



Walter Dunn 766 Squadron sent in this photo of the 461st band taken at Hammer Field, December 1943. From left, Walter Dunn, Liebman, Houde, and Alverson. Reader Comment requested.



On Page 38 of Torretta Flyer No #11, the photo sent by Simon Faherty was cut off. On the roof was 1st./Sgt. Robert Fisher left. and Mark Bales, supply clerk; right. On the ground from left are: George Williams; Norman Geary, Supply Sgt.; George Thullenson; Al Morse; and Nate Lieblich. New information provided by Wally Robinson and Ed Schrader both of the 767Sq. Ed goes on to say that this building was framed and erected by the Italians with the squadron personnel completing the work. Whenever additional materials or supplies were needed, Nate Lieblich could always obtain them with or without an official requisition.



This photo appears to have been taken in a 461st BG NCO club in Italy during the war. Reader comment is requested to identify them. File Photo



This is what a 155MM shell does to the waist section of a Liberator. A split second after Major Frank M. Poole's ship #70 (767Sq.) had dropped its load of high explosive on the railyards of Graz, March 10, 1945, the shell whistled through the open bomb bay and smashed the radio compartment to splinters.

Miraculously not a person was hurt, with the exception of the radio operator who received a slight smack on the arm. Rudder cables, interphone and oxygen systems were cut, but the plane returned safely to base.

From Left Standing, Hook, Spencer, Shaw, Ryan, Ferrara, and Poturalski. Kneeling, Donner, Hanly, Herbert, and Scott. Not shown were Major Poole and Lt Holms.

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Crew 5, 764 Squadron, Hammer Field December 1943 posing in front of B-24H, 41-29289, "Battle Crate". They are from left standing: Vito J Parisi, Radio Operator; Euwell O. Hartwell, Engineer; Roque Gonzales, Bombardier; Keith L Fuller, Pilot; and Richard L Durand, Nose Gunner. Kneeling from left are: Elmer L. Hanson, Tail Gunner; Ira W. Hebert, Top Turret Gunner; Kenneth L Parker, Ball Gunner; Thomas E. Daly, Navigator; and Mac L. Lucas, Co Pilot. Robert L. Butlar photo 764 Sq.