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“BUCKEYE BASH”

September 24-28, '08
Dayton, OH

**It's getting close to time to go to Ohio.
Reservations have been slow in coming so,
let's get them in!**

There are a lot of attractions in the south central part of Ohio besides the Air Force Museum that you can take in. Kings Island Amusement Park isn't that far from Dayton for you younger folks. Grandkids would really like to go there after hanging out with the (should I say it), seniors at the reunion.

Fred and crew have set up a number of tours, a golf outing and meals for us to attend. Take advantage of them.



From the DeFacto Editor:

Spring has come to the UP but it has been a cold rainy season so far. But we are looking forward to some warmer weather. I think that all the snow is gone but you can never tell what remains in the deep woods of the UP.

As noted on the front page, the reservations have been very slow in coming in for the reunion in September. You need to get them in as soon as you can so further planning can be done to insure a great time in Dayton.

From the news today it looks as if it is a good time to be retired from the Air Force. As Don Croston put it in an e-mail today "They're Rolling". It hasn't been a good year for the Air Force with the problem at Minot with the missiles and at Hill shipping Minuteman fuses to Taiwan. Most of us have been retired long enough that we aren't personally acquainted with those who will be retiring shortly. But still it's not a good feeling.

I received a large number of "bounces" when I sent the last two e-mails out so, if you have changed your e-mail address lately please send it to me at the Association e-mail address: 46thars@sbcglobal.net. It helps to keep the roster up to date.

John Stevens

RESERVATIONS TO DATE:

Henry Hill
Palmer Lewis
John Stevens
Fred Pumroy
Lloyd Ward
Mike Vairo

PROMISES

Bob Barnes
Bill Beaver
Joe Heywood

MORE TO COME?

An Old Duck Migrates West:

The oldest KC-135 tanker in the Air Force's fleet was set for a one-way flight into mothballs May 28, ending a 50-year career that began when Dwight Eisenhower was President and just two months after the Soviets launched Sputnik into space.

The Topeka *Capital Journal* reported May 28 that the aircraft, dubbed *Mallard 1*, entered service on Dec. 18, 1957. According to the newspaper, it was due to depart the Kansas Air National Guard's 190th Air Refueling Wing at Forbes Field in Topeka for the 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group at Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz., for storage at the boneyard. With the departure of *Mallard 1*, the wing's E fleet is down to eight. Two more airframes are scheduled to be flown to retirement in the next few weeks, leaving the base with six for the remainder of the year until Congress grants USAF the authority to phase out more of its aged KC-135Es, the newspaper said.



YOOPER RIDING MOWER

In Memory

John Hicks

William Johnson

Registration

Submit registration information and payment to:
 46th ARS Association, 520 Cherry Creek Road, Marquette, MI 49855.

Register NLT 31 Aug 08.

Name _____

Spouse _____

Guest _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Registration Fee (\$20/person)	_____ X \$20 = \$ _____	Plan to attend: Yes _____	No _____
Reception at Hotel (Free):			
Thursday Golf (\$60/person)	_____ X \$60 = \$ _____	Need Ride: Yes _____	No _____
Friday Tour (\$30/person)	_____ X \$30 = \$ _____	Need Ride: Yes _____	No _____
Friday Pig Roast (\$20/person)	_____ X \$20 = \$ _____	Need Ride: Yes _____	No _____
Saturday Dinner (\$35/person)	_____ X \$35 = \$ _____	Need Ride: Yes _____	No _____

Total Amount Paid \$ _____



Ben Carde sent me three Power Point presentations of aircraft. If you would like a copy e-mail me and I will send it to you. There are some great aircraft pictures.



Summer Happenings in Marquette County

Gwinn Centennial, July 3-12, '08
 Gwinn area www.gwinnmi.com

62nd and 87th Fighter Squadron Reunion,
 July 12, '08
 Little Lake,

Hiawatha Music Festival, July 18-20, '08
 Marquette

More information is available at
www.marquettecountry.org
 (note: it is marquettecountry)

46th ARS Commanders

Winfred H. Meibohm	Donald S. Croston
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Edward G. Palm**	William E. Rutter
Martin D. Klena	Brian W. Horst
Frank Elliott	Russell Deming
Alvin W. Langford	James Nakauchi
Donald D. Lueningberg	** Deceased
Richard E. Ring	

46th ARS Senior Boom Operators

Ed Caldwell	Richard Stephens
Ken Courtright	Carl Criscillis
Bob Labo	Craig Blessing
Steve Lonergan	Dave McNeil
Scott Harris	Florian Spiczka
Brad Arnsperger	Kermit Gunther
Edward Christopherson	Jim Hank
Duwayne Benson	

We need more names here. If you were a Senior Boomer or know of one we do not have on the list please send the info to: 46thars@sbcglobal.net

Links

Marquette County	www.Marquettecountry.org
U-Tapao Alumni Asso.	U-Tapao@yahoogroups.com
Aviation Cadet Museum	www.aviationcadet.com
Navigator Observer Asso	www.afnoa.org

46th ARS Website

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