
News Of The Association

Plans For The Future

Attendance at reunions is falling as our older members age, passings are more frequent, and many are becoming infirm preventing them from traveling to a reunion site.

The problem is that Bea and I are getting older too, facing the frailties of the aging process. We had hoped that new directors would be elected to take over the association. However, the majority of our members are of the same age or older and facing the same future. We recommended that the corporation be dissolved in 2001 because of our members' aging and declining health. This should be done while we are still able to accomplish the task of preparing and transferring the Association's archives to a suitable foundation or museum of similar aims.

The recommendation that the Association will continue operations until December 31, 2001 was approved by the membership at the St. Louis reunion. At that time the 484th Bomb Group will pass into history.

After that date the materials collected from 1981 to the end of 2001 will be converted for transfer to a library or museum. The collection consists of memorabilia, mission reports, maps, photographs, micro films, morning reports, intelligence documents, data base lists, and books.

From now till December 31, 2001 we will continue to operate as usual, two Flyers per year, and a yearly reunion. The Scholarship Memorial Fund will be adjusted to be fully distributed by 2001.

99 Reunion Thanks

Thank you to:

1) Fang and Edith Hansen 824 Sq for the wine supplied not only to the 824th Squadron members but to all attendees.

2) Orville and Kate Hommert, 827 Sq for their help at the St Louis Records Center and more.....

3) Bud Pressel 825 Sq for the chips supplied by Martin's Potato Chips

4) Betty Schroeder, Claude Schroeder's wife, for the clever diet refrigerator magnets she made and brought to the reunion for distribution to the ladies.

5) Rev. John Nicolai for his fine invocation at the banquet.

6) Alan Davidson for his portable copy machine in the Display Room used by so many of our members.

Annual Meeting Report

The annual business meeting took place on Saturday October 9, 1999 at 9 AM. Minutes of Board of Directors Meetings of November 5, 1998 and November 6, 1998, respectively were read and approved. This was in regard to the election by written ballot of the Board of Directors for the year 1998-1999. The financial report was given and approved. The current financial status of the Memorial Scholarship Fund was reported as approximately \$21,772.03 as of September 30, 1999. Current paid 1999 membership total: 390.

Election of Directors

In accordance with the Notice of Annual Meeting for the purpose of electing Directors for the year 1999-2000, the election of directors took place. The Directors are: Bud Markel, Beatrice Markel, John Billings, Ken Hubertz and Ed Schwartz.

Under new business, upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors that the membership consider dissolving the Corporation as of December 31 of the year 2001, due to the aging and declining health of the majority of the members, after some discussion, the membership approved the recommendation that the Corporation be dissolved as of December 31, 2001.

Scholarship Report

Vernon Janke, member of the Scholarship Committee, made the Committee recommendation that distribution of the scholarship fund also be made by the end of the year 2001. The amounts of the awards to the Harvard, Nebraska, and the students in the Torretta, Italy area, as follows: One award for each of the years 2000 and 2001 to a Harvard, Nebraska student of Harvard Public School, in the amount of at least \$2000 for each year. Six awards for each of the years 2000 and 2001 to each of the six students in the Torretta, Italy area, in the amount of \$1500 each, for a total of \$9000 for each year, or if more than six students in the Torretta, Italy area are to share in the \$9000 per year distribution, the amount of the award per student will be adjusted accordingly. The membership approved all of the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee.

Contributions to the Scholarship Fund

IMOF=In Memory Of

<u>Name</u>	<u>L.Name</u>	<u>unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Charles H	Bell	825	IMOF Bob Quinlan
Lee E	Boydston	825	
James F	Carney	824	
Colin E	Dye	826	IMOF Brother Keith H Dye
Joe	Hebert	826	
H M	Hendrickson	824	
John	Hicks	826	IMOF Beloved Wife, Marie
Robert	Kelliher	765	
Adolph	Marcus	824	IMOF Deceased Crew members
E Forrest	Nance	824	IMOF Wife Suzanne
E Forrest	Nance	824	IMOF John Hensel
Barrow F	Neale	826	
Mrs Walter	Rix	824	IMOF husband Walter Rix
John H	Robson	826	
John	Stonecipher	825	