



NEWSLETTER

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DEAR TROOPS:

HEAR YE!! HEAR YE!

The shouting has died and all that remains of the 11th REUNION is an echo, memories and a good time that was spent in the company of old friends and new friends.

The Friday night Cocktail Party must have been a success because it seems to me that quite a bit of conversation, shall we say, was emanating from Suite 435 after the Terrace Room closed.

The Banquet Saturday night was well attended. Brig. Gen. ELVIN S. LIGON, JR., former CO of the 466th Bomb Group, and now Commanding General of the 3500th USAF Recruiting Wing, gave a wonderful and most informative talk on the "Airman of the Future". It was a most timely speech in this "Age of Space". Quality rather than quantity is the key word in the selection of men and women for today's Air Force.


Miss Terry McDermott of Fairlawn, New Jersey, and M/Sgt. Robert E. Fisher, Air Force Recruiter of the Year, were special guests at the banquet. M/Sgt. Fisher crowned Miss McDermott as "Miss Liberator" on 6 August 1958.

John Paver and George Dikun who have recently visited England were kind enough to tell us about their trips.

After the Banquet, dancing, singing and liquid refreshments were the order of the day. I never did find out who won the "polka" contest, or was it a tie? Don't think they had a song contest but it certainly did sound as though it could have been any club at any base in England during 1943 to 1945. If we aren't careful, we might be dating ourselves. It was fun just the same.

Apart from the fun, we got down to serious business at the Business Meeting. Since the Memorial Fund is well on its way to completion, at least all indications point to its completion within two years, it was decided that we should take up another project. The new project is to be a Second Air Division Scholarship Foundation to be set up to aid the needy children of deceased 2nd Air Division veterans to obtain a bachelors degree in the subject of their choice, and also the college of their choice. As soon as the final plans are completed they will be published in the Newsletter. Meanwhile, the Foundation has already been started with contributions from several of the members. If you would like to help in this worthwhile project, you may do so by sending your check or money order made out to 2ND AIR DIVISION ASSOCIATION to Charles Stine, Treas., 3905 Rauch Street, Harrisburg, Pa. Any amount at all will be a great help. The fund to date has a total of \$50.00.

Office of the Mayor
CITY OF NEW YORK



Proclamation

Whereas: IN WORLD WAR II THE SECOND AIR DIVISION COMPRISED OF THE BOMBER GROUPS 448, 529, 578, 122, 453, 483, 410, 450, 255, 438, 447, 479, 799, 191, and 192, AND THE FIGHTER GROUPS 46, 118, 176, 161, and 170, ENTERED INTO ITS OUTSTANDING QUALITY IN COMBAT, AND

WHEREAS: THE DIVISION, IN CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY FOR TWO YEARS AND SEVEN MONTHS, WAS FOREMOST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH ALTITUDE FORMATION BOMBING AND ALL-WEATHER RADAR BOMBING TECHNIQUES WHICH ALLOWED SUCCESSFUL SORTIES AGAINST V-2 ROCKET INSTALLATIONS AT BREMEN AND ELEMENTS OF THE ENEMY FLEET WHICH SIGHTED SHIPMENTS AT BREMEN AND


WHEREAS: IN THE MOST OF COMBAT ACTIVITIES THE DIVISION RISKED ITS FORCES TO BRING FOOD TO OUR BELLAGERED ALLIES, IN PARIS IN LATE 1944, IN ROTTERDAM IN EARLY 1945,

NOW, THEREFORE, I ROBERT F. WAGNER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF AUGUST 21, 1958, AS

SECOND AIR DIVISION WEEK

IN NEW YORK CITY, AND DO CALL THE ATTENTION OF OUR CITIZENS TO THE GLORIOUS RECORD OF THIS VALIANT DIVISION, ITS GROUPS AND SUPPORTING FORCES, AND WISH THE MEMBERS OF THE SECOND AIR DIVISION ASSOCIATION ON THEIR 15th REUNION A HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR CITY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK TO BE AFFIXED THIS 20th DAY OF AUGUST, 1958.



Robert F. Wagner
MAYOR, THE CITY OF NEW YORK



M/Sgt. Robert E. Fisher, Air Force Recruiter of the Year, crowning Miss Terry McDermott "Miss Liberator of 1958".

It was voted upon by the members present at the Business Meeting that the dues should be changed to a straight annual rate of \$3.00. However, the present rates of \$3.00 per Annum, \$12.00 for five (5) years or \$25.00 for Life Membership, will remain in effect until 31 December 1958 for those of you who would like to take advantage of the five year or life membership rate. Send your dues to Evelyn Cohen, 5448 Euclid Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. No special rates will be accepted after 31 December 1958.

The election of officers resulted in the following slate of officers for the Year 1959:

President	Percy Young
Executive Vice-President.	John Karoly
Secretary	Dean Moyer
Treasurer	Charles Stine
Vice-President-Membership	Evelyn Cohen
" " -Publicity.	Hathv Veynar
" " -Military	Paul Surbaugh

1959 REUNION

WHERE: Chicago, Illinois

WHEN: 21, 22, & 23 August 1959

WHY: Many factors entered into the selection of Chicago as the Reunion Site for 1959. The results of the questionnaire sent to the membership indicated that the majority could not attend in New Orleans either in August or October. The 1st choice was a tie between Washington, D. C., and Chicago, Illinois, and in all fairness, Chicago was chosen since the last two Reunions had taken place in the East. Hope that this decision has met with your approval and that we'll see you in Chicago.

FOUND: A ladies wool stole in one of the 2 AD rooms after the Reunion. Owner may claim same by writing to Elsa Posner, 7 West 15th Street, New York, on or before 1 November 1958. If it is not claimed, Elsa will include it in her contribution to the "Good Will". So hurry, hurry!!!!

MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

Since publication of the last Newsletter, I have received more information on the Trust Fund which I thought you might be interested in knowing. The following is a special book-plate which was designed by the Board of Governors and is to be placed in all books presented to the Library.

Presented to the
Norwich Public Libraries
in memory of those Americans
who, flying from bases in these parts,
gave their lives defending freedom

1941-1945

The title page of the Roll of Honour states:

SECOND AIR DIVISION U. S. A. F.

ROLL OF HONOR

1941 1945

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY
OF AMERICANS OF THE 2ND AIR DIVISION
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES DEFENDING
FREEDOM

"It is for us, the living, rather,
to be dedicated here to the unfinished
work which they who fought here, have,
thus far, so nobly advanced."
Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg

After the ceremony, a volume of the Encyclopedia Americana was presented as the first book.

The Eastern Daily Press of Norwich, England, carried extensive coverage of the presentation on both the front and back pages. It also included the telegrams sent by Lt. Gen. W. E. Kepner, Percy Young and Steve Posner.

Tentative plans are in the offing to charter a plane to attend the final dedication ceremonies when the library is completed. All indications are that it will be completed in two (2) years. All former members of 2 AD who would be interested in attending these ceremonies may send their names to me and they will be kept on file for future reference.

NEW MEMBERS

Breen, Edwin J., 88 Poplar Street, 491st
West Hempstead, New York

Cole, Richard I., 434 Kent Road, 466th
Springfield, Pa.

Damm, Griffith E., 371 Sherman Avenue, 93rd
Elmhurst, Illinois

Dellefemine, Marc, 2830 Rockaway Avenue, 466th
Oceanside, Long Island, New York

Dunning, Herbert M., 224 Washington Avenue, 467th
Rutherford, New Jersey

Elder, Leo W., Post Office Box 202, 56th FG
Moses Lake, Washington

Erickson, Gertrude (Pregizer), 2 AD
200 Hathaway Park, Lebanon, Pa.

Frazier, George E., Main St., Stepney, Conn. 56th FG

Gallaher, Walter J., Jr., 79 Brompton Rd., 445th
Garden City, Long Island, New York

Gries, Robert F., 180 Midland Place, 392nd
Newark, New Jersey

Lynes, J. P., 8 Oak Lane, Cranford, N. J. 445th

Marcoullier, Arthur S., 95 Broadway, 44th
Westfield, Mass.

Martin, Don R., 714 Washington Avenue, 446th
Palmyra, New Jersey

O'Neill, Theodore F., 58 Oak Ridge Lane, 445th
Albertson, Long Island, New York

Schadt, George L., 39-88 52nd Street, 448th
Woodside 77, New York

Yeager, Dayton C., 0-147 Blue Hill Avenue, 491st
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Andrews, Walter H., 1401 Jahns Avenue, 389th
Summerville, South Carolina

Colbourn, Arthur W., 25 Woodland Drive, St. Faiths
Road, Old Catton, Norwich, Norfolk, England

Kramer, Roger J., 52 Catlin Drive, 389th
Beaver Dams, RD #2, New York

Lawson, M/Sgt. Harry C., 7167 Air Transport 389th
Squadron, Box 76, APO 57, New York, N. Y.

McCaslin, John M., Jr., 815 Woodbine Avenue, 44th
Glendale, Ohio

MacNew, Major James J., 3000 Fanshawe Street, 453rd
Philadelphia, Pa.

Melody, Thomas F., Jr., 6447 Market Street, 446th
Mellbaine Apt A-1, Philadelphia, Pa.

Pondfield, John J., 3415 Menlo Drive, 44th
Baltimore, Maryland

Tressel, Rudolph W., 372 Alexandria Pike, 44th
Warrenton, Virginia

Wing, T/Sgt. Harveston L., 38th TAC RECon Ron, 2 AD
APO 115, New York, New York 389th
491st

ADDITIONS

Gillespie, Samuel H., 15 Broad Street, 2 AD
New York, New York

Krogmann, Mrs. Dorothy M., 248 NW 58th Street, 2 AD
Miami, Florida

CORRECTIONS

Estabrook, Wayne A., West Stewartstown, N. H.

Barainnier, Obe H., to Bargainnier, Obe H.

"GOOFED" COLUMN

It looks as though I'm going to have to start a "Goofed" Column. However, I shall try to keep it to a minimum. On the other hand, maybe if I "goof up" enough, someone else will take over my job. That's a subject for deep thought. I ask for information and when I get it, can't even put it down right. Can't win for losing!!!! Won't say it isn't hard being Publicity Vice-President, 'cause I'd be lying, but it sure would be a lot easier if you would just drop me a post-card to let me know what is happening to you. I'll tell you what is happening to me. We have nearly finished our "Rec Room" which is called the "Space Room". With my artistic husband you would think it was part of the Hayden Planetarium. We'll have it finished just in time to leave, which we are scheduled to do. After the Reunion in Chicago, we shall be on our way to Command and Staff School at Maxwell AFB, Alabama, that is if Uncle Sam doesn't change his mind between now and then. Until then, I'll be trying to dig information from you. Do you think there's a possibility there?

Now for my "goof". In the first Newsletter, I credited Dean Moyer with two sons and a daughter. Yes, you guessed right. It's the other way around. Two daughters and one son.

Then in the Second Newsletter, I had Carl McClung at McGuire AFB instead of Dover AFB.

I'm doing very well, don't you think boys?

* * * * * BITS & CHIPS * * * * *

HEADQUARTERS, 2ND AIR DIVISION

Howard Moore has been on the sick list for several months. Hope that things are looking up and that you are on the well list again. Howie let us know how things are going. We missed you at the Reunion. In fact, we missed a lot of you and hope you will be able to make it to Chicago next year. Wish I could let you all take a peek at the booklet that "Jackie" Turchet sent me of beautiful Santa Cruz County. If you're ever traveling on Route 4 in Santa Cruz, stop at the "Little Gals Drive In". Jackie would love to see you.

44TH BOMB GROUP

Arthur S. Marcoullier who lives in Westfield, Mass. with wife, Wana and daughter Mona Lynn (10 yrs) would like to contact Major James H. Mockley. Arthur is in the retail building materials business.

93RD BOMB GROUP

Arthur W. Colbourn is permanently settled at 25 Woodland Drive, St. Faiths Road, Old Catton, Norwich, Norfolk, England, with Judy and children Glen (10½ yrs) and Janet (7). Arthur says that the new library which will one day be built in Norwich, and the boys from the local USAF bases are a constant reminder of the old

days. M/Sgt. William M. Culin is still Provost Sergeant at Portland International Airport and he sees Lt. Col. DeMont quite often. Bill, hope your wife is well on the road to good health once again. Griffith & Eleanore Damm with Virginia (11) and Richard (6) live in Elmhurst, Illinois, where he is an electrical contractor and Engineer. Griff would like to contact E. B. Henderson who was a Squadron Radar Officer at Hardwick.

392ND BOMB GROUP

Robert & Marilyn Gries reside in Newark, N. Jersey with children Steven (12), Roger (9) and Howard (4 Mos). He is a Hydraulic Supervisor. Bob would like to contact any one of the flight personnel of the 392nd Bomb Group and especially the 577th Squadron.

445TH BOMB GROUP

J. P. & Marguerite Lynes and children Joanne (5) and Robert (3) live in Cranford, New Jersey and is employed by Western Electric Company. We were very happy to learn that William A. Mullvehill who was listed as MIA in the 445th Bomb Group History is very much alive and living next door to John P. Karoly (Hq. 2AD) in New Florence, Pa.

466TH BOMB GROUP

Marc Dellefemine and advertising artist lives in Oceanside, Long Island with Muriel and children Nancy (13), Judyth Ellen (9) and Patricia (7).

56TH FIGHTER GROUP

George & Vivian Frazier living in Stepney, Conn. with children Kathy (11), Tina (10), Cindy (6) and Bonnie (5) is busy as a carpenter foreman. Leo W. Elder and wife Dolores and children Larry (8), Lee (6), Laurie (4) and Lindsay (2) live in Moses Lake, Washington, where he is employed as an aircraft mechanic.

ROSTERS

2nd Air Division Association Rosters are still available. Just send me your quarter and I'll send you the roster.

Plans are in the process of being completed for a new Wing to be formed in California. Am hoping that they will be completed in time for the next Newsletter which is due out the last of December. In the meantime, if any of you Californians are interested in helping get this Wing started please contact Edward M. Hunton, 434 Keats Avenue, Clovis, California, and let him know what you would like to do. It takes a lot of workers, so let's get busy. This Wing will include the following states: Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Utah, Idaho and Arizona. If any other states are interested, please let us know.

MID-ATLANTIC WING

The Mid-Atlantic Wing was granted its charter by the 2nd Air Division Association and their second quarterly meeting was held on 10 November 1956. If you are presently living in the following states you may apply for membership by contacting John P. Watson, Box 110, Manor Road, Glenarm, Maryland; Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, New York, Virginia or the District of Columbia. Say, John, how about some info on your Wing-Dings? Understand that your last one was quite some affair.

DECEASED

Edward Ryslowski, Died December 1957. He was killed instantly in a tractor accident on his farm at South Wales, New York.

Hathy Veynar
1125 Bristow Drive
Annandale, Va.

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Mrs. Thomas C. Conroy
Box 86
Shalimar, Florida



Eleventh Annual Reunion



HENRY HUDSON HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY

AUGUST 22, 23, 24, 1958

Among those present or accounted for were the following:

Sarah H. Allen, Hq. 2AD - - Robert A. Barter, 445th;
Howard & Jo Baum, Hq. 2AD - - Frederick H. Beard,
44th - - Arthur & Vivian Bernstein, Hq. 2AD - - John
V. Cadden, 445th - - Vito Calderalo, 466th - - Vance
Clough (Wife of Dick Clough, 389th) - - James G.
Coffey, 467th - - Evelyn Cohen, Hq. 2AD - - Richard
I. Cole, 446th - - Harry & Rose Crane, 445th - -
Anthony & JoAnn DeBiase, 467th - - Thomas P. Dignan,
355th FG - - M/Sgt. George & Florence Dikun, 446th;
Emil & Lee Dildey, 44th - - Rudolph Dixon, 392nd - -
Robert J. Drummond, 445th - - Leon Dubin, 445th - -
Herbert & Margaret Dunning, 467th - - Dick & Nelda
Eckman, 445th with guest Bill & Lillian Friend - -
Mr. & Mrs. Mac Ellison, 453rd - - George Federlin,
44th - - Larry Feldman, 361st FG - - Elmer & Jeanne
Fischer, 445th - - Ernest M. Gavitt, 492nd - - Yetta
S. Gottlieb, Hq. 2AD - - Robert E. Gries, 392nd - -
Geary & Janet Gum, 315th Signal - - Paul & Mary Jo
Halecki, 446th - - Donald & Eileen Hanlon, 93rd - -
Joseph & Madeline Hanson, 467th - - Harold & Gerald-
ine Hartner, 445th - - Charles & Marian Herbst, 466th;
Hal & Virginia (Peaches) Hoerner, Hq. 2AD - - Samuel
Hudson, 446th - - Dr. John & Betty Jacobowitz, 466th;
John P. Karoly, Hq. 2AD - - Daniel & Ovida Kelly,
389th, 93rd - - Molly Kelley, Hq. 2AD - - Lt. Gen. W.
E. Kepner, Hq. 2AD - - Erwin Koppel, 445th - - John
M. Knizeski, Jr., 445th - - Dottie (Reim) Krogman,
Hq. 2AD - - Brig. Gen. Elvin S. Ligon, 466th - -
Philip Littman, Hq. 2AD - - J. P. & Marguerite Lynes,
445th - - Arthur S. Marcoullier, 44th - - Donald R.
Martin, 446th - - Henry & Florence Molter, 361st FG;
Ted J. Morgenthaler, 44th - - Dean E. Moyer, Hq. 2AD;
Andrew J. Narel, 466th - - Derise L. Nichols, 44th;
Irene Noble, Hq. 2AD - - Harold Nordlicht, 361st FG;
Theodore F. O'Neill, 445th and guest Sgt. R. J.

O'Connor - - Theodore & Phyllis Parker, 491st - -
Mr. & Mrs. John M. Paver, Hq. 2AD - - Steve & Elsa
Posner, 445th - - Anthony J. Schlonski, 445th - -
George L. Schadt, 448th - - Frank Scigulinsky, 44th;
Richard & Barbara R. Shults, 361st FG - - Charles &
Doris Stine, 445th - - Paul & Mae Surbaugh, 489th,
446th - - David F. Sweeney, 446th - - Cecil & Mimi
Tudor, 361st FG; - - Bruce & Martha Tyndall, 44th;
Kennard & Nancy Underwood, 466th - - Major Milton &
Hathy Veynar, Hq. 2AD - - John & Beatrice Watson,
466th - - Dr. Bernard H. Weltman, 467th - - Dayton
C. Yeager, 491st - - and Percy Young, Hq. 2AD.

Words of greetings were sent by the follow-
ing who were unable to attend the Reunion this year.

William L. Burns, Hq. 2AD & 389th - - James R. Carey,
466th - - Valerie (Brinegar) Conroy, Hq. 2AD - - M/Sgt.
William M. Culin, 93rd - - Thomas J. Duff, 445th - -
Erwin G. Esterling, 489th - - Edward C. Griffin, 389th;
Lt. Gen. Francis H. Griswold, Hq. 2AD - - Dorothy Mc-
Donald Harrison, ARC, 93rd - - James R. Johnson, 389th;
James H. Middleton, 389th - - Howard W. Moore, Hq. 2AD;
Marie Mitchell Orr, Hq. 2AD - - Chester F. Schmidt, Hq.
2AD - - Raymond Strong, Hq. 2AD - - Jackie (Gra Hovac)
Turchett, Hq. 2AD - - Col. H. Ben Walsh, 389th.

If you attended the Reunion and your name is
missing from the above list, will you please let me
know so that I may include it in the next Newsletter.
I tried to collect all the registration cards and may
have missed some. So would you please stand up and be
counted.

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