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FROM THE PREZ

Presidential Unit Citation

We had expected more response from Senator McCain since he has dropped out of the Presidential race, but evidently his duties to support the republican party weigh heavy at this time and his office gave Vince LaRussa a steer in what we hope may be the right direction. They have suggested that we put together our petition, the 96th Combat Wing letter and attachments and the General Officer Commander's letters of the 8th Air Force; and send this to President Clinton. The basis of this request is because the current administration is leaning heavy on making awards to World War II organizations and individuals. It is hoped that this package will be out by the time you read this article.

Convention 2000

The application is again in this issue for those of you who still are on the edge of attending. Currently we have 91 signed up and several others have indicated their intention to attend. The two day versus one day at the Museum is virtually a tie. Friday will be started off with an introduction reception at the Museum Theater at 10:00am. Friday morning, only, will we have to schedule the loading of the buses to make sure all can make the reception. I have reduced the shuttle by one bus for the afternoon of the second day and that bus will take 50 people on a tour of Dayton. The request was overwhelmingly for the Carillon Park, so the trip will include the Park with a drive-by at the Art Institute and other areas as noted in the last newsletter. Shopping will be available for both

Friday and Saturday. A bus schedule will be available in each reception package. A tentative trip schedule was in POOP 19-1. The Saturday DJ 40's music will be "an evening with Glenn Miller". The DJ has other music, so if you want a different tune, please ask. The singing quartet for Sunday is the "Rolling Tones" which is a part of the Sweet Adeline's singing group. It wasn't planned, but the 3rd "Dawn Patrol Rendezvous" World War I Fly-In will be the same weekend as our convention. Bring your cameras if you want some unusual shots of early vintage type aircraft. It will be on the grass area of the Museum as the picture indicates on page 6. A gift certificate will be included in your package to cover the cost of the "I-MAX Theater"; however, it is also usable to purchase other items at the Museum should you opt to not attend the I-Max.

Convention 2001

We will be well represented in Norwich in November 2001. Our English friends are going to cover the events for our group day with a similar day as we had in 1995. David Hastings, who is an exceptional friend of the 467th and 2nd Air Division, advised the following: "At the moment the day suggested by Evelyn for the Base Visits is the Thursday, November 8th. In 1995 we used the Green Man for lunch and the Salhouse Lodge for Dinner. The Green Man has just been renovated so I wonder, as it had so many close links with you that perhaps both lunch and evening meal ought to be taken in the "wartime pub". In the evening we could show the original cine film "A Village Remembers" which was made around James

Mahoney's film of Rackheath and we used his voice for the actual commentary.

If you need a short Church Service, I am sure we can either use Salhouse Church as in 1995, or June and Edward Trafford will gladly allow us to use the charming little Rackheath All Saints Church. I am sure the Community Centre will also be willing to open for the "arrival Coffee" as before. Air Marshal John Howe will I am sure open the Park roads to Home Farm. The new owner of the T4 Hangar would also be delighted to see you. The Marker site is another obvious call. Then we have RAF Neatishead, although in 2001 we will have a new Station Commander. However if it was a cold November, they do now have a superb Museum of the wartime Fighter Control system, the only one in the UK and I am sure they would open for us.

Anyway, there is just a few ideas but we will arrange whatever you want. We will need to know how many people you think we will be catering for at lunch and in the evening. In 1995 you invited the "Locals" to join you for the evening meal. Still we have plenty of time, but perhaps I ought to book the Green Man before too long just to make sure, as in November we may need a warm base for lunch and dinner". I have advised David that his tentative schedule sounds good and with the added help of Perry Watts and Andy Wilkinson, we should have a very good day.

Convention 2002

The work towards Savannah in 2002 is still progressing. We're considering the same motel that we had in 1996; however, it is under new ownership and has been renovated. The room rate is \$69.00 plus tax and the rate includes breakfast. They will furnish the grand ballroom and hospitality room at no additional cost. A lunch will be made available everyday and the shuttle busses will be scheduled past the museum on a regular basis. We are looking at additional events of interest such as a boat trip or even a lunch with a boat trip. A lot depends upon the events going on in Savannah at the time of our convention

FROM THE 2ADA GROUP VICE PRESIDENT

Howdy from Texas! Bet you didn't expect to read those words again, but like a "bad penny" ---. You may be aware that I have maintained a close relationship with the 2ADA, your President Ralph Davis, asked me to assume this job in the absence of Walt. So you know where I'm coming from, I strongly support the strengthening of the 2AD memorial and therefore support its financial integrity. It is still the ONLY LIVING memorial to American Veterans. The support of its structure should be a source of pride, as well as obligation to all of us. I am delighted that the 467th (at this date) is sending the second largest group of members to the Dedication of the New Memorial in November 2001. If the "Creek Don't Rise", we expect a total of 500/600 members to attend the convention.

When you arrive in Norwich, you will find a new, beautiful and functioning Library, of which we all will be proud! Although the 2AD A has provided MOST of the financial support for almost 40 years, the Library is, in fact, a memorial to ALL the 1AD men who did not return with us at War's end. It deserves and MUST HAVE the support of ALL 2nd veterans whether they are members of the 2AD or not. Men served and died so that ALL OF US could enjoy all that we have now!

You will recall Walt Mundy's recent article in "POOP" referring to our "BEQUEST PROGRAM". This is the means I hope you will consider as your way to support our Memorial in the future years when we will no longer be around. It is painless, easy and wont cost you a "Red Cent" today! It simply requires a Codicil to your Will or Trust, and a pledge to the treasurer of the 2ADA. The forms have appeared in the Journal, and I will have many with me in Dayton. All Group VPs also have a sample. The pledge should be mailed to, "E.W. Bill Nothstein; 40 Meadow Dr.; Spencerport, NY 14559-1142". For those going, when you see for yourself in Norwich next year, what has been built in honor of our deceased brothers, you will surely be pleased that you have had a part in honoring these men. You will spread the word, and the Library will grow and prosper.

Re - the 467th visit to Norwich! President Ralph Davis and I have come to the same conclusion that Perry Watts, Andy Wilkinson and David Hastings would be the ideal combo to organize our Group Day celebration in Rackheath and Salhouse. Plans are already being formulated and I know the "locals" are looking forward to greeting members of the 467th in their old haunts. For your further information, there will be no 2ADA convention between now and November 2001. The cost of the Norwich convention will be high (Isn't everything in England?). Also, placing groups together in the same hotel has been most difficult. However, Evelyn is doing the best she can in doing just that. A wonderful program is taking shape and details will be coming shortly.

Time for my "GERITAL" so --- Stay well, don't buy any green bananas!!!! I'm looking forward to greeting all of you in Dayton! Fraternally, Geoff.

EX-2ADA GROUP VP- WALTER J. MUNDY

This is my last report as your 2ADA VP covering the May convention in Tampa Florida. I am pleased to advise the 467th membership that I was elected Executive Vice President of the 2ADA and should be elected President in November 2001. Your new, actually retread, 2ADA Group VP is Geoff Gregory who was sworn in at the EXCOM meeting. Most of you know that Geoff has served as 2ADA 467th Group VP, Executive VP and President. Geoff brings a wealth of experience and will be an outstanding representative for the 467th.

At the convention, David Hastings gave me the report by the 467th BG Trust and a copy of his response to Rackheath Parish Council for names to be in the Parish Chapel. Mr. Chuck Walker coordinated the introduction of Keith Thomas, new member of the Board Of Governors, Mr. John Creber, Norfolk County Senior Assistant Director, Dept of Cultural Services. Also introduced was Mr. Carson Holloway who is the new Fulbright Librarian. The Memorial Library construction is now about 4 months behind schedule and is expected to be completed in August 2001

The EXCOM voted to collect donations for the Air Force Memorial to be constructed in Washington D.C. and set as a goal, \$25,000. This amount will secure a Place of Honor in the Memorial. The Memorial Foundation has raised over \$21 million and has a goal of \$30 million. I strongly recommend that the 467th membership make their donation thru the 2ADA where we will be recognized as a part of the 2ADA and the 8th AAF.

Attendance at the convention by 467th members was very disappointing. We all know that age, health and financial considerations are taking their toll. Those that did attend were:

Joe, Helen, Joe Jr., Anastasia & Victor Dzenowagis; Geoff Gregory; Vince and Carolyn Re and Bryan; Joe and Flo Haenn; Walter and Ruth Mundy; Col. Al and Charlotte Shower

The EXCOM voted to support the Video Tape Documentary effort to preserve the existing tapes that were damaged in the fire, produce backup tapes and continue recording convention activities at a budget amount of \$10,000 per year.

The new Roll Of Honor to replace the one damaged in the fire will include those 2AD veterans that were Killed In The Line Of Duty. All of the 467th BG persons that were KIA or KILOD have been identified and will be on the Roll Of Honor.

We still need donations for the Electronic Database Project. There will be a review of this Project at our convention in Dayton. Meanwhile, send your donations to Ralph Davis, so designated.

I am looking forward to representing the 467th in my new roll in the 2ADA and I assure you that I will do my best to continue to insure that the 467th is the utmost group in my daily business.

FREEDOM OF CITY BY PERRY WATTS

(Eastern Daily Press item)

Norwich is set to honour the former members of the American Army Air Force who came to the city's aid during the Second World War. More than 500 members of the 2nd Air Division Association are planning a final convention in Norwich in November 2001 to formally open its Memorial Library as part of the Norwich Millennium Library. Members of the council's controlling

Labour group are recommending that the association be awarded the Freedom of the City.

In 1945 the association had a vision to leave the city a living memorial library instead of a statue to mark its role during the war when more than 6700 people were killed flying from their bases in Norfolk and north Suffolk.

The leader of Norwich City Council, Barbara Simpson, said: "The members of the 2nd Air Division have given so much to the city both in times of conflict and in memories. Those of us who live and work in Norwich have a very special relationship with them and the Freedom of City will be a fitting thank you."

STATION 145 – DAVID HASTINGS

Glad to report everything is in order with the Marker and other items having survived the winter well The garden will be cleaned shortly, ready for the spring visitors. The Parish Council varnished the seats and we are due to repaint the Community Centre Gates this summer. The plaque in honour of Private Miney is always included in our Base Tour to returning Veterans and interested visitors. An article by Brian Mahoney was published in the last issue of the Rackheath Village magazine and caused much interest.

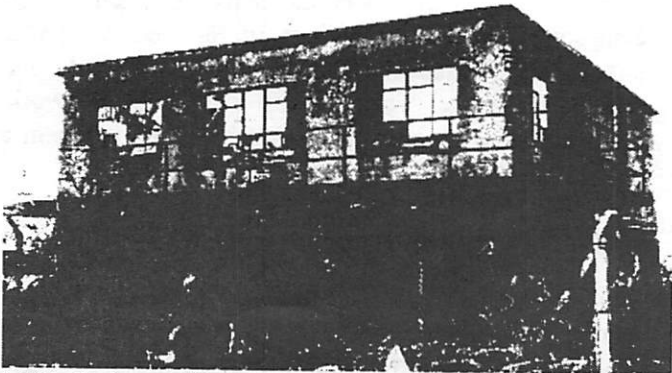
In Norwich the construction of our new Norfolk & Norwich Millennium Library, which includes the 2nd, Air Division Memorial Library is proceeding apace. We have finalized the plans for the interior of the Memorial Library and the design is quite stunning. In case you have heard a rumor, yes the opening of the new Library has been delayed until August 1st 2001. Robin Hall, the Chief Executive of the Millennium Company, sees no problems at all with our planned date of November 2001. As well as the Library this new building will house the Norfolk Records, a Business Centre, This will be built on three floors and will tell the history of our City and County from the Vikings to the present day, including a feature on the 2nd Air Division USMF. Also on the site will be a large underground car park and a very attractive plaza facing St. Peter Mancroft Church. We are all thrilled and very excited at this wonderful new building.

The new Library is now up to the second floor and we can appreciate the beauty of this massive building, it will be truly great. We as Trust Governors meet almost every fortnight now on the detailed planning and it all is very exciting.

Last December we appointed your new 2nd Air Division Fulbright Librarian, Carson Holloway, who takes over from Judy Jerome in August. Finally this year we celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain and also in August Norwich Airport (RAF Horsham St. Faith) celebrates its 60th. We have a two day Air Show and the 2nd Air Division USMF will feature strongly on all the promotions. I have been asked to sit on the organizing committee and it certainly looks like a very

exciting 2 days. If any 467th members are in Norfolk over August 5/6th please let me know.

The "CONTROL TOWER" at Rackheath



Mid all the traffic of the ways
Turmoil's without, within
You are in my heart my quiet place
To come and dwell therein.

A cherished Shrine of quietness
All sacred to myself
Where thou shall all my thoughts possess
And I may find Thyself.

A shelter away from life's stress
Where I may come and be alone
And bare my soul in your loneliness
And know you, as you were known.

Although silent and neglected now
But still standing as you were, and more
Sublime, Majestic and so Proud how
You Controlled and Won, The Wings of War.

Christine P. Armes
December 1999

REID'S CREW MEMORIAL - PERRY WATTS

On the Saturday evening, April 22, 2000, after a function held a Barsham arranged by Denis Sporle, a group of approximately 24 gathered around the memorial erected for Lt. Reid and crew at 10:00pm. The B-24 was shot down the night of the intruders and Denis Sporle led the effort to erect a memorial to the seven that perished. A local church minister said a few word along with a couple of prayers in their memory and then at 10:20pm a young lady trumpeter superbly sounded "Last Post" which was the actual time of the tragic occurrence some 56 years ago. The "Last Post" added a real emotional touch to the ceremony. Immediately after the Last Post, all stood silent

for two minutes to show their respect for those crewmembers that died. Once again, Denis did an excellent job in making the arrangements for the ceremony.

POST EXCHANGE

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP ROSTER (Alpha & Zip available) \$3.00 ea, including shipping.

GROUP & SQUADRON PINS

Note: All pins are now available:

467th 789th

791st 788th

790th 470th Sub Depot (limited number)

\$ 5.00 ea. plus \$0.75 package and post.

All 6 pins set, \$24.00 plus \$1.00 package and post

All 5 pins set (less 470th), \$20.00 plus \$0.75 package and post

Package and post is \$0.75 for up to five pins.

ADDENDUM & ERRATA BOOK & GROUP ROSTER

Addendum & Errata Book: \$5.00 including shipping

Group Roster: \$7.00 including shipping

Both for \$10.00 including shipping

GROUP WINDOW DECAL: \$3.00 ea including shipping

ALL OF THE ABOVE AVAILABLE THROUGH:

Marvin Ralph Davis

1143 Kenora Circle

Beavercreek, Ohio 45430-1101

GROUP & SQUADRON PATCHES:

467th

791st 790th

798th 788th

\$ 5.00 ea. plus \$0.75 package and post.

All 5 patch set, \$20.00 plus \$0.75 package and post

Package and post is \$0.75 for up to five patches.

PATCHES AVAILABLE THROUGH:

Paul V. Hatten

210 North Mall Dr.

St. George, UT 84790

GI MEMORIES OF THE ETO: A 5-1/4" by 8", 25 page booklet of cartoon like scenes of enlisted personnel activities is available for \$5.00 from:

Allen J. Welters

1418 70th St. E.

Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

JIM MAHONEY'S 467th COLOR VIDEO:

40 minutes of scenes of Rackheath, aircraft maintenance, takeoff, formation, daylight bombing mission, sweating it out and return. Also B&W of Witchcraft 100th mission and a group dress parade. Cost of current production was \$19.50, including S&H. Interest in video should be mailed to:

Brian R. Mahoney
1817 T Street NW
Washington, DC 20009

IN MEMORY: Ralph H. Elliott passed away around 7:30pm on April 21, 2000. Ralph is survived by his wife, Yvonne, three daughters, Judy, Donna and Becky and one son, Gary, a brother, Howard and sister, Eleanor. He has six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Funeral services were held April 27 at the Bring's Funeral Home in Tucson. Burial was with full military honors in the Fort Huachuca National Cemetery, Fort Huachuca Army Base, in Sierra Vista, Arizona. The 467th BG presented the traditional red and white carnations for association officers. After services, Thursday morning the Elite Honor Guard from Davis Monthan Field offered a flag folding ceremony with the three-gun salvo salute. The folded flag was presented to Yvonne at the conclusion of the ceremony. Ralph served the Second Air Division as 467th Group Vice President and the 467th as President. The 467th BG and the Second Air Division has lost a dedicated and loyal member. Our sincere sympathy is expressed to his wife, Yvonne and his surviving family. May God accept him and keep him as he completes his 27th mission.



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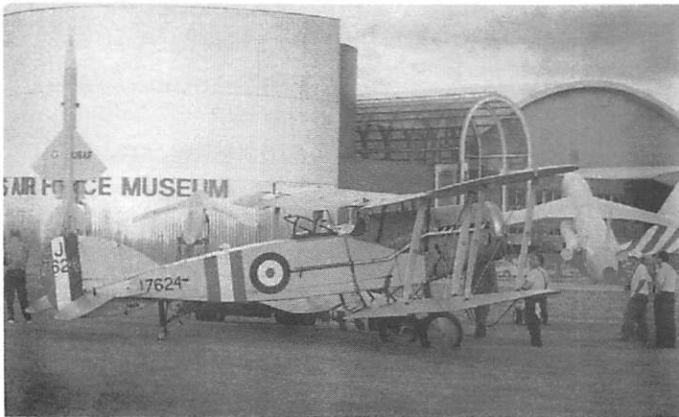
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Cleason D. Barker Altus, OK
George S. Casey Riverside, CA
William Hensen (Mar 26, '99) St. Clair, MI
Robert S. Mallick Aliquippa, PA
James Keith Newhouse Fayetteville, AR
Losse T. Piland Wilmer, TX
Sidney F. Repa Racine, WI
Julius Nelson Summa Saint Louis, MO

**May they go from Strength to Strength in the Life of
Perfect Service in GOD'S HEAVENLY KINGDOM**

DAWN PATROL RENDEZVOUS

Pictures of what to expect at the Museum during our
convention.



8TH AF HERITAGE MUSEUM – Ralph Davis

A letter was received from the Museum along with a
Recognition Certificate that the 467th had reached the
Gold Level of contribution. The Board of Directors

approved the designation of a Pew in the Memorial
Chapel dedicated to those of the 467th that have
made their final mission. Five names, at this time,
have been identified for special recognition on the
plaque. They are Phillip George Day, Ralph Hubert
Elliott, Walter Ralph Giesecke, Robert David
Sheehan and Walter Wayne Weaver. Our monument
has been commented on by others outside of the
467th. The Board of Directors has approved two
additional items. The walk that goes around our
monument will be designated as donated by the 467th
and a bench will be opposite the monument with the
designated name of "Colonel Albert J. Shower,
Commander 467th BG". These additional
contributions should put us almost to the Platinum
membership level, which is the highest recognized
level at this time. If you get the chance, visit the 8th
AF Heritage Museum and see the many efforts of the
467th. Col. Shower's plaque has now been placed on
the "Wall of Valor".

TREASURER'S REPORT

Operating Fund Balance 3-10-00	\$19,042.85
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INCOME

Mail Memorial Fund	1,532.68
Interest	219.25
Pins Roster & Decal	16.00
Database Donation	3,469.25
Sub-Total Income	\$ 5,237.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Poop 19-1 Expense	1,315.20
Copy & Mailing for Database	302.21
8 th AF Museum (Chapel Pew)	1,965.00
Stamps, Pin and Patch Package	33.99
Mahoney Video for Conventions	19.50
Military Video History for Con.	316.50
Award Plaques	90.00
2ADA VP EXCOM Expense	375.00
Home Page Internet Service	155.40
Flowers for Ralph Elliott	74.55
Funds for Pins & Patches	2,162.29
Payment 1 st Phase for Database	3,000.00
Sub-Total Disbursements	\$ 9,809.64

OPERATING FUND BALANCE \$14,471.47

DATABASE RESPONSE – Kevin Coolidge

The response to date is very disappointing only 90. We
need data from every current member or from family
members where members are deceased. Use the form
from the last two newsletters. Kevin's ZIP is 92879-5854

(Note Change). Please send your responses, we need them. It is your story and only you can tell it

LETTERS & NOTES FROM MEMBERS

Lavawn Mallick – AW (Bob)

I have been remiss about writing to tell you that my husband Robert Scott Mallick, Jr. died on September 21, 1999. It was very sudden – he just sat down on the edge of the bed and fell over. I have had a difficult time accepting it. It happened the day after our 55th Wedding Anniversary. We had gone to school together from 6th through 12th grade, so it was a long time being together. Bob was a Co-Pilot on Doug Leavenworth's crew. We were married several months before he went overseas. Lavawn continues on as to how they enjoyed the conventions and the newsletter. She says she was sorry to hear about Phillip Day and extends her sympathy to Cille. She asks that we think of them in Dayton as Bob enjoyed the Museum so very much. (We will Lavawn and I have added your name to our roster so that you may keep up with the group)

TEX & MARY ELLISON

The DAV is sending us literature on their National Convention to be held in the Lake Tahoe / Reno area. My – that looks like a beautiful place for a convention. Maybe a possibility for a future site down the road? It looks much nicer than Las Vegas. (We are always open to suggestions, but we need someone in that area who would do the leg work)

MARY B. PYFROM

Could the enclosed mean I am dead and I don't know it? Or was it actually a statement of my widowhood? If the latter, and I would assume so, it was not true, but sadly, it is true now. My husband, Stanley Coe Pyfrom, died 9 April 2000. (I called Mary, expressed my sympathy and explained that someone either called or e-mailed me regarding her husband and that was why he was entered in the Last Post and she in the Widow list. This was an incident that I hope never to repeat.)

F. C. "HAP" CHANDLER

He responded to my letter appointing Geoff Gregory as Walt Mundy's replacement as 2AD Group VP. He also stated, "I just returned from Savannah where I viewed the exceptional 467th Memorial in the Memorial Garden. It was the first time that I had seen it. Your Group has been one of the Division leaders in supporting our Heritage Museum. We need a more positive attitude on the part of the Association toward the Museum. Several of our leaders are so committed

to the Norwich Library that they fail to understand the importance of the full support to the Museum. It is a situation I have worked hard to remedy, and will continue to do so. I look forward to seeing you in England next year. (Thanks Hap, we try to support both efforts)

ROY M. DETTINGER

I am sorry it took so long to send my donation. When I heard that Phillip died, I did not know who to send it to. Phillip will certainly be missed as he did so much for the group, as well as private individuals. I am sorry I cannot get to the conventions any more. Two years ago in addition to my other problems, I had a heart attack. I can only lift 15 pounds and I have trouble walking. Love to read POOP FROM GROUP. Keep it coming. Thank you. (Will keep it coming as long as I can, we are all reaching the Golden Years that seem to have a little bit of tarnish.)

MAIL MEMORIAL FUND

There were 36 contributors to the fund during this period who gave \$1,532.68, approximately \$42.57 per donation. Your generosity is always appreciated. There is no dues, so we rely on your donations to keep our newsletter and other activities funded. If you enjoy our newsletter, please help support it. Contributors this period were:

Betty Elsen	Victor Foschini
John Kraemer	Henry Ellison
Fred Holdrege	Lowrey Spencer
Charlie Wagner	Frank Prokop
Lloyd Gilbertson	Charlie Cox
Jim Gummelt	Roy Dettinger
George Feil	R. Rambosky
Charles Hartney	Roy Hays
Frank Johnson	Jay Young
Bruce Palmer	Edward Frazier
Raymond Beaulieu	Lawrence McMahon
Eleanor Brown-AW	Geoff Gregory
Chester Zalesli	Alan Last
Ralph Davis	John Upp
Bill Dillon	Bill McGovern (2)
Bill Ridgway	Richard Audette
Christine Armes	Tom Steranko
Perry Watts	Bill Washburn

DATABASE DONATIONS

Fifteen contributors donated \$3,539.25. If a grant is obtained, this money will be refunded or donated to treasury at each donor's discretion. \$15,000.00 is our goal so please keep the donations coming.

Ed Tripold	Herb Simmerly	Dorothy Brylinski
Joe Abernathy	Frank Johnson	Raymond Beaulieu
Giesecke Estate	Francis Manza	Lloyd Davies
Howard Dye, Jr	Glenn Kenagy	George Tormoen
James Peters	Bill McGovern	Ed King

CONVENTION COSTS

Per Person \$ 260.00

Times Number of Persons _____ ()

Total Cost \$ _____

Deposit Due With Reservations, \$100.00 per person = \$ _____

Balance due August 30, 2000, \$ 160.00 per person = \$ _____

I will pay by Check () or Money Order ()

The above cost is for the entire package as listed in the Schedule of Activities.

There will be a "Freebie" drawing for a one-person convention package cost of \$ 260.00. The drawing will be open to all that pay in full by August 10, 2000.

Make checks payable to: "467th Bombardment Group Convention 2000".

Fill in the above Convention Costs form and mail with your deposit of \$100.00 per person along with the Convention Registration Form to:

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HOTEL REGISTRATION

MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE CROWN PLAZA HOTEL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

All rooms must be **reserved** by August 10, 2000 in order to guarantee space and to assure rates.

Crowne Plaza Hotel
33 East Fifth Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Mail, Fax or telephone request and requirements to the above address.

(937) 224-0800/ FAX 224-1231. Check-in time: 3:00 PM. Website: www.crowneplaza.com

Room rates are as follows: Single or Double \$ 69.00 (\$8.28 in taxes)

When making reservations, please refer to the **467th Bomb Group Convention**, Sept 28-Oct 2, 2000. A **48 hour** cancellation policy is in effect. These rates will apply for three (3) days before and after the convention. All rooms have a choice of either a single king bed or two full size beds. In addition to the usual amenities included is a full size ironing board, iron, hair dryer, coffee maker and public areas are wheelchair accessible. Let your special requirements be known to the hotel.

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JACK KREAMER

Hope this can help pay for a few Bulletins. I have the (I think) one and only Jacket Patch of the Witchcraft insignia. Can that be used with some of the other memorabilia I gave Vince for the Museum in Georgia. Thanks for the great work. (Jack, if you want to part with it, send it to me. I'll see that it gets to the right place. May even duplicate it.)

WIDOW'S COMMENTS

There are six additions to the roster this period. They are: Claire Audette (George), 6 Cherry St., Milbury, MA 01527; Beverly Blanich (Lew), 81 15th Ave. N, Fargo, ND 58102; Carol Corvino (Vince), 2275 Country Club Dr., Pittsburgh, PA, 15241; Nancy Hensen (Bill), 1955 S. Bartlett Rd., St. Clair, MI 48079; Lavawn Mallick (Bob), 1310 20th Street, Aliquippa, PA 15001; and Jean Newhouse (Keith), 1923 E. Joyce Blvd., Apt. 322, Fayetteville, AR 72703-5172. Presently we have 3 widows attending the convention. (Need more)!

BITS AND PIECES – Bob Davis

I am still looking for pictures and stories for the webpage. Last issue request resulted in absolutely zero. It is your story and it takes you to put it together with pictures. I can only put it into the webpage. Vince Re

gave me a lot of pictures from conventions and those will be on soon. We will also have a "Post Exchange" section for all to order from. Remember, I need all stories and pictures; ground and flying crews, maintenance, mess, sick call, administration, you name it and I need it. Get your reservations in for the convention and I'll see you in Dayton. Bring your data with you then or mail it now should you not be able to make it this time.

CONVENTION AUTO TRAVEL NOTICE!!!!!!!

Interstate 75 through downtown Dayton is undergoing major construction. I-75 from the South can exit at Ste Rte 35 and get off at Main St. exit and north on Main St. to 5th St and right to the hotel at 5th and Jefferson. I-70 from the East can take I-675 to Ste Rte 35 and then get off Main St exit and to hotel as above. I-70 from West to I-75 South can get off at 3rd St exit turn east on 3rd to Main St. and then South to 5th St and east on 5th to the hotel. Construction plans may change, so if your driving and plan to go south on I-75, advise you to check with Ohio Dept. of Transportation at 1-937-492-1141, ext. 76820 for the latest information or give me a call (Ralph) and I'll try to help. See you then & there