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### FROM THE PREZ - WALTER J. MUNDY RACKHEATH MARKERS

I have received a report from the 467th Marker Trustees at Rackheath via David Hastings. he informed me that all was in order financially and the Marker plaques and bench is being maintained.

### CONTROL TOWER

David Hastings informed me that Ivan Palmer still continues to negotiate with the owner of the Control Tower but has been unsuccessful and the Tower continues to deteriorate. It will cost a lot of money and effort to restore and maintain the Tower.

### LIST OF BASE CONTACTS

For 467th members who plan to visit Norwich and Rackheath, the following is a list of contacts who are either members of the 2nd ADA Memorial Library, Friends of the 2nd ADA or Rackheath friends.

David Hastings, Salhouse, Norwich NR-13 6RQ  
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NR13 6DP Tel. (01603) 849-622

### FROM THE PREZ - WALTER J. MUNDY REPORT ON 2ADA EXCOM:

Report on 2nd Air Division Executive Committee Meeting February 20 - 21, 1997 and May 20 -21, 1997 and the 2nd Air Division annual Convention May 22 -25, 1997.

### AWARDS

I am pleased to report that the 2nd Air Division has awarded the Distinguished Service award to Vincent Re, of the 467th, for his outstanding photographic work.

### B-24 Model

Neal Sorenson, President of 2ADA reported that due to lack of corporate matching funds, EXCOM in February, and again in May, took no action to initiate a fund drive for \$175,000 to provide a bronze one sixth scale B-24 at the Air Force Academy and the wood mold model to be installed at the Mighty Eighth Heritage Museum in Savannah, Georgia.

After consulting with the 467th Board of Directors the consensus was to support a wood museum quality on sixth scale B-24 for the 8th AF Heritage Museum. I obtained quotes and surveyed the model quality and experience of three major model makers who build models for the movies and museums. The low and best bid was for \$25,000 to be finished in 467th "Witchcraft" markings.

One Group, the 453rd B.G. reported following their Group Meeting May 23, 1997 that they would provide \$10,000 seed money for the bronze model project.

The EXCOM voted to table the project until the next EXCOM in October 1997, which will give the other Groups time to decide if they will support the Project. I will be presenting the question to our membership Sept. 27, 1997 at Ellenville.

### MEMORIAL LIBRARY AT NORWICH

We were briefed by Hillery Hammond, Honorary Chief Executive, Memorial Trust on the new Memorial Library. They are very confident that the Millennium Committee will provide 30 to 35 million pounds to build the new library. The 2AD Memorial Library will have a prominent location in the building which will be more than twice the size of the original.

The temporary Library was moved from the Main Library to a temporary location a few blocks from the Library construction site.

Linda Berube, the Fulbright Librarian has been a great asset to resurrecting the Library after the fire. She has a new Internet Web Page that will be on line in June 1997, and has established a branch library network to get our story out to the villages at the outlying

## FROM THE PREZ - CONTINUED

air bases.

The Memorial Library is our No. 1 project. We should all focus our donations for books and support of the special endowment fund and book donations. All donations should be addressed to the 2nd Air Division to receive tax credit and proper allocation to the Library.

## RESTORATION OF DEZENOWAGIS TAPES

It was agreed that the tapes provided by Joe Deznowagis that were damaged by the fire would be restored by Joe. \$35,000 was approved to cover the costs.

## 8th AIR FORCE MUSEUM CHAPEL

A request by the Mighty Eighth Heritage Museum for an advance of \$75,000 to help build a Chapel estimated to cost \$150,000 was not approved. Individuals may donate to the Chapel fund as they desire. However the EXCOM did not approve advancing any funds.

## 2ND ADA HISTORY BOOKS

To date 52 books have been sold and 52 copies of Volume 1 are retained by Turner Publishing. Volume II deadline for biographies has been extended to June 30, 1997 and is expected it will go to press in July 1997.

## 2ND ADA MEMBERSHIP

467th Group members who have not joined the 2nd Air Division Association (Plus - Minus 750 of you ) and all 467th Group members who belong to the 2nd ADA and who have not paid their dues of \$15.00 per year are urged to do so.

## 467TH BOMB GROUP (H) MEMBERS ATTENDING THE 2ND AD ANNUAL SO. CA. REGIONAL REUNION FEB. 22, 1997

Abernathy, Joe and Georgia  
Caldwell, Charles and Eloyce  
Coolidge, Myles  
Coolidge, Kevin and Kelli  
Culross, Mel and Don  
Haley, Pat  
Jacobs, Steve and Cynthia  
Mann, Delbert and Daughter and Son-In-Law  
Mario, John and Dortha  
Mundy, Walter and Ruth  
Stevens, Jack and Lucille  
Wallace, Albert and Donna and Daughter Joan  
Wedda, Henry W.

## 467TH BOMB GROUP (H) MEMBERS ATTENDING 2ND ADA CONVENTION IN IRVINE CA. MAY 22 -26, 1997

Bartelet, wes  
Dzenowagis, Joe and Helen and Joe Jr.  
Elliot, Ralph and Yvonne  
Hodge, Joe and Jean  
Denagy, Glen, Duane and Sue  
McEwen, Bob and Ruth  
Mundy, Walter and Ruth  
Shower, Col. Albert and Charlotte  
Stevens, Jack and Lucille

## B.G'S HOLDING THEIR CONVENTIONS IN CONCERT WITH 2ND ADA CONVENTION

Two Bomb Groups, the 453rd and the 93rd, held their annual meetings and two other groups had large Day rooms set up. Attendance to these Group meetings varied from 30 to 60. I visited several of the Hospitality Rooms and the Dayrooms. The size of the room provided was determined by the number of attendees. The Hospitality Room we had at Savannah was three times the size and we had much more material displayed. I was assured that we would be provided with a room that would satisfy our requirements as indicated by how many members we would have attending.

## FROM THE VEEP-VINCENT D. LARUSSA

A heads up for the 1998 Convention. My committee has selected the city of St. Louis, MO. Ken and Dottie Close, Convention Coordinators, are surveying several motels/hotels in the area as well as entertainment events. We plan to keep the price of rooms between \$60 to \$70 and have tentatively selected the time period of September 17 - 21, 1998. We are also trying to gain tax exempt status to avoid the high tax in the area. These dates are tentative at this time, the total package will be presented to the Board of Directors and the Business Meeting, during the 97 Convention in Ellenville, NY. I hope to see all of you in Ellenville and St. Louis.

## MEMORIAL GARDENS -RALPH DAVIS

The Mighty Eighth AF Heritage Museum has built a sanctuary called the Memorial Gardens. A place to pray - a place to reflect - a place to pay tribute to those we loved and lost - a place to recognize those of us remaining.

A donation to the Memorial Gardens of \$100 will recognize a veteran as to name, rank and unit number. The panel is 4 x 12 inches (limited to 24 letters letters free with each additional letter costing a \$1). Crew panels are available in 12x24 or 24x24 inches. There are three different stones with varying cost and number of free letters.

Information on obtaining these panels is available by calling 1-800-544-8878 or (912) 283-9966. Judge Ben Smith is Chairman of the Committee. If you have any trouble getting through this line, you can call the museum direct at 1-800-421-9428, extension 103 and Debra Smith will be happy to take your order.

## MISCELLANIA - PHILLIP G. DAY

Not a great deal of correspondence to the remaining job title, Treasurer, but at least 43 envelopes to transmit checks. Some of which contained notes, others none - just a check. Also did research studies for two veterans as to their crew makeup and or missions flown. Can't do much in the research area for while, for as I told you I would in last POOP I sent the memorabilia files to Kevin Cooledge -AF for reproducing and rebinding so we would have a set for use by the Historian and a set for the Mighty Eighth AF Museum, if the Association designates it as the repository for Group memorabilia. I have come to the conclusion that the Museum does not want my oil color painting of "Lil Peach". I have offered it to them on two or more occasions by letter but have had NO response. Marvin Davis talked to Gen. Schuler about it, again no response. MARY BETH BANARD-ASSOCIATE HISTORIAN at the museum, if you read this, how about seeing what action you can get or at least a letter saying "we are not interested".

Have you gotten an a junk mail mailing list. I receive some kind of military oriented letter about every other day, but buy only from

**467th BOMB GROUP CONVENTION**

Nevele Country Club, Ellenville, NY 12428

September 24 - 28, 1997

Your hotel room and ALL MEALS from 9-24-97 dinner to 9-28-97 lunch are included in the Hotel Reservation package. No outside meals will be necessary. All meals are served from a full menu. Order and eat all you want from all items on the menu. Box lunches will be provided for the tours.

Rates are based on the following accommodations which have been reserved for our convention. Room accommodations will be on a first come, first served basis, so you are encouraged to make your reservations early to insure the room/rate you want.

Empire.....\$95.00 (Daily per person, double occupancy).....\$142.50 (Daily per person, single occupancy)  
Tower\*.....\$86.00 (Daily per person, double occupancy).....\$129.00 (Daily per person, single occupancy)  
Colonnades.....\$86.00 (Daily per person, double occupancy).....\$129.00 (Daily per person, single occupancy)  
\*Not Recommended for Wheelchair / Handicapped access

*including TAX*  
*Room 741.32*  
*gratuity 192.*  
*\$933.32*  
*deposit 100.00*  
*due on departure 833.32*

Children's Rates.... 1-11 years \$16.00 Daily..... 12-16 years \$55.00 Daily..... 17 years & over \$70.00 Daily.

Rooms will be available by 3 P.M. - earlier arrivals are welcome to use the Hotel's facilities prior to checking in. Check out is 1 P.M.

You may pay your bill by check, cash or credit card. If planning to use a credit card, you must present it to the hotel cashier on arrival.

Rates are subject to 7.75% State and Local Taxes

A gratuity of \$12 per person per day will be added to your bill to cover dining room waiters, busboys, chambermaids and maitre'ds. Bellmen are not included

Please Tear Off This Application and Mail to Hotel  
**467TH BOMB GROUP CONVENTION**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Departure \_\_\_\_\_

I will be accompanied by my spouse \_\_\_\_\_ I will share a room with \_\_\_\_\_

Please assist in assigning a roommate ( ) Male ( ) Female

Accommodations Desired ( ) Empire ( ) Tower ( ) Colonnades

DEPOSIT: Please return reservation form with a \$50 deposit per person as early as possible, rooms will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Request received after August 15, 1997 will be subject to availability. Please make checks payable to the Nevele Hotel and mail to the Nevele Hotel, Ellenville, NY 12428, Phone (800) 647-6000, Fax (914) 647-9884.

CREDIT CARD: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

**MISCELLANEA-CONTINUED**

the Military Book Club when the selections offered meets my fancy. And charitable organization, at least one letter per day for every thing from local to national pleas for donations. I am a sucker, though, and respond to a few of them, especially when they tell me how little is used for administration and fund raising. And that gets me on someone else's list.

I have decided to go to Convention 97 be the good Lord willing. At first I said no because a quick study showed Miss Cille and I would spend about \$2400 to attend and I thought that was way too much. The the resident Bishop of our Episcopal Church, he is a very humorous 87 year young in heart, included in a sermon " I have never seen a U-haul trailer behind the hearse on the way to the cemetery". So I did some rethinking and some refiguring and decided to attend. If you had first thoughts as I did, please rethink and refigure. We would very much like to see you there.

A veteran wrote to give me the name and address of a former fellow crewman recently, found and we were pleased to add the new name to the Association roster. But in the letter he also said he was in touch with the crew's copilot and engineer, mentioning them by name. Well, I found the names in the Group master but not on the Association roster so needed to write back to secure the addresses. Please, if you are in contact with any 467th veteran, don't assume we have him on the Association roster. Since I don't have that much to do, send me the names and addresses of all 467th veterans you know about and let me check them against the Association roster. I also record Last Post names in the Group roster and request those of you as well.

I hope POOP will have an update of E-Mail addresses. I do not have access to the Internet, but I understand there is a great deal of good information out there. May have to consider that as my next "no U-Haul to the cemetery" project.

**MAIL-MEMORIAL FUND**

There were 43 contributors to the fund in the period March 15, 1997 through July 15, 1997, including 8 from associates. The total is down from the 58 in the last reporting period. The amount from the 43 was \$1390, an average of \$32.32, with 5 of \$100 or more and several \$50s. The cost to publish and mail POOP 16-1 was \$1161.

Please continue to contribute to the Association's mail-memorial fund, it is the principle source of funds for publishing "POOP". Every Group veteran we have knowledge of receives the newsletter, whether they make donations to the Association or not, as do all widows of Group veterans who wish to receive the newsletter. Family Associates and other Associates are expected to make contributions of money or other support to remain on the newsletter mailing list.

THE ASSOCIATION IS A VETERAN BASED, NOT-FOR-PROFIT, CHARTERED ENTITY AND ALL DONATIONS TO THE ASSOCIATION ARE FEDERAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

THE ASSOCIATION NEEDS THE SUPPORT OF EVERY PERSON RECEIVING "POOP FROM GROUP". Send your contributions to: 467th Bombardment Group (H) Association, LTD 237 Pennsylvania Ave., Shreveport, LA 71105-3319.

Contributors In The Period Were:

Owen K. Ball                      Raymond D. Beaulieu  
Rodney C. Borgeson              Clement W. Brown

**MAIL-MEMORIAL FUND - CONTINUED**

|                       |                        |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Merle H. Brown        | Cleo F. Callen -AW     |
| H. Ken Close          | Lloyd A. Davies        |
| Robert W. Dudley      | William Elkewicz       |
| Marie E. Enck-AW      | Carl E. Epting Jr.     |
| Edward Goldsmith      | Geoffry "Jeff" Gregory |
| E. Jack Hallman       | Edwin D. Halpin        |
| Thomas T. Held-AF     | William Hensen         |
| David B. Hill         | John J. Logan          |
| Virgil W. Marcum-AH   | Edward J. McCormack    |
| Moselle F. McKay-AW   | David Morton           |
| John A. Moulder       | John Oakley-AH         |
| Melvin K. Payne       | Floyd J. "Puff" Pugh   |
| A. Lyle Prichard      | Leroy W. Reynolds      |
| James E. Randazzo     | Robert T. Sander       |
| Robert L. Samuel      | Joseph Severance Jr.   |
| Stuart B. Seavey      | Max Shepard-AF         |
| Robert D. Sheehan     | James M. Varkas        |
| David C. Williams- AF | Arthur A. Wicks        |
| Jjoseph Yardian       |                        |

I thank each of the above on behalf of the Association and personally for their donations. Their contributions are appreciated, they are appreciated. There were no donations to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum fund not to the Rackheath Control Tower Fund through this office in this period. An audit of the Associations books found the Rackheath Control Fund overstated

**SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT**

**CONVENTION 1997 ELLENVILLE, NY:** The Association has advanced to Walter J. Mundy, President of the Association and coordinator for the Convention \$500 for pre-convention expenses.

**AWARDS AND DECORATIONS EXPENSES:** Ralph Davis has been advanced \$600 for this project which will include awards, permanent identification badges for officers and directors and miscellaneous other costs.

**THE HISTORY OF THE 467TH, THIRD REPRINT:**

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| 500 Copies ordered - Grover Cleveland Press | \$12,329.30 |
| Paid direct by LaRussa from pre-sales       | 2,000.00    |
| Paid by Association                         | 10,329.31   |
| Grover Cleveland Press Account Balance      | - 0 -       |
| Income to Association from Sales            | 10,329.31   |
| Remaining to Recover                        | - 0 -       |

Vince LaRussa has handled each of the three reprints of the History. The first two returned considerable profits to the Association and this printing will also. Vince LaRussa reports that there are less than 60 books left to sell. 16 books have been donated to the 8th AF Museum, with the proceeds being credited to the 467th. An addendum will be sent to all purchasers, so order your copy as soon as possible. Many thanks to Vince for his devotion to this project.

**SQUADRON PATCHES:**

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1000 Patches ordered cost     | \$2,296.38 |
| Income to Association to date | 2,456.00   |
| Profit to Date                | 159.62     |

Paul V. Hatten saw the need to coordinate this project, and has done so from inception and will continue until the remaining Squadron Patches are sold. Additional patches have not been



**SPECIAL PROJECT REPORT-CONTINUED**

ordered as suppliers queried want larger volumes than we can sell, and the prices have gone out of sight. Our thanks to Paul for what he has done and what he will continue doing in this effort.

**WINDOW DECALS:** This is Bob Sheehan's continuing project. He has sent \$757 to the Association over the last couple of years. Many thanks for this, BOB.

**G.I.MEMORIES OF THE E.T.O.:** This is Al "Wabbit" Welters project that has had no cost to the Association but has sent us \$180. Thanks "Wabbit" for what you have done.

**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 alphabetical 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 KIA's.

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 Al Welters, 1418 SE 70th St. E., Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077.

**Pins from the BX**

Group, Squadron and Sub-Depot pins are available at \$5.00 each plus \$0.75 packaging and shipping. These will be available at the 97 Convention or may be ordered through Ralph Davis, 1143 Kenora Circle, Beavercreek, OH 45430-1101. Proceeds will support awards and POOP or be returned to treasury.

Pins on Hand:

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| 788th -           | 20 |
| 789th -           | 17 |
| 790th -           | 9  |
| 791st -           | 26 |
| 467th -           | 77 |
| 470th Sub Depot - | 20 |

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Operating Fund 03-15-97 to 07-15-97         | \$6763.65        |
| Opening balance (Corrected)                 |                  |
| <b>Income</b>                               | <b>\$1390.00</b> |
| Contributions                               | 36.00            |
| Hatten Patch Sale                           | 41.00            |
| Welters E.T.O. Memoirs                      | 30.00            |
| Convention 97 Refund of Advance             | 500.00           |
| Checking account Interest (4 months)        | 35.32            |
| Certificates of Deposit Interest (4 months) | 149.78           |
| Subtotal Income                             | \$1947.10        |

**Disbursements**

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Advance POOP 16-1              | \$1500.00 |
| Expenses POOP 16-1             | \$1161.38 |
| Advance Balance                | \$338.62  |
| Advance POOP 16-2              | \$1200.00 |
| U.S. Postal Service            | 4.95      |
| Memorabilia Reproduction       | 21.21     |
| UPS Memorabilia Shipping       | 14.91     |
| Subtotal Disbursements         | \$2741.07 |
| Closing Balance Operating Fund | \$5969.68 |

**Special Fund Accounts**

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Albert J. Shower Endowment     | \$ 796.50  |
| Rackheath Control Tower        | 205.00     |
| 8th AF Heritage Museum         | 50.00      |
| 32 Day Certificates of Deposit | 10000.00   |
| Total Special Funds            | \$11051.50 |

**Total Association Funds**

\$17021.18

**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.

R. Lowell Hancock  
John Beyer  
Leo A. Rodell

**LAST POST**

Joseph T. Brogden  
Willian R. Chapman  
David J. Dunigan  
Fred J. Ench  
Edward J. Ferrara  
Howard W. Johnson  
Varis W. Lee  
Howard S. McGuffie  
Joseph G. Mulheran  
Robert J. Perkins  
Roy L. Yarnell

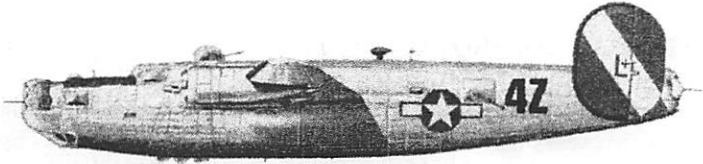
**"May they go from Strength to Strength in the Life of Perfect Service in God's Heavenly Kingdom"**

(There is a beautiful poem written for Earl A Roy Sr. in this addition of "POOP")

**PERSONALIZED SH**

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Jim Holt Dorothy Holt



**467th BG (H)**  
**Lt. Myles Coolidge - Leye's Crew**  
**Co - Pilot - 791st Squadron**



**Ray Betcher**  
**Aircraft Mechanic - Witchcraft**  
**467th BG (H) - 790th Squadron**

Personalized polo shirts with any combination of the design elements above are being offered by Kevin Coolidge (son of Myles Coolidge, co-pilot, 791st Sqdn.). The artwork on the white shirt is in color, printed above the pocket: natural metal finish or olive drab finish B24, squadron markings for your squadron (X7-788th, 6A-789th, Q2-790th or 4Z-791st). The polo shirts are priced at \$25. The shirts can be further personalized by the addition of a crew photo on the shirt back for an additional \$10. Kevin will accept orders and will deliver the shirt to you at the 97 Convention. If you cannot attend, he will mail your shirt to you for an additional \$3 for Priority Mail. These polo shirts were well received at the reunion in Savannah. In addition, Kevin also makes caps in the 467th livery using the aircraft artwork above, including 8th AF, 2nd Air Division affiliation. The cap is offered at \$10. Write to Kevin Collidge at 760 La Loma Lane, Corona, CA 91719. Call or Fax at 902-278-0204.

**1997 CONVENTION - WALTER J. MUNDY**

A list of 467th members who have already registered and several of those have qualified for the "freebie drawing" is increasing daily. (91 reservations as of July 9, 1997) The convention is shaping up to be a well attended event and we should easily exceed our goal of 100 for our stand alone Conventions. so get your reservations in early and remember those who pay in full by August 1, 1997, are in the "freebie drawing"

**BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA****1997 CONVENTION BUSINESS AGENDA**

1. Nomination and election of Board of Directors and New Officers.
2. B-24 Model of Witchcraft for 8th AF Heritage Museum vs. the bronze B-24 for the AF Academy and wood model for the 8th AF Museum.
3. Future Convention venues.
4. Financial report.

Baser, Josephine  
 Baser, Walter  
 Bickel, Johathan  
 Bickel, Ray  
 Brown, Clem  
 Brown, Elenor  
 Bush, Susan  
 Colvin, Phillis  
 Colvin, Walt  
 Coolidge, Kelli  
 Coolidge, Kevin  
 Cox, Ann  
 Cox, Charlie  
 Davies, Lloyd  
 Davis, Doris  
 Davis, Ralph  
 Dever, Bob  
 Donlon, Eileen  
 Donlon, Hugh  
 Dottore, Carl  
 Dottore, Connie  
 Dunning, Herb  
 Dunning, Maggie  
 Dye Jr., Howard (Doer)  
 Dye, Anne  
 Ellison, Henry (Tex)  
 Ellison, Mary  
 Elsen, Betty  
 Emick, Helen  
 Felbinger, Lucy  
 Felbinger, Norm  
 Giblin, Roger (Gibby)  
 Gregory, Geoff  
 Gegory, Terry  
 Hatten, Evelyn  
 Hatten, Paul  
 Houg, Carmen  
 Johnson, Rita  
 Johnson, John  
 Kaynor, Don  
 Kenagy, Glen  
 Kurtz, Faye  
 Kurtz, Larry  
 Lemmen, H.P.  
 Lemmen, Marian  
 Mahoney, Jim  
 Mahoney, Polly  
 Malone, Maurice  
 Malone, Vergie  
 Mazer, Dave  
 Mazer, Dot

Mc Govern, Bill  
 McMahon, Elizabeth  
 McMahon, Lawrence F.  
 Mundy, Ruth  
 Mundy, Walt  
 Noden, Will  
 Noden, Cecily  
 Richter, Ray  
 Sefca, Lucille  
 Sefca, Milan  
 Segalla, Fred  
 Segalla, Marquerite  
 Shaugnessy, Mary  
 Shaugnessy, Tom  
 Shower, Al  
 Shower, Char  
 Spencer, Dot  
 Spencer, Ron  
 Steranko, Ron  
 Steranko, Tom  
 Stone, Anne  
 Stone, Bob  
 Stratton, Anne  
 Stratton, Jack  
 Tormoen, George  
 Tormoen, Mavis  
 Upp, Cathie  
 Upp, John  
 Watson, Etoile  
 Watson, Frank  
 Watts, Perry  
 Watts, Jill  
 Westlock, Gene  
 Westlock, Patty  
 Wicks, Art  
 Wicks, Claudette  
 Wicks, David  
 Wicks, Jean  
 Williams, Betty  
 Williams, Bill

*Called Dorothy Holt  
 asked them to  
 come to Convention*

A reminder to all that have not registered, you need to have your registration in before the August 15th, cut off date..

### ROSTER ADDITIONS

Robert J. Tully, 1177 Sw. 4th St., Boca Raton, FL  
Aaron Oken, 1704 North Park Dr. #613, Wilmington, DE 19806

If any of these additions to the roster live near you, give them a ring or drop by to see them. Don't let anyone of them not be welcomed. Please, each of you reading this, send to either Phillip Day or myself the names and addresses of any 467th or 2nd AD veterans so we can get them on the Group roster, or in contact with their Group Representative. The time is now to do this.

### ODE TO MY NAVIGATOR-ARNOLD PRYOR

(Composed in memory of Earl A. Roy, Sr., who Folded his Wings on January 31, 1997. A talented Navigator and Good Friend.

Arnold Pryor

We flew the dark and stormy skies,  
Few others dared to go.  
I drove the ship, you showed the way,  
For us to reach our goal.  
No night too long nor task too hard,  
For you to gripe or say  
"Let's give up now and try again  
Some easier, shorter day".  
You did your best. You passed the test.  
That's what life's all about.  
Until we meet again, my friend,  
Pilot, over and out.....

### BITS AND PIECES-BOB DAVIS

The Internet is growing in leaps and bounds, with the help of Edward King. I have put together some information for you on a new way to access the web, it is called Web-TV. For those of you who do not have a computer, or are intimidated by one, this will give you easy access to mountains of information, and E-Mail access to thousands of people.

To use Web-TV, the only things you need are a TV, phone line and Web-TV. The investment in Web-TV is relatively small, most units can be purchased between \$330.00 and \$400.00. With a simple access charge of \$20.00 per month, which can be put on any credit card, you will have immediate access to the Web and to E-Mail. The units come with a remote control box, which is an infrared unit, you can browse the Net with this, send messages to friends that are online, by items, check out the weather, sports, news and just about anything else you would like to find. I would suggest purchasing the remote keyboard, which is also infrared, meaning no hard wiring to your TV set, this cost about an extra \$70.00. The advantages of having the keyboard are that with the hand held remote unit, if you want to send an E-Mail, you have to click on each individual letter which is on the screen (which can become time consuming if you are composing a few letters per week), with the remote keyboard you use it just like a typewriter. Using E-Mail is much more convenient than sending regular mail. You can send a letter to one person, or a hundred at a time, without the cost of postage, copying all the letters and the time spent mailing them. Regular updates of "POOP" are given over the Web, using E-Mail to those that have supplied address.

Sony and Magnavox both make Web-TV units, and they are comparable in pricing. The convenient thing about Web-TV is you

### DID YOU KNOW OR REMEMBER-WALT WEAVER

(This article was taken from "Tall Tales", December 1996, Issue 78, Georgia Chapter of the 8th AF Historical Society)

In 1943 aircraft production stood at 7,172 planes per month. By 1944 it was an amazing 9,000. Owing to new production efficiency, these 1944 planes also cost about 40% less than the same planes two years earlier. For example, in March 1943 B-24's cost \$238,000 each. In March 1944 they cost \$137,000. The number of man hours needed to build a bomber also fell from 55,000 to 19,000. By mid 1944, 15 airframe builders were turning out 23 different types of combat aircraft.

From January 1, 1940 to August 14, 1945, the U.S. spent \$45 billion on aircraft. In return a total of 300,317 military aircraft were produced. Of these, 61,221 were bombers. The major bombers produced were B-24's (18,188), B-17's (12,677) and B-29's (3,760).

At one time East Anglia, England had a higher concentration of B-24's in Norfolk and Suffolk than anywhere else in the world. The Royal Air Force was the first service to use the B-24 Liberator as an operational Bomber. It was favored over the B-17 by the British for its "higher speed, heavier bomb load and on board ordnance and advances in flight systems that it carried". The B-17, the Flying Fortress of legend is often the only craft depicted when air battles over Europe are shown by the news media, but it was the B-24 Liberator that did the dirty work at Polestei, supplied the underground in Norway, and carried out the shuttle raids over the continent.

One B-24-H named "Witchcraft" based at Rackenheath (467th BG), flew an incredible 130 combat missions without scrubbing a single mission due to mechanical failure. The crew chief was Joe Ramieriz.

British Overseas Airways used some B-24 Ds as airliners, and after the war the British experimented with using the Liberator on trans-Atlantic flights. In-as-much as they lacked the range to fly non-stop, they converted the Lancaster Heavy Bomber into aerial tankers and used it to refuel the Libs in mid-Atlantic. With the advent of aircraft with trans oceanic capabilities, the project was dropped.

The only place in the world that had a larger concentration of Liberators than North East England was a South-Western Desert of Arizona, near Tucson.

(Rumor has it that during combined missions with formations of the Forts and Libs, the Libs had to fly at half throttle so the Forts could stay with the formation. Ask any B-24 crewman (who wouldn't lie) don't take my word for it).

### BITS AND PIECES CONTINUED

are connected to your TV screen and not a monitor. Using a 19" TV, font sizes on web pages increase where it is easily readable from 6 to 10 feet away. Web sites are a bit easier to navigate through, clickable images or links are highlighted or have a box drawn around them, where as with a computer they are usually just softly highlighted.

The only drawbacks to Web-TV at this time is that there browser does not offer as much as a normal browser that computers use. You will get most graphics and some animated GIF's, but at this time you cannot get JAVA, SHOCKWAVE or QUICKTIME MOVIES. But as Web-TV moves into the future, these items will become accessible to those that use it, to get it when it becomes available, will be as simple as using AOL's browser, when new



**B24 MODEL CONTRIBUTION**

**FOR ALL MEMBERS WHO WANT THE 467TH TO BE THE LEADING BOMB GROUP IN THE MIGHTY EIGHTH AIR FORCE HERITAGE MUSEUM -- NOW IS THE TIME TO SHOW ALL THAT WE ARE COMMITTED TO BE THE LEADER OF THE GROUPS.**

To provide a one sixth scale model of a B-24 with the 467th B.G. markings (Witchcraft), we need contributions in the amount of \$25,000.

This issue will be brought before the Directors and the Business Meeting during the September Conference. The must be made whether the 467th supports the 2ADA effort to produce a bronze B-24 for the Air Force Academy, which will net a wood B-24 for the Air Force Heritage Museum. The cost of the bronze is estimated at between \$175,000 and \$185,000, with no dollars for the wood model, and no assurance that it would be with 467th markings. It is desirable to have a wood model at the Heritage Museum, however, how desirable is it to have the "Witchcraft" representing the 467th and the 2ADA. We need to know if we the 467th want to support our own effort to come up with the wood model on our own. Regardless of the end result, if neither goal is met, the dollars contributed will go to the Heritage Museum as your individual contribution. We could also purchase a 24"x24" Memorial Garden plaque for the wall of Valor Program, identifying the 467th Bomb Group, its location and its Commander. That cost would be around \$600 to \$800 depending on plaque. Our main goal though is to get a wood B-24 for the Heritage Museum.

My Donation / Pledge is for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .

I pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid in \_\_\_\_\_ monthly installments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .

I agree that if the total amount (\$25,000) is not achieved, that donations received will be pledged to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum with the exception of an amount to provide a plaque in the Memorial Gardens.

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Mail this form to: ( or bring it to the Convention in Ellenville, NY. Sept. 24 - 27, 1997)

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items become available to the user, you will simply have to click on that item, and it will be automatically downloaded into your Web-TV box.

There are many other things that can be accomplished out on the Web. New protocols are being established every day. Two that I use are what is called ICQ and ICR. These are relay chats where two or more people can log onto the net, and set themselves up into a chatroom. There business can be conducted, friendly conversations or anything else that needs to be done. There are no long distance phone calls, and only those that are invited into the chat are allowed to be there (more information for these will be handed out at the Convention and through E-Mail).

Ronald Spencer has sent me an updated list of those in the Bomb Group that have E-Mail address, if you don't see yours here, be sure to send it to Ronald, or me and we will get you on the list. This is one of the easiest and most convenient ways to communicate amongst ourselves, and the list is growing..

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If you see a mistake in your address, please send me an E-Mail, I have everyone listed in one mailing book so that I can send to everyone at the same time. I will be sure to send out a message to everyone with your correct E-Mail address.

Walter Mundy wanted me to add this little note, if you are experiencing a high cost in airline tickets to the convention, please check with the airlines on there Senior Citizen discount programs. Every Airline has them, so you should take advantage of the savings that they can give you.