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Remembrance Day At Station 131

Marilyn Gibb-Rice, president of the 398th Bomb Group Memorial Association, had the honor and pleasure of being at Nuthampstead on Memorial Sunday, November 8, 2009, and placing flowers on the 398th Memorial.

Marilyn and her husband, Geoff Rice, made the decision last year to move from their home in Colorado to Essex, England.

Marilyn, after inheriting the presidency from the late Wally Blackwell, was elected president at the Austin, Texas, reunion last September.

"We both will continue to serve the 398th," said Marilyn, "while living in England."

Marilyn and Geoff, who hope to live near Nuthampstead, will be on hand to greet the members of the upcoming England-Czech Republic Tour, scheduled for June 9-21, 2010. More on the Tour on Pages 4 and 5.

Mighty 8th Says Thanks

Savannah, GA — The Mighty 8th Museum greatly appreciates the \$5K donation from the 398th for the restoration of our B-17. Donations such as your will enable us to complete the restoration in a shorter period of time than would otherwise be possible. Thank you.

— Henry Skipper, CEO

On The Inside

"I KNEW HIM" is what many will say as they scan the annual Taps List on Pages 6-7-8-9-10. Read 'em all — 1449 names!

"MIRACLE OF MEMORY" is a poignant poem written by ex-600 Squadron gunner William Wright. He presents his fine offering on Page 3.

"PROFOUND JOURNEY" is how a pair of travellers described their mission to Stalag Luft IV to see where and how their World War II father/grandfather endured his PW days. Page 3.



"AROUND THE WORLD" describes the "viral" route taken by the web site Remembrance story called, "It Was A Fortress Coming Home." Page 2

"WE'RE GOING ABROAD" is what a couple dozen 398th members will be saying as they prepare for June's journey to England and the Czech Republic. Pages 4 and 5.

"DIPLOMACY" will continue for Lynn Marie Alexander if she receives a fellowship for added studies in England. Page 3.

"A BOY HAS GROWN UP" is what some will be saying about Dominic Pike of Nuthampstead. Page 4.

The President's Page:

Marilyn "At Home" Near Station 131

BY MARILYN GIBB-RICE
President, 398th Bomb Group Memorial Association

ESSEX, England — What a terrific feeling it is to be living in England near Station 131!! We have made several trips to the memorial and the Woodman. And we were able to pay tribute to our vets by laying flowers on Remembrance Day. (Page 1)

I am pleased to report that the grounds are very green and that the memorial is in its usual outstanding condition. We have even been to Royston and found it was exciting knowing so many of the 398th veterans usually caught the train there for their trip in to London.

Two of the trips to the Woodman have been for meetings in regard to the Nuthampstead Airfield Museum. The Declaration of Trust has been signed by its seven trustees and they are Russell Abbey, Peter Brooke, Andrew Grisbrooke, Malcolm Osborn, Dominic Pike, Geoff Rice and myself.

Plans are still in the development stage but the idea of the museum will be to display items relating to the 398th Bomb Group and the 55th Fighter Group.

All our members "back home" should know that we are still able to log onto our *398th.org* web site. It continues to be one of the best bomb group web sites on the web and it is constantly growing. One of the areas which receives lots of hits is the Timeless Voices interviews. Since I have interviewed several of the veterans, I know their stories are very interesting. Anyone having any items, pictures or stories that they would like to have included on the web site, should contact Dave Jordan (*dave@398th.org*).

No doubt Ann Collins and Ozzie Osborn are busy working on the details of the



MARILYN GIBB-RICE

"Together Again in 2010" England Tour. I have been told some of the plans and those are rather exciting. We look forward to seeing members of the tour when they arrive at Station 131 in June.

I would like to thank all of the veterans for their service during the war, the wives and widows of those who served and the children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren for supporting the veterans and their memories. We must never forget what our 398th heroes did during the war and the sacrifices that were made.

Editor's Phone Problems

The FLAK NEWS Editor, Allen Ostrom, moved in October from Lynnwood, Washington, to Seattle, Washington, and has since experienced telephone problems.

After many calls for "help" to Verizon and Qwest, the problems are now corrected (hopefully).

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Around The World Via 398th.org:

Fortress Story Goes "Viral"

"There is an e-mail floating around the world with links to 'It Was A Fortress Coming Home'."

So said Dave Jordan, the *398th.org* webmaster, adding "we had 23,426 visits in November, of which 10,619 were Allen Ostrom's Remembrance story on Larry deLancey's B-17 coming home with its nose blown wide open."

Thus, the web story is classified as having gone "viral," a slang computer term suggesting it has been passed around the world, perhaps because the younger generation discovered something special about World War II airmen.

Easterners, Englishers On Dues Alert

The first quarter dues appeal of each FLAK NEWS year (now in its 25th year) has been traditionally reserved for the members living in the Northeastern sector of the U.S.

These members account for one quarter of the funds needed to keep the 398th Bomb Group Association alive and well. That includes the production, printing, mailing, etc., of FLAK NEWS, the thread that connects the members living in both the U.S. and several European countries.

The U.S. members in the East can use the self-addressed dues envelope inserted in their issue.

At the same time, those living in England and other European countries are welcome to help support the 398th by contributing their £10 to FONA. Send to "Peter Brooke 55th," c/o Osborn, Secty-Treas, FONA, Cambridge, CB23 8SW, England.

The U.S. Dues manager is Dawne Dougherty, Harrisburg, OR 97446-9585. She will accept all dues and any additional contributions. Plus address changes and Taps notices.

Memorial Gifts

Yes, it is fitting and proper to offer memorial gifts to the "398th Bomb Group Memorial Association" on behalf of a loved one who has passed on.

Gifts to the Association are welcomed and appreciated, according to the dues manager, Dawne Dougherty, who will respond to each gift and giver. Her address is listed above.

Among those who have asked for special permission to print the story in their own newsletters was John Ballard, editor/publisher of *Boeing/North American/Rockwell Retired Tech Reps*. He said —

"Our love for aviation and the accomplishments of the folks working/flying is still obvious when we have our yearly get together. 'Fortress Coming Home' is truly a memorable story and I would like to share it with others."

http://398th.org/History/Articles/Remembrances/Ostrom_FortressHome.html

The book, *Remembrances*, is available through the PX on Page 12.

Next Stop:

DENVER

"Reunion" remains a very important word in the minds of many 398th Bomb Group Association members.

Thus, these people will be pleased to know that the "next reunion" will be held in Denver, Colorado.

Dates are September 8-9-10-11, 2010.

The location in the Mile-High City will be in the Northfield-Stapleton district, northeast of downtown and in the general direction of the Denver International Airport.

The reunion hotel will be the Radisson Hotel Denver at Stapleton Plaza. Rates will be \$85.00.

Complete information, as always, will appear in the April issue of FLAK NEWS. Also, as usual, the reunion plans and activities will be in the capable hands of Sharon Krause. It will be her 10th "mission" as "chairman."

Second, Third Generations On "Profound" Journey

Randy Madlung came to Gross-Tychowo, Poland, two years ago from Indiana to see first hand what his World War II Air Force father had told him about many times before passing on.

It concerned a two-and-a-half mile stretch of land located in what had been known at Stalag Luft IV — a German Prisoner of War camp. Prisoners had to run this two-and-a-half mile stretch as punishment or simply at the whim of the guards.

Randy Madlung and his son, Derek, tried this run while on the tour that took them to the former POW camp. This is where their father/grandfather was placed after bailing out of his B-17 on a mission to Merseburg on November 21, 1944.

This is where gunner Jack Madlung of

398th Diplomatic Friend Looks For More Research

"It is an intriguing project and in line with my research," said Lynn Marie Alexander.

The University of East Anglia in England has embarked on a faculty study looking at the cultural impact of the American airmen and troops during World War II. And Alexander, who did the "diplomatic" study (FLAK NEWS, July 2009) has applied for a fellowship to join and participate in the East Anglia project.

"I will be able to visit the old bases and

"I Thought I'd Live Forever ... That The Good Times Would Never End"

BY WILLIAM L. WRIGHT
Wheeler Crew, 600 Squadron



Ah! Memories

But now I see things differently,
I look back, not just ahead
Recalling as if it was yesterday
Things I've done and said.

I find things neatly stored away
In the recesses of my mind,
Each time I search
I'm overwhelmed
By the treasures that I find!

There are all my yesterdays
Laid neatly in a row,
Filled to the brim with all those things
I put there long ago.

This treasure house of memories
Is held exclusively for me.
No one else can use them;
I have the only key.

Matching half-remembered stories
With half-remembered faces,
I begin to place them once again
In those half-forgotten places.

I relive those precious moments
Laid aside so long before
But now brought back,
through the miracle of memory,
To enrich my life once more!

1,449 Names On Taps List

The annual Taps List, published each January in FLAK NEWS, has now reached a phenomenal five pages and 1,449 names. These are the names of all known 398th members who have passed on since returning from World War II in 1945.

The names of those Killed In Action are recorded separately, and can be found in a special booklet available from the PX. See Page 11.

This year's Taps List will be found on Pages 6-7-8-9-10.

It represents an addition of 50 names from last year, including that of Wally Blackwell, who served as president of the Association for 13 years.



the 603 Buzza crew did his forced two-and-a-half mile runs in 1944-45. And where 63 years later his son and grandson would try to emulate the same run. Neither was successful.

The two Madlungs came by coach to Koszalin, Poland, and from there to both Stalag Luft I and IV.

"The experience was beyond description," said Randy, who previously had journeyed to England with his mother to visit Station 131. "Seeing and running on that Stalag Luft ground with my own son was profound."

Madlung's POW experience also included the long "death march" beginning in February 1945 until liberated by the Americans in June.

This "second" and "third" pair also had their own "Stalag" memories to ponder.

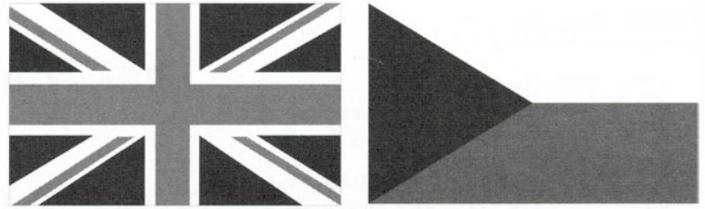
see the memorials, like the beautiful one at Station 131.

"Meanwhile, I will continue the current research in preparation for my comprehensive exams for my PhD," said the University of Missouri grad student.

Alexander said she was grateful for the help received last year from the 398th, here and in England. She mentioned Bill Frankhouser's book, "World War II Odyssey," an informative letter from German "expatriate" Karl Issel, and Malcolm Osborn and FONA.

24 Poised For Tour To England, CZ

June 8-21, 2010



It's getting down to cases for the two dozen 398th members who are looking forward to spending time "abroad" this coming June.

The "early" segment of the tour will depart from the U.S. on June 8 and arrive in Prague, Czech Republic, on June 9, there to begin a week of drama among people who rejoice in remembering the contribution rendered by the 8th Air Force in World War II.

The 398th was among those who "finished it off" on April 25, 1945, with the group's 195th and last mission — an attack on Pilsen's Skoda Works, then contributing armament to the Nazis.

A visit to the Skoda museum will be on the agenda, plus a visit to the memorial dedicated to those Americans who perished in the air war over the Czech lands.

Ann Collins' well-developed itinerary will also see the Czech travelers taking in the fabulous Slany Air Stars show. Some of this will be dedicated to the Christiansen crew that crashed near the very location where the air show will be staged.

Collins, recovering from knee surgery, insists she will be in top form as she meets the group at the Prague airport, then on to the Prague Majestic Hotel, Pilsen, Kovarska, Slany, Litice and the other sights along the Czech coach route.

That "route" will end on June 14, when the scene will shift to London, there to greet the tour members on the "England Only" segment.

Collins will be there to escort the new group to their London hotel and begin visiting sites like Bletchley Park and to examine the famous Enigma Museum and later the Holocaust exhibit.

Collins points out that there is still time to join the tour. Land costs are \$1345 for the six days in the Czech Republic and \$2700 for the eight days in England.

Air fare information is available from Sara at 1-800-727-2157.

The pace continues as the group coaches its way toward Cambridge, Nuthampstead, Madingley, Duxford and the many other locations that hold memories for the 398th.

Malcolm Osborn joins the tour at Cambridge, where he has been at work for many months preparing surprises for the visiting delegation.

While he is withholding some of his



IT WILL BE A two-country tour for the 398th travelling party this June, with London (and much more of England) on the agenda. This will come following a week in the Czech Republic, represented here by the "Thank You America" memorial in Pilsen (and Elaine Tyler, who was visiting there in 1995).

surprises, it can be assured that the emotional services long held at Station 131 and at Anstey will be repeated as in the past.

Air rides over the old base ... and "Wally's Tour" ... are on the agenda.

The England, Czech Itinerary

- June 8 Leave for Europe
- June 9 Prague
- June 10 Prague
- June 11 Pilsen
- June 12 Pilsen
- June 13 Prague
- June 14 London
- June 15 London
- June 16 Cambridge
- June 17 Cambridge (East Anglia tour)
- June 18 Cambridge (Madingley/Duxford)
- June 19 Cambridge (Nuthampstead)
- June 20 Cambridge (Anstey)
- June 21 Home

Young Brit Still Finding 398th Action

The 398th had its semi-annual tour to England in 1998, and one of the members was Jim White, the co-pilot on the 600 Squadron Don Grinter crew that took off on a mission on December 24, 1944, only to crash on takeoff.

White visited the crash site again in 1998 to re-live those dramatic moments ... and he received some unexpected drama as a 15-year-old Nuthampstead boy approached him and displayed a clip of 50 calibre shells.

"I found these where you crashed," said Dominic Pike, displaying the clip to the much surprised White.

Today, the 15-year-old "boy" is a young man of 26, and a member of the trustee board for the Nuthampstead Air Field Museum, now in the planning stage at a location near the Woodman Inn.

The “Eagle” at Cambridge:

“398” BURNED ONTO FAMOUS CEILING

BY MALCOLM OSBORN
Cambridge, England

Some of the England Tour members visiting Cambridge this June will almost certainly visit the famous Kings College Chapel, where they will gaze in wonderment (as I always do) at the breathtakingly beautiful medieval fan vaulted ceiling. But many of them will be completely unaware that just a half-block away exists another famous ceiling. But, this ceiling is actually in a Public House called the “Eagle,” certainly not medieval, but a priceless historical ceiling nevertheless. The Eagle is probably the oldest pub in Cambridge.

The site upon which the Eagle stands was bequeathed to Corpus Christi College, still the present day owners, in 1525. Then known as the “Eagle & Child,” it built up a reputation as an excellent coaching inn during the 17th century. By 1834, it was possible to board a superior fast coach to London for the sum of four shillings. The coming of the railway in 1850 saw the Eagle lose its coaching status and it became a standard tavern.

During the dark days of WW II, the Eagle became a favourite haunt of off-duty R.A.F. personnel eager to unwind from the stresses of the air war over Germany. It is believed that in late 1941 or early 1942, a young airman stood precariously balanced on a chair atop a table in the back bar. Then, using a candle, he burned his squadron’s number into the ceiling. This started a tradition that was to continue until war’s end and beyond, in fact, right up to the days of the Berlin Airlift.

In 1942 the 8th A.A.F. came to England and many of the former R.A.F. airfields became home to American Bomber and Fighter groups. Many of the young U.S.

airmen came to Cambridge to relax at the American Red Cross club just around the block from the Eagle, but they also visited the pub. Using lipstick, charcoal, candles and Zippo lighters, they proudly added their units to the ceiling’s now crowded surface.

The war ended. With the passing time

Airmen With Zippo Lighters, Lipstick Left Their Marks

and the atmosphere caused by constant smokers, the ceiling became covered with dark brown nicotine deposits that gradually hid everything underneath. One day a pub regular named James Chainey spotted something on the ceiling above his head. With the landlord’s permission he cleaned the area which led to his cleaning the whole ceiling. James then set about recording every inch of the ceiling and deciphering all the units. I met James a few times in the Eagle and we had some interesting conversations about his many years of research into his precious ceiling. Sadly, he is no longer with us, but thanks to him and other protestors, the ceiling

War Bride Had No Regrets After 64-Year Marriage

“Miss me, but don’t regret and don’t be sad.”

These were among the last words spoken by F. Ward Hendee to his “English war bride” prior to his passing last year.

The two were married at Nuthampstead in May 1945 by Chaplain James Duvall, and in the presence of several of Ward’s friends from the 603rd where Hendee was the Armament Officer. These would include Art Kenny, George Wralstad, Al Grossman, Dave Hall, Joseph Shapiro, George Rusinak, Art Kintzler, Dave Bishop and Howard Scholl.

Bride Irene rejoined her husband in 1946 after a journey to the U.S. on the Queen Mary. The couple had been married 64 years.



was preserved when the Eagle closed for two years of restoration.

The 398th is there on the ceiling. Just after entering from the courtyard, take a couple of steps and look up. There it is. I wonder who stood up there and burned it into this famous ceiling? Can you imagine the babble and noise on a dark winter’s evening in 1944, the sudden cheer as another young airman climbs up towards the ceiling, slowly using his Zippo to burn “398,” then falls into his comrades arms?

I wonder if he survived his missions? Many would not. So, if you are ever visiting Cambridge, please be sure to visit the Eagle and raise your glass to the memory of all those who flew from East Anglia, many never to return.



Tony Clark Passes

Tony Clark, the world-famous wheat farmer from Nuthampstead and long-time leader of the “Friends of the 398th,” passed on shortly before Christmas Day 2009.

Moment Of Truth

Abernathy, John R.	Baldiga, Edward M.	Blankenship, G.W.	Bryant, Edward M.	Clifton, Ernest	Courneen, John R.
Adam, Walter H.	Baldwin, Mondo L.	Blehm, Frederick W.	Buchsbaum, Louis	Clisham, Raymond J.	Courtenay, Gordon T.
Adamak, Edward	Ballard, Charles W.	Bley, Winston	Buck, Chester S.	Clyne, Harold J.	Coville, Paul A.
Adams, Eugene R.	Bancroft, Joseph (Dave)	Blum, Lowell	Buck, Herman J.	Cochran, Curtis	Cowen, Harry
Adelman, Paul	Bangson, Barry D.	Bobbitt, James M.S.	Buckingham, James S.	Codan, Peter	Cowley Jr., John J.
Adleman, Milo	Bankert, James	Boeger, Orv. W.	Buckley, Francis X.	Coe, Dewey	Cox, Howard W.
Agnew, Harry	Baptist, Claude A.	Boehme, Alfred H. (Herb)	Buckle, Thomas D.	Coene, William	Cox, Norman
Agnew, Robert	Barkovich, Fred	Boersma, Ted	Bur, Nicholas J.	Colantoni, George	Cox, Paul E.
Albert, Dwyer D.	Barnes, Lynn W.	Bogard, Willard B.	Burke, Al	Colburn, Warren	Coxey, John T.
Albro, Albert M.	Barnes, Mike K.	Bogdanski, Edward J.	Burris Jr., Thomas E.	Cole, Harold	Crawford, Paul
Alderson, Richard	Barnhard, Joseph E.	Bohn, Jack L.	Burroughs, Kirby	Coleman, George F.	Crenshaw, Billy W.
Alessio, Louis F.	Barnshaw, Thomas J.	Bolthouse, Charles	Burton, John	Coleman, Thomas A.	Crocker, Lawrence
Alexander, Claude	Barnum, George	Bolton, Vencil	Buscani, John P.	Coleman, Winsor	Cron, Robert
Alfano, John	Bartimus, Neil R.	Boltz, Phillip T.	Buschbaum, Louis	Collins, Broadus B.	Cross, Albert B.
Allare, John	Bartusiak, Leonard J.	Bonanno, Salvatore	Bushle, Louis	Collins, Philip D.	Crouch, James
Allen, George E.	Bartusis, Anthony J.	Bonjani, Bruno	Bussard, James L.	Colvin, Charles E.	Cubranich, Julius P.
Allen, Stanley W.	Basco, John J.	Bonner, Don C.	Butler, John	Colvin, William L.	Cullinan, Stephen P.
Alpert, Stanley	Bash, Claire C.	Borchers, Doyle	Buvinger, David	Colwell, John	Cummings, D.L.
Altman, Frank	Basham, James	Bordonaro, Vincent L.	Buzza, Kenneth		
Alves, Alfred	Bassman, Fred G.	Bornstedt, John W.	Callahan, Noel		
Alwood, Joe	Batayias, Peter K.	Borts, Donald E.	Cameron, Carl C.		
Amer, Jerry	Battaglia, Frank A.	Borys, Raymond	Campbell, Edward A.		
Anaya, Alredo	Baughman, John	Borys, Raymond J.	Campbell, Roger W.		
Anderson, Allen C.	Bawduniak, John	Bosshart, Herbert	Campbell, Tom		
Anderson, Emil	Baxter, Richard	Boswell, Marion L.	Campbell, Van B.		
Anderson, Frank	Bearden, Edgar	Bottoms, Millard S.	Campbell, Wallis L.		
Anderson, Norman R.	Beattie, Hugh Don	Bourke, Joseph E.	Campton, Alfred		
Anderson, Ralph	Beatty, Oscar L.	Bourlon, Billy L.	Cantrell, Floyd		
Anderson, Roy L.	Beavers, Cecil	Bowcock Jr., H. Guy	Cantwell, Robert H.		
Anderson, Russell M.	Beck, Charles M.	Bowman, Leonard L.	Capen, George H.		
Anderson, William G.	Beck, John W.	Boyes, Haskell	Carlson, Kenneth G.		
Andreko, Andrew	Becker, John J.	Braddock, Heyward M.	Carlton, Donald P.		
Andrews, Kenneth E.	Becker, Max	Bradford, Oliver W.	Carter, Nigel		
Arbogast, F.E. (Phil)	Beckley, Robert J.	Bradley, Frederick C.	Carter, Richard J.		
Ariotta, Joseph	Beecher, Edward B.	Brady, Jack	Carter, Robert C.		
Arlin, Allen A.	Beighle, Forest	Braica, Benny	(Saferite crew)		
Armstrong, Arthur	Belcher, Jess	Brandstatter, John D.	Carter, Robert C.		
Armstrong, Sidney A.	Bell, Marvin	(Jack)	(Watson crew)		
Armstrong, Walter G.	Bell, Robert	Brass, Ernest H.	Carwile, Allan P.		
Arndell, James	Bendixon, Donald L.	Bream, Burt D.	Cason, Alfred		
Arnold, Robert W.	Benefiel, Phillip L.	Breault, Al	Cassel, Arnold		
Ashour, Martin D.	Bennett, John L.	Breimeyer, Royal	Castro, Edward		
Ashton Jr., Leonard C.	Bennett, Norville	Brewer, Darrell F.	Catterson, Kenneth L.		
Ashworth, Dean H.	Benningfield, Harley O.	Bridges, Clarence W.	Cavalier, Vincent J.		
Atkins, James R.	Benoe, William I.	Briody, James J.	Charbonneau, Francis		
Atkinson, Herman	Berggren, Cecil E.	Briskie, Edward F.	Chase, Lewis D.		
Atkinson, Vernon C.	Bergsma, Norman E.	Britt, Thomas F.	Chaudet, Louis P.		
Atwood, Doyle	Bernard, John R.	Brockman, James W.	Chavez, Martin C.		
Audet, Paul E.	Bernier, Loyola A.	Brokaw, Rev. Raymond	Chesshir, Kenneth		
Augustine, Joseph J.	Berquist, Carl G.	Brooks, Harrison F.	Chimelewski, Raymond J.	Comstock, William G.	Cundiff, Donald W.
Aukerman, John V.	Berry, Kearie L.	Brooks, Henry A.	Chorba, Robert T.	Conrad, John P.	Currie, Warren H.
Aune, Arnt M.	Berryhill, Col. Earl	Brown, Arnold W.	Chrisman, Estil L.	Contento, John D.	Curtis, Glenn
Austad, Kermit	Berthoud, Charles	Brown, Clyde R.	Christofer, George	Cook, Eugene I.	Cutcher, James L.
Auten, William E.	Berz, Marvin S.	Brown, E. Logan	Christopher, Arthur C.	Coombs, William F.	Dacon, Charles H.
Axson, Jason M.	Bestervelt, Harold J.	Brown, Hilyer (Pete)	Christos, Christy A.	Coomes, Ralph S.	Dailey, Donald
Bacon, Adrian	Bewley, James A.	Brown, James C.	Church, Fred M.	Cooper, Beryl C.	Dailey, E. Bruce
Bacon, James C.	Biancardi, Andrew	Brown, Joe E.	Church, Harold M.	Cooper, D.G. (Bud)	Dalton, Hollis
Baer, Howard F.	Biette, Paul W.	Brown, Lawrence	Churchill, Wesley H.	Cooper, Joseph D.	Daly, William J.
Baffaro, Louis	Bigda, Joseph	Brown, Orland D.	Cifrese, Paul	Coopet, Joseph L.	Dames, John J.
Bagan, Wesley	Bingle, Henry	Brown, Paul	Civatarese, William A.	Corcoran, Joseph W.	Darcy, Lawrence
Bagley, Bernard	Bird, John C.	Brown, Robert E.	Clafford, Lloyd	Cornett, Earl M.	Darner, Leroy
Bahling, John W.	Bischoff, Albert J.	Brown, Samuel M.	Clament, Jesse R.	Corr, Orville (Ben)	David, Paul M.
Bailey, Adrian (Bud)	Bisson, Albert	Brown, Sidney	Clark, Benjamin L.	Corrigan, James	Davidoff, Herman
Bailey, Ray E.	Bitner, Walter	Brozena, John M.	Clark, Francis C.	Corry, Fr. George	Davidson, Warren
Baird, Harold	Blackwell Jr., Wallace H.	Brubaker, Franklin P.	Clark, Joyal O.	Corsuti, Anthony	Davidson, Wm. H.
Baker, Albert A.	(Wally)	Brubaker, Wayne	Clarke, Atwell S.	Costanzo, William H.	Davis, Elwood B.
Baker, Cova	Blancett, Marvin	Brunke, Earl H.	Clarke, Walter F.	Cote, Arthur	Davis, Jack
Baker, Hermus C.	Blanda, Guido	Brunsborg, Arnold	Clements, Jerauld	Coupart, Bernard	Davis, Jerald A.

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Davis, John H.	Downing, Robert A.	Erickson, Edward H.	Gary, B.	Hamacher, Ross L.	Hoak, William P.
Decker, Gerald	Drager, Kenneth	Erickson, Mahlon	Gasbarro, John J.	Hammer, Philip M.	Hobbs, John O.
Delaney, Lawrence	Dreyer, Charles G.	Erickson, Paul W.	Gates, Robert N.	Hammill, Frank D.	Hoddesdon, S. Leathers
Delbart, Raymond S.	Driscoll, John T.	Erler, Donald J.	Gaulke, Gerald G.	Hammontree, Jack C.	Hofert, Earl J.
Delcamp, Clarence E.	Duncan, John W.	Evans, Clarence E.	Gelwicks, Frank I.	Hamor, William T.	Hogrefe, Carl H.
Delorey, William J.	Duncombe, David M.	Evans, Donald	Gerber, Tom	Hanauer, James	Holbrook, John T.
Delorier, Joseph	Dunlap, Fred M.	Evans, Harrison A.	Gergenti, Leonard	Hancock, William C.	Holloway, Edwin C.
Delorimier, John B.	Dunn, Richard J.	Faber, Herbert G.	Gerloff, Harry	Hansen, Herman J.	Holloway, James B.
Demander, John L.	Dunne, Bill	Falkenbach, John S.	Gerlt, Larry E.	Hapgood, Alfred	Holmes, Blair
Desh, Herb	Durbin, Francis	Farenthold, Francis L.	Gerrain, Peter	Harbit, John	Holmes, William J.
Devan, Samuel	Durtschi, William J.	Farewell, Francis A.	Giardano, Joe	Hardenburg, Harry B.	Holmly, Lester
Devlin, Steve	Dutra, Edwin	Farley, Robert	Gibb, Robert	Hardy, Arnold	Holstead, James
Dexter, Robert L.	Dutrow, Gordon P.	Farmer, Edward	Gibbons, Marion H.	Hardy, John R.	Hopp, Frank J.
Dezan, Burton H.	Duvall, Rev. James T.	Farmer, Jack D.	Gibeau, Raymond	Harmon, Carl H.	Horton, Paul A.
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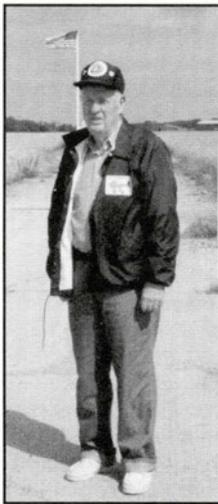
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Wally Blackwell was one of the many members of the 398th who passed away in 2009. He is pictured here on a portion of one of the old Station 131 runways during a tour back to the old base. He made a career of leading other visitors on what became known as, "Wally's Tour."



Letters

"Enclosed is my check for my annual dues plus an additional \$20 in memory of Wally Blackwell, who was a good friend of my dad, Phil Stahlman, who also has passed away.

"It is so sad and so hard to say goodbye to these brave, outstanding men of the 398th."

Elaine (Stahlman) Jurs, State College, Pennsylvania

"I saw the picture of Dalton's crew on your website, *398th.org*, and was proud to see my grandfather, William W. Kanable, who died last year. He was the last living member of the Hollis Dalton crew. Your website is wonderful!"

Anjie Kanable Gutensohn, Boring, Oregon

"The Austin reunion was so much fun. It was great to see and talk with so many friends who remember my father. I hope to make the 2010 reunion in Denver."

Sarah Gayle (Hunter) Randolph, Irvington, Virginia

'Cause My Cup Has Overflowed

*I've never made a fortune
and it's probably too late now,
But I don't worry about that much,
I'm happy anyhow.
And as I go along life's way,
I'm reaping better than I sowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.*

*Haven't got a lot of riches,
and sometimes the going's tough.
But I've got loving ones around me,
and that makes me rich enough.
I thank God for his blessings,
and the mercies he has bestowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.*

*Oh, remember times then things
went wrong,
my faith wore somewhat thin.*

*But all at once the dark clouds
broke,
and sun seeped through again.
So, Lord, help me not to gripe,
about the tough rows that I have
hoed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.*

*If God gives me strength and
courage,
when the way grows steep and
rough.
I'll not ask for other blessings,
I'm already blessed enough.
And may I never be too busy,
to help others bear their loads.
Then I'll keep drinking from my
saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.*

Diaries Can Be Seen On 398th.org

There were more than a few 398th members "back then" who took the time and effort to record their life and times while doing their missions.

Diaries were generally forbidden by the higher-ups, but still they managed to find their way home. And ultimately into the hands of webmaster Dave Jordan. And now he has a couple of dozen available for viewing.

A few diaries still require "transcription," or editing to make ready for web viewing (any volunteers?).

Meanwhile, here is the list of these personal diaries that can be viewed on *398th.org* —

Alan A. Arlin, Pilot, 601

William H. Baker, Navigator, 600

Robert J. Beckley, Navigator, 601/602

Oliver W. Bradford, Engineer, 603

**Edwin Logan Brown, Bombardier, 602
(being transcribed)**

Ben Core, Radio Operator, 601

**Lowell O. Culver, Co-Pilot, 601 (needs
transcription)**

Robert H. Dee, Jr., Co-Pilot, 601

**E. Dalton Ebbeson, Bombardier/
Navigator, 603**

William J. Ferrante, Navigator, 603

George W. Forsyth, Engineer, 602

Armand Fugge, Engineer, 600

Kenneth A. Green, Gunner, 603

James L. Holloway, Tail Gunner, 601

Chilton Jorgenson, Ball Gunner, 601

Harvey B. Kramer, Navigator, 600

Derald Lyman, Radio Operator, 600

Frank M. Mackey, Ball Turret, 600

Charles J. Mellis, Jr., Co-Pilot, 603

Elliot Novek, Radio Operator, 602

**Harry R. Shuptrine, Pilot, 600 (trying to
locate son)**

Paul W. Smith, Navigator, 602

Claude W. Tracey, Engineer, 601

**John C. Veenschoten, Radio Operator,
603**

Robert E. Weidig, Co-Pilot, 603

Ralph F. Will, Engineer, 600

Mark Woods, Navigator, 600

Ellsworth Wright, Ball Turret, 603

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"I wish to thank you for your many years of newsletters, which have resulted in good things for the 'seconds and thirds' and for my being able to keep in touch with George Abbott's family."

George LeDoux, Tualatin, Oregon
Ed's Note — LeDoux was named for George Abbott, the togglier who was killed on LeDoux's father's plane, piloted by Larry deLancey.

"I wish to bring to your attention an error on Page 6 of the last FLAK NEWS. Pilot Richard Rohrer was actually in the 600 Squadron, not the 601st.

"Also, please accept my thanks for your diligent and excellent work in the production of such a fine newsletter. I hope to be in Denver for the next reunion, along with my father, Clarence Franks, who was the bombardier on Rohrer's crew."

Ron Franks, Littleton, Colorado

BRIEF-things

The "memories" story on Page 3 reminded bombardier **Morris Baxter** of the time his pilots, **Tracy Peterson** and **Alan Arlin**, "practiced" shutting down one engine, then a second, much to the chagrin of the rest of the crew, who thought the prank was "not funny" ... **Arlin's** diary, by the way, can be seen on 398th.org along with a couple of dozen others ... a scrap yard in Cape Town, South Africa, recently yielded up a WW II Spitfire; and it later sold at an English auction for \$2.5 million ... look for another "resurrected" B-17 when billionaire **Paul Allen** completes his latest War Bird restoration at Paine Field in Washington State ... who produced the greatest number of airplanes in World War II? Answer: North American, who turned out 41,188 P-51's (us bomber guys loved them all) ... the average flight time for the B-17's crossing the Atlantic in World War II was about 27 hours; in 2008 the restored Liberty Belle (honoring the 390th) made the same flight in 25 hours; the 'Belle made several stops and fly-pasts in England and Scotland, including "taxi rides" in Coventry ... remember the WW II saying, "one-a-day in Tampa Bay" that referred to the hard-to-fly B-26?; recently they declared that the same Marauder had the lowest loss-rate of any of the Allied bombers ... and then there is the story of the pilot who never attended a flying school, and yet rose to command the 4th Air Force as a Maj. Gen., (**Carroll McColpin**) ... if you are planning on attending the next 398th reunion in Denver let your local newspaper or television station know about it (you have a story to tell) ... there are so many opportunities these days for our members to tell their WW II story to interested audiences, especially to those in retirement homes (your Editor recounted some "Battle of Britain" history to his fellow residents) ... thanks to **Dave Mills**, **Barb Fish**, **Bob Bowen**, **Harry Overbaugh** and **Reynold Dacon** for those FLAK NEWS back copies ... a guy named "**Bob**" from the 95th Bomb Group found the 398th "Fortress" story on the 398th web site and volunteered, "You people have a marvelous web site" ... and to all you folks in the United States, England, Belgium, Czech Republic, Sweden, Scotland and Germany: sincere thanks for your Holiday greetings ("Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" said in so many different and wonderful ways) ... many of our members will remember **Greg Anderson** from his EAA Oshkosh days when they see him in Denver next fall heading up "Wings Over The Rockies" at Centennial Airport ... with so many thoughts on Taps this time, we should point out that Veterans' casket flags may be "flown to destruction" at the Tall Pole at Nuthampstead; send the flags to Secretary **Karen Neff**, Lexington, VA 24450-6742; she will get them to **Ozzie** ... did you know that our **Col. Hunter** was very musical, and that he sang in the West Point choir; and that he was an occasional speaker at church services in England ... and that **Chaplain Duvall** counted on airmen to assist in church services, like the late **Dick Frazier** ... a peek at a LIFE magazine covering the European air war in 1944 revealed some of the advertising at the time — Hinds hand cream, Brer Rabbit molasses, Otis underwear and Iodent toothpaste ... radio stars at the time included **Buddy Clark** and **Arlene Francis** (66 years ago) ... **Don Hayes** hopes to have his "B-17 Flying Fortress Association" newsletter in book form this summer; his last issue had a story about **Col. Hunter** and how disappointed he was when the 398th was assigned "RTU" at Rapid City instead of "Combat" ... 398th Christmas memories always seem to include the all-out December 24, 1944, "Battle of the Bulge" mission which found our planes landing "someplace else" because of socked-in weather at 131 and crews coming home for Christmas dinner to sandwiches and leftovers ... and there were several of the "ground guys" who were given a rifle and sent to join the infantry at Bastogne ... memories also include Luxembourg's **Tilly Kimmes**, the "Bulge" historian who remembered that our passing Fortresses sounded like "humming music."

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