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ABOVE GROUP DOCUMENTS CREAM ROSE TO THE TOP AT OMAHA 2001 REUNION



OMAHA KEY NOTE SPEAKER

MAJ GEN MICHAEL N. FARAGE USAF son of our Nyme & June Farage gave the key note address that met with great acceptance by all in attendance. In early October he will assume Command of the US Training Mission in Saudi Arabia. It goes without saying he will be stepping into a 'hot seat'. His father was one of the best Bombardiers in the Squadron. After completing his 50 missions he returned home and completed Pilot Training transitioning in P 51s. Knowing them both Mike is even 'taller timber' having enlisted and risen thru the ranks. He must be one of the best having been entrusted with a command of such great importance at a critical time in our history. All with loved ones, children or grandchildren in his command can rest assured they are in the hands of a GIs General.

MAY GOD FLY AS HIS CO PILOT ON ALL DECISIONS & ORDERS HE MUST MAKE!



**LT COL CHARLES A. LANE, JR USAF RET
REVEALS INTERESTING FACTS OF 99TH**

Colonel Lane was the youngest Pilot to fly with the Tuskegee Airmen under the command of then Colonel Ben Davis and his Red Tails in the 99th. It will be recalled they flew cover for the 783rd on numerous occasions. He talked to an appreciative audience since the 'Hot Pilots' of the 99th saved our 'bacon' many times. Many interesting historical events of the inner workings of his Group were revealed to the delight of everyone. It is hoped he departed knowing our gang was one of the 99ths most appreciative admirers & greatest boosters. After over 50 plus years the writer had the opportunity to say thanks for the 99th saving him and Dave Cohen whose widow was in the audience that day down in the Udine when shot up and left behind by the Group the Red Tails came in and ran some narrow minded ME 109s off that had evil intent and bad dispositions



HARRY & LOLA MASTER HOST & HOSTESS TO GREAT PARTY

Thru the laughter and enjoyment of old comrades seeing one another after many years along with the tears shed for less fortunate friends that either didn't return to the States or have since passed on Harry & Lola conducted a perfectly coordinated event that will long be remembered as one of our best Reunions. Each and every detail had been seen to with all events and happenings going off to perfection. They received the ultimate when the 'one & only' Bo Bolinski placed his stamp of approval awarding them a five star rating.

Cheri their charming daughter acted as both hostess & sales person in the hospitality room that also housed the PX. With her stunning looks and smooth approach all were well hosted while the PX enjoyed record sales. Roger Amhoff her husband contributed to further success of the Reunion acting as bar tender keeping the drinks handed out at a steady pace and delivering a smooth line while 'jaw boning' his many customers. With these two having made a repeat of their performances at the Davenport 'round up' they are now considered permanent Squadron Members and by popular demand invited back to any and all gatherings.

The greatest part of the gathering was the three widows who came to stand in place of their husbands. Led by Tom Tennille, who never had the opportunity to know his father, there were 11 children & 3 son in laws present with Mike Farage being our key note speaker. And Dave Swanzy standing in his brother Bob's place. This proves the Quid Fit gang are often imitated but can never be duplicated Even after 50 plus years they remain the 'lead hosses'.

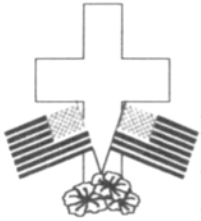
As usual Gene & Mary Kulczyk this time joined by Cleo & Susanne Jackson were first to arrive and be there to greet all upon arrival.

HARRY & LOLA-YOU THREW ONE HELLUVA PARTY!

SQUADRON ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

With Harry having done such an outstanding job he was asked to serve a second term. With misery loving company he agreed if his slate of officers agreed to continue serving with him. Having automatically moved up as a member of the Board of Directors he will serve in both capacities. Charlie Payne will again serve as Vice President; Bob Wills as Treasurer and Sam Marie as Secretary. There is an old saying-'if it ain't broken don't fix it'.

A special thanks should be said to Mike Magazzino. He has been a tireless worker while holding every office in the Association. He continues to keep the Squadron roster making all of the mailing labels for each mailing of the Latrine O Grams. His new Squadron Directory was outstanding. Mike's efforts has earned the appreciation and thanks of each and every member.



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RUSSEL CHRISTIANSON-82 years young passed away March 23, 2001 at Valley Lutheran Hospital, Mesa, AZ. He was born 12-9-1918 in Upham, ND. He graduated from the local High School. He attended college at State School of Forestry, Bottineau, ND, where he received an Associate of Science degree in Forestry. After

WW II he graduated from NDSU in 1946 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agronomy. In 1947 he began his career with the Soil Conservation Service, Minot, ND. In the fall of 1947 he moved to Edgeley, ND, as District Conservationist for the West LaMoure District. In the spring of 1955, he transferred to Jamestown, where he was District Conservationist for Stutsman County from 1955-76. In 1971 he was the initial organizer of the Regional Council, serving as its acting Executive Director until July 1975. In 1980, he retired after 38 years of service for the Soil Conservation Service. Active in many civic affairs he served on the Pipestem Park Board; was a member of the Jamestown VFW; Silver Hair Legislature; served as a Elder & Deacon in the United Presbyterian Church; and past President of the North Dakota Chapter of POWs. He enjoyed 21 years of retirement traveling and driving his antique John Deere tractor. He is survived by his wife Eldora; two daughters Kay Carpenter and Julie Munsey (Tom); three sons Steve (Linda), Randy and Kim (Gail); three brothers; two sisters; six grandchildren; and a great grandchild. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in Minot, ND May 26, 1941. He will be remembered as the Navigator on the Coffield Crew one of the original 17. On the August 24, 1944 raid to Pardubice, Czechoslovakia while flying his 50th and final mission as second attack lead with Tom Clark they had their 'tail feathers' pulled out and bought a trip to POWville at Barth, Germany.

WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!

ROGER KRAFT-passed away on May 25, 2001 after a multi year battle with a rare form of leukemia. Roger joined the Squadron as a Aircraft Commander. On the 9-22-44 raid on Munich while flying his second mission flak damaged his No. 3 engine resulting in his being unable to hold formation with the Group. The decision was made to hug the Swiss border while attempting a return to base. While descending thru a cloud cover unexpected AA fire knocked out his 1 & 4 engines and ruptured hydraulic lines at the main tank. At that point he turned into Switzerland and bellied into a Swiss airfield near the Bodensee. All of the Crew escaped without injury. Members of the Swiss Army took them to the town of Adelboden. Later the officers were taken to Davos, a town on the eastern side of Switzerland. In February 1945 they were returned thru France to the Squadron. Following his release from active duty he entered Georgia Tech receiving his BS degree in Electrical Engineering in 1950. Upon graduation he joined Westinghouse Electric's engineering group being assigned to Tullahoma, TN helping to complete the USAF Propulsion Wind Tunnel. Upon completion he joined and remained with the wind tunnel operation as an engineer in the Operation & Maintenance section. After retirement in 1982 a Motor Home was purchased and he and Martha traveled the US. In addition to Martha he is survived by his son Roger, Jr (Trudy) and 2 grandchildren. *WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*

JUNE FORSBERG-the wife of Del Forsberg passed away recently. She was born in Monessen, PA. While in school she and Del became acquainted. They had enjoyed 55 years of married life. In addition to Del she is survived by three sons Gary(Beverly), Mark (Donna) and Lyle (Beth); and a daughter Tamara Meyer along with six grandchildren. *WE HAVE LOST A GRAND LADY!*

ROY LILJA-passed away 2-16-01 in Littleton, CO. He graduated from West High School in Minneapolis, MN in 1940. Attending the University of Minnesota he played on their football team prior to entering service. Following his service he completed his education receiving his BS degree from Colorado College where he again participated in football. He and Geraldine were married 8-25-51 and lived in Littleton for 32 years. He retired as a Sales Manager for a telephone company, Telecommunications. In addition to Gerry he is survived by three daughters Laurie Martin, Mary Lilja and Jamie Graham as well as two grand daughters and two grandsons. He will be remembered as the Navigator on Harry Fike's Crew. *WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*

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CURTIS WILKENS-lost his life recently in a traffic accident. He had planned on attending the Omaha Reunion having made reservations for himself and 3 children. He will be remembered as the Ball Turret Gunner on Bob Anderson's Crew. He is survived by six children Linda, Curtis III, Karen, Steve, Sean and Aaron along with 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. In civilian life he was employed as a Quality Assurance Field Rep with Lockheed Missile & Space Company. **His wife Mary had passed away in March 2000. WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!**

RALPH MC ELYEA-we confirmed recently that Mac passed away near Quartz Hill, CA some years back. He will be remembered as the Engineer on the Cap Petranek's Crew. After his 49th mission he slipped off to Bari to keep company with a Signorina and missed the last truck back to the field that nite. Early the following morning before he could return his crew took off and completed their 50th mission successfully. Later on September 22, 1944 while making his 50th with the Williams Crew to Munich his luck ran out and they were 'scragged'. Instead of returning to the states with his crew he spent the remainder of the war as a 'Guest' of the Germans. Mac attended our Dayton, Las Vegas and San Antonio Reunions before health problems prevented his further traveling. It should be noted that after the Petranek Crew lost their Bombardier the writer flew with both the Greenwood and Petranek Crews. We can testify to his actions on one mission. Their ship took a bad hit in the bomb bay damaging the electrical system causing much sparking while a severed gas line nearby was spewing fuel. Mac without hesitation hung over the open bomb bay without a chute and casually made emergency repairs solving both problems. His actions no doubt averted a potential disaster. His wife Louise passed away earlier. We know he is survived by a son and daughter. *WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*

GEORGE L. MEECE-will be remembered as the Co Pilot on the Petranek Crew mentioned above. When the Association was formed Jim Mc Closkey and the writer both unsuccessfully searched for him. Recently, a person of the same name and probable age turned up on the Social Security Index. Without his Social Security Number positive identification is impossible. However, at this late date in our search it is quite probable it was our individual since the death occurred in the state of George's LKA. He came to the Squadron a F/O and departed a 50 mission 1/Lt. A quite individual the writer can testify to his being a most competent pilot and respected officer among his Crew and others that flew with him. *If our assumption on the identity of this person is correct this leaves your writer the last living member of this Crew. WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*

STAFF SGT KATHLEEN E. KNOUS-KOCHER USAF-the daughter of John Knous (deceased) Co Pilot on the Waymon Crew and Fay Knous a faithful attendee to Squadron Reunions passed away after waging a losing struggle with Big C. As a Medical Technician she had served in Japan, Okinawa, Philippines, England & Germany. During Desert Storm she served in a unit sent to Germany to treat transported wounded. In addition to her Mother Fay she is survived by sons Sgt Raymond, US Marine Corps, Arlin & Charles; a daughter JaDec; grandchildren Raymond II, Nikole & Alexis; sisters Ileen Glendensing & Sherri Kerr, and brother John. *WE HAVE LOST A MOST IMPORTANT PERSON-A CHILD!*

VERNON SMITH-will be remembered as a Gunner on the Waymon Crew that had their 'tail feathers' plucked on the November 16, 1944 raid to Munich. With the help of Tito's Partisans they had a two month walk back to Pantanella. However, his Crew Commander Ernest Waymon was not so lucky. Being the last to bail out he landed further from the others and breaking his ankle he had the misfortune to be caught by a German Patrol and becoming a POW. Having graduated from Baylor University in 1943 before entering service he returned and resumed his studies graduating from Law School in 1948. In addition to being a partner of a prominent Law Firm, Smith & Brachter he was a US Magistrate. He served as a Deacon of the First Baptist Church in Waco as well as a Trustee of Baylor University for ten years. He is survived by his widow Doris; daughters Sherry Jacks(Tommy), Melinda Horner(Pat); grandchildren Ashley Horner, Andrea Horner Dovgalyuy, Mitchell Horner and Meredith Jacks; and by his sister, Louise Chatham(Ben). *WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*

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MORTIMER COHN-quietly passed away in his sleep the nite of May 23, 2001. Every Mother's son who drew a chute for a combat mission will have vivid memories of Morty checking and issuing his 'silk elevators'. Without a doubt his efforts contributed to the saving of more lives than any other individual. Each and everyone that had to jump-and there were over 300-should take time to drop Angela Cohn (*note her new address*) a note of regret as well as thanks. After his service days he rose to a Managerial position of a large New York Department store. Many will be surprised to learn at the age of 72 Morty began making commercials.

While talking with Mrs Cohn she broke down sobbing and stated,"no woman ever had her a more attentive or better husband with our marriage being a great 59 years". He is survived by two children and their spouses, Sandra Sapornaro (John); Harold Cohn (Arlene); three grandchildren Paul, Lisa & Lorie; one great grandchild Vincent with 3 more due to arrive shortly. *WE HAVE LOST ANOTHER OF THE BEST!*



JACK BERNSTEIN-'Ole Folks', who was 'scragged' on the August 3, 1944 Friedrichshafen Slaughter' as a member of the Elliott Crew, recently suffered a heart attack that resulted in his having a stint implant. When we talked he was recuperating at home under the care of his daughter. The implant came none too soon considering the excitement he must have experienced when the 'Rag Heads' hit the Towers located near his residence on Grand Street. As an older member he is stronger than a bar of lye soap and twice as ornery.

MURV HUSTON-a member of Andy Anderson's Crew and claiming to be the youngest 'Pup' attending our Reunions recently suffered a Heart Attack necessitating some invasive work. Not satisfied with that set back it was discovered that his 'Monkey Gland' was infected with Big C requiring immediate corrective action. His medical problems must have been arrested. At the Omaha Reunion he was fat and sassy. He will probably use his ailments as an alibi since he and Andy failed to defend their ill gotten Golf championship acquired at the Davenport 'Round Up'.

RICHARD TRIMMINGHAM-Gunner on the Tom Clark Crew that decided to take R & R at a German Rest Camp on the August 24, 1944 raid to Pardubice, Czech recently had the 'Butchers' over haul a foot. 'Dicky Boy' is an interesting character full of good POWville stories. His wife Wanda is a delightful lady and most supportive of her hubby.

JOSEPHINE CRENSSHAW-the wife of LeRoy, who flew as a Gunner on the Duckworth Crew was rushed to the hospital and had a Pace Maker installed. Even though 'Ole LeRoy' suffered a severe stroke some years back Josephine reported he has recovered sufficiently to be considered a fair Care Provider for his ailing wife. It should be remembered at the Colorado Springs LeRoy's name was listed as KIA and he turned up at Dayton alive and well--like a cat with nine lives.

BEN DUBOSE-reported in from his homestead in Orlando, FL. He will be remembered as Gunner on the Cramer Crew. Claiming to be the youngest 'Fly Boy' in the outfit. He went on to report more physical ailments and health problems than the entire list described in a medical dictionary. With Ben and Murv Huston claiming to be so young suggests those 'Yankee' lads are cut from defective cloth considering how both are falling apart so young. Ben, you had best slip a Nitro pill under your tongue and get someone to read you that portion in the June LOG where Sol Litman flew as a Engineer-Gunner with the Squadron at the young age of 16 after falsifying his enlistment papers.

DR JIM SPRADLEY-flew as a Gunner on the Cella Crew returned home to become a prominent Ft Worth 'Tooth Mechanic'. He had to miss the Omaha 'Get Together' due to severe leg circulation problems that may require an over haul. Hope his problems are solved before the next Reunion. His crew mate Harold Walton was lost without Jim to lead him around with a halter rope.

NICK RODAK-the Co Pilot on the Jim May Crew missed his first Reunion due to serious heart problems and complications. We hope the medics solve his problems. As Reunion regulars he and Jean were missed.

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PATRICIA MAIN-the wife of Carl Main the Radio Operator-Gunner 'scragged' with the Bates Crew on the August 7, 1944 raid on Blechhammer Oil Refinery at Kessel, Germany has a serious health problem necessitating their moving (see new address) so their son can lend Carl a hand in his Mother's care. With Carl present we know Pat will receive loving attention.

Latrine O Grams from First Stool Down

JACQUELINE CLARK-wife of Tom Clark our original Operations Officer 'scragged' on the August 24, 1944 raid to Pardubice, Czech has been spending the summer season at her Rye Beach, NH home. She will

be returning to her Tucson residence later in October. Squadron old timers will remember they were married at McCook, NE before the Squadron departed for over seas.

GLADYS MONTGOMERY-wife of Monty Montgomery our Squadron Navigator working on a recovery program in her Care Center after

suffering a stroke reported in and would enjoy and appreciate hearing from all of her friends. 8679 Thelen CT; Orangevale, CA 95662-4437

JO FOX-once again accompanied Bob Wills to the Omaha Reunion. They planned to stay over and spend Monday sight seeing and visiting one of the nearby gambling casinos before she departed for her Los Angeles residence. With the sneak attack of

those 'Rag Heads' her flite was canceled causing her to take a hectic and unscheduled ride on Amtrak not arriving home until late Thursday.

JIM DULITZ & BETTY ROUGEOT-also planned to stay over returning to their Atascadero, CA homes later. Sources reported with their flite canceled they were hoping to catch a one out

Thursday. Their final mode of return travel and arrival home hasn't been received.

LOST SOULS LOCATING US

HOWARD 'HAL' BROWN-a 50 mission Navigator on the Perry Crew one of the original 17 located us via E Mail from his home in Framingham, MA. He had spent his working career as Purchasing Agent for Harvard University. A single person he now spends his retirement years teaching Senior Citizens computer use.

BOB ROGERS-when he served with the Squadron as a Camera Repairman in the Photo Section he was known as **RUBIN ZUBOFISKY** also located us by E Mail. On his return home his family had changed their names to Rogers. To remain a family member he did likewise. Many will remember him as a member of the Group Musical Band.

WELCOME BACK FELLAS! HOPE YOU COME TO THE REUNIONS AND JOIN WITH US!

CHECK OUT THEIR ADDRESSES & PHONE INFO

REUNION REMEMBERANCES

One of the most important happenings was the many children attending. While waiting at the Airport for the Hotel Van to arrive we were joined by **Tom Tennille** the son of **Art Tennille** our Squadron Operations Officer who still lies buried in Italy. On arriving at the Hotel carrying our luggage **Walt Wilson** and his son **Ken Wilson** an Airline Captain were gracious enough to assist by opening the door. Entering the Hospitality Room one was greeted by **Cheri Amhof** the vivacious and talented daughter of the **Fike's**. At the Bar serving drinks and a smooth line of conversation was **Roger** her husband. 'Arkie' **Bonds** made his entrance with two charming daughters, **Janice Giffin** & **Joan Compton**. Reunion regulars and always smiling was **Peggy Friar** the daughter of **Ralph Smith** along with her

congenial husband **Glenn** who is so skilled with his wheel chair you completely forget his handicap-quite a guy. It was our pleasure to shake the hand of **David** the son of **John Knous**. **Pam Main** had Proud Papa **Carl** grinning from ear to ear. **Ken Peters** was there with son **Doug**. **Alex & Alice Piwonka** drove all the way from Caldwell, TX to Omaha to introduce their son **Bob**. **Nancy Young** the daughter of **Weyland Feely** came motoring in from Midland, TX with husband, **Clarence**. As usual the writers daughter **Lynda Marie Taylor** accompanied her **POP POP** to keep him on the straight and narrow. **Mike Farage's** arrival to speak to the gathering on Saturday found **Nyme & June** as proud as two peacocks in full strut.

David Swanzy arrived to stand in his brother **Bob Swanzy's** place who gave his life over Southern France while flying as a Crew Commander. Other arrivals to stand in their husbands

places were **Harriet Cohen** standing for **Dave**; **Fay Knous** standing for **John** and **Virginia Vandyke** standing for **Clayton**.

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The children named previously; the brother; and the widows constitute an All Star Line Up equaled by no other outfit on this planet!

As usual **Gene & Mary Kulczyk** this time joined by **Cleo & Susanne Jackson** arrived a day or two early so as to greet all on arriving. **Guy Carter** jetted in to fly Co Pilot once again for 'Arkie' **Bonds**. **Shirley Forbes** arrived with **Joe** in tow as usual. **Cheri & Roger Amhof** the daughter and son in law of **Harry & Lola** were a handsome couple at the banquet. Reunion regulars **Connie & Afra Maffey** made a grand entry. **Orbin & Elba Rutledge** made their usual appearance. **Ralph Smith** a retired USAF Master Navigator located the shin dig and made a safe landing. **Lee Gillespie** arrived with **Teeny** his best asset. **Jim Dulitz** landed with his friend **Betty Rougeot** and along with his crew members the **Gillespies' & Maffey's** had a great time. **Carl & Carol Lind** rendezvoused with **Izzy Gerstner** from the Cramer Crew. As usual **Iris Payne** looked on while **Charlie** was shaking hands all around. The very special **Mike & Sarah Magazzino** were a welcome sight. **Doe Einecker** on the road to recovery from her health problems once again was with her 'Joe Handicap' while he ran the Golf Scramble. **Frank & Edith Goplen** had an enjoyable time visiting with **Bo Bolinski** while he entertained all in hearing distance as usual. **Bob & Rosey Anderson** along with **Murv & Kay Huston** were seen having their usual great time renewing their friendships. **Sam & Bea Cintolo** had a big time visiting with **Virginia Van Dyke**. **Bobby Haefner & Floyd Coffield** two 50 mission 'Throttle Jockeys' enjoyed all the tours & events. **Harold Walton** accompanied by his friend **Mary Fowler** continues a run of luck—she hasn't obtained glasses to see what she is stuck with. **Fay Knous** was accompanied by her

friend **Art Buckner** a Navy 'retread'. **Clarence & Kathy Owens** enjoyed the various tours and events. **Alex & Alice Piwonka** didn't learn of the Squadron Association until the Fredericksburg 'Round Up' and since have been a regular reunion attendees were joined by their son **Bob**. **Wally & June Volkman** fast becoming reunion regulars enjoyed the tours and golf. A visit with **Peggy & Glenn Friar** is always a high light of a reunion. **Ken & Jeanne Peters** along with their son **Doug** and **David Johansen** enjoyed the luxury of the reunion being held in their home town. **Tom Tennille** with his father having been a favorite of so many was a most welcomed attendee. Likewise, **David Swanzy** the younger brother of **Bob** was another welcomed addition. It left a good feeling to see the wonderful father-son relation between **Walt Wilson & son Ken**. **Floyd & Jean Gregory** were a welcomed sight. The same could be written for **Carl Main & daughter Pam**. **Harriet Cohen** as usual acting as 'Den Mother' took my daughter **Lynda**; **Weyland Feely's** daughter, **Nancy Young**; and **Bob Wills** friend, **Jo Fox** in tow leading them astray to various dens of trouble. Neither **Clarence, Bob** or I have ever been able to get the truth of where they disappear to. **Nyme & June Farage** were witnessed 'busting' with pride and rightfully so as their son **Mike** delivered the key note address at the banquet. The icing on the cake was our CO and father of the 783rd **Colonel Andrus** seated at the VIP table flanked by **John Knaus** our Squadron and later Group Bombardier and **Stan Pace** one of the original Crew Commanders who was being groomed for a larger leadership role before loosing his 'tail feathers'.

CLARENCE CHRISTENSEN & WIFE RUTH DESERVE SPECIAL MENTION & THANKS-CLARENCE completed his missions as a Crew Commander with the 464th and went on to retire as a Lt Col having logged over 10 000 flying hours in P 51s and various jet fighters. After looking over all the rest they decided to come join up with the best. As good friends of Harry and Lola they have lent a helping hand with both the Davenport and Omaha Reunions. The photos on the first two pages are but a few Clarence has furnished with more to appear in later issues. You folks are a welcomed Quid Fitters.

HARRY & LOLA FIKE OUR SPECIAL THANKS—like the Davenport Mini, Omaha was another special gathering done with superb expertise leaving no stone unturned. One & all owe you both a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU FOR A SUPERIOR JOB!** All attending will have great memories of a very special event for our remaining years thanks to your efforts. **THANK YOU MUCHO!**

This wraps up the news of the Omaha 'Round Up' due to limited space. There will be more in the next LOG such as the Golf Scramble results and stories; more photos etc. If you have any photos of the Reunion or other news or stories you think appropriate please send them.

PLEA FOR HELP—as you previously read you are stuck for two more years with the 'Texas Bull Shipper'. This is your newsletter and should contain stories & information of each and every member and their families unless you desire continuing to receive our 'horse apples'. **PLEASE! SEND NEWS, STORIES AND INFO!** They will dictate the contents of your future LOGs. **BE A CONTRIBUTOR TODAY!**

On the 27th of September we had the pleasure of attending the Farewell Dinner held at Lackland AFB for General Mike Farage. At that time we learned he will have the awesome responsibilities of training for not only all the Air Force but all of the Army, Navy and Marine troops in Saudi Arabia. Folks! Considering our country's situation in this region this is an assignment of tremendous importance. Having witnessed his accomplishments for the past two and half years at Lackland

and having heard the testimony from many of his troops every American is fortunate to have such a qualified individual to trust our personnel and loved ones with. It would be of comfort to Nyme & June if each of us remember to keep Mike and all the other service people over there in our prayers. Our nation is facing the type of war unlike any we have ever attempted. **THEY NEED OUR SUPPORT TO BE VICTORIOUS!**

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