



**6th Bomb Group
Association**

**TINIAN ISLAND
1944 - 45**

January
2019



BOISE REUNION 2018 - 6TH BOMB GROUP

We want to thank all who were able to attend this year's reunion in Boise, especially four veterans: Wallace Gake, John Dragoni, Jim Miller and Ed Vincent. We very much missed Warren and Maxine Higgins and pray his health is on the mend. Thank you to John Creek, Fran and Shirley Bates, Larry Dananay, and Ed Vincent for your wisdom, encouragement and support. Also, recognition to Kent Vincent for setting up the teleconferences for our veterans who were unable to travel to participate.

A major highlight of the reunion was our tour of Mountain Home Air Force Base attended by forty-four members. We saw F15-E Strike Eagles taking off, the new F-35 Lightning II and met with officers of the 389th Fighter Wing, known as the "Thunderbolts". A special ceremony was held in their hangar honoring our four veterans. The 389th officers and our vets shared stories and compared their experiences. Thanks to Staff Sergeant Woolston from the base Public Affairs office who organized an excellent tour as well as to Don Kane who helped some of our attendees clear base security on very short notice.



Veterans Wallace Gake, John Dragoni, Jim Miller, Ed Vincent

On Friday, we enjoyed a guided tour of the Warhawk Air Museum. It houses a collection of vintage fighter aircraft, rare artifacts from World War II and numerous displays telling the story of men and women who served and sacrificed for our country. Later, Dave Wilson provided an excellent presentation on the causes which led to war with Japan, the history of Tinian and its prominent role during the war.

Saturday afternoon we were honored to host nineteen cadets and their commanding officer, Lt. Col. John Barry, from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Cadet Squadron 11, for a Q&A session with two of our veterans. Cadet Squadron 11 has unofficially adopted the 6th Bomb Group and is highly interested in learning all they can about the history and personnel of the 6th. It was a time of insightful questions, discussion, and bonding between the two groups.

The culmination of the reunion was our annual banquet and auction on Saturday evening. 48 people attended at the unique JUMP facility in downtown Boise, enjoying pre-dinner drinks and a beautiful Fall evening on the outdoor terrace. Distinguished visitors included: Lt. Col. Barry, two USAFA cadets, and our guest speaker Col. Timothy Donnellan, Squadron Commander of the 124th Fighter Wing, U.S. Air National Guard. Col. Donnellan updated us on the readiness of our forces and the symbiotic operating relationship between the Air National Guard and U.S. Air Force. He was highly informative and inspirational. The auction raised nearly \$2,000 for the 6th BG Association. Thank you to all who contributed auction items and to those who made purchases!

A final thank you to Dave and Mariane Danley for volunteering to host next year's reunion in Everett (Seattle), Washington. Kristi and I thank you for the privilege of hosting you all in Boise and look forward to seeing you next year. Until we meet again, may you all be greatly blessed!

Kelly and Kristi Vincent



**PLAN AHEAD - THE 2019 REUNION WILL BE IN
EVERETT, WASHINGTON SEPTEMBER 11-15, 2019**





MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have just completed our latest and fantastic Reunion put together wonderfully by Kristi and Kelly Vincent in Boise, Id. The continuation of such voluntary effort to continue our Reunions is very much appreciated and enjoyed by all. A very special **thank you** to Kristi and Kelly for a job very well done. My personal introduction to Boise taught me that I might have missed a great place to retire even though I did pretty well with Alto, NM. Boise was fascinating and beautiful. The chosen events were, as well, very memorable to all and the thoughtfulness of everyone involved was exceptional. The War Hawk Museum was exceptional in my judgement by the Volunteers knowledge and commitment to remembering all of the things necessary to keep America as the best prepared Military on our planet. The Docents were quite the characters and will stay in my memory....I hope to go back someday soon.

I would like to extend a very special additional **thank you** to Don Kane for his dedication and investigation into Museums across the country for display of our history and documents accumulated over our years of collection. He has spent many hours in the last year to locate, obtain legal document agreements, assess the appropriate nature of our data to the many museums for World War II history. We are extremely appreciative of these efforts on our behalf and wish to say Thank You in the largest possible manner. Volunteers are what keep us going and healthy in the efforts needed to continue our goal of honoring and never forgetting the contributions of our 6th Bomb Group Veterans to our lives and the lives of all Americans. Don has effectively found our next step in our strategy to "EDUCATE" our youth and the general public about the 6th Bomb Group and to make our documents available for public viewing. He has played a major role in this initiative of EDUCATION. On behalf of our membership, we are grateful for your work and will move forward with displaying our memorabilia with Museums as well as our effort at a 6th Bomb Group Website designed for the same purpose.

As long as we are talking about our own website, we may as well address the subject of "funding". Your Board has already begun discussions of how to pay for this next major endeavor of creating our website. We have decided that Auction revenue will go into our general account and will no longer go to the Scholarship Fund as it is very well funded at this point. However, this fund is not utilized as much as we wish. We will make efforts at better advertising to our group and relatives to utilize this for education of young folks who need assistance in this area as most do. Future Auction profits will go toward our Website project, but it will not be enough. Like all projects, capital is required. Consequently, you will all be hearing from us in the near future to consider many avenues to contribute to this need to create a lasting tribute to the 6th Bomb Group Veterans via this website.

To save all of you from further verbosity from me, your humble coordinator of our efforts, Shirley and Fran thought it a great idea to include

in the newsletter the personal letter that Reneé and I sent out to some of our "Old Friends" who have not been able to attend for a while. That letter follows and thank you for reading and encourage anyone interested in Honoring our Veterans to join us, be they former or brand new attendees.

Thank You,
John Creek

Open Letter from John Creek and Rene'e Myers

July 25, 2018

Dear.....

We miss you!

Rene'e and I felt the need to write to you personally because you have not attended a 6th Bomb Group Reunion in the past several years. We want you to know how much we miss seeing you and your family. You were an important part of the past Reunions, giving your time, help, and expertise to create great times. Most importantly, we miss seeing you as we got to know you and your family. We understand that attending these events requires a great deal of planning, so we are contacting you now so you can add the dates October 17-21 to your calendar. We have enclosed the 6th Bomb Group Reunion 2018 Registration Form so you can review and hopefully submit. As you can see from the agenda the Vincent family has put together an incredible program. If there is anything that we can do to assist with you and your family making it to Boise, Idaho, then please let us know.

If you are still in doubt about how much you mean to our group, then give us a call so we can personally tell you.

FROM THE EDITORS

We hope that you enjoy this issue of the newsletter and will take the time to go to the links to learn more about our reunion and the 6th. If you have stories or photographs you would like to share in our newsletter, please send them to us: swbates1@gmail.com



This is YOUR newsletter, and we want to share your stories.

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A 74 YEAR-OLD QUESTION FINALLY ANSWERED



Carolyn, Helen, Clarence and Jackie

co-historian Phil Crowther and the research skills of David Wilson, the 6th BG co-historian, Carolyn and her family now have an answer to what happened.

Clarence Edward Hitchcock was a radio operator in the 24th on “Big Joe” piloted by Wayne Maki. Their 20th mission was a bombing mission on May 23, 1945 over Tokyo when they were caught in the defensive searchlights and were attacked by a Zero fighter who flew up the searchlight beam toward the B-29. As fate would have it Hitchcock was at that very minute checking to see that all the ordnance was released from the bomb bay while the doors remained open. The attacking aircraft’s machine guns were firing at the plane and several of the 22mm explosive rounds came through the bomb bay’s open doors. Hitchcock was severely wounded with a head wound and the aircraft badly damaged but was still flyable. The hydraulic system was destroyed, the Number 2 engine out and several gas lines were punctured. The crew had to make a decision about what to do next - give Hitchcock a parachute and have the entire crew bail out only to become POWs if they survived the descent, or to ground ditch the plane in the sea and hope for rescue, or try to get him and the crew back to Iwo Jima or Tinian. It wasn’t an easy decision - but Maki turned south and headed for Iwo with Newell Penniman, the navigator, using dead reckoning, a lot of prayer and a fortuitous meeting with another B-29 to bring them home all the while using all their medical training to keep Clarence alive. They landed on fumes and without brakes but delivered Hitchcock to medical care. Clarence spent the next two plus years in hospitals on Iwo, Guam and the US learning to walk and talk again before rejoining his family in West Virginia.

Clarence never talked about the war or his time in the Air Corps. He spent a lot of time at the VA hospital in Charleston, and all Carolyn knew was that he had a metal plate in his head and was injured in the war. The story of what happened was a mystery to Carolyn, her daughter Brigitte and grandson Micah until the fall of 2018 when

Carolyn Hitchcock Krause was only a child when her father, Clarence Hitchcock, went off to war. She remembers a happy childhood with a 6’2” funny and playful father who was changed forever by the war. What she never knew was what happened to create the change. Fortunately, through the persistence of her grandson, Micah Hazen, the information found on the 6th website run by

Carolyn mentioned to Micah that her father had been in the 6th. That comment led Micah to search online, and he found the 6th website and contacted Phil Crowther to see if anyone had information on Clarence Hitchcock. Phil confirmed that Clarence was in the Group and passed the email on to David Wilson who took up the challenge and remembered he had a copy of Newell Penniman’s diary that described the very mission that Hitchcock was wounded on. A copy of that diary was sent to Micah, and eventually a phone call took place between Carolyn and Nancy Duffy, the daughter of Penniman, and as the details of that fateful day became clear, the reasons for her father’s sometimes erratic behavior, medical needs, and dramatic personality change also became clearer. As Carolyn said “I had no idea what he went through....and now I understand why he acted the way he did...”

Clarence Edward Hitchcock died in 1969 from “war related causes” according to his death certificate. His wife Helen died in 2007, and the mystery continued for another 11 years. Carolyn’s herself created an interesting dynamic by marrying a German national in 1959. This created bit of family drama when she first brought him home to meet her parents as her father was adamant that he would never allow a German in his house. All that changed, and eventually a friendship was created and Carolyn married the love of her life.

Carolyn, Brigitte and Micah attended the 2018 reunion in Boise, Idaho learning more about the 6th and more about the question that they all had lived with since 1945. It was a very emotional time for Carolyn but helped create some closure for her and her family as to what really happened to Clarence Edward Hitchcock on May 23, 1945 over Tokyo Japan.



Carolyn Krause, Micah Hazen and Brigitte Hazen with a photo of Clarence Hitchcock. David Wilson is at the left.

☞ The Newell Penniman diary provides a fascinating look into the 6th BG and Tinian. The story of Clarence Hitchcock starts on page 30. However, the entire diary is a terrific read and well worth your time. http://philcrowther.com/6thBG/images/6bg_diary-Newell_Penniman.pdf

2018 REUNION PHOTO ALBUM



First Night Social



At Mountain Home AFB with an F-15



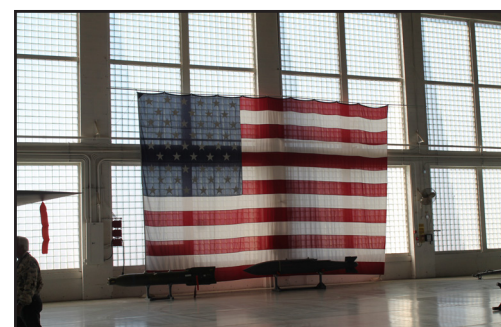
At the Warhawk



David Wilson's presentation



During David Wilson's presentation on 6th History at Tinian



In the hangar at Mt. Home



In the Warhawk



Nick Nichols and Jeanne Holmes



Robert Rodenhouse and John Creek over apples



Q & A with Vets: During this session Wallace Gage (Ground Crew), Ed Vincent (Commander Flak Alley Sally) Jim Miller (Ground Crew) and by teleconference Herb Horst (Bombadier, Flak Alley Sally) answered questions from those attending the reunion. This was our first attempt at teleconferencing arranged by Kent Vincent. <https://fccdl.in/KZZD15qGTI>

2018 REUNION PHOTO ALBUM



John Creek trying to sell a cylinder head



John Dragoni and Dennis Dennell



John Dragoni and Wallace Gake at Mt. Home AFB



With the Air Force Academy Cadets



Larry and Steve Dananay at the banquet



Larry Dananay and Kelly Vincent



Phil Conroy, Dave Farquar and Nick Nichols



Presenting the B-29 picture to Lt. Col. Barry



The Dottie May at the Warhawk Museum



Q & A with Air Force Academy Cadets: This very special and informative Q & A session included vets Wallace Gake and Ed Vincent taking questions from nineteen cadets who flew in from the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs to attend the reunion. Part I: <https://fccdl.in/dGYC0hRszk> Part II: <https://fccdl.in/Q1n4fzZqXk>

SIGNIFICANCE OF TINIAN DURING WWII

by David Wilson

During the 6th BG reunion our co-historian David Wilson presented reasons why Tinian was so important to the conclusion of the war and what Tinian and the 6th BG area looked like while the group was on the island.

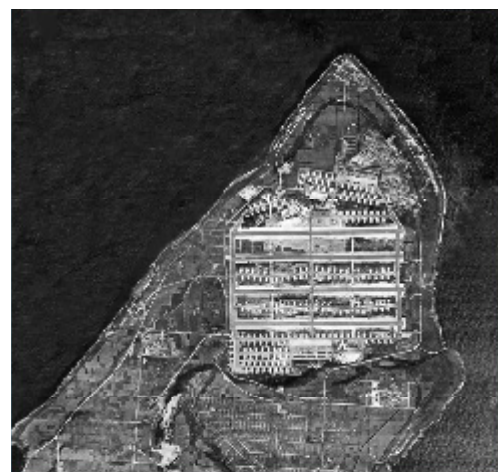


David started by showing the extent of the Japanese Empire after the attack on Pearl Harbor and its conquest of other Pacific Territory. As you can see from the map the Japanese controlled a great deal of the Western Pacific and were in control of important sources of oil from the region. The attack on Pearl Harbor was an attempt to isolate the USA and preserve the flow of critical supplies of oil to their military machine.

It was interesting to hear what three of our veterans were doing when they first heard of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Wallace Gake was in bed with the flu and heard an announcement on the radio. John Dragoni was picking up his sister and thought "where in the heck is Pearl Harbor"? Ed Vincent was returning from a wedding and heard about the attack on the radio.

The war progressed and island by island the US advanced toward Japan. The capture of Saipan and Tinian and eventually Iwo Jima put the US in striking range of the Japanese homeland. The B-29 was the aircraft specially designed for long-range bombing missions, and Tinian was ideally suited for this mission. Tinian was considered a "miracle of construction" as construction of North Field, West Field, and all the supporting infrastructure were completed by Naval Construction Battalions within a year. The picture here shows North Field which became the busiest airport in the world by war's end. The 6th BG generally used runway Delta, the most southerly runway in the picture.

The island looked roughly like Manhattan Island in New York City and the Navy named streets after NY. Riverside Drive ran along the western edge of the island and Broadway ran north-south through the middle. The NCO club is indicated by the large red circle and the barracks where David's father, Bernard, lived while on Tinian is in the small red circle. The rest of the living quarters were scattered in the area and there was a mess hall, chapel, and movie theater in close proximity to the barracks. During a trip David and John Creek made to Tinian several years ago, they found the wooden barracks gone, but the concrete stairs that led to several of the buildings were still in place. USO shows toured, and there is still evidence of the good times as there are still beer bottles scattered everywhere.



It was not all a good time. Aircraft left, often in huge numbers and some never returned. Some crashed on landing, one loaded with mines blew up on take-off killing many of the crew, but the mission, to end the war, if possible, went on day in and day out. The Enola Gay with a large circle R painted on its tail was parked on Tinian in an area removed from the rest of the group. At its peak there were over 50,000 US military on Tinian and approximately 3,000 members of the 6th Bomb Group.

David Wilson's presentation "World War II and the 6th Bomb Group": <https://fccdl.in/DLSChMiGwJ>

6th BOMB GROUP MISSIONS OF NOTE

By David Wilson

- “Great Fire Blitz” Missions of March 1945
- Aerial Mining Missions
- Longest Bombing Mission of WWII on July 11, 1945
- Last Bombing Mission of WWII on August 14, 1945 against the Marifu Rail Yards
- “Show of Force” Mission on September 2, 1945
- POW Supply Missions
- Aerial Reconnaissance Missions
- Search and Rescue (Dumbo) Missions
- The Japan to Washington DC non-stop flight
- North Field was the largest construction project in WWII
- The B-29 was the most advanced bomber of its time
- The B-29 project was the most expensive project of WWII, more expensive than the Manhattan Project

IN MEMORIAM



Charles White Herring, Jr. was a Staff Sergeant Serial Armored Gunner on the Cultured Vulture in the 39th Squadron. He died peacefully January 11, 2017 in his sleep after a fall in Ortego, New York. Charles was born February 7, 1926, the middle of three children born to Charles White Herring, Sr. and Anna Forster Herring. After graduating from Ortego Central School in 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. Charles and his crew logged more than 30 missions including their final and most satisfying one in September 1945, to drop food and medical supplies for POWs held in China.

Maurice “Mickey” A. Segall, died on May 30, 2016 in Hollywood, Florida. He was the flight engineer on *Big Joe*, crew #2405. He was 94 years old at the time of his death.



Robert G. Thompson, was born September 26, 1925 in Logansport, Indiana. He died October 30, 2016 in Logansport.



6TH BOMB GROUP ENCAMPMENT BUILT BY 107TH NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION

Thanks to David Wilson for sending this history of the Seabee Units on Tinian. It was taken from the history of the 107th NCB.

The company also has to its credit the construction of two aviation camps to accommodate 5,000 men. For the 6th Group, seventy 20’ x 40’ pre-fabricated barracks were assembled; 17 heads and 12 showers were installed; sixty-five 20’ x 40’ Quonsets were erected; twenty 16’ x 16’ officers’ tents were set up; three frame mess halls were built; and a motor pool building and fire station was completed. For the 9th Bombardment Group, twenty officers’ tents were set up; a large frame motor pool building was constructed; and fourteen Quonset huts were erected.



GETTING MILITARY RECORDS FOR YOURSELF OR RELATIVES

If you are interested in obtaining copies of your military service records or those of a relative you should begin at www.archives.gov and then click on the link for Veterans Service Records. Once you have filled out the forms it will take several weeks/months to receive the information.

The following records are available:

- DD 214/Separation Documents: eVetRecs (online) | Mail or Fax
- Official Military Personnel File (OMPF): eVetRecs (online) | Mail or Fax
- Replacement Medals: eVetRecs (online) | Mail or Fax
- Medical Records: eVetRecs (online) | Mail or Fax
- Burial and Emergency Requests

eVetRec (vetrecs.archives.gov) is an online system that works the same way as a written request to:

National Personnel Records Center 1 Archives Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63138



FIRST REUNION OF THE SIXTH BOMB GROUP ASSOCIATION

It started as a spark in Penny’s (Newell Penniman) head in South Hamilton, MA in the early 1980’s. Newell W. Penniman remarked to his pretty wife Theresa, “Why don’t the veterans of the Sixth Bomb Group get together?” Not finding an answer he placed a call to his former 6th Group Commander Colonel Ken Gibson (now a retired Brigadier General) in far-away Tucson, AZ. Ken replied he thought it was a good idea, but it may be too late. Not daunted, Penny had heard the 505th Bomb Group had been having reunions and made contact with Retired Colonel “Hoot” Gibson of the 505th. As a result of this flurry of activity, “Hoot” invited Penny and 6th veterans to join the 505th at their next reunion, 31 August through 2 September 1984 in Dayton, Ohio. Hoot and Penny sent out copies of the letter to several hundred known members of the Sixth Bomb Group with an invitation.

The following Sixth Bomb Group Veterans along with many wives (w) attended: D. Charles Blatt/w, Kenneth C. Esche, James R. Gravels, James Brooks/w, Joseph E. Farrell/w, Ramon R. Holtzclaw, Elio S. Casale, William Ford, Harry H. George/w, Herb C. Horst, Paul Eastman, Wallace L. Gake, J.B. Hudson, Jr., Dennis Inkel, Frank N. Mount/w, Robert Rodenhouse/w, Charles Lazin/w, Newell W. Penniman/w, Wendell P. Sellers/w, M.E. Mick, Stanley D. Pevc/w, Jesse Sovern, Harold Mies/w, Raymond K. Ramsey/w, Harry G. Turner/w, John C. Ward/ w, Eugene A. Havermann, Robert Weber/w, Clarence Wilson/w.

☆ **BOARD MEMBERS** ☆

John Creek, President
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David Wilson

A VETERAN REMEMBERS



Jim Miller worked with the 6th BG as an aircraft fuels' person in the 39th. He was considered in a mission critical position and because of that designation was excused from KP and guard duties. He thought that was a pretty good deal. Jim delivered fuels to the flight line in a truck holding 2000 gallons of fuel, hooked up a 2.5 inch nozzle and pumped away. It took several trucks and about 30 minutes to completely fill a B-29, and Jim did this all day, every day.

Each air craft commander was supposed to check his work and the quality of the fuel he was dispensing, but in his time on Tinian only one A/C ever asked about the gas – the air crews trusted the fuels' people to do it right every time.

Jim was drafted in 1944 and sent to school in Galveston and then Louisiana before joining the 6th on Tinian. He arrived on Tinian on December 28, 1944 on a troop ship and stayed until March 1946. He left and was discharged at Fort Lewis, Washington, shortly after returning to the USA. He had been a farmer and truck driver in North Dakota before the war and returned to that life after his discharge.

Mr. Miller has to laugh at the stories the air crews told about how they were grateful to the ground crews for their support and would dispense extra bottles of alcohol to them after missions. He thinks he must have been in the wrong place at the wrong time because he never benefited from that generosity. One of the perks he fondly remembers is flying in B-29. He was able to take training or maintenance flights in the aircraft in the Tinian area and loved the experience. One out of the ordinary experiences does stand out for Jim. He did recall delivering fuel to an unusual aircraft parked away from the rest of the Group but with the circle R on its tail. He was escorted in and out and only got to do it once, but he now believes that he fueled the Enola Gay.

Jim is now a retired farmer and truck driver and lives near Fallon, Nevada, and looks forward to attending other reunions in the future.



6TH BOMB GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

Every year the 6th Bomb Group sponsors scholarships for students attending higher education. The Truman Heartland Community Foundation manages our fund and recently announced the winner for 2018. To apply for the scholarship visit their website at www.thcf.org. On their homepage look for the "Grants and Scholarships Seekers" tab; pull down to "Scholarships"; then "High School Scholarships", then choose "6th Bomb Group Memorial Scholarship". High School Students, Undergraduates or Post Grads may apply. Also, students pursuing Technical training or vo-tech education are also welcome. This is a renewal scholarship. You can also contact the Truman Heartland Community Foundation, 4200 Little Blue Parkway, Suite 340, Independence, MO 64057, (816) 836-8189. www.thcf.org

This year's recipients were Gina Turner and Keara Murphy.

Gina Turner is the granddaughter of John "Jack" Nichols and a 2016 graduate of Aitkin High School in Aitkin Minnesota. Gina attends North Dakota State University majoring in Medical Lab Science and is scheduled to graduate May of 2020. She maintains a 4.0 GPA. She has worked summer jobs at Dairy Queen and with a summer school program for K-6 grade kids at a local school. She volunteers at the local hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop.

Keara Murphy. She is a previous recipient and is currently pursuing a nursing degree at Northeastern University in Boston, MA. She graduated from Clemson University with a degrees in Sociology and minor in Life Sciences and is granddaughter of Warren Higgins.



6TH BOMB GROUP MERCHANDISE

THE PIRATE'S LOG, 6TH BOMB GROUP DVD, AND OUR DISTINCTIVE T-SHIRTS AND HATS NOW AVAILABLE

THE PIRATE'S LOG: first published in 1946 and often reprinted. It is a 74 page book chronicling the 6th Bomb Group from reactivation in 1944, training in B-29s at Grand Island, over-water flights to the Caribbean and departure for Tinian in the Pacific. The book follows bombing and mining missions over the Japanese Empire and the conclusion of history's greatest conflict in September 1945. With second, third and fourth generation young people continuing to show more interest in WW 2, this is a must for family members. Each copy of The Pirate's Log costs \$30.00 which includes mailing.

DVD: contains 450 photographs and runs 58 minutes. It tells the story of the 6th Bomb Group and all of the support personnel from reactivation stateside in April 1944. The DVD follows the bombing and mining missions culminating with the dropping of the Atomic bombs and the signing of the unconditional surrender of Japan on September 2, 1945. Each costs \$30.00 which includes shipping.

To order The Pirate's Log and/or DVD, contact Larry Dananay at: beagle22b07@yahoo.com or Larry Dananay, 501 Stonecliff Lane, Butler, PA 16001.

For **T-shirts, hats and squadron pins:** Steve has a great selection of new colors and styles available now. Contact Steve Dananay at: www.6thbombgroupgear.com

PRESERVE OUR HISTORY

As you come across diaries, photographs, articles, magazines, or other items of interest from the time your Sixth Bomb Group Veteran spent with the organization, please consider donating them to The Sixth if no one in your family wishes to hold on to them.

David has worked hard to preserve and share this memorabilia with other members who attend the reunions and visit the history room. All donated items will be cared for properly and at some point in time, archived at a central location containing all that relates to the Sixth Bomb Group. We all must strive to continue the legacy of The Sixth.

For more information or to arrange for a donation contact David Wilson at damaabrca@embarqmail.com

DUES REMINDER

There is an envelope enclosed in this newsletter to remind members and associates of the need to pay their dues to the organization. A couple of notes:

- ALL PAST UNPAID DUES ARE FORGIVEN
- YOUR DUES ARE PAID THROUGH THE YEAR THAT FOLLOWS YOUR NAME ON THIS NEWSLETTER ADDRESS LABEL (*for example: Smith 18 means dues are paid through 2018*)
- DUES ARE \$20 PER YEAR AND THIS IS REFLECTED ON THE ENVELOPE. YOU CAN PAY FOR MULTIPLE YEARS.
- **Make your check out to Sixth Bomb Group and mail to Treasurer, Larry Dananay, 501 Stonecliff Lane, Butler, PA 16001**

6th Bomb Group Association
Financial Report
Period of October 01, 2017 thru September 30, 2018

Checking Account

Balance Checking Account 10/01/2017	\$9,236.68
Income:	
Membership Dues	\$1,680.00
Publication Sales (DVD & Pirates Logs)	\$733.00
Proceeds From Reunions (Registration, Auction & Raffle Proceeds)	\$7,503.63
Scholarship Contributions (Donald Kane)	\$150.00
Memorial Contributions	\$0.00
Total Income:	\$10,066.63
Expenses:	
Misc. Expenses (Check Stamp & Mailing Labels)	\$39.73
Newsletter Expenses	\$1,804.00
Mailing Costs (Newsletter, DVD's, Pirates Logs, Etc.)	\$397.21
Costs for Archiving Records (Thumb Drives)	\$79.98
Memorial Donations (Randall, Lusk, Weirnak)	\$150.00
DVD, Pirates Log Reproductions, Etc.	\$1,383.88
Scholarship Fund Donations	\$150.00
Reunion Expenses (Includes \$1,000.00 Advance for 2018 Reunion)	\$7,865.52
Total Expenses:	\$11,870.32
Balance Checking Account 09/30/2018	\$7,433.19

Truman Heartland Community Foundation
Scholarship Fund

Period of January 01, 2018 thru September 30, 2018

Balance Scholarship Fund 01/01/2018	\$34,519.68
Additions:	
Contributions / Gifts to Fund	\$150.00
Interest Income	\$302.91
Dividend Income	\$303.47
Capital Gains/Loss	\$236.75
Total Fund Additions	\$993.13
Distributions / Expenses:	
Grants (Gina Turner - \$500.00)	\$500.00
Administration Fees	\$390.06
Total Fund Distributions / Expenses	\$890.06
Scholarship Balance Ending 09/30/2018	\$34,622.75

**TINIAN ISLAND
1945**

Larry Dananay
501 Stonecliff Lane
Butler, PA 16001
Address Service Requested

FOLLOW THE 6TH BOMB GROUP

☆ FaceBook - Sixth Bomb Group (Very Heavy)

☆ On the Web - www.PhilCrowther.com and www.6thbombgroupgear.com

