## The President's Corner

## **By Dan Weber**

As I write this, we members are enjoying what is sometimes called the "dog days of August" and many of the membership are presently enjoying their summer trips to various parts of the country and, perhaps, the world. We know that Nate and Natalie are still checking out their new motor home having made one swing around the Great Lakes area where they were able to meet with members of the TAC Tankers Association. Perhaps Natalie will write that up elsewhere in this newsletter. We also know they have a Sonoma trip planned to look over the Wine Country and, maybe, even do some wine tasting.

As for Barb and I, we will be rendezvousing with ol' British school chums of Barb's in mid-September in Utah to check out some of the National Parks there. Later our friends will join us here at home for a few days.

I know that only about fifty percent of the membership has access to a home computer and I wish it were a lot more. My lead in about this has to do without 'new and improved' web site at <www.TacTankers. com>. For some time some of us have been rather unhappy with the design and the number of clicks required to access the site. Well, I think we now have a winner here and the new 'webmeister' lives right in Lancaster just a few blocks from Nate and Natalie. The lady does web site designs for a living and if anyone needs to hire her she can be reached at <www.thatwebchick.com>. There has been a promise of reduced costs for our site if we can steer business her way.

Concurrent with that our Bob Horne has been working with WebShots and membership photos for a long time and now has dozens of new pictures of the members, families, KB-50s, receiver aircraft, and our reun-

ions, all on line at our web site. He has filed them under such headings as reunion locations, squadrons and so on and it seems like each member is in a least one photo! If you have a computer then I suggest you check it out if you have not done so recently. I think you will be pleased. If you don't have a computer, then perhaps one of your children do and can help you, or perhaps a friend or neighbor can assist you. But I warn you it can be a long, but interesting, evening going through all of it. I think you will enjoy 'the trip down memory lane.' Bob is still searching for additional photos and if you have any that are not on line, then pass them on the Bob by e-mail either scanned or digital, or snail mail. He will return them to you after they have been loaded into our web site.

At the reunion at Langley several members I talked to told me that they were not interested "in all that hi-tech stuff at my age." But for a few hundred dollars one can get a very nice computer to use for e-mail with the kids and grandkids, or check out the news, or get hobby or travel information, and view our web site. It does not have to be a \$2,000 high-speed jet. I know several of you already have hand-me-downs from your kids that work fine.

The newsletter continues to need stories. Perhaps you were involved in a special mission or TDY and can remember enough of it to write it up for our editor. You will see in this issue a continuation from Bo Ault concerning his trip to Australia in May for the ANZAC/Battle of the Coral Sea remembrances and one from Pete Zuras concerning his activities with the last flight of the last B-50. So, jot your stories down, please, and pass them on to our editor. She is waiting to hear from you.

All for now. Dan Weber



President Dan Weber (center) at the Sonoma Picnic with Merrill Brunson (left) and Clarence Veino (right).



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