

THE 384TH BOMB GROUP INC.

NEWSLETTER

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P. O. BOX 766
WALL STREET STATION
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10005

GROUP OFFICIALLY FORMED! The 384th Bomb Group, Inc. is now a full-fledged organization with its corporate charter granted by the State of New York on September 3, 1968. This action follows the majority vote of the members attending first reunion, June 2, 1967, in New York.

BY-LAWS ENCLOSED: Through the hard work of Frank A. Celentano, By-laws of the group now formalized and enclosed for your info!

OFFICERS SELECTED: To start the group going, the following officers (PRO-TEM), Chairman of Board, William E. Dolan; President Sam F. Arauz; Vice President, Frank A. Celentano; Treasurer, Frederick Nowasad; Secretary, Robert C. Chapin...for member representation the By-laws divide the country into eight sections...a delegate will represent each section. (Note names and addresses of delegates on next page.)

NEXT REUNION: Scheduled for July 10 to 12, 1970...in Chicago...at the famous Palmer House. Central location and hotel offer group many advantages...downtown facilities...magnificent swimming pool...outstanding Empire Room, where America's top entertainers are featured. There are eight different types of dining rooms...and we get special rates...\$12 for single and \$18 for twin bedrooms.

A sparkling program being developed to interest all members...more on this shortly. Send us your reply to attached survey so we can have an idea of possible attendance!

IN 1973 GROUP PLANS TOUR TO ENGLAND! At first reunion members requested reunion every three years...so 1973 will be the year for a special charter flight to England...more on this at 1970 reunion...but you can be sure it will be great...and as economical as possible.

MEMBERS SHOULD JOIN NOW to help make the group a success. Annual dues \$5.00...an amount set by the 1967 reunion so as many members could join as possible. Group is non-profit organization...dues will be spent for the benefit of organization and members.

Already some members have pledged advances in amounts from \$100 to \$500 to help prime the pump and assure group adequate beginning financial health.

PRESENT ROSTER now has addresses of about 1,200 384th'ers...you can help swell the ranks by getting more members...more members, more meaningful reunions.

Address all correspondence to THE 384TH BOMB GROUP, INC., WALL STREET STATION, P. O. BOX 766, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10005. Secretary promises to answer mail as quickly as possible.

DELEGATES

<u>REGION</u>	<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>
I. Me., Vt., N.H., Mass., R.I., Conn.	Primo Lombardi 184 Perkins Row Tops Field, Mass.
II. N.Y., Pa., Del., Md., W. Va., Va., Ky., Ohio, D.C.	Donald B. Casey 771 Lancaster Avenue Villanova, Pa. 19085
III. Tenn., N.C., S.C., Ga., Ala., Miss., Fla.	Walter L. Harvey 1514 Bernita Street Jacksonville, Fla. 32211
IV. La., Ark., Okla., N. Mex., Tex.	Clay Hess 1404 Wisteria Way Richardson, Texas 75080
V. Ill, Ind., Mich., Wis., Minn., Iowa	No assignment as yet
VI. N.D., S.D., Nebr., Kans., Mo.	Glen L. Shipley 1016 I Street Fairbury, Nebraska
VII. Calif., Nev., Utah, Colo., Ariz., Hawaii	Budd J. Peaslee 22471 Estoque Place Salinas, Calif. 43091
VIII. Mont., Wash., Ore., Ida., Wyo., Alas.	Marcus V. Nichols Geraldine, Montana 59446

LETTERS RECEIVED

It's still great to hear from the members...so we continue with a few quotes from the latest letters received...

John F. Dugger (Morristown, Tenn)---"I served with the 384th from April, 1944 until Sept, 1944. I would like to become a member, receive Newsletters, etc."

Col Frank L. Cox, Jr. (Norton AFB, Calif)---"It was good to hear from you. I'll have to thank Bob Sheahan for reaching me. I'm disappointed that I did not hear about the Reunion, as I certainly would have attended."

Henry A. Matzner (long Island, N.Y.)---"Thank you for the 1972 Newsletter. It was good to hear about the 384th...Glad to hear the Reunion is on for England in 1974."

Pete Filios (San Bruno, Calif)---"Words cannot describe the thrill of seeing you at the Reunion...Enclosed is a little something for the Group Treasury."

Anthony Nilo, Lt Col USAF (Ret) (Annandale, Va.)---"Led the Group as a Navigator and Tony Palazzo was Bombardier...would like to see the old gang again...Enclosed is my check for membership."

Edward Mc Sweeney (Willmantic, Conn)---"Sorry we could not attend the Reunion in Frisco..We did attend the ones held in New York and Chicago. Had a wonderful time at both...A trip to Grafton Underwood would be of real interest."

Kenneth L. Stolte (Spokane, Washington)---"Was visiting back East and found out our Bomb Group had formed an association..I would like to become a member...Our pilot was Lt. William C. Murphy."

Herb Schaaf (Marietta, Ga.)---"Sorry to hear 'As Briefed' will not be reprinted. I have two copies of the original and would be happy to let someone have a copy who desires one."

Homer J. Cocklin (Dillsbur, Pa.)---"It was certainly a pleasure to see the old gang at the Reunion...I hope my wife and I can make it to England."

Sam Cicala (Hinsdale, Ill)---"I was unable to make the Reunion because of business...Please transfer my deposit to your operating fund..."... (Thank you Sam)...

Courtland Sand (Bergenfield, N.J.)---"Mentioned the Group to a former 384ther who was a member of the 545th squadron...Enclosed is his check... please send him a membership card."

Thomas C. Daniel (Richfield, Minn)---"I didn't know about the organization until I met Kenny Christian of Junction City, Kansas...I would like to belong to the Group."

Joe Ragen (East Helena, Mont)---"Enjoyed Reunion in Frisco very much... Enclosed is my dues."

Howard Stumpf (Minneapolis, Minn)---"Over the years, I have tried to learn of any references to our Group...I just heard of the organization from Fred Holzbaur of Winston-Salem, N.C....I have never witnessed such comradeship as we experienced."

Marvin F. Porteous (Gabbs, Nevada)---"Glad you finally located me. Sorry to hear about the San Francisco Reunion, because if I had known, I would have been there...Anyway here is my dues."

William Hutchison (Clayton, Del)---"Enclosed is my 1973 dues. I will send your letter and Newsletter to the members of our crew...Sorry to hear about 'As Briefed'...Should there be any change in plans, I will be happy to make a contribution."

Ralph G. Carroll (Bloomington, Minn)---"I would like to apply for membership in the 384th. My squadron was the 544th and my pilot was Joe Herbert..I was the radio operator...please send me information about the club's activities."

MEMBERSHIP LIST ADDITIONS

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