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MARCH 2002

Fifteenth Air Force
55th Bombardment Wing

LOIS CUNNINGHAM



Lois was born in Cristoval, TX 9-19-29 and the sunset for her on 2-6-08 in San Angelo, TX where she had graduated from high school in 1945. Glenn Cunningham, who will be remembered as a member of Spradley's Ground Crew on the Perry & Pirates having only returned a short while earlier wooed and won her heart with them being married 1-26-46. With the economy of San Angelo being dependent on ranching, some oil & the nearby Air Base Lois rolled up her sleeves during her marriage and was employed at Mustang Chevrolet; later real estate and retired from the Shannon Hospital X-Ray Department. In addition to being a loving & caring wife to Glenn she was a great Mother to two daughters Sharon King & Linda Sears. And-doted on her grandchildren Stacy Vaughn (Thomas); Leslie King; Cody Sears (Brooke); Gretchen Clayson (Erick); Amanda Sears; Jennifer Meyers (Joshua). She was blessed to have 7 great grandchildren. In addition to Glenn she is survived by a sister Francis Sagstetter.

WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER GRAND LADY !

JUNE FARAGE



June passed away on St Patricks Day from congestive heart failure with her entire family beside her at The Villages Hospice House .She and Nyme had celebrated their 62nd anniversary on the day before she entered the hospital. She is survived by her husband Nyme & 4 children-sons, Maj Gen Mike Farage USAF Ret (Marianne), Richard Farage (Nancy), Jeffrey Farage (Andrea) & daughter Jamie Cielewich (Scott). 3 Grandchildren, Matthew, Mark (Randi) & Ryan (Kara). And-Great Grand-Daughter Taylor Kate. Nyme will be remembered as the Bombardier on the Bates Crew and had been bumped up to Deputy Group Lead on the 7-4-44 Blechammer raid. He had to watch helplessly as his crew was 'flamed' flying in another box. In Traverse City, MI when Nyme was with the telephone company June was most successful in Real Estate sales. Even tho son Mike wore 2 stars June was Chief of Staff in all 'tribe' matters. When she said,"jump", Nyme & all would immediately respond with,"how high"?

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MARY KULZYCK- was not only the matriarch but the glue that held the Kulczyk clan together all of these many years. Danny reported, "my Mother entered the hospital 3 months ago with the flu and was transferred to a rehab center to relearn walking. Friday she wasn't feeling well and they took her to the hospital where her heart stopped. Reviving her she was placed on life support. She never recovered and was removed from life support later that afternoon and passed away the following day April 19, 2008 ". This loving & caring lady is survived by her husband Gene; sons Daniel, Robert & David Kulczyk ; daughters Geri Ott (Wayne), Karen Wnek, Joyce Urban (Jim), Jean Andrix (Dan), & Mary Scherer (Jim): 12 grandchildren; and also survived by many nieces & nephews. Due to Mary's loving & caring nature she was without a doubt one of the most beloved and respected wives in the Association. Unless our memory is at fault she hadn't missed

neither a regular or mini reunion once they were located for the Dayton round up. It goes without saying she will leave a huge void in the hearts of all who knew this wonderful lady. Gene will be remembered for that day of 7-8-44. That morning the Group launched 22 planes to attack the Florisdorf Oil Refinery located near Vienna. Only 13 planes reached the IP with 9 having returned to base along the way due to various problems. Coming out of the flak ME 109s attacked as a result Gene flying as Engineer on Jesse Jumper's Crew checked into a German Rest Camp that afternoon. The group received their first Presidential citation for this raid. Without a doubt Mary will be greatly missed at future reunions. **WE HAVE LOST A DEAR & BELOVED LADY !**



LeROY CRENSHAW-a 50 mission Gunner was born 1-18-22 made his final flite to Eagles Nest 4-27-08. On May 10, 2008 his ashes were placed near his beloved wife Josephine and grand-daughter in the Crenshaw-Hayman plot in Forest Park East Cemetary, Webster, TX. LeRoy will be remembered as a Gunner on the Duckworth Crew. While flying with Colonel Chuck Clark the 465th BG Commanding Officer on the 9-13-44 raid to Oswiecim, Poland they received severe battle damage necessitating their making a forced landing in Poland. Initially, they were declared POWs. Mother Luck was riding with them and rather than becoming German POWs they were fortunate to be in Russian territory and taken to Potova, Russia. At the time his baby daughter Sandra was less than one month old. Having gone down in a B-24 this crew made some history when Colonel Clark using his rank and position as a Bomb Group Commander coomanded a B-17 with a

load of bombs; tacked on to a 8th Air Force Bomb Group making a Shuttle raid; and during their return trip made a successful bomb run. In the early 50s LeRoy was recalled to active duty during the Korean conflict. During this tour he was stationed at Nellis Air Base, Las Vegas, NV where he was an AP Mechanic working on fighter jets. He is survived by his daughter Sandra Hayman (Larry) and son Leonard Crenshaw (Lisa); grandchildren Nicol & Ryan Hayman and Karen & Leonard Crenshaw (Johanna); along with 7 great-granchildren. He was employed as a Machinist with Hunt Tool Company 24 years and with Eastman Whipstock 18 years before retiring. With Josephine having passed on earlier in the summer of 2007 his health failed necessitating his entering Friendship Haven located in Friendswood, TX where he was content & happy having an unlimited number of fellow Senior citizens to 'jawbone' with. **WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST !**



**Rush & Mark Your Calendar
Buffalo For Oct 5 - 8**

USED, OVER HAUL, REPAIR & REPLACEMENT PARTS ETC SECTION



PEG Mc CLOSKEY-will be remembered as the wife of Jim McCloskey a member of the Greenwood Crew 'scragged' on the 7-17-44 raid on Munich. And-for his great devotion to the Squadron having located the largest number of 'Lost Souls' and later being the President of this outfit. All the time Peg supported Jim's every effort along with her tireless efforts running the well stocked hospitality room at the many reunions. Her daughter Barb reports from McKees Rock, PA, "My Mom was living alone for 6 years before moving in with me and during this period survived 2 heart attacks, going blind in one eye before dementia started to set in. On June 8, 2006 she suffered a stroke that affected her left side. At that time the Doctors recommended moving her to an Assisted Living Facility where her condition continued going down hill.

On 12- 31-06 she was admitted to a Nursing Home. She is bed ridden and hasn't eaten for over a year-surviving on Ensure products. God has been good to her, she is very comfortable, content and not in any pain and for that I am thankful. It is so difficult to watch a loved one's mind & body fail them. Please keep her in your prayers''.

*Brothers & sisters remembering the writer flew some 35 missions or so with Jim before his being 'scragged' when you receive a letter with the above being a part don't think it doesn't make one begin questioning a series of why? Why we weren't along with them that day over Munich? Why today along with Frank Goplen & Bill Douglas we are the only living 3 members of this Crew? Why we are the only living member of the Petranek Crew we later flew with? All caring can drop a note to Barb Schoedel; 1014 11th St; McKees Rock, PA 15136. It goes without saying she would be very appreciative. **ANOTHER LADY HAVING CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH!***

RALPH SMITH-will be remembered as the Bombardier on the Swanzy Crew they were hit by Me-109s and were 'scragged' on the 7-12-44 raid on Nimes, France. After weeks of harrowing experiences with the French underground narrowly escaping capture on several occasions by the 'Jerries' were successfully returned to the Squadron by way of North Africa. Unfortunately, Bob Swanzy their Crew Commander & Lupe Montana the Ball Turret Gunner were KIA. Peggy Friar, Ralph's daughter e mailed, "Dad had a major stroke Saturday April 26. He survived but has a lot of weakness on the left side. They get people started ASAP with physical therapy now to gain back as much function as possible. That is what he is going through now-lots of therapy. He will not be in the hospital for too much longer-probably going to rehab. I will send another e-mail update in a few days. My Mom is staying with me during all of this. My e-mail address is gsfandmsf@msn.com. Please direct all e mails to me and not to Dad's earthlink. My phone numbe is 207-883-3456. He is in the Maine Medical Center; 22 Bramhall St; Portland, ME 04102. Hope you will pray for Ralph. He knows what is going on and can talk a bit. He still has his dry humor and was making me laugh yesterday. Love, Peggy Friar". He has served the Association as a former President and long time Board Member.

ENJOY A GOOD RECOVERY OLD TIMER !

'TRICKY DICK' TRIMMINGHAM-scragged on the August 24, raid on Pardubice by an unfriendly ME-109 now for months has undergone numerous health problems. Everything from anemia on-you name them and he claims to have suffered same. Recently he awoke one morning discovering during the nite he had suffered a detached retina. Following surgery he now 'claims he has a distorted eye' but hopeful the surgery has restored his vision. This means another visit to the VA for filing a claim raising his POW pay. Question? Being a distorted character-should he not have a distorted eye? **HAVE A GOOD RECOVERY-RASCAL !**

**GET
THE
LEAD
OUT!**



**RUN OR WALK
BE IN
BUFFALO
OCT 5-8**



Ethanol Rip Off & Scam

How Your Congress Person Helps to Empty Your Pocket Book

Your Congress Person is enjoying an extravagantly paid ride aboard a 'gravy train' with a multitude of financial perks far greater than his or her brain could have ever imagined or fantasized. Find below how they have rewarded 'Mr & Mrs Lunch Bucket' for making them the recipient of a wind fall never imagined:

Ethanol is *highly corrosive*.

No distillation process too date *can remove the large amount of water it contains*.

Adding over a 10% to the gasoline blend will damage engines not specifically made for it's use. *An expensive lesson learned in the early 80s causing it to be discarded as impractical & disastrous.*

Unlike oil or gasoline that can easily be moved by pipeline-ethanol *because of it's corrosive nature and other properties requires special transportation handling requiring it be moved by either by more expensive truck, rail car or barge.*

The distillation process requires burning up much more than a gallon of non renewable fossil fuel--oil or natural gas--to make a single gallon of Ethanol--*ending up with a product that supplies an estimated 20 -30% less energy than the fossil fuel burned in it's manufacture that has cost you-'Mr & Mrs Lunch Bucket' a greater amount. Isn't this a great example of counter productivity ?*

For those concerned with environmental damage a check will reveal the distillation process of a single gallon of ethanol *requires a voluminous amount of fresh water accompanied by a large amount of resultant surface environmental damage. This fact should give 'Tree Huggers' acid reflux.*

The experts calculate *to fill up the average SUV with ethanol requires--450 pounds of corn--be consumed in the manufacturing process in addition to the large amount of non renewable fossil fuel consumed.*

If the above facts haven't raised the antennas of 'Mr & Mrs Lunch Bucket' by now try this fact offered by the experts on for size.*If each and every ear of corn grown in the USA was converted to the manufacturing of ethanol it woul only supply 2 to 3% of the nation's daily needs.*

For the grand finale to this revelation of facts regarding the Ethanol Rip Off and the action of your Congress Person whether he voted for it-- or-- stood by with a case of 'Lock Jaw' and didn't publicly denounce this fraud. *This august group--the products of our our educational tax dollars--decided to reward Archer Daniels and all the other ethanol manufacturers with the handsome sum of a 52 cents out of your tax dollars per gallon subsidy for each and every gallon of ethanol they make over and above their normal profit.*

To further insure this handsome gift to the ethanol manufacturers & corn farmers *at the same time they voted and embargo on the importation of the much cheaper Brazilian made ethanol that would have slowed the emptying of the pocket books of 'Mr & Mrs Lunch Bucket'. Does not importing foreign oil and not cheaper foreign ethanol further display the total lack of common sense employed by 'your over paid hired help'? Be advised behind the scenes your Congress Person often uses the term 'Mr & Mrs Lunch Bucket' when making reference to their constituents. We can guarantee you from personal experiences when in one on one conversations when a Congress Person was reminded of being 'hired help'--they would enter into uncontrolled orbit.*



**We're having
a PARTY!**

**BUFFALO
OCT 5-8**

NUMERICAL FACTS FROM CONGRESSIONAL HEARING ON BIG OIL 4-1-08

Comparative statistics of combined Exxon, BP, Shell, Conoco & Chevron compared to Johnson & Johnson, Pfizer, Glaxo Smith, Sanofi-Aventis compared to Boeing, United Technologies, Lockheed Martin, Honeywell & Northrup Gruman

<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EARNED</u>	<u>PROFIT ON DOLLAR</u>
OIL	\$1,460.20 billion	\$123.29 billion	8.4 cents on the dollar
PHARMACEUTICAL	230.64 billion	48,24 billion	20.9 cents on the dollar
DEFENSE	229.59 billion	15.5 0 billion	6.8 cents on the dollar

Anyone capable of comprehending 'Grocery Store Arithmetic' should recognize the huge comparative investment Exxon & other oil companies gambled while providing the American Driver with the lowest price gasoline in the world outside of the non subsidized countries. Even after being advised over & over for 58 years of the coming oil shortage the greedy & unappreciative squawk & bawl at an industry taking monumental financial risks making a lousy 8.4 cents return. The most interesting part of this scenario was the highly publicized pay off to the Goldman Sach's CEO after only 6 months on the job

when he resigned to become Secretary of Treasury. Keep in mind he only peddled paper no different than that received when buying a ticket at the race track. It was reported for 6 months work he received, "\$18.7 million salary; \$26 million worth of securities that had not been vested earlier; \$488 million worth of stock that had only been registered a week earlier ". Not a peep was heard from the same American Public that earlier had so vociferously crucified Lee Raymond when he retired after 42 years of leadership at Exxon an individual that helped provide the USA driver cheap gasoline all of those years.

DOCUMENTED FACTS FOR UNGRATEFUL THINKING BIG OIL IS RIPPING THEM OFF

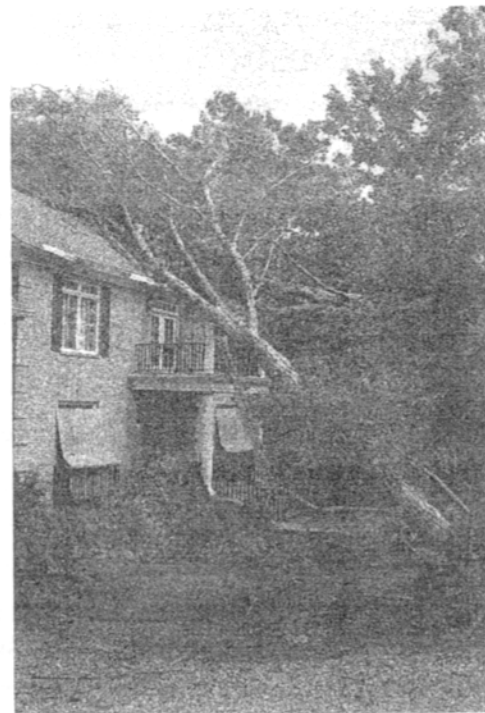
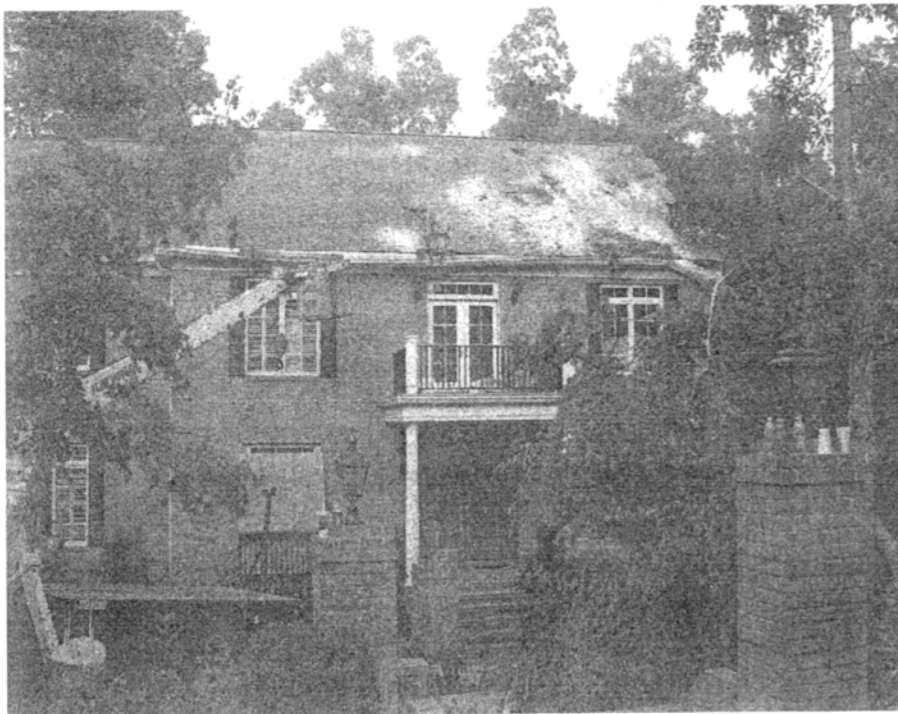
***EXXON** was selected since they are the most hated by the uneducated. **VALERO ENERGY**-selected because they are the largest refiner & distributor of gasoline in the USA. **TESORO ENERGY**-selected for being the largest refiner on the West Coast, Alaska & Hawaii. **MARATHON OIL**-selected for being a large integrated oil when their Louisiana refinery expansion completed will be one of the largest on the Gulf Coast .*

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>STOCK PRICES</u>		
	<u>PRICE 6-10-08</u>	<u>52 WEEK LOW</u>	<u>52 WEEK HIGH</u>
EXXON	\$ 88.09	\$77.50	\$96.12
VALERO	45.02	44.55	78.68
TESORO	23.33	21.70	65.98
MARATHON	50.96	43.24	67.04

The loudest voices proclaiming 'Big Oil' is ripping them off will soon pocket a \$600 'hand out' taken from the 'productive'. It is suggested each exercise a selection of one of the above companies they think are so profitable and invest their \$600 in a stock purchase. With their loss they will be begging for another hand out.

NATURAL GAS PRICE WARNING

For years those depending on Natural Gas for heating & generating their electricity have enjoyed cheap prices due to Congressional control. Like oil the majority of the public have ignored the numerous warnings it was not a renewable energy and with declining production and increasing demand there would be a day of price escalation. Natural gas that was stolen from the producers at an artificially low price of 7 cents has recently escalated to \$12.57. This winter expect staggering bills compared to the past years. **ONCE AGAIN 60 YEARS OF WARNINGS HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY UNAPPRECIATIVE USERS !**



DEVIL VISITS TENNILLE'S IN MILLEDGEVILLE, GA

The Devil in the form of a storm or tornado paid your President an unwelcome visit. Fortunately, Tom & Ann were not home. However, their 2 dogs were. Both are said to be slowly recovering from a big case of shell shock.. The photo only shows the damage on one end of their home. We were advised that similar damage was inflicted on the opposite end. With all of the accompanying rain that entered thru the open roof damage and ran down the walls into all 3 floors one can imagine the extensive damage inflicted and endless repairs that will be necessitated. Our sympathy and condolences goes out to them .. Having lost our home in Corpus Christi, TX 8-3-1970 to Hurricane Celia-- they may not think so now-- but they will survive.

Celebrating the Life of



ROBERT F. WILLS

February 21, 1921 - January 27, 2008

Memorial Service

EMMANUEL BETHEL CHURCH
4000 NORMANDY RD.
ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2008
11:30 A.M.

*Following the Service, you are invited
to share memories over lunch at
the "Cottage."*

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Interment

WEST DEERFIELD CEMETERY
DEERFIELD, MICHIGAN

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2008
3:00 P.M.

THOSE PLANNING TO
ATTEND PLEASE

NOTIFY

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PASADENA, CA 91105

**NOW
READ
THIS!**



DEL & IRENE FORSBERG-the 'golden years' have proven to be anything but golden for this couple. According to Dr Gary Forsberg, recently Irene underwent one of the most dangerous operations known to medical science-being opened from stem to stern in order to perform the procedure. Beating the odds and pulling thru necessitated her spending not weeks but moths in rehab. She called to report they had finally allowed her returning home although a nurse must visit and assist her daily. In the mean time Dell 'slud' down the hill health wise and had to relocate to an Assisted Living Facility. This reminded when only a small child I remember our 'Ole Black Mammy', Aunt Dilly remarking, "when misery visits a household--it just seems to wear it's welcome out". It is hoped Del & Irene's friends will take time to drop them a note of encouragement which Irene will deliver to Del's assisted living facility on her visits. MAY GOOD HEALTH RETURN SOON TO THE FORSBERG'S.

ALL ABOARD!!



FOR BUFFALO OCT 5-8-08

With Karen Kulczyk Wnek suffering her family loss & the Devil visiting Tom's house in Georgia the reunion planning has suffered expected delays. Each planning to attend are asked to read the attached Reunion Registration Sheet carefully. It is important particularly to read the very bottom portion and each are asked to comply and notify Nancy if planning to attend. With the 44 person bus demand affecting prices it is important to get an early attendance number. With the high price of gasoline as well as increased airline fares possibly reducing attendance it is important to avoid any forfeiture of deposits that might affect the Association Treasury plus help Karen in her planning and execution of reunion duties. If planning

to attend PLEASE COOPERATE AND ADVISE NANCY NO LATER THAN JULY 15, 2008!

You will note Karen planned events so all could spend time in the Hospitality room and enjoy much visitation and renewal of old friendships. With the location on the extreme north eastern border of the USA it is hoped many of those residing in this area, who in the past used the excuse the reunions were located too far distant, will take advantage and attend. Remember, it is later than one thinks. Father time has taken it's toll and the ranks have thinned. It may well be the last opportunity to enjoy a visit with 'Ole Friends' of long ago when attempting to make the world a better place. Karen has planned an event affording some good tours. You might even take the opportunity to enjoy a second honeymoon at the famous Niagara Falls. If attempted we know full well who will be the first to go into the bathroom and have a good cry this time--and they will not have a feminine names. It is pure misery to admit your get up and go has got up and went with the use of Viagra being wasted effort. MAKE YOUR PLANS TODAY!

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OLE F/O

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THAT WILL BE OF INTEREST FOR SEPT LOG

IT WILL CONTAIN PHOTOS & DETAILS OF THE OLE F/O's RETURN TO
ITALY AFTER 64 YEARS

A DOZEN CANDY BARS & 3 CARTONS OF CIGARETTES WILL NOT BUY
YOU THE TIME OF DAY NOW--A CAN OF COKE OVER \$5 AMERICAN



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