News of Other Organizations

AT-6 Rides
From Mark Hutchins

Fighter Command is the business of Mark Hutchins, the son of member, Stanley Hutchins 824thSq. He provides rides in an immaculate AT-6. The ship was restored to zero time ala the B-24 All American. It is based at Winchester Regional Airport just east of Winchester, VA near the intersection of Rt 50 and 1-81. From Rt 50 go south on Rt 728 and turn right on Airport Road to Building 615.

He maintains a display museum of WWII flight artifacts, holds Educational and Historical seminars, and a gift shop. He offers a special rates for reunions. Call 1/800/809/5482 for information. You will meet Mark Hutchins at the 484th BG’s reunion.

Members of the 484th Bomb Group
from Reed Sprinkel, 825 Sq.

You are probably aware of the “Air Force Fifty” -50th Anniversary of the USAF Association to be held in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 22-26, 1997. The 15th AF Association is HQ’d at the Riviera Hotel. The 15th AF Association along with the USAF Association have planned some exciting and memorable events for friends, family and veterans of all services. If you are interested contact: AFA Registration, P.O. Box 9129 - Silver Spring, MD 209 16-9129 or FAX: 301/933-3884 15th Air Force Association: P.O. Box 6325 March AFB, CA 92518.

Should you be interested in any other particulars, please contact me or my Secretary @ 714/642-1888. Reed Sprinkel, Maj USAF Ret 825th Squadron

Freeman Army Airfield

Freeman Army Airfield 1040 A Ave,. P.O. Box 702 Seymour, Indiana 47274 Ph 812/522/2031 is establishing a museum in memory of the 4000 pilots who took multi-engine training here. When the museum is finished a reunion will be held.

Santa Ana Army Airbase

Santa Ana Army Air Base was one of three Aviation Cadet Preflight Classification Centers in the United States during WW 11. Over 147,000 Army Air Forces Aviation Cadets passed through the S. A. A. A.B. for processing. The site of the old Santa Ana Army Air base is Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, California. The Costa Mesa Historical Society holds a yearly reunion of airmen & base personnel devoted to preserving the history of the Santa Ana Army Air Base. The yearly reunions are held in mid spring each year. For more information call 714/631/5918.

Combat Air Museum

The Combat Air Museum at Forbes Field/Topeka Army Airfield will hold a reunion September 20-22, 1997. Call 1-800/833/ 8033 for information. This is the airfield where aircrews of the 484th Bomb Group were given brand new B-24s for ferry to Italy. Your editor’s crew was assigned to ferry a new Ford built B-24 L to Torretta. It was called “Roll Me Over.” We delivered it to Torretta in January of 1945.

The 484th PX

484th BG Logo patch, stitched, 2 3/4 “ in diameter ------------------ $5.00.
B-24 three- dimensional tie tac, silver, stick pin 1 3/4 “ -------------- $5.00.
Association Pin with 484th Logo 7/8” ------------------------------- $5.00.
Baseball Cap, red & white. side view of 484th silver B-24 on front, postage inc. ------------------------------- $12.00.
Miniature Plaque 1 3/4 “ with display stand, postage inc. -------------- $25.00.
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