



**“Ready for contact”**

VOLUME 12,  
ISSUE 2

Summer/Fall 2012



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**and**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**To all former members of the  
46th and 307th Air Refueling Squadrons.**

## From the DeFacto Editor:

Another reunion is done and we move on to a cruise in February of 2013 and the next reunion in 2014.

The reunion in Branson was the smallest so far but everyone enjoyed it. The shows were very good, the hotel was great and the dinner and entertainment were very good.

The business meeting was held on Saturday morning with the following results: Mike Vairo was elected President, John Stevens again for Secy/Treas and Fred Pumroy and John Dyson as members of the Board of Directors. The treasury holds a little over \$2300 so we do not need to have any donations, but if anyone wants to donate we will accept it.

Tentative plans for the next reunion are for sometime in 2014 in the San Diego area. Mike Vairo will chair it and will probably need some assistance from members on the west coast.

I found some information on the first Commander of the 46th, Donald A. Broaddus. He was a pilot in WW II, flew troop carriers in the invasion of Normandy and spent some time in the Pacific theater. He passed away March 4, 1986 in Shreveport, LA.

Deer season opened here on the UP just the other day. Lots of deer going by on vehicles in spite of there being no tracking snow.

It has been a good year here in the Mar-

quette area, a nice summer and pretty good autumn. I think a lot of folks are looking forward to the snow for the skiing and snowmobiling. The Ishpeming Hematite's won the State Championship in football and they also won the Sports Illustrated Underdog contest.

Please make sure that if you have changed your e-mail addresses that you get the change to me so I can keep our list up to date. That goes for mailing addresses also. Also if you come in contact with any other former members of the units urge them to contact me so we can add them to the roster.

Along that same line, we are always looking for crew photos, crew/recall rosters and items that are connected to the squadrons. We have a display for the 46th at the Kl Sawyer Heritage Air Museum but I would like some more items to enhance the display.

My wife and I will be travelling again this winter, Albuquerque, Houston and Florida, so perhaps we can meet for coffee someplace, sometime.

Last but not least - Merry Christmas to everyone and best wishes for a great New Year in 2013.

*John Stevens*

## In Memory

Dick Trautmann, 3/8/12

Don Irwin

Nick Carter, 5/10/12

Steve Lonergan

Donald L. O'Connell  
7/21/12

Franklin Pierce

Paul Baysore, 8/25/12

Donald A. Broaddus,  
4/3/86



Attendees at Steve Lonergan's funeral

Berd Ekdahl, Chuck O'Banion, Greg Durand and Jim Protzmann

e



**2012 Reunion, Branson, MO**

**First Row (L to R) – Joan Rundt, Mina Ring, Pam Longtine, DeeDee Robinson. Second Row (L to R) – Jerry Rundt, Dick Ring, Art Wallace, Percy Longtine, Kent Robinson. Third Row (L to R) – Donna Longhenry, Mary Pumroy, Linda Bambury, Cerona Stevens, Jane Dyson, Mary Ward, Marilyn Beaver. Fourth Row (L to R) – Lou Longhenry, Fred Pumroy, Jack Bambury, John Stevens, John Dyson, Lloyd Ward, Bill Beaver**



**Does anyone have any names for these crewmembers?**



**I can name one here, Jack Varcho (top right).**

## 46th ARS Commanders

Donald A. Broaddus**	Martin D. Klena	Ronald B. Childers
Winfred H. Meibohm	Frank Elliott**	Dale R. Liesch
C. Hunter Smith**	Alvin W. Langford	William G. Manire
Laurence Maher, Jr**	Donald D.	Richard W. Salsbury
Ronald L. Brumbaugh**	Luenenberg**	William E. Rutter
Wilson W. Howard**	Richard E. Ring	Brian W. Horst
Samuel E. Dyke**	Donald S. Croston	Russell Deming
Bertram G. Brunner**	Richard L. Trail	James Nakauchi
Edward G. Palm**	Robert L. Hohman	** Deceased

## 307th ARS Commanders

John Horesek	Lynn Guenther
John Irwin	Raymond Amtmann

## K.I. Heritage Air Museum

[www.kishmuseum.org](http://www.kishmuseum.org)

Mailing Address:

KISHAM, 500 S. 3rd St., Marquette, MI 49855

## 46th ARS Boom Section NCOICs

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

We need more names here. If you were a Boom Section NCOIC or know of one we do not have on the list please send the info to: [46thars@sbcglobal.net](mailto:46thars@sbcglobal.net)

## 46th ARS Website

<http://46thars.tripod.com/index.html>

e-mail addresses

[46thars@sbcglobal.net](mailto:46thars@sbcglobal.net)

[46thars@gmail.com](mailto:46thars@gmail.com)



[46thars@sbcglobal.net](mailto:46thars@sbcglobal.net)

906-249-3529

Marquette, MI 49855

520 Cherry Creek Road

46th Air Refueling Squadron Association