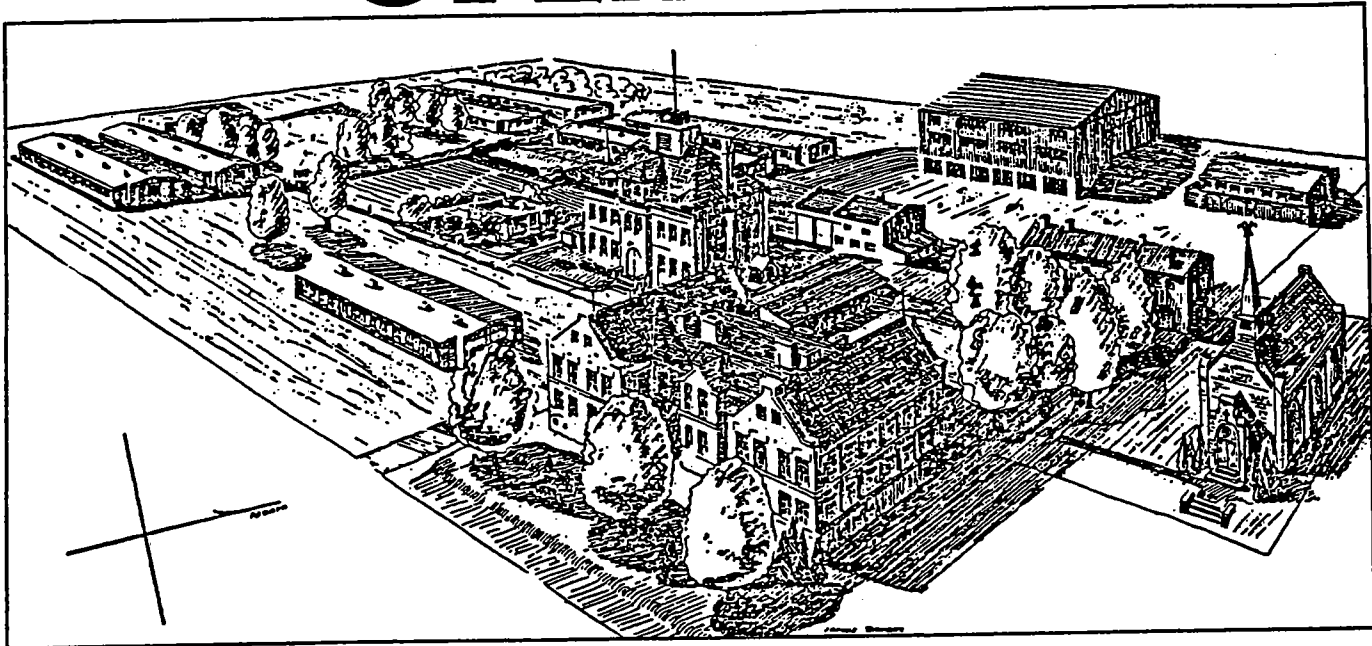


# OFLAG 64



Prisoner's drawing of Oflag 64, reproduced from The Item of January 1, 1945

Drawing does not show the three, high, barbed wire fences surrounding the 900 feet by 1200 feet area of the P.O.W.-Camp; nor are the eleven guard towers shown.

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GLADWYNE, PA Finally taking time to get this ITEM out to each of you. Had to do a lot of sorting first and then get the checks ready to deposit from all of you faithful contributors to the Postage Fund.

Now to bring you up to date on happenings.

1. We'll see you all in San Antonio. The small committee headed by Al Cecil has already obtained hotel space and we have more details very soon, maybe even before this ITEM goes to press. Oct, 6, 7, 8, 9 1988
2. Len Vaden has done his job already and I have information with this Newsletter so that those that enjoy our post reunion get to-gethers can sign up early. See enclosed information. Act immediately.
3. I have read both books mentioned in the December ITEM packet and if you haven't ordered yours and refreshed your memory after 45 years, do so now and enjoy.
4. Thanks very much for the many Christmas cards that each of you sent to Mary and me. The ones with the family letters were indeed interesting.
5. Also included with this ITEM is a final report from the fabulous Reunion in Alexandria. My outstanding reporter Nan Mac Arvey filed her report in time but I mislaid it thus it was not included in the December mailing. My most humble apologies to Nan for not

including it. Nice job Nan and I, m sure all the gals appreciate it.

6. Continued kudos to the Washington Committee for an extra fine reunion. Those that missed it really missed a good one so put the San Antonio dates down now.

7. A general note to you regarding Father Stanley Brach.

He has finally been moved to a good facility where his treatment can be monitored and his overall care is much improved, as is his health. Steps have been taken and are continuing to be taken thru various persons so that his overall situation may work toward improving his well being.

Among those involved are Joe Seringer, Rita and Son Joe, III

Roy Chappell & Helen

Ted Rinehart and others not known by me.

See you in San Antonio Oct 6, 7, 8, 9, 1988

8. Finally, I would indeed be remiss if I did not mention your over whelming generosity of contributions at the Reunion of a considerable sum to the Postage Fund.

Thanks much.

CORPUS CHRISTI Boy! Things are really shaping up for San Antonio. Len Vaden went to work right away! See the enclosed trip he is suggesting after the Reunion starting on Monday October 9, 1988.

NOTE: The number of participants is limited so if you desire to join the group make sure you call as soon as possible after the receipt of this mailing and sign up. Thanks

Len for this service you perform so faithfully  
Pls. NOTE: In order to keep cost down the  
 information for this tour is printed as much  
 as possible on both sides of the sheet .

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LONDON ENGLAND Ken Finlayson somehow came across  
 an American \$ 10.00 paper note and included it in  
 his letter to me. It wasn't a new one believe me.  
 Nice to hear from you, Ken. Hope you are well and  
 thanks for the contribution to the Postage Fund.  
 That's very thoughtful. I have your letter in my  
 pile some place and will comment on it later in  
 this ITEM when I come to it.

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POTOMAC, MD Received a brief note from General  
 Waters along with a nice contribution to the  
 Postage Fund and also a sad note which is  
 reproduced here with.  
 This announces the death of Stanley (Jerry)  
 Biernacki of whom some of you may know in  
 camp. He was not on my current mailing list.

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SAN ANTONIO, TX I received a letter from "Chum"  
 Williamson from a James D. Sanders, of 104 Arena St  
 Williamsburg, VA 23185 who is doing research  
 regarding American & British P O W'S taken by the  
 Soviets to SIBERIA and not returned.

He has been able to document them going but  
 not having been returned. Anyway, one who can assist  
 Mr. Sanders in this effort please contact him at  
 the above address or by phone, (804) 220-8746.  
 I am sending him a copy of Clarence Meltesen's  
 flyer on 'Roads to liberation,' which contains  
 many items on P O W 'S & Russians.

Also I don't know whether he has any contact  
 with, Patricia Wadley  
 2316 Oak Hill  
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 1-817-283-0601

who is also doing research on Americans &  
 Russian contacts.

Pls. contact both of the above if you have any  
 knowledge about this situation.

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ENGLAND ARK. Sure was good to see that  
 Stalwart of the Democratic Party at the  
 Reunion and his wonderful wife Beth.

Look forward to seeing you in San Antonio. Taint fur!  
 Mark the dates down now. Oct 6, 7, 8, 9, 1988.  
 Best to you & good health, BILLY BINGHAM.

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GLADWYNE, PA At the reunion I received two  
 articles on POW/MIA recognition day, only I have  
 forgotten who gave them to me.

Also Al Casner sent me the article from the  
 Wall Street Journal entitled, "POW'S : Four Decades  
 of US. Abandonment" printed in the Aug 13' 87 iss

This kind of publicity keeps up it may very  
 well be that Congress will push the State Dept  
 to do something about POW'S/MIA'S.

Thanks for this info & both the unknown & known  
 contributors.

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GAINESVILLE, FL Brief note from Kenny Johnson  
 saying that Mildred (Ward) Johnson had passed  
 away 10 September 1987 after a year long battle  
 with cancer. Sorry to hear about this Ken. Our  
 sympathies are with you. This also was announced  
 at the reunion.

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CLEMSON, S.C. Two great letters from Ellen  
 Bryant after the reunion which both Wright and  
 Ellen attended. What a pleasure to see and chat  
 with you both. Sorry to hear Wright was in the  
 hospital again, but hope he is up and around again  
 by now.

Thanks for writing and thanks for the Postage  
 Fund contribution. Great!

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BANGOR, ME Nice brief thank you note for  
 the Washington Committee from Milt Jellison  
 saying how much he and Don enjoyed the Reunion.  
 Thanks to you too Milt for the nice  
 contribution to the Postage Fund.  
 San Antonio? I hope so.

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WAQUOIT, MA Same as above from Bill Rudel.  
 Also many thanks for the nice contribution for  
 postage.

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ROSEWELL, NM. Walter Gill really was busy at  
 the Reunion which he thoroughly enjoyed,  
 Greeting new / old friends. Thanks to you, too  
 for the check for the Postage Fund.

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LAS VEGAS, NV Nice long letter from our own  
 very gracious Alan Dunbar reiterating how he  
 was pleased he was to be able to change his  
 plans around to a future date for us to go  
 back to Las Vegas. He even listed names of  
 people in Texas who might be able to help  
 Al Cecil get the job done in San Antonio.

Thanks Alan I will be sending Al C. a complete address list so he can call on all Texans to help him as he may need them.  
Looking forward to seeing you in S.A.

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HENDERSONVILLE, N.C. Another brief note from John Creech and his new charming wife Elaine (from England. originally.)  
'What a great job the Kommittee did in Arlington. Also what a nice contribution to the P.F. from John. Hope to see you in S. A. It's delightful, restful & relaxing town.

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ANNAPOLIS, MD Thanks to Harold Tallman, a fellow printer, who worked with his former firm to lighten up the drawing of Oflag 64 that appears in the newsletter. It looks real good, don't you think?  
I'm sure you'll enjoy the S. A. Bash as much as Washington. Leave early and drive but in any event don't miss it.  
See you there!

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WAUSAU, WI Thanks John Fehl for correcting our typing errors as to your fine city. It will be Wausau from here on.  
Also thanks for your contribution to the P.F. Hope to meet you in S. A. Oct 6, 7, 8, 9.

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CIRCLEVILLE, OH Ernest Ankrom writes that Dick Reskill was inquiring as to which regular Army Division received credit for taking Rome. He was a member of the 45th Div and remembers 3 Regular Divisions coming off the line after ROME for training to subsequently invade France, Hope you received the Intell. report you wanted OK.  
Thanks for settling Dick's question, as well as your nice contribution to the Postage Fund.  
NOTE: From here on as well as in all future ITEMS, P.F. will mean Postage Fund

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CHARLES CITY, IA Hi, Horace Spaulding. Sure sorry that we all missed seeing you and Mary in Washington. Will definitely look forward to seeing you in S. A.

Nice of you to include that terrific gift to the P.F. That was a big lift and much appreciated.  
Have changed your Zip code. Do you live on the river? Looked up the town on the map looks like wide open spaces. You are right! Most all of us find retirement busier than we were when we were working. That Alabama stint must be rough on you!

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SWARTHMORE, PA I had no idea that when I received a note from Curtis Jones he wouldn't be able to make the reunion that he was going to relocate, in a close by town. Just prior to the reunion he sold his in East Liverpool Oh. and moved back east. home  
Nice to have you close-by Curtis. Thanks for letting me know.

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ATLANTA, GA Hi, Jim & Peggy. I agree with you it was real great to see both the Bankers in Washington. The only reason the "somebody" didn't think of it in Washington was just that. Anyway, things are moving along and we'll have a real ball in S. A. with lots of time to spend on Sidi Bou Said etc.  
Hope I can see you before S.A We'll see!

Thanks for the gift to the P.F. Every gift helps keeps the P.F. in good financial shape.

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NEW JERSEY SHORE, PA This is another oversight on my part as far as my mailing list is concerned. I received two letters from Mrs. Russell Thomas and the late Russell Thomas nephew, Marvin Cooper advising me that Russell had died I acknowledged both letters but unfortunately neglected to remove Russell's name from my mailing list.

I also did not add his name to my deceased list. Sorry, Mrs. Thomas and please accept my apologies for these omissions.  
I am adding your name and new address to our mailing list unless you advise me otherwise.  
Thank you for your patience.

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PINEHURST, N.C. Thanks "Doc" Herb Garris for the copy of the Obit on the late Frank Smith. I got a copy thru Mary Andrews who was a friend of Frank's as well as the sister of Dick Englehart's. It turned out as I understand it that she also attended a sister's funeral in the same month. God has a way of testing us from time to time.  
Thanks for the comment on Frank's eulogy which the Reverend Fred Thompson made at the outset. We are here not mourning a death but celebrating a life. As you also aptly noted those that knew Frank heartily agree with you.  
I was sorry I was unable to make the service but the logistics just didn't work out.

Didn't recall you were going to the U.S. S. R. Glad your back and our reaction was the same as yours when we went to Poland in 1971. Glad to be back and willing to kiss the tarmac at the Airport in Copenhagen when we landed. Thanks for the contribution to the P.F. Nice of you to think of it.

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HOUSTON, TX I was almost disappointed when I didn't hear from my good friend John Jones, before the reunion. He didn't let me down. He just wrote after the Reunion. A nice one too. Thanks for encouragement for all that goes on and sorry you missed a good one as Ted Roggen conveyed to you. Sure hope you can give Al Cecil a hand with the job at San Antonio. I'm sure I'll see you there.

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LANCASTER, PA Right in my own back yard is George Herr. It was nice to see you George and to meet Betty. Nice you were able to join us at dinner at the reunion. Thanks also for the most generous contribution to the P.F. That gave the Fund a real boost. We were up through Amish country with Henry Soderberg & Clair after the reunion but didn't have time to make it to Lancaster. They both enjoyed the glimpse they got of the Amish culture. Good to see you George.

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MAYFIELD HTS, OH This is the new address of Sid "Mouse" Waldman. He moved from his home of 36 years. <sup>moving</sup> this was probably worse than all the barns he was in Poland. Pls. send the address of Gates Mills that you mentioned in your letter so that I can add him to my list. Thanks much for the contribution to the P.F. We all appreciate it. Now that your move is over will we see you in S. A. Hope so!

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GLADWYNE, PA I am in possession of two, I'm sure very fine VCR tapes of the reunion. One sent to me by Robert Eckman and by William Gray. I would be willing to send them to any one that would care to review them. I think I would have to require them to be transported by registered mail because they are one of a kind. They are both VHS.

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WILLIAMSBURG, VA Thanks for writing Harvey Patterson. It was quite a letter that you conveyed. I have taken the privilege to reproduce Brooks Kleber's interview in its entirety and include it with this newsletter.

Thanks Brooks & Harvey. Now to answer some of the questions you raised in your letter.

WORCESTER, MA "Retirement is for the birds" So says Irv Yarock, who wants a regular job so he would have more free time. I'm beginning to know what you mean Irv as I am starting to unload my many customers so I won't be tied down so much. Anyway I'll have more time to spend on the Post Oflag Item. Thanks for the contribution to the P.F. and the kudos for me. Its really a pleasure.

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1. Length of time on road for unit that went from Oflag 64 to Moosburg. Jan 21, 1945 to April 1945  
2. The above same unit did not go to Berlin. We did go to Hammelburg and were written about in a book entitled "RAID" by Richard Baron, Abe Brown & one other.

3. Because of your foot injury you probably went to Luckenwalde with one of the groups that periodically left the main column unit.

4. Col. Goode was by and large in good health all the way.

5. Col. Waters was shot at Hammelburg and was left with the Serbians there.

After, Liberation flown to Walter Reed in Washington having been seriously wounded.

6. Lucky Strike was nothing more than a place to stay on Army cots and get fed, waiting to board a ship.

Harvey the above will help you get a couple of things in perspective however, now that you have time, I think the best bet for you is to send a Check, \$ 15.00 Order one of the books from Clarence R. Meitesen 810 Gougalez Dr 4-D San Francisco, CA 94132

NAPLES, FL Sure glad you both enjoyed your first Reunion in Washington. Virginia & Dale Bortun hope we'll have the pleasure of your company at many more of them. Father Brach, to answer your question, was the Chaplain at Oflag 64 during of its operational time. He stayed at the Oflag when it was evacuated Jan 21, 1945 (see lead in for more info.) Has also been in attendance at many of our Reunion since 1945, where he always held a Memorial Service and Mass.

See you in San Antonio.

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This is a composite of events after evacuation of Oflag 64 and you may be able to pin point which group you were with that finally landed in Luckenwalde.

He has done an excellent job of writing the even of various groups and bringing all to gether as a single volume called "Roads to Liberation" An order blank was included in the previous

mailing to mailed prior to Christman '87  
Happy remembering.  
Your civilian life looks as if you didn't let  
any grass grow under your feet. See you in San  
Antonio or before.

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LAWTON, OK How nice of Martin Keiser to send  
me an exact copy of the Oklahoma, Am. Ex POW  
newsletter, It contained one very controversial  
article on the compensation for Japanese  
relocation internment up for passage by  
Congress. The thought here was that the money  
would be better spent for services to P.O.W.'S  
than to compensate for something that took place  
in what was felt to be the best interest of  
the country in 1941. Its too bad that Congress  
didn't read these comments by the Editor, of the  
newsletter in Oklahoma.

Thanks Martin and also thanks for the kudos  
of my daughter . I like her too! But of course  
I,m biased.

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Daytona Beach, Fl This is the spot where that  
great Orlando Chairman holds forth, Dick Meskill  
& Stephanie. Hope you find time to stop off on  
way North in June. Not far away.

Another big bit of praise for the Washington  
Kommittee an outstanding affair. It was a smash  
in every way. This would be a good location for  
a repeat. Frank & Wilbur take note.

Thanks Dick and I didn't realize that General  
Waters was senior officer USA but I'll take  
your word for it and I'm sure we are all proud  
that he has the honor.

See you in S. A.

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KAUFMAN, TX Note the new address of the silent  
fellow when in the custody of Polish custom  
officers in 1971. Roy and Helen Chappell have moved  
into a big house which of course they need  
with such a huge family now numbers with the 20's  
with just children & grandchildren. Great Move!  
Thanks for your new address and thanks for the  
help on Father Brack.

So I don't forget your wonderful contribution to  
the P F was great.

See you in SA or before.

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EAST MORICHES, NY I believe this is an old Indian  
name but I don't really know but Gardner Simes  
could tell you.

He is looking forward to seeing Father Brack & all  
of us in San Antonio.

Great Gardner! Also thanks much for the big uplift

to the P.F. We all appreciate your efforts.

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BETHESDA, MD Wilbur Sharp our wonderful Chair-  
man has forwarded to me several of the letters  
of appreciation and thanks for the great job  
that you did with your Oberfuhrer & your great  
Kommittee.

Don Waful & Carrie sent a great short note and  
a cartoon (Try to reproduce it next time.)  
Jim Bickers & Emmy Lou wrote that the Reunion  
was "World Class" and it was. Attached was  
Jim's indignant Kartoon of the Fire Oberwebel  
you received in your last mailing.

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COLOMBIA, S.C. Telephone or letter, either way  
its always great to hear from Johnny Shinn. He is  
really a clean living guy these days with no  
smoking & no drinking. Thats great!

He sent me the obituary of Bob Hutchison, his  
good friend. This was included in previous  
mailing. Nice to hear from you Johnny. I'll be in  
touch.

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ASHBORO, S.C. Nice short note but a real worth  
while one from "cherful" Charlie Cheatam. Thanks  
Charlie its really nice to get a letter with a  
new name to add to our mailing list, Johnny Sims  
but also included was a really nice contribution.  
What more could I ask for? Thanks again Charlie.

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GROVE CITY, OK The man with the kaki knit cap  
O. L. Bradford or better known as Brad wants to  
list the repatriated personnel as he had them  
listed in his diary.

July 26, 1944

Colonel Drake, Meadows, Fisher, Batalion, Webb,  
Burdette, Wientraub, Buckley.

Additional notations: Party left for Gneisen  
for trial.

He went on to say that Meadows was Lt Niram  
J. (Longjohn) Meadows of the 17th F. A. from  
OPP Alabama.

He also said his comments might clarify some-  
thing or muddy the waters.

It also has to be kept in mind that there was  
another repatriation group that included Frank  
Maxwell.

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CORPUS CHRISTI, TX Of course you all  
recognize this town. It's the home town of  
Len Vaden. He included the obituary of Lory  
Mc Cullough who was one of the late comers  
in Oflag 64 in December 1944.

HILLSBORO, TX Thanks much Alton Lentz for both your change of address and the nice contribution to the P.F. At least you won't have too far to go for the next reunion. Will see you there!

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Len told me that Charlie Eberle & Mc Cullough were in the same group that went from Poland thru Odessa for liberation. Len attended the service representing our group. Thanks Len for everything.

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AIEA, HI Nice to learn of the move to a closer place to Honolulu by Fred Livingston & his wife Terry. Love to see you both in S. A. Hope you're enjoying your new quarters .

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VIENNA VA Thanks go to George Juskalian for the recent listing from Am. Ex-P.O.W Bulletin of potential "new" recruits on our mailing list. Amazing George this time we have them already. Thank you very much for your efforts. See you in S. A.

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STANWOOD, MI Here is a real late comer and we're glad to welcome you as well as several others whose names have been added to our mailing list.

- Mrs Robert Hutchison
- Samuel Carlick
- James Hayward Davis
- Harvey A. Todd
- James Carlton Young
- Duane Kennedy
- John Mc Donald
- Johnny Sims

We welcome you all. Pls. fell free to direct any questions you may have to your Editor.

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Jay I have Corbin's address but I don't know which "Smitty" you are referring to, so I am unable to know whether we have him on my mailing list or not. Drop me a postcard and let me know. Thanks. Nice to know you got to the American Lines on April 5 1945. Our next reunion is Oct 6, 7, 8, 9, in San Antonio, TX, details later.

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MEMPHIS, TN Roy Hughes is a real 'gung ho' American (aren't we all) and wants to know where our leaders will come from if we ever have to fight another War.

In any event let's hope God will provide. In the meantime let's hope we won't need the leaders. Stick around til 1990 we may be able to get a group to go into Poland and thus be able to reduce red tape as a group. Nice your in the "fold" and look forward to seeing you in S. A.

Des Moines, IA How nice of Bob Eckman to check & see if, I had heard about the death of Don Wilkinson yes, I did, as you know, from the December Mailing. Hub did his job and I appreciate both of your interests. Thanks also for the Video on the reunion. See you in S. A.

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MID-VIL (QUEENS) N.Y. A recent addition to our mailing list Frank Buckholz writes that he went all the way thru Hamme!burg and then on to Mooseburg. Hope you take the opportunity to get Clarence Meltes' en book 'Roads to Liberation' so you can refresh your memory on the March. I thought it was great.

Personnally I have as yet to submit to the VA Protocol. Try to keep healthy any way and hope to do many more editions of the Post Oflag Item. Never realized that any part of Saskatchewan was the same latitude as SCZUBIN . Thanks much for your nice contribution to the P.F. Indeed nice to hear from you and hope to see you in San Antonio.

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Vallingby Sweeden Henry Soderberg wrote me and included a letter from Bennett's Travel agency that handled our 85 trip to Scandinavia. The gist of this letter is as follows:

1. Impossible to give cost of a trip to-day, for 1990
2. Trips in 1988 are a little more than 200.00/day/ person plus air travel.
3. Air travel running about \$ 1000.00 in summer 1988.
4. Will probably be able to include an advance trip to Syban Poland for those desiring it.
5. Those others for rest of trip will leave at a later date to meet in Copenhagen, probably. All details would be planned at a later date.

Thanks Henry for this preliminary report and the brochure on the Silja Line. Sure hope to see you and Claire in S. A. if not before.

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WACO, TX Paul Marable wrote a brief note of Holiday greetings to our house from theirs for which I thank you.

Also included was a nice present for the P.F. and for all the Kriegies on the list also thank you.

Sure looking forward to seeing you in S.A. Oct 6, 7, 8, 9, 1988

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CENTREVILLE, MA Every once in awhile I get a real surprise! And from this small Massachusetts town comes one from Ken Goddard. Many of you may not remember, Ken, worked for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and had at his command a sophisticated recording studio in his Audio Visual Dept. For a buff this was not all bad so Ken would use it to his advantage as may be required. Of course over the years he has developed his own since then. Anyway in the 1960's someone gave him two of Henry Soderbergs plastic (vinyl ) platters that Henry had used to make recordings in Oflag 64. These Ken copied on to plastic (vinyl) tapes which now Ken has copied on to ordinary cassette tapes, two of the. The four later tapes I now have. I haven't had the chance to listen to the cassette tapes as yet but I will in the near future and will advise if I can make these available to each of you. Isn't this fabulous! Sounds of the past from Bob Rankin's Orchestra. Thanks! Thanks ! Thanks ! Ken Goddard Join us in S. A. you'll love it !

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This is the 1st edition of the year and look for many more of them.

Your editor  
John F. Slack

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# Officials Ask Former POWs, Kin To Delay Requests for New Medal

By JOHN BURLAGE  
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WASHINGTON — Although the new Prisoner-of-War Medal is entering the Defense Department supply system, Pentagon officials say former POWs and their next of kin should delay attempts to get the decoration until procedures are in place for issuing it.

Officials fear recent press reports indicating the medal is almost ready to be distributed might cause ex-POWs or their families to overwhelm the military services with requests.

Mid-February is the earliest that military officials will be ready to accept applications. There had been hopes the medal might be ready months ago.

A Pentagon official said the military still is waiting for required clearance from the Office of Management and Budget before telling the services to start issuing the award. OMB must approve application forms as part of the government's paperwork reduction effort.

"We received the request from DoD for paperwork clearance Dec. 15," an OMB spokeswoman said. "It takes 60 to 90 days for public comment, and for consideration for approval by OMB. Then, if it has been approved, DoD can start using it."

Responsibility for issuing the medal will rest with each service, the Pentagon official said. Representatives still are holding planning sessions to work out procedures for distribution.

Those eligible for the medal are present or former U.S. service members with honorable service who were taken captive by enemy



Procedures still have not been completed for issuing the Prisoner-of-War Medal, both sides of which are shown here.

forces during combat operations, or U.S. service members captured while serving with friendly forces engaged in an armed conflict. One estimate puts the number of Americans taken prisoner of war since 1917 at 142,000, the majority while serving in the Army.

Concern exists over ensuring the medal goes only to those who deserve it. Many Army records of Americans taken POW during World Wars I and II were destroyed by fire in 1973, and officials admit there might be problems authenticating requests from those periods.

"There are alternate sources of information available," an official said. "But they're time-consuming and sometimes difficult to get to. If a former prisoner of war or next of kin can provide any evidence, that's going to be very helpful. It will make things easier for the military services to process applications, and reach determinations."

An official said the applicants will be asked to provide copies of documents proving authenticity. He said they could range from records of service confirming POW status or even an official telegram to statements by family members saying the individual was a POW.

The POW medal will be worn by persons still in uniform as the highest service medal, above the Good Conduct award. Its face depicts America's symbolic eagle surrounded by barbed wire and bayonet points, but still standing "with pride and dignity, continually on the alert for the opportunity to seize hold of beloved freedom."

On the reverse are the words "awarded to" and space for engraving the individual's name, followed by the words, "For honorable service while a prisoner of war."

Getting the medal engraved will be up to the recipient, an official said.

LEN  
VADEN  
SENT THIS  
TO ME.  
THANKS.

ARMY  
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## Correction

The executive officer of the observer-controller team at the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Chaffee, Ark., was misidentified in the Jan. 4 issue of *Army Times*. His name is Maj. Scott Daniel.

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The purpose of this list is to try to LOCATE members of our group who has been on our LIST or  
or may have been mentioned in correspondence.  
Look it over carefully and then try to locate someone you remembered or lives nearby.  
Do it by phone or town records or any other neat way that you may know. The list is getting longer  
Please help to reduce it. Thanks

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**Funerals**                      **Funerals**                      **Funerals**                      **Funerals**



**McCULLOUGH**

Mr. Lory (Mac) McCullough, 67, a retired Major with the United States Army, passed away Sunday, December 13, 1987 at his residence after an illness. He was born on April 19, 1920 in Pickens, West Virginia. He enlisted in 1938 and was commissioned in 1942. He was reported missing in action in Holland on September 28, 1944. In December of 1944, enemy propaganda from Germany was intercepted and he was classified as a prisoner of war.

In 1945, he escaped and after eight months of travel through Russia he got back to the U.S. lines.

He received the following medals: American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, WWII Victory Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Distinguished Unit Badge, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, Dutch Lanyard, Bel Fourragere, National Defense Service Medal, Army Aviation Badge, and the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant.

After his retirement, he worked at Ft. Rucker, Alabama as a civilian test pilot. In 1967, he was transferred to Corpus Christi Naval Air Station as a Chief Test Pilot until his retirement in 1973.

From 1977 to 1982, he owned and operated the Flour Bluff Locksmith Shop.

He was a member of the Oso Naval Lodge

#1282 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Texas, Corpus Christi Chapter #91 RAM, Corpus Christi Council #55 R & SM, Corpus Christi Commandery #57 K.T., Al Amin Temple A.A.O.NMS of Corpus Christi, Al Amin Golf Unit, Al Amin Dudes and Dolls, and the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #734. He was also a lifetime member of the Retired Officers Association.

Surviving Mr. McCullough are his wife, Mrs. Betty McCullough of Corpus Christi; one daughter, Mrs. Patti Lay of Carlisle, Pennsylvania; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Darlene Henson and Mrs. Carla Gloystein, both of Round Rock, Texas; three sisters, Mrs. Madeline Lawson and Mrs. Nellie Reider, both of Clarksburg, West Virginia, and Mrs. Anne Aicholtz of Cincinnati, Ohio; one half-sister, Mrs. Dora Mae Sheaver of Ashland, Ken-

tucky; one brother, Mr. Roy McCullough from Clarksburg, West Virginia; one half-brother, Mr. Lonnie McCullough from Clarksburg, West Virginia; and eight grandchildren.

The remains will lay in state Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Memorial Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will be conducted at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Asbury United Methodist Church with Dr. J. Michael Lowery officiating. Interment will be held Thursday afternoon at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Felix Rivera, Ray Riggler, Ernie Wilkenson, James Steven, Bob Blanket, and Fred Blackmeir.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Shriners Crippled Childrens Hospital in Houston, Texas, or the Burn Center in Galveston, Texas.

Memorial Funeral Home, 2602 Crosstown Expwy.

Offflag '64 Reunion - Washington,  
D.C. - from the ladies' viewpoint -

The problem with writing about each reunion as it occurs is that one runs out of superlatives! The wives and friends of this unique group of men felt so privileged to be able to share in all the events -

visit to the White House (Marine Band playing), Potomac cruise (marvelous food), banquet and breakfasts (The Old Colony outdid itself), and seeing our nation's capital. All of this was marvelous, but I think most of all, the wives appreciate being able to share in the feelings engendered at these meetings - the brotherhood (in our case sisterhood?), the nostalgia (Memorial service), the patriotism (Army band and chorus), the closeness which the years cannot diminish!

Being allowed to enter into the spirit of the reunion is what we most treasure.

Finally we ladies recognize and admire careful planning and attention to detail! Our hats are off to Wilbur Sharpe, Frank Diggs and the members of their committee. From the name tags (especially the ladies), to the clever programs, to food planning, transportation, etc. and etc., everything was super! It boggles the mind to think of moving 251 people efficiently and comfortably around Washington, D.C., but they did it! Not a stone was left unturned!

We ladies join you Kriegies in anticipating Las Vegas, San Diego, and Sweden, God willing -

*Dear Margaret John -*

*Hope rel is well with you folks - The reunion was great, wasn't it?*

*Love,*

*Ken and Joan -*

30 October 1987

Dear Aunt Mary & Uncle John,

Just a short note to thank you for inviting us to your Kriege reunion. It was a great evening for both Beth and me.

The conversations we had with your former companions of that terrible ordeal left me with great admiration & respect. Words can't express what it felt like to realize I was in a room full of genuine heroes.

With love,

Chuck

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USAA SPECIAL SERVICES COMPANY

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December 31, 1987

Colonel F. L. Vaden  
4426 Dody Street  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

Dear Colonel Vaden:

This will confirm our conversation regarding your OFLAG 64 Reunion in San Antonio this October 6 - 9, 1988, and the subsequent MAUPINTOUR Texas/Lajitas on the Rio Grande, originating in San Antonio the 9th of October.

I am enclosing a copy of their itinerary and a copy of the cancellation/refund policy, along with information about their tour cancellation protection your friends can purchase.

We have reserved one bus which holds a total of 34 passengers. Maupintour will provide only one bus for this tour. Therefore, your friends must call Pat Barnell, USAA Travel at 1-800-531-7245 by March 1st, in order to be assured space.

The rate per person, based on two in a room, is \$998.00 and the single rate is \$1188.00; all rates are subject to change.

A deposit of \$200.00 per person is required one week after reservations have been confirmed, along with the tour cancellation protection, if wanted. Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure, or August 10th.

I hope the above is satisfactory and thank you for calling USAA Travel.

Very truly yours,

USAA TRAVEL

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pat Barnell".

Patricia A. Barnell

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4426 Dody Street  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78411  
4 January 1988

Mr. John F. Slack  
1314 Youngsford Road  
Gladwyne, Pennsylvania 19035

Dear John,

It was a pleasure talking with you yesterday concerning our 1988 OFLAG 64 reunion in San Antonio.

Following the reunion, a tour of West Texas and the Rio Grande River area has been arranged. The tour, which will start in San Antonio on Sunday, 9 October 1988, will be limited to 34 people.

Tour description, cost, and other administrative details are contained in the enclosed USAA Travel Agency letter and extracted pages from a MAUPINTOUR brochure. Reservations must be made with Pat Barnell, USAA Travel Agency, 1-800-531-7245, by 1 March 1988.

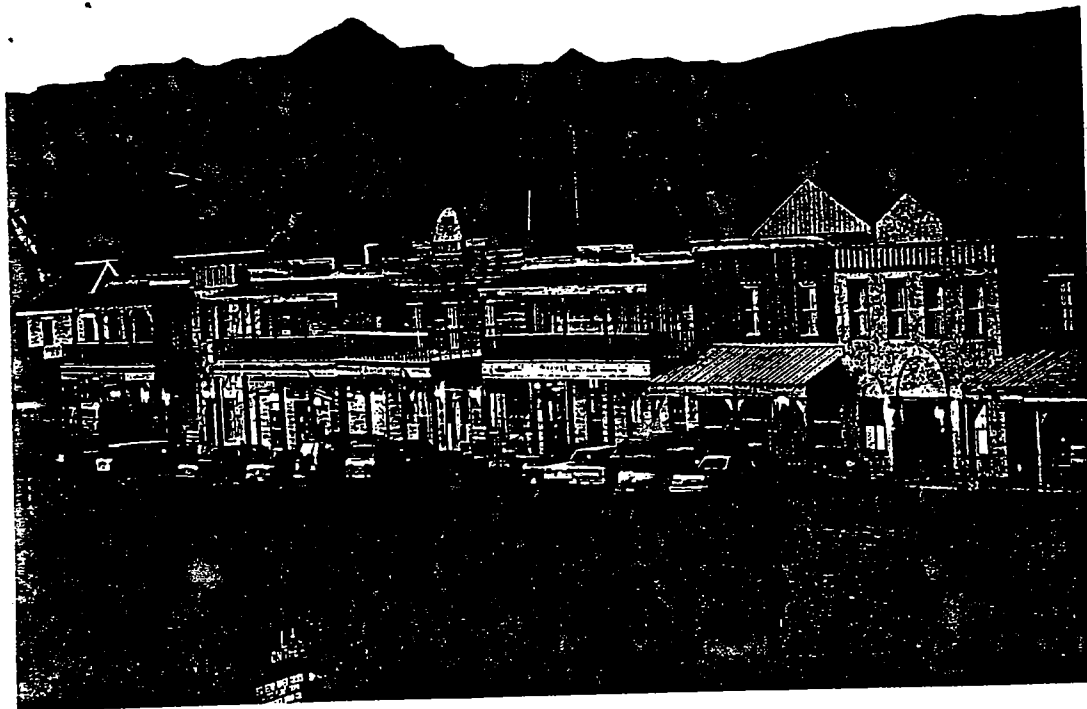
Looking forward to seeing you in San Antonio.

Sincerely,



Leonard Vaden

Enclosures



have time to swim, browse the shops or simply relax. Special treat! Enjoy a steak cookout on the banks of the Rio Grande. Afterwards try a margarita in the Badlands Saloon. OFFICERS' QUARTERS.

**FORT DAVIS / PRUDE RANCH / 6th Day / Friday** **BLD**  
Travel along the Rio Grande to Fort Leaton State Historical Site, founded in 1848 and one of the best preserved adobe garrisons on the Mexican border. Arrive in Fort Davis and enjoy a picnic lunch. This afternoon visit the Fort Davis National Historic Site, a key defense post in the 1800's battles over the Southwest frontier. More than 50 original structures have been restored, making Fort Davis more extensive and impressive than any other Southwestern fort. It's a vivid reminder of frontier history. Continue to the Prude Ranch, established as a cattle ranch in 1898 by Andrew Prude. Today it is a guest ranch where you can relax and enjoy the wide open spaces, beautiful mountains and clean air. PRUDE RANCH.

**PRUDE RANCH / FREE TIME / 7th Day / Saturday** **BLD**  
The day is free to enjoy the many activities available at the ranch. Sitting on 8,500 acres in the Davis Mountains, the site is one of rugged beauty, perfect for strolling, hiking, horseback riding or simply relaxing in the pool or spa. John Robert Prude (grandson of Andrew Prude) and his family provide hospitality found nowhere else. Five generations of Prudes have lived on this ranch, and John G. "Big Spurs" Prude (son of Andrew Prude), now in his 80's, still oversees the daily operation of the riding stable. Don't plan to get while at Prude! Home cookin' and plenty of it is the rule. *Encanto's style Texas style barbecue cooked over a mesquite fire.* PRUDE RANCH.

Float down the mild water of the Rio Grande.



**CONCLUDE MIDLAND / ODESSA / 8th Day / Sunday** **B**  
Say goodbye to West Texas. Depart at 8:00 AM on your private motorcoach to the Midland/Odessa Airport. Arrive at approximately 11:30. Flight reservations should not be booked earlier than 12:00. We hope you've enjoyed a land rich in history and scenic beauty. Join us for another adventure!

### 1988 DATES AND RATES

Tour WTM-	Begin Sun	End Sun
2069	Mar 6	Mar 13
2070	Mar 27	Apr 3
2071	Apr 17	Apr 24
2072	Apr 24	May 1
2073	May J	May 8
2074	Oct 9	Oct 16
2075	Oct 23	Oct 30

**LAND TOUR RATE** per person is \$998 twin and \$1188 single basis, without air fare.

**AIR FARE** is additional. Please see your travel agent.

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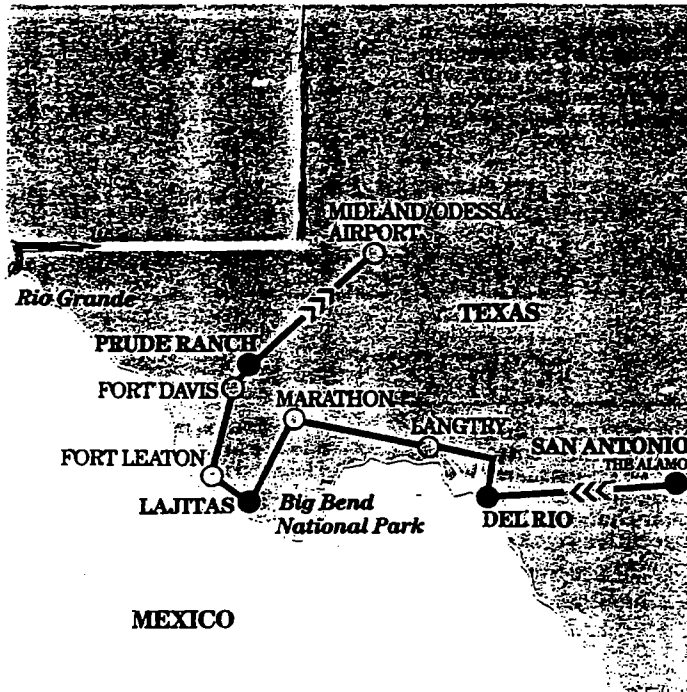
**RESERVATION DEPOSIT** is \$200 per person plus (optional) \$35 per person fee for Tour Cancellation Protection.

**FULL REFUND** always when you participate in the Tour Cancellation Protection Plan, page 29.



Fort Davis was an important defense post in the 1880's.





## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 20 meals—all meals without exception (see BLD in itinerary).
- Get-acquainted reception and dinner.
- San Antonio.
- Visit the Alamo.
- Judge Roy Bean Saloon in Langtry.
- 3 nights in Lajitas on the Rio Grande.
- Lajitas Museum and Desert Garden.
- Big Bend National Park.
- Float trip on the Rio Grande.
- Fort Davis National Historic Site.
- 2 nights at the Prude Ranch.
- Gala finale dinner.

## ALWAYS INCLUDED

- Top, professional tour manager throughout.
- Comprehensive, carefully planned sightseeing.
- Free time balanced with scheduled activities.
- Outstanding hotels, good locations.
- All meals, fine dining.
- Coffee, tea and dessert.
- Full American breakfasts.
- Special events, activities.
- Limited membership.
- Tipping, luggage handling.
- Flight bag, luggage tags, document case, itinerary outline, mailing lists.
- More value for your money.

8 DAYS

# Texas / Lajitas on the Rio Grande

We're unveiling a secret . . . an area filled with history, color and wonderful people. We'd like to share it with you! Put on your casual clothes and come with us to West Texas and the Rio Grande. Relive history at the Alamo. Explore Big Bend National Park. Learn about the Comanches, Pancho Villa and General George "Black Jack" Pershing in Lajitas. Take a float trip on the Rio Grande and stay with the Prude family at their ranch. This relaxed, meet-the-people tour might just be your favorite!

## DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

### BEGIN SAN ANTONIO / 1st Day / Sunday

BD

Your travel agent will arrange transportation to San Antonio. Since tour guests will arrive at different times, it is not practical to arrange a group transfer from the airport. Taxi, limousine and motorcoach shuttle transfer services are available at nominal cost. The tour begins at the St. Anthony Inter-Continental, built in 1909 and designated as a Texas and national historic landmark. Meet your tour manager and fellow tour members at the 7:00 PM *get-acquainted reception and dinner*. ST. ANTHONY INTER-CONTINENTAL.

### SAN ANTONIO / DEL RIO / 2nd Day / Monday

BLD

Throughout history San Antonio has lived under six flags. Learn about its colorful past this morning at the Alamo, famous for the last battle in 1836. Then visit the HemisFair Plaza, a beautifully landscaped 92-acre complex of Victorian houses, restaurants, shops and museums. It's also the site of the Institute of Texan Cultures. Have lunch at the Alsatian Inn before driving west through the Anacacho Mountains to Del Rio. This is the heart of Texas' sheep, lamb and wool producing country. HOLIDAY INN OF DEL RIO.

### LANGTRY / LAJITAS / 3rd Day / Tuesday

BLD

Cross the Amistad National Recreation Area this morning and pause at the Pecos River overlook for breathtaking vistas. Then visit the

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Judge Roy Bean Saloon and Museum in Langtry. From 1882 to 1909 the Judge was "the only law west of the Pecos." He held court in his saloon, the Jersey Lily, named after his favorite actress, Lily Langtry. Continue into West Texas for lunch at the Gage Hotel in Marathon. It was built in the 1920's by Alfred Gage as headquarters for visits to his 500,000-acre ranch nearby and as a shelter for travelers to what was then a busy cattle and mining town. Drive south, surrounded by the Del Norte, Chalk and Christmas Mountains, to the Rio Grande and Lajitas. Lajitas means "flat rock" and the Comanches often crossed into Mexico here on their raids. Spend three nights on the Rio Grande in the cavalry style OFFICERS' QUARTERS.

### LAJITAS / BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK

BLD

#### 4th Day / Wednesday

Morning visit to the Lajitas Museum and Desert Garden. See wildlife and Western culture exhibits as well as historical dioramas. The Desert Garden features an excellent display of native plant life. *Drive to Big Bend National Park, an ever changing panorama of shapes, shadows and beautiful desert colors.* Apache legend blames Big Bend Country on someone who should know better. The Great Creator, having finished his work, took the stony material left over and threw it in a heap. As you enter the park the Chisos Mountains rise so sharply they look as if God dumped them on the desert. Stop at the Mule Ears, Burro Mesa and Sotol Vista overlook areas for great panoramas. Continue into the Chisos Mountains Basin, elevation 5,600 feet, for lunch at the Chisos Mountain Lodge. Then stop at the Panther Junction Visitors Center to learn more about this area. This is the land of the Comanche and Apache Indians, remote and over 1,100 square miles (nearly the size of Rhode Island). Three distinct areas comprise Big Bend . . . river, desert, mountains . . . three parks in one. Return to Lajitas and the OFFICERS' QUARTERS.

### RIO GRANDE FLOAT TRIP / 5th Day / Thursday

BLD

*Drive west this morning and begin your Rio Grande float trip on miles of mild water flowing through incredible gorges.* Purple lava cliffs provide a striking contrast with the multicolored volcanic ash formations. Have lunch ashore and take a canyon hike on the Mexican side to see a variety of plants and geology. Return to Lajitas and



# Important Information

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

**How to Make Reservations.** Please see the back cover for the easy 6 steps on how to make reservations and get ready for your tour.

**Reservation Deposit.** Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit at Maupintour. Please include the \$35 per person Tour Cancellation Protection fee with your deposit for *full refund* availability (see the next section). The reservation deposit required per person is due 7 days after you book your tour. A reservation is withdrawn if a deposit has not been received 8 days after a booking unless an extension has been requested and approved. We are happy to make extensions if the booking situation allows. Please see your travel agent for reservations.

**Final Payment.** The balance of the land tour rate is due 6 weeks before departure.

**Cancellations/Refunds.** You'll receive a full refund on cancellations 60 days or more before departure date, less any out-of-pocket costs. For cancellations received fewer than 60 days before departure date, a \$30 per person fee is charged regardless of the reason for cancellation. For cancellations received 42 days or fewer before departure date, the \$30 fee is charged plus a service fee not exceeding 10% of the land tour rate plus any nonrefundable expenses incurred for hotels, carriers or ground contractors, or other out-of-pocket expenses. No refunds are possible for unused portions of a tour unless arrangements are made before departure. If you must return home, refunds will be whatever net funds Maupintour recovers from contractors. If any tour must be withdrawn, Maupintour's liability is limited to refund of monies received. Cruise ship, airline and other transportation penalties are subject to rules of carriers. Trip cancellation insurance is available from your travel agent, or you can purchase Maupintour's Tour Cancellation Protection for a \$35 per person fee at time of deposit. See the next section for a description of this Plan.

**Tour Rates.** Rules, regulations, fares, prices (USA dollars) are those in effect on September 1, 1987 and are subject to increase if such rates or costs increase. We will notify your travel agent of any increase.

**No smoking while in motorcoaches and cars.** Frequent stops are made so that smoking breaks may be taken outside the vehicles.

**Limited Capacity.** The membership on each tour is limited for better service. As a result this means a slightly higher tour rate. However, you receive more attention and comfort in a smaller group. Tours number 20-44 guests, with average being 30.

## FOR YOUR PROTECTION

**Tour Cancellation Protection.** Emergencies happen. Plans change. To protect yourself against cancellation charges we offer a \$35 per person Tour Cancellation Protection Plan. When you participate then must cancel your tour for any reason and you advise Maupintour prior to departure, you will receive a full refund



of all money paid to us for land tour arrangements. The cruise portion of a tour is not covered and is subject to cancellation charges imposed by cruise lines. If you must cancel from the tour en route because of an emergency, you are assured of a full refund for unused tour services. No cancellation penalties will be charged. If you must pay additional air fare for an emergency return, you'll be reimbursed for up to the cost of an economy ticket for a direct return if your flights were confirmed with Maupintour. Tour Cancellation Protection should be requested from your travel agent at time of booking. Participation begins when the \$35 fee is received by Maupintour. The fee is nonrefundable and valid for applicant only. Coverage does not include airline cancellation penalties.

**The ASTA Tour Protection Plan (TPP)** applies to payments made for tour packages in the unlikely event this participating tour operator experiences bankruptcy and the tours are sold through an ASTA agent or other participating agent. For further information ask your travel agent or contact TPP at 1101 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.



**Insurance.** We recommend you have luggage and accident insurance. Maupintour is not liable for loss, damage or theft of luggage or personal belongings, or for personal injury, accident or illness. It is important for your own self-interest and protection that you make certain you have adequate insurance. Check with your insurance agent or travel agent for additional coverage.

## SPEAKING FRANKLY

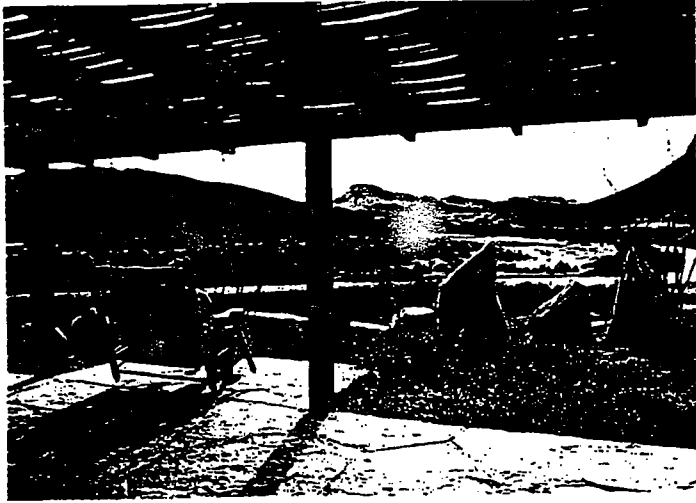
Travel necessitates being a good-natured realist as well as a romantic, and requires an agreeable acceptance of situations as they exist, not as each of us might prefer them to be. A pleasant tolerance makes for an enjoyable travel experience. *If you are this appreciative traveler, we want you with us because we know you'll be a wonderful companion and have the time of your life.*

**Your health and physical condition** are important. If you enjoy lots of walking and moving about, you'll enjoy these tours. Conversely, if you don't enjoy walking and moving about, you won't find these tours agreeable. Be sure to take comfortable (and not new) walking shoes. If you have a diet problem, these tours are not for you as special preparations of food cannot be assured. Tour participants who require any form of assistance must be accompanied by a helper who is capable of and totally responsible for providing such assistance. We regret that because of space limitations, wheelchairs and walkers cannot be carried on motorcoaches. *These tours are for those who are understanding and tolerant of the conditions of scheduled group touring.*

Some travelers find it difficult to adjust to the constraints of scheduled group touring. They should not risk their own happiness and well-being, or that of others on the tour, by taking one of these Maupintour escorted tours. *Maupintour cannot accept or retain such travelers.* Our objectives are to ensure the compatibility and congeniality of all passengers and the smooth and efficient operation of the tour.

(continued on the next page)

Relax in Lajitas and gaze at the beauty of Big Bend.



## INCLUDED

**Hotels.** Accommodations are in the hotels listed in the itineraries, or best available alternate should circumstances beyond Maupintour's control demand, based upon two people sharing a twin bedroom with private facilities.

**Single Rooms.** A limited number of single rooms is available at the supplement shown for each tour. While single rooms provide privacy they are often smaller than twin bedrooms and sometimes poorly located, especially in the older hotels.

**Share Room.** If you are traveling alone but prefer to share with another, we will try to work out congenial rooming arrangements. If a single room must be assigned due to your roommate's cancelling or incompatibility or for any other reason (even if at the last moment or while on tour), we must of necessity charge you the supplement or pro rate thereof since the hotels make no allowances.

**Triple rooms** are available in most places for family or friends traveling together. However, we discourage triple room accommodations because they are normally not spacious. Triple rooms usually are merely a regular twin bed or double room with a cot or roll-away bed added. Understandably, this makes the room crowded.

**Meals.** All or most meals are included, as shown for each program. Breakfasts, with few exceptions, are your choice. *You can have a full American style breakfast,* or if you have a light appetite you can have the Continental style. It is your choice, a special Maupintour feature. If an early departure is scheduled from your hotel, sometimes a full American breakfast may not be available. Lunches and dinners are usually from a preplanned menu offering a choice of two or three entrees (almost always a choice between fish, chicken or meat). Some meals are a la carte. Specialties of each region are featured at special lunch and dinner parties.

**Coffee or tea** is included with all tour meals. You'll not be bothered by waiters for extra payment, another special Maupintour feature.

**Dessert** is included with all lunches and dinners, another of our special features.

**Surface Travel.** Transportation on tour is by modern air-conditioned motorcoach (not owned or controlled by Maupintour).

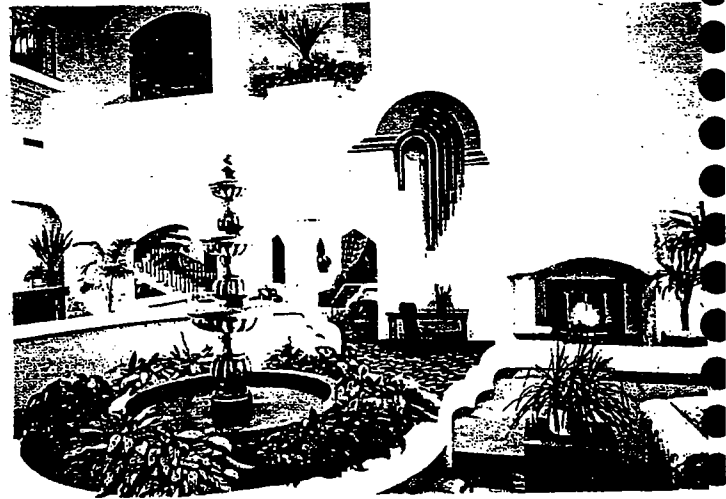
**Luggage.** Handling of one piece of normal sized luggage per person for tours up to 10 days long and two pieces of normal sized luggage per person for longer tours is included. If you bring an extra overnight case or flight bag you must care for it yourself. Be sure to have luggage insurance.

**Transfers.** All transfers for tour events are included.

**Tipping.** All expected tipping is included to luggage porters, bellmen, doormen, sightseeing guides and dining room waiters. You don't need to worry or bother. The traditional end-of-trip gratuities to your tour manager and driver are not included. If you feel they helped you enjoy your Maupintour, we suggest you enclose gratuities in envelopes and present them individually at the end of the tour (rather than passing a hat).

**30 MAUPINTOUR**

Stay at the delightful Los Abridados Resort in Sedona.



**Tour Manager.** A professional tour manager accompanies you for the complete itinerary in full charge of everything to take the worries out of your holiday. The tour manager's prime objectives are to make sure you receive all services, are satisfied and enjoy your holiday.

**Other Services.** Also included are entertainment, special events, sightseeing excursions, entrance fees, local guides, service charges, taxes, and Maupintour staff services for planning, offering and operation of the tour.

## NOT INCLUDED

**Air Transportation.** The land tour rate does not include any air transportation. Please see your travel agent for flight reservations and airline tickets.

**Arrival/Departure Transfers.** Since tour members will arrive and depart at different times, we can't arrange a group transfer from the airport to the hotel and from the hotel to the airport. Taxi, limousine and motorcoach transfer services are available at nominal cost.

**Personal Items.** Not included are personal items such as additional food or beverage orders, room service, valet/laundry service, optional activities, meals not listed as included, tipping for personal services not a part of the tour's included features, end-of-trip gratuities to your tour manager and driver, and any other items not specifically mentioned as being included.

## RESPONSIBILITY

**Maupintour** reserves the right not to accept or retain as a tour passenger any person whose condition or general deportment impedes the operation of the tour or affects the rights, welfare or enjoyment of other passengers. A refund for unused tour services is the limit of Maupintour's liability if such person is required to leave the tour.

**Itinerary Variations.** These tours are planned a year or more in advance. Between planning time and the actual tour operation Maupintour constantly strives to improve each itinerary and all features to your advantage, convenience and enjoyment. If improvements can be made or unforeseen conditions beyond our control deem necessary changes, we reserve the right to vary itineraries and substitute facilities of equivalent or better value. If substitutions are at a lower cost, a refund will be made when you return home. During local or national holidays certain features such as museums, sightseeing tours and shopping may be limited or unavailable. In such instances and whenever possible itinerary adjustments and substitutions are made to minimize inconvenience. However, if your enjoyment might be diminished by such limitations, we invite you to check with the pertinent state tourist office, your travel agent or with Maupintour before selecting a tour date. Several guidebooks have information on museum and holiday closings.

**The responsibility** of Maupintour (a Kansas corporation headquartered in Lawrence, Kansas) and/or its agents or cooperative co-sponsors of its tours is limited. They act only in the capacity as an agent for the passenger in all matters connected with hotel and dining services, sightseeing tours and other suppliers of services, and transportation whether by rail, air, motorcoach, car, boat or by any other means. As agent, Maupintour holds itself free of responsibility for any damage, injury or loss resulting from any cause. We cannot be

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Arizona / The Canyons, page 14  
October 25 and October 27 departures stay at the Maswick Lodge at the Grand Canyon.

Arizona / Winter Sun, page 20  
Tours 2136, 2138, 2149 and 2150 stay at the Westward Look Resort in Tucson.

Southwest Indian Lands, page 26  
Tour 689 stays at the Strater Hotel in Durango instead of in Mesa Verde, and two nights at Goulding's Lodge and one night at the Hopi Cultural Center Motel instead of two nights at the Thunderbird Lodge.

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Ancient cave drawings, Bandelier National Monument.

