



# The Crow Flight

Tenth newsletter of the 47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadrons, 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group (M), 7<sup>th</sup> AF, WWII, issued August 1, 1999

## FINAL REUNION ISSUE

This is the last chance to register for the reunion... if there are any questions, please write or call anyone on the reunion committee roster which is page 4 of this newsletter. Instructions are on page 9 and a registration form is provided on page 10.

### REUNION COMMITTEE MEETING, JUNE 29..

Present at the meeting were from the 47<sup>th</sup>, Polly and Kem Sitterley; from the 48<sup>th</sup>, Paul Hopson and Dick Monzingo; from the 396<sup>th</sup>, LaVerne and Keith Ingstad, Walt Winner, and Joyce Haddock and Bill Scavo; from the 820<sup>th</sup>, Skip Thrune, and from Group Frankie and Murray Bywater. Esther and Felix Galyean 48<sup>th</sup>, were not able to make it because of Felix' recent knee operation. Dorothy and Don Haskell, 47<sup>th</sup>, have recently moved from Visalia, to Rocklin California which makes their long drive go from five to ten hours each way.

**NEXT REUNION**— This has pretty much been decided to be in Las Vegas in October of 2000, with Keith Ingstad of the 396<sup>th</sup> as the coordinator. Keith says he doesn't want to talk about it until this one's over, but that seems to be what's coming down. Now, if we were like the 820<sup>th</sup> at this upcoming reunion we would also decide where the reunion would be in 2001 and who would be the coordinator. Any volunteers?... **THINK ABOUT IT!**

**THIS REUNION WILL BE DEDICATED TO BOB HOPE!**— The committee voted on this unanimously! Tony Romano has been invited to the banquet and asked to give a short talk, and he has accepted. Tony spoke at the dedication of the 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group Memorial, telling anecdotes mostly of his experiences with the Bob Hope Christmas tours, and he is really a funny guy!

**GOLF** will be at the Spring Valley Lakes Country Club, which is about a 50 minute ride from the hotel up on the desert near Victorville, CA. Dick Monzingo has reservations for 16 and wants to meet in the hotel lobby at 8:00 AM the morning of Friday, October 8, 1999. He plans to stop on the way and spend an hour at the Roy Rogers Museum. Lunch will be at a snack shop between nines.

**MEMORABILIA REMINDER**— Please remember to bring with you any photo albums, video tapes, or any other memorabilia you might think would be interesting to the group. This has been one of the most popular features of our reunions.

**B-25 RIDES**— These are getting a little iffier— Remember that not one of our six outfits that have flying B-25's will actually commit to having an airplane there... and they all give the same reason... if they get a gig at an air show or for a movie the money that they make is far more than they can get giving rides. It seems that the state of California has now entered the picture with an insurance requirement. Another factor that affects only the price is the recent volatility of gas prices. We still think that this thing will go, but.. And of course any money paid in will be refunded if we can't furnish the rides.....

Remember, too, that everyone is welcome to our planning meetings; the next one is 10 AM, Sept 9, 1999... a Tuesday. Please let us know if you're coming so we can notify the hotel just exactly how many are coming.. **THAT'S 9/9/99!!!!**

To those of you who may not feel they can come because of physical limitations, let me remind you that the hotel has special rooms for you... and we'll help all we can... and if you want to get one of those rooms, it might be better if you make all your plans early.

**PROFILE FORM!!**— Getting good stuff from you lets us produce a more readable newsletter. We need particularly the following four items; 1) Photo(s) from the days of the 41<sup>st</sup>. 2) Photo(s) fairly recent...3) text on what you did in the service... and 4) text on what you have done with your lifetime career since serving with the 47<sup>st</sup> or 48<sup>th</sup>. Everyone feel free to contribute! See page 3!!!!

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...an e-mail from Gutts dated July 3, 1999...

"An Independence Day history lesson.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army ...another had two sons captured...nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.



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Thomas McKean was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Grinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

These were not wild eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight and unwavering, they pledged, "For the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

They gave you and me a free and independent America. The history books never told you a lot of what happened in the Revolutionary War. We didn't just fight the British. We were British subjects and we fought our own government!

Some of us take these liberties so much for granted... We shouldn't...Take a couple of minutes while enjoying your 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday and silently thank these patriots.

#### It's Not Too Much to Ask for the Price They Paid!."

**MONEY REPORT**— Our total balance in the bank as of June 30 is \$1,654.63. GOOD GUYS since last report are John Widener, Donald Lighthall, Paul Kenway, John Mahan, Kenneth Farner, William Dietrick, Robert Schack, Thomas Zachok, Allan Cobb, John Waters, and Adolphus Lester. Our expenses since the last report are \$230.15 for Newsletter #8, \$384.46 for Key Fobs (this expense recoverable from the reunion registrations), and \$324.49 for Newsletter # 9. Income since last report include interest at \$4.84, dues at \$80.00 and early reunion fees \$240.00. '99 dues collected \$776...'99 expenses so far \$ 954.10 ?????

Send us your information below for use in "The Crow Flight"

47<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Alumni – 50-some years later

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CALLING NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

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CHILDREN: \_\_\_\_\_

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GRANDCHILDREN:(number) \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

LIFE SINCE 47<sup>TH</sup> AND 48<sup>TH</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

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CONTACT WITH 47<sup>TH</sup> AND 48<sup>TH</sup> PEOPLE: \_\_\_\_\_

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ANYTHING ELSE OF INTEREST "THE CROW FLIGHT" READERS? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT'S NEXT? \_\_\_\_\_

USE A SEPARATED PIECE OF PAPER IF NECESSARY!

Send to: The Crow Flight, % Kem Sitterley, 20449 Blue Mountain Drive, Walnut, CA 91789

**OLD PHOTO.**

PERHAPS IN THE UNIFORM YOU WORE  
IN THE SERVICE...

PERHAPS WITH A HOT ISLAND BABE!!!

**NEW PHOTO**

PERHAPS WITH WIFE, KIDS AND  
GRANDKIDS....

PERHAPS WITH YOUR GIRL FRIEND??

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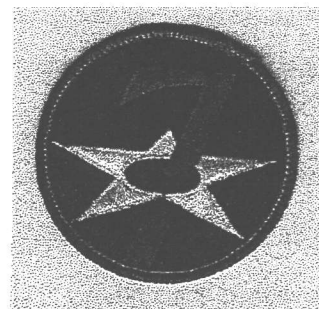
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L to R– Helmer, Ramaker, McCoy, Barclay, Ayres and Colletti

**JOHN AND BEVERLY HELMER** live at 2122 S. W. Vista Ave PORTLAND, OR 97201, and their phone number is (503) 222-4614. They have three children, John III, Carol and Eric, and they have nine grandchildren... And I quote from John's notes... "... retail store owner 1948-1980... John III now owner since 1980.... look for ad in NEW YORKER, SMITHSONIAN, HARPERS Nov., Dec., Jan., and Feb. Special interest in my forest of 42 acres, big trees 85 years old 120 feet tall, I cut 4 truckloads a year for the saw mill. Trees 4 feet at the base." John is also very active in the 48<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron, reporting for the newsletter and acting as Treasurer.

**JO AND GEORGE W. "BUS" KNIGHT....** live at 1817 Rusty Lane, LINCOLN, NE 68506-2351, telephone (402) 483-5520. They had four children, Kathleen, George E., James (deceased) and Samuel. They have 7 grand children.... and I quote from Bus' notes... "my life since the 48<sup>th</sup> was spent as a coach, banker, antique shop, Apt. Manager (own 9-plex) .. Parents, grandparents, traveler... at a funeral of a friend saw Denver Gray who we reported in to at Hickam Field when we flew there in 1943... my navigator, Joe Gsrizmadid has passed on... my radio operator John R. Beddall, lives in Mesa, AZ, Co-pilot Harry Bryant is lost- to us at least... was with John Geidel at Fresno when he was 'detached' with 'too much experience'... ..and under the question, "What's Next?" Bus writes, "Don't even buy green bananas!"



**ROBERT J. "BOB" AND CAROLYN MORSE**– are at home at 3 Court of Harborside, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062 and the roster doesn't show a phone number for them at the present time. They have two daughters– Susan Morse Harris and Jane Morse Demler.... and three grandchildren.... and I quote from his notes.. "...self employed Manufacturer's Rep, retired in

1992... sold golf shafts to Golf Club Manufacturers thru out world where ever golf clubs were made. Traveled U.S. – Canada – Japan – Korea – Taiwan – New Zealand – Australia – Scotland – England – Hong Kong.... No contact with any old squadron friends... doesn't know of any in the Chicago area... looks forward to enjoying golf and being thankful to be on the top side of the grass."

**GINNIE AND JOHN C. MOORE....** reside at 31847 Country Club Drive, PORTERVILLE, CA 93257, and we don't have a phone number on them right now. They have three children, Steve, Ronald and Leslie and five grand children. John is still working as a Real Estate Broker and at various times in his life has worked in marketing, Land Development, Cattle Business, Real Estate. He was joined the 48<sup>th</sup> in Jan. 1945 until the break-up in Nov., 1945. His only contacts since the service were with Geane Lohse of the 396<sup>th</sup> (?) And Frank Swift of the 48<sup>th</sup>... but those contacts are 50 years old. Under the question, "What's next?", John answers, "Work and Play." His crew consisted of Co-pilot John C. Bennett, Bombardier-Navigator Dominic Ziccardi, Engineer-Gunner Richard Greenberg, Radio Operator-Gunner Frank Berlinski, and Tail Gunner Sheldon Wienstien.

**LEO CROSSIN....** has passed away. A note from Jan and Johnny Davis, "... please add to the 48<sup>th</sup> roster the name of Mrs. Leo Crossin (Minerva or Nervie), 1424 Annis Av., MATTOON, IL 61938-5402... (602) 772-7308... she is the widow of Leo, who was in the 48<sup>th</sup> and at one time flew with the 820<sup>th</sup>, I believe..."



### Notes from John...

We have heard from several 48<sup>th</sup> Squadron members who have been out of touch and now hope to attend the reunion:

1. Russ Clarke - Puyallup, WA
2. Luther Hart, Birmingham, AL
3. John Moore, Porterville, CA
4. Frank C. Swift, Glendale, CA

Since our last report we have received checks from the following people: Bob Morse, Ana Smith, and Joe Calbreath. Our bank balance before paying for this newsletter is \$1,520.60.

The reunion is a time for reminiscing, remembering and renewing our relationships. Some of the thoughts that occur to me are....what ever happened to the fellow that \_\_\_\_\_? .... What a great time we had in \_\_\_\_\_! ....You never paid me back that ten bucks I loaned to you! ... Where did you spend the first three nights after our typhoon in Okinawa, September 1945? ...Remember the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration in 1945 when the ammo dump blew up?

...see you in Ontario, October 8<sup>th</sup> ....



L. S. at Basic flight school, Newport, Ark.

**LUTHER S. HART, JR.** – and Barbara make their home at 3515 Thornhill Drive, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243 ...and we have no phone number... There are six children... Stan, Lee, Mike, Wendy, Robin, Roger, and Jennifer... and 7 grand children. L.S. is now retired and I quote from his note under “Life since the 48<sup>th</sup>.... “1) 1946-1978 Executive Vice-president Sales and Operations , Hart-Greer, Inc.

(Appliance and Electronics Distributor)... 2) 1986-1992 President and owner, Hana Corp (Collection Service)...” .. Since the 48<sup>th</sup>, L.S. has had contact with W. R. Clarke, Puyallup, WA — John Helmer, Portland OR – and Bob Hibler (deceased) of Indianapolis, IN. Next for L. S. and Barbara are Travel and Golf



L. S. Hart with wife and girl friend, Barbara, 1996

**ROBERT N. SMITH DIED MAY 15, 1999** – and I quote excerpts from an obituary submitted by Robert’s widow, Mary... “born in Racine, Wisconsin, on February 25, 1923, died Saturday, May 15, 1999 at home after a lengthy illness. He moved to St. Petersburg in 1956. He flew many missions in the Pacific Theater as a staff sergeant in World War II in the Army Air Corps. He was a member of the 41<sup>st</sup> Bombardment Group, which received a Presidential Unit Citation. In St. Petersburg, he worked for Anderson Lumber ;and E-Systems. He retired from E-Systems as a Quality Control Engineer in 1995. He was a member of Most Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Gulfport. His community involvement included the Optimist Club of St. Petersburg, of which he was a past president, PARC of which he was a past treasurer and member of American Legion Post 125. Mr. Smith’s oldest son, Jim, predeceased him in 1996. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Mary Jane Dunham Smith; his sister, Peggy Stone of Racine, Wisconsin; son Tim Smith and wife Karen of Cypress, Texas; daughter Sue Klesius of St. Pete Beach; son Thom Smith of St. Petersburg; daughter Robin Wilber and husband, Rick Wilber of St. Pete Beach; daughter Carol Merada and husband Mike Merada of Spring, Texas; Grandchildren include Kelly and Kathy Klesius, Brand and Kim Smith, and Rich and Samantha Wilber.

Have you ever wondered where to buy stuff like airplane models, tail pins, airline airplane pins, etc. write or call Airplane Art International, P. O. Box 1945, Springfield, Virginia 22151-1945 or Telephone (703) 3210-7413, Facsimile (703) 321-7419

# TENTATIVE REUNION SCHEDULE

(For distribution at planning meeting Tuesday, 10:00 AM, June 29, 1999)

(Chances are this will be revised right up to the end)

Hospitality Rooms are for the 47<sup>th</sup> #???, 48<sup>th</sup> #???, 396<sup>th</sup> #???, 820<sup>th</sup> #???

The Members' Lounge is also available to all from noon Friday to noon Monday

## Friday, October 8, 1999

0800 - 1600	Check/in Register
0800	Golfers depart
1930 - 2030	Welcome mixer with beer, wine, chips, dips, etc.
2020	Hospitality Room – WWII films, etc. Who gets what room?

## Saturday, October 9, 1999

0630 - 0730	Complimentary Continental Breakfast in Hospitality Rooms
0800 - 1600	Board buses for optional tours. Lunch is not included in either tour. The Getty Center Tour arrives at the museum about 10:00 and it will leave the museum at 2:00. There are three or four different places to have lunch on the Getty grounds. The other tour will arrive at the March AFB Museum at 8:30. Luncheon details are still under discussion, depart at 1:30 PM after having lunch, arrive at the Chino Air Museum at 2:00 for browsing in the museum and B-25 rides if available.
1600 - 1645	Squadron meetings in individual hospitality rooms
1645 - 1700	Group meeting in Member's Lounge
1700 - on	On your own for dinner and evening

## Sunday, October 10, 1999

0700 - 0800	Breakfast Buffet in Main Ball Room
0800 - 1600	Board buses for optional tours... The Getty Center Tour details same as above. The Universal Studio Tour will arrive at Universal at 10:00 AM and depart at 3:00 PM. There are dozens of places to eat at Universal...pick your own poison!
1600 - 1645	Squadron meetings in individual hospitality rooms, if necessary... maybe to act on items discussed in yesterday's meeting
1645 - 1700	Group meeting in Member's Lounge, if necessary....
1700 - 1900	Stand - up cash bar in the Members Lounge
1900 - 2100	Banquet (coat and tie) in the Ballroom

## Monday, October 11, 1999

0600 - 0800	Complimentary Continental Breakfast in Members Lounge
0800 - ????	Departure – Farewells

# TENTATIVE BANQUET PROGRAM

of 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group Reunion Dedicated to Bob Hope

4:00 to 7:00	Happy Hour either at the Member's Lounge or at the Hospitality Room or the Banquet Hall		
7:00	Presentation of colors .....	Honor Guard	
	Invocation .....	Bill Childs	
	Dinner .....	Everybody	
8:00	In Memoriam (2 min.) .....	Kem Sitterley	
	State of the Group, 41 <sup>st</sup> and introduction of next speaker (4 min.) ...	Murray Bywater	
	State of the Air Force, Commanding General of 4 <sup>th</sup> Air Force (15 min.)	General Whaley	
	State of the Squadron, 47 <sup>th</sup> (2 min.) .....	George Tolbert	
	State of the Squadron, 48 <sup>th</sup> (2 min.) .....	John Helmer	
	State of the Squadron, 396 <sup>th</sup> (2 min.) .....	Bill Zingery	
	State of the Squadron, 820 <sup>th</sup> (2 min.) .....	Skip Thrune	
	Stories about Bob Hope by one of his troupe and guitar player .....	Tony Romano	
	Feature entertainment (50 min.) .....	Wayland Pickard	
	Music, dancing, good conversation to Big Band type music by the organist....OLDIES BUT GOODIES?? Farewells for those that have to leave too early in the morning		

These two pictures are copied from Murray Bywater's book, "B-25S TARGET KYUSHU." And I quote also from Murray's book.... " ....the Bob Hope Show brightened our lives.. In July, the Bob Hope Show came to Makin. With him were Jerry Colonna, Frances Langford and Tony Romano. It was the first visit of the Hollywood celebrities or shows of any kind to the forward area, and the entire island came out in force for the occasion. The show was received with wild enthusiasm. Bob Hope and his show people were very generous with themselves in associating with the troops after the show and on their departure from the island. It would be an event our people would never forget."



Bob hope during the Bob Hope Show, Makin 1944.



The Bob Hope Show. L-R Bob Hope, Frances Langford and Tony Romano.

## Information and Instructions on Attending the Reunion

**HOTEL**— Each individual must make their own arrangements with the hotel. The MARRIOTT ONTARIO AIRPORT is located at 2200 East Holt Blvd., ONTARIO, CA 91761. Their local phone number is (909) 975-5000— fax number (909) 975-5050, and the number we recommend that you use is their on-site (800) 284-8811, which is manned from 8AM to 6PM PDT. **Make sure to tell the reservation agent that you are with the 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group** and have your credit card handy to guarantee your reservation. Remember that the reunion dates are October 8-11, Friday thru Monday, 1999, and our special rate of \$69 is available for three days before the reunion and/or three days after. The cut-off date is Wednesday, Sept 8, 1999; the hotel cannot guarantee a reservation or the rate after this date. If you have to change your plans, please remember to cancel, or your credit card will be charged for one night. Cancellations are accepted up to 4:00 PM of your day of arrival.

**TRAVEL PLANS**— Ontario International Airport has just finished a huge new construction project. Southwest has a huge presence there as well as many others. If you can get into Ontario, the MARRIOTT is only about 4 minutes away and will send a shuttle bus for you. If you have to go to LAX, I was told that the shuttle from there is \$38; it is about 1½ hr. plus ride from LAX to the MARRIOTT ONTARIO AIRPORT. Other major airports serving the area are Burbank, Long Beach, and John Wayne (the closest at about a 45 minute ride).

**REGISTRATION FEE, PER PERSON, \$70**— This includes the banquet food, entertainment, organist, honor guard, favors, breakfast buffet, hospitality room supplies, miscellaneous expenses.

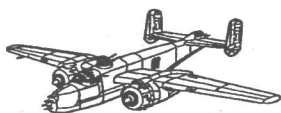
**BANQUET ONLY FEE PER PERSON, \$25**— This is primarily for those friends and relatives who want to attend the banquet but not any of the other activities of the reunion.

**TOURS @ \$20, \$30, AND \$60 PER PERSON**— Remember that you can attend only two tours. The Getty is by far the most popular, so we have scheduled a bus each day for that. The Museum Tour on Saturday includes the March AFB Museum where the 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group Memorial is located and the Chino Planes of Fame Museum, where they have about six hangars full of stuff and where the B-25 rides are available. If you want to take in more tours or other points of interest, remember that you have a guarantee of the hotel rate for three days before and/or three days after the reunion. The Universal Studios tour will be the second tour on Sunday. You're on your own for lunch on all tours.

**B-25 RIDES PER PERSON**— These will be available Saturday afternoon. The best way to get there would be to take the Museum Tour. If you don't you're on your own to get from the hotel to Chino Airport. The price has been raised from \$130 to \$150 because of the soaring gas prices... don't be surprised if there's another adjustment.

**KEY FOBS AT \$5.00 EACH**— One will be given to each registrant. We had to order 100 of them, so there will be some extras, on which we are giving reunion registrants priority. Leftovers will be offered for sale through the newsletters. The key fobs are near-identical, except for the squadron logo and squadron number. The key fob has been enlarged to better show the design. The actual measurement of the cloisonne from the top of the logo to the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup> Air Force patch is 1 1/4". Everyone who has seen them have been very pleased!





# Registration for 41<sup>st</sup> Bomb Group Reunion Ontario, California, October 8-11, 1999 (Friday thru Monday)



Name (s) for name tag (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State and zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

How many in your party? \_\_\_\_\_

How many for golf? \_\_\_\_\_

If by air, what airport? \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form and your check to your respective squadrons as follows: Make checks payable to the respective individuals –NOT to the squadrons--



## 47<sup>th</sup>/ 820<sup>th</sup>/ Group Hdqtrs

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and mail to:

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Item per person	Price Each	How Many	Amount
Registration	\$70		
Banquet only	\$25		
Getty Tour, Sat.	\$20		
Getty Tour, Sun.	\$20		
Museum Tour, Sat.	\$30		
Universal Tour, Sun.	\$60		
B-25 Ride	\$150		
Extra key fob	\$5		
Total			

**GOLFERS:** You'll probably want to arrive on Thursday, the 7<sup>th</sup> because you need to meet Dick Monzingo at 8AM on Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup>. Golfers will settle up with Dick on Golfing Day.

If you're with the 47<sup>th</sup>, 48<sup>th</sup> or 396<sup>th</sup>, please mail to your individual squadron as shown at the right. If you're with the 41<sup>st</sup> Group Headquarters or the 820<sup>th</sup>, please mail to Gutts with the 47<sup>th</sup>.



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