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Piacenza A/D

Mission No. 42

14 May 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 47

(Annex 1, F.O. 47, 14 May 1944)

BRIEFING OUTLINE

1. No. of aircraft on mission 42 B-24s
2. Group leader Major KEEFER
3. Deputy group leader Lt. MILLER
4. Second Unit leader Lt. NELSON
5. Second deputy leader Lt. KELLEY
6. Other Groups on mission 454, 456, 459 BGs
7. Fighter escort One Group P-51s on penetration, one Gp P-51s over target and on withdrawal.
8. Bomb load 40/frags, clustered.
9. Ammunition 5200 rounds .50 cal.
- 10 Gas and oil load 2700 gals, full oil service.
- 11 Time at stations 0745B.
- 12 Take off instructions Taxi to south at 0900 for T/O to north at 0915B.

ORDER OF TAKE OFF:

1st Attack Unit	2nd Attack Unit
983 190 476	250 494 982
741 234 241	259 482 271
198 081 949	938 989 347
105 748 249	283 993 294
099 239 749	500 240 184
216 939 167	583 570 253
994 270 481	230 238 952

- 13 Bomber rendezvous 1st C Wg (454,455) at SAN GIOVANNI at 3000 feet at 1010B.
 2nd C Wg (456,459) at GIULIA at 4000 feet at 1013B.
14. Course to target Base to 41 50N 16 20E to 44 40N 13 30E to KEYPOINT 45 20N 13 20E to FICAROLO to MIRANDOLO 44 54N 11 26E to IP to Target.
15. Time at target 1303B.
16. Return course To MONGILA 44 15N 09 29E to CAPRAIA 43 03N 09 48E to PIANOSA ISLAND 4233N 10 05E to PONZA ISLAND 40 55N 12 56E to Base.
17. Initial point PIACENZA 45 02N 10 10E.
18. Axis of attack 254 Degrees Mag.
19. Bombing formation 18-ship front, 454th BG unbalanced to right, 455th BG unbalanced to left.
20. Bombardier information Lead ship sight for range and deflection; box leaders for range; all others toggle on leaders. Bomb altitude 20000', int. setting 225', IAS 160 mph, target elevation 450'
21. Direction of rally Left.

455 TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP

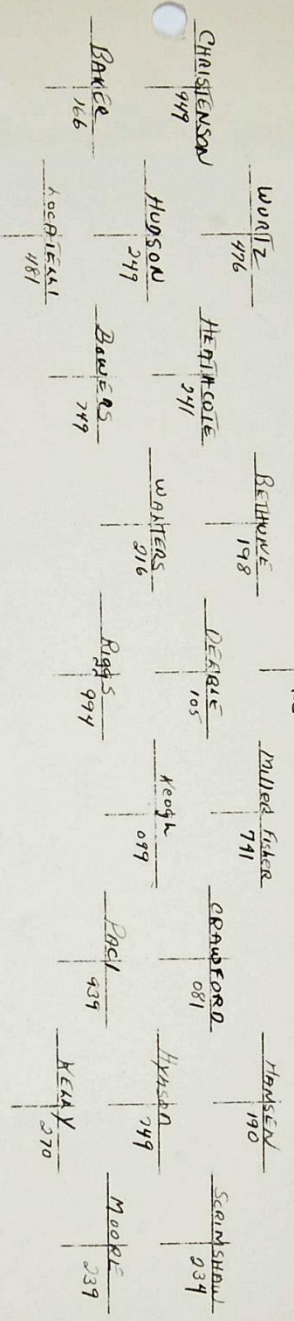
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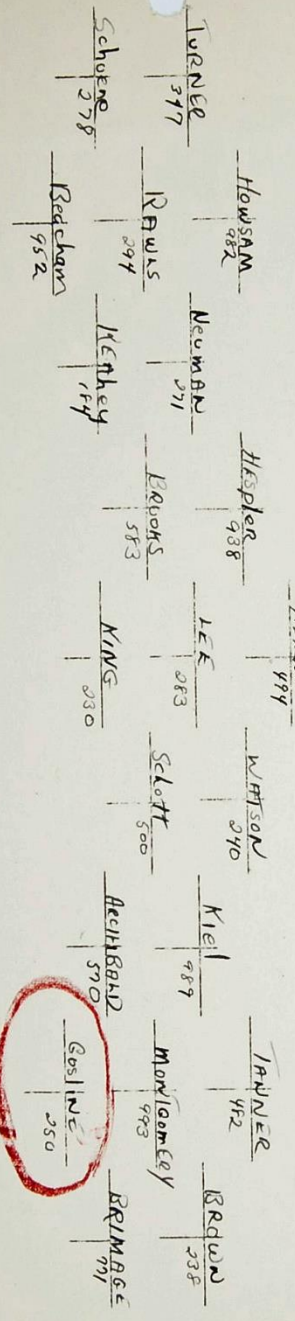
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1 ST SECTION
 KEETER SMITH



2 ND SECTION



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LOADING LIST

740

239

5/14/44

Lt Moore
 Lt Ennis
 Lt Pragli
 Lt Butler
 T/Sgt Logan

T/Sgt Wert
 S/Sgt Francischini
 S/Sgt K ruse
 S/Sgt Bischoff
 S/Sgt Balough

740

994

5/14/44

Lt Riggs
 Lt Burke
 Lt Whidden
 Lt Perdik
 T/Sgt Strohmair

T/ Sgt McKnight
 S/Sgt Windsand
 S/ Sgt Rushmore
 S/ Sgt Kolbe
 S/ Sgt Johnston

740

939

5/14/44

Lt Paci
 Lt Murphy
 Lt Emory
 Lt Swanson
 Sgt Dubeau

A-Sgt Se home
 A-Sgt Jozefowicz
 Sgt Holl ingworth
 S/Sgt Graham
 Sgt Lauer

740

234

5/14/44

Lt Scrimshaw
 Lt Grisson
 Lt Blanco
 Lt Stelle
 S/Sgt Angelides

T/Sgt D oherty
 S/Sgt T homas
 S/Sgt Q uer
 S/Sgt Somers
 S/Sgt Hodgson

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270

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Lt Kelley
 Lt Riley
 Lt Ames
 Lt Conner
 S/Sgt Dunn

S/Sgt Lewis
 Sgt Martin
 Sgt macormis
 Sgt Parle
 sgt Harper

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983

5/24/44

Major Keefer
Lt Smith
Lt Gross & Lt Deppisch
Lt Ohlmeyer
T/Sgt Wolk

T/Sgt Cassidy
S/Sgt Conlin
S/Sgt Nyquist
S/Sgt Good
S/Sgt Garri nger

740

741

5/24/44

Lt Miller
Lt Fisher
Lt Blacker & Lt Gustafson
Lt Haffley
T/Sgt King

T/Sgt Rundle
S/Sgt Anderson
S/Sgt Hanides
S/Sgt Schmans
S/Sgt Bucharik

740

198

5/24/44

Lt Bohuna
Lt Ahlsson
Lt Tea sdale
T/Sgt Riley
S/Sgt Groland

T/Sgt Collum
S/Sgt Bro wa
S/Sgt Hayes
Sgt Fisher
S/Sgt Carney
Sgt Nicol

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740

190

5/24/44

Lt Hansen
Lt Ward
Lt Popejoy
Lt Pelm
T/Sgt Lisi

T/Sgt Yeandel
Sgt Fowler
S/Sgt Berg
S/Sgt Seiter
S/Sgt Rosenfield

740

748

5/14/44

Lt Hynson
Lt Jones
Lt Keller
Lt Banks
T/Sgt Merrill

T/Sgt Watermond
S/Sgt Daniel
S/Sgt Strange
S/Sgt Harpster
S/Sgt Lineberger

740

081

5/14/44

Lt Crawford
Lt Johnson
Lt Annala
Lt Campbell
S/Sgt Imburg

T/Sgt Deselms
S/Sgt Crysel
S/Sgt Fortson
S/Sgt Nettik
S/Sgt Raut

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L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER	DESTINATION	T/O
166		
PILOT	Lt. Baker	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wigley	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Winklehorst	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Matrangos	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Kelley	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Swinney
		Sgt. Aabye
		Sgt. Allen
		Sgt. Bopp
		Sgt. Applin
216		
PILOT	Lt. Walter	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Woodley	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Stroman	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Hart	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Beard	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Skratsky
		Sgt. Davis, H. E.
		Sgt. Hamby
		Sgt. Bennett, E.C.
		Sgt. Carson
241		
PILOT	Lt. Heathcote	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Snider	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Jackson	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McCracken	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Shotwell	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Stover
		Sgt. Moore
		Sgt. Rishko
		Sgt. Kerr
		Sgt. Bennett, K. L.
994		
PILOT	Lt. Christensen	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Chadwick	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Taber	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Young	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Mayfield	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Bialas
		Sgt. Bowles
		Sgt. Swann
		Sgt. Padgett
		Sgt. Abbott
476		
PILOT	Lt. Wurtz	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Sutera	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Kuntz	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Miller	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Gross	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Draper
		Sgt. Newman
		Sgt. Klein
		Sgt. Ashley
		Sgt. Kampa
749		
PILOT	Lt. Bowers	TOP TUR GNR
CO-PILOT	Lt. Harrington	WAIST RIGHT
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Brniak	WAIST LEFT
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bailen	BALL TUR GNR
RADIO	Sgt. Gamble	TAIL TUR GNR
		Sgt. Fox
		Sgt. Moser
		Sgt. Gamble
		Sgt. Finks
		Sgt. Pendleton

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A/C NUMBER	DESTINATION	T/O	
PILOT	Lt. Hudson	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Beeler
CO-PILOT	Lt. Smith	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Elliott
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Hosmer	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Fisher
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bakanauskas	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fowlkes
RADIO	Sgt. Mise	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamilton
A/C NUMBER	481	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Locatelli	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Karney
CO-PILOT	Lt. Rosenberg	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Kinnick
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Cahill	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Dakin
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McMahon	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson, J. Q.
RADIO	Sgt. Schultz	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Caldwell
A/C NUMBER	105	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Deeble	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Patterson
CO-PILOT	Lt. Wendt	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Pearson
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Pokora	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Vanaman
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Efurd	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Wise
RADIO	Sgt. Averill	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Squires
A/C NUMBER	099	DESTINATION	T/O
PILOT	Lt. Keogh	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Steinhauer
CO-PILOT	Lt. Newfield	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Earl
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Crowley	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Schindler
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Grimm	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Delaney
RADIO	Sgt. Daly	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson, H. R.
A/C NUMBER	DESTINATION	T/O	
PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	
A/C NUMBER	DESTINATION	T/O	
PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

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742ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
APO# 520 US ARMY

14 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Crews Completing Mission on 14 May 1944.

TO : Operations Officer, 455th Bombardment Group (H)

<u>SHIP 993</u>	<u>SHIP 938</u>	<u>SHIP 989</u>	<u>SHIP 993</u>	<u>SHIP 238</u>
LT NELSON	LT HESPELER	LT KEIL	LT MONTGOMERY	LT BROWN
LT MONTGOMERY	LT BUNT	LT CRUM	LT BROWN	LT KAMINSKY
LT BASTIN	LT NIATT	LT PICKERILL	LT GUIDO	LT MACEDO
LT ARRIF	LT PLATT	LT LEACH	LT SCHNEIDER	BENCH
SKELTON	WILSON	DOVE	MASON	HEITZMAN
CHANCE	HEMPHILL	AGNEU	SUTTON	GOLLMAN
LATHAM, V	SPOTTS	NOVAK	FRITCHARD	PITTMAN
LATHAM, L	VIKEN	OLEGASH	SMITH	LIVINGSTON
MILLER	YEE	ULSH	KYLE	GRAHAM
McCOY	RHODES	MEDEL	LEITHAUSER	
		SANTIAGO	PASC/VAGE	

<u>SHIP 230</u>	<u>SHIP 570</u>	<u>SHIP 259</u>	<u>SHIP 482</u>	<u>SHIP 240</u>
LT KING	LT ARCHIBALD	LT KELLY	LT TANNER	LT BRIMAGE
LT DAESCHNER	LT RAMSTAD	LT WATSON	LT HARLEY	LT SWANNER
LT EPPERSON	LT BARNARD	NELSON	LT HERMAN	LT SANTINA
LT GAENZLE	LT TAYLOR	LT POWELL	LT BROWN	STINSON
SHOLLENBERGER	MAZEK	BOUCHER	PETERSON	COWAN
HARDY	SELLER	WASHBURN	WAUGH	GREEN
LOCKARD	ABBONDONDELLO	BLUMBERG	ENGHAUS	ELANCO
SUMNER	TODD	PELKEY	CHASE	RUST
KIMSEY	TEISINGER	PRATT	JACKSON	JOHNSON
DOYLE	HACHEY	BAKOS	MALCHOW	

TARGET _____

COMBAT TIME _____

RICHARD A. GOSLINE,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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Office of the Operations Officer
APO 520

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	<u>SHIP #952 (2-3-7)</u>		<u>SHIP #294 (2-3-4)</u>	
P	BEACHAM, LOYD L.	1st Lt.	RAWLS, DON M.	1st Lt.
CP	CARLTON, WALTER C.	F/O	EVANS, EARL E.	2nd Lt.
N	DUDZIK, TED A.	2nd Lt.	ROSS, DEAN R.	2nd Lt.
B	HART, CARL L.	2nd Lt.	GROSSMAN, BERNARD	2nd Lt.
NOSE G	Ogg, Dick E.	Sgt.	Lohnes, Raymond W.	S/Sgt.
TOP TUR	Patterick, Harold O.	~/Sgt.	Donahue, John J.	S/Sgt.
WAIST R	Hays, Donald F.	Sgt.	Orena, John V.	S/Sgt.
WAIST L	Conrad, Charles O.	S/Sgt.	Smith, Thomas F.	S/Sgt.
BALL TUR	Simeroth, Robert B.	Sgt.	Laptewicz, John C.	S/Sgt.
TAIL G	Place, Joel R.	Sgt.	Parris, Billy S.	~/Sgt.
	<u>SHIP #271 (2-3-2)</u>		<u>SHIP #253 (2-3-6)</u>	
P	NEUMAN, DANIEL J.	1st Lt.	SCHOENE, HORST R.	1st Lt.
CP	CAYEA, JOHN E.	2nd Lt.	COLMAN, ORRIN C.	2nd Lt.
N	SMITH, WYLIE A.	2nd Lt.	HAYWOOD, RENFORD F.	2nd Lt.
B	HARDMAN, THOMAS H.	2nd Lt.	DAVIS, RALPH J.	2nd Lt.
NOSE G	Kloos, George W.	T/Sgt.	Shallow, John B.	T/Sgt.
TOP TUR	Ledbetter, Emmett	T/Sgt.	Lumpkin, LenGon	T/Sgt.
WAIST R	Kennedy, Clyde J.	S/Sgt.	Cushing, Waldo L.	S/Sgt.
WAIST L	Phillips, Ernest A.	S/Sgt.	Bates, James J.	S/Sgt.
BALL TUR	Peck, Reid B.	~/Sgt.	Palmer, Floyd W.	~/Sgt.
TAIL G	Hilgendorf, Marshall W.	S/Sgt.	Berg, Harold C.	Sgt.
	<u>SHIP #982 (2-3-1)</u>		<u>SHIP #582 (2-2-6)</u>	
P	HOWSAM, EARL R.	1st Lt.	BROOKS, HAROLD C.	2nd Lt.
CP	STERLING, RAYMOND N.	2nd Lt.	ROSE, ROBERT C.	2nd Lt.
N	GUDMUNDSON, ROY E.	2nd Lt.	JOHNSON, EDWARD H.	2nd Lt.
B	STOPA, LEO A.	2nd Lt.	GINSBURG, SEYMOUR	2nd Lt.
NOSE G	Catt, James L.	~/Sgt.	Taylor, Paul	S/Sgt.
TOP TUR	Cochrane, William P.	T/Sgt.	Winn, Frances P.	T/Sgt.
WAIST R	Baird, Raymond M.	~/Sgt.	Hosac, Chester W.	T/Sgt.
WAIST L	Wiesler, Robert A.	S/Sgt.	Weine, Max G.	S/Sgt.
BALL TUR	Kapitzke, Lawrence L.	S/Sgt.	Peterson, Don E.	S/Sgt.
TAIL G	Dandenault, Ernest C.	S/Sgt.	O'Boyle, James J.	S/Sgt.
POG	Todoro, Anthony	S/Sgt.	Paige, Frank H.	T/Sgt.
	<u>SHIP #282 (2-1-4)</u>		<u>SHIP #347 (2-3-3)</u>	
P	LEE, ORVILLE I.	1st Lt.	TURNER, ERNEST F.	1st Lt.
CP	DENTON, CHARLES A.	2nd Lt.	WAWORTH, NEIL M.	2nd Lt.
N	HORAN, BERNARD D.	2nd Lt.	DAVIS, CLARENCE R.	2nd Lt.
B	GROSS, JOSEPH	2nd Lt.	EIS, FREDERICK G.	2nd Lt.
NOSE G	Dean, Millard H.	S/Sgt.	Aldape, Jose	S/Sgt.
TOP TUR	Collins, Joseph M.	T/Sgt.	Caporaso, Joseph	T/Sgt.
WAIST R	Pendleton, Phil C.	T/Sgt.	Murray, Victor E.	~/Sgt.
WAIST L	Kohnke, Earl B.	~/Sgt.	Oven, Andrew M.	S/Sgt.
BALL TUR	Derrick, Charles E.	S/Sgt.	McVay, Elmer G.	T/Sgt.
TAIL G	Lafollette, John H.	S/Sgt.	Smith, Leo W.	S/Sgt.

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	<u>SHIP #500 (2-1-5)</u>		<u>SHIP #184 (2-3-5)</u>	
P	SCHOTT, ROY H.	1st Lt.	KEAHEY, GEORGE O.	1st Lt.
CP	TIGERT, HAROLD E.	F/O	REGAN, MARK	2nd Lt.
N	GERATY, DONALD F.	2nd Lt.	SPICER, CHARLES E.	2nd Lt.
B	BOCK, PHILIP	2nd Lt.	MANNING, HENRY L.	2nd Lt.
NOSE G	Floyd, Vern L.	S/Sgt.	Moore, Frank M.	S/Sgt.
TOP TUR	Klinek, Albert J.	T/Sgt.	Rees, Ray E.	S/Sgt.
WAIST R	Parke, Everett	Sgt.	Thiel, James J.9	S/Sgt.
WAIST L	Levasseur, Warren F.	T/Sgt.	Wallace, Edwin N.	S/Sgt.
BALL TUR	Sadler, Jacob R.	S/Sgt.	Balchunas, Anthony	S/Sgt.
TAIL G	Fuller, Maurice	S/Sgt.	McNeil, Donald R.	S/Sgt.

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