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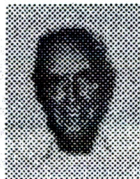
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345th Bomb Group Reunion Association

Reunion X 1994

Reunion Committee got it done for '94

Reunion Committee chairman Henry Kortemeyer is an original member of the 345th and 501st. He was born and raised in the northwest, Salem, Oregon. He entered flying school in San Diego at Lindburgh field, then on to Mentor field in Bakersfield, California and Williams Field in Phoenix, Arizona as a member of class 42-I. He returned from Nadzab in September of 1944 and served in the Ferry Command. He lives in Colorado Springs, because that's where he retired from the Air Force as a Colonel after 31 years. He was serving as deputy Commander of Peterson Air Force Base. He also commanded Okinawa Air Force Base during his career.



Vic Tatelman is President of the 345th Reunion Association. His original home was Terre Haute, Indiana. He was an original member of the 345th in the 499th, graduating in the class of 42-F. After a tour in the South Pacific he flew for bombardier training. Then he was trained in countering German radar and was returned to the South Pacific to teach the skill there, on the assumption that the Germans would share the technology with the Japanese. The 499th was the squadron he was assigned to. Tatelman also flew F-86's in the Korean War and retired as a Lt. Colonel.

Vic
Tatelman



Henry, Kort,
Kortemeyer

No picture is available of Lee Barnes, who served well on the committee. He is originally from Emporia, Kansas. He graduated flight training at Williams Field class of 42-K; in the 498th he flew 38 missions.

He flew as pilot for General Crabbe. Barnes also flew B-25's for navigator training. He retired as a Lt. Colonel after 30 years and earned a MS in Aerospace Engineering.



Reunion X Organizational Committee

Left to Right: Rear - Rainy Salzman, "Kort" Kortemeyer, Matt Mattson, Delbert Reddington, Vic Tatelman, Lynn Daker. Seated - Jim Murphy, Robert Lewis. Not Pictured: Lee Barnes



The 345th will be remembered as a part of the 5th Air Force in the memorial at the Air Force Academy. We dedicate the plaque during ceremonies Friday morning.

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Please make \$15 annual payment there if you have not already made it, or send it to:

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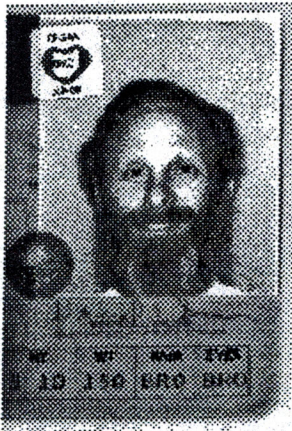
Mark Nordstrom is the editor of the Strafer newsletter and he's here to get pictures and descriptions of the reunion for the next issue. He's also looking for stories and pictures that can be used in upcoming issues.

Mark is probably in the hospitality room, where he has a collection of pictures and other items that have come to the Strafer over the past several years. You'll probably find something that interests you. Many items are available to be returned to their owners.

The stories you share with friends here at the reunion are probably good stories for the Strafer. Lots of your friends can't be here for one reason or another, but they get the Strafer and they would be happy to be able to read the story.

There are also lots of interesting events that have occurred in the past 50 years that would be of interest to members of the 345th. Find this man; tell him.

He is a news reporter, covering the state-house for The Ohio News Network in Columbus, Ohio. Mark also teaches German and he is a publisher. He was a canoe



Yes officer, all this information is current. Mark Nordstrom, as pictured on his recently renewed Ohio driver license.

trip guide in the Minnesota and Canadian Wilderness for the Boy Scouts and wears a beard today, because he still thinks he's 22 years old and can still travel by canoe through the woods with ease, like he did at that age.

345th BOMB GROUP REUNION X

AIR APACHES

SEPTEMBER 8-11, 1994

The Sheraton Colorado Springs

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Agenda

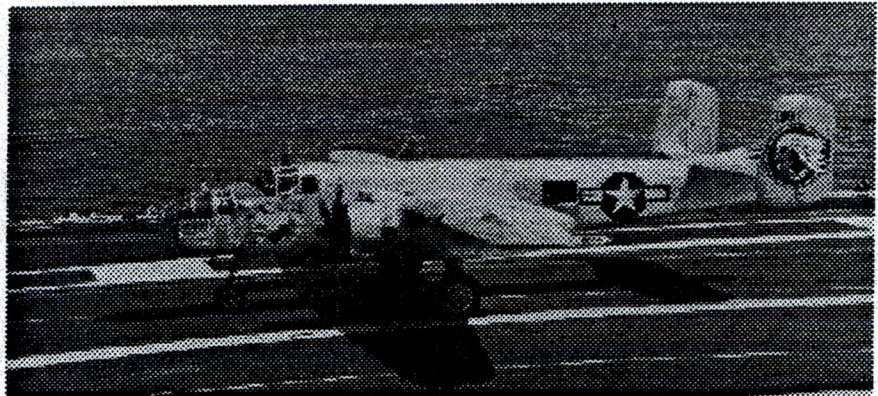
WEDNESDAY 4:00 PM HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUITE 3009) OPEN THROUGH 11:00 PM
September 7

THURSDAY 8:00 AM HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUITE 3009) OPEN THROUGH 11:00 PM
September 8
9:00 AM REGISTRATION THROUGH 6:00 PM
1:30 PM LEAVE SHERATON FOR TOUR OF FALCON AIR FORCE BASE

FRIDAY 8:00 AM HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUITE 3009) OPEN THROUGH 11:00 PM
September 9
9:00 AM REGISTRATION THROUGH 6:00 PM
9:00 AM DEPART FOR AIR FORCE ACADEMY CEMETERY PLAQUE DEDICATION CEREMONY. Ceremony begins at 10:00
12:30 PM LEAVE SHERATON FOR TOUR OF PIKE'S PEAK ON COG RAILWAY
1:30 PM LEAVE SHERATON FOR TOUR OF FALCON AIR FORCE BASE
6:45 PM SQUADRON PHOTO SESSIONS THROUGH 7:30 PM. Sheraton Hotel Atrium.
7:30 PM SQUADRON DINNERS

SATURDAY 8:00 AM HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUITE 3009) OPEN THROUGH 11:00 PM
September 10
9:00 AM GROUP BUSINESS MEETING. Salon A
9:00 AM LADIES' BREAKFAST. Summit Room 1
10:30 AM LEAVE SHERATON FOR FOOTBALL GAME. Air Force vs. Brigham Young University, kickoff at 12:00 noon.
11:00 AM REGISTRATION THROUGH 3:00 PM
7:00 PM GROUP BANQUET. Sheraton Ballroom 1.

SUNDAY 8:00 AM HOSPITALITY ROOM (SUITE 3009) OPEN THROUGH 1:00 PM
September 11
No alcohol will be served.



"In The Mood" taxis for takeoff from the deck of the USS Ranger to commemorate Doolittle's raid on April 21, 1992. It was part of a special flight over His house.

Reunion speakers

Henry Potter and other participants in the April 18, 1942 raid on Japan have retraced their post-raid steps through China. This year each of them followed the same route to Chungking he followed after parachuting into China following the raid led by James H. "Jimmy" Doolittle. He

will speak at the Grand Banquet Saturday night..

Saturday morning Donna Lancaster will address the Ladies Breakfast. She will talk about her experiences overcoming a handicap to become a jet pilot and instructor.