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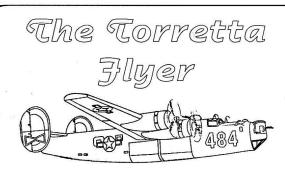
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With this edition Number 39 Fall-Winter 2001 "The Torretta Flyer" will cease publication. The magazine format was adapted from number 10 onward. Numbers 1 through 3 were called bulletins of one to three pages. The name Torretta Flyer did not appear until number 4. Numbers 5 and 6 were of mimeograph style. Numbers 7 through 9 were the first to use justified type and were printed from paste up boards. Number 9 had a green cover and incorporated a membership roster. From Number 14 the Flyer was composed and laid out on our Apple computer using a program called Ready-Set-Go. Later editions were created using Adobe PageMaker which had superior layout features. Scanned photographs were first used in issue number 37 and subsequent issues. Each magazine was made up from contributions from members and articles adapted from other publications. The style of the Flyer was adapted from the American Aviation Historical Journal, and the New Yorker Magazine.

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Return to Torretta & Cerignola

The May 1 to May 10, 2002 tour to southern Italy is gaining momentum, more people are signing up. Cities included are: Rome, Naples, Pompeii, Sorrento, Isle of Capri, Amalfi Drive, Solerno, Bari, Cerignola, and Torretta Airdrome. Umberto Albanese and his wife Antonietta have invited all members to their home in Cerignola, guests on the tour will enjoy the hospitality of this couple well known to the 484th members for making the Italian Scholarship Program so successful. Contact your congenial tour leader, John H Nicolai-827 Sq at (701) 223-3560 to sign up.



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