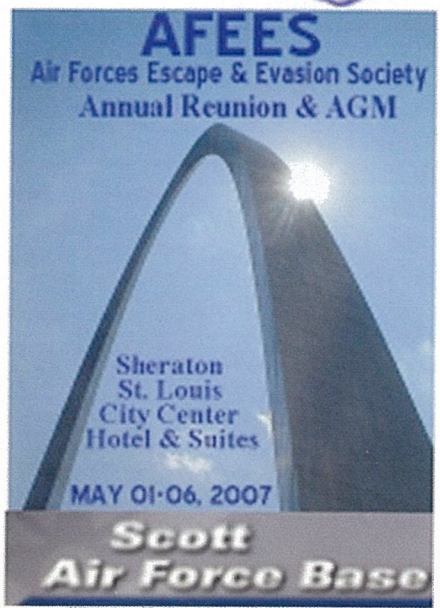


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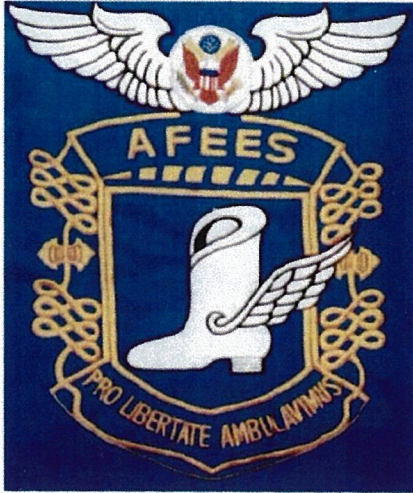
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Annual AFEES Reunion & AGM
May 11-14, 2006
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(Reunion Registration Form on Page 17)

All times and events are subject to change!

Daily schedules will be posted at Hospitality Suite and Registration Table

2006 Reunion Schedule

Wednesday, 10 May

Registration Begins
AFEES Tour Desk Opens
Hospitality Suite Open, 1300-2300 hrs.
Board of Directors Meeting, 1700

Friday, 12 May

Kirtland Air Force Base Tour
with Luncheon, 0900-1500
EVENING FREE

Thursday, 11 May

Registration Continues
Hospitality Suite Open, 0800-2300
AFEES Tour Desk Open
Sandia Peak Tramway Tours,
0930 - 1230 and 1230-1530
Santa Fe Trip (on your own), 0900-1530
Golf

Saturday, 13 May

Memorial Service, 0945 - 1045
Annual General Meeting, 1100 - 1200
BOD Meeting Follows
Hospitality Suite Open, 1230 - 2300
AFTERNOON FREE
Sandia Peak Tramway, 1300 - 1600
Golf

WELCOMING BUFFET DINNER
Reception 1815; Dinner 1845

ANNUAL BANQUET

Reception, 1815; Dinner, 1845

Sunday, 14 May

Complimentary Hot Breakfast in
dining room

Santa Fe Unaccompanied Tour, 0900-1500
Sandia Peak Tramway, 0930 - 1230

(Tickets available if signed for in advance)

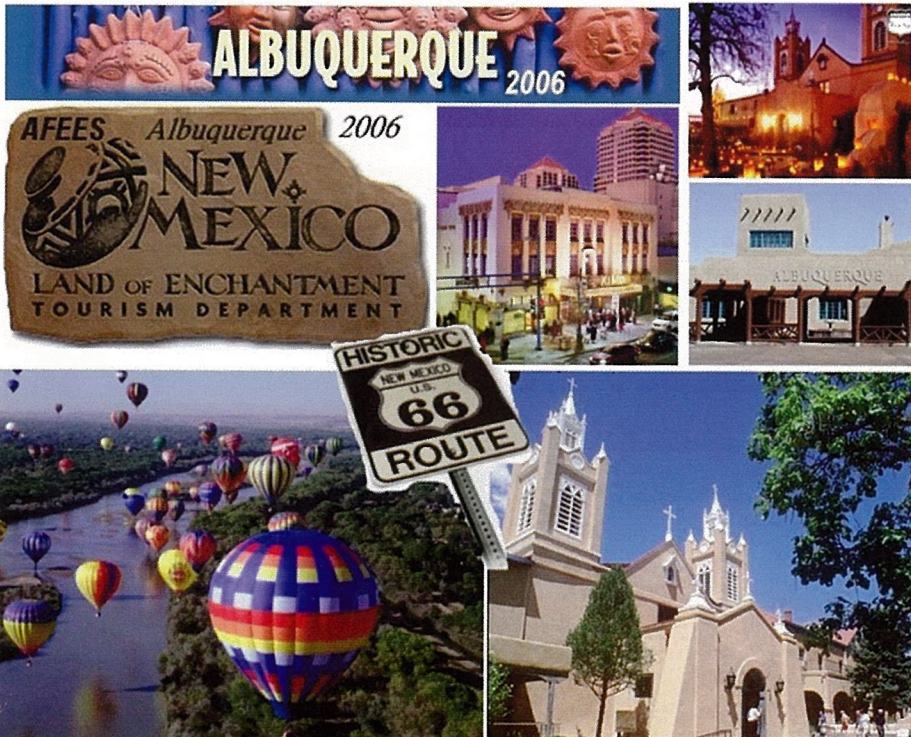
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ATTENTION, HELPERS!

As usual, extra nights at the MCM Elegante are not included in the account which AFEES provides for your hospitality. You will be responsible for more than four nights (May 10, 11, 12, 13) at the hotel. Should a Helper require an aide because of physical handicap, AFEES will cover the room and reunion package if they share a room.

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They Risked Their Lives Together

■ *World War II airmen and the civilians meet in Albuquerque*

BY ISABEL SANCHEZ
Journal Staff Writer

The airmen learned not to jingle the change in their pockets and to avoid big houses because, when the Germans commandeered houses, they took the big ones.

The airmen had to remember they were listed as deaf and mute on their fake passports.

When seeking shelter, they were told, find poor homes; those with utility wires meant money, and money often meant the sale of information to the Germans.

There was little advance training for the men of the Air Forces Escape and Evasion Society — a group formed after World War II for the pilots who crashed or fell from the sky during combat.

The society, which is holding its reunion in Albuquerque this week, refers to the airmen as



GRAUERHOLZ: Crash-landed in France during World War II



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Clayton David, left, of Hannibal, Mo., was one of the Army Air Force B-17 pilots who escaped capture with the help of Joke Folmer of Holland, right. Both now belong to the Air Forces Escape and Evasion Society.

“evaders” and those who aided them as “helpers.”

Evaders are not all World War II veterans, although most are; helpers were often, but not always, members of the resistance.

The society maintains the bond between helpers and evaders. More than 800 people are actively involved, including 314 widows and friends and 28 helpers now in the United States.

For the actual landings, there had been training — the men did what they were taught, too busy getting things right to

dwell on fear.

“We felt we were hot stuff,” said Larry Grauerholz, a co-pilot whose B-17 crash-landed near Bordeaux, France. “We were invincible. Being shot down was something that happened to other people. It wouldn’t happen to us.”

Grauerholz knew three words in French, but they were enough, he said: American, aviator, parachute.

Airmen’s orders were to evade capture and escape if caught, but the details — the jingling, the silence, the houses — came from the people who

hid them, faked documents for them, gave them clothes and risked their lives for them, escorting airmen from village to town, to railroad stations, to safe houses.

One helper, famous for her heroism in Holland, is Joke Folmer, who led about 300 people to safety, including evader Clayton David. Both are at the reunion.

“It all starts with friends, and friends of friends,” she said. “And trust. Sometimes trust is mistaken.”

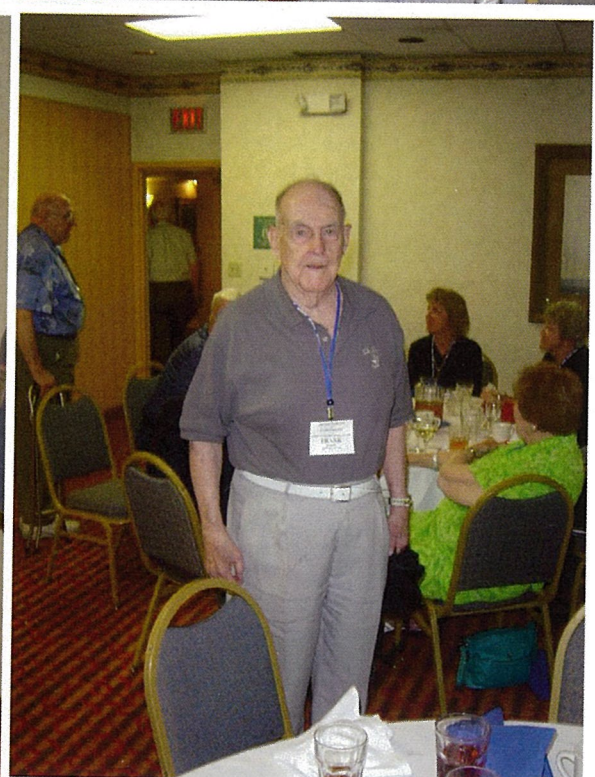
Folmer was caught, imprisoned, sentenced to death for helping a group of five pilots. She lived because paperwork, of all things, did not catch up with her.

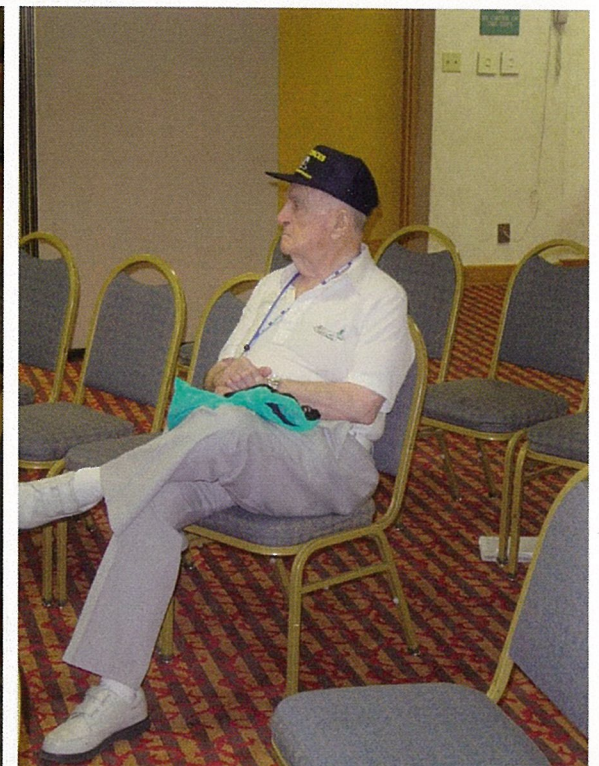
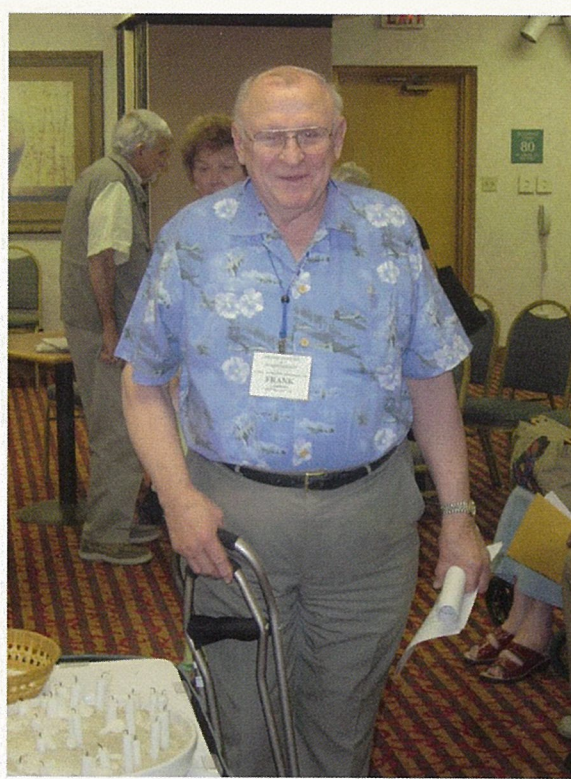
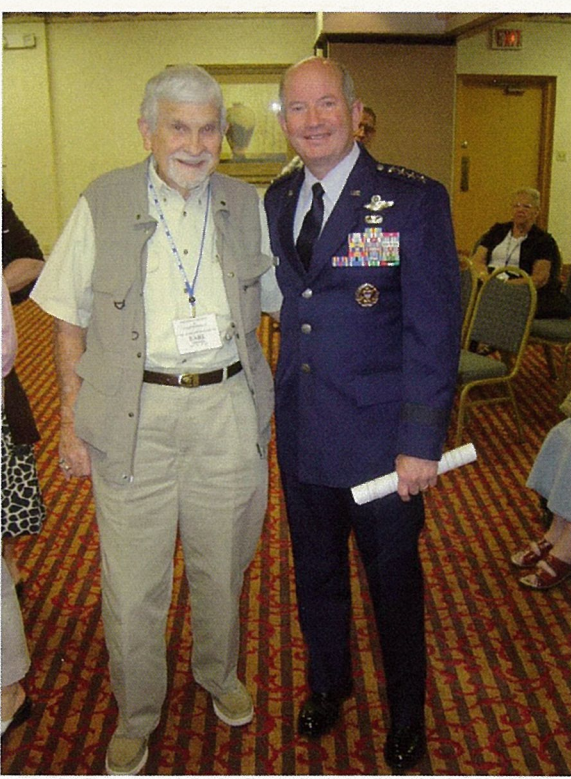
David landed in Holland, his very first jump, when his B-17 was shot down. He was helped, by Folmer and others, to Paris and climbed the Pyrenees Mountains into neutral Spain. Grauerholz climbed them into Spain, too.

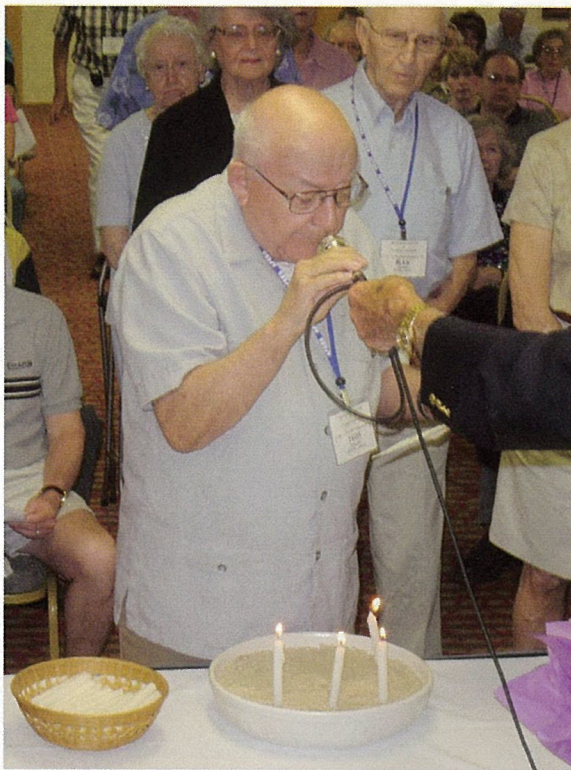
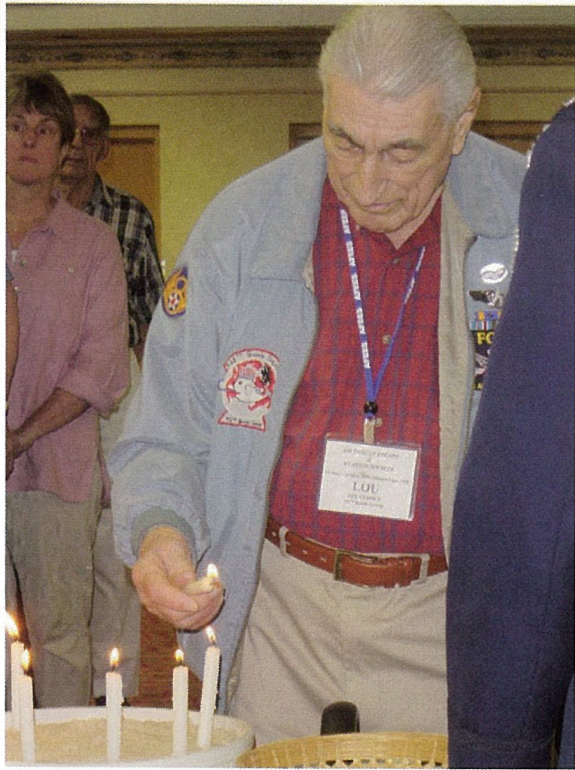
After the war, the fliers had to sign an oath not to tell anyone who helped them for 50 years.

“We Americans took this very seriously. We had a good many men who went to their graves, never knowing they could tell anything,” David said. “Many of our people had a horrible time over that.”

The evaders were not allowed to fly again. By then, they knew too much.





















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