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FROM THE PREZ – RALPH DAVIS

Seven actions were considered and unanimously agreed to since the April Poop from Group as follows:

1. To establish an "Executive Committee" consisting of former 467th BG Presidents and 467th 2AD Vice Presidents. This committee will be available to assist the Group President on any special assignments deemed necessary.

2. A resolution be made that the 467th Marker, as currently configured, should stand on its own as dedicated to all, both living and dead, who served in the 467th Bomb Group (Heavy) and shall remain configured as such, perpetually.

3. Walter J. Mundy was appointed and approved as the 2AD Group Vice President to replace Ralph Elliott at the June 2AD convention in Milwaukee, WI.

4. Plaques, markers or presentations honoring an event, individual or group made on behalf of the 467th Bomb Group (H) requires the approval of the Board of Directors as to wording and configuration prior to presentation.

5. A committee made up of an appointed group within the executive Committee should be established at the 1996 convention to establish a procedure to dissolve the 467th Bomb Group (Heavy) Association, Ltd., and fold it into the 2nd Air Division Association. A criteria should be established as to the "how and when" along with a recommendation of this and the distribution of assets. The results of this action should be presented to the Board of Directors and the general membership at the 1997 convention.

6. Each 467th 2ADA Group Vice President shall be assigned for a period not to exceed that time which includes his last year as voting authority within the 2ADA Group Vice Presidents. He then may be replaced or re-appointed according to the 467th President and Board of Directors discretion.

7. That the 467th have permanent identification tags for officers, present and past, and the board of directors. Tags would be similar to those used by the 2ADA. Spouses will also have tags. The affirmative vote is subject to a review of the cost and may be shared by recipients. Tags would be red background with white letters (or reverse) and a metal 467th shield, if possible.

BOARD ELECTION

At the Business Meeting on Saturday, Oct. 5 we will be electing two members to the Board of Directors of the Association. Charles H. Caldwell and Vincent D. LaRussa will finish their terms at this Convention. Remaining on the Board for one year are Marvin Ralph Davis and Vincent Re and for two years Lloyd A. Davies and Walter J. Mundy.

Ralph H. Elliott is chairing the Nominating Committee for this election. Send the names of the nominees you propose to stand for this election to Ralph at 6000 W. Rafter Circle, Tucson, AZ 85713.

It would be in order for you to have the permission of those you nominate to submit their name and that they will serve if elected.

DAN MINEY PLAQUE CEREMONY

The Dan Miney plaque ceremony took place on Monday, April 22, 1996 at the QM building as initially planned. Many local dignitaries were present for the ceremony as well as Mr. Al Touchette, former QM Commander, 467th BG. Additional write-up is within the POOP for your review.

CALL FOR SUPPORT

We are still looking for financial support for the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum and the Control Tower. As stated earlier, all donations should be sent to Phil Day. We are hoping that we are getting closer to resolving the problem with obtaining the Control Tower and may know something within the next few months.

MEMORABILIA

Vince LaRussa is still looking for compiled list of memorabilia that you want to donate to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum. According to the museum, they will provide us a place to put our memorabilia on display. First feedback from people visiting the museum is that the biggest part of the display is B-17 outfits. Let's get ours together!

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

At the time of this writing, I have not received any response from the seven Senators that I addressed with my rebuttal letter to Senator Glenn and the Under Secretary of the Air Force. It is time now to start checking up. I hope all of you have sent letters to your Senators as was suggested in the last POOP. United, we may still pull this thing off.

2AD CONVENTION- MILWAUKEE

The 467th was represented by 22 veterans, wives, associate members and friends. At our group dinner we had four guests, Colin Sleath, Principal Librarian of Norwich, and wife Elizabeth; Linda Berube, Fulbright Grantee, and brother Robert. Linda will be going over in September of this year. Those from the 467th in attendance were:

Geoff & Terry Gregory
Carman Haug
Sidney Katz & Vivion Berstein
Willis & Ilene Kirkton
Walter & Ruth Mundy
Wilson & Cecily Noden

Vincent & Carolyn Re
Leonard Schutta
Walter & Mary Weaver
Joe, Helen, Joe Jr., and
Joan Dzenowagis
Ralph & Doris Davis

Walter Mundy replaced Ralph Elliott, as the 467th Group Vice President to the 2AD. The 2AD convention was excellently run. The food, service and accommodations were exceptional. Evelyn Cohen always seems to come up with very good locations and 2AD programs. The 2AD, for future consideration, may be our primary

CONVENTION- MILWAUKEE—Continued:

source of convention as time progresses and our attendance backs off. We can always add a day or two to the 2AD convention and have our private time together. I am encouraging all of you who have not joined the 2AD, to do so to support our 2AD Group VP. The better our membership and the greater our attendance, the more clout he will carry where it counts for us. Ralph Elliott did an excellent job for us, as has others in the past and I'm sure that Walt Mundy will support the 2AD with the 467th in mind. To join, the fee is \$15/year or Life Membership; up to age 69 – \$150; 70 to 79 – \$120; and 80 and up – \$90. You can write to: Evelyn Cohen; 06-410 Delaire Landing Road, Philadelphia PA 19114, (215) 632-3992. The 467th had 5 new members reported in the 2AD Spring Journal. Let's increase that amount next time.

467TH CONVENTION – SAVANNAH – 3 THRU 7 OCTOBER 1996

The latest word from Walt and Mary, indicates that we now have 73 signed up. We are planning on 200 and we hoped that the location of both Savannah and the 8th Air Force Heritage Museum would bring about that many. It's early and 73 seems good to me for this time. I realize that many have problems with scheduling early; however, Walt and Mary have advised me that they will support a very liberal refund arrangement for emergency conditions. They, Walt and Mary, have arranged a very good program with meals, transportation and events to occupy your time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

The Board of Directors' Meeting will be held on 3 October at 1630 hours in my room. You'll have to check with the desk to get my room number. All Board Members, Executive Committee and honorary officers are welcome to attend.

Sincerely, Ralph Davis

FROM THE VEEP—WALT MUNDY

Following Ralph Elliott as 2ADA Group Vice President was a real education and I am pleased to report that Ralph did an outstanding job both as a voting Group VP and a member of the Executive Committee. When Ralph asked to be relieved due to health, Ralph Davis asked me if I would be available to serve. I thought about it for about two seconds and told him yes. I consider it a real privilege to be a part of the 2ADA and take a lot of personal pride and satisfaction in supporting the most unique War Veterans Memorial in the world. Everyone who served in the 2AD of the Mighty Eighth should support the Memorial and the plans for the perpetuation in whatever way that they can.

When all those who served are gone, we will leave a living memorial of the deeds and sacrifice of all those who fell in combat and passed on; to be cherished and respected by our children and their future generations.

During the Executive Committee, Ralph Elliott's report ended with a motion to eliminate the title Vice President Communications since it is essentially a duplication of the combined efforts of the Director of Communications and the communication loop of the President. It was also based on the previous action by the Board to establish a Vice President and Editor of the Journal. Although Ralph's motion was narrowly defeated this position will be greatly diminished. The new VP of Communications will be John De Cani (489th BG).

Ralph will be greatly missed on the 2ADA Executive Committee as Vice President Communications. I want to thank Ralph for his help in making my indoctrination as Group VP pleasant. I know he will be a voice in the future.

I am pleased to report that the 2ADA is working on definitive plans for the future of the Association and these will be reported as they are brought to fruition.

THE 467TH BG (H) AND 2ADA TAPES

A special report by Joe Dzenowagis Jr. was especially meaningful. Joe reported that the 2ADA tapes (Video) were damaged in the fire and in addition all of the other tapes in his files need to be upgraded and improved storage facilities be provided to prevent further deterioration. Action required to accomplish this will be on the next agenda of the Executive Committee, since the tapes cover all groups.

THE 2ADA CONVENTION SITES

The 1997 2ADA Convention will be held 25-26-27 May at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Irvine, California.

The 1998 Convention will be held 25-26-27 May at the Oakbrook Hills resort, Chicago, Illinois.

REBUILDING THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Current planning is to approximately double the size of the 2AD Memorial Library area in the Norwich Library. A major goal will be to computerize the data and exhibits and make them available for Internet inquiries. With the new Fulbright Librarian and the other staff expertise we will be able to take the Library into the technology of the next century.

Sincerely, Walter J. Mundy

BITS AND PIECES by Phillip G. Day

Trying to pick up on the pulse of the Group at this writing by rereading through the correspondence received in the last four months but nothing is jumping out at me. A number of entrepreneurs have sent brochures touting various products and ideas that they would have me publicize in POOP. All seem to be profit oriented. I decline to. In my opinion the whole Association is lethargic; maybe the upcoming Association convention will give us a shot in the arm. I hope so!

Correspondence from England and France is most welcome. I heard from Tony North, Kevin Clarke, Andy Wilkinson, Alan Last, Perry Watts, Phyllis DuBois, David Mindham and Philippe Canonne. Andy and Perry are going to be at Savannah, Tony has had his eyes operated upon and has much better vision than before the operations for which we should all be especially thankful. Phyllis announced at Milwaukee that she will be resigning as Memorial Trust Librarian effective August 1, 1996 to return to her previous vocation as free-lance librarian and researcher. Her first task will be to revise the Second Air Division archive collection, making it more user friendly, correcting errors that have crept in and adding into it the more than 300 deposits that have been made since the last inventory in 1992. More on this in POOP. David ordered a window decal and a copy of the "G. I. Memories of the E. T. O." Philippe writes that little progress has been made toward the Memorial of the 467th bombing effort of the railroad bridge west of the Seine on 18 August 1944.

The "little old lady with the hoe" is going strong in the flower beds and garden. Petunias planted around the fish pond have done exceptionally well, very bright and colorful. Her spring pansies recently faded from their glory, flowers shrunk and paled. She dug them up and planted periwinkles in white and pink. They did well for a while then got the wilt and the colored ones rotted off at the ground. The white ones continue quite pretty. She planted seeds for zinnias, supposedly tall and shorter; she got a nice stand but they appear to all be the same height. She has cut many of them and they are quite pretty in the house. The hanging baskets and stump pot of geraniums have not done well, the scarcity of rain and 90° plus days have played havoc with all our plants and yard grass. She has sprigged St. Augustine grass where winter freezes and lack of rain caused bare spots. From the garden we got one mess of mustard greens, the bugs (Cille says snails and slugs) ate the leaves to lace. Out biggest problem, in my opinion, with our garden is NO HONEY BEES. You may know that over 80% of the domestic honey bee population around here was wiped out by a virus of them and our late freeze. We have seen few honey bees in our yard and garden this spring and as a consequence small flower plants have not been pollinated. The tomatoes, green beans, sugar snap peas, sweet peas, squash and cucumbers have done little or nothing. Through today we have had only six regular sized tomatoes and maybe a dozen patio tomatoes. The large flower plants—okra, eggplants, peppers—are visited by bumblebees and are bearing fair as long as we keep them well watered. I called a beekeeper about a hive, he wanted \$20/week. I can buy a lot of vegetables for that amount. Lettuce did well, we enjoyed much of it, but with hot weather it became bitter and went to seed. The birds ate the leaves of the sugar snaps and many of the green beans but we finally accumulated enough green beans for a homegrown mess. All in all not a good season.

We had three pair of purple martins nest in our martin house and they fledged six. The lot of them still gather up around the house on the mornings and evenings but will soon be leaving for So. America. A couple of pair of cardinals nested in the back hedge and raised some young ones. Blue jays fledged a couple or three. We had a hummingbird visit in early June then went off to return in early July, so far by himself. Purple finches still around eating out of the hummingbird feeders and the bird seed I put out. The mocking birds, one in back yard, one in the front sing all day, during the full moon at night also. But remember mocking birds don't sing in August. Enough of the flora and fauna for this time and enough of BITS AND PIECES.

MISCELLANEA

Letter from Al "Wabbit" Welters enclosing "Another Slice of Hamm—From the Ground Up." Will send it to Memorial Library—Norwich.

Looks like grandiose scheme for "new" Norwich library, "Technopolies," is dead. Maybe now they will work on rebuilding an improved replacement for that that burned.

Bill Clausen, 1986 Larchmont Dr., Deland, FL 32724 is writing his war experiences for publication. I will plug it in POOP if he is successful in getting it published.

Robert M. Peters, Group Armament Officer, recent Roster addition would like to hear from any of you that remember him. He plans on being at Savannah.

Ron Rambosky sent pictures of Memorial Marker at Wright-Patterson taken by Virgil Marcum-AH on Memorial Day and 4 July 1995. Virgil cleans the Marker and puts the National Flags on it on holidays.

Paul and Evelyn Hatten were in Norwich-Rackheath in late May early June, traveled about with Perry Watts, no report to me yet from Paul.

Perry Watts built a 1/24 scale of the Control Tower for display at Rackheath Village Carnival/Fete toward a Tower Restoration/Preservation Association, presently not off the ground. He enclosed pictures which I will have at Savannah.

Andy Kapi, Jr., Alan Last and Dorene would like to hear from you. His address is 4 Levenson Rd., Sprawston, Norwich NR7 8NR England. I would too.

A "flora and fauna" from Gene Aichroth which I will send on to Phyllis DuBois about sitting by his waterfall in the garden sipping a dollop of bourbon. I enjoyed it! Gene is coming out of the depression caused by his wife's death. Good for him!

E. C. "Ned" Humphreys, Jr., founder and guiding force behind Bombardiers, Inc. for thirteen years, bringing recognition for the rightful place of Bombardiers in history, has gone on his LAST POST. Bombardiers Inc. will cease its existence at the end of this year, its records to be preserved by a suitable military records depository.

Ron Spencer says there might be a need for 467th vets and associates to have an e-mail clearing house. Contact Ron at Libramus@aol.com to register yours. Ron will probably be surprised by this notice.

Does anyone have an aerial view of Rackheath during the time of our stay. Tony North, Second Air Division Historian, would like a copy. Write him at 63 Turner Rd., Norwich NR2 4HE England.

Send your income tax returns to IRS Registered Mail. I didn't—know I mailed it on April 9 but can't prove it. Was assessed an 8-day late penalty because they didn't process it until April 23rd. Beware!

Woodrow E. Downing, 200 Bolindas Rd., #74, Fairfax, CA 94930 would like to hear from any Group vets who stayed in the service through the Korean War and served in B-47s and B-52s.

From The Happy Warrior, 492nd BG(H), Spring 1996 Edition: Jim Mahoney had a heart attack while driving from his home, Hamilton, NY, to Florida (after missing his Auto-Train reservation due to the January snowstorm). He was treated with angiography, angioplasty, and a stent was inserted at St. Joseph's Hospital in Savannah. After 5 days he was on his way again, Polly driving. Many restrictions, physical and dietary, but on the road to recovery.

Bob Sheehan writes that his eyesight remains about the same but he is able to drive in familiar neighborhoods. Looks forward to seeing us at Savannah 96.

J. Richard Buckey, 4267 W. 212th St., Fairview Park, Ohio 44126 has 93 million names, addresses and telephone on CDs. If you need some help in locating someone, drop him a line.

Wendover Field, UT, was the largest U. S. Army Airfield in World War II. After the 467th trained there, the 509th Composite Squadron which dropped the atomic bombs on Japan was trained there. A move is afoot to restore a 65000 square foot hanger and try to get congressional approval to bring the Enola Gay to be displayed there.

The All Aviation Cadet From All Time Reunion will be held at Kelly Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX on October 15-19, 1997. If interested write Aviation Cadet Museum, Rt. 4, Box 416, Eureka Springs, AR 72632.

Ralph Elliott is looking for information on Charles M. Pollock for the Pima Air & Space Museum in Tucson. In 1980, Pollock donated several items that are being used in a current POW exhibit, but they badly need more information to complete the exhibit.

(Mission details, aircraft name/serial no., squadron, date lost and details of the action, etc.). He died in 1993 in Tucson, but they have been unable to trace any of his family. They think he was the bombardier on a Lt. Sullivan's crew that was shot down in July '44 and he was incarcerated in Stalag Luft I. If you have any information, please contact Ralph Elliott, 6000 W. Rafter Circle, Tucson, AZ 85713 or send it to Kirsten Oftedahl, Curator of Collections, Pima Air & Space Museum, 6000 E. Valencia Rd., Tucson, AZ 85706.

THE MINEY MEMORIAL DEDICATION

On April 22, 1996, a quiet, dignified ceremony to dedicate a plaque to the memory of Pvt. Daniel E. Miney on/at the then wartime Headquarters, 1229 QM Company. Miney was killed in the bombing of Station 145, Rackheath, by German intruder aircraft on that night.

Under the arrangements and direction of Phyllis DuBois the ceremony was attended by Ms. DuBois; Albert J. Touchette, former Commander of the 1229 QM Co.; Alfred Jenner, Senior Member of the Board of Governors; Andy Wilkinson; Tommy Dungar; Tony North; Perry Watts; Mrs. Marion Ford, present owner of the building; Ian McLachlan, author of "Night of The Intruders"; the Rev. B. V. Rogers, Vicar of Rackheath and Salhouse churches; Al Duffin, Salvation Army Trumpeter; Sgt. Lewis, Lakenheath Honor Guard; Christian Snowden and son Tom Harris; Pete Alden and son who installed the plaque.

It was a beautiful morning. The nearby shops shut down their operations during the short time and watched the ceremony. Phyllis began by saying a few words of the occasion followed by Ian McLachlan who described what happened on April 22. Al Touchette read the message from the 467th Bomb Group President and added a few words of his own. The Vicar said appropriate prayers for the occasion, Christine laid a spray of red and white flowers under the plaque, and the Trumpeter played the Last Post and Reveille. Al went around the area to greet the workers at the several work sites around the site. Everyone then adjourned to the Green Man for tea and biscuits with a lot of conversation, to look at Tony North's photo album of the 467th until the noon regulars came in. Phyllis and Christine took the flower spray to the 467th Memorial Marker at Salhouse before departing back to the Library, they thought it would be the appropriate thing to do.

The following was read by Al Touchette for the 467th BG. "Throughout our stay in Norfolk the people of Rackheath, Salhouse and Norwich welcomed us, one and all. The sacrifices you made before we arrived paved the way for us to do our part. War did not differentiate between the men of the air and the men of the ground with respect to casualties. The purpose of this ceremony today is to pay our respects to Pvt. Daniel E. Miney who lost his life on the ground on the night of April 22, 1944 to the German intruders. The prayers and best wishes of the men of the 467th Bomb Group go out to his family and friends who have gathered today to pay homage to one of our fallen comrades. To paraphrase the statement made to us during the recent 50th anniversary celebration of VE Day, "You welcomed us as friends and you have remained friends. God bless everyone of you."

The plaque reads:

467(th) Bomb Group
1229 QM Company
Capt. A. L. Touchette
Company C.O.
In Memory of
Pvt. Daniel E. Miney
KIA
Enemy Aircraft Bombing
Rackheath Air Base April 22, 1944

ATTENTION: 790TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON PERSONNEL by Phillip G. Day

I am attempting to determine the MISSION which "Witchcraft", B-24H-15-FO, Serial Number 42-52534, participated in from April 10, 1944 through April 25, 1945. This information will be incorporated for a Plaque to be prepared for presentation to the Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum in October.

We know a great deal of the missions from our file of Combat Mission Fuel Reports, obtained by Fred Holdrege from the National Archives, and from Formation Sheets available, but unfortunately some of the Fuel Reports have been misplaced in the Archives and are not available to us. Also not all Formation Sheets are on hand.

790TH BOMB. SQ. PERSONNEL—Continued:

The information we seek is the name of the Pilot on the dates and to the targets listed following, did "Witchcraft" fly these dates? For the first eight listed pilots possible were:

Carl J. Schott	Thomas J. Garanaflo
Kenneth G. Ford	Joseph R. Brisenbaugh
Richard J. Campbell	Edwin M. Helton
Frank P. Prokop	Vincent P. Siebern
(MIA-29 Apr 44)	George W. Dickinson
John P. Gavin	John E. Thompson
(KIA-29 Apr 44)	Howard W. Johnson
Robert D. Sheehan	Elroy W. Beaney
George W. Reed	

Group Mission	Date	Target
2	11 Apr 44	Oscherleben, GR Air Ind.
3	12 Apr 44	Recall w/Possible Credit
5	17 Apr 44	Wizernes, FR V-Site
7	19 Apr 44	Paderborn, GR Air Field
8	20 Apr 44	Siracourt, FR V-Site
11	24 Apr 44	Liepheim, GR Air Field
12	25 Apr 44	Mannhein, GR Rail Yard

The other mission we need information on is Group Mission No. 127 on 2 Nov 44, Target: Bielefeld, GR, a Rail Bridge. Pilots could be:

#52, Rice; #53, Martin; #54, Rosenthal; #55, Young; #56, Deardorff; #58, McKenzie; #59, Moseley; #60, Lazlo; #61, Loveless; #63, Ungerer; #64, Gray; #66, Graham; #67, Epting; #68, Lackens; #69, Barker; #70, Patton; #71, Wing; #72, Woodis.

We need to confirm that seven of the eight above were flown by "Witchcraft." Seven of them are needed to make Mission 221 on 25 Apr 45 the 130th Mission for "Witchcraft." If you can't confirm seven of them we will assume the first seven listed were counted in the 130th Mission calculation.

The number of missions we have for "Witchcraft," from fuel reports and formation sheets, to the recognized 100th Mission date of 7 Jan 45 is only 91, Group Mission No. 158. It appears that the method of scoring missions varied in the time that the Group was in combat. Seven additional missions as above would make the 98th mission on 7 Jan 45. It also appears that the 100th Mission date was arbitrarily chosen for award purposes, but that is speculation on my part.

Send me as soon as possible any information on the missions specified above so that I can proceed with having a suitable plaque designed and prepared.

ROSTER ADDITIONS

Melvin L. Guvwitt, 5217 Lakefront, Del Ray Beach, FL 33484
Edward Kodish, 21930 Ladeene Ave., Torrance, CA 90503
Ivan R. Palmer-AH, 19 Stonehill, Green Lane West,
Rackheath NR13 6LX England
Mrs. Sandy Pederson -AW, 629 Lakeshore Dr., Maitland, FL 32751
Robert M. Peters, 11522 C.R. 223, Oxford, FL 34484
A. L. Robinson-AH, 502 E. Anglewood, Brandon, FL 33511
Robert T. Sander, 153 S. Leeds Pt., Absecon, NJ 08210

If they live near you, give them a ring, drop by to see them. Don't let anyone of them not be welcomed. And please, each of you reading this, send me the names and addresses of any 467th or 2nd Air Division veterans so we can get them on the Group Roster or in contact with their Group Representative. The time is now to do this.

LOST SOULS

POOP was returned from the following. Tell us what you know of them. Try to locate them if they live in your area.

David M. Bliss, Oceanside, CA
David W. Johnson, Crossett, AR
Andrew Kripiak, Port St. Lucie, FL
Leslie R. Miller, Pateros, WA
Donald O. Talbott, Deland, FL

LAST POST

William F. Adams
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Sandy Pederson
Frank B. Powers
John H. Roth
Guenter H. Staedicke
Eugene R. Zumwalt

"May they go from Strength to Strength in the Life of Perfect Service in GOD'S Heavenly Kingdom."

TREASURER'S REPORT

Operating Fund 3-15-96 to 07-15-96	
Opening Balance (corrected)	\$ 2,156.53
Income:	
Mail—Memorial Contributions	1,440.00
Control Tower Donation	50.00
8th Air Force Museum Donation	50.00
Group and Squadron Patches	71.00
Window Decals	18.00
Interest on Checking Acct. (3 mo.)	13.56
Interest on CD (4 mo.)	56.66
Sub-total Income	\$ 1,699.22

Disbursements:	
Secretarial POOP 15-1	361.82
Reproduction POOP 15-1	631.94
USPS Domestic Postage POOP 15-1	440.00
USPS Foreign Postage POOP 15-1	35.00
USPS 100 Stamps	32.00
USPS 1,350 Post Cards	270.00
USPS "M" Bags (5) to Norwich	116.92
Checking Account, Maintenance Fee (2 mo.)	20.00
Expenses—Treasurer and POOP Editor	75.86
Rackheath Historical Marker	75.00
2ADA Convention Decorations	80.00
8th AF Museum Reserve	50.00
Control Tower Reserve	50.00
Sub-total Disbursements	\$ 2,238.54

Closing Balance Operating Fund \$ 1,617.21

Special Fund Accounts:	
Albert J. Shower Endowment	\$ 796.50
Control Tower Reserve	105.00
8th AF Museum Fund	50.00
32-day Certificate of Deposit	5,000.00
Sub-Total Special Funds	\$ 5,951.50
Assets Checking Account	2,568.71
Certificate of Deposit	5,000.00
TOTAL ALL ASSETS	\$ 7,568.71

DONATIONS REQUESTED—ALL MADE OUT TO THE ASSOCIATION ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS WE ARE A NOT-FOR-PROFIT VETERANS ORGANIZATION:

MAIL—MEMORIAL FUND

There were 48 contributors to the mail-memorial fund in the period 15 Mar 96 through 15 Jul 96, down in the four month period from the 54 contributions in the prior three month period. The amount for the period was \$1,440 down from the \$1,880 of the last report. The amounts contributed ranged from \$5 to \$100, the average \$30. The Association needs the support of each person who receives the POOP, every veteran we have an address for, Association friends, families, historians, 2ADA personnel (20) not from our Group. 1,425 copies of POOP are printed each issue, with postage, domestic and foreign, the donations this period did not cover the cost of publication. The Association needs the support of each and every person who receives POOP. If you haven't made a contribution, recently or ever, send one in right now to 467th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY) ASSOC., LTD. to 237 Pennsylvania Ave., Shreveport, LA 71105-3319. The association is a Veteran based, not-for-profit, chartered entity and all donations are Federal Income Tax Deductible. Contributions were received from:

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Robert D. Sheehan	Lyman B. Weigel
Max Shepherd-AF	Allen J. Welters
Leonard M. Shutta	Arthur A. Wicks

THE MIGHTY EIGHTH AIR FORCE HERITAGE MUSEUM

\$50 received during this period from Roy M. Dettinger.

RACKHEATH CONTROL TOWER RESERVE

\$50 received during this period from Roy M. Dettinger.

SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT

CONVENTION 1995, San Diego, CA: Jack Stevens, coordinator of convention, has not reconciled his books for a final report to the Association. He has repaid the \$2,000 advanced by the Association and recognizes that the Association paid an additional \$589 to Kevin Coolidge for the name tags and tag holders, and for the room for the Hoags who furnished the Military Items Exhibit at the convention. We will have a final report in Savannah, 1996.

CONVENTION 1996: The Association has advanced \$500 to the Convention.

THE HISTORY OF THE 467TH. THIRD REPRINT:

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Other Press Charges	629.30
Sub-total Cost	12,329.30
Income from Sales to Date	10,500.00
Remaining to Recover	1,829.30

Vince LaRussa has handled the reprinting and sales of each of the reprints by the Association, the first two of which returned considerable profits to the Association. He is certainly owed our thanks for his devotion to these reproductions and sales.

The Association has recovered \$10,500 of the \$12,379.31 invested in the 500 books ordered in the third reprinting. Sale of 47 additional books will bring us to break even or we can wholesale enough copies, 75, to break even. Vince prefers to sell at retail so you who have not purchased a copy of this third edition please do so as soon as possible.

GROUP/SQUADRON PATCHES: We invested \$2,250 in 1,000 patches, plus have had \$46.38 of expenses. Sales so far have been \$2,385. Paul Hatten has a limited number of squadron patches only on hand to show a modest profit for the Association.

1000 Patches Ordered	\$2,250.00
Additional Expenses	46.38
Sub-Total Cost	2,296.38
Income from Sales to Date	2,456.00
Profit to Date	159.62

Paul V. Hatten saw a need for a coordinator for this project, took the ball and ran with it. The sale of just a few more patches will be sending additional profit to the Association.

WINDOW DECAL: This is Bob Sheehan's continuing contribution to the Association. He has sent \$700 to date. Thanks so much Bob.

GIMEMORIES OF THE E.T.O.: Al Welters started the sale of this booklet without cost to the Association. Thanks Al for the \$150 sent to the Association from its sales.

POST EXCHANGE

The 467th Bombardment Group (History) September 1943—June 1945 by Allan Healy, first privately printed in 1947. The third reprint is by the 467th BG (H) Association, Ltd. This third reprint contains the total original Healy publication plus includes an alphabetically arranged roster of all known personnel who were assigned or attached to the 467th from March 11, 1944 to July 6, 1945, over 5200 names, and an alphabetical and chronological listing of all known deceased of the Group while assigned to the Second Air (Bombardment) Division. A short history of the 788th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), information on the lead squadron—wing squadrons of October 44 through May 45 and some other personnel matters are included in the addendum.

Orders of the third reprint will receive at least one update of roster names and additional materials on the Group's KIAs.

For your order of this third reprint with addendum, send \$40 per copy to: Vincent D. LaRussa, 8570 N. Mulberry Drive, Tucson, AZ 85704.

Squadron Patches Only: Each 4" diameter patch consists of a white background with 1/8" black border. The black lettering height on all patches is 1/2". The squadron patches have XXX Bm. Sq. above the caricatures and 467th Bomb Group (H) below. No Group patches available. Individual patches are \$4 each. All are post paid at the quoted prices. Send your orders with check or money order made out to the 467th Bomb Group to: Paul V. Hatten, 2927 W. 8380 S., West Jordan, UT 89088.

467th BG(H)/2nd Air Division Window Decal:

\$3 each from Bob Sheehan, 1828 E. 27th Street, Tulsa, OK 74114.

G.I. Memoirs Of The E.T.O.: A 5-1/4" x 8" booklet with front cover, a title page and 25 pages of cartoon-like scenes of enlisted personnel activities, on and off base. \$5 per copy to Al Welters, 1418 SE 70th St. E., Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077.

MEMORIAL LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND: 467TH BG(H) ASSOC., LTD.

The interest from the above endowment of \$5,000 was used to purchase the following books for the Memorial Library.

Grant Heilman:	FARM
Philip Kunhardt:	WORLD WAR II
William Davis:	FROM LEWIS AND CLARK TO WOUNDED KNEE
R. Douglas Hurt:	AMERICAN FARM TOOLS FROM HAND POWER TO STEAM POWER
Paul Szuscikiewicz:	FLYING TIGERS
Berton Roueche:	IN SPECIAL PLACES, IN SEARCH OF SMALL TOWN AMERICA
William Davis:	A WAY THROUGH THE WILDERNESS
Edward Park:	THE ART OF WILLIAM S. PHILLIPS
Mark V. Stalmaster:	THE BALD EAGLE
Joe Foss:	TOP GUNS

We continue grateful for the Association's generosity in establishing this fund which has enabled us to purchase these useful and attractive books for the Memorial Library.

Also from Phyllis: Any of the Association members who may be considering sending memorabilia to the Memorial Library archive to get the material in the mail in the next few months so that I can list these papers in the revised inventory. We only want paper items: photographs, diaries, memoirs, orders, formation sheets, information on base activities (celebrations, sporting events, etc.). Send copies, not the originals, of papers and, if possible, laser prints of photos.

War-time paper and war-time photos do not last forever, especially if they are in the possession of family members or private collectors who do not store them in proper archival conditions. If you deposit copies of these documents with us you can be sure that your descendants, researchers and local Norfolk people will know about what you accomplished in World War II. Please send material at Old Glasswells Building, 71 Ber St., Norwich NR1 3AD England or my home address at 22 Hungate St., Aylsham, Norwich NR11 6AA England.

The 2nd Air Division has been a (large) part of my life for the last eight years. I would like to keep in touch.

(To Phyllis—you will be an Associate Historian when you leave the Library—Phillip).

THE HERITAGE MUSEUM NEEDS by Vince LaRussa

The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum is asking for our help once again. On May 13, 1945 the 467th was asked to lead the victory flypass over Eighth Air Force headquarters at High Wycombe. Today we are being asked to donate those items that we have been hoarding in our closets these many years. Before it's too late let's dig in and, if the family doesn't want them, send them along to the museum in Savannah. All items donated will be credited to the 467th in your name. Each and all items are of value to the museum and in its total will be of great value to people who visit the museum. Everyone will understand what was accomplished with what we had at the time.

The Museum is looking for but not limited to the following:

- POW Items
- Escape & Evasion Items
- RAF/British Items
- German/Nazi/Luftwaffe Items
- Flight Gear/Uniforms
- Ground Crew/Maintenance Items
- Film Negatives
- Shrapnel (recovered from Aircraft)

HERITAGE MUSEUM NEEDS—Continued:

- Specific Mission Items
- HQs/Staff Items
- Flags/Banners
- Charts/Maps
- Newspapers/Letters
- Photos/Movie Film
- Escape Kits
- Books/WW II Era

All of the above and whatever you thought to save that meant something to you at the time is all valuable to the museum and to the future generations who visit the museum. We have donated to the library in Norwich, now let us leave part of our history in Savannah with The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum.

To send items by U.S. Mail, address them to: The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum, P. O. Box 1992, Savannah, Georgia 31402. To send items via delivery service, address them to The Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum, 1020 East Highway 80, Pooler, Georgia 31322.

If you have any questions, please call, toll free, 1-800-421-9428 and talk with Gary Miller, Museum Director or Darrell Westbury, Museum Researcher.

A third suggestion would be to attend the next time the 467th meets in convention at Savannah this coming October and make your donation in person.

CONVENTION 1996—SAVANNAH, GA
OCTOBER 3-7, 1996

The time for our Convention in Pooler-Savannah, GA is almost here. September 1, 1996 is the date for payment in full. After that we cannot assure you of a room in the Ramada. The Museum alone is a good reason for coming and there are many more interesting places to see and things to do. Check the Schedule for some of them. There is a list of those who have registered and maybe you will join us.

For those who are unable to attend, we ask you to write a note or letter with the latest news of yourself and other 467th people. We really need to keep in touch.

Please bring memorabilia to share. The Hospitality Room will have tables, bulletin board, TV and VCR. The Boom Box will handle CDs and tapes for music.

What to wear? We suggest very casual warm weather clothing and comfortable walking shoes. Gentlemen, coats and ties are not necessary. For the Banquet, your Sunday best will do. Our temperature is close to Charleston, SC as listed in the paper.

The Ramada Inn is West of I-95 at Exit 18.

The Museum is East of I-95 at Exit 18.

For those driving, turn into the road between the Burger King and Hardees to reach the motel. For those flying, there is free shuttle service from the Ramada. Call (912) 748-6464 if the shuttle is not there. The Airport is three miles away.

For any additional information call Walt Weaver at (912) 927-4609.

CONVENTION 1996 REGISTRATION AS OF
JULY 15, 1996

Robert & Shirley Barclay	J. Wilson & Cecily Noden
Steve & Gizella Barilich	William & Eleanor Pehrson
John W. Burns	Edger & Sally Powell ✓
Helen Corcoran	Floyd "Puff" & Anne Pugh
Marvin & Doris Davis	Edward & Viola Rudowski ✓
Hebert & Margaret Dunning	John & Marguerite Segalla
Howard "Doer" & Anne Dye, Jr.	Robert "Bob" & Rosemary Sheehan
Thomas & Martha Edwards	James "Jim" & Mirreta Sherrard
Henry "Tex" & Mary Ann Ellison	Ronald & Dorothy Spencer ✓
Norman & Lucy Felbinger	John "Jack" & Lucille Stevens
Isaac & Helen Fesmire	Perry & Mary Watts
Joseph & Florence Haenn	Walter "Walt" & Mary Weaver
Dean & Pauline Johnson	Patricia Weslock
Donald Kaynor	Arthur "Art" & Jean Wicks
Glenn Kenagy	
Edward & Theresa King	
Paul & Carolyn Kuchinski	
Walt & Ruth Mundy	

467th Convention Schedule

October 2 to noon October 7

Wednesday: Oct. 2	Early Birds— Get together for dinner. (Not part of the package.) Executive Board Meeting 4:30 PM
Thursday: Oct. 3	Registration Day (First day) Hospitality Room 1 to 5 P Dinner 7 PM (Low Country Boil) Hospitality Room open after dinner
Friday: Oct. 4	Tour Day for Museum & Savannah, Historic District. Breakfast 7:30 to 9 AM Transportation starting at 9 AM and ending at 5 PM Hospitality Room 11 AM to 5 PM Host Bar 6 to 7 PM Dinner at 7 PM (Barbecue) Entertainment following dinner. Gospel Choir. Hospitality Room open after entertainment for 1 hour .
Saturday: Oct. 5	Octoberfest and Savannah Day with options. Breakfast 7:30 to 9 AM Transportation starting at 9 AM and ending at 5 PM Hospitality Room 11 AM to 5 PM Cash Bar 6 to 7 PM Dinner at 7 PM (Buffet) Meeting at 8:30 PM. Hospitality Room open for 1 hour after meeting.
Sunday: Oct. 6	Tour Options Breakfast 7:30 to 9 AM Church Hospitality Room 11 AM to 4 PM Host Bar 6 to 7 PM Banquet at 7 PM Background Music from 6:00 - 8:30
Monday: Oct. 7	Departure Day Breakfast 7:30 to 9 AM Hospitality Room open at 9 AM for pick and pack up.

TOUR OPTIONS FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 6, 1996

These tours are not included in the package. We need the numbers of those who wish to go on the tours. There is a need to make reservations at the stopping places. A minimum of fifteen (15) persons are necessary for the tour. You will pay by Saturday AM, October 5, 1996. Do not send any money to Walt Weaver for these. You will pay at Convention Headquarters.

- I. Island/Beach/Fort Tour. Includes Tybee Museum and Lighthouse, Beachcombing along the Atlantic Ocean, Fort Screven and Fort Pulaski. Bring cameras.
3 hours. Cost \$20
- II. Low Country Tour. Includes Isle of Hope, historic Summer homes, Wormsloe Plantation and Byrd's Cookie Company.
3 hours. Cost \$20.
- III. Combination of Tours I and II.
6 hours. Cost \$45, includes a box lunch.
- IV. Dolphin Watch. Excursion along the saltwater marshes of Savannah's beautiful coast aboard a 38-ft. pontoon boat. See wildlife, egrets, pelicans, storks, and of course dolphins.
3 hours. Cost \$20.
- V. Shopping Tour. This will be set up according to the demand. Probably 3-4 hours. Lunch on your own. Cost depends upon number going. Minimum of 15 needed.

RESERVATION FORM:

Name/Names _____

No. I.	No. Persons	_____
No. II.	No. Persons	_____
No. III.	No. Persons	_____
No. IV.	No. Persons	_____
No. V.	No. Persons	_____

CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS

You must make your own room reservations.

If calling, you must use a credit card to make your reservation(s).

RAMADA INN AT POOLER, GEORGIA I-95 at Exit 18

301 Gov. Treutlen, P. O. Box F

Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: (912) 748-6464

Phone: 1-800-2-RAMADA

1-800-272-6232

FAX: (912) 748-8163

Please make reservations as early as possible. Room rate is \$45, single or double. Inquire as to triple.

State that it is for the 467th Convention, October 1996. The rate will apply for a few days before and after Convention dates. (Tax is included in room rate of \$45.)

Number of rooms: _____ Single _____ Double _____
Smoking _____ Non-smoking _____
Handicapped: Yes _____ No _____ Wheelchair _____ Cane _____ Crutches _____
Send Brochure and Vicinity Map: Yes _____ No _____

Limousine Service from Airport is free. Call 748-6464 if transportation is not there.

(For those who are driving, please turn into the street between the Burger King and Hardee's.)

REGISTRATION FORM CONVENTION 1996
467TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY) ASSOCIATION, LTD.
Savannah (Pooler), Georgia October 3-7, 1996
Convention Headquarters—Ramada Inn at Pooler, Georgia I-95, Exit 18

NAME: _____
Last First MI Badge First Name

ADDRESS: _____
Street/Box City State Zip

TELEPHONE NO.: () _____

GROUP UNIT ASSIGNED: _____
Hdqtr. Sqd No. Ancillary, or Assoc.

FIRST TIMER: Yes () No ()

ACCOMPANIED BY: _____
Last First MI Badge First Name

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ARRIVAL DATE AND TIME: Date: _____ Time: _____ From : _____

DEPARTURE DATE AND TIME: Date: _____ Time: _____ To: _____

TRAVEL VIA: Private Vehicle: _____ Air: _____ Other: _____

RV Information requested: Yes () Rental Car Information requested: Yes ()

BASIC CONVENTION COST, Thursday Evening to Monday Noon

Reunion Package \$185 per person. For () Total: _____

Total amount due September 1, 1996. There will be a drawing for a Freebie for those who pay total amount by September 1, 1996.

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

Motel Reservations made: Yes () No ()

Banquet Choice: Beef () Seafood ()

Fill in the above and mail with a registration fee of \$30 per person to:

467th Convention 1996
c/o Walter W. Weaver, 3 Hermitage Court, Savannah, GA 31419
Phone Number (912) 927-4609

Registration fee is part of package cost. You will owe \$155 per person.

Make check payable to 467th Convention 1996.

Handicapped: Wheelchair () Cane () Crutches ()

For coordinator's use: Amount Paid _____ Amount Owed _____

Paid in full date: _____

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