer School in 1996, Air Command and Staff College in 1998, and Air War College in 2004. From 1990-1996, she was Chief of Veterinary Hyperbaric Medicine/Aerospace Physiology Division at the Clinical Investigation Directorate, 59th Medical Wing, Lackland AFB, TX. In 1996, she was Commander of the 421st Medical Support Squadron and then became Associate Chief of the Division of Altitude and Hyperbaric Physiology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology. From 1998-2000, she served as Chief of Operations at the 89th Physiological Training Flight, Andrews AFB. In 2000, she transferred to become the 314th Aerospace Physiology Training Flight Commander at Little Rock AFB. From 2002-2005, she was Chief and International Human Factors, European Office of Aerospace Research and Development, London. In 2005, she became Chief of the Aerospace Physiology and Human Performance Enhancement Division, where she served until 2007, when she became Chief of the Warfighter Support Division in the Air Force Human Systems Integration Office. She was later transferred to her current position.

Lt. Col. Martindale attained board certification in Aerospace Medicine in 2001, and was board certified with distinction as a Hyperbaric Technologist in 1996. She is a member of the American Society for Cell Biology, the Europe Chapter Human Factors and Ergonomics Society, and a Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association. Within the Aerospace Medical Association she is a member of the Aerospace Physiology Society, the Life Sciences and Engineering Branch, and the Aerospace Human Factors Association. She has served as a Council Member at Large and on the Science & Technology Scientific and Nominating Committees, and was the recipient of the 2010 Sidney D. Leverett, Jr., Environmental Science Award from AsMA.
Damann Leads SMA

Volker R. Damann, M.D., is the incoming President for the Space Medicine Association. Born in 1959 in Schweinfurt, Germany, he started medical school in Marburg, Germany, in 1979. After graduation from medical school in 1985, he worked in the University-Radiology department and specialized in Nuclear Medicine. In 1988, together with two colleagues, he established a private radiology practice, offering imaging services in the domains of conventional radiology, CAT, and nuclear medicine.

For six years beginning in 1989, Dr. Damann served as a spaceflight surgeon at the German Aerospace Research Center (DLR). During that time, he supported 8 Shuttle and 2 Soyuz/MIR missions in the function of a crew surgeon. In 1995 he became the Lead Flight Surgeon and in 1998 the Head of the Crew Medical Support Office at the European Astronaut Center of the European Space Agency in Cologne, Germany. He became a member of the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA), the Space Medicine Association, and the Society of NASA Flight Surgeons. He is a graduate of the American Board of Preventive Medicine in Aerospace and Occupational Medicine, an aeromedical examiner for the Federal Aviation Administration, and a Life Member of AsMA. His awards include the Legion of Merit, a Meritorious Service Medal with three oak clusters, a Navy Good Conduct Medal, a National Defense Medal with one bronze star, and a Navy Good Conduct Medal.

Belland Incoming President of SUSNFS

CAPT Kris Belland, MC, USN, is the incoming President of the Society of U.S. Naval Flight Surgeons. He is a 1984 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and a 1989 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is board certified in Family Medicine and in Aerospace Medicine. Additional degrees include a Master of Strategic Studies from the USAF Air War College, a Master of Business Administration from Western Governors University, and a Master of Public Health from USUHS.

CAPT Belland’s operational assignments include serving aboard the aircraft carriers USS Midway (CV-41), USS Independence (CV-62), and USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) during Operations Desert Storm and Southern Watch as the flight surgeon for Carrier Air Wings Five and Fourteen, respectively. He was the Senior Medical Officer and Battle Forces Seventh Fleet Surgeon aboard the USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63), deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He has served as Third, Fourth, and Battle Forces Seventh Fleet Surgeon. As Third Fleet Surgeon, he was integrally involved in the CNO’s Sea Power-21 Sea Trials – Sea Shield programs. He has served as a homeland security/defense CBRNE /weapons of mass destruction subject matter expert. He was the operational exercise manager for the Biological Combat Assessment System, an advanced technology demonstration which develops biologic sensors for unmanned aerial vehicles. As acting Fourth Fleet/NavSouth Surgeon, he served as an Individual Augmentation during Operation Unified Response Haiti Earthquake disaster relief operations at Fourth Fleet. He has served as Director of Health Services, Director of Surgical Services, Director of Primary Care, and Interim Executive Officer at Charleston Naval Hospital.

CAPT Belland holds certification as a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt and as a Certified Physician Executive from the American College of Physician Executives. His awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Strike Flight Air Medal, Navy Commendation (two awards), and Navy Achievement Medal (two awards). In 2009, he received the Aerospace Medical Association’s Theodore G. Lyster Award for outstanding achievement in the general field of aerospace medicine. The Society of U.S. Naval Flight Surgeons has presented him with the 1993 Operational Flight Surgeon of the Year Richard E. Leubrs Memorial Award and the 2000 Sonny Carter Memorial Award. He was the first Navy physician to attend the USAF Air War College residence program. His paper, “Aircrrew Performance Cutting Edge Tech,” received the Air Force Historical Foundation’s Award in Research and Writing for the best aerospace report of major historical significance to the U.S. Air Force during the year 2001. A Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association, he has served on various committees and as president of the International Association of Military Flight Surgeon Pilots from 2007 to 2009.

Albano Continues 2-yr Term as USAAMA President

COL John P. Albano, MC, USA, is the continuing president of the U.S. Army Aviation Medicine Association. He is a U.S. Army flight surgeon with an M.D. from the University of South Dakota School of Medicine, an MPH from the University of Texas School of Public Health at San Antonio, and Aerospace Medicine Training at Brooks AFB, TX. COL Albano has over 23 years of combined clinical, research, and academic experience in U.S. Army aerospace medicine. Currently, he is the Army Associate Director for the Army Aerospace Medicine Residency at Pensacola, FL. He is also: Army Liaison Officer for AMEDD C&S Student Detachment; Academic Flight Surgeon, Aerospace Medicine Residency; and Army Liaison Officer for USA School of Aviation Medicine.

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We are so fortunate to have Jennifer Faulkner, the First Vice President of the Wing (and Atlanta resident), on the planning committee for the 2012 meeting. In addition to her role as the mother of triplets, she is graciously taking on a planning role for the Wing events for 2012. In July, Jennifer and I will join the AsMA staff in Atlanta for the site visit. Watch this page for the details, as they unfold, for AsMA staff in Atlanta for the site visit. Watch for 2012. In July, Jenifer and I will join the regional transit system, with an entrance just two blocks from the Hilton.

Meet Your New Wing President:
Jackie Jordan

Peggy Trumbo, a Past President and The Wing’s Liaison to AsMA, said that as the new President, I have to give you just a few bio bullets. Here they are:

* Born in Morgantown, WV, I will forever be known at the McCray family reunions as “Eloise’s daughter.”
* Met Jon Jordan in French class at West Virginia University (he was the “cute” boy in the second row).
* Married him a “few” years later, after I’d had careers in retailing and teaching in Maryland (just outside DC).
* After marriage, Jon and I spent our years in Richmond, VA—I in private industry, and Jon at the Medical College of Virginia. In Charlottesville, I worked for the Government while Jon was in Law School at UVA.
* 1967 was an eventful year for both of us, and I was literally “along for the ride” for all of it. After graduating from UVA, Jon entered the U.S. Army; went to Ft. Sam Houston for military orientation; went to Ft. Rucker, AL, to enter the Flight Surgeon’s Training Program; and I delivered Julie (our one and only) at Lyster Army Hospital in Ft. Rucker. When that “long ride” finally ended, we flew to our next post in Ft. Lewis, WA.

* We both enjoyed Army life at Ft. Lewis and still enjoy visiting with friends from that period. (Most of us know Frank Pettyjohn—I met his wife, Jean, at Ft. Lewis; and, years later, the Wing of AsMA and the ICASM meetings offered the settings for our many reunions. And just this past February, Jon and I traveled to Indian Wells, CA, to visit with three other friends from our Ft. Lewis years.)
* Moved back to Virginia and the rest, as they say, is history. I entered the real estate profession in Northern Virginia; and Jon worked at the FAA until retiring as the Federal Air Surgeon in 2006. I retired as an active real estate agent in 2010.
* We still live in McLean, VA, and enjoy living and being a part of the DC area (as well as visiting in Bristol, RI, to see Julie, our “Alabama baby,” her husband, Joseph Perroni, and our three grandchildren—Jon (15), our Jordan (14—our only granddaughter), and Justin (5)).
* Through the years, I’ve loved each of my “identities”: Eloise’s Daughter, Jon’s Wife, Julie’s Mother, Grandmother, Jackie Jordan.

And it was well into the last one that I realized I wasn’t having enough “fun.” After 15 years of selling real estate in Northern Virginia (and remaining at home because of the demands of the job), I started to accompany Jon on his trips abroad—trips that opened my eyes to the friends and wonderful places I’d been missing. (You may remember George Takahashi—I met his wife, Elina, on my first trip to Budapest. And Claude and Louise Grenier Thibeault were with all of us at Raffles Hotel—a fun night in Singapore.)

It was during that same time period (in the ’90s) that I started attending the AsMA meetings and joined The Wing. Lucky Rayman recognized the “newbie,” and at one of my first meetings, she invited me to help her with Registration. I said: “But I don’t know anything about it.” She said: “It’s easy!” And it is easy, because each member of The Wing is a volunteer and is willing to help with the learning process. Judy was “there” for me every year that I volunteered (Hospitality, Civilian Board Member at Large, Registration, Reception). And that’s the support you can expect from Wing members.

The dynamic is so different for your spouse when you become an active member of The Wing. Prior to your joining, your spouse meets associates; but after you join The Wing, your spouse meets the entire family—associate, spouse and, occasionally, children. Your presence broadens the human experience—work is one thing, but getting to know the entire family is truly thrilling.

As we prepare to celebrate the Wing’s 60th Anniversary in 2012, we should look back at this picture from 1952. Our dress and hair styles may have changed, but our goal is still the same—to provide the setting for friendships to flourish among the members of AsMA and their families. And that is exactly what the Wing has done for me!
New Members

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Chung, Jim, M.D., Mississauga, ON, Canada
Clark, Guy S., M.D., Santa Barbara, CA
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Fish, Peter N., Maj., NYANG, Chadds Ford, PA
Gordon, Michelle, SMSgt., USAF, Shreveport, LA
James, Larry W., M.D., Austin, TX
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McLean, Walter L., M.D., Falmouth, MA
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