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

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## **6TH BOMB GROUP 2018 REUNION IN BOISE**



## **REUNION IN BOISE, IDAHO, OCTOBER 17-21, 2018**

Known as The City of Trees, Idaho's state capital, Boise, boasts a vibrant downtown with over 100 restaurants, breweries, unique shops, theaters, performing arts, and an active night life. It's a safe, pedestrian-oriented city and offers something for everyone. Within walking distance of the convention hotel, you'll find museums, galleries, parks, the Boise River, Zoo Boise, and Boise State University, home of the Blue Turf. Come and join us in Boise to enjoy the fall colors, and have a great time honoring our veterans!

The Marriott Residence Inn Downtown Center is a brand new hotel with great amenities. All rooms are suites with a kitchen for those who want to fix their own meals. There's a Trader Joes adjacent to the hotel. The hotel offers a free airport shuttle so it's not necessary to rent a car. This is a great city and terrific location for our 2018 reunion. It will be a wonderful event.

The Marriott Residence Inn Downtown Center, 400 Capital Blvd., Boise, ID 83702 , \$159/night; Special rate available if booked by August 1st. Check-in 4pm ; check-out 12pm Amenities include free breakfast, fitness center, free high speed Internet, on-site parking, \$15/day.

**★ Reference the "6th Bomb Group Reunion Association" when booking by phone 1-844-802-9815 ★**



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, we are almost half way to our next gathering in Boise, Idaho. One year between our reunions seems long, but it goes fast at my age. We certainly all look forward to what Kelly and Kristi Vincent have worked diligently to organize for all of us to enjoy. Idaho has always been a fascinating state for me to visit, remote and quite beautiful. I therefore, encourage all of you to avail yourselves of this opportunity to visit a wonderful part of our country.

My message will be short this time, as we have so many **great people** working on our 6th BG Association for the evolution of our future. In this newsletter, you will have messages from so many of them that I do not have to say much except **thank you** to all of the hard-working folks involved. Our Marketing Committee is making great progress and is providing their own update to activities, ideas and accomplishments so far in this newsletter. Don Kane and his merry band of marketers is at work and busy. You will also receive a report from David Wilson concerning our history and his many contributions to archiving and safe storage. Soon we will have everything he has collected and treasured available to our membership and perhaps the public in general. And of course, Kelly and Kristi have provided all the necessary details for our Reunion in their update also.

So, all this means I do not have much to say, except the following: The 6th Bomb Group Association has been an extremely important part of my life since 1992 when I attended my first one of these reunions with my Father and Mother. It was the first time Dad allowed conversation and details about his time in WWII. It had been a somewhat verboten topic and, therefore, upon his invitation to go to Seattle for the 50th anniversary of the First Flight of the B-29 Super Fortress, Sept. 21, 1942, I was not about to miss this event. As I learned not only about Dad's experiences, but many others as well, I developed a much clearer understanding of "WAR" and what it really meant. As a boy, like most, I played war, with my toy gun and helmet and back knapsack provided by my Grandmother. But it was simply a young "Boy Thing" to do. Having never participated in real WAR, it was not truly meaningful until learning from the 6th BG Association and all of the wonderful Veterans we had to save our country and provide me the fabulous life I have enjoyed my entire life. To reiterate once more, the most important thing we should all be doing is teaching today's young people what "WAR" really is and how horrible it can be. But never forgetting that it may in fact be necessary at times to preserve our way of life. The genuine "Treasure" of **freedom** is not to be forgotten or misunderstood, or it may be lost for all the wrong reasons. I close my message to the 6th BG Assoc. membership with the wish that we carry this message forward in Honor of our Veterans.

I will see you all in Boise, Idaho in Oct. 2018.

☆ John R. Creek ☆

New Email Address: [jrc@jrcreek.com](mailto:jrc@jrcreek.com) (delete old aol email address)

## FROM THE EDITORS



We do hope you will enjoy this edition of the newsletter and really hope you will join the 6th at its annual reunion in Boise, Idaho from October 17-21, 2018. Boise is a wonderful city and Kelly and Kristi Vincent have put together a great program for us. As always, the reunion is a chance to renew old acquaintances, relive some of the history of the 6th, tour important and meaningful sites and enjoy the hospitality of a wonderful city. Registration information and a reunion plan are in this newsletter.

We are also featuring information from our newly constituted marketing group. At the 2017 Reunion in Galveston the idea arose to develop a plan to promote and preserve the history of the Group. The idea went from concept to reality in the course of a few short hours and several rounds of adult beverages, and now a plan and strategy have been created. Read all about it in the newsletter.

Only one person was awarded financial support from our scholarship fund this year. The funding is available, but the applicants are not. If you have a relative in college consider applying; we support this fund through donations and the annual auction and the Truman Heartland organization administers it for us.

Another new idea in the newsletter is a Veteran Remembers column. We encourage our veterans to share their thoughts about what the 6th means to them. Tell us your stories so we can share them with the rest of the group.

On a personal note many of you are aware that Shirley, your editor-in-chief and our personal spell checker had a major health scare in January and had sudden and very unexpected by-pass surgery. She is doing well now and has her red pen out helping to make this edition of the newsletter another thing of beauty,

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# B-29 GUNNERY TRAINING AT BUCKINGHAM ARMY AIR FIELD IN FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

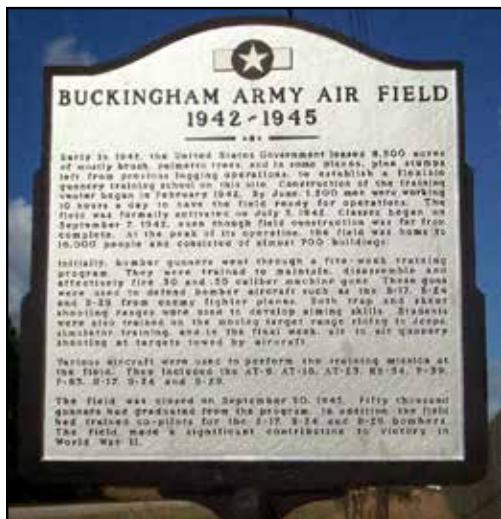
*By David Wilson, 6th Bomb Group*

## COURSE IN WEAPONS

"The gunnery student began his first week with a thorough course in weapons, taking an intensive study of the 30 and 50 caliber machine guns. We studied all about maintenance and operation of .50 caliber machine guns, M1 rifles, .45 caliber handguns, grenades and other weapons. He had to learn to tear them down and reassemble them again." — from Article by Payton Smith of the 9<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group describing his gunnery training at Buckingham Army Air Field in Ft Myers, Fl.

At the 2007 Reunion in Wichita, KS, I asked Mr. Raymond Raetz, CFC gunner on Dad's crew and Mr. Marion Long, Tail Gunner, about their gunnery training, both told me they had to break down and assemble the 50 caliber machine gun until it became second nature. Then they were required to break it down and re-assemble it in the dark. Both remarked that they don't know why they had to do this since the guns were on the outside of the B-29 and they could not access them while in flight. — from conversations with Ray Raetz, CFC, and Marion Long, Tail Gunner on my Dad's crew (# 2404). MDad (Bernard Wilson) also received his gunnery training at Buckingham Army Air Field.

"We spent a great deal of time in "dry firing" (no ammunition) and on how to hold a gun, breathe and squeeze the trigger. Subsequent weeks were devoted to the study of sights, their construction and operation. Gunners had to learn about "harmonization and relative speeds." That is the study of the operation of the sight in order to adjust for gravitation and speed of the aircraft from which the firing was being done. The first time I fired a .50 caliber, it was one they had mounted on a stand at the gunnery range. They had it equipped with a 25 round belt. Each of us was to walk up and fire it in 4 or 5 round bursts until it was empty." — from Article by Payton Smith of the 9<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group describing his gunnery training at Buckingham Army Air Field.



## **MARKETING COMMITTEE FORMED**

If you attended the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Reunion in Galveston last year, you were part of a lengthy discussion about several important topics related to the back-up of data concerning our group, the repository of 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group history, documents, videos and photographs as well as expanding the membership and attendance at future 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group reunions. As a result of that discussion, we created a marketing committee to oversee these key items, to include Don Kane, Dick Masceri and Renee Myers. Recently, we added Dave Wilson and Phil Crowther, who have expertise in some of these areas to assist in promoting our goals.

Over the last two months, we have had numerous discussions about these topics in an attempt to make some quick progress toward the ultimate mission as set by our President John Creek late last year.

- 1) As far as data storage, Dave Wilson has backed up the information from his personal computer to several USB devices which have been distributed to a number of designated board members. Dave has also backed up all data on an external hard drive and is in the process of securing cloud-based storage of all information.
- 2) Cataloguing of data will need to be done, probably by David or a professional archivist due to the vast amount of information. Phil Crowther has some ideas related to this task so will work with our group to determine the best method to accomplish it.
- 3) Our group is also looking into using either Google Drive or Drop Box so members and others can access the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group information on line.
- 4) Our group is researching a number of venues for the future repository of all records/data. Don has actively worked on a list of possibilities that we will continue to explore such as the National Air & Space Museum, Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio, the World War II Museum in New Orleans, and Maxwell Air Force Base. Several of us will be making contact with some of these options which may require a face-to-face meeting.
- 5) Obviously, an important goal is to increase the attendance at future 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Reunions to include new members/attendees as well as previous participants. We have missed a number of veterans and their families who used to attend our events. It is our plan to write a personal letter (not email) to the veterans and children of both living and deceased veterans to encourage their participation, making them aware of how much we miss seeing them. We will also send a separate flyer of the Reunion notice to all members via email and mail, perhaps two times before the date of the Reunion.
- 6) There was discussion about participation at future Reunions by our veterans since so many are unable to travel. Kent Vincent suggested that we set up video conferencing to have them participate in the "Veteran's Panel," and perhaps some educational forums. We will continue to explore this option.

As we continue to work on the items listed above, we will keep you updated on our progress in upcoming newsletters. If you have any ideas or suggestions to assist us with meeting our goals, please let us know. Contact any of our committee members:

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**For those interested, some good aerial drone footage of Tinian can be found at  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CTbFtowCdl4>**

# IN MEMORIAM

**Dewey L. Lusk.** Passed away December 23, 2015 in Huntsville, Alabama. Dewey was born on July 17, 1922 in Magness, Arkansas. Mr. Lusk was a Staff Sergeant on a ground crew with the 40<sup>th</sup> Squadron. Mr. Lusk was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. The National Society of SAR awarded him the War Service Medal for service in the armed forces during armed conflict and the Lamp Lighter Award, recognized for outstanding support of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. He was awarded the Cross of Military Service from the United Daughters of the Confederacy. This award is bestowed on lineal decedents of Confederate Veterans who served honorably in time of war. This is the most prized award bestowed by the UDC.

**Colonel Palmer "Lefty".** Passed away on February 24, 2016 in Annandale, Virginia. Millard Albert Palmer and his twin brother, Willard, were born in Fulton, New York on February 19, 1926. In 1944 at age 17, both brothers enlisted in the Army Air Corps. Lefty became a B-29 Fire Control Gunner and was awarded several medals. He received an honorable discharge as a Staff Sergeant in the 874<sup>th</sup> bomb Squadron, 498<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group effective April 25, 1946. Lefty joined the reserves and was later called up for active duty in 1950 during the Korean Conflict. He retired from the Reserves with the rank of Colonel in 1980. He was chairman of the WWII the 73<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Wing Association from 2004-2014 and worked tirelessly to obtain the proper recognition for veterans.

**Melvin R. Simpson.** Passed away on December 14, 2008 in Lincoln, Nebraska. Simpson was a navigator on the replacement crew #3908. His obituary is in the Lincoln Journal Star of Lincoln, Nebraska on December 15, 2008 (for a fee).

**Walter W. Wiernik.** Passed away on October 30, 2017 in Lake Wales, Florida. Walter was born on September 9, 1921 in Buffalo, New York. Walter was a Staff Sergeant and radio operator on crew #2406, The Sharon Linn. On the night of July 19, 1945, this crew failed to return from a mission to mine field "Zebra". The only information available are reports of other crew members who stated they saw a burning plane over Niigata. As of January 1, 1946, seven crew members had been found as prisoners of war and repatriated. S./Sgt. W.W. Wiernik was among them. See page 50 of The Pirate's Log. After his service in the war, he was a woodworker until his retirement. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann Wiernik in December of 2005.

## STORIES OF SERVICE: AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESERVE THE LEGACY OF THE 6th

Stories of Service invites young people from across America to join our national campaign to capture the stories of the World War II generation.

Any motivated student with access to a computer can join us in preserving the memories of the men and women who overcame the Great Depression, saved freedom and democracy, and rebuilt the postwar world. These "ordinary Americans" left a legacy of service that educates and inspires a new generation of Americans as we face the challenges of the 21st century. Help us make history by ensuring that the stories of those who defined the highest standard of service will forever be part of our nation's permanent memory!

## WHAT THE 6<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP MEANS TO ME

I am Robert H. Rodenhouse Jr., son of Major Robert H. Rodenhouse. Robert (Senior) was Aircraft Commander of the "Lucky Strike", completing 35 missions from Tinian Island to Japan. (20<sup>th</sup> Airforce, 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group, 313<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing, 39<sup>th</sup> Squadron)

I attended multiple reunions with my father and his wife "Connie". The most memorable gathering was in St. Louis, MO., May 2001. My father and his copilot Mr. Warren Higgins, gave tribute to their deceased crew through a somber ritual called "The Last Man's Toast". A bottle of wine (assigned for each crew member) was to be opened and toasted in their memory with the empty glass crushed, signaling finality and honoring their contribution to the team. I have grainy videos and pictures, capturing those moments.

Robert Sr. passed away April 28, 2006 but considered his crew his second family and cherished each reunion, never missing one until his passing.

Robert Henry Rodenhouse Jr.



Warren Higgins and  
Robert Rodenhouse



Robert Rodenhouse



**Wallace Gake and Robert Rodenhouse attended  
the first 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Reunion in 1984.**



## A VETERAN REMEMBERS



Wallace Gake and granddaughter, Meg,  
in Galveston 2017

I was a Sergeant assigned to aircraft radar maintenance in the 40th B.S. of the 6th B.G. at North Field on Tinian. I had graduated from AAF radio school at Truax Field in Madison WI, AAF electronics school at Chanute Field in Champaign IL and AAF radar school at Boca Raton Field in Boca Raton Fl. It was truly a great experience working with my comrades at North Field. My training and experience helped to prepare me for my vocation in civilian life.

I spent 13 years installing radiotelephone systems, microwave systems and cable TV systems for the local telephone company. Following that, I was in management for twenty years supervising the technicians who maintained the systems. I have fond memories of the 6th B.G. Reunions. I especially enjoy talking to the former radar operators and navigators. Some of my family members have attended recent reunions with me. My daughter, JoAnne, and my granddaughter, Meg, were with me in Galveston last year and will be with me at our reunion in Boise this year.

Wallace Gake



# ONE OF THE LARGEST COLLECTIONS OF AIRPLANES IN THE COUNTRY AT WARHAWK AIR MUSEUM

From looking at the outside of the Warhawk Air Museum in Nampa, Idaho, you probably wouldn't expect one of the largest and most impressive war memorabilia collections to be inside. Once you step inside the two humongous airplane hangars, you'll be blown away by just how much there is to see. The massive and incredibly restored planes will be what first grabs your attention, but it's the veteran's personal stories that you'll get to hear that makes a visit to this museum so special.

This 40,000 square foot museum is home to some incredible history. The stories and the objects that go along with it can't be found anywhere else in the country. The Warhawk Air Museum first and foremost specializes in the restoration of rare fighter planes to put on display for the public.

Some of these planes are extremely unique with only a few remaining in the world, including two Curtiss P-40 World War II fighter airplanes and one extremely rare World War II P-51C razorback Mustang fighter airplane. These planes are so perfectly restored it's hard to believe they are generations old!

What makes seeing these planes so incredible are the stories that go along with them. You learn the personal history behind each plane, including the stories of the pilots who flew them. The men who flew these planes may be gone, but their stories live on and are recited to the hundreds of people who visit the museum.

The museum recently launched a project called the Veterans History Project. This project works to collect the personal stories of as many veterans as possible by interviewing and videotaping them.

After you're done learning about the planes, you can make your way through the massive displays of other war memorabilia. There's so much to see that you could spend all day at the museum and not see it all.

The displays include items from every branch of the military and most wars including World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Every item in the museum has been donated and comes with specific information regarding it. Every display includes binders of information filled with photographs and letters. You aren't just reading the soldier's name and moving on. You're learning all about them and seeing actual personal items that belonged to them.

The museum is a history buff's personal paradise. However, it's entertaining and interesting even for those who don't consider themselves enthusiasts.

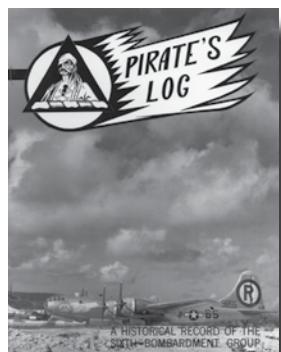
Many of the museum's volunteers are veterans who have their personal stories to tell along with educating about the history of a specific item. It's clear that the Warhawk Air Museum has great respect for the veterans and their stories. A visit to this museum means an intimate and incredibly educational experience regarding important eras of American history. The Warhawk is easily one of the most unique and insightful war museums in the entire country!

Credit: *Idaho*, October 6, 2017 by Emerson Curtright



# 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 NOW AVAILABLE



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. It 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.**

To order The Pirate's Log and/or 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.6thbombgeargroup.com](http://www.6thbombgeargroup.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 [damabrc@embarqmail.com](mailto:damabrc@embarqmail.com)



## 6th BOMB GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

The 6<sup>th</sup> sponsors a scholarship fund for relatives of 6th Bomb Group veterans. The Truman Heartland Community Foundation manages the fund. To apply for the scolarship visit their website at [www.thcf.org](http://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 or undergraduates may apply. 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.

Our more recent award:

**Gina Turner** attends North Dakota State University where she is studying 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. She is the granddaughter of John "Jack" Nichols.

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**AUCTION NOTICE:  
If you have any items you want  
to include in the  
Scholarship Fund Auction,  
please bring them with you  
to the reunion.**

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## DUES REMINDER

There is in 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**

## 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 can obtain them from the National Personnel Records Center either by using an on-line request or by writing the Center.

Veterans or next-of-kin of deceased veterans can use the online order form at [vetrecs.archives.gov](http://vetrecs.archives.gov) or use Form SF-180 or write a letter to request records: National Personnel Records Center, 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63138. Please include as much of the following information as possible:

- The veteran's complete name used while in service
- Service number or social security number
- Branch of service
- Dates of service
- Date and place of birth may also be helpful, especially if the service number is not known
- If the request pertains to a record that may have been involved in the 1973 fire, also include:
  - Place of discharge
  - Last unit of assignment
  - Place of entry into the service, if known.

Please submit a separate request (either SF 180 or letter) for each individual whose records are being requested. Please note: Next-of-kin (the un-remarried widow or widower, son, daughter, father, mother, brother or sister of the deceased veteran) must provide proof of death of the veteran, such as a copy of the death certificate, a letter from the funeral home or a published obituary.





**6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Association**  
**Financial Report**  
**Period of October 01, 2017 thru March 31, 2018**

**Checking Account**

Balance Checking Account 10/01/2017.....	\$9,236.68
<b>Income:</b>	
Membership Dues.....	\$1,380.00
Publication Sales (DVD & Pirates Logs).....	\$210.00
Proceeds From Reunions (Registration, Auction & Raffle Proceeds).....	\$7,503.63
Scholarship Contributions (Donald Kane).....	\$150.00
Memorial Contributions.....	\$0.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$9,243.63</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Misc. Expenses (Check Stamp).....	\$25.43
Newsletter Expenses.....	\$974.00
Mailing Costs (Newsletter, DVD's, Pirates Logs, Etc.).....	\$287.80
Costs for Archiving Records.....	\$79.98
Memorial Donations (Richard Randall).....	\$50.00
DVD, Pirates Log Reproductions, Etc.).....	\$1,052.51
Scholarship Fund Donations.....	\$150.00
Reunion Expenses (Includes \$1,000.00 Advance for 2018 Reunion).....	\$7,853.52
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$10,473.24</b>
<b>Balance Checking Account 03/31/2018.....</b>	<b>\$8,007.27</b>

**Truman Heartland Community Foundation**  
**Scholarship Fund**  
**Period of January 01, 2017 thru December 31, 2017**

Balance Scholarship Fund 01/01/2017.....	\$31, 197.86
<b>Additions:</b>	
Contributions / Gifts to Fund.....	\$545.00
Interest Income.....	\$376.94
Dividend Income.....	\$913.58
Capital Gains/Loss.....	\$2,985.46
<b>Total Fund Additions.....</b>	<b>\$4,820.98</b>
<b>Distributions / Expenses:</b>	
Grants (Gina Turner - \$500.00, Jess Higgins - \$500.00).....	\$1,000.00
Administration Fees.....	\$499.16
<b>Total Fund Distributions / Expenses.....</b>	<b>\$1,499.16</b>
<b>Scholarship Balance Ending 12/31/2017.....</b>	<b>\$34,519.68</b>

**★ BOARD MEMBERS ★**

John Creek, President  
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# 6th Bomb Group Reunion 2018 Registration Form

\*\* Complimentary hot breakfast is included each morning for attendees staying at the Residence Inn (reunion hotel)

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2018 - REGISTRATION & RECEPTION (Mandatory cost to attend reunion)

4:00 pm - Registration desk opens

5:00 pm - Reception in the Dunkley Meeting/History Room (10th floor)

Light Dinner - Sandwiches, homemade soups, chips, dessert

Beverages - Beer, wine, soda, water

\$40.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ Persons = \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Cost includes beer, wine, sodas, water, snacks for entire reunion and reception dinner

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2018 - TOUR / RECEPTION AT MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE

8:30 am - Meet in hotel lobby to board bus **You must be 16 or older to take this tour.**

10:00 am - Tour of base flight line

11:30 am - Reception with base officers, honoring 6th Bomb Group veterans, Q&A session

12:30 pm - Lunch in base dining hall (cost of lunch not included)

3:00 pm - 9 pm - History room open

\$40.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ Persons = \$\_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Dinner on your own

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2018 - TOUR & EDUCATION OUTREACH AT WARHAWK AIR MUSEUM

9:30 am - Meet in hotel lobby to board bus for museum (museum admission included in cost)

10:30 am - Education outreach / historical presentation to local students / Q&A session

12:00 pm - Lunch for group (included in cost)

12:30 pm - Tour museum (self guided tour at your own pace)

2:00 pm - Board bus to return to hotel

4:00 pm - Presentation by David Wilson on 6th Bomb Group History in Dunkley Meeting/History room

3:30 pm - 9 pm history room open

\$60.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ Persons = \$\_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Dinner on your own

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018 - MEETINGS, FREE DAY TO EXPLORE BOISE, REUNION BANQUET

9:00 am - Board of Directors meeting, Dunkley Meeting/History room (10th floor)

10:00 am - General Meeting, Dunkley Meeting/History room

6:00 pm - Plated dinner w/ no-host bar @ JUMP (very unique venue 2 blocks from hotel w/ view of downtown)

7:00 pm - Silent and live auction

7:45 pm - Guest speaker

\$65.00 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ Persons = \$\_\_\_\_\_

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018 - CHAPEL SERVICE & CLOSING ACTIVITY

9 am - Chapel service in Dunkley Meeting/History Room

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID = \$\_\_\_\_\_

## MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: 6TH BOMB GROUP REUNION 2018

### MAIL TO:

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