



# NEWSLETTER



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## General



By Barney Fisher

This is going to be fairly short; being as I'm pressed for time and the fact that there isn't too much to write about. I want to take this time to THANK each and everyone that donated to Grace House. We once again not only achieved our goal but surpassed it. On behalf of the 707<sup>th</sup> Grace House received \$2269.00 a Job Well Done.

The bulk of this newsletter is going to deal with the Reunion. The Reunion is Scheduled for 17 – 19 September 2010 in Grand Rapids at the Saw Mill Inn. Enclosed with this newsletter is the schedule, contact information and a registration form, please return the registration form and your fee ASAP. You can make your reservations at the Saw Mill Inn by calling 800-667-7509, make sure they know your with the 707<sup>th</sup>. If you want to check other hotels in the area for rates or if you can negotiate a better rate please do so.

Note that this is a laid back event and is void of any rigid schedule, everything is pretty much at your leisure. We look forward to a good turnout and hope that you'll be able to join us. It is requested that you contact Barney Fisher, 513-574-7431 – [ffisher@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ffisher@cinci.rr.com) – 5791 Valley Vista Way Cincinnati, Ohio 45247 stating your intention to attend or not to attend. This will give the folks at HQ a better idea of how many to prepare for. If you have any questions please contact, Judy Johnson 218-326-4044 Skip Brunetta 218-999-5731 or Mike McKeever 218-326-1602

As stated in the last newsletter, I've received some correspondence in regards to the event and sorry to hear that many don't think they'll be able to make it. Old age and medical problems seem to be the culprits. I hope that most will be able to attend. So far we have the following names on 3 different list Who's Attending, Who Might Attend and Who's Not Attending – I'd sure like to add your name to the first one. This could very well be the last reunion, but I hope not. The next reunion is in 2013, that's a long way down the road.



**Bulletin Board** by Barney Fisher

**Who's Attending:** Bill & Denise Benner, Jerry & Patti Guite, Pete & Pat Sessions, Gene & Joan Walker Tom & Sandy Nielson, Barney & Geri Fisher, Don & Luella VonBank, Jim & Coleen Nardone, Judy Johnson, Mike & Marg McKeever, Skip & Ruth Brunetta, Len & Mary Place, Bob Ferdinand, Jose & Karum Carrillo, Lorraine Carter, Lloyd & Dianna Cogswell, Jerry Harling, Madonna Jensen, John & Doris Newman, Judy Rimmer, Esther Sanders, Margaret Thomas

**Who Might Attend:** Jim & Becky Stoll, Jim & Caroline Clough, Jim & Jean King, Geoff Newcomb Dave & Roxanne Stewart, Larry Wilson

**Who's Not Attending:** Darryl Nealis, Jim & Joyce Gardner



**Day Room** by Barney Fisher

Words of Wisdom:

Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.



**Inform and be Informed** by Barney Fisher

Sick Call: I'm not going to try and list everyone that could use your prayers. We've quite a few members and family members that are on the list. So please pray for all of them. Thanks.

If you have, or know of any member with, a medical problem let me know, and I'll add them to the prayer list. Please keep praying for all our members and their families.



**From Headquarters**

by Barney Fisher

Very short report – See You At The Reunion 17 – 19 September 2010



## Sound Off by Barney Fisher

Don't forget that we have thousands of pictures on the website. For those that don't have computers go to the library or have a relative check it out by going to [www.af-acw.com](http://www.af-acw.com) We are always in need of photos, old or new. If you visit with someone from the 707<sup>th</sup> take a few pictures and share them with the rest of us.



## Taps by Barney Fisher

I'm happy to say that I haven't had to add any names to Taps.

Take a few minutes to reflect and say a prayer for a friend now gone ahead. If you know of anyone that has suffered a loss, or is ill, please keep us informed so we may acknowledge them, Thanks.



## Dismissed by Barney Fisher

In closing I'd like to ask everyone to **keep me informed of any change in your contact information**, if you have any input on other members let me know. Thanks. PLEASE, I need help with the website and newsletter, send me stories/memories of the 707<sup>th</sup>. I'm still asking for everyone to submit a BIO. If interested and don't know what to include, give me a call. Pictures of your days with the 707<sup>th</sup> or after, are always welcomed. My contact information:

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Till next issue, remember to Thank a Veteran, Pray for our Troops and God Bless America.

Be safe and be happy!

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## 707th AC&W SQUADRON REUNION

### GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA

SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2010

#### **SAWMILL INN:**

2301 South Hwy. 169  
Grand Rapids, MN 55744  
218-326-8501 or 800-667-7509

#### **Room Rates:**

Sunday - Thursday            Standard \$75.00 + Tax  
Suite \$99.00 + Tax

Friday-Saturday            Standard \$85.00 +Tax  
Suite \$109.00 +Tax

The 707<sup>th</sup> has a block of twenty-five rooms. Reservations may be made by calling 800-667-7509. When making reservations mention the 707<sup>th</sup> for these special rates. **Reservation deadline is SEPTEMBER 1, 2010.** Complimentary breakfast is served Monday-Friday to registered guests.  
**Please bring memorabilia for the memory table.**

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

##### **FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>**

- 11 AM - Registration and reunion kickoff with a buffet and cash bar at Forest Lake Restaurant (downstairs). 1201 NW 4th St.
- 2-3 PM - Sawmill Inn (Sawmain).
- 5 PM - Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

##### **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>**

- 9 AM - Breakfast Buffet (Sawmain).
- 10 AM - Group tour of Memorial Marker at Airbase Site and The Yellow Brick Road at Central School.
- 1 PM - Hors d'oeuvres (Sawmain).
- 5 PM - Social Hour and Cash Bar.
- 6 PM - Banquet Buffet (Sawmain)

##### **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>**

FREE TIME:

**THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR ATTENDING THE REUNION**

## HOSTED BY

### The Grand Rapids Committee

Skip and Ruth Brunetta

Jose and Karum Carrillo

Lorraine Carter

Lloyd and Dianna Cogswell

Jerry Harling

Madonna Jenson

Judy Johnson

Mike and Margaret McKeever

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Judy Rimmer

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### **REGISTRATION FEE IS \$55.00 PER PERSON.**

Please return the registration form with your payment.

In 2008 the 707th Memorial Plaque was made possible by many very generous donations from mostly Grand Rapids residents, organizations, and businesses.

The Grand Rapids committee would like to plant some evergreen trees to enhance the appearance and become a windbreak for the Memorial Plaque.

We are asking members of the 707th to donate to this cause if possible. Please enclose your donation with your registration. Thank you!

**REGISTRATION FORM**

707TH AC&W SQUADRON 2010 REUNION  
SAWMILL INN  
GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA  
SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2010

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee (\$55.00 each X number attending) = \_\_\_\_\_  
Tree Donation = \_\_\_\_\_  
Total = \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Check Payable to 707th AC&W Reunion**

**Mail to:** Judy Johnson  
723 NE 7th St.  
Grand Rapids, MN. 55744

**Questions?** Call 218-326-4044

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2010**

**After September 1- no registration fees will be refunded.**  
Special consideration will be given in case of death or serious illness.  
Check with motel regarding cancellation and refund policy.