



**6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group  
Association**

**TINIAN ISLAND  
1944 - 45**

June  
2020



# **REUNION POSTPONED UNTIL FIRST QUARTER OF 2021!**



*The National Museum of the Pacific War/Admiral  
Nimitz Museum, Fredericksburg, Texas*

Unfortunately, the scheduled August 2020 reunion is being postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fredericksburg, Texas will be the host city for the 2021 reunion of 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Reunion. We are now anticipating that this will take place in the first quarter of 2021. This is a wonderful location for the next reunion and it promises to be a terrific event.

Fredericksburg is the home of the Museum of the War in the Pacific, an institution that is very interested in housing the extensive 6<sup>th</sup> BG historical collection, and it will be a key stop on the reunion agenda. The city hosts many other attractions including the Lyndon Baines Johnson National Historical District, museums like the Texas Rangers Heritage Center, the Pioneer Museum, Fort Martin Scott and the Sauer Beckman Living History Farm. It has over 40 wineries in the area and 10

wineries and tasting rooms in the heart of the city, a national historic district. There are numerous restaurants, especially, German cuisine and Texas BBQ. Luckenbach, Texas is only 8 miles away and Fredericksburg was named one of the top 5 Western Art Towns. It has it all and gives us the opportunity to explore a wonderfully inviting location.

We will be staying at the Inn on Barons Creek, (830 990-2899 or [www.innonbaronscreek.com](http://www.innonbaronscreek.com) which is 75 miles from the Austin, TX airport and 70 miles from the San Antonio, TX airport. There is a local airport dedicated to private aircraft.





## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Let me start by expressing my sympathy and encouragement to all who are presently experiencing any losses or difficulties from the present pandemic of Coronavirus. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you and your families.

**Our Reunion in Fredericksburg, Texas is POSTPONED UNTIL THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2021.** I commit to keep you informed of any other developments. As of now, we have a great relationship with the General Manager, Gary Trumet, of our chosen Hotel, The Inn on Baron's Creek. He is very agreeable to cancellation policies and will work with us on future changes. I have always been an eternal optimist, so I think very positively about our RESCHEDULED Reunion in 2021. I encourage all to think the same.

Another issue that makes our next Reunion even more important for us to get together, is our Website effort. I am seldom at a loss for words, as many of you know, but the website effort that is currently underway truly leaves me astonished. Our three RINGLEADERS are David Wilson, Kent Vincent and Phil Crowther. They are expending an absolutely amazing personal effort to construct a large accumulation of Veteran stories, pictures and memorabilia from all of our Veterans of the 6<sup>th</sup> BG. There are some days that I am copied on as many as 30 to 50 emails being exchanged by our RINGLEADERS. They are making amazing investigative discoveries and their efforts are truly unbelievable. At our Reunion, they will demonstrate their accomplishments to all of us. I am certain that a tremendous sense of pride will accompany the results of their efforts by all of our members. We will be leaving a legacy for our Veterans that will make them all very proud of this effort.

Another development in progress is the 6<sup>th</sup> BG application to acquire 501 (c)3 tax status. This is being led by our fantastic Treasurer, Larry Dananay. He has contacted a local attorney to help us "pro bono" and the paperwork is being processed. As I mentioned in an earlier communication, we will eventually be soliciting all of you for donations to support the expense of our website construction. We will not do this until we have secured the above tax exempt status so that your contributions to this tremendous effort can be tax deductible. We will be in touch soon for your financial support.

We continue to reach all of our members by email or US Postal Service as we keep you informed of all the changes that are taking place. Remember, think positively, have confidence in the extreme intellect and motivation of our science and medical industries to solve this pandemic.

Thank You for your support and positive thinking,

John R. Creek

## FROM THE EDITORS



When the old proverb of "may you live in interesting times" was first spoken we don't think the author had COVID-19 in mind. Maybe they were thinking of the Mongol invasion or bubonic plague or some other ancient tragedy. The "interesting times" thing has caught up to us today and because of it the 2020 reunion is being postponed until the first quarter of 2021. In this newsletter you can see what was planned and what Don Kane and Trish Blanton have been working on so hard for the past few months. Whenever we get together the next time, we hope it will be a huge reunion and a great celebration.

There are lots of developments within the 6<sup>th</sup> that we ask you to pay attention to. Our website is changing from the platform that Phil Crowther built to a new design built by a professional web development company. We encourage you to search for any 6<sup>th</sup> related material that might be of use in telling a comprehensive story of the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group that we might include as the site grows. The 6<sup>th</sup> may soon become a registered non-profit historical association which will allow us to accept donations for the web site development and reunion support. This is an exciting change to our structure and ability to continue as a vibrant association.

**Would you be interested in receiving your newsletter electronically instead of in print through the Post Office? Let your editors know if this will work for you. The Group is not ready to do this yet, but we are exploring ways to reduce a major expense item in our budget.**

Let us know by emailing Shirley at [swbates1@gmail.com](mailto:swbates1@gmail.com). We will need an email that doesn't change when you change jobs or service providers.

The virus and the changes that we all have made as we deal with the effects of a pandemic have made us realize the importance of connections to our families, friends, social and religious organizations. We will get through this together. Our association, as a family will get through this. Take care of yourself, your family and friends in these interesting times.



# ABOUT THE PURPLE HEART

The Purple Heart is a United States military decoration awarded in the name of the President to those wounded or killed while serving, on or after April 5, 1917, with the U.S. military. With its forerunner, the Badge of Military Merit, which took the form of a heart made of purple cloth, the Purple Heart is the oldest military award still given to U.S. military members – the only earlier award being the obsolete Fidelity Medallion.

The original Purple Heart, designated as the Badge of Military Merit, was established by George Washington – then the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army – by order from his Newburgh, New York headquarters on August 7, 1782. The Badge of Military Merit was only awarded to three Revolutionary War soldiers by Gen. George Washington himself. General Washington authorized his subordinate officers to issue Badges of Merit as appropriate. From then on, as its legend grew, so did its appearance. Although never abolished, the award of the badge was not proposed again officially until after World War I. [Wikipedia is the source for this information]



## ARE NEW PURPLE HEARTS BEING MANUFACTURED TO MEET THE DEMAND?

by D.M. Giangreco and Kathryn Moore

Mr. Giangreco is the author of “War in Korea: 1950-1953”. He and Kathryn Moore are co-authors of “Dear Harry: Truman’s Mailroom, 1945-1953: The Truman Administration through Correspondence with ‘Everyday Americans’” and the upcoming “Eyewitness D-Day”. This article draws on material first published by the authors in a piece written for American Heritage, “Half a Million Purple Hearts.” It was found in <http://historynewsnetwork>. This article was suggested by



In 2000, for the first time in years, the government ordered a new supply of Purple Hearts. The old supply, manufactured in anticipation of the invasion of the home islands of Japan during World War II, had begun to run low. The decoration, which goes to American troops wounded in battle and the families of those killed in action, had been only one of countless thousands of supplies produced for the planned 1945 invasion of Japan, which military leaders believed would last until almost 1947. Fortunately, the invasion never took place. All the other implements of that war – tanks and LSTs, bullets and K-rations – have long since been

sold, scrapped or used up, but these medals, struck for their grandfathers, are still being pinned on the chests of young soldiers.

Remarkably, some 120,000 Purple Hearts are still in the hands of the Armed Services and are not only stocked at military supply depots, but also kept with major combat units and at field hospitals so they can be awarded without delay. But although great numbers of the World War II stock are still ready for use, the recent production of 9,000 new copies was ordered for the most simple of bureaucratic reasons. So many medals had been transferred to the Armed Services that the

government organization responsible for supplying them had to replenish its own inventory.

In all, approximately 1,506,000 Purple Hearts were produced for the war effort with production reaching its peak as the Armed Services geared up for the invasion of Japan. Despite wastage, pilfering and items that were simply lost, the number of decorations was approximately 495,000 after the war.

By 1976, roughly 370,000 Purple Hearts had been earned by servicemen and women who fought in America’s Asian wars, as well as trouble spots in the Middle East and Europe. This total included a significant number issued to World War II and even World War I veterans whose paperwork had finally caught up with them or who filed for replacement of missing awards.

It was at this point that the Defense Supply Center in Philadelphia (DSCP) found that its decades-old stock of Purple Hearts had dwindled to the point that it had to be replenished. The organization ordered a small number of medals in 1976 to bolster the “shelf worn” portions of the earlier production still retained by the Armed Services at scattered locations around the globe. It wasn’t long, however, before an untouched warehouse load of the medal was rediscovered after falling off the books. The DSCP suddenly found themselves in possession of nearly 125,000 more Purple Hearts.

Increasing terrorist activity in the late 1970s and ’80s resulted in mounting casualties among service personnel, and a decision was made to inspect and refurbish all of the remaining stock. Fully 4,576 of the 124,588 medals stored in the Pennsylvania warehouse were deemed to be too costly to bring up to standards and were labeled “unsalvageable.” The remaining decorations were refurbished and repackaged between 1985 and 1991. Demand for the item was high. By the end of 1999, most of the refurbished medals had been shipped to other government customers and the DSCP entered into contracts for the first

*Purple Hearts, continued on page 4*

large-scale production of Purple Hearts since World War II.

Veterans of World War II were keenly interested in the new development, particularly those who had worked with the Smithsonian Institution on the 50th Anniversary display of the Enola Gay, the B-29 bomber that dropped the atom bomb on Hiroshima. Controversy had erupted over the Smithsonian's presentation at the National Air and Space Museum, when veterans protested that the multimedia display and exhibit script was crafted in a way that portrayed the Japanese as victims, and not instigators, of the war. The veterans were heavily criticized in some academic circles for their insistence that the dropping of the atom bomb had ended the war quickly and ultimately saved countless thousands of American and Japanese lives during an invasion. When hearing of the new production, Jim Pattillo, then president of the 20th Air Force Association stated that, "detailed information on the kind of casualties expected would have been a big help in demonstrating to modern Americans that those were very different times." Medical and training information in "arcanelly worded military documents can be confusing," said Pattillo, "but everyone understands a half-million Purple Hearts."

Gary Hoebecke is one of the soldiers who received Purple Hearts during service in Vietnam for wounds suffered in 1965, 1968 and 1969. The retired lieutenant colonel was amazed that the decades-old medals are still being used. "With all the waste and screw-ups," said Hoebecke, "it's quite remarkable that they have kept track of that stock and are still using them." When told that 125,000 had effectively been lost until after the Vietnam War, Hoebecke laughed. "Now that's the Army I know!" he said, adding, "I'm glad we didn't have to use them." But perhaps the most poignant appreciation came from a fellow Vietnam vet who learned for the first time that he had received a medal minted for the grandfathers of him and his buddies. "I will never look at my Purple Heart the same way again," he said.

## SIXTH BOMB GROUP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

### SOME KEY POINTS:

- AVAILABLE ONLY TO RELATIVES OF 6<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP. PROOF REQUIRED
- MUST BE ACCEPTED AT AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, VOCATIONAL OR TRADE SCHOOL
- MAINTAINED A GPA OF 2.5
- DEVELOPED SKILLS AND ABILITIES THROUGH EXTRACURRICULAR, COMMUNITY OR WORK ACTIVITIES
- FINANCIAL NEED MAY BE CONSIDERED
- APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MAY 1
- RENEWALS ARE POSSIBLE EACH YEAR

Application information: Truman Heartland Community Foundation, 4200 Little Blue Parkway, Suite 340, Independence, MO 64057, (816) 836-8189. [www.thcf.org](http://www.thcf.org)



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# OUR GROUP IS HERE FOR YOU!



Recently, we were asked by a person inquiring about the Sixth Bomb Group, "Do you know where I can find information about my grandfather's service in WWII. I think he had something to do with bombers on some little Pacific Island". We had the obvious response: Do you want to buy a t-shirt with a B-29 on it? All kidding aside, after a few more questions, it turned out that her grandfather was a member of the 6th Bomb Group stationed on that little Pacific Island called Tinian. What happened next was another example of the knowledge that our association has and its willingness to share information with people who ask.

We turned her over to Phil Crowther and David Wilson, our tag team historians and resident experts on all things related to the 6th. Phil is the keeper of our current web site at [www.philcrowther.com](http://www.philcrowther.com) and David has files, logs, records, anecdotes, and a memory that can produce facts, figures and minutia related to people, places, and events surrounding the 6th's movements from the initial formation of the 6th to its return to the USA when the war ended.

So what did she find? The aircraft her grandfather flew on, his crew, the missions he participated in, a story about an emergency landing on Iwo Jima, an inventory of the equipment he carried, where he trained in the USA and when he departed for Tinian, the route he took, aerial photos of the island and a good guess as to the barracks he lived in. She was guided to photos on the website taken by other 6th members during the war, and inflight photos of aircraft and

the missions they participated in. With a little more guidance she wrote to the keepers of military records and got a copy of her grandfather's military records and the awards and decorations he earned. In all it told a story that she had never heard as her grandfather died before she was born, and her parents never talked about WWII or her grandfather's service.

This is not an isolated experience for people who ask a similar question. In recent years our group, through its generosity and willingness to share information has provided some closure for a number of relatives of 6th members. Carole Spellman Sullivan, Ann Flesch, Ryan Uhlee, Carolyn Krause and the Hazen family all have heard stories that were never told and have seen documents that were never shared. Some day people will ask the same questions about Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan, and, hopefully, there will be an organization like ours that takes the time to collect documents and stories that can be shared. More importantly, we hope this next group of question askers run across someone like Phil and David who have the same knowledge base, compassion and desire to help out.

Later, this granddaughter asked about joining the 6th and helping us with the mission of education and preservation of the legacy of our fathers and grandfathers. She sent in her \$20.00 and then bought a Pirates Log and DVD from Larry Dananay and a couple of t-shirts from Steve Dananay, attended a reunion and became part of the family, now more appreciative of the sacrifice her grandfather made and the legacy he left.

## DO YOU REMEMBER THIS ?

4,205 Professional Baseball players in the Armed Services

New York, Feb. 23, 1945--Baseball has survived three years of war. Here is a resume showing how the game stands now after Wednesday's ODT travel restrictions.

There are 491 major leaguers in service, 3,714 minor leaguers. The national game has contributed \$2,630,460 to war relief.

The All-Star contest has been cancelled and the World

Series schedule has been reduced from a maximum of two trips to one.

Spring training in the South and Far West has been abolished and the major league schedules have reduced the number of intersectional trips from four to three. No limit has been placed (by the government) on the number of night ball games to be played.

Minor league circuits in operation number nine in contrast to 40 before Pearl Harbor.

*[Article is from "The Stars and Stripes", February 24, 1945]*



# IN MEMORIAM

**James H. Miller** passed away on December 21, 2019. Jim was based on Tinian during WWII where he was a fuel truck driver servicing the B-29's of the 6th Bomb Group. He returned from the war and never talked about it but came home, married Emma in 1947, raised 5 children and went to work. Jim attended our reunion in 2018 and got to talk to the veterans whose aircraft he serviced. He also believed that he fueled the Enola Gay just prior to it leaving on its historic mission.

**Harriett Bell Corrigan**, wife of Bill Corrigan, a tail gunner (crew 4012) on Flack Alley Sally, died on August 28, 2019 in Sarasota, Florida. She and Bill were married in 1951 when she received her nursing degree from American University. She and Bill raised two sons, moved frequently with Bill's job in television and became an active and committed volunteer creating and directing a youth sailing program in Venice, Florida, and she authored a cookbook, *Cooking with a Conscience: 52 Meatless Recipes*, in 1975.

**Frank D. Mittelstaedt** died on June 14, 2017 in Millbank, South Dakota. He was a Radio Operator on *Miss America 62*, crew 2427. Like most veterans he was very modest about his WWII duties but did do an oral interview with his granddaughter in 2002. One memorable quote from that interview was "you had to enlist in World War II if you were physically fit and all that. Then, you either got drafted or else you joined. And then I joined the Army Air Corps. If you didn't volunteer, then you got drafted and then you might end up in the infantry, artillery, or something like that". He married Ferne Untereker after the war and had two children and numerous grand and great grandchildren. He became a private pilot and flew until he was 88 years old.

**Nathaniel Bliss Clark**, died October 25, 2018 in Big Timber, Montana. He was born May 24, 1922, in Billings, Montana. In 1943 Nat joined the Army Air Corps and flew 33 missions over Japan. He was a S/Sgt. and left Gunner on Flak Alley Sally in the 40th Squadron. S/Sgt. Clark was part of the crew that flew with Aircraft Commander Ed Vincent on the longest mission, 19 hours and 40 minutes. Clark was preceded in death by his wife, Joy Storey Clark a woman who visited the X-A that he grew up on and fell in love with a wrangler on the ranch -Nat. Nat and Joy had one son, and numerous grand, great, and even great-great grandchildren. He was a champion horseshoe pitcher, a piano tuner and rebuilder of player pianos in addition to running a ranch that raised cattle and hay.

**John Allen Kingsbury** died on June 19, 2019 in Olalla, Washington. John was a navigator in the 40th squadron during the war and stayed in the reserves after the war ended eventually retiring in 1985. After the war he was a science teacher and long-time employee of the Department of Natural Resources in Washington. He began the Five Springs Tree Farm in the Olalla area in 1955, and it continues to operate today. In 1954 he married Margaret "Peggy" Campbell, and they had 65 years together. Peggy was always involved with education as a teacher, school secretary and playground supervisor. Eventually she and John had four children, lots of grandchildren and many Sunday dinners. Peggy died on November 29, 2019 Gig Harbor, Washington.

**Clement Peter Summers** died on February 12, 2018 in Lufkin, Texas. He was 95 years old. During the war he was a Maintenance Engineering Officer in the 24th Squadron after receiving a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Rice University in 1943.

**John Thomas Sofge, Jr.** died on September 10, 2016 in Jacksonville, Florida. He was 92 years old. He was a pilot on Tojo's Nightmare, crew 4004, in the 40th Squadron during World War II, went on to become an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church for over 42 years. He retired from the US Air Force Reserve Chaplain Corps as a Lt. Colonel.

**George Lenox** died two months short of his 95th birthday on March 25, 2017. He was in the 39th Squadron. After the war he received a degree in Journalism from Boston University and spent the next 40 years working in Advertising for various companies. He lived in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire at the time of his death.

**Sidney Glazer** died on January 3, 2018 in Washington, DC. He was in the ground crew of the 24th Squadron as a radio technician during WWII.

**William "Bill" Brake** died on April 28, 2016 in Acton, Texas. Bill served on Tinian as a flight engineer on a Reamatroid, crew 3922, and flew 23 combat missions over Japan. He continued to work in the airline industry retiring from American Airlines in 1991. Bill was married to Elizabeth McKee for over 64 years and had four sons and numerous grand and great-grandchildren.



# IN MEMORIAM

— Continued —

**Herbert W. Hobler**, was a long-time friend to the 6th Bomb Group. He was a navigator on a B-29 in the 9th Bomb Group and later became president of the 9th Bomb Group Association for 14 years. He had a very active life in broadcasting, joining NBC the day it started in 1949. He died on August 10, 2019 in Skillman, New Jersey.

**Millicent “Milly” Frick** died on November 21, 2019 in Waterford, Michigan. She was the wife of Bob Frick, a navigator on crew 3918, *The Cultured Vulture*, in the 39th Squadron. She was the mother of four children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Her niece remembered her spunk and enthusiasm. Milly was one of original panelists when a group of wives were brought together at the Portland reunion to share their experiences during the war.



## 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](http://www.archives.gov) and then click on the link for VETERANS' SERVICE RECORDS. This will take you to another choice REQUEST MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS. You will be asked what you are looking for and who you are. 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: Mail or Fax
- Official Military Personnel File (OMPF): Mail or Fax
- Replacement Medals: Mail or Fax
- Medical Records: Mail or Fax

A separate choice to make is for BURIAL AND OTHER EMERGENCY REQUESTS

eVetRec ([www.vetrecs.archives.gov](http://www.vetrecs.archives.gov)) is an online system that works the same way as a written request.

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

The phone number is : 1-866-272-6272



# 6<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP MERCHANDISE

THE PIRATE'S LOG, 6<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP DVD, AND OUR DISTINCTIVE T-SHIRTS, AND HATS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AGAIN.

**THE PIRATE'S LOG:** first published in 1946 and often reprinted. It is a 74 page book chronicling the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group from reactivation in 1944, training in B-29's 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, tells the story of the 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

FOR THE PIRATE'S LOG AND DVD CONTACT LARRY DANANAY AT: [beagle22b07@yahoo.com](mailto:beagle22b07@yahoo.com) or Larry Dananay, 501 Stonecliff Lane, Butler, PA 16001

FOR T-SHIRTS, HATS, AND SQUADRON PINS: CONTACT STEVE DANANAY AT: [www.6thbombgroupgear.com](http://www.6thbombgroupgear.com)

## PRESERVE OUR HISTORY—BUILD OUR WEBSITE

The 6BG Association is looking for additional photos, diaries and articles of our vet war experiences to include in our new website. If you or your vet have not already contributed to the Association archive we encourage you to do so. The collective record of all vets is important to telling the story of Tinian and preserving their legacy. The website is being created as a museum quality, "go-to" source for teachers, students, historians and the curious to learn the history, appreciate the sacrifice, learn about the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group and the lessons of the Pacific War. If contributing photos from prints, please scan them at 600-1200 dpi in JPEG or TIFF file format. All content will be credited to the contributor. Please email, or use DropBox... your contributions to David Wilson at [damabrca@embarqmail.com](mailto:damabrca@embarqmail.com) and Kent Vincent at [deanza\\_travel@yahoo.com](mailto:deanza_travel@yahoo.com), who are maintaining the archive and directing website creation, respectively

## DUES REMINDER

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

- ALL PAST DUES ARE FORGIVEN
- YOUR DUES ARE PAID THROUGH THE YEAR THAT FOLLOWS YOUR NAME ON THIS NEWSLETTER ADDRESS LABEL (for example: Smith 16 means dues are paid through 2016)
- **DUES ARE \$20.00 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





**6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Association  
Financial Report  
Period of October 01, 2019 thru March 31, 2020**

**Checking Account**

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Balance Checking Account 10/01/2019.....</b>                       |                        | <b>\$10,551.50</b> |
| <b>Income:</b>                                                        |                        |                    |
| Membership Dues.....                                                  |                        | \$1,130.00         |
| Publication Sales (DVD & Pirates Logs).....                           |                        | \$60.00            |
| Proceeds From Reunions (Registration, Auction & Raffle Proceeds)..... |                        | \$1,972.50         |
| Scholarship Contributions .....                                       |                        | \$0.00             |
| Misc. Contributions (Web Site).....                                   |                        | \$40.00            |
|                                                                       | <b>Total Income:</b>   | <b>\$3,202.50</b>  |
| <b>Expenses:</b>                                                      |                        |                    |
| Misc. Expenses .....                                                  |                        | \$0.00             |
| Newsletter Expenses.....                                              |                        | \$685.00           |
| Mailing Costs (Newsletter, DVD's, Pirates Logs, Etc.).....            |                        | \$485.97           |
| Costs for Archiving Records.....                                      |                        | \$0.00             |
| Memorial Donations (John Kingsbury).....                              |                        | \$50.00            |
| DVD, Pirates Log Reproductions, Etc.....                              |                        | \$0.00             |
| Website Costs.....                                                    |                        | \$5,000.00         |
| Reunion Expenses .....                                                |                        | \$3,837.03         |
|                                                                       | <b>Total Expenses:</b> | <b>\$10,058.00</b> |
| <b>Balance Checking Account 03/31/2020.....</b>                       |                        | <b>\$3,696.00</b>  |

**Truman Heartland Community Foundation  
Scholarship Fund  
Period of January 01, 2019 thru December 31, 2019**

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Balance Scholarship Fund 01/01/2019.....</b>              |                                                 | <b>\$31,048.97</b> |
| <b>Additions:</b>                                            |                                                 |                    |
| Contributions / Gifts to Fund (Lori Forsman Memorials) ..... |                                                 | \$210.00           |
| Interest Income.....                                         |                                                 | \$454.14           |
| Dividend Income.....                                         |                                                 | \$763.72           |
| Capital Gains/Loss.....                                      |                                                 | \$4,199.22         |
|                                                              | <b>Total Fund Additions.....</b>                | <b>\$5,627.08</b>  |
| <b>Distributions / Expenses:</b>                             |                                                 |                    |
| Grants (Gina Turner - \$500.00).....                         |                                                 | \$500.00           |
| Administration Fees.....                                     |                                                 | \$511.99           |
|                                                              | <b>Total Fund Distributions / Expenses.....</b> | <b>\$1,011.99</b>  |
| <b>Scholarship Balance Ending 12/31/2019.....</b>            |                                                 | <b>\$35,664.06</b> |





2020  
6<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP  
REUNION  
**POSTPONED**



To be held at the Inn on Barons Creek. The Inn on Barons Creek is located at 308 S. Washington St. Fredericksburg, Texas 78024. Room rates are \$109 per night, plus tax. Parking at the Inn on Barons Creek is complimentary. There is no shuttle from the airports to the hotel. Renting a car is your best option. Registration will be \$185 per person and include the following:

Welcoming Package with Name Badge, Itinerary, List of Attendees, Local Information,

Monday ~ Reunion Welcome in Hospitality Room

Tuesday ~ Tour ~ National Museum of the Pacific War

Wednesday ~ Tour ~ LBJ National Historic Park-Ft Martin Scott Historic Site

Thursday ~ Tour ~ National Museum of the Pacific War

Thursday ~ Board Meeting & Business Meeting

Thursday ~ Banquet

Hospitality Room stocked with snacks & beverages & cocktails all 4 days

★ **Call the Inn on Barons Creek at 830-990-9202 as soon as possible to make your room reservations. Room reservations must be made no later than July 31, 2020. Be sure to mention you are with the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Reunion to receive your group room rate of \$109.00 plus tax per night.**

**INCLUDED TOUR IN REGISTRATION PRICE**

**National Museum of the Pacific War ~ Tuesday September 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:30am & Thursday September 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30am**

The National Museum of the Pacific War is located in Fredericksburg, Texas, the boyhood home of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz. Nimitz served as CinCPAC, Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Fleet and was soon afterward named Commander in Chief, Pacific Ocean Areas during World War II. Discover the human story of World War II in the Pacific in more than 55,000 square feet of exhibit space spread over three galleries located on six acres. The National Museum of the Pacific War is the only museum in the continental U.S. solely dedicated to telling the story of WWII in the Pacific. We will walk to the museum or you can drive your vehicle.

**LBJ National Historic Park-Ft Martin Scott Historic Site ~ Wednesday September 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 9:30am**

Lyndon B. Johnson National Historical Park tells the story of our 36th President beginning with his ancestors until his final resting place on his beloved LBJ Ranch. This tour includes the LBJ visitor center and the LBJ Ranch Hangar which features exhibits, artifacts, an award-winning 14-minute film. We will also do a driving tour which showcases his childhood home and the original Johnson Settlement. We will then visit the Fort Martin Scott Historic Site. The old military fort was in operation from 1848 to 1853 by the U.S. Army. Texas Rangers used the site as a camp, both before and after military occupation. During the Civil War, the Confederate States Army occupied the fort for a brief period. Lunch will be on your own at a local restaurant. Transportation with personal vehicles will be arranged.

**OPTIONAL TOUR**

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