



NEWSLETTER



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DEAR TROOPS,

The 16th Annual Reunion held at the Knickerbocker Hotel in Chicago, Illinois is now past history with fond memories of our fellowship together while there. The Reunion got off to an unofficial start on Thursday evening the 27th of September when Charlie and Doris Stine, Percy Young, John "Gus" Karoly, Dot and Walt Gibson, Evelyn Cohen, Dave Sweeney, Fred Beard, Selma and Ed Goldstone, Anthony Schlonski and yours truly went out on the town. Howie Moore our Reunion Chairman was busy with "Peanuts" and couldn't join us.

The Executive Board met on Friday afternoon instead of Saturday morning since the Executive Board Members were present. Many plans were discussed and made for the Norwich Reunion to be held 13 June 1963 in Norwich, England. We were very pleased with the progress that has been made. Various aspects will be discussed in detail in another section of this Newsletter.

I'm in the process of jotting this down while I'm on duty here at the Registration Desk at the Cocktail Party. I couldn't resist letting you join with us here. I'm sure you would enjoy it if you were here and you may rest assured that we all wish that you were. Whatever, your reason for not being with us this year, we hope, will not interfere in the years to come.

Ray Hess just called to express his regrets. Both he and his wife got ill on their way and had to return home. Thanks for calling and letting us know and we're sorry you couldn't join us but we enjoyed talking with you. The Sears and Snyders also were not able to join with us due to circumstances beyond their control but you were with us in spirit.

The drawing for a door prize which is a half gallon of Canadian Club through the courtesy of Hiram Walker is about to be drawn. Wonder who the lucky winner will be. John "Gus" Karoly is digging deep for the lucky winner. How lucky can you get. He drew his own name. Congratulations!! Tomorrow night we'll have another drawing for a similar door prize. I'll let you know after the Banquet who the lucky winner will be.

I'll close this portion for tonight and be back again with you tomorrow. Everyone is trying to figure out where to go for the rest of the evening. I'll be back with you again tomorrow.

Here I am again. This has been a rather busy day and especially so after a late night and much reminiscing.

I shall list the names of those attending the Reunion at the conclusion of this report since not all have checked in yet.

The Business Meeting was held according to schedule and the Minutes of the Meeting are as follows:

Minutes of the
15th Annual Meeting of the
Second Air Division Association
29 September 1962

The 15th Annual Meeting of the Second Air Division Association was called to order by President Charles Stine at 2:00 PM 29 September 1962. President Stine welcomed all members.

Hathy Veynar acted as Secretary in the absence of Raymond Strong. Minutes of the 14th Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report as of 1 September 1962 was given by John Karoly, Acting Treasurer in the absence of Dean Moyer. A motion was made by Fred Beard and seconded by Percy Young that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as read with a balance of \$1,292.72.

A motion was made and seconded that the Chairman of any Reunion have the authority to ask for and receive a deposit for reservations made for any of the events of a Reunion.

John Karoly, Chairman of Project Stone, gave a report on the collection and delivery of the stones to the 17th Bomb Wing at Pease AFB in New Hampshire. Two thousand one hundred twenty-five (2,125) pounds of stones were sorted and packed. A motion was made and seconded that John Karoly and John Cunningham be given a vote of thanks for the efficient manner in which they brought "Project Stone" to a successful conclusion.

A motion was made by Jordon Uttal and seconded by Allan Clark that each member present be declared a delegate to the Convention.

A report was made by Percy Young on the Norwich Reunion to the effect that the English are looking forward to having us as their guest for the Dedication of the American Room in the Norwich Library. It was recommended that each member make their own reservations as soon as possible since hotel facilities are rather limited unless you are planning on staying with friends over there.

A motion was made and seconded that the site for the 1964 Reunion be chosen at the Business meeting to be held in Norwich, England next year.

A motion was made by Allan Clark and seconded by Fred Beard that the slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee be unanimously accepted.

The slate of officers for the year 1963 is as follows:

President	- John Cunningham
Vice-President	- John Karoly
Secretary	- Raymond Strong
Treasurer	- Dean Moyer
Membership Vice-President	- Evelyn Cohen
Publicity Vice-President	- Hathy Veynar
Military Affairs V-P	- Percy Young

The following motion was made, seconded and after a general discussion was adopted by the unanimous vote of those present and voting:

Section III of the By-Laws of the Second Air Division Association - MEMBERSHIP - is hereby amended by adding at the end of the first paragraph the following new paragraphs:

There shall also be auxiliary membership which shall be limited to one thousand members. Auxiliary members shall pay annual dues of \$5.00. Auxiliary members shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Second Air Division Association except that such auxiliary members shall not have the privilege of voting at the annual business meeting of the Association. The following classes shall be eligible for auxiliary membership:

Election to membership shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at the annual business meeting or, where the president of the Second Air Division Association has received applications for associate membership more than 60 days prior to the next annual meeting, then, such applicants may be elected to auxiliary membership upon the nomination of the president and the affirmative vote of two-thirds of a Screening Committee which shall be appointed annually by the president of the Association.

(a) Widows, parents, descendants, brothers or sisters of those who served in the Second Air Division, 8th Air Force, at any time from September, 1942 to January 1946.

(b) Any person who has been cited by a president or a former president of the Second Air Division Association as having contributed substantial services to or on behalf of the Second Air Division Association.

(c) Those who have been cited by a president or a former president of the Second Air Division Association as having made a substantial contribution to the Memorial Trust Fund in memory of those members of the Second Air Division, 8th Air Force, who gave their lives in the service of their country while flying from European bases.

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The Banquet was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Knickerbocker Hotel. It was or rather I should say it was very beautiful with the red, white and blue lighting under the floor. The decoration was the flag of Great Britain in honor of our Guest Speaker who was the Honorable A. G. Gilchrist, British Consul General. He was a most interesting speaker and he had as his guest Mr. Gordon Campbell, The Lord Commissioner of Finance of the House of Commons. We enjoyed both of our guests and their lovely wives.

Howard Moore was our Master of Ceremonies and as usual was his gay, witty self with the rest of the members joining in with their bits.

After the Banquet everyone adjourned to the Hospitality Room to enjoy dancing to a very fine combo. The door prize was won by Halver Halverson who was attending his first Reunion.

Those attending the Reunion were Charles and Doris Stine; David Sweeney; John P. Karoly; Walter and Dorothy Gibson; Evelyn Cohen; Lee and Patricia Lovan; Edward and Selma Goldstone; John J. Cunningham; Fred Beard; Allan & Rita Clark; Walter and Catherine Andrews; Howard and Gladys Moore; Anthony Schiowski; Halver and Myrnell Halverson; Lenard and Gladys Ludwig; Percy Young; Jordan and Joyce Uttal; John and Betty Jacobowitz; Clem and Irene Kowalczyk; Norman and Jeanne Gahn; Charles Steinacker; George H. Parker; Lowell and Wilma Miinch; Robert and Mary Pellican and Warren and "Steve" Alberts.

CHANGE of ADDRESS

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McGeary, Delores (Hommer), 315 Robertson Road, Ridgecrest, California

Nichols, Derise L., 2521 Cornell Drive, N. W., Roanoke, Virginia

Veynar, Mrs. Milton (Hathy), 6018 Hemingway Road, Dayton, Ohio

Walker, Mrs. Michael (Lee Shoemaker), 7010 Atlantic Avenue, Upper Darby, Pa.

Whittle, Major James L., Jr., 4042 Logston Court, Sacramento, California

Wright, Colonel Robert L., 5010th Air Base Wing, APO 937, Seattle, Washington

Viets, Jack H., 5130 Erbs Bridge Road, Mechanicsburgh, Pa.

NEW MEMBERS

Albaugh, Paul W., 155 Hollywood Blvd, Steubenville,
Ohio 389th BG

Anderson, Aner R., Eliden, Nebraska 392nd BG

Brenner, Louis S., 8056 S.W. 4th Avenue, Portland 19,
Oregon

Halverson, Halver S., 307 W. Washington St., Stoughton,
Wisconsin 93rd BG

McCall, John M. Jr., 901 Hatherleigh Road, Baltimore 12,
Maryland

Olson, Arther W., 357 Simms Street, Aurora,
Illinois 392nd BG

Risley, J. A., 682 Slade Avenue, Elgin, Ill. 446th BG

Smith, Franklin E., 1705 S. Johnson, Enid, Oklahoma

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Golstein, Rabbi Albert S., 1187 Beacon Street, Brook-
line 46, Massachusetts

Hegman, Richard A., 810 W. 3rd Avenue, Pine City, Minn.

Hunton, T/Sgt. Edward M., Hq. U. S. European Command
(SMC), APO 128, New York, New York

Luche, William F., 2229 Oak Street, Northbrook, Illinois

Reno, Mitchell P., 36 Maplewood Drive, New Monmouth,
New Jersey

Rodriguez, Joseph R., 277 Hollywood Ave, Yonkers, N. Y.

"PROJECT STONE" has reached a successful conclusion and the stones have arrived in England for use around the fountain at the entrance to the American Room of the Norwich Library. This project consumed many, many hours of John "Gus" Karoly's and John Cunningham's time and money to get these stones sorted, packaged and transported to Pease AFB, New Hampshire for transportation to England.

In the name of the Association, I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to both Johns for the efficient manner in which they carried this project to a successful close and I know that you will again want to give thanks when you view these stones in place on our trip to England in June 1963.

The response from the various States was most gratifying and all are represented and you will be able to find stones from every state in the Union.

I'll quote some of the comments made by the various universities who furnished the small stones.

UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY:

"The United States Military Academy is honored to have the opportunity to contribute to this memorial by way of providing from its grounds selected stones to be used in the construction of a walk made from American soil. The stones were selected from historic sites which are dear to the memories of all graduates of West Point."

THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS:

"Dr. D. M. Henderson, in charge of our work in mineralogy, has selected some material. We are happy to send these rocks collected from the State of Illinois to be shipped to England for use in the construction of the memorial at Norwich, England."

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND:

"This afternoon we were able to put in the mail the shoe box full of stones to be a part of the walk in front of the memorial library in Norwich, England. The Arnold Air Society of the University of Maryland's AFROTC was kind enough to select the stones."

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS:

"The utilization of the Second Air Division Association Memorial Fund for the construction and endowment of the American American Room in the proposed new library in Norwich, England is indeed an excellent idea. The inclusion of American soil and rock in the entryway surely will serve to remind all of us of the strength and unity that binds the people of America and Great Britain. The University of Massachusetts will be happy to do its part by complying with your request for a "shoebox full of stones" from Massachusetts to be used in this project. Many of the specimens will be trimmed and polished in our lapidary room by members of the Geology Club who have taken a genuine interest in this memorial project. Each specimen will bear a label denoting its proper geological or mineralogical name and the location from which it came."

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA:

"Dr. K. N. Satche of our Department of Geology is presently gathering and labeling the box of stones you requested. May I add my personal commendation to you and your group for having so faithfully carried on the original intent of the Second Air Division to construct this memorial."

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS:

"The box contains quartz, bauxite, calcite, sandstone, dolomite zinc, and a number of less distinctive stones. The stones are being sent by the University's Department of Geology, the Museum, and Mr. Robert McFeeters of Fayetteville, a chemical engineer-business man who pursues mineralogy as a hobby. Again thank you for your letter, and for the opportunity to contribute to the memorial."

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA:

"The University of Georgia welcomes the opportunity to participate in such a worthwhile project and we have shipped a box of stones from the University campus."

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY:

"Today I am sending a shoe-box full of pre-Cambrian Montana stones gathered from the Bitter Root River west of Missoula. We are glad to take part in this effort and are pleased that the Second Air Division has chosen a Library as its memorial to the men from that Division who gave their lives for England and America. I can think of no more appropriate or lasting group."

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA:

"The rocks are native rocks, some of them crushed and contributed by the Geology Department, others are native pebbles. They were gathered by a group of students belonging to a service fraternity known as Alpha Phi Omega and consisting of men who, at one time, have been Boy Scouts. The collection of these rocks has been part of a student service project for the University of Nebraska and we are pleased to forward them to you."

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS:

"By separate mail we are sending a box of stones gathered from the University of Texas Campus. Please feel free to call on us for any additional material that you may need."

NORWICH REUNION

We have received notice of the passing of three of our members.

F. Gilbert Leeder passed away on 3 August 1961.

Father Gerald O. Beck died at St. Mary Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio on 6 July 1962.

Colonel John G. Cunningham our President-elect for 1963 passed away suddenly the middle of October this year. We were indeed sorry to hear of his passing and also sorry that he won't be able to view the completion of "Project Stone" which consumed a lot of his time this past year.

Information pertaining to the Norwich Reunion is included in the separate Application for Reservations. If you wish to make this trip with us please get your applications in as soon as possible and there are quite a few who have expressed their desire to take this trip. I am in the process of moving. In fact, the movers will be here tomorrow. However, I shall be arriving in Dayton, Ohio on the 2nd of December, and I don't anticipate working for awhile and will have considerable more time to devote to the Norwich Reunion. I also have my husband and artist back from his Okinawa tour and I'll see if I can't prevail upon him again to help make the Newsletter a little more interesting for you.

My new address is listed on the Application for Reservations.

HATHY VEYNAR