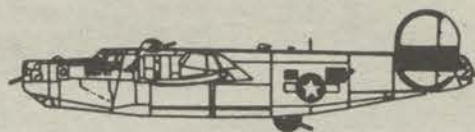


NEWS



392nd BG Memorial Association

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392ND SETS STAND-ALONE AT AUSTIN

CARROL AND MABEL CHEEK HONORED BY TAMPA GROUP

The Cheeks were awarded the prestigious 1999 Humanitarian of the Year award by the Tampa Bay Research Institute. The ceremony was held at Tampa, FL on Jan. 28, and Col Lawrence Gilbert was one of the presenters.

Capt Carroll Cheek was a pilot in the 578th and is Vice-president, Memorials, of the 392BGMA. It was under his leadership that the Group's memorial at Wendling was refurbished.



Mabel and Carroll Cheek

FLORIDA CHAPTER 2AD REUNION WAS HUGE SUCCESS

Eleven of the fourteen Bomb Groups in the 2AD, plus one Fighter Group, were represented at the annual meeting of the Florida chapter of the 2AD, held at Orlando Jan. 23. The 392nd had by far the most members in attendance.

The gathering was chaired by the 3-person team of Col Lawrence Gilbert, Cliff Peterson, and Teddy Egan.

The highlight of the evening's entertainment was the song-and-dance act of Pixee Wales, backed by her husband with the sound equipment. Doing a classic rendition of Satch Armstrong, her act became audience participation when four or five old guys jitterbugged with her.

Crusader attendees were: Philip Anunson and Florence; Ernie Barber, Guy Carnine and Jackie; Jim Conley and Margret; Frank



Cummings and Betty; Teddy Egan, Lawrence Gilbert and Margie; Jim Goar and Virginia; and

Harry Reidy, with Tom and Vicki; Leroy MacTavish and Mary; Harry Kruse; Bob Lane; Joe McNeil; Murray Milrod and Helen; Jim Muldoon; Cliff Peterson and Mary; the former Emily Long with new husband David Reid and son John; Cecil Rothrock and Mary; and

Wes Schafer and Mary Jane; J. Fred Thomas; Jay Thornburgh and Phyllis; Oscar Weed and Toni; Joe Whittaker and Marie; Harold Bandelier; Stanley Zybort and Mildred and Eva.

SCHEDULED FOR MAY 28, FIRST DAY OF 2ND AIR DIVISION CONVENTION

A mini-standalone reunion of the 392nd will be held as a piggy-back to the 2AD reunion at Austin, TX, over the Memorial Day holidays.

Col Lawrence Gilbert, CEO of the 392BGMA, said, "We are at the place where holding a 3 or 4 day stand-alone reunion seems to require more effort and expense than we can muster."

He went on to say that by scheduling our reunion on the first day, or the "early bird day" of the regular 2AD meeting, we can enjoy the good hotel rates and the ready-made administrative setup provided by the 2AD Association.

A dinner on Friday night has been planned at the Salt Lick, a widely known Texas barbeque restaurant about 25 miles out in the country from Austin. We will have a chartered bus for transportation.

There will be a 392nd hospitality room up and running at the convention hotel, The Hyatt Regency, Friday the 28th. A snack lunch will be served Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Cost for the dinner, transportation, and hospitality room is \$50, and a sign-up form will be found elsewhere in this issue. Please send it with your check for \$50, no later than May 1, to Teddy Egan, 2619 Lafayette Ave., Winter Park, FL 32789-1372.

Crusaders are urged to stay on for the rest of the weekend and participate in the 2AD meeting. Sign-up material for the 2AD reunion will be found in the current issue of the 2AD JOURNAL, or you can call or write Evelyn Cohen at 6410 Delaire Landing Road, Philadelphia, PA 19114-4157, telephone 215 632 3992.

THE CONVENTION HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE MADE THROUGH EVELYN COHEN. IF YOU INTEND TO STAY AT THE CONVENTION HOTEL FOR ONE NIGHT, OR FOR THE FULL TERM OF THE CONVENTION, YOU NEED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH EVELYN.

MESSAGE FROM BLANCHE KEILMAN

In her annual Christmas letter, Mrs. Keilman, widow of Col Myron Keilman, 579th commander, said,

"To all of you for helped assuage our grief with your TLC, cards, letters, flowers, (and even two trees planted in Israel in his name) my family and I thank you very much."

She went on to say that Myron, who passed away last February, was alert and happy until the last two

weeks of his fatal illness. He survived two years past the early diagnosis of four to six months.

She was able to spend last summer at their Montana mountain cabin, enjoying visits from her two sons and their families. Geary is a captain for Northwest Airlines and Guy, among other missions, flies support for oil explorations in Peru.

DETACHED DUTY AT HQ. EIGHTH AF, HIGH WYCOMBE

By Paul Wright

(In a recent letter to the NEWS, T/Sgt Paul Wright, the Group's photo interpreter, described his stint of duty at Hq. 8AF)

When we first hit England I was sent on detached service at High Wycombe. I was to help in the map store. Since the British were fur-

nishing the maps they thought we could at least help sort and pack them. So I got the job, and no one from any other outfit was sent. I worked with just the British Air Force men. It was the greatest time I had over there.

Like everything else over there the town is quite old. In fact, the head-

quarters was dug under an old abbey. On the hill by that abbey was a very large tree. On that tree was a bronze plaque so I finally made my way through the limbs and saw what it said: Richard the Lionhearted camped under this tree on his way to the First Crusade. How is that for old.

Working with the Brits was a blast. We started early enough, but not as early as an American camp for sure. Then mid-morning was time out for tea. And since I was used to having lunch at noon I was told to go at that time. They had lunch at 1:00 so I did not come back until 2:00. Mid afternoon was tea again, and then about 4:30 or so we packed things up and quit half an hour later. Rough Day!

Would you believe we had flat stacks of those big maps over six

feet tall and we sorted and counted them into stacks of 100. Each day we got a big truckload to do this. Sounds impossible, but was actually quite easy, after I found out how they did it.

The town had a farmers market on the Saturday and I really got to know how the people lived by watching that. It was a lot of fun. There was the Wye River that ran through the town. In some places, each home had a walk bridge over it to their houses. Obviously the river never flooded. It ran East and there was a nice little falls on it and a cave. The cave had seats in it and it was a good place to stop when you had a date on a walk there. I used it a few times!

Oddly enough with all those high ranking officers, most non-coms were low rank. My T/Sgt rating gave me real rank there.

TRIBUTE ON VETERANS DAY FROM SECOND GENERATION

A few days after last November's Veterans Day (some of us still tend to call it Armistice Day) a second generation daughter sent the follow clipping to the NEWS.

Some veterans bear visible signs of their service: a missing limb, a jagged scar, a certain look in the eye. Others may carry the evidence inside them: a pin holding a bone together, a piece of shrapnel in the leg - or perhaps another sort of inner steel: the soul's ally forged in the refinery of adversity. Except in parades, however, the men and women who have kept America safe wear no badge or emblem. You can't tell a vet just by looking.

What is a vet?

He is the cop in the beat who spent six months in Saudi Arabia sweating two gallons a day making sure the armored personnel carriers didn't run out of fuel.

He is the barroom loudmouth, dumber than five wooden planks, whose overgrown frat-boy behavior is outweighed a hundred times in the cosmic scales by four hours of exquisite bravery near the 38th parallel.

She or he - is the nurse who fought against futility and went to sleep sobbing every night for two solid years in Da Nang.

He is the POW who went away one person and came back another - or didn't come back at all.

He is the Quantico drill instructor who has never seen combat - but has saved countless lives by turning slouchy, no-account rednecks and gang members into Marines, and teaching them to watch each other's backs.

He is the parade-riding Legionnaire who pins on his ribbons and medals with a prosthetic hand.

He is the career quartermaster who watches the ribbons and medals pass him by.

He is the three anonymous heroes in The Tomb Of The Unknowns, whose presence in the Arlington National Cemetery must forever preserve the memory of all the anonymous heroes whose valor died unrecognized with them on the battlefield or in the ocean's sunless deep.

He is the old guy bagging groceries at the supermarket - palsied now and aggravatingly slow - who helped liberate a Nazi death camp and who wishes all day long that his wife were still alive to hold him when the nightmares come.

He is an ordinary and yet an extraordinary human being - a person who offered some of his life's most vital years in the service of his country, and who sacrificed his ambitions so others would not have to sacrifice theirs.

He is a soldier and a savior and a sword against the darkness, and he is nothing more than the finest, greatest testimony on behalf of the finest, greatest nation ever known.

So remember, each time you see someone who has served our country, just lean over and say Thank You. That's all most people need, and in most cases it will mean more than any medals they could have been awarded or were awarded.

The following quote was attributed to Father Dennis Edward O'Brien, USMC.

"It is the soldier, not the reporter, who have given us freedom of the press. It is the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech. It is the soldier, not the campus organizer, who has given us the freedom to demonstrate. It is the soldier, who salutes the flag, who served beneath the flag, and who coffin is draped by the flag, who allows the protester to burn the flag."

DENIS DUFFIELD SENDS GREETINGS FROM DEREHAM

Denis always sends us a Christmas greeting, and includes a list of Crusader visitors over the past year.

He noted that Oak and Maxine Mackey and J. Fred and Elva Thomas attended the Remembrance Day ceremony, which is reported elsewhere in this issue. He also said that the weather was good for the occasion, which is a plus in November in

England, as we all can attest to.

Others who visited Wendling during the year were: Sharon Lane Marcramber and Bette Lane Jones, daughters of Bob and Marilyn Lane; Manny Abrams, 579th navigator; Norman Clarke, photo section; Delbert Runyon, 577th pilot; George and Dorothy Jackson; and Joe and Marie Whittaker.

RESERVATION FORM FOR 392ND STAND-ALONE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MAY 1, 1999

Name _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Ph _____

Date and hour of expected arrival at Austin _____

Date of departure _____ Staying at _____

Attending Second Air Division Convention: Yes _____ No _____

Please reserve _____ places for me at the 392nd Stand-alone dinner at the Salt Lick Restaurant for Friday evening, May 28. My check for

_____ (number of places times \$50) is enclosed.

Send with check, made to 392nd Reunion '99, to Teddy Egan, 2619 Lafayette Ave., Winter Park, FL 32789-1372, phone 407 644 5439. REMEMBER THAT HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND SIGNUP FOR 2AD MEETING MUST BE MADE SEPARATELY WITH EVELYN COHEN, 6410 DELAIRE LANDING ROAD, PHILADELPHIA PA 19144-4157, TELEPHONE 215 632 3992.

REMEMBRANCE DAY AT WENDLING

Oak Mackey and J. Fred Thomas were in England last fall for a 2AD Memorial Library meeting.

They were present at Wendling for the annual Remembrance Day ceremonies on Nov 8. Oak's report of the occasion follows:

"Two vicars conducted the ceremonies to commemorate the 747 American airmen who died while flying combat missions from this air base. Fred and I were given a place of honor next to the Memorial, for it is unusual for American veterans to attend.

"The Color Guard was provided by local British veterans, two wreaths were laid, prayers were said, and there was a brief address by one of the vicars.

"It has been over 55 years since we were there, and these British people still remember. There were about 70 of them there. After the ceremonies, everyone went to the new City Hall in nearby Beeston for refreshments, and we met and chatted with the locals for as long as we wanted.

"They are great people; we shall not forget that day. The Brits have not forgot."

HE THOUGHT HE'D DIED AND GONE TO HEAVEN

Toni Weed tells this story about a friend of hers:

The man was born in the U. S. of English parents and was taken by his family back to England when he was two years old.

When he reached conscription age the Brits were after him, but he decided he'd rather exercise his citizenship and join the U. S. forces.

He took the oath and was enlisted at a U. S. base, and was given a chit for his first GI meal at the mess hall. When he arrived he found the tables groaning with food: turkey and all the trimmings, fruits of all description, and cake and ice cream.

He thought he'd died and gone to heaven, having fallen into meals like that every day.

What he didn't know was that it was Thanksgiving Day.

Ever since Eve handed Adam that apple, there has been a misunderstanding between the sexes about what a gift is.

PROFILE

T/Sgt Joe E. Burdette was a gunner on the S. J. Robertson crew in the 576th. He arrived at Wendling in May 1944.

They had to divert to Switzerland with battle damage after the Munich raid on July 11, 1944, and the crew was interned.

He served in the AF Reserve from 1945 to 1952, with duty at Marietta, GA.



Off we go into the wild blue yonder
climbing high into the sun;
Here they come zooming to meet our
thunder, at 'em boys, give 'er the
gun!
Down we dive spouting our flame from
under, off with one hell-uva roar!
We live in fame or go down in flame,
nothing'll stop the Army Air Corps.

His civilian career was with the U. S. Dept. of Justice. Among other duties, he was a deputy U. S. marshal.

His wife is Allene, and they live at 3003 Barcelona Way, Conyers, GA 30012. They have two children and four grandchildren.

PROFILE

S/Sgt Joseph F. Berry was the tail

gunner on the John Daley crew in the 577th. He joined the Group at Wendling in June 1944.

He was an insurance adjuster for seven years, then went with the Social Security Administration, retiring from there in January 1995.

His wife is deceased, and he lives at 3109 Tyrol Road, Birmingham, AL 35216. He has four children and three grandchildren.



THE ARMY AIR CORPS SONG (CIRCA 1942-1945)

CHORUS:

Here's a toast to the host of those who love
the vastness of the sky;
To a friend we will send a message of his
brother men who fly.
We drink to those who gave their all of old,
then down we roar to score the
rainbow's pot of gold.
A toast to the host of men we boast, the
Army Air Corps!

Off we go into the wild sky yonder
keep the wings level and true;
If you'd live to be a gray haired wonder
keep your nose out of the blue.
Flying men, guarding the nation's border,
we'll be there followed by more!
In echelon we carry on - nothing'll
stop the Army Air Corps!

Words and music by Robert Crawford

A/C MAINTENANCE REPORTS

(The NEWS thanks T/Sgt Howard Hoehn, 24th Air Depot Group, Trinidad, North Africa, Guam, for this little insight into Air Corps maintenance.

Pilot:

Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.

Test flight ok, except autoland very rough.

The autopilot doesn't

Something loose in cockpit.

Evidence of hydraulic leak on right main landing gear.

DME volume unbelievably loud.

Dead bugs on windshield.

Autopilot in altitude hold mode produces a 200 fpm descent.

IFF inoperative.

Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.

Number 3 engine missing.

Crew Chief:

Almost replaced left inside main tire.

Autoland not installed on this aircraft.

It does now.

Something tightened in cockpit.

Evidence removed.

Volume set to more believable level.

Live bugs on order.

Cannot reproduce problem on ground.

IFF inoperative in OFF mode.

That's what they're there for.

Engine found on right wing after brief search.

PROFILE

1/Lt (later Capt) Fred Crane was the co-pilot of the John Ross crew in the 579th. He arrived at Wendling Sept. 13, 1944.

After the war, he was a conductor on the Santa Fe Railroad.

Fred's wife of 60 years, Ruth, told the NEWS that Fred is ill and in a nursing home. Her address is 544 S. 68th St., Kansas City, KS 66111. They have three children.

AIR ANNIVERSARY

Maj Gen James Doolittle assumed command of 8AF-1944.

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General of the Air Force H. H. Arnold died of heart ailment-1950.

AIR ANNIVERSARY

Gen Carl Spaatz named Chief of Army Air Forces-1946.

AIR ANNIVERSARY

USAF adopted slate-blue uniform-1949.

AIR ANNIVERSARY

Last operational P-51 fighter retired to AF Museum-1957.

LIFE AT WENDLING

The photos on this page are from the collection furnished the NEWS by T/Sgt Paul Wright, the Group Photo-interpreter.

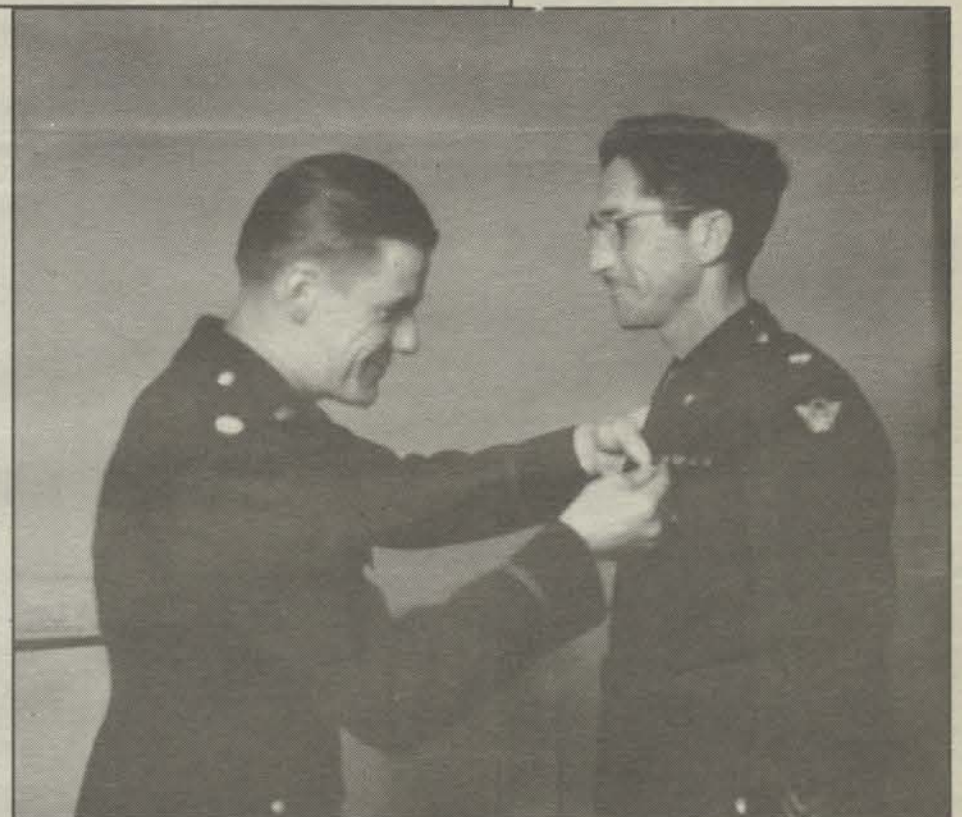


Cpl. Tommy Mullins, the S-2 clerk who generally is credited with dreaming up the Crusader emblem. Maybe this horseplay at Group Operations is where he got the inspiration.

It didn't snow much in England, but one time in January 1945 it really came down, much to the surprise of everybody.



Lt/Col Lawrence Gilbert, deputy Group Commander, pins an award on Maj Percy Caley, Group S-2. Caley, a WWI marine veteran and a University of Pittsburgh history professor, was all of 35 or 40 years old during WWII. He was often referred to as "old Percy Caley".



AIR BASE, 1943-1945

The 100-mission party was held on June 30, 1944. It featured many of these GI-style banquets. It was just a few weeks after the successful landings in France, and morale on the base was high.



One of our MP's turns on the charm as he welcomes a couple of WAAF's to the 100-mission party.

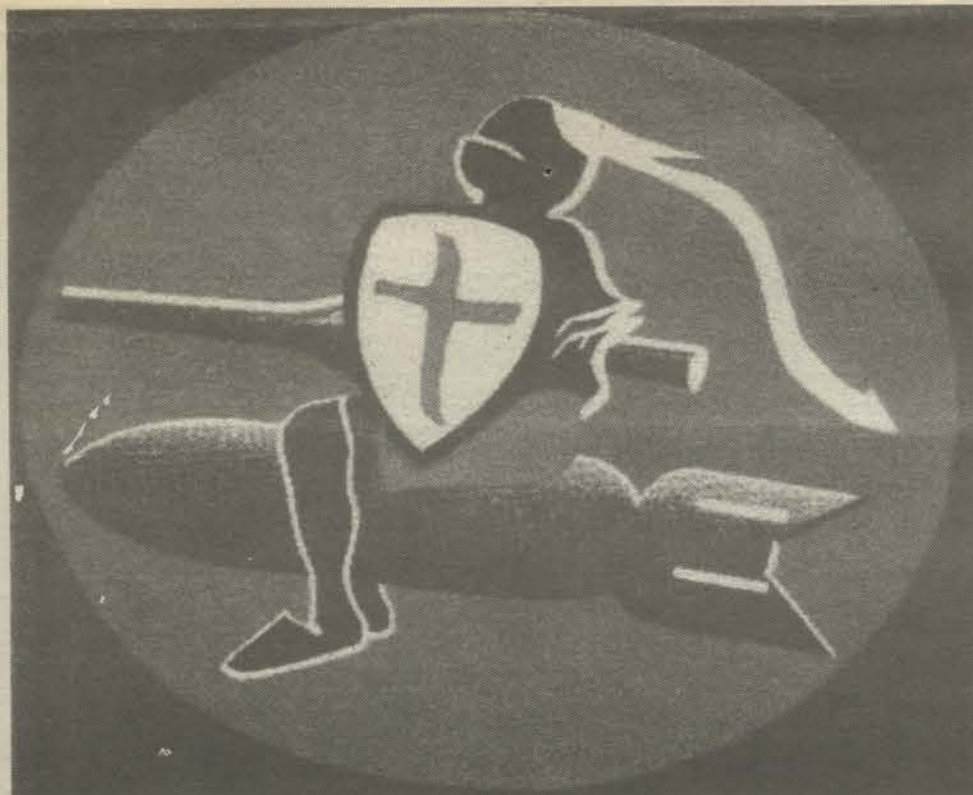


The first wave of replacement combat crews arrived at Wendling in March, 1944. Losses were high and those were pretty dark days.



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Jim Marsteller
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After the Battle of the Bulge, he

MAIL CALL

A few months later:

"I still can't tell you where I am.

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WENDLING AREA SCHOOLS DOING WELL; THANK US FOR OUR SUPPORT

Letters received recently from our correspondents reveal that the Wendling area schools, Litcham and Beeston, are prospering academically.

Quoting from a letter from James Neale, headteacher of Litcham High School to Toni Weed:

"Once again, we have to thank the Association for its generosity in financing new books for our library. We have been able to purchase a lovely set of books on eleven different countries throughout the world; each has wonderful photographs and up to date information and I know they will prove a real asset to our students. We are extremely grateful for your continued support.

"We have had a very good year in school, with no major problems, and a very good set of results in the General Certificate of Secondary Education examinations in the summer. We were pleased that we had a high intake of new students in September and are now taking in students from twenty-one different primary schools from around the area!

"The whole school took part in the a special Remembrance Day service on Wednesday, Nov. 11. We were joined for the service by representatives from the local branch of the British Legion, a Squadron Leader from R. A. F. Marham and a piper connected to the R. A. F. The Reverend Jonathan Boston conducted the service, prior to the two-minute silence.

"Thank you all very much, once again, and we look forward to welcoming your members to our school when they next visit the area."

The letter was signed by Mr. Neale and Margaret Frost, Learning Resources Officer.

And quoting from a letter to Col Gilbert from Wendy Carter:

"Both Beeston and Litcham have recently acquired books which will be funded by the 392BGMA.

"Beeston school numbers have increased to around 55 children and they now have an additional mobile classroom and teacher. This is because the National Inspectorate of Schools, called OFSTED gave it a glowing report after a recent inspection, and I understand this was the second highest report in the county. Therefore, parents from surrounding villages also want to bring their children here because the education is so good."

PROFILE

(A note from Fred Hollien tipped off the editor that although a Profile had been prepared for Fred back in 1988, it never got printed. A call to Fred found him at home and in a Baaston accent thick enough to cut a knife he confided that he has "one engine out and the fuel is getting low." Fred has been a stalwart member of the 392BGMA since the time we got organized, and the NEWS hastens to print his Profile, so that, in Fred's words, "My heirs can see that I really flew with the 392nd.")

S/Sgt Frederick J. Hollien, Jr. was the engineer and top turret gunner on the Sabourin crew in the 578th. He arrived at Wendling Feb. 24, 1944, and flew 32 missions.

He retired from the Postal Service after 27 years' service.

He and Lorraine were married seven days before Pearl Harbor, which puts them 57 years together. They live at 13 Bunton St., Milton, MA 02186 and have four children and 14 grandchildren.

2 AD CONVENTION AT AUSTIN, TX, ON MAY 29-JUNE 1

The Hyatt Regency, on Town Lake, 298 Barton Springs Road, will be the headquarters hotel.

Early Bird day is May 28, and the 392nd has scheduled a one-day stand-alone that day.

Costs for the entire package, including hotel room for three nights but excluding the 392nd stand-alone, are as follows:

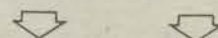
Single occupancy: \$550

Double occupancy \$415 per p

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Quad occupancy \$380 per p
Deposit with reservations: \$50 per person, payment in full by April 10, 1999.

For further information see the Winter 1998-99 issue of the 2AD Journal, or write or call Evelyn Cohen, 6410 Delaire Landind Rd., Philadelphia, PA 19114-4157, phone 215 632 3992.

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THE 392nd MEMORIAL AT WENDLING

Almighty God, Who has blessed us with the will and courage to do our duty, we praise You for our comrades whose death kept freedom living. We praise You also for giving us the years we have lived since their departure. We pray that You will strengthen and sustain our devotion to truth and justice, so that we may be faithful beneficiaries of their sacrifice. Continue Your mercy to our comrades; keep them in Your care; and bring us all at last into Your presence there to rejoice eternally. Amen.

-Prayer composed by 576th pilot the Very Reverend Robert C. Martin, retired Dean of the Cathedral at Erie, Pa.

Chaplain's Corner

By George Barger

It's flattering to be a member of Tom Brokaw's "Greatest Generation". The danger is that we might come to believe it. Greatness is always relative to the question being asked. "What's done we partly may compute, and know not what's resisted." There is a great deal of comfort in believing the best about oneself, and we don't need much encouragement to do that. The need is to view both sides of the coin. Our generation responded to the demands of the 40's; we didn't score quite as high meeting the demands of the 60's. In any case, a reasonable assessment of the minuses and pluses are the best we can hope for. "Sufficient unto the day..."

Folded Wings

Carwin A. Thomason, 74SSq., 11-10-98
Robt. H. Hendrickson, 577, 11-7-98
Edward L. Holmes, 576, 1998
Mary Jane Edwards, Dec. 4, 1998
(Widow of Cliff Edwards, 578#1 crew)
Joseph D. Marlowe, 578, 1997
Everett Earl Collin, Hq., Nov. 19, 1998
Elwood W. Adams, Jr., Hq.
Evelyn Adams, widow, Apr. 11, 1998

AIR ANNIVERSARY

US Strategic Air Forces in Europe activated-1944.

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General H. H. Arnold directed establishment of new Air Force later designated 8AF-1942.

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Allied Air Forces in Africa activated under Maj Gen Carl Spaatz-1943.

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But we..shall be remembered;

We few,
we happy few,
we band of
brothers;

For he to-day
that sheds his
blood with me

Shall be
my brother...

William Shakespeare
Henry V

AIR ANNIVERSARY

8AF observed is third birthday with a 1,000 plane raid on Germany-1945.