

# 384th BOMB GROUP INC.

650 Snug Harbor Drive  
Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435

July 1994

## FOURTEENTH REUNION:

October 20-23, 1994 are the dates for the Fourteenth Reunion of the 384th Bombardment Group(H), Eighth Air Force. The Reunion was announced in the February Newsletter and the response has been good and we are looking forward to a large attendance.

All of the preparations for the Reunion have been completed by your Reunion Committee so all that is needed is for those of you that have not mailed Ted Rothschild a Registration Form and Deposit to do so immediately. Don't procrastinate, do it today as you do not want to miss out on seeing your old comrades and enjoying the excellent program that the Reunion Committee has put together for your enjoyment.

A Registration Form and a Table Reservation Form are enclosed with this Newsletter - fill these out today. After Ted Rothschild receives your Registration Form and Deposit, he will mail you the Hyatt Hotel material.

### HOTEL

The hotel for the FOURTEENTH REUNION will be the HYATT HOTEL ON SARASOTA BAY, 1000 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota, Florida. It is located just off of US-41 and just 7 minutes from the Sarasota/Brandenton Airport and 75 minutes from the Tampa International Airport.

The Reunion Committee is to be congratulated for a job well done and for booking such an excellent hotel. The Hyatt Hotel is situated on shimmering Sarasota Bay and is an oasis famed for its lush gardens, dazzling marina and legendary sunsets. It's dramatic atrium is your introduction to 297 rooms and 12 suites. Tempting options is dining at the boathouse for casual dining, or at the Pampana Cay for fine dining, or wind down at the Poolside Pavilion or Tropics Sports Bar. You will enjoy the FOURTEENTH REUNION at the HYATT HOTEL where your cares will melt away in warm sunshine and cool ocean breezes.

The Hyatt Hotel is adjacent to the Sarasota Quay featuring dockside shopping, restaurants, and night life.

Nearby is the Ringling Museum, Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall, the Asola Theater, Opera House, Selby Gardens, and the Motts Marine Laboratory Aquarium.

It's minutes away from powder-white sands of Siesta Key Beach, Lido Key Beach, and fashionable St. Armands Circle.

Recreation includes nearby championship golf, tennis, boating, fishing, and a variety of water sports.

If you plan to arrive by air we suggest that you schedule your Airline Flight into the Sarasota/Brandenton Airport. The Hyatt Hotel has complimentary bus service to and from the Airport. But, you must call for bus from Airport.

If you arrive by car, take the Sarasota Exit 39 from I-75 to US-41. The Hyatt Hotel is just a couple of blocks north on US-41 and a couple of blocks west on the Boulevard of the Arts.

Your Reunion Committee is to be complimented on securing such an excellent Room Rate, especially with the FOURTEENTH REUNION being scheduled during the Florida Tourist season. The Room Rate for the Hyatt Hotel will be \$69.00 per day, plus tax for a single or double room. The same Room Rate is available for two days prior and for two days following the Reunion, this is an outstanding rate! The Annual Board of Directors Meeting was recently held at the Hyatt and all agreed that the Hyatt is an excellent choice for the FOURTEENTH REUNION. There are also many restaurants near the hotel . . . the location could not be better!

REMEMBER, you must make your own Hotel Reservations. After you mail us your FOURTEENTH REUNION Registration Form and Deposit, we will send you the Hyatt Hotel Room Reservation Card, Envelope, and Hotel Brochure. PLEASE MAIL THE HOTEL ROOM RESERVATION CARD to the Hyatt Hotel on Sarasota Bay. You can also make your Room Reservation by a telephone call direct to the Hyatt Hotel: 1-813-366-9000, or you can telephone the Hyatt Toll Free Number: 1-800-228-3360. If you make your Room Reservations by telephone, please remember to tell them that you are a 384th Bomb Group Registrant. ALL HYATT HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 27th, 1994.

### PROGRAM . . .

As we have learned from past Reunions and Memorial Junkets, we must have a Program. Too many people feel they are being left out if we don't. Many of our members have forgotten some of their old comrades, or were never with the Group long enough to get

*(Continued on page 2)*



544th



545th

1



546th



547th

acquainted . . . or they were shot down on an early mission. So to make sure that no one is left out, we have a program that includes everyone. We feel that your Reunion Committee has put together an excellent program for the FOURTEENTH REUNION, one that had something new or different each day.

The Program for the . . .

#### FOURTEENTH REUNION

##### THURSDAY - October 20th

Check-In - Hyatt Hotel Lobby ..... All Day  
 Registration - Longboat Room ..... 10:00 a.m. - 5:00  
 Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Room - Cash Bar ..... 12:00 Noon - 5:00 p.m.  
 Poolside Cocktail Party & Buffet - Cash Bar ..... 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

##### FRIDAY - October 21st

Coffee & Danish - Desota Ballroom Lobby ..... 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
 Assemble in the Hyatt Hotel Lobby for the Optional Tour ..... 7:30 a.m.  
 Coaches Depart on the Optional Tour - Hyatt Hotel Entrance ..... 8:00 a.m.  
 Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Room - Cash Bar ..... 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Registration - Longboat Room ..... 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Coaches Return from the Optional Tour - Hyatt Hotel Entrance ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Cocktail Party - Desota Ballroom Lobby - Cash Bar ..... 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Dinner - Desota Ballroom ..... 8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
 Circus Show and Party - Desota Ballroom ..... 9:30 p.m. - 10:45 p.m.

##### SATURDAY - October 22nd

Coffee & Danish - Desota Ballroom Lobby ..... 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.  
 Business Meeting - Desota Ballroom North ..... 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
 Ladies Lunch & Fashion Show - Desota Ballroom South ..... 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
 Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Room - Cash Bar ..... 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.  
 POW & Evadee Meeting - Conquistador Room ..... 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
 Host Cocktail Party - Desota Ballroom Lobby ..... 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Dinner Dance - Desota Ballroom - Cash Bar ..... 8:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m.

##### SUNDAY - October 23rd

Service of Remembrance - Desota Ballroom ..... 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  
 Breakfast - Desota Ballroom ..... 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
 Check-Out - Hyatt Hotel Lobby ..... ALL AFTERNOON

There will be entertainment on Thursday and Friday Evenings. We have booked the Trinidades for Thursday and the Ringling Circus Show for Friday. We have booked an excellent Orchestra, the Jack Golley Band, for the Saturday Dinner Dance.

The Optional Tour for Friday is not included as part of the Reunion Package. Friday is basically a free day. If you elect to take the Busch Garden Tour, you will pay a deposit and the balance during Registration at the Tour Desk. For the Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show on Saturday, you will pay the full amount at the Tour Desk.

The Optional Tour scheduled for Friday, October 21st, 1994:

1. A trip by Coach to Busch Gardens, Tampa, Florida. (We've been told that this is an excellent attraction).

The Optional Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show is scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd, 1994:

1. The location is the Hyatt Hotel Ballroom South.

To give us some idea as to the number of people that plan to take the Busch Gardens Tour or attend the Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show, please check the appropriate box on the back of the Registration Form and list the number of people in your party.

Be ready when you are at registration, to tell the person checking you in, what you want for Saturday dinner - Meat or Fish, you will have a choice.

At Hyatt Hotel, Valet parking is \$3.00 per day, self parking is free!

#### TRAVEL AND TOURISM . . .

For the past few Reunions and Memorial Junkets, we have made arrangements with a Travel Agency to help you with your travel and vacation plans, however the majority of our members did not take advantage of this service, so because of this, we have discontinued this service for the FOURTEENTH REUNION.

October 20-23, 1994 are ideal dates for the FOURTEENTH REUNION, this is the start of the Florida Tourist Season and the weather is normally excellent at this time of the year.

There are many PRE/POST REUNION TRIPS for your enjoyment in Florida. Tampa is nearby, just a short 75 minutes from Sarasota. Orlando with Disney World is approximately a three hour trip from Sarasota. There are many sunny beaches, an abundance of golf courses, and other recreational sports. Fishing, boating, Caribbean Cruises, you name it, it's all available in Florida.

Start making your plans to enjoy these many attractions, either prior to, or following the FOURTEENTH REUNION.

#### REGISTRATION FORM AND DEPOSIT . . .

A Registration Form is included with this Newsletter. It would be greatly appreciated if you would fill out and return the Registration Form immediately . . . remember a \$50.00 per person Deposit must accompany each Registration Form for your registration to be considered confirmed. PLEASE help your Reunion Committee by mailing Ted Rothschild the Registration

Form and Deposit as soon as possible and no later than September 27, 1994. Mail the REGISTRATION FORM AND DEPOSIT TO:

Ted Rothschild, Acting Secretary/Treasurer  
384th Bomb Group, Inc.

650 Snug Harbor Drive, Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435-6137

Please make your check payable to: 384th Bomb Group, Inc.

If you plan to take the Optional Tour or attend the Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show, don't forget to check the appropriate box on the back of the Registration Form.

#### **ASSIGNED TABLE SEATING . . .**

Assigned seating for the dinner has been very popular and well accepted at our previous Reunions and Memorial Junkets, so it will once again be used for the FOURTEENTH REUNION. For both the Friday Evening Dinner and for the Saturday Dinner Dance there will be assigned seating. A TABLE RESERVATION FORM is included with this Newsletter with instructions on the back of the form telling you how to fill it out. To assure you are assigned a Group Table, you must fill out and return the form. There is a deadline for the return of the form, we must receive the Table Reservation Form prior to October 1, 1994. People not requesting a Group Table will be assigned a table based upon the date their Registration Form was received. Based upon this, it would be to a person's advantage to make sure they send in both the Registration Form, and/or the Table Reservation Form as quickly as possible.

Mail the Table Reservation Form to:

Lloyd W. Whitlow  
25151 Rivendell Drive

Lake Forest, El Toro, California 92630

If you have any questions about how to fill out the form, don't hesitate to telephone Lloyd at: 1-714-830-3663.

#### **POW's and EVADEE's . . .**

On Saturday, October 22nd, between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. there will be a POW and EVADEE meeting. To help our Historian, Clint Orea in his work, we would like to have all former POW's and EVADEE'S attend this meeting. Clint is also compiling a list of 384thers who were POW's while with the 384th BG. If you have not already given him your name, it would be greatly appreciated if you would do so. He needs the name of the Camp that you were in and any information you may have about other 384thers that were in the Camp with you. Mail this information to:

Clint Orea, Historian  
WML Rt. 2, Box 4417  
Show Low, Arizona 85901

You may also telephone him at: 1-602-537-7539.

#### **MEMORABILIA ROOM . . .**

Don't forget our Nostalgia Room . . . bring pictures, books, or any other memorabilia that you have. You will get a lot of enjoyment looking over these old mementos and talking over the old days. PLEASE remember to pick up your stuff before you leave.

#### **PRICE . . .**

It takes money to put on any kind of affair . . . there are a lot of hidden costs a person doesn't think about.

The cost per person for the FOURTEENTH REUNION will be \$175.00 per person. This does not include your hotel room. The \$175.00 includes your Registration Fee. If a person is unable to attend the entire Reunion, this price will be prorated. Even with the inflation that has occurred since the last Reunion, we were able to keep the price the same as it was for the 50th Anniversary Reunion.

#### **SUMMARY . . .**

The work has been completed, the hotel has been secured, now it is up to you to do your part to make the Fourteenth Reunion a huge success. You can do so by filling out and mailing Ted Rothschild the Registration Form and Deposit. If you desire a Group Table for the two dinners, fill out the Table Reservation Form and mail it to Lloyd Whitlow. DO IT NOW, TODAY!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Hyatt Hotel on Sarasota Bay for the FOURTEENTH REUNION of the 384th BOMBARDMENT GROUP(H), EIGHTH AIR FORCE. To greet and welcome you upon your arrival, there will be a 384th Bomb Group Host and Hostess at the entrance of the Hotel. They will answer any questions and will direct you to the 384th Bomb Group Registration Room.

PLEASE NOTE AND OBSERVE THE DEADLINES

. . .

SEE YOU AT THE HYATT HOTEL ON SARASOTA BAY, SARASOTA, FLORIDA, OCTOBER 20-23, 1994.

**"KEEP THE SHOW ON THE ROAD"**

#### **"D" DAY 50TH ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL SERVICE**

On June 4, 1994, a D-Day 50th Anniversary Memorial Service was held at the Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial at Cambridgeshire, England. Lloyd Whitlow made the trip to England to attend this historical event as the Representative of the 384th Bombardment Group(H). Also in attendance for the historical program were our Honorary Members, Quentin Bland and Brian Goodman. The key people in the program were the Right Honorable John Major, Prime Minister of England, the President of the United States, Bill Clinton, the Honorable Lloyd Bentsen, Secretary of the Treasury, and Walter Cronkite. Lloyd Bentsen flew 35 Combat Missions with the 15th Air Force during WWII. The program ended with a Fly-By/Missing Man Formation of F-16's and a B-17, P-51, and Spitfire.

#### **THE BLAND'S**

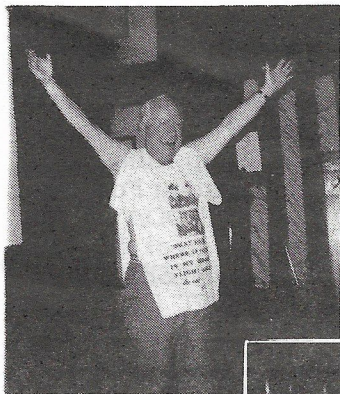
Quentin and Barbara Bland are looking forward to attending the Fourteenth Reunion and all of their travel plans have been completed. They will arrive at the Hyatt Hotel on October 19, 1994.

They again asked us to tell you how thrilled and happy they are that you have made it possible for them to attend the Fourteenth Reunion. They are looking forward to seeing and greeting old friends and in meeting new friends during the Reunion.

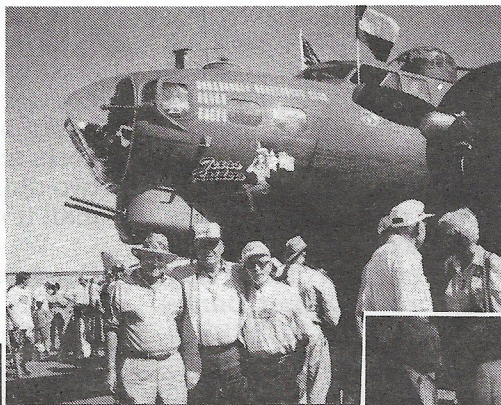
## "THE GATHERING"

On June 4-6, 1994 a Mini-Reunion was held at Hill Air Force Base, Ogden, Utah. This Reunion was held in remembrance of the 50th Anniversary of "D" Day. It was co-sponsored by the 8th Air Force Historical Society, the 384th Bomb Group, Air Force Association and Chapters, Utah, Air Force Heritage Foundation, and the Host was the Ogden Air Logistics Center.

One of the largest Groups in attendance were the members from the 384th Bomb Group, with Major General Dale O. Smith being the senior member present. Others in the program were Nathan Mazer, Bill Harvey, and Ted Rothschild. A Service of Remembrance was held on June 6, 1994 at the World War II Heritage Chapel, the home of our Duplicate Memorial Stained Glass Window.



Bill Harvey



Bill Harvey, Ted Rothschild, Nat Mazer



Nat Mazer, Ed & Pat Barnes



Nat Mazer, Clete Pottebaum, Ted Rothschild, Bill Harvey

### OUR NEXT REUNION "1996"

All who would like our next reunion in their State should start preparing now to make a 5 minute presentation at our Saturday business meeting. You can campaign and hand out paperwork or any other item until the Saturday meeting, but you only have 5 minutes in the meeting for your presentation, SO START PLANNING NOW!!!!

#### BOOKS . . .

"AS BRIEFED" . . . there are still a few copies of the third edition still available. The third edition covers the original book, plus the Addendum, and the many things that the 384th Bomb Group, Inc. has done during the post-war years to perpetuate the memory of the 384th Bombardment Group(H) and the men who served with it. The price is \$29.95, plus \$2.95 for postage and handling. There will be copies available at the Fourteenth Reunion, but if you would like a copy prior to the Reunion send your request to:

Ted Rothschild  
650 Snug Harbor Drive, Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435-6137  
Telephone: 1-407-734-5052

"SCREAMING EAGLE" . . . a remarkable and well done book, the thoughts, and the ideals of a man who was there, the third Commanding Officer of the 384th Bombardment Group(H). If you would like a copy of this excellent book by Major General Dale O. Smith, there will be copies available during the Fourteenth Reunion. The special price for the 384thers is \$12.95,

plus \$2.95 for postage and handling. If you would like a copy mailed to you, send your request to:

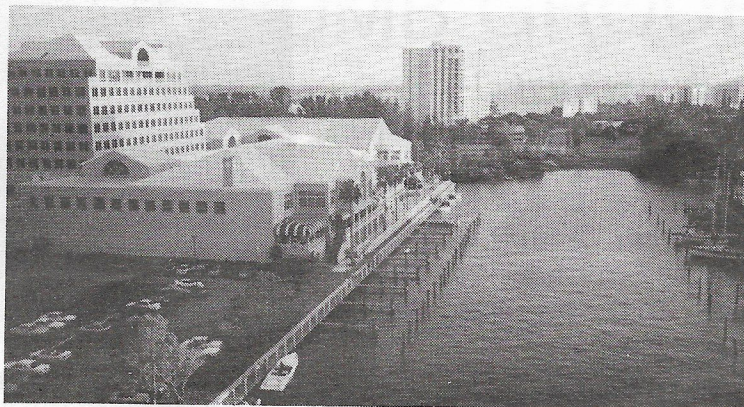
Ted Rothschild  
650 Snug Harbor Drive, Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435-6137  
Telephone: 1-407-734-5052

"COMBAT TOUR WITH UMBRIAGO" . . . the author is 384ther, E.A. (Jerry) Jerome. The personal combat experiences of gunners, cockpit and nose crewmembers in the B-17G Flying Fortress during their 8th Air Force tour with the 384th Bombardment Group(H). An authentic history which provides insights into each ground crew dedicated role and giving full particulars on combat crew problems and actions both on the ground and in the air. Price \$19.95, which includes postage and handling. Send your check to:

E.A. Jerome  
8181 Ellet Road  
Springfield, Virginia 22151-1925  
Telephone: 1-703-321-7057

"WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME" . . . the author is George C. Kuhl, who was a member of the 305th Bombardment Group(H), Chelveston, England. The book is about the second Schweinfurt, Germany Mission of October 14, 1943. The price is \$24.95. If you mail your request for the book and include your Group and Squadron, he will personally autograph the book:

George C. Kuhl  
2329 Redwood Drive  
Augusta, Georgia 30904



*View from Hotel of Shopping Quay  
within walking distance*

## **FASHION SHOW: (AT REUNION)**

A lovely fashion show and luncheon for the ladies on  
Saturday, 22 October 1994 is being planned.

Along with the fashions, a representative from Estee Lauder will be there . . .  
door prizes, etc.

Price is \$15.00 per person payed at reunion.

Just tell us if you will attend by marking back of registration form.

### **NAVIGATORS:**

**RICHARD H. MANSFIELD,**

**A MEMBER OF THE 384TH BOMB GROUP,**

**BUT ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE SELMAN FIELD HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION  
IS LOOKING FOR AIRMEN**

**WHO WERE STATIONED OR SPENT ANY TIME AT  
SELMA FIELD TO PLEASE CONTACT HIM AT  
HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION.**

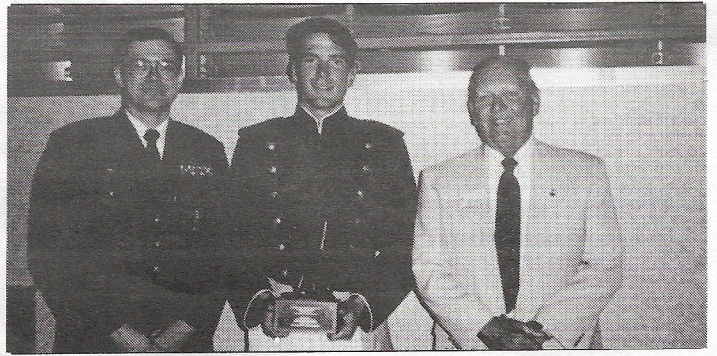
**SELMAN FIELD HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

**P.O. BOX 14962**

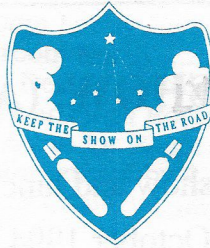
**MONROE, LA 71207-4962**

## FLEDGING AWARD

At the May 1994 Graduation ceremony at the Air Force Academy, we were represented by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Carnes, (a member of the Board of Directors of the 384th Bomb Group), who presented our Fledging Award to Cadet 1st Class John Everington Comins, in the presence of Col. Reed of the Air Force Academy.

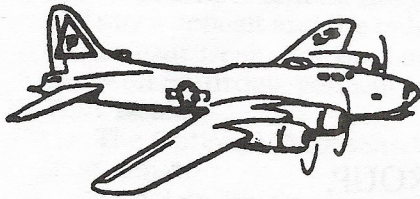


*Colonel Reed, Cadet Commins, Joe Carnes*



### **384th BOMB GROUP INC.**

EIGHTHAIRFORCE  
650 Snug Harbor Drive  
Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435



ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Mr. Henry Sienkiewicz  
105 OLIN DRIVE  
SYRACUSE NY 13219-1308

FIRST-CLASS MAIL  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
WEST PALM BEACH, FL  
PERMIT NO. 953

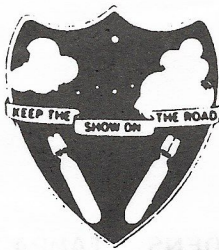
**"Keep the Show on the Road" . . .**



544th



545th



546th



547th

**384th BOMB GROUP INC.**

HYATT HOTEL ON SARASOTA BAY  
OCTOBER 20-23, 1994

EIGHTH AIR FORCE

**REGISTRATION FORM  
FOURTEENTH REUNION**

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is my Check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_, made payable to the 384th Bomb Group, Inc. for the following:

MEMBER

WIFE or GUEST

\_\_\_\_\_ \$175.00 Payment in Full\*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$175.00 Payment in Full\*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 50.00 Deposit

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 50.00 Deposit

**ENROLLMENT INFORMATION:**

\*\*Name \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Wife/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

384th Bombardment Group Squadron or Unit \_\_\_\_\_

New Member, or a Member Attending Their First Reunion \_\_\_\_\_ (Check Only If Applicable)

Mail This Form and Your Check Made Payable To The 384th Bomb Group, Inc. To:

Ted Rothschild, Acting Secretary/Treasurer  
384th Bomb Group, Inc.  
650 Snug Harbor Drive, Apt. G-402  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435-6137

**RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS, FINAL PAYMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS:**

All REGISTRATION FORMS must be accompanied by a DEPOSIT of \$50.00 per person, or Payment in FULL to be considered confirmed. FINAL PAYMENT will be DUE and will be COLLECTED du REGISTRATION, October 20th & 21st, 1994. There will be NO PENALTY for a CANCELLATION m prior to September 27th, 1994. There will be a PENALTY of \$10.00 per person for a CANCELLATION made between September 27th & October 19th, 1994. THERE WILL BE NO REFUND MADE OF YOUR DEPOSIT IF A CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 20TH, 1994.

NOTE: Each Person must make their own Hotel Reservations. A Special Reservation Card is being provided by the Hyatt Hotel. If you make your Hotel Reservation by telephone and do not use the Reservation Card, make certain that you make your Reservation as a 384th Bomb Group Registrant to insure you receive our Special Room Rate.

\*THIS PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE THE HYATT HOTEL ROOM RATE.

\*\*YOUR NAME WILL BE ENGRAVED ON YOUR NAME TAG THE WAY IT IS SHOWN HERE.

(Over)

**OPTIONAL TOUR TO BUSCH GARDENS, TAMPA, FLORIDA SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1994.**

We have received a price of \$40.00 per person for the Bush Gardens Tour. This will include your entry fee to Bush Gardens and your Coach Transportation to and from the Hyatt Hotel, Sarasota, Florida. The difference between your deposit/deposits will be collected during Registration on Thursday, October 20, 1994.

I PLAN TO TAKE THE BUSCH GARDENS TOUR

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN MY PARTY \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSED IS MY CHECK FOR THE DEPOSIT OF \$20.00 PER PERSON MADE PAYABLE TO: 384TH BOMB GROUP, INC.  
AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONAL LADIES LUNCH AND FASHION SHOW SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1994.**

No deposit will be required for the Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show. If you plan to attend the money for the Lunch will be collected during Registration on Thursday, October 20, or Friday, October 21, 1994. The price for the Lunch and Fashion Show will be \$15.00 per person.

I PLAN TO ATTEND THE LADIES LUNCH AND FASHION SHOW

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN MY PARTY (Ladies Only) \_\_\_\_\_

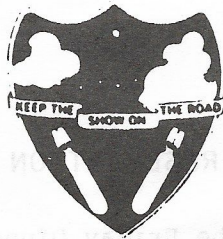




544th



545th



546th



547th

**384th BOMB GROUP INC.**

**EIGHTH AIR FORCE**

25151 Rivendell Drive  
Lake Forest, El Toro,  
California 92630  
(714) 830-3663

**TABLE RESERVATIONS  
FOURTEENTH REUNION**

All Table Seating for the Friday Dinner and the Saturday Dinner Dance will be handled in the following manner.

The people shall be seated at each table and the tables shall be filled from the FRONT to the REAR of the BALLROOM on a FIRST COME BASIS. The Table Assignments will be given out along with the Dinner Tickets during Registration.

If you desire to be seated at the same table as your Crew, Friends, or Guests you may request a GROUP TABLE, ten (10) people per table. Couples may make reservations, per table, for from three (3) to ten (10) people, or two of more singles may make a reservation. If there are more than ten (10) people in your Group, an adjoining table will be assigned. If there are less than ten (10) people in your Group, then you will share a table. It is not necessary for just one person, or one couple to fill out and return a Table Reservation Form as these people shall receive their table assignments based upon the date their Fourteenth Reunion Registration Form was received.

All of the Table Assignments for those people requesting a GROUP TABLE shall be based upon the date their Table Reservation Form was received. All of the Table Assignments for those people that DO NOT request a GROUP TABLE shall be based upon the date their Fourteenth Reunion Registration Form was received.

**BOTH FORMS SHALL RECEIVE EQUAL TREATMENT!**

Please Mail the Table Reservation Form to: Lloyd W. Whitlow  
25151 Rivendell Drive  
Lake Forest, El Toro, CA 92630

If you have any questions telephone: 714-830-3663

REMEMBER: Mail the TABLE RESERVATION FORM TO Lloyd W. Whitlow.  
Mail the FOURTEENTH REUNION REGISTRATION FORM TO Ted Rothschild.

**NOTE TO THE PEOPLE THAT WILL BE MAKING OUT A GROUP TABLE RESERVATION FORM.**

PLEASE designate only one person in your Group to fill out and return the Table Reservation Form as this will eliminate duplications. The person designated will list each person they desire to be seated at their GROUP TABLE. To insure that we do not receive duplicate Table Reservation Forms, make sure that each person listed on your Table Reservation Form has been contacted and has been made aware that you are making the GROUP TABLE RESERVATIONS for him/her.

Because of the time required to make the Table Assignments, a TIME LIMIT has to be made for the return of the Table Reservation Form. The DEADLINE for the return of the Table Reservation Form shall be October 1, 1994. AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1994 THERE SHALL BE NO GUARANTEE OF BEING ASSIGNED A GROUP TABLE.

(Over)

TABLE RESERVATION FORM

REMEMBER: All Table Seating for the Friday Dinner and the Saturday Dinner Dance shall be assigned based upon the date of the receipt of the TABLE RESERVATION FORM, and/or the FOURTEENTH REUNION REGISTRATION FORM ON A FIRST COME BASIS!

If you desire to be seated at a table with your Crew, Friends, or Guests, PLEASE follow the instructions on the reverse side of this Table Reservation Form.

NOTE: ALL TABLE SEATING FOR THE FRIDAY DINNER AND THE SATURDAY DINNER DANCE SHALL BE ASSIGNED IN ADVANCE. TO INSURE THAT YOU ARE ASSIGNED A GROUP TABLE, THIS TABLE RESERVATION FORM MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 1994. THERE SHALL BE NO GUARANTEE OF BEING ASSIGNED A GROUP TABLE AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1994. THERE SHALL BE NO TABLE ASSIGNMENTS MADE ON FRIDAY OR SATURDAY EVENINGS. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Person Making The Reservation \_\_\_\_\_

\*Wife/Husband/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

\*Crew Member/Friend/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

384th Bombardment Group Squadron or Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Person Making The Reservation for an Adjoining Table \_\_\_\_\_

\*Underline the Appropriate Person and Just One Person Per Line.

\*\*List the People for an Adjoining Table on another Table Reservation Form.

FOR USE BY THE FOURTEENTH REUNION COMMITTEE ONLY.

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Group \_\_\_\_\_

Table Assigned \_\_\_\_\_ Adjoining Table Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

TO TAMPA ↑

UNIVERSITY PARKWAY

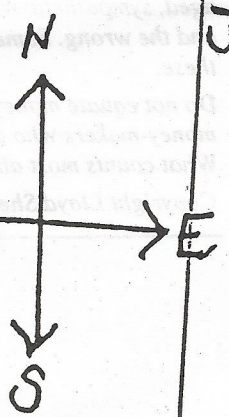
SARASOTA BRADENTON AIRPORT



DESOTO RD



I-75



LONGBOAT KEY

TUTTLE AVE

BENEVA

10th ST

ORANGE AVE

17th

12th XPMX

6th ST

3RD ST

FRUITVILLE RD

EXIT 39

HYATT SARASOTA

6th ST DEPARTS



ST ARMANDS CIRCLE

OSPREY AVE

I-75

BEE RIDGE RD



TO VENICE ↓

SIESTA

## Resolutions

*No one will ever get out of this world alive.*

*Resolve therefore to maintain a sense of values.*

*Take care of yourself. Good health is everyone's major source of wealth. Without it, happiness is almost impossible.*

*Resolve to be cheerful and helpful. People will repay you in kindness.*

*Avoid angry, abrasive persons. They are generally vengeful.*

*Avoid zealots. They are generally humorless.*

*Resolve to listen more and to talk less. No one ever learns anything by talking.*

*Be chary of giving advice. Wise men don't need it, and fools won't heed it.*

*Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life you will have been all of these.*

*Do not equate money with success. There are many successful money-makers who are miserable failures as human beings.*

*What counts most about success is how a man achieves it.*

*Copyright Lloyd Shearer, 1975*

## SEEKING UNUSUAL & INTERESTING WWII STORIES

I am compiling exciting or unique Eight Air Force WWII experiences for a publication collaboration tentatively entitled: **CHRONICLES FROM THE MEN OF THE MIGHTY EIGHTH**. So, if you, or a relative had one or several WWII experiences that is touching, heroic, romantic, unique or just plain incredible, please send it in. There is no restriction to the number of stories submitted. Please enclose your full name, time served in the 8th, unit, plane name, base, title of your story(s) and be sure to include all dates and locations. (Please include your home phone number if I have any additional questions). Send stories to:

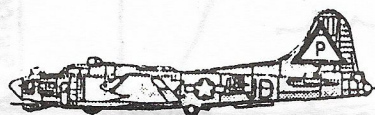
Rusty Briarton  
5270 Del Paz Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO 80918

## 384th BMW COMPARATIVE AIRCRAFT ANALYSIS



B-1B

- SPAN: 137'
- LENGTH: 146'
- ARMAMENT: NONE
- CRUISE: 440 KTAS
- TOP SPEED: 800 KTAS (1.2 MACH)
- FUEL: 32,500 GALLONS
- MAX GROSS WT: 420,000 LBS
- CREW: 4
- WEAPONS CAPACITY: 125,000 LBS (60 TONS)
- A/IONICS: PULSED DOPPLER SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR  
AN/ASQ-184 OFFENSIVE A/IONICS SYSTEM  
AN/ALQ-161 DEFENSIVE A/IONICS SYSTEM



B-17G

- SPAN: 104'
- LENGTH: 75'
- ARMAMENT: 13 .50 MG
- CRUISE: 160 KTAS
- TOP SPEED: 302 KTAS (.45 MACH)
- FUEL: 3,630 GALLONS
- MAX GROSS WT: 55,000 LBS
- CREW: 10
- WEAPONS CAPACITY: 4000 LBS (2 TONS)
- A/IONICS: NORDEN ANALOG BOMB SIGHT

## An Open Letter From Your C.O. 1943

### TO ALL PERSONNEL:

As commanding officer of this group, which for the duration of this war will be your home and chief interest, I extend my sincere appreciation for the fine spirit and remarkable advancement you have made.

You combat crews have learned to think and work together as team - your progress is extremely gratifying to me.

To Engineering - All you men on the line, despite the many difficulties and long hours, have demonstrated time and again your ability to do a good job and Keep 'Em Flying.

Communications, armament, ordnance, intelligence and the administrative staffs have done an outstanding job in coordinating the activities of this group into a balanced efficient unit.

Everyone has taken hold - and I am proud of you - and proud to be the commanding officer of this group.

Remember, we have a definite goal before us . . . to do our best in crushing the enemy. This Group, you and I, are dedicated to this task in the service of our country.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

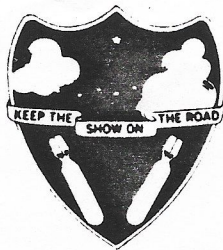
BUDD J. PEASLEE, Colonel, Air Corps.



544th



545th



546th



547th

# 384th BOMB GROUP INC.

EIGHTH AIR FORCE

HEADQUARTERS HYATT HOTEL  
1000 BOULEVARD OF THE ARTS  
SARASOTA, FLORIDA  
OCTOBER 20TH-23RD, 1994

## PROGRAM FOURTEENTH REUNION 384TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)

### THURSDAY - OCT. 20TH

|                                                         |                      |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Check-In - Hyatt Hotel Lobby                            | ALL DAY              |
| Registration - Longboat Room                            | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM   |
| Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Court - Cash Bar | 12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM |
| Cocktails & Poolside Buffet - Poolside - Cash Bar       | 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM   |

### FRIDAY - OCT. 21ST

|                                                         |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Coffee & Danish - Tropics Room                          | 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM  |
| Assemble in Hyatt Hotel Lobby for Optional Tour         | 7:30 AM            |
| Coaches Depart - Hyatt Hotel Entrance                   | 8:00 AM            |
| Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Court - Cash Bar | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  |
| Registration - Longboat Room                            | 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  |
| Cocktail Party - The Gallery                            | 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM  |
| Dinner & Circus Show - Desota Ballroom                  | 8:00 PM - 11:59 PM |

### SATURDAY - OCT. 22ND

|                                                         |                      |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Coffee & Danish - The Gallery                           | 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM    |
| Business Meeting - Desota Ballroom North                | 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon |
| Ladies Lunch & Fashion Show - Desota Ballroom South     | 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM   |
| Memorabilia Room & Lounge - Four Flags Court - Cash Bar | 12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM |
| POW & Evadee Meeting - Florida Room                     | 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM    |
| Optional Movie Show - Desota Ballroom                   | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM    |
| Host Cocktail Party - The Gallery                       | 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM    |
| Dinner Dance - Desota Ballroom                          | 8:00 PM - 11:59 PM   |

### SUNDAY - OCT. 23RD

|                                          |                    |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Service of Remembrance - Desota Ballroom | 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM  |
| Breakfast - Desota Ballroom              | 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM |
| Check-Out - Hyatt Hotel Lobby            | ALL AFTERNOON      |