

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75234
May 28, 1983

Dear Bill,

As we approach Memorial Day
I wish to contribute \$50 to support
the production & mailing of the 306th Echoes.

Is there an address book of the
306th members?

Chris I had such a wonderful
time with the group in England, and
it was our 1st but not our last reunion!

As we will be retired from flying
in July from American Airlines, we
plan to be in Omaha for the next reunion.

See you there,
Em Christensen

3871 Boca Bay Dr
Dallas, Tx. 75244
Sept. 14, 1985

Dear Russ June,

I know last year they were asking for pictures of the Ft. Worth Reunion. I am sending these negatives to you as there is an excellent shot of Col. Montoya - Klara & Gen. Cheney with the 306th Banner in Back ground at the Banquet. Don't know whether you can use them, but here are the identifications (and circled are good)

10. Larry Emigh (piano player) & wife Beatrice ^{367th}

11. Wm. Breslin & wife Dorothy (368)

12. Gen. Cheney

⑬ " " Klara & Col. Montoya

⑭ Al La Chasse

19. Reg. Rubincam & wife Verma & ?

II
20. Stargynski, Somato & Gordon Richards
→ Not GOOD of Robl.

(21) You & June

22 Jess & Art Mack (367) 1st Russian they have been to.

(22A-23) 2 men that kept on flipping & are now retired from A.A.

Capt. Arthur Mack (367)

" M.E. " Chris Christenson (368)

23A 24 Chris &

24A Jess &

I am in a hurry to get this letter off to you, so forgive the mistakes.

~~RAE~~ RAE DRENNER (423RD)
3216 Medicine Man Way
Leo Vegas, Nev. 89109

sat with us at the Banquet - it was also his 1st time to attend. Don't you think it would be nice to have all of our new people to stand up

III
for recognition. We met quite a
few of them that had come for the
1st time. Just a suggestion.

June, I hope next year we will
have same time to visit. I think
we all enjoyed the reunions we
are looking forward to next year.

My NASA group met at the same
time in Cleveland as we did in Bob. Spurg.,
so I missed it, but have no regrets.

Sincerely,
Em & Chris Christianson

3871 Boca Bay Wk.
Dallas, Tx. 75244
Oct. 22, 1985

Dear Russ & June,

Chris & I enjoyed the G.A.F. Reunion in Wichita & met quite a few 1st timers. * Prof. Ray Wood UNIV. of Mo., Anthropology & wife Peg were there hoping to run into some of his brother's crew who was killed on the 2ND SCHWEINFURT Raid. They are planning to be in Dayton. 1st Col. Charles T. Bennett, 54307, Iowa Ave. Verdale, WA. 99037

1st WM. A. GUILFOYLE

306 NW. Second St., Heler, Kansas 67410

1st Carl R. THOMPSON

1824 Stonegate, Denton, TX. 76205

1st FOIL CHARLES

Greensboro, N. C.

1st ED Peterson

Tarzana, Calif.

WALLACE Peckham

KANSAS

Roy Howard

John O'Brien

Don Sheridan

Catherine Brennan & 2 daughters

Lanyon, PHIL

J.P. Schutz

Met a Mr ANDEREGG, 117 WESTWOOD DR. S., MANKATO, MINN. 55416
He has a picture of 2 B-17's w/ OFFICERS & MEN of the 367TH SQ
He had served briefly with the 306TH. Catherine Brennan's daughter

* W. Raymond Wood 1801 Ridgimant, Col. Mo. 65203

II Judy & I talked with him & told him we know you would be interested in the pictures. He said it would be yours if you would like, but we did not have your address, so we took his instead.

We were all worn out for the Bong. Dance as we had it the day we went to the Air Show at the Base. Our group was scattered at different hotels & at the Bong. A lot of people were unhappy about the arrangements. The 34th ^{AF} is planning a separate reunion every other yr. with their group & the following yr. with the 8th AF.

A lot of people feel that if it isn't done this way the 8th AF. Reunion will no longer be active.

Ran into Dick Samato - he said he was still holding Tom Bedford Space for 25 m May. Have you heard anything? Forgive the rambling, but I am in a rush to finish this letter.

See you in Dayton,

Em Chris

P.S. Did you get the negatives I sent?

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75244

Dear Bill,

Thanks so much for the Directory

I am enclosing a donation.

NEW INFO

Gil Roder's new address is:

P.O. Bx. 60025

10649

Sec. La. 31420

We met a few ^(FIVE) NEW 306thers at the
8th A.F. Reunion in Wichita. I sent
some of their addresses to Russ Strong.

1) RAY & PEG WOOD 1801 RIDGEMONT, COL., MO. 65203
PROF. AT UNIV. MO. BROTHER FLEW WITH 306th KILLED IN ACTION
HE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO. & MAY ATTEND OUR REUNION

2) CARL R. THOMPSON 1824 STONEGATE, DENTON, TX. 76205

3) WM. A GUIFOYLE

4) COL. CHARLES T. BENNETT

5) FOIL CHARLES

These 3 were added to the
New Directory

The 1st & 2 were not in the Directory, altho
I am sending them info. on the Reunion

II The Directory's also to Lil Baker.
Is there a chance you might sell
the Directory at the Reunion as
I know there were so many requests.

Did you know Dallas Baker
has had a pretty rough time
having a broken leg heal - after
almost 7 months, ^{in a cast} he is having to
have it redone. Chris & I have
called him a few times & he seems
to be in good spirits.

We are planning to go to Dayton
& also the 8th AF. in Tallahassee, FLA.

Safe to see you there,
Em & Chris Christensen

9-6-85 (2)

2 MARY SCHUPP }
JOHN SCHUPP } AT ACADEMY
CINDY HOU LIHAN }

3 JOHN SCHUPP
BILL HOU LIHAN

4 CHAPEL

6 JOAN & THURMAN SHULLER
NELL & RALPH BORDNER

7 RUSS STRONG
THURMAN SHULLER
JOAN SHULLER
RALPH BORDNER
NELL ✓

9-7-85 (1)

12 BOARD (5)

13 BOARD (1)

14 BOARD (4)

18 RUTH HOU LIHAN } RESTAURANT AT PINE'S PEAK
CINDY ✓ }

9-7-85 (1) CONVO

19220

LARRY EWELOH
JOHN SCHUPP } PINKS PEAK

21272

JOHN SCHUPP
BILL HOWLIHAN

23

JOHN SCHUPP
MARY SCHUPP } BANQUET
MIT DOUGLAS

24

MARY SCHUPP
MIT DOUGLAS
KATH HUCKLE
EDIE CHAMBERLIN

25

CINDY HOWLIHAN
KATH ✓

9-7-85 (2)

- 1 NELSON AKE
CATHERINE AKE
BILL EDWARDS
- 2 BILL EDWARDS
EVAINE TARDIFF
PAUL TARDIFF
- 3 JOAN SHULLER
THUAMAN SHULLER
- 4 HERBERT MC VICAR
MRS ✓
- 5 BOB WILLIAMS
BETTY WILLIAMS
MRS MC VICAR
- 6 BOB SCHULTZ
MRS. WALLEN HORST
JOHN WALLEN HORST
- 7 MRS RONCZY
ED RONCZY
BOB SCHULTZ

9-7-85 ③

8 JIM LENAGHAN
EDNA LENAGHAN
CATHERINE BRENNAN

9 CATHERINE BRENNAN
MENA LEARY

10 ?
?

11 ?
?

12 ?

13 POLLY FRESER
BILL FRESER

14 BOB "DOC" SIYVAGE
WISSENBACK
WISSENBACK
H.V. ROEDER

15 WISSENBACK
H.V. ROEDER

9-7-85 (2)

16 MIKE STANASZKIE
MRS ✓
CATHY MARRIEWICZ

17 CATHY MARRIEWICZ
CHET ✓

18 KIT DOUGLASS (WIFE) WAR BRIDE
MRS BILL CAVANESS ✓ ✓
KATH HUCKLE SISTER OF BOB C.
EDITH CHAMBERLIN WAR BRIDE

9-8-85

19 RUSS STRONG

20 JOHN MCNEE
BOB HERMAN

22 WENA LEARY
CATHERINE BRENNAN

23 THURMAN SHULLER

24 ✓ ✓

Russ

Thank you for sending the
pics. Em & I were in
Memphis when they covered the
Memphis Belle and we bought one
then, thank you for thinking
of us and we will see you
in Vegas next year.

Chris

Happy Retirement
Jan. 8, 1988!

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75244
Jan. 7, 1988

Dear James Russ,

I wanted you to be able to have
Keith Jackson's address as I received
my Xmas card sympathy card back.

I call Karen Beth's she said the
flowers were beautiful. The boys wanted
the 306th Ribbon they are interested
in all of the medals what they mean
that Keith received. Her phone # is
713-346-1743 address RT 4, Box 102F Richmond, TX.
77469

Malcolm Phillips' funeral was represented
by all of our Ft. Worth Reunion Comm.

We will miss them both. All of our Xmas
cards said, "See you in Vegas."
A Healthy Prosperous 1988.

Emilie Christianon

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75244
Aug. 23, 1988

Dear James Russ,

I have checked all of the Dallas area in the telephone directory.

ON P-54 Carl find JOHNSON, JAMES listed in Dallas - but P-16 has a Springdale, TX, address.

ON P-54 How Carl find MCLENNAN, GEO. J.

ON P-54 POST, JAMES V IS POSTON which is correct under P.

Incidentally JOHN W. FRAZIER address is same except APO is 09451-4006 Box 147. How Mary Ann live in WEARHEIM, GERMANY LIST on P 56

Received an Easter card from GIL M. ROEDER
New address is 405 Pine Island # 107
Plantation, Fla 33324

II Looking forward to the Convention
& seeing you & June.

I noticed Arthur & Jean Craspy aren't listed as coming but I guess they are busy with Politics.

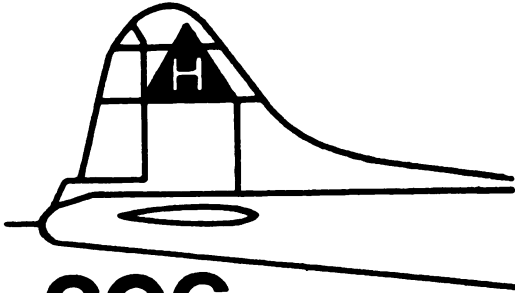
Foil Charles ^{Greenway N.C.} called us when he was in Dallas - it will be the 1st & 306th Reunion he & Ruth have attended. I sent you their address after meeting them in Wichita & also the Guipyle's from Kansas. We all sat at the same table at the 8th Reunion.

Warren "Pete" Ehris also from N.C. last his wife this past May. We haven't been able to get him to come to a reunion - he was a P.O.W.

Hope you are enjoying N.C. I love TX but I miss my home in VA.

P.S. Our ZIP is now
75244

SEE you soon,
Em & Ehris



367th, 368th, 369th, 423rd Squadrons, and service organizations
Thurleigh, Bedfordshire, England – September 1942-April 1945

306TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP ASSOCIATION

1984 Reunion Committee
P. O. Box 16917
Fort Worth, TX 76162

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, TX 75244
Nov. 21, 1984

Dear Russ,

Reg Robinson asked me to report this to you. I collected up to the last minute the total of \$154.21 towards the present I bought for Gordon & Lannie from the 306TH Group.

I know I should have gone to the Committee for an OK, but the opportunity was there & I would have missed it! The receipts for a total of \$142.21 for the Hat, Belt & Buckle were turned over to our Treasurer. The remaining \$12.00 was given to the Memorial Fund.

Enjoyed meeting your wife - if you are ever down this way - look us up! Our Tele # 214-241-4619

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All comments from people who attended were positive & they all seem to be looking forward to our next reunion.

Wish you & yours a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,
"Em" & "Chris" Christianson

M. E. Christianson
3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75244

Zip code changed
from 34 to 44

20 February 1989

M. E. Christianson
3871 Boca Bay Drive
Dallas, TX 75234

Dear Chris:

Writing for myself, and for Don Ross and Reg Robinson, let me express our thanks to you for your recent gift to the 306th BG Project Fund.

Your interest in the Association, as witnessed by your gift and your participation in reunions, is much appreciated, and you will hear more from us on the matter in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

William F. Houlihan
President

Amount received £ \$200.00

I S O

great having that large Emp. name
so all of the groups were together.

Incidentally if you receive an inquiry
from American Airlines "I did it"
see to the treasury getting low - thought
maybe they might offer a couple of trips
as they did before! He made a lot of money
also in that traffic. I did not know the
correct procedure but your names Hugh Phelan
were the ones I turned over to AA. See you
in Little Rock - come see us sometime!

Em. Chris

Nov. 16, 1988

Dear James & Russ,

Just sent a note to Ed Lemmey. It will be quite a job to top that Bonquet entertainment in Las Vegas! I think Little Rock will be more intimate - at least we won't lose people in a crowd.

The 2ND Floor at the Hotel is great for Reception - plus you can look down to part of the lobby to locate a person. It was

Dear Jim & Russ,

PITTSBURGH?? Jim really showed
us around & I must say we were impressed.
The area has much to offer and I think
we are fortunate to have Jim in charge of
the 91-306TH Remison. Everywhere we went
he definitely seemed to be well liked & everyone
called him JIMMY. He is aware of what he is
not going to please everyone & you can't do
that anyway! Guess with relatives in Pittsburgh



you know that Pittsburgh had more to offer
than most people visualized.

This war situation is tough and I hope
I pray that your son will be home safe soon!

Old Economy Village reminded me of parts
of Williamsburg. I imagined it is beautiful
when the flowers are blooming.

Guess I have rambled enough - remember
you are in our thoughts & prayers.

"FLOWER ARRANGEMENT" 154.12
from an Original mouthpainted by ST. OBRITSKI JR.
Published by the Association of Handicapped Artists, Inc., Buffalo
Litho by Holling Press, Inc., Buffalo, N.Y. Printed in U.S.A.

Love
Emil Chris

12 August 1991

Dear Chris:

Had occasion to talk with Don Ross this evening, and he asked if it would be possible to delay the meeting of the officers Wednesday, 18 September, until 2:30 in the afternoon, and then to ~~have~~ the Board of Directors meet at 4 p.m.

If this is o.k. with you I will inform everyone about the time change on our schedule at Pittsburgh.

All the best,



Negative's Photo

- ① Why June this is the only picture I took of you & Gus.
- ② Janice & Don boarding bus for cruise
- ③ Borders running to bus " " "
- ④ Herb I had been there earlier, but perhaps someone took other pictures
- ⑤ Packham, Ann & Forest turnout at BANQ.
- ⑥ Muel & Thelma Baker
- ⑦ Bill Lockley & Chris
- ⑧ This is Chris ^{actually} airplane during W. War II

Oct 93

Dear Queen Jane,

Hope you all had a wonderful cruise - wish we could have been with you. We are just glad we were able to be with our 306th Family again!

We thought the reunion was enjoyable - just wish we had had more time to be together & we are hoping to make the next one.

I had my 2ND surgery on my shoulder the day after we got back to Dallas. It was MELANOMA (MAGLIER) but an early stage Thank God.

These golden years are not for sleep! Take care of yourselves
Love you Both,
Em & Chris

Dear June & Russ,

Oct. 20, '03

Looking forward to seeing you all in Savannah. I appreciate your sending me the info on the activities Russ, as I have not received the ^{*}Echoes.

Lucky I was able to register our plans together via phone & your info. He told me that Lee Fowler had died which I am very sorry to hear. I talked "i" ⁺

* It will be in order so don't send me or

Miriam Birdon last week as she is
going back & forth to the nursing home
to see Bob everyday. My heart goes
out to her as no one I know had trying it
can be for the caregiver unless they have
been there!

You TWO, keep your health, material
THINGS are not so important!

See you soon,

Em

Oct. 5, 1995

Dear June & Russ,

Finally got my last film developed & am sending you the copies. Certainly is a better one of June & you. The couple are 1st attendees — can't remember the name however.

Marian Riddon is feeling better. Greg & Norma Florence are fine — told them they missed a good reunion.

Guy Letano said he is planning to be in Vegas — a school reunion in Pa. was the same time as Krasinski.

Next wk. we leave for Chicago.

Take care,

Em & Chris

16 November 95

Dear Mr. Houser,

Have enclosed my check to help continue publication of our fine 306th ECHOES. Always enjoy reading it cover to cover and so delighted to read about or see pictures of former crewmembers or old friends. Hit the jackpot in the October issue. My Pilot Bill Breslin, Page 5, And my Co-Pilot Chris Christianson, Page 4 and 8.

On a trip West recently Chris and Em were able to spend a day with us in San Luis Obispo. Needless to say we discussed being crewmembers 51 years ago and the fact that we both had celebrated our 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary this year. Another subject was his ability to use the radio and direct the plane to a successful landing on a flight from Iceland to Scotland in weather that had to be the worst. Our Navigator experienced trouble with our Navigational Equipment and decided he was unable to direct us. Chris took over and through the radio and the 26th harmonic succeeded in locating the landing field in Scotland.

As one of four survivors of ditching two months earlier in the Gulf of Mexico I always gave great credit to Chris for saving our lives. Not being a Pilot I felt what he did was beyond routine, and have never learned to the contrary.

Sincerely,

Rec'd 20th
AMK

Richard Hoopson

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, TX.
Nov. 13, 2002

Dear Russ,

Enclosed is a check for \$55.00
for the big book of the 306th Newspapers
to be sent to Dr. Herman S. Kaye.

He will not be able to read the
small print, however his grandchildren
may treasure the book.

The 1st day of HANUKKAH starts
on Sat. Nov. 30 thru Dec. 7th. I would
appreciate if the book could arrive
during part of that time, if it does
not put too much pressure on you
during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Thanks,

P.S. Get over that cold first!
Em
11/20/02

3871 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, Tx. 75244
Oct. 14, 2001

I
Dear James Russ,

Just got back from Va. today & picked up the pictures - hope I am not too late.

Yikes I must apologize to you for cornering Russ & asking him to guard my purse while Ray & I danced. Sincerely! I thought you were still dancing. I hope you didn't put him in the dog house! Ha Ha!

I wish we could have had a wheelchair as Lucky was not able to attend the Banquet. I do feel when a convention is planned for our age group there should be one available as accidents do happen. (Note to the next chairman)

I attended the 8th A.F. Reunion in Norfolk, it was a great place for a reunion. The Sheraton Waterfront said a wheelchair would be available however the Radisson said it would cost them more in INSURANCE!

I met some Va. chapter attendees & a few 306th'ers & would you believe the 1st person I spoke to at the registration desk was Col. Bob Nabielia who married a friend of mine & I had not seen them for 58 yrs! Small World!

Thanks so much for copying the 1990's photos, our photo should have been the next page after HAL CHASE but was missing. The next page was Louis & Betty DAMASO

I always wonder what happens to them - she was delightful & was always willing to pitch in for the P.X.!

I think Beth & John did a great job for the 306th. Who will take care of the convention in June? I met a delightful young lady, Julia Smith (^{NEW} Director of Visitor Services, 8th H.F. Museum) & co-worker & they were so pleasant. She called me "Miss Em." If the convention is held downtown, I think the ladies will have enough to do w/ the waterfront & shopping. Please Russ you can pull strings! Don't put us but near the Museum!

Lucky was unable to travel on Sun. & in order to get him a bulk-head seat, I made reservations for Mon. & dropped him off at the Airport at Delta. It cost an extra \$100.00 & would you believe they "Delta" still did not give him a bulk head seat!

I had a later flight on AA, arrived in DFW. 10PM. Took my dirty clothes out in the plastic bag, closed my suitcase & left the next morning - - last minute decision of 2 hrs! My daughter, Nadene lives in La Brea & I spent the 1st night with her - then the Southern Waterfront - following wk. with her again. My life is a great convention town by the Waterfront!

III

I am afraid that Lucky did too much walking as he bruised his foot & was in agony. He really wanted to attend the reunion altho his Drs. advised him not to. So I promise to be his nurse altho I'm. I deserted him to be with my friend Shirley from Enc, but he insisted.

Well - - letter writer "Em" will finally sign off, but I wanted to thank you again for the copies. I am enclosing a check for \$100. to the 306th please take out your cast. You guys are what holds our 306th together. ~~Em~~ after said that, & Lucky said the same thing.

My best to both of you and June - "please don't be mad at me."

Sincerely,
Em

P.S. Please excuse the stationery.

3876 Boca Bay Dr.
Dallas, TX 75244
Mar. 6, 2003

Dear June & Russ,

Finally received the 306th news this past mon Mar 3. I am happy that you two made the decision on the same hotel which is so convenient to everything. From all my Xmas cards from the 306th, it looks like there will be a good turnout!

I talked with Lollis & Ester Baker last night & they hope to be there. Lollis is faced with another operation soon - this will be his 3rd before plus radiation. He seems to be in good

II spirits which is so important
Their son's ^{GARY} wife are still in Sacramento
after their past decision to move there
after our reunion as they fell in love
with the city.

Marty seems to be a nice young man
& its great that he volunteered.
There 2 young ladies from the 8th Mus.
that I met in Yorktown would be very
willing to help out especially with
such a good looking young man. Im sure.
Oh well, I wish him much success as
you & June know - it is quite a job!
Hope all is well with both of you "Lucky"
& I also hope to see you in Sacramento.

Sincerely,
Em

after 50 yrs!

Hope all is well with you
two & your family.

Looking forward to seeing
you in Vegas.

Fondly
Em Lewis

June 2, 1996

Dear June Russ,

Forgive me for not writing sooner
but with all activities of the Women's
& traveling there hasn't been much time.

Plus I owe you a dinner out
in Vegas in appreciation for the
telephone number of Cliff in Hawaii.
I was wonderful getting in touch