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Attached is a \$45 check for "Mission Reports" for the following missions.

1945

Jan 6	Cologne
Jan 7	Euskirchen
Jan 8	Speyer
Feb 1	Mannheim
Feb 9	Lutzkendorf
Feb 10	Dulmen
Feb 20	Nurnberg
Feb 21	Nurnberg
Feb 22	Wittscock
Feb. 24	Hamberg
Feb 27	Leipzig
Feb 28	Hagen
Mar 4	Ulm
Mar 11	Bremen
Mar 12	Sweinemunde
Mar 22	Dortzen
Mar 23	Goesfeld
Mar 24	Hespe
Mar 31	Halle
April 3	Keil
April 4	Fassberg
April 5	Wieden
April 8	Halberstadt
April 15	Royan
April 17	Dresden
April 18	Rosenheim

12/5/99

Thanks, I will see you at St. Louis.

  
Anthony J. Conroy

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Dec. 11, 1999

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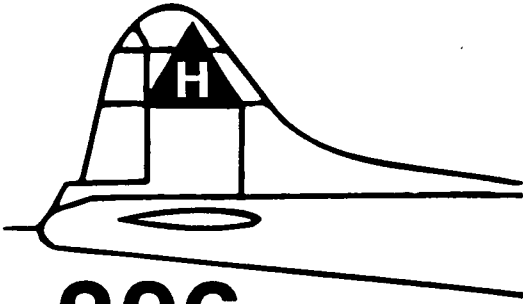
Attached is \$10 check for the following "Mission Reports":

<u>1945</u>	
Jan. 10	Cologne
Feb. 9	Lutzkerdorf
Feb. 28	Hagen
Mar. 8	Gilsenkirchen

Thanks Russ, have a good Christmas.

  
Anthony J. Conroy

1/17/00



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

# 306<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP ASSOCIATION

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8 January 2003

Joe Conroy  
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Dear Joe:

In answer to yours of 3 Jan 03, I agree with the first point, and we will certainly try to book a Saturday afternoon event that will well entertain our guests.

As to the second point: NO RESERVED SEATING. The last riot (or nearly so) over who was sitting in whose chair was enough for me. There were few gentlemen or ladies in the hall that night and mayhem was upon us.

When people make reservations for specific tables and find that there are better places still unoccupied they just move in and sit down. Then how do you move them, short of blasting? At the age these people are today they prefer sitting to anything else, and when the doors open let them sit where they want to. Just don't stand in front of them and get trampled. .

As our group becomes smaller they perhaps become a little more difficult to handle, and I don't think we need to thwart them any further. Many of them seem only happy to talk to any old buddies they can find and to hell with everyone else.

Thanks for opinion,

PS: Lee Kessler  
Robert Houser  
Hugh Phelan  
Fred Sherman  
Lowell Burgess  
William Houlihan  
Royce Hopkins

Marty Lenaghan

*Author Books*

First Over Germany

Command and Staff  
Officers, 8th Air  
Force, 1942-45

306th Echoes 1975-2000

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306th Echoes (quarterly)  
306th Directory  
306th Squadron Diaries  
367, 368, 369, 423

Jan. 3, 2003

Russ Strong  
306 Bomb Group  
5323 Cheval Pl.  
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Dear Russ,

I have two suggestions for the 2003 Savannah reunion

1. Schedule a tour for Saturday afternoon. In the past this has been a dead period. Specially for the spouses who have all day with not much to do. A Saturday afternoon tour would fill that gap. I have heard several comments on this.

2. Reserved Seating for the Saturday Evening Banquet. I appreciate there are some problems associated with this. However, it could be patterned after the San Diego reunion model.

Now, during the social hour people are not able to mix. Instead they are seated an hour early for dinner in order to protect their preferred seating. San Diego did it very well.

Thanks for listening and have a good New Year.

  
Joe Conroy  
Oregon

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Feb. 5, 1996

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Re: 306th Echoes, January 1996  
Page 6 - Who Are They  
Picture 6 E - 368th

Front: Ronald F. John (E) , Wallace M. Williams (RO), Anthony J. Conroy (BT),  
Harold H. Williams (TG), Raymond W. Litka (WG).

Back: Lester A. Evans (P), Delbert L McGinnis (CP), Cyrus R. Robinstein (N),  
James R. Shook (B). h u

Of this crew, Evans, Robinstein, Shook, and John are deceased.

Conroy, H. Williams and McGinnis are members of the 306th Association. We  
plan on attending the 306th reunion in Las Vegas this fall.

I would very much appreciate the photo of our crew be in a future issue of the Echoes.

Sincerely,



Anthony J. Conroy (BT)  
(503) 246-2912

cc: McGinnis

RECORD UPDATE

306th Bomb Group Association

(Please complete as much of this form as you wish, and give)  
(to Russ Strong at the Las Vegas reunion, or mail to his ad-  
(dress: 5323 cheval Pl., Charlotte, NC 28205 )

Date completed 11/13/88

LAST NAME: CONROY FIRST NAME: ANTHONY J. Title:  
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Date of birth: 6/15/25 Wife's name: PATRICIA  
College(s) attended: UNIVERSITY OF OREGON Degree(s): B.S. Year(s): 1949  
M.S. 1951  
Last employment & job title: GENERAL FOODS CORPORATION  
PERSONNEL MANAGER

Year joined 306th Association: 1986?  
Reunions attended: (by year or location) 1988 LAS VEGAS

Serial #: 39342695 Sqdn: 368th Speciality: BALL TURRET GUNNER  
Date joined 306th: 12/44 If combat, what crew? EVANS

Special duties or assignments w/306th:

If commissioned w/306th, date & speciality:

Date departed: 4/45 Highest rank/grade w/306th: S/SGT

Other 8thAF units served with:

Top service assignments after 306th:

USAF retirement date: Rank/grade:  
USAFRES 1985 LT. COL.

Most memorable experience w/306th: (use back of sheet, too)

"SURVIVAL"

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In the continuing search for 306th people, please inform the secretary as to any persons you know from the 306th who are not listed in the 1988 directory; consult your WWII address book as to hometowns of anyone not listed in the 1988 directory; inform the secretary as to anyone from the 306th whom you know now to be deceased.

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The secretary is constantly seeking copies of orders issued at Thurlleigh, either by the 306th Bombardment Group, Station 111, the combat squadrons, or other units assigned there. If you have any such orders, please send copies to the secretary.

12/12/2003

Russ,

This is Joe Conroy from Portland.

Regarding the "Bequests" project, I am attaching a letter that I sent to our members from the Board of Directors of the Oregon Chapter. It was written by one of Board Members who is a local attorney. I feel very comfortable that this letter meets all legal standards. One person has told me that he will include the Oregon Chapter in his will.

Regarding 2004 reunion, this last October I attended the 8AFHS reunion at Colorado Springs. It turned out to be a very poor location for our elderly group. Ten or more people suffered from the effects of altitude sickness. Besides the ten or more, five people were sent to the hospital for overnight. Of the five, the medics had to meet and take one person off the train. He was sitting just two rows from me. Another the medics had to come into the Banquet dining room and take a person off to the hospital.

Colorado Springs should be eliminated from the list of potential sites.

Regarding the 2003 reunion elections, I must tell you that I am very upset and disappointed in the process that evolved. I think I was treated poorly and that bothers me as I have been, am now, and will be a loyal 306th member that will do what he can to help the organization. I question the objectivity of two members of the nominating committee.

I enjoyed working with you at the reunion and thanks for help.

Best regards, and you and June have a blessed Christmas and a bright New Year.



cc: Bill Houlihan