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## Welcome Aboard!

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# Music City USA Site of 2014 National Reunion.

If you missed the Association's last Nashville annual reunion, held in "Music City" in 1995, you

have another opportunity! This year's reunion dates are Oct. 1-5, and you'll discover that Nashville is just a short plane ride away from about twothirds of the U.S.

Our event hotel is the

## President's Corner

Greetings Shipmates, Here's hoping that all of you are surviving winter. It's been a tough one here in Kentucky. I'm glad that springtime is just around the corner. Speaking of which, the Mid-west Spring Fling will be in Springfield, IL from April 24 through 27, 2014. Please see the information in this issue. Holiday Inn-Opryland/

Airport, 2200

> Elm Hill Pk. Nashville, Tenn. 37214 Call 866-871-1171 for reservations. Mention "USS

Coral Sea reunion" when making your reservation.

Shipmate Jon Lickey has a great weekend planned; check his column in this issue for more information. This is a new venue for a spring fling so I hope that many of you can attend. It would be great to see the big turnouts like we used to have in Ft. Wayne again. The more, the merrier!

On Feb. 8, 2014 we checked out the Holiday

Room rates are \$105.96

per night which includes all current taxes. This group rate applies from Sunday, Sept. 28 through

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014. Room reservation deadline for this rate September 2, 2014.

Our reunion hotel is located about three miles from the airport and fea-

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Inn in Nashville, TN, where the main reunion will be held this year. The facility is great. We'll have plenty of room for hospitality room, small stores, etc., all together on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. There's another event the same weekend as our reunion, so make your reservations now to avoid disappointment. See the registration form in this issue. We're (Continued on page 7)

# 24th Annual Midwest Spring Fling is April 24-27, 2014.

Your Association's Midwest Spring Fling once again is being held in Springfield, IL. This centrally-located reunion site is about 200 miles southwest of Chicago. Plan a visit to the new Lincoln Museum, Library & Tomb, or the Illinois Air Museum. Come see old shipmates and enjoy great attractions! Free hotel parking (but no RV hook-ups). For more information about our Midwest Spring Fling events or to confirm your reservation, please call Jon Lickey at 309-688-3939 or email him at: jjlickey47@yahoo.com



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**Joseph Morgese** SH3, 1947-48 Nov. 2, 2013

> James W. Williams Rockdale, TX

## MIDWEST SPRING FLING, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS April 24 through 27, 2014

Northfield Inn & Suites 3280 Northfield Dr. Springfield, IL 62702 Call 1-217-523-7900 for reservations. Mention USS Coral Sea Association for discount rate. Room rate: \$88.00 per night dbl, \$98.00 per night king |acuzzi. (Current taxes-12%) Registration price per person for reunion: \$35.00 includes hospitality room and Saturday night buffet. Buffet entrees are sliced roast sirloin of beef & chicken breast with basil cream sauce. Make reservations by April 18, 2014.

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City			_ State	Zip	
Phone (	)	 Email			

Saturday evening buffet dinner & hospitality room, \$35.00/person ( ) Total: \$

I Make checks payable to USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Assoc., mention "Spring Fling 2014". I Mail check & reservation form to: Jon Lickey **1711 E. Crestwood Drive** Peoria. II. 61614-7909

## **Vice President's Corner**

Hello Shipmates,

Here is the second newsletter of the New Year. I hope you are all planning to be in Nashville, Tenn. for this year's reunion! There are many things to see and places to go in Nashville. As we all know, it is the home of country music. With the Grand Ole Opry and its many stars, we guarantee you won't be bored! You will wonder how so many superstars got their start in

such a humble place. The Opryland Hotel is also worth a visit, just to see the beauty of it. There are many other attractions in downtown Nashville. including Tootsie's Orchid Lounge, the original Ryman Auditorium, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Crazy Horse Saloon, just to name a few.

We will have some changes in our agenda, so if anyone would like to go to a Grand Ole Opry show, they will be able to. We will have the tours

and times in the next newsletter.

I hope you will all make plans to come. We are hoping for a big turnout! This is also the year of the officers' election so, as always, we are looking for some enthusiastic shipmates to join the ranks.

Your shipmate,



Bill Johnson Vice President

## 36th Annual Coral Sea Reunion Reservation Form.

Holiday Inn-Opryland/Airport, 2200 Elm Hill Pk. Nashville, TN. 37214 Call 866-871-1171 for reservations. <u>Say "USS Coral Sea reunion" when making reservation</u>. Room rate: \$105.96 per night (includes all current taxes). This group rate applies from Sunday, Sept. 28 through Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014.

Room reservation deadline for this rate is September 2, 2014. Attention all those arriving by airline: Holiday Inn-Opryland/Airport will provide free airport transportation for guests every 20 minutes from 5 a.m. until 11 p.m. every day. Free Parking! Complete this form, include payment and mail to:

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Baked Salmon, quantity:	\$45.00/person
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## Make checks payable to USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Association

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### 2014 National Reunion...

tures free parking. It is about five miles from the "must see" Opry-

land Hotel complex and Opry Mills Mall, and about six miles from downtown. As an added convenience for



The Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum on Fifth Ave. South in downtown Nashville.

air travelers, our reunion hotel provides free airport transporta-

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on Fifth Ave.

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tion for guests every 20 minutes from 5 a.m. until II p.m. every day. Look for detailed information on the many tours and attractions from which you'll be able to choose in the next issue of the Sea Breeze. But book your reservation today to lock in these great reunion rates!



## Salty Humor

One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young. Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

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# Guadalcanal and the Coral Sea Battles.

Ed. Note—Part 1 of 2

In May 1942 there were several important battles in the Pacific, but they did not prevent the enemy from their southward thrust toward Australia. This dire situation necessitated our full and successful engagement with the enemy naval forces. We also realized that our Naval forces were not yet substantial enough to equal a Japanese force that had been building for a number of years before Pearl Harbor. This knowledge did not change what had to be done. Therefore, several Admirals determined what we had and compared it to what the enemy had, coming to the conclusion that this would be one of the most important battles of the war; one we could not afford to lose.

The Pacific Ocean is vast and the enemy occupied much of it. But our main concern is to prevent any further movement southward. To achieve this, we must first locate their navy and then establish a combat plan.

Two Admirals were given the responsibility to locate and drive the enemy away from the South Pacific with enough damage to their fleet that no other attempts would be made in this area. These two Admirals were Thomas Kinkaid, and Daniel J. Callaghan; each was given command of a cruiser division and had a cruiser for their flagship.

Let's not forget that invasions and other naval support of those invasions must continue in different areas of the mid and south pacific and they cannot be neglected. This makes it even more important that two relatively young admirals would need to locate and destroy the enemy task force. It did not take them long to find the task force, aided by P-38 spotters over the Coral Sea and Solomon Sea. Also, our ship's radars began picking up many "blips."

P-38 pilots stated that many warships seemed to cover the ocean from horizon to horizon. This was terrible news to Kinkaid and Callaghan. With the information given by the P-38 pilot, the two admirals developed a strategy by simple conversations between their ships. Enemy ships were obviously separated with miles between each of them. (This is logical because if one vessel sustains battle damage and explodes, it doesn't affect any other ships in the convoy.) At this point, enemy planes and US planes now are having dog fights in and around the Solomon Sea, even before the sea forces became engaged in combat. In a matter of hours the naval forces came within warship salvo range of the eighteen-inch guns and the battle intensity accelerated. Our ships were to remain just far enough outside their battleship range until all of our ships were completely armed. We then made flank speed directly toward the enemy. Seems crazy? Not at all...it was ingenious!

By going straight toward them, we presented a smaller target than a ship broadside target. (Don't forget, they had more of everything than we did which made it necessary for us to take advantage of every little detail to survive.) This further worked to our advantage because the enemy changed direction and gave our ships a wider target, even though we could only fire our forward guns.

Air and sea battles raged for several hours; each side sustaining heavy damage. We observed several of their large warships exploding just over the horizon, and we all cheered wildly! The enemy then headed away from the battle area. No one knows why, but they possibly thought they had defeated us. The truth is that we also had a high number of explosions on our ships. Then, suddenly, all noise ceased. Air dogfights were moving away from our area and the Japanese convoy continued to sail away also.

Under normal circumstances our Navy would have pursued, however, our admirals ordered all ships to give an immediate and concise damage report of their individual ships. The order was actually a question: "Are you still seaworthy and combat capable?" Virtually every ship reported "doubtful" in both situations. With this information, both admirals agreed not to pursue the enemy, but rather to repair all items within your capability to make your ships seaworthy and combat ready again.

Every ship complied and all worked feverishly to do whatever they could with whatever they had to work with. There was no cheering this time. But the enemy had no concept of American resolve. Although we had lost ships,

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## Salty Humor

A penny saved is a government oversight.

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planes, pilots and warriors, our convoy had a solid number of warships again ready for combat within hours. The retreating enemy had actually gave us time to repair and prepare for whatever would come next.

Admirals Kinkaid and Callaghan were certain the Japanese would return for the purpose of destroying, "What is left of the American Navy." Both our pilots and the enemy pilots were reporting the results of the battle. This included reports of ongoing explosions, sinking ships, burning ships, life rafts of servicemen, ships not able to continue in battle and any other information that could help decide if further sea battles were necessary.

In spite of the chaos and danger, several of our DEs were making valiant efforts to pick up our men who were in the water.

—Submitted by

#### George Williams

Ed. Note: Part 2 of Guadalcanal will appear in the next issue of the Coral Sea Breeze.

## Chaplain's Corner

#### Dear Shipmates,

I may be speaking for all of us when I say that spring can't come soon enough! This has been a brutal winter in many parts of the country and I hope you have thawed out some.

Speaking of climate, I remember well my "GQ" days onboard the Ageless Warrior. My station was a battle dress station somewhere a couple of decks above the hangar deck. We were manned by one physician, one dentist, a number of corpsmen, and me. For one stretch of time, the ship spent hours each day at GQ, and I know it was very good training should a real emergency occur.

It was warm weather at this particular time and that station got very warm. It was sort of crowded in there and that only made it worse. Nothing we could do about it, but the camaraderie was great and we told many sea stories. A couple of days later we again gathered there for GQ and the space was comfortably cool. We all wondered why, and one of the corpsmen said that he traced the A/C vent down to the hangar bay and found that the filter had not been cleaned in a long time. What a difference that cleaning made!

I often think of this story when I think of our own need to do some maintenance on our lives. Many things we may need to throw away, like old grudges and strained relationships; many things we may need to add to our lives, like being more kind and helpful to others. That's my goal for me: Planned maintenance on my soul! God bless you all.

Your Shipmate,

Michael

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

## Treasurer's Corner

### Hello Shipmates,

As a cold and snowy winter comes to a close and spring is just around the corner, it's again time to start thinking about the annual reunion in Nashville. It's a great location with much to see and do.

This addition of Sea Breeze contains the tickets for the cash raffle held each year at the reunion. 2012 and 2013 averaged 223 purchases with only about half the 2012 participants returning in 2013. Please think about participating. If you would like more than the two books of tickets enclosed, just include the extra money with your check and I will fill out the additional tickets.

At the request of numerous members, President Ranson has included your dues expiration date on the address label. Please review it. If your dues have or will expire this year, consider including your dues renewal in your (Continued on page 12)



## Salty Humor

If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

## USS Coral Sea Association Membership Application/Renewal Form

Membership in the USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOCIATON 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 is \$20 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.



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## Blind Auction Photo Prize Brings Sailor's Career Full-Circle.



## Salty Humor

He who hesitates is probably right.



This photo was taken Feb. 15, 1963 off the coast of California. The ship taking fuel from the port side is the USS Ozbourn (DD-846). She was my first ship, serving aboard from 1955-58. The USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) was my last ship and the one from which I retired, serving aboard from 1970 -73.

I won this photo in a blind auction while attending the reunion for the Ozbourn this past September. What a surprise to see the ship on which I started my career 58 years ago next to the one I ended it on 40 years ago! How cool is that?

—Submitted by CPO Richard E. Satchell, USN (Ret.) CMAA 1971-72

## 1964-65 USS Coral Sea War Cruise Statistics.

I was a two year reserve and caught the ship in Subic Bay, P.I. in March 1965 and departed December 1966, having made two war cruises (Navy terms). It was a real adventure.

The statistics below were taken from the out of print book <u>Tonkin Gulf Yacht Club</u> by Rene J. Francillon. It was printed by the Naval Institute Press in Annapolis, MD. Half of the book is devoted to the Coral Sea as it saw more action in the war than any other carrier.

The 1964-65 statistics are as follows (excluding those in the December Coral Sea Breeze):

- I. Steamed 105,000 nautical miles
- 2. CVW-15 flew over 10,800 combat sorties
- 3. Recorded over 16,500 launches
- 4. Participated in 160 major strikes
- 5. Dropped over 6,000 tons of ordnance

6. Eight aircrew members were killed, one pilot was MIA, two pilots were taken as prisoners of war.

7. CVW personal won over 1,000 medals, including five Purple Hearts, one Navy Cross, four Silver Stars, seventeen Distinguished Flying Crosses.

In addition, the Coral Sea was named "Ship of the Year" by *Our Navy Magazine* for 1965. This information is according to a card passed out to the crew in 1966. She was a great ship that just kept on churning. At one time in 1965 we broke away from Task Force 77 on Yankee Station and went further up in the Tonkin Gulf with escorts during the day. We did this for about four or five days, standing battle stations all day long, with fight ops all day long also. We returned to Yankee Station late every evening.

We were due back at Alameda in May but got extended and returned in November. It was an exciting and memorable cruise. You never forget the names of some of the pilots that never returned nor the Migs that came our way.

—Submitted by Lynn A. Carr, Former DK3

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in the process of setting up the tours. More information will be in the June issue of Sea Breeze regarding that. Tentative plans are for a Nashville city tour, a lunch river cruise on the General Jackson and of course the Grand Ole Opry on Friday night. Let's have a big turnout for this reunion. Many thanks to Association V.P. Bill Johnson for setting up this reunion. Bill, I appreciate all that you do for the Association.

I get a lot of calls from Association members about a wide variety of subjects. I appreciate all of these calls, but sometimes they're also a bit sad. Shipmate Jim Whitacer from Blackey, KY, informed me that his wife passed away recently. She has presented afghans to the Association to raffle in past years. We've made a nice income from her work. Jim, on behalf of all our members, I want to thank you and Ann for your generosity and also extend our sympathy.

Shipmates, please check the mailing label on this issue of *Sea Breeze*. Note that the expiration of your membership is indicated. If your dues payment is due, please make your payment for \$20.00 per year to Clarence Neander in the return envelope with your raffle ticket payment. Normally you would make your dues payment to Sec. Don Colwell, but this way, you can save a stamp and an envelope. This is a onetime experiment that Clarence and I thought would be a good idea. As always we're open to suggestions from you, the Association membership.

Godspeed to all of you, and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

John

John H. Ranson President <u>Salty Humor</u>

Birds of a feather flock together... and then crap on your car.

# **Coral Sea Association Small Stores Product & Price List**







Ship's Logo—CVB, CVA, CV

Item No.	Description	<b>Price</b>
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	\$32.00
	Blue, Khaki, Black, Butter, Crimson, new Olive,	
	Smoke or White), all sizes**	
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
1018	Coral Sea Coffee Mug	\$ 8.00
1019	Watch Cap, CVB/CVA/CV	\$12.00
1020-1	Optional Embroidery (Name, Div, Year, etc.)	\$ .50/ltr.
1021-2	Full Back Logo for Jackets	\$30.00
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.

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: 678-426-8716

# Coral Sea Association Small Stores Order Form



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

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\$25—\$50	
\$51—\$75	\$ 12.00
\$76—Up	\$ 15.00

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

651104 BD Navy Unit Commendation for Vietnam duty from 7 Feb 65

651122 AJ 660430 : Major overhaul at Hunters Point, San Francisco

660218 CO New CO: Ault, Frank W. USNA ' 42. At Hunters Point NSY

660729 FN 670223 : 2nd Vietnam war cruise. 2 Hong Kong liberties. 109 line days 660729 GC CVW-2 embarked, tail code NE. HOOK Clayton

670223 BD Navy Unit Commendation for Vietnam war cruise

670223 DL 109 line days on 3 line periods with 16 planes lost in combat

670223 ES Vietnam Service Medal awarded for combat ops off coast

670318 CO New CO: Shawcross, William H. at Hunters Point NSY

670724 CF San Francisco formally adopts ship in ceremonies

670726 FN 680406 : 3rd Vietnam war cruise. Chinese down ferry plane 670726 GC CVW-15 embarked, tail code

NL. NHC Battle Order p 9

670726 GF Last cruise of A-I Skyraider by VA-25

670826 CG Loses propeller blade causing a 2-week return to Yokosuka for repairs 671018 CG Collision with MOUNT KAT-

MAI, AE-16 breaks 2 elevators

671023 CG SH-3A helicopter from KEAR-SARGE hits ship causing fatalities on aircraft 671025 CE 9 injured when Zuni rocket explodes in assembly area

671025 CG Zuni rocket ignites in assembly area. 9 seriously burned

671107 CT Saves 37 crew of sinking LOYAL FORTUNES near Hong Kong

671222 DD Bob Hope gives Christmas performance aboard ship off Vietnam

671225 CF Christmas Day celebrated with Hong Kong liberty period

680123 EK Korea Expeditionary Service Medal to 22 March 1968 680220 GF Last combat sortie for A-I Skyraider in Vietnam. Last deployment cruise

680223 DO Port calls: Hong Kong (2), Subic Bay, Phil. (2), Sasebo, Japan

680302 CO New CO: Ferris, James at Sasebo

680406 BD Navy Unit Commendation for Vietnam cruise

680406 DL 132 line days on 5 line periods with 15 planes lost in combat

680406 ES Vietnam Service Medal awarded for combat ops off coast

680907 FN 690418 : 4th Vietnam war cruise. 110 line days

680907 GC CVW-15 embarked, tail code NL. NHC Battle Order p 11

680930 DI Earns Navy Battle "E" for Pacific Attack for fiscal 1968

681121 CG Catapult shot put A-4C in water. CDR M Naschek VA-216 dies

690418 BD Navy Unit Commendation for Vietnam cruise

690418 DL 110 line days on 5 line periods with 4 planes lost in combat

690418 DO Port calls: Christmas in Japan; Singapore; Hong Kong (Mar 12-18)

690418 ES Vietnam Service Medal awarded for combat ops off coast

690516 CO New CO: Gorsline, Samuel G. Jr. USNA ' 44. File

690923 FN 700701 : 5th Vietnam cruise. Australia. Elevator damage

690923 GC CVW-15 embarked, tail code NL. NHC Battle Order p13

691212 CE Minor explosion in shaft alley caused by cigarette

700115 CL Heavy seas damage No.2 elevator. Removal at Subic Bay

700613 DO 700619 : Port call, Sydney, Australia

700701 BD Navy Unit Commendation for Vietnam war cruise

—Ed. Note, History continues next issue with key events continuing in July 1970.



## Salty Humor

The easiest way to fine something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

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# Scholarship Time!

## AHOY.....shipmates!

The date for returning the scholarship applications is fast approaching; that date being April 15, 2014. Sponsors, I want to urge you to encourage your students to be aware of that date and be diligent in completing their applications.

Also remind your student that their application MUST BE IN MY HANDS on the 15th of April. If time is getting short for your student, then he/she must make arrangements through the mails to get their application to me by the appointed time.

I was really encouraged by the number of requests. We had eight students request applications. Good luck to all the applicants! The winner will be notified by the end of April, 2014.

I do want to encourage all my shipmates that this scholarship is our way of keeping the memories of "OUR LADY" alive in the hearts of those who come behind us. Send a donation to the USS Coral Sea Remembrance Scholarship Fund via our treasurer, Clarence Neander. Fare winds and following seas to you ALL!!

John

Jon Lickey Chairman Association Scholarship Committee

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check for raffle tickets. This saves you an additional check, envelope, and the cost of postage. Please enclose a brief note as to what money goes where. I will forward the dues information to Secretary Colwell.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Nashville!

Clarence

Clarence Neander Association Treasurer