

THE CORAL SEA BREEZE

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Welcome Aboard!

Jerry L Ilkenhons
IC3, E Div
1963-66

Jay Johnson
BT2, B Div
1967-70

Bobby E Pearson
DT2, Dental
1960-62

Tommy R Thompson
GMT3, W Div
1966-68

Great Tour Options for 35th National Reunion.

The site of our 2013 national reunion is Omaha, Neb. You'll find excellent accommodations at the Double Tree Suites by Hilton. Dates for the reunion are Oct. 9 - 13, 2013. Find the details for accommodation elsewhere in this issue.

We think you'll enjoy the many tour and event options available at this year's reunion.

THURSDAY, October 9, 2013



9:00 a.m.
Depart Double Tree Guest Suites for the Omaha Visitor Center

OMAHA CITY TOUR WITH STEP-ON GUIDE

Enjoy a guided driving tour of Omaha's past,

present and future. Professional guide gives your group an overview of Omaha's points of interest. Tour the historic Old Market District, Lewis & Clark Landing, the Historic Gold Coast District and Creighton University. Included sites include Billionaire Warren Buffet's residence, 1903 Joslyn Scottish Castle, St. Cecilia's Spanish Cathedral, the Blackstone Hotel (birthplace of the Reuben Sandwich), TD

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President's Corner

Greetings Shipmates,
The main business now is the up-coming 2013 reunion in Omaha, Neb. I hope that many of you will be able to attend this year. Please look over the reunion information in this issue. An outline of tours is available for your information. When making your tour reservations PLEASE, do not

include payment for the tours with your reunion reservation form. Tour payments must be sent to the tour company. This will save Treasurer Clarence Neander extra work. Thanks for your attention to this matter. One important change to the Association by-laws was voted on at the 2012 reunion business meeting. The following action that was taken.

New business:
It was discussed that starting 10-01-2013 that members who reach the age of 80 years and older be asked to pay yearly dues. With this change in the By-laws, plank owners and members who are 80 years old or older prior to Oct. 1, 2013 will be grandfathered so that they won't be required

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Reunion Tour Options and Pricing.

You affordable tour choices for our Omaha National Reunion are summarized below. Please choose the tours you'd like to experience and mail you payment to-day!

Thursday, **Oct. 5, 2013**

Strategic Air & Space Museum, Box lunch, Boy's Town Tour.
Price: \$79 per person
Includes: Transportation via

Arrow Stage Lines motor coach, Admission to Strategic Air & Space Museum, Box Lunch, Boy's Town Tour, and Allied Tour Director.

Friday, Oct. 4, 2013

Omaha City Tour, River City Star River-

boat Lunch & Durham Museum.

Price: \$89 per person

Includes: Transportation via Arrow Stage Lines motor coach, Omaha City Tour, River

City Star Lunch-eon Cruise, admission to Durham Museum, and Allied Tour Director.

Attention, do not include payment for these tours with your reunion registration payment.



Make checks payable to:

Allied Tour & Travel

Attn: Susan Busskohl

720 E. Norfolk Ave.

Norfolk, NE. 68701

402-371-3840



Taps

Joseph Diquattro
1951-1955
Hawthorne, NY

Rufus L. Foshee
YN3

James Gillies
SN, 5th Div.
1954-1956
Levittown, PA

Sumner N. Lippincott
SN, VI Div.
1948-1949
Millville, NJ

Frank Shivak
RDI, 01 Div.
1956-1957
Oceanside, CA

Harry Simpson
Aug. 20, 2006
Windsor, PA

W. E. Sluder
New Brighton, PA

Secretary's Corner

Hello Shipmates,

Hope you and yours are well.

I hope you were able to attend your closest mini-reunion this spring. Sandra and I were fortunate to attend the "Spring Fling" in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Again, Gary and Diane did an outstanding job as our hosts. I was lucky enough to visit the Gerald R. Ford museum this year, having missed it last time. He was President during my enlistment, so this visit was

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Vice President's Corner

Ahoy Shipmates,

It is time to call on each of you to think about our next reunion. The reunion is planned for October in Omaha, Nebraska. It's time to start planning your trip and placing your early reservations for the reunion. This gives the planning committee an opportunity to know who plans on attending and make proper arrangements for a great reunion. Personally, I have never been to Omaha, but I have heard they have awesome steaks. Boys Town and an

Air Force Museum are also located in Omaha.

During this time I would also like for you to consider serving on the Coral Sea Board of Director's; any of the offices (i.e., President, Vice President, et cetera.)

I'm excited to report that the Reunion Committee has received a painting of The USS Coral Sea, donated by the widow of Jack Caldarone. The painting is beautiful and is in a stainless steel frame with a

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Reunion Tour Planning...

Ameritrade Park (Home of the annual College World Series), Fertile Ground Mural, Bob Kerrey Pedestrian Bridge (longest pedestrian bridge to connect two states), Omaha Community



Playhouse (where Henry Fonda started acting), Joslyn Art Museum, Rose 1950's Hollywood Candy warehouse and much more. Groups will also have an opportunity to experience Pioneer Courage Park with a brief tour stop. The park contains complete life-size sculptures of an authentic pioneer wagon train traveling west across the Nebraska prairie. Visitors can walk among the wagons, oxen, horses and pioneers. This is generally the perfect place for individual and group photos. The wagon train is part of a sculpture display that extends three blocks which includes Bison and flock of geese

11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

RIVER CITY STAR RIVERBOAT LUNCHEON CRUISE

Lunch on Landing (for two coaches)

Enjoy a scenic luncheon cruise down the Missouri River on the River City Star Riverboat. The captain will give a narrative on the various sites along the river. After the cruise, take a couple minutes to walk on the Bob Kerry Pedestrian Bridge. It's the longest

pedestrian bridge to connect two states. Place one foot in Nebraska and the other in Iowa. \$25.00 per person (large groups will have lunch on landing overlooking river and then cruise after lunch.

1:45 - 3:10 p.m.

THE DURHAM MUSEUM 1930 UNION TRAIN STATION & SODA FOUNTAIN

Visit Omaha's historic 1930's Union Train Station. Explore the Durham Museum with its old restored passenger trains,

1940's store fronts, numerous artifacts showing the history of the region and the



Byron Reed collection which includes some of the world's rarest coins and documents. Be sure to plan a stop at the authentic soda fountain to enjoy a variety of old-fashioned favorites including phosphates and

malts. The Museum is affiliated with Smithsonian Museum.

3:35 p.m. - Return to the Double Tree Guest Suites

FRIDAY, October 10, 2013

9:00 a.m.

Depart Double Tree Guest Suites for Ashland, Nebraska

9:40 - 11:30 a.m.

STRATEGIC AIR & SPACE MUSEUM

Located in Ashland, Nebraska - West of Omaha

Travel west to the small community of Ashland, Nebraska! See history come alive with 300,000 Square Feet of space including WWII and Cold War aircraft and artifacts. Museum also offers interesting traveling exhibits, library and theater. Guided tours are available upon request. Many tours will

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The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: If you left the ship, it was in Blues or Whites, even in home port. Now: The only time you wear Blues or Whites if for ceremonies.



The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: You wore a Dixie Cup all day, with every uniform.

Now: Dixie Cups are not required and you have a choice of different hats.

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Runner-up Scholarship Essay...

include the area where planes are currently being restored. Box lunch can be arranged with advance notice.



11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
LUNCH UNDER THE WINGS at MUSEM

NOTE: Box Lunch under the Wings at Strategic Air & Space Museum or buffet at the Mahoney Park Lodge Restaurant located next to the museum.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
FATHER FLANAGAN'S BOYS TOWN TOUR



Top Group Attraction – back in Omaha

Travel to west Omaha for a tour of famous Father Flanagan's Boys Town! Tour includes visitor center, driving tour of campus, museum and restored 1920 Father Flanagan house. Boys Town is an independent village of Omaha with its own police department, post office and mayor. The mayor is actually one of the boys and girls in village.

3:25 p.m. - Return to the Double Tree Guest Suites.

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President's Corner...

to pay unless they want to. Those members who cannot pay will not be required to pay. We do not want to lose members who are not able to pay. This change will be brought up in the June 2013 issue and will begin in October 2013. The motion was made by Earl Neall and seconded by Bob Nerbetski. The motion passed.

Therefore, at the 2013 reunion business meeting under unfinished business, the needed action will be taken to revise the by-laws to read as follows:

Article X, DUES:

Sec. 1 The dues of the U.S.S. Coral Sea CVA-43 shall be \$20.00 per year for the period of October 1st. to September 30th. Any dues increase must be recommended by the Executive Board and voted on by the members present at the annual business meeting. Any increase would be retroactive to October

1st. of the year in which the increase is approved. All plank owners (i.e. all those on the Ship's original commissioning crew) shall pay no membership fee.

The following by-laws changes will also be considered at the 2013 business meeting:

Amend Article VIII to require written consent from any Association member wishing to be nominated and elected to any office when absent from the business meeting.

Amend Article VII, Sec. 2, Duties of Treasurer, to remove Paragraph e) which requires that the Treasurer be bonded.

Have a safe summer and I look forward to seeing you all in October in Omaha. Godspeed!

John
 John H. Ranson
 CVA-43 Assoc. President

Association Scholarship Report.

We had seven requests for scholarship application packets this year, with one requested by twins. Only two have come from last year's applicants. I have made an effort to keep in touch with the shipmates and their students.

The winner of the 2012 \$2000 USS Coral Sea Association Scholarship is Austin Hintze. Austin is the grandson of shipmate Robert "Bob" Hintze and is attending the University of South Florida. The selection of the

2013 scholarship candidate is on-going. I hope to have names and short bios of all selectees for the September issue of "The Sea Breeze."

—John Lickey, Chairman

Book Features Life Aboard U.S.S Coral Sea

Solo Vietnam is a 5-star reviewed novel that captures life aboard the Coral Sea during the 1967-68 Westpac cruise, as conveyed by Asso-

ciation member Pete Wasmund. Pete was a CPO, serving as a helo tech.

The author, Jeanette Vaughan, is the mother of two Naval aviators. Her book is available on Amazon (print and Kindle versions), for Barnes and Nobel's Nook reader, and available through iTunes. A donation is made with every sale, with proceeds benefiting the Vietnam Veterans Assoc. Find more information about this very worthwhile book at www.ageviewpress.com, through which signed copies are available.



The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: Our top officers were professional sailors first, and commanded respect.

Now: Our top officers are politicians first and beg not to be given a wedgie.

Chaplain's Corner

Dear Shipmates,
For most of us, June is the month our thoughts turn to our fathers. As we grow older, I think we become much more appreciative of the job our fathers did, often under less-than-ideal circumstances.

And June is also the time that many of us reflect upon how we have been fathers to our own children. I can't think of my own fatherhood without reflecting on how many years my Navy career took me away from my sons for long periods of time. And, like most Navy men, I credit my dear wife for taking up the slack and being such a great parent in their growing years.

As we all know, life is never ideal. We who chose to serve our country had to spend lots of time away

from our wives and children. But we made the best of the time that we did have at home and our wives and children were understanding and forgiving.

It is tough to balance the demands of our family and our work, but thanks to God, most of us have done reasonably well in that balancing act. My hat is off to all of you fathers who love your children and who will always be a man standing tall in their lives.

Happy Father's Day!
Your shipmate,

Michael

Michael D. Halley
CDR, CHC, USN, Retired
Association Chaplain

Treasurer's Corner

Greetings Shipmates,
Another Midwest Spring Fling has come and gone and now we can look forward to the National Reunion in Omaha.

Raffle ticket sales are going well. We are at about 60% of last year's total already with 40% of those from shipmates who didn't purchase tickets last year. Please participate in the raffle if you can. It's a great fund raiser for the Association. If you would like to purchase more than the 12 tickets you received, just include the extra money (and return address labels if possible) with your 12 tickets and I will fill out the additional tickets.

See you in Omaha,

Clarence

Clarence Neander
Treasurer

USS Coral Sea Association Membership Application/Renewal Form

Membership in the USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOCIATION is open to all Navy, Marine Corp and Air Force personnel who served aboard the ship (CV/CVB/CVA-43) for a period of at least 90 days. Also, any person who was assigned to the commissioning crew (plank owners), even if they spent fewer than 90 days aboard, shall be eligible for membership. **DUES:** Association membership dues is \$15 per year. Dues for membership are not limited to one year. When submitted for renewal or first-time application. Any amount submitted over the annual dues will be automatically earmarked for the Association's Scholarship Fund program.



New Member: I apply for membership for _____ year(s). Enclosed is a check/money order \$ _____
Renewal: Renew my membership for _____ year(s). Enclosed is a check/money order \$ _____

Name _____ **Birth Date** _____
 (Please PRINT First name, middle initial, last name) (mo/day/year)

Address _____ **CITY** _____ **STATE** _____

ZIP+4 _____ **PHONE:** (____) _____ **Email** _____

Spouse's Name _____ **Birthdate** _____ **Anniversary** _____

ON BOARD SHIP AS CREW MEMBER:

From _____ to _____ Division _____ Rank/Rate On Board _____
 (Month/Year) (Month/Year) (Lt/RD/FN/SN/Sgt)
 Military Retirement: No Yes Retired as: _____ USN USMC USCG
 (Rank/Rate) USNR Air Force Army

I do do not want my complete mailing address printed on the Published roster.

Please make check payable to: **USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOC.**
 Mail application to:

Don Colwell, Secretary, USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOC.
10658 S Fruit Avenue
Fresno, CA 93706 Email: doncolwell@att.net

Office Use Only

Received: _____
 Check: _____
 Amount: _____
 Expires: _____

Beautiful 2'x5' Coral Sea Painting to be Raffled at Omaha Reunion.



The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: You slept in barracks, like a soldier.
 Now: You sleep in a dormitory, like a college kid.

This large painting was graciously donated to the Coral Sea Association by the widow of Jack Caldaron. After a lengthy discussion, the Board of Directors decided the painting would be raffled off at the reunion in Omaha. To simplify this process, the board is asking that you mail to Bill Johnson the number of return address labels to correlate with the number of painting raffle tickets you wish to purchase. (You may use any type of return address labels that you have on hand,

i.e., those you receive from donating to charities or any personal address label.) Once we receive your la-



bel, each label will be attached to a blank business card so that each label is uniform in size. The cards

will then be placed in a hopper for the drawing. The cost of each ticket is \$3.00 or 2 for \$5.00.

(\$20.00 will give you 8 chances to win.) Please make checks payable to the **USS Coral Seas Association** and note that the check is designated for the painting raffle.

Whether you plan on attending the reunion or not, please plan on participating in this event.

Mail your labels and check to: **Bill Johnson**
322 Portia Street
Nokomis Florida 34275

Your Annual Reunion Reservation Details and Order Form.

Double Tree Suites by Hilton-Omaha,
7270 Cedar Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68124

Call **402-397-5141** for reservations and mention USS Coral Sea when making your reservation for discounted rate. Room rate: \$105.16 per night includes all current taxes. This rate applies from Monday, Oct. 7 thru Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Room reservation deadline for this rate: September 9, 2013.

Free Parking!
Attention all those who will be arriving by airline: DoubleTree Suites by Hilton Omaha will provide airport transportation for guests on peak arrival and departure days and times. Guests must arrange this transportation as soon as they have made airline reservations with the Front Desk. You can do this by calling 402-397-5141. Please provide name, phone number, number of people requiring shuttle service, flight times, flight number and airline.

Complete this form, include payment and mail to:

**Clarence Neander
47 Redwood Manor
Pontiac, IL 61674**

Name _____ Guest _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: () _____ - _____

Email: _____

For the purpose of printing your name badge, please complete the following:

Name: _____ Rate/Rating/Rank _____ Division _____

Dates aboard Coral Sea: From month/year _____ to month/year _____

Note: Buffet & dinner prices include registration costs.

Friday evening dinner buffet (_____)	\$55.00/person
Saturday evening banquet (please indicate your choices):	
Ribeye Steak (_____)	\$60.00/person
Chicken Cordon Bleu (_____)	\$50.00/person
Seared Tilapia (_____)	\$50.00/person

TOTAL \$ _____

Make checks payable to USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Association



The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: We called the enemy things like "Commie Bastards" and "Reds" because we didn't like them.

Now: We call the enemy things like "Opposing Forces" and "Aggressors" so we won't offend them.

Coral Sea Association Small Stores Product & Price List



Association Logo



Ship's Logo—CVB, CVA, CV

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Price</u>
1001	Reg. Style Cap (Blue or White), CVB/CVA/CV	\$12.00
1002	Mesh Back Cap (Scrambled Eggs) CVB/CVA/CV	\$14.00
1003	Marine Cap (Red) Marine Det., CV	\$14.00
1004	Windbreaker Jacket (Blue), all sizes**	\$42.00
1005	Micro Poly Casual Jacket (Blk, Dk Grn, Maroon, Navy, Red, Royal or Stone) all sizes**	\$46.00
1006	Sweatshirt (Blue or White), all sizes**	\$25.00
1007	T-Shirt (Blue or White), all sizes**	\$17.00
1008	Denim Shirt (SS or LS), all sizes**	\$32.00
1009	Titan Twill Shirt (SS or LS), (Navy, Dutch Blue, French Blue, Khaki, Black, Butter, Crimson, new Olive, Smoke or White), all sizes**	\$32.00
1010	Polo Shirt (Blue or White); all sizes	\$28.00
1011	Pin, CV-43 (Hat/Lapel)	\$ 5.00
1012	3-inch Patch (Older Bolder, CVA-43, Decomm)	\$ 4.00
1013	4.5-inch Patch (Older Bolder, CVA-43)	\$ 6.00
1014	License Plate Frame (Chrome-Plastic), CVA-43	\$12.00
1015	Photo, Coral Sea Straight Deck (8" x 10")	\$ 4.00
1016	Photo, Coral Sea Angle Deck (8" x 10")	\$ 4.00
1017	Coral Sea Mouse Pad	\$ 6.00
1018	Coral Sea Coffee Mug	\$ 8.00
1019	Watch Cap, CVB/CVA/CV	\$12.00
1020	Coral Sea Decals	\$ 2.00
1021-1	Optional Embroidery (Name, Div, Year, etc.)	\$.50/ltr.
1021-2	Full Back Logo for Jackets	\$30.00
1022	Coral Sea Challenge Coin	\$12.00
1023	Coral Sea Pin (CV-43 or CVA-43)	\$ 3.00

** These are embroidered items; please choose either the Association Logo or Ship's Logo

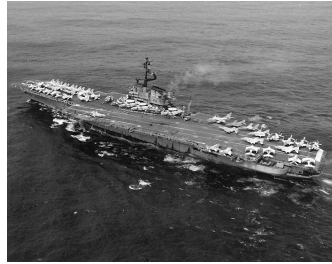
Please Note: Additional embroidery of your choosing is available on any item. Add \$.50 per additional letter.

6/09

Mail: USS Coral Sea Association
Small Stores Account
PO Box 1697
Powder Springs, GA 30127

Fax: 770-222-4833
E-mail: georgerogers@bellsouth.net
For more information: 770-943-3818

Coral Sea Association Small Stores Order Form



Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Item #	Qty.	Description (Color, Logo, Sleeve Length)	Size	Price Ea.	Total Price

Method of Payment

- Check (make payable to USS Coral Sea Assoc.)
- Visa
- MasterCard
- American Express

Merchandise Total \$ _____
 Shipping Charge** \$ _____
 Total Amount \$ _____



Association Logo



Ship's Logo
CVB, CVA, CV

Credit Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Name as it Appears on Card _____

Signature _____

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 Powder Springs, GA 30127

****Priority Mail S/H Cost**

Up to \$24.99.....\$ 7.00
 \$25—\$50.....\$ 9.00
 \$51—\$75.....\$12.00
 \$76—Up.....\$15.00

Credit card orders will appear on your statement as "ICU Stitching."

Key Dates & Events in the History of USS Coral Sea.

440710 AA Built at Newport News Shipbuilding Co. Cost: \$87.6 mil. Date keel laid

460402 AB Launched by Mrs. (ADM) Thomas C. Kincaid, Coral Sea hero

460402 CJ Named: WWII naval battle 7-8 May 1942, stops Jap invasion plans

470000 AG Modified storage and assembly areas for nuclear bomb

471001 AC Commissioned at Nor NSY. NavSec John L. Sullivan, speaker

471001 AI Ship's patch insignia in color, HOOK Spring '85

471001 BR NIJA, Ship signal flag and radio call sign issued by Navy

471001 CO New CO: Storrs, Aaron P., III. "Putt". 1st CO

471001 DN Nickname : BIG C, CORAL MARU, AGELESS WARRIOR

471001 PO First homeport: Norfolk to 26 February 1957

480119 BO 480405 : Shakedown cruise to Cuba and Panama Canal

480119 GR CVGB-5 embarked, tail code C

480427 MF 1st launch of P2V-2 Neptune (nuclear capable), off Norfolk

480607 FM 480806 : 1st Med cruise. Midshipmen. Golfe Juan call

480607 GC CVG-17 embarked, tail code R. HOOK Clayton

480811 CO New CO: Vosseller, Aurelius B. at Norfolk OB

481007 AJ 490219 : Island modernization, new bridge at Norfolk NSY

490307 GA P2V-3C with 10,000# dummy atomic load launch, off Norfolk

490503 FM 490926 : 2nd Med cruise. Italy, Malta, Turkey, Cuba

490503 GC CVG-2 embarked, tail code M. HOOK Clayton

490600 DO Port calls to 6/27 : Augusta & Palermo, Sicily; Naples, Leghorn, Rapatto

490704 CF July 4th celebrated at Cannes, France during long port call

490711 CO New CO: Goldwaite, Robert at Cannes, France. USNA ' 24

490727 DO Port calls: Istanbul, Turkey to 8/1. Then Souda Bay, Crete 8/15

490800 DO Other port calls: Naples; Cannes & Gibraltar; Newport, RI

490919 EO Navy Occupation Service medal for ops in European waters

500421 GF 1st take-off (Hayward) of atomic bomb capable AJ-1 plane. HOOK Wi 89

500429 CO New CO: Trapnell, Frederick M. at Norfolk OB. USNA ' 23

500625 BG Korea War outbreak status : Homeport, Norfolk

500831 GA VC-5 carquals with Savage Aj. CO Capt J. Hayward. HK Wi 89

500831 GF 1st landing & TO of atomic bomb capable AJ-1 plane. Hayward. HK Wi 89

500909 FM 510201 : 3rd Med cruise. A-bomb parts carried

500909 GC CVG-17 embarked, tail code R. HOOK Clayton

500909 GF Banshee F2H-2 first major deployment by VF-171 & VF-172

500909 MF 1st carrier to deploy with the non-nuclear parts for an A-bomb

510201 DO Port calls: Herakelton, Crete; Oran, Morocco; Algiers, Algeria

510212 CO New CO: Russell, James S. at Norfolk OB. ADM. Langley, CV 1 pilot

510320 FM 511006 : 4th Med cruise. NATO exercises. Greece & Turkey

510320 GC CVG-1 embarked, tail code T. HOOK Clayton

510456 EO Navy Occupation Service medal for ops in European waters

510904 EO Navy Occupation Service medal for ops in European waters

510922 DO Port call: Lisbon, Portugal. Other calls in Italy, France, Greece, Turkey

511010 AJ 520219 : Overhaul at Norfolk Navy Yard

—Ed. Note, History continues next issue beginning with key events in 1952.



The U.S. Navy, Then and Now...

Then: We declared victory when the enemy was dead and all his things were broken.

Now: We declare victory when the enemy says he is sorry and won't do it again.

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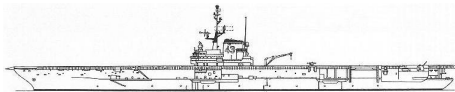


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Secretary's Corner...

very important to me.

On a personal note, Sandra and I are going to be grandparents for the sixth time, and we couldn't be happier! It will be our third grandson. Congrats to Cory and Julie.

Hope everyone can make it to Omaha later this year for our next national reunion. It promises to be another great reunion!

Please remember to send any roster changes and corrections to Don Colwell, 10658 S Fruit Ave., Fresno, CA 93706.

In service, your Secretary,

Don

Don Colwell
Association Secretary

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Vice President's Corner...

portrait light. This beautiful, museum quality painting is about 2'x 5' and ready for display.

As a means of raising funds for the Association, the painting will be raffled off at the reunion. Please look for more information in the quarterly newsletter on how you can participate in this raffle.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Omaha. May each of you have smooth sailing until we meet again.

With best regards,

Bill

Bill Johnson
Vice President

35th Annual Reunion in Omaha, Nebraska.

Your Association has selected Omaha, Neb. as the site of our 35th annual reunion.

Our 2013 reunion will be held October 9-13, at the Double Tree Suites by Hilton, 7270 Cedar St., Omaha, Neb. 68124.

Room rates will be \$105.16 per night, including all current taxes. And this rate applies from Oct. 7-13.

The room reservation deadline for this rate is Sept. 9, 2013. Call 402-255-9147 to reserve your room.

C.R. Mackey reports that the Chicago Zephyr runs from Chicago to Omaha, departing at 2 p.m. with a 10:55 arrival. There is a Veteran's discount program (must register with Amtrak) and those 62 and older receive 15% off of rail tickets. For more information, and to arrange group seating in an Amtrak coach, call C.R. at 708-891-6771.