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**USS New Jersey Firing a Dual Broadside During Structure Stress Tests**



**Final Resting Place For The Greatest Battleship Ever Built**

***This Issue is Dedicated To Veterans Of The Persian Gulf Era (September 13, 1983 - May 5, 1984)***

The 27<sup>th</sup> reunion was held at the Virginia Beach/Norfolk Holiday Inn and Conference Center September 11 through 15, 2013. The reunion was extremely successful with over 100 in attendance. Three tours were provided to ensure that everyone had an opportunity to visit interesting areas which included a visit to our sister ship the USS Wisconsin BB 64. The Officers, Reunion Staff and Hotel Employees worked very hard to make this a great reunion wanting everyone to thoroughly enjoy themselves. They succeeded as everyone appeared to have a great time.

The 28<sup>th</sup> reunion will be held in St Louis, Missouri in late August.

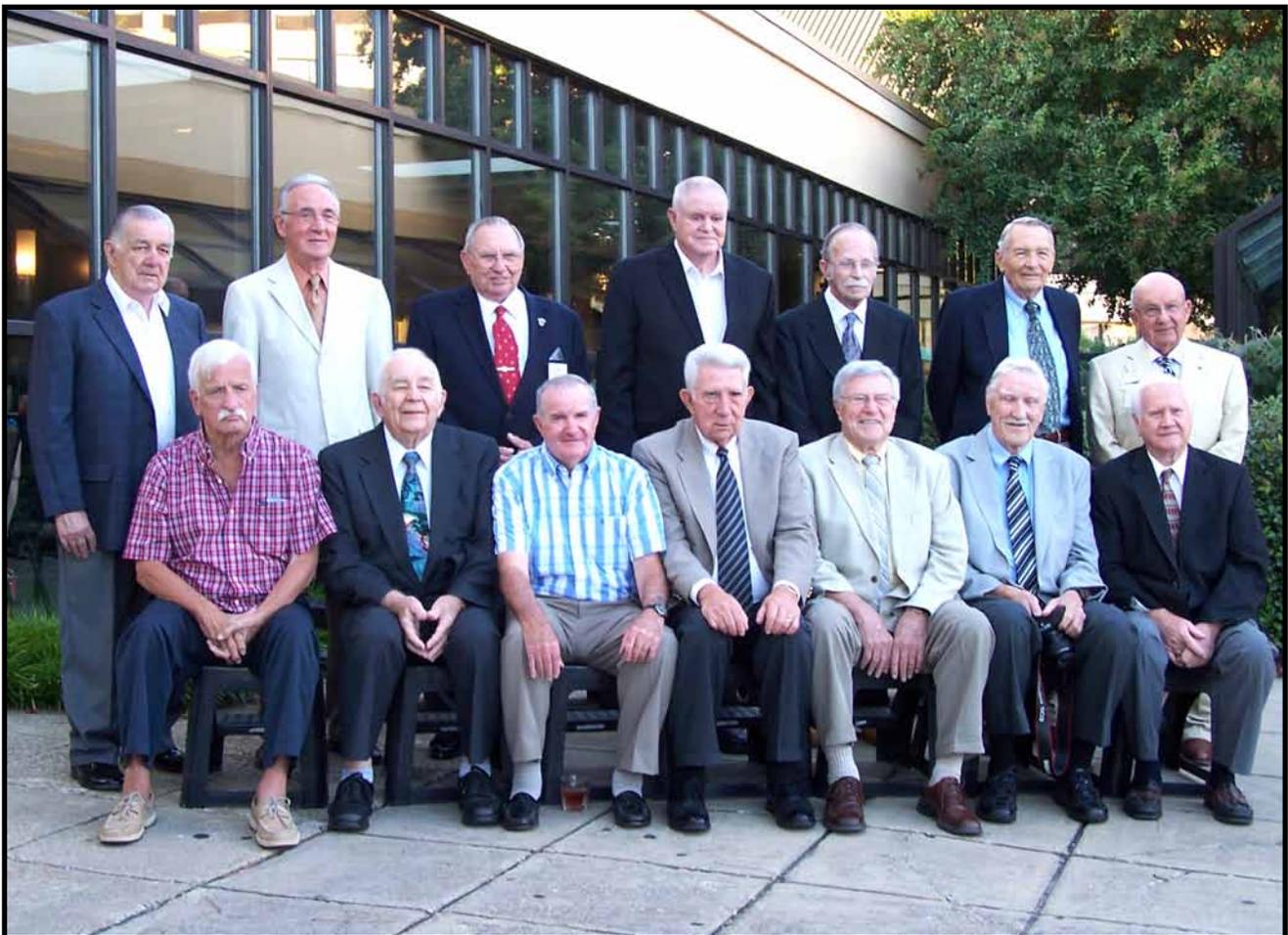


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**WORLD WAR II VETERANS**



**KOREAN WAR VETERANS**

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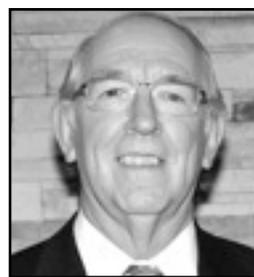
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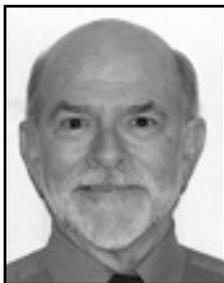
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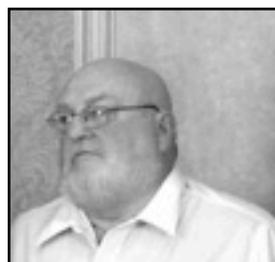
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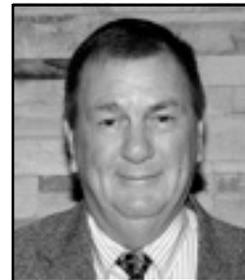
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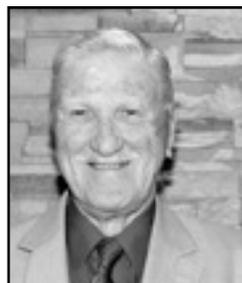
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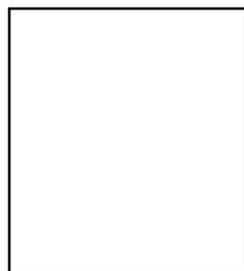
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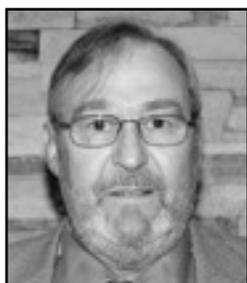
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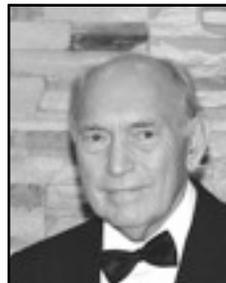
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In an effort to simplify communications the organization has established a depository system. All correspondence should be sent to the following address: Mr. Steve Sheehan, 1209 Cumberland Rd., Abington, PA 19001

## USS New Jersey Association General Meeting 14 September 2013

The meeting was opened at 10:10 by President Sheehan with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of our previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: No report was submitted but the treasurer said we were doing OK. The report will be in the Bounce.

### Committee Reports:

Scholarship Committee: Scholarships were awarded to Sam Ross, Justin Keary and Andrew Braco.

### Memorial Committee:

No one present. The plaque will be presented to the Navy Memorial in DC. Nick Rasch said he would look into plaque.

### Old Business:

None presented.

### Correspondence & New Business:

The secretary received a letter from Dow Weaver (Korean Era) requesting if any Korean Era member remembered Duane Zimmerman to contact him. His contact information was published

on the association web page and Facebook page. Information was e-mailed to Nick Rasch to be published in the Bounce. Nick received a letter from Mrs. Zimmerman with copies of her husband's DD-214 and discharge. Her contact information to be in the Bounce.

MAA Kehoe presented on how to properly how to make a motion He also presented proposed By-Law changes which were individually read , discussed and approved by the members.

President Sheehan proposed John Chase for Small Stores Director and Bill Meredith to replace Mark Babcock as director.

Nominations approved by the membership.

President Sheehan stated the dues notice and list of officers will be in the Bounce.

Next year's reunion will be in St. Louis at the Double Tree Hotel Westwood, 20- 24 August. Rooms are \$95.00 plus tax a night.

### Selection of Reunion Site:

Selection of a site for our 2015 reunion. Joe DeMaria stated this

would be the last reunion he will organize.

Six sites were proposed:

Portland, OR; Rapid City, SD; Great Lakes, IL; Long Beach, CA Philadelphia, PA, and the ship. Each site was voted on and Portland received the most votes.

As per the by-laws, our 2016 reunion and election of officers will be on the ship.

### Good of the Association:

The deplorable condition of the ship was discussed.

Due to the cost of shipping, the small stores will only be open at our reunion and election of officers in Camden.

It was proposed to present an award to Joe and Maureen DeMaria and Jean Vance for their organizing our past reunions. Approved unanimously.

With no further business to come before the association, President Sheehan closed the meeting at 11:20.

Respectively Submitted,  
A.C. Smith, Secretary

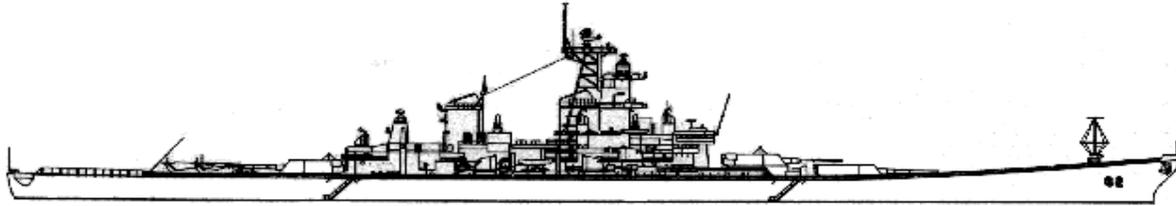


Karen & Tom Gallucci Enjoying Time On The USS Wisconsin



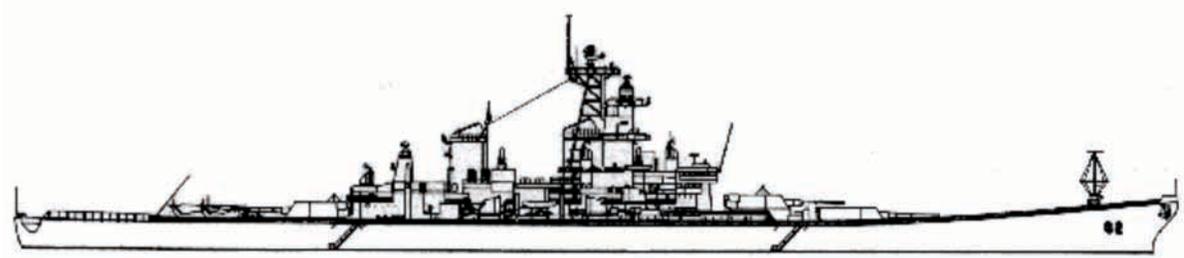
Members Departing Breezy Point Officers Club

After A Great Lunch



**TREASURER'S REPORT SUBMITTED BY PETE VANCE**

BEGINNING BANK BALANCE					<b>\$47,926.63</b>
INCOME					
DUES				\$1,425.00	
SHIPS STORE				\$2,616.00	
SHIP STORE POSTAGE				\$33.15	
SCHOLARSHIP FUND (AUCTION)		\$565.00		\$0.00	
(50/50)		<u>\$2,613.00</u>		\$0.00	
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP				\$3,178.00	
SHIP CONTRIBUTION				\$265.00	
ESSER SCHOLARSHIP				\$1,020.00	
INTEREST RECEIVED				\$17.48	
2013 REUNION				\$12,732.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS				\$21,286.63	<u>\$21,286.63</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE				\$21,286.63	\$69,213.26
EXPENSES					
SHIP STORE				\$1,642.79	
SHIP STORE SHIPPING				\$91.85	
OFFICE EXP				\$877.34	
POSTAGE				\$130.79	
WEB HOSTING				\$960.00	
REUNION REFUNDS				\$545.00	
BOUNCE PUBLISHING				\$4,452.58	
50/50 WINNERS				\$1,119.00	
PETTY CASH ADVANCE				\$100.00	
2013 REUNION				\$12,688.88	
SCHOLARSHIP		\$2,000.00		\$0.00	
ESSER SCHOLARSHIP		<u>\$1,000.00</u>		\$0.00	
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP EXP				\$3,000.00	
2014 REUNION				<u>\$401.77</u>	
				\$26,010.00	<u>\$26,010.00</u>
					\$43,203.26
<b>BANK BALANCES</b>					
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$33,094.86				
OPERATION ACCOUNT	<u>\$10,108.40</u>				
TOTAL	<b>\$43,203.26</b>				



**USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS ORGANIZATION, INC.**

**28<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REUNION**

**WHERE:** Doubletree Hotel St. Louis, at Westport  
1973 Craigshire Road  
St Louis, MO 63146

**WHEN:** August 20 thru August 24, 2014

**RESERVATIONS:** Reservations can be made at the present time by  
calling 1-866-786-8088 or 1-314-434-0100 Group Reservation  
Mention the: USS NEW JERSEY REUNION

Online reservations are available at the following link:

[http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/STLWPDT-NJV-20140815/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/STLWPDT-NJV-20140815/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

Special group rates available August 19, thru 27, 2014  
Handicapped rooms available  
Parking is free.  
Reservations received after July 30, 2014 may not qualify for  
the group rate.  
Cancellation Policy requires notification 24 hours prior to  
scheduled arrival.

**COST:**                      **Room per night**                      **\$95.00 Plus taxes**

Check In Time:                      3:00 PM  
Check Out Time:                      12:00PM

**Room reservation includes breakfast provided by the hotel**

**SYNOPSIS OF THE 27TH REUNION HELD AT THE VIRGINIA BEACH/NORFOLK HOLIDAY INN  
(September 11-15, 2013)**



**Norfolk, Virginia 1905**



**Norfolk Today  
High Rise Apartments, Malls, Light Rail Transportation, Automobiles,  
Fine Dining, Fast Food,  
East Main Street is still there but the Bars and Hangouts are gone**

**WEDNESDAY EVENING**

The Reunion was well orchestrated and started off with the WELCOME ABOARD DINNER which was very well attended.

President Steve Sheehan and Reunion Coordinator Joe DiMaria started the event by delineating times and places to meet Thursday morning for the scheduled tours.

As Chaplain Felix Bautista was not present Danny Fielder provided the opening payer.

The dinner was outstanding with excellent food and great companionship. Everyone appeared to be enjoying themselves. How could anything be better, fine food great friends, an opportunity to reminiscing with old friends (that many haven't seen in a year or so) and meeting new members?

When dinner was over Nick Rasch announced that there was going to be a Blind Auction and all the proceeds would go to the scholarship fund. This was a win, win, win, event. The individual winning the auctioned item was getting a great gift valued at \$50.00 or more. The individual winning the item had the choice of taking the item or taking any previously auctioned item, and the organization was gaining revenue for the scholarship fund and yes everything was income tax exempt.

This auction was very robust with items ranging from a free night at the Holiday Inn, gift cards from Olive Garden, Wal Mart, Jiffy Lube, earrings, and yes, even a ship's bell.

Eleven items were auctioned off and the scholarship fund gained \$565.00.

### THURSDAY

Tours began after a fine full course (free) breakfast, did I say free?

There were two tour busses, one tour went to Colonial Williamsburg & the Jamestown Settlement and the other went to downtown Norfolk and the Norfolk Naval Base.

Unfortunately, Sylvia and I were unable to take both tours and decided on the Naval Base tour.

The tour started by traveling to downtown Norfolk. Some of the streets were very narrow and I was amazed at the skill the bus driver possessed in maneuvering around the town. We were able to stop at the Nauticus (National Maritime Center) and visit our sister dreadnought the *USS Wisconsin BB 64*. The Wisconsin had recently been transferred from an active Naval vessel to a museum. This explained how the teak wood deck was in such fine repair and the ship looked like it had just received a fresh coat of paint.



**USS Wisconsin BB-64**

The tour continued to the Norfolk Naval Base. I haven't been on the base since 1953 and some things



**I won the bid  
Now! What should I do?**



**The Picture Joe Always Wanted  
I Hope!!!**



**Anniversary Earrings  
Dannie Was Saved**

look exactly as I remember and some changed significantly. The Sea Planes have been replaced with long range land based fixed wing aircraft. Helicopters were everywhere. The tour also included an outstanding lunch at the Breezy Point Officers Club. The tour covered the ship's piers where we observed a nuclear sub and several aircraft carriers, including the *USS George H. W. Bush CVN 77*.



**After Lunch  
Departing the Officers Club**

The tour included a drive down the Fleet, Base, and International Commanders Housing. The highest ranking officer resided in the Virginia, which was an outstanding building in old Colonial style. All too soon the tour came to an end.

The alternate tour visited Colonial Williamsburg and Jamestown. My understand was that this was also a great tour and had an outstanding tour guide.

We had a free night and several of us drove out to Virginia Beach for dinner. Others enjoyed the dining at the hotel.

## Friday

After another great breakfast we went to the Memorial Service. The Norfolk Naval Base provided the Honor Guard, Chaplain, and Bugler. Details of the Memorial Service can be found on page xx.

Immediately after the Memorial Service the busses were loaded for the Women's tour of the Norfolk Botanical Garden.



**Eagle Guarding The Garden**

Unfortunately, pictures in Black and White does not due the flowers credit, therefore the pictures have been forwarded to the Web Master for inclusion into our HOME PAGE.

After the tour many members retreated to the Hospitality Room to chat and make dinner arrangements.

Phil Rowan and Dot, his wife arrived and after checking in President Steve Sheehan and the members of 'E' Division invited them to dinner.

## Saturday

After another fine breakfast we went to Salon 'A' to attend the business meeting. Minutes of the business meeting can be found on page 3.

Ray Kehoe presented recommended changes to the By-Laws. These By-Laws changes were approved by the membership and are included in an addendum attached to this issue.

The entire By-Laws are available on our Web Site, therefore only the changes are included in the addendum.

Don't know where Saturday afternoon went but all too soon we were getting dressed for the Banquet Dinner Dance.

The reunion committee was able to have Priceperfect photographer available to take pictures of our pictures both individually and as a group. Any pictures are available through [PRICEPERFECT@COMCASST.NE](mailto:PRICEPERFECT@COMCASST.NE).

The group pictures are on both the inside of the front and rear covers.

After having our pictures taken we entered the Banquet Room and quickly found our table - thanks to the outstanding job that Bill Myers, Seating Coordinator, provided.

The dinner went well with outstanding food and companionship. After dinner, Phil Rowan, President and CEO of the Home Port Alliance Battleship New Jersey Museum and Memorial provide information on the status of our great ship. He reiterated that the ship is in good hands and that the Governor of New Jersey provided sufficient funds to maintain the day to day operations. However, he stated that funding was not sufficient to provide the much needed additional staff nor repair the teak wood deck.

Pete and Jean Vance held the 50/50 drawing. Again the three winners were not present at the reunion. The winners were as follows:

1. Joseph V. Blank \$ 559.50
2. Richard Wright \$ 335.70
3. Walt LaPointer \$ 223.80

The organization wants to thank everyone that purchased tickets.

Steve Sheehan presented Joe and Maureen DiMaria with a plaque for their outstanding service as Past President and Reunion Coordinator.

We all want to thank both Maureen and Joe for making these reunion possible.



**Steve Awarding Hotel Staff Plaque  
Mae Daly receives Plaque**



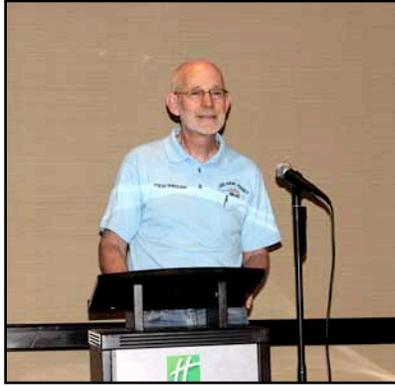
## MEMORIAL SERVICE

**Friday Morning  
September 13, 2013**

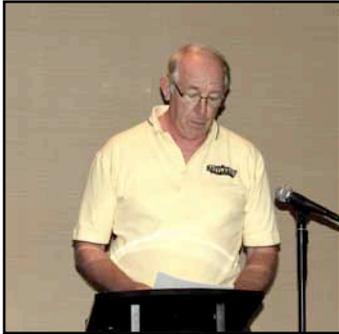
After another great breakfast we walked down to Salon 'F' to attend the Memorial Service orchestrated by President Steve Sheehan with assistance from Bob Dingman, and Dan Fielder.

The memorial service was very well attended. The Norfolk Naval Base very graciously provided Chaplain, LtCdr. M. Taylor, a trumpet player, and the Honor Guard.

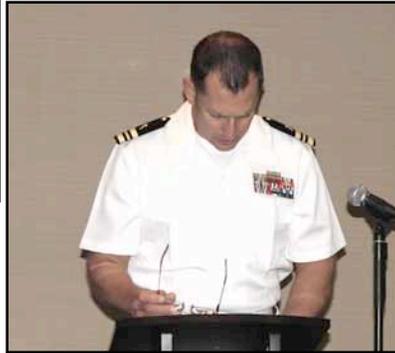
Unfortunately the organization lost 28 member throughout the year which is a terrible loss. At the conclusion of the service Joe and Carol Cusumano moved the Honorary wreath from one side of the podium to the other to symbolize tossing the wreath into the water. Joe Parambo tolled the bell as each deceased crew member's name was announced.



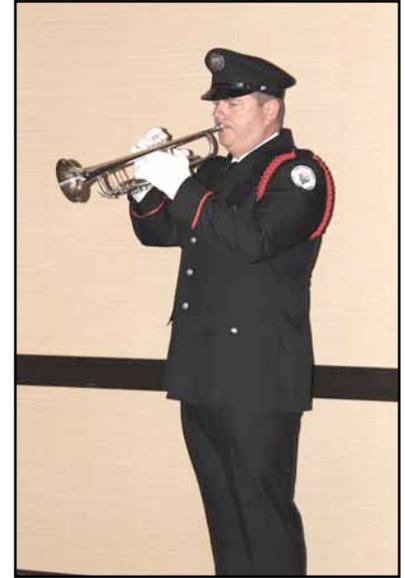
**President Steve Sheehan**



**Bob Dingman**



**LtCdr. M. Taylor Chaplain**



**Playing Taps**



**Dan Fielder**



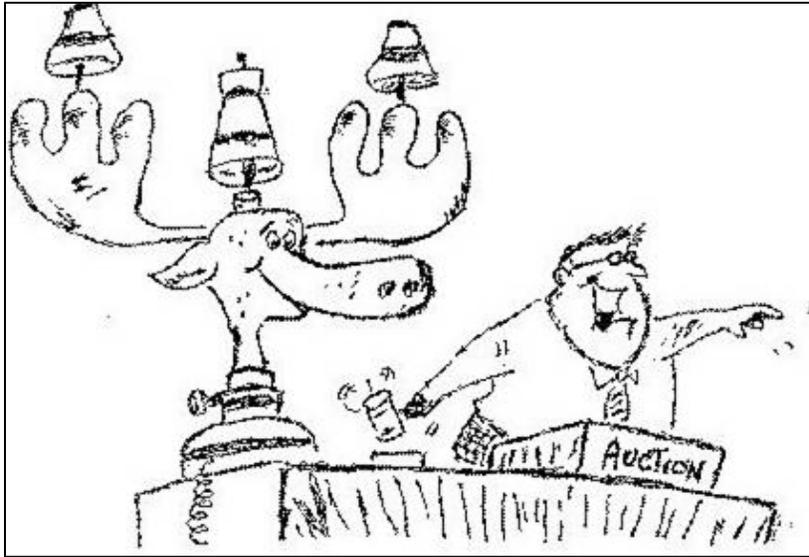
**Honor Guard from Norfolk Naval Base**



**Honoraria Wreath**

## BLIND AUCTION

All Funds From The Auction Went Directly Into The Scholarship Fund



**“Sold to the gentleman with the hysterical Wife”**

**Wednesday Evening Immediately after the Welcome Aboard Reception a Blind Auction was held.**

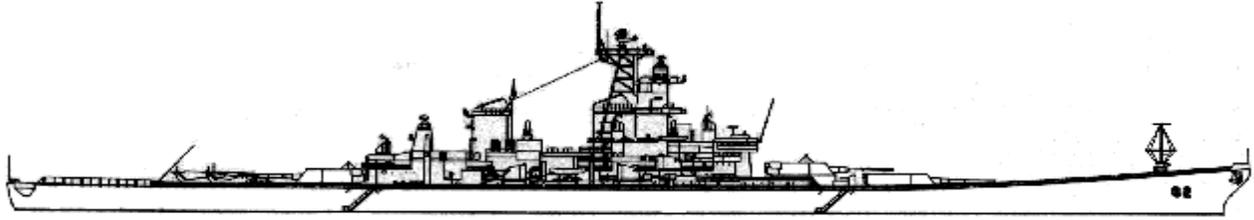
Directly after the dinner a blind auction was held. This was a fun event and everyone appeared to enjoy themselves. A total of 11 items were auctioned off. Each item exceeded \$50.00 in value. All the items were donated and the organization made **\$565.00** to be placed into the scholarship fund.

### DONATING ORGANIZATIONS

<b>HOLIDAY INN</b>	<b>2 FREE NIGHTS AT THE HOLIDAY INN, VIRGINIA BEACH</b>
<b>JEFFY LUBE</b>	<b>FREE OIL CHANGE AND LUBE</b>
<b>MARY’S FLOWERS</b>	<b>TABLE BOUQUET</b>
<b>JOAN McDOWELL</b>	<b>SHIPS BELL</b>
<b>MORE THAN JUST RINGS</b>	<b>PAIR OF EAR RINGS</b>
<b>OLIVE GARDEN</b>	<b>2 GIFT CARDS</b>
<b>POLARIS PRESS</b>	<b>PICTURE OF SHIP</b>
<b>SUN VALLEY ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>THE SUN VALLEY STORY</b>
<b>WAL MART</b>	<b>2 GIFT CARDS</b>

**In addition to the aforementioned donating organizations the organization wants to thank the following:**

Ed Linder for both obtaining donations and helping at the auction.  
Nick Rasch for both obtaining donations and helping at the auction.  
Joe DiMaria for obtaining donations from the Holiday Inn  
Diana Linder, LtC. Pierre Labat, Kathy Labat, & Sylvia Rasch for helping at the auction.



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

**Dear Fellow Shipmates and Associates,**

Another reunion has come and gone. When planning these events they always seem so far in the future, but they are over before we know it. I hope everyone enjoyed Virginia Beach, I know I did.

Everything our association accomplishes is the result of great effort on the part of our membership and officers. I would like to publicly acknowledge a few people who have been such a help to me and a benefit to the organization.

I would like to thank Joe DiMaria for ten years of dedicated service to the organization. Joe never wanted to be President, but he did an excellent job when thrust into the position. All Joe's hard work and organization makes it much easier for the incoming officers to assume their roles. It goes without saying he could not have succeeded without Maureen, thanks to both of

you from all of us for your hard work and dedication.

Another thank you goes out to Membership Chairman Garry Blaylock, our membership has increased since the last reunion.

Vice President Bob Dingman has been a tireless and invaluable asset to our organization. Thanks Bobby for all you do.

The memorial service was quite moving this year. I would like to thank Danny Fielder, Judy Dingman and Carol and Joe Cusumano for filling in for our Chaplin Felix Bautista who could not be there.

There were a few changes to the By-Laws this year which will make a difference for future reunions. We voted to allow July through August reunion dates, and the small stores will only operate at the ship reunion every four years. All items will still be available through mail order at any time.

We will offer only one tour in St. Louis hoping to increase participation and reduce cost; all of the changes are designed to get a "break even" bottom line for our reunions.

Speaking of St. Louis, we are hoping for a larger turnout. As it is the center of our country it should be within a reasonable traveling distance for a majority of our membership, I hope to see you there.

Well, I have to end this so I can get it to Nick Rasch in time. I feel I really need to give Nick a well done for all his issues of the Bounce he has produced. This is real magazine type production. Good Job Nick.

Lastly we really missed Jack Murphy at the last reunion, Get Well Jack!

Meet Me In St. Louis!

Steve Sheehan

President



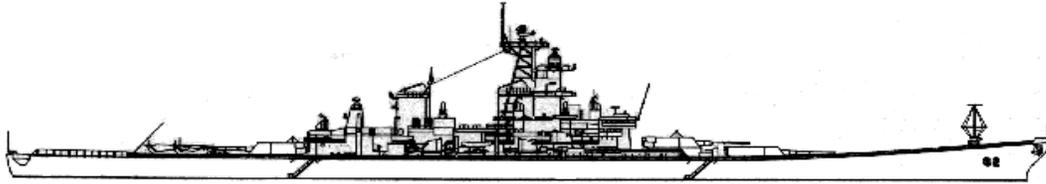
**Little Joe At The Memorial Service**



**Norfolk Mermaid**



**World War II Ladies**



### MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Greetings Shipmates,

The 2013 reunion in Virginia Beach has come and gone. I hope all of our members and their guests had a wonderful time. We had a great turnout of attendees, and picked up a few new “walk-in” members who appeared to have a good time reminiscing with shipmates from their era and with those from the other eras. Being that this year we were in a “Navy Town”, there were plenty of sea stories floating around concerning living and liberty in Norfolk.

Judy and I took the bus tour around Naval Base Norfolk and found it to be very interesting and informative. I was only on this naval base one time, when the USS New Jersey stopped to take on ammunition, and

offered tours of the ship, in May 1968, on our way to the Panama Canal.

For those who don’t know, I will be taking over for Joe DiMaria as reunion planner for future reunions, starting with 2014. We are now in the final planning stages for the 2014 Reunion in St. Louis. Hotel reservations can now be made. There is information in this issue of the Bounce and on the USS New Jersey Veterans web site. This hotel offers an online reservation page just for the USS New Jersey Reunion for those of you who are computer savvy. An active link to the page is on the website. Information on transportation, tours and dinners will be put on the

website as soon as it’s available, and in the spring 2014 Jersey Bounce.

At the general meeting, the attendees voted to hold the 2015 reunion in Portland, OR. Joe has already gathered some information from Travel Portland and the area looks like it will be a great location for our reunion.

I hope everyone has a great Holiday Season and I look forward to seeing many of you in St. Louis in August 2014. Stay healthy and God Bless.

Sincerely,

Bob Dingman

Vice President

EM2, E Division, Vietnam.



**Norfolk Light Rail**



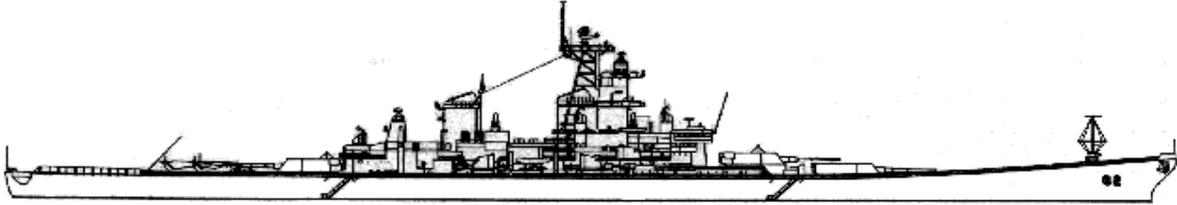
**Virginia Beach/Norfolk Holiday Inn  
(Our Home Away From Home During The Reunion)**



**Norfolk Logo (One of The Many Mermaids In Norfolk)**



**Memorial To The 47 Sailors That Lost Their Lives  
On The Iowa (April 19, 1989)**



### MESSAGE FROM THE LIAISON DIRECTOR

Shipmates,

Thanks to all of you that attended the reunion in Virginia Beach this year. I was personally able to rekindle an old friendship with a crewman that I have not seen in the last 45 years. He is in fact a new member to the organization and his name is Jeremiah Early. He and I as I remember, spent a few hours on lookout on the 011 level. If you never got up there, then you missed a spectacular view. Please welcome Jeremiah aboard!

Sunday morning as Donna and I drove home to Rochester, New York, we met with my daughter's best friend when in high school and who now lives just south of

Richmond. We met at a McDonalds just north of the city off I-95 and had a bit of breakfast before we headed back on our way. In many ways it seemed that time stood still that week and relationships were as they were many years ago.

Kim, my daughter's friend, spent so much time at our house and with us, that many times I would introduce her as my other daughter. Once I got a call for help from her because her brother's snake had crawled into the dashboard of her mother's car and it would not come out. After taking apart as much of the dash as we could and not finding anything, we put most of it back together. Eventually, after 2 month's the

snake crawled out! A bit shriveled, but still alive.

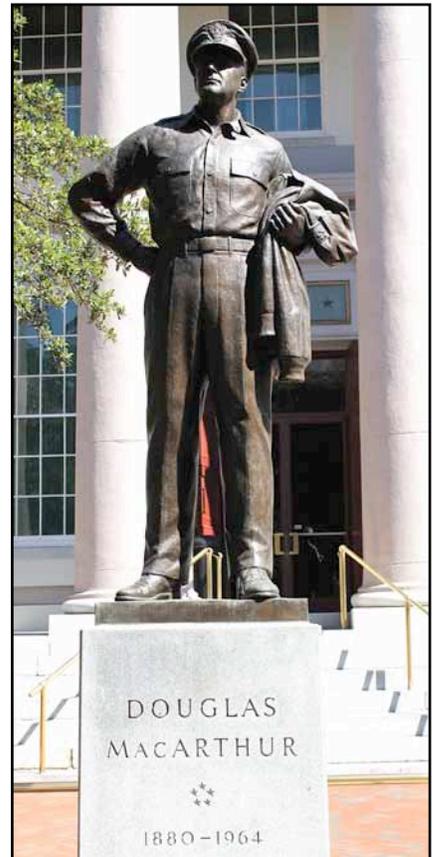
How wonderful it is that after all these years, we can still laugh and reminisce and bring back memories and feelings just as clear as if they just happened yesterday. How fortunate it is that we have fellow shipmates and friends that we can share those feelings that with. How blessed are we that the new friendships we make now will be just as special.

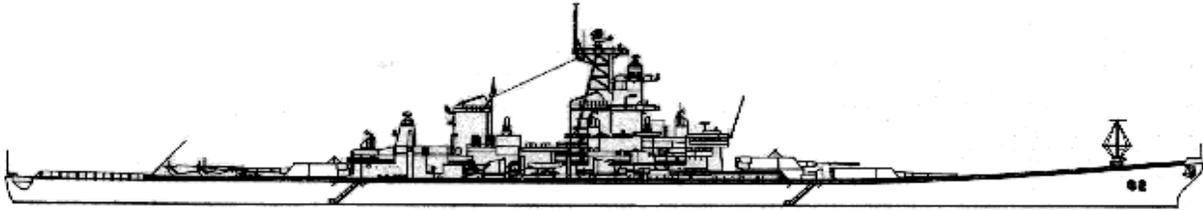
Stay well,

Bill Meredith



**MacARTHUR Museum and Memorial**





### MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

#### NEW JERSEY SHIPMATES

I hope all of you are doing great and enjoying all that we have here in this great country that we live in. We are so lucky!

The 2013 reunion in Virginia Beach was great. Louise and I had a wonderful time. We got to spend time with a lot of our friends. There is never a dull moment when I'm with my shipmates. I think this was a great reunion and I'm looking forward to next years reunion in St. Louis.

We had four more shipmates join our organization. It's always great to meet and talk to new members

and their families. Hopefully we will continue to grow. We need to reach out to our former shipmates in any way we can. If you have an address, email, or phone number of a former shipmate, please get it to me or any of the other officers.

We are not mailing invoices this year (like we've done in the past). Your invoice will be in the Bounce this year. There is a reminder on the front cover to direct you to it's location inside. It serves as an application for new members and your invoice for your 2014 dues. If you have any questions about this, call or Email me. By doing it this way, it's much more efficient and it's saving the organization money that can be used for other things.

It has been a great pleasure to serve as your Membership Director this past year. It was always nice to read your notes that some of you sent in with your dues.

I would like to thank all of the officers of our organization. They make my job a lot easier.

I hope to see you in St. Louis! It will be great.

Sincerely,

Garry Blaylock,  
Membership Director  
EM 2, E Division, Vietnam

**Cut Along Line And Mail To Membership Director**

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#### APPLICATION FORM FOR PRESENT & NEW MEMBERS

**FEE: \$20.00 Make Checks Payable To - USS New Jersey Veterans Organization, Inc.**

**Additional Donation For Ship's Deck Restoration:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail a copy of this form to:**

**Garry Blaylock, 4918 Bal Harbor Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37416**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE CUT OUT THE FORM AND MAIL TO**

**GARRY BLAYLOCK**

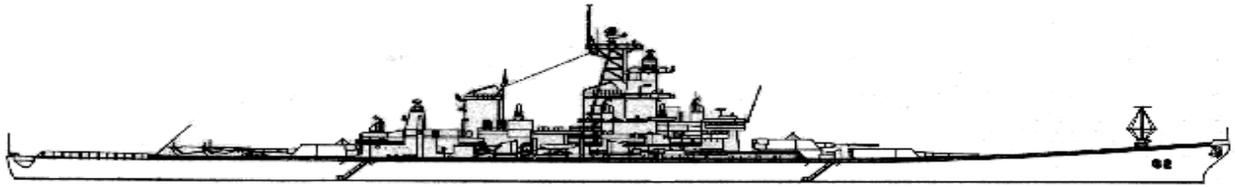
**4918 BAL HARBOR DRIVE**

**CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37416**

**ACCOMPANIED WITH YOUR CHECK**

**IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20.00**

**This is the only dues notification you will receive**



### MESSAGE FROM THE SMALL STORES ADVISOR

It is with pleasure that I am taking over the Ships Store

I am in the process of updating the Web page and items that are for sale.

If there is something that you would like to see available, please let me know. I will be talking with a few vendors in the months to come.

I am working on getting youth and teen items in the store.

I have New Jersey battleship pins coming. They are a replica of the ship and are approximately 3 inches long.

For you ladies I will be ordering petite clothing.

I will try to keep the prices as low as possible. We all know prices have gone up a lot.

Again it is with pleasure that I have assumed this position of Small Store Advisor

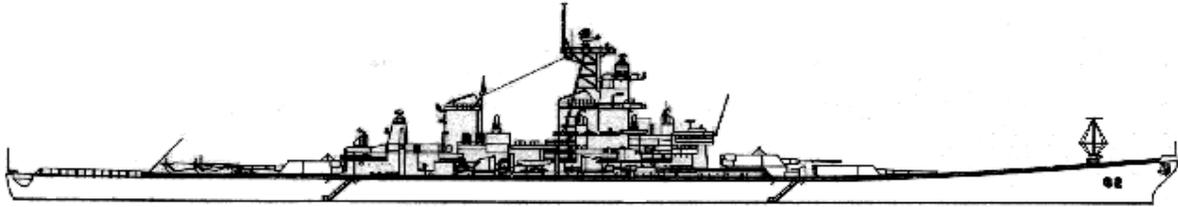
Please watch the Web page for new items

Thank you  
John Chase

### Several Of The Items Available At The Ships Store



**NOTE: The Young Lady Modeling The Items Is Not Included**



## MESSAGE FROM THE SEATING COORDINATOR

As you are reading this another reunion has come and gone. This year's reunion in Virginia Beach was another success as always. It was not necessarily a large group, but it was a good mix who welcomed each other and made sure everyone had a good time.

Unfortunately the numbers of WWII and Korea Era members are dwindling, but it was good to see those who were there as I enjoy visiting with them. We have to remember that these "Salts" are the pioneers of this organization. I enjoy hearing some of their Sea

Stories, although the "facts" seem to grow from year to year.

It seems everyone had a good time and enjoyed all of the activities. Those who went on the tours seemed to enjoy them. The Hotel staff and service were exceptional and I don't see how we could have asked for more.

The Welcome Aboard and the Banquet were well attended and the food was delicious. We had a great DJ for our dancing enjoyment at the Banquet. The Blind Auction at the Welcome Aboard party was a lot of fun. There were several nice items for bids and we raised several

hundred dollars for the scholarship fund. It sounds as if they will be doing it again next year.

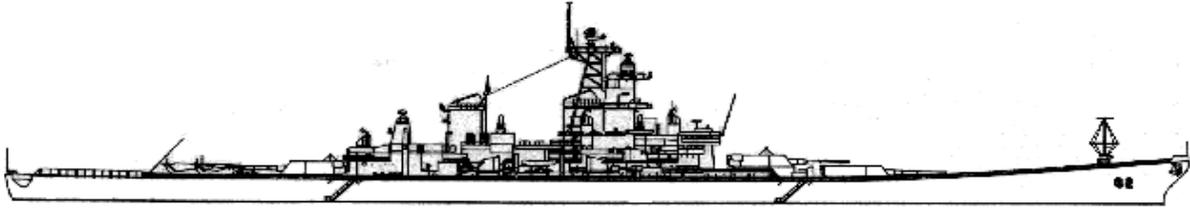
Next year we will be in St Louis August 20-24. I hope to see you there and I look forward to serving your seating needs. Encourage a friend to join you and let's make this Reunion one to truly remember.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Bill Myers

Seating Coordinator





**MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER AT ARMS**

**Word From the Master At Arms**

When at a meeting and you desire to address the President (Chair) it is proper to raise your hand and wait until recognized.

When an individual is recognized, he or she has the floor. This means that they are the only ones who should be talking (at the last meeting a number of members were

very discourteous in talking loudly while an individual who had been recognized by the chair was speaking).

Please remember this at future meetings.

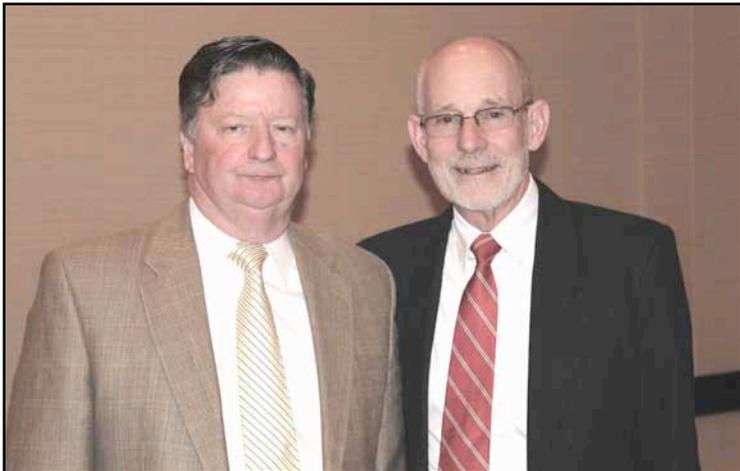
When a motion has been presented to the chair, the only acceptable action is to second the motion. This is not the time for discussion. If

there is no second to the motion the motion dies for a lack of a second and discussion is necessary.

Remembering these rules will make for a much more civil meeting and will help to move the meeting along without unnecessary delays.

Ray Kehoe

Master At Arms



**We Might Not Be As Young As We Once Were  
But We're Still Young Enough To Enjoy The Moment**

**Two Presidents Working Together  
Phil Rowan (CEO) &  
Steve Sheehan (President)**

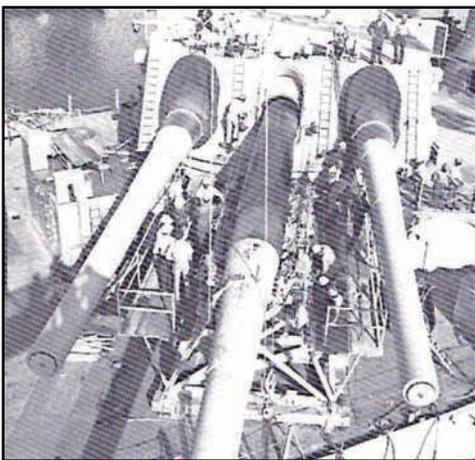


**Better Half Of The  
Vietnam Veterans Group**

# WHAT PURPOSE DID THE USS NEW JERSEY PLAY IN THE NEXT PAHSE OF NAVAL WARFARE

## Australia Bicentennial 1988 Aussie Trek 88

After returning home from the Lebanon conflict the ship required some major repairs. The # 2 rifle in # 2 turret was replaced, enhanced electronics systems were installed and increased communications systems were installed to provide the necessary facilities required as command ship of the newly established Battleship Battle Group (BBBG). In addition, there were rumors that the ship was equipped with nuclear weapons.



**Long Beach, Replacing the # 2 Rifle  
(August 1994)**

The Navy Department came up with a new concept to reduce the strain on the aircraft carrier forces. This was the establishment of the (BBBG). The group would consist of anti-aircraft, and anti-submarine vessels, cruisers, destroyers, frigates, and support ships. A Marine amphibious force would provide a highly credible U. S. response to any 'splinter war' situations. This would be a completely self contained operational group. It represented the first time this new concept (group) would operate since the end of the Korean War.

The battleship in itself is visually impressive and has an

unquantifiable 'mystique' enhancing it's deterrent value. This was not really a new concept. Prior to the aircraft carrier becoming the dominate naval force the battleship had always been the principle member of the fleet.

The thinking was that the BBBG was not intended to replace the



**Captain Katz  
Commanding Officer**

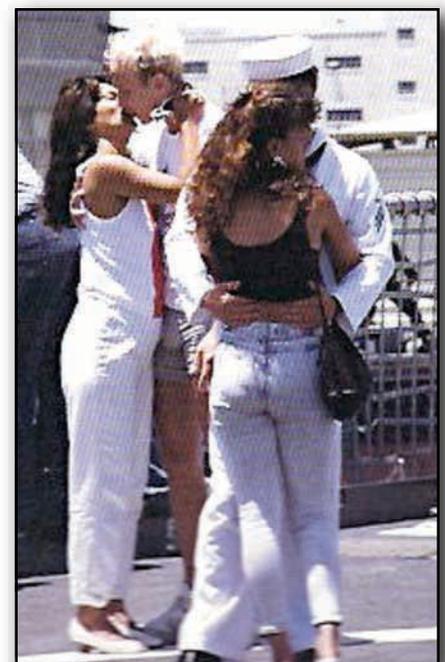
aircraft carriers battle group but in areas of lesser enemy air and submarine threat it would complements the fleet with its great and unique fire power: great - 16" rifles, unique - long range tomahawk and ship to ship harpoon missiles.

On July 9, 1988 the New Jersey initiated the new concept - the SURFACE ACTION GROUP was born.

The BBBG was to be deployed to offset Soviet naval deployments and provide a presence where U. S. naval forces have not been traditionally deployed. In addition, it provided an opportunity to participate in operations with our allies and other friendly nations.



**Captain Katz leads parade**



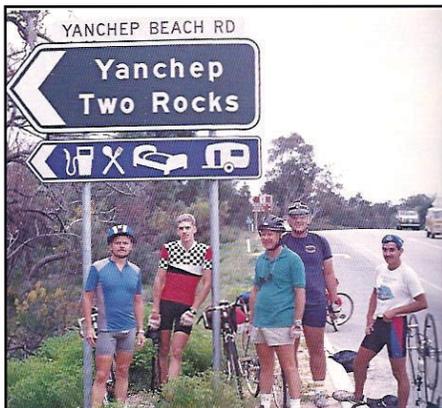
**Goodbyes are always difficult**

The most difficult part of any prolonged cruise is leaving loved ones behind. However, this was scheduled to be a short 4 month cruise. The crew members shared their goodbyes with wives, girlfriends, and families and away they went.

**Fremantle Australia**

Fremantle was the first stop in a foreign port. Much to our surprise we experienced our first encounter with people protesting New Jersey’s alleged nuclear capability.

To ensure there were no problems the skipper detached several armed Marines in Rubber Assault Boats to defuse any protesters. Fortunately, none of the protester wanted to tangle with the Marine security guards.



**Sand Gropers Trek**

Crew members pause on their epic bicycle journey to Yanchep. As they got further away from the city it appeared that they were going back in time.. The trail got rougher, they lost their way but through sheer endurance they toughed it out and succeeded and earned the title ‘Trekker’.

**Brisbane Australia**

The ship journeyed from Fremantle to Brisbane. This was thought to be one of the roughest stretches of water in the world, but the Jersey sailed through without any problems. The ship remained in Brisbane for 11 days giving the crew an opportunity to enjoy the hospitality provided by the citizens of this great city.

The crew had the opportunity to view Kangaroos up close. They are unique. However members of the crew never had an opportunity to see a duck billed platypus in its native habitat. As all good battleship sailors they were able to find some outstanding watering holes.



**Sydney Australia**

Sydney, the next stop on the tour is the most picturesque harbor city in the World. Entering the harbor you immediately recognize the Opera House and Harbor Bridge. In addition the harbor boasts the highest ratio of boats per capita in the world. The crew was excited as many of them came out to greet the ship.



**No Visit To Australia Would Be Complete Without Seeing A Koala Bear**



**Fireworks Every Night Lit Up The Sky During The Expo**

The *USS New Jersey's* participation to the Bicentennial Celebration was a broadside with the 16 " rifles. This was a bicentennial salute to end all salutes.

The crowds went wild. In addition, the Marine Detachment led the way for the United States portion of the Bicentennial Naval March. Watching the Marines March was outstanding. The crowds were wonderful and saluted as our flag passed by, this made the entire crew **Proud of Being an American.**

A unique event took place in the harbor. A British Frigate with the Duke and Duchess of York slowly passed by in review. The crew was manning the rail and gave three cheers to the Duke and Duchess. the British sailors waved in return. So much excitement! What was next?

All too soon the celebrations were over and it was back to work. The visit to Sidney was way too short.

**Hobart Australia**

Hobart was the last Australian stop on the deployment. Hobart is located on the island state of Tasmania. Yes this is where the Tasmania Devil resides.

The Marine Detachment led the Naval March in Hobart and was reviewed by the Lord Mayor. This march included units from the Australian Navy's Bagpipe and Drum Corp.



**Marine Detachment Leading The Naval Bicentennial Celebration**



**Duke and Duchess on the British Frigate**



**Lord Mayor  
Reviewing Parade**



**Australian  
Bagpipe  
&  
Drum  
Corp**

The crew had looked forward to the Australian trip for over a year and now it was over. Several of the Australian ports required us to anchor a long distance from shore requiring long commutes to shore, but none of the crew complained as the liberty was well worth any discomforts. The welcome and hospitality received in Hobart and Sydney alone made the entire deployment outstanding.

As they departed in the rain some of the crew felt remorse at leaving such a great country. The sights and events are forever engrained in the entire crew's memories and will be remembered for eternity.

Now it was time to head for home and the ship knew the way.

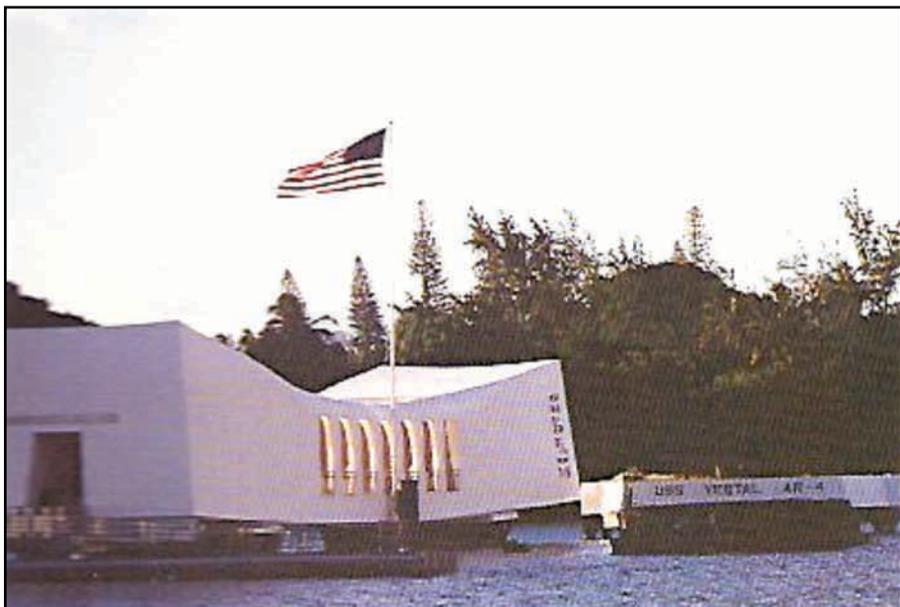
### Winner of the Diplomacy 'D'

The ship and crew proved time and time again that it provided the greatest reception possible. Rain or shine, the hospitality provided was outstanding. Guests ranged from military dignitaries to the heads of state. The entire crew ensured that the guests felt welcomed and at home. The band played and the wine flowed as the crew demonstrated time and again that they could represent our country better than anyone. The *USS New Jersey* soon became known as the place to be. If you weren't invited to a *USS New Jersey Battleship* reception, you missed the time of your life.

### Pearl Harbor

As Australia slowly faded into the sunset the ship was back on the open seas heading for home. The deployment lasted almost 4 months and now the crew was anxiously looking forward to seeing their loved ones.

The stop in Hawaii was very short, provided the opportunity to take on supplies, water, and fuel. There was a brief pause at the USS Arizona, where the junior crew member cast the memorial wreath into the bay and the Marine rifle squad fired an honorary volley.



USS Arizona Memorial



Marine Honor Guard Saluting As The Ship Passes By The USS Arizona

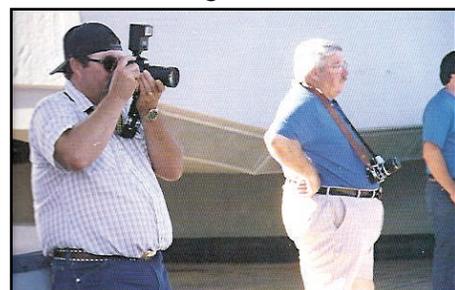
### Tigers

What in the world are the Tigers?

World War II, Korean, and Vietnam Vets never heard of the Tigers.

The navy initiated a program providing an opportunity for dependents or guests of a crew member to ride the ship from the last port to the ship's homeport.

There were 256 tigers on board for the final leg of the deployment from Hawaii to Long Beach.



Several Tigers Had Gained Weight



## THE LAST CRUISE

September 15, 1989 - February 25, 1990

Who was to know that this would be the last cruise for the greatest Battleship in the world!

These words were found by shipyard workers on the back panel of the generator switchboard in the Number 3 Engine Room, author unknown.

**“ The returning once more to sleep of this great ship both unfair and unjust to her and country. She is freedom for those willing to fight for it. She has brought pride to her county and most important to the men she served on land and at sea.**

**If she is called again to serve us, she'll be ready and willing to go more than ever. For who of us can say what price is paid for freedom or that this country is so great or powerful enough to put her to death? Amen.”**

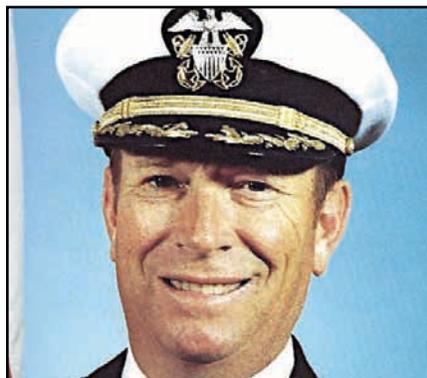
This last cruise encompassed highlights as the *USS New Jersey* flexed her muscles in several operations.

She demonstrated this during the ‘PacEx 89’ exercise. This was the largest peacetime naval operation

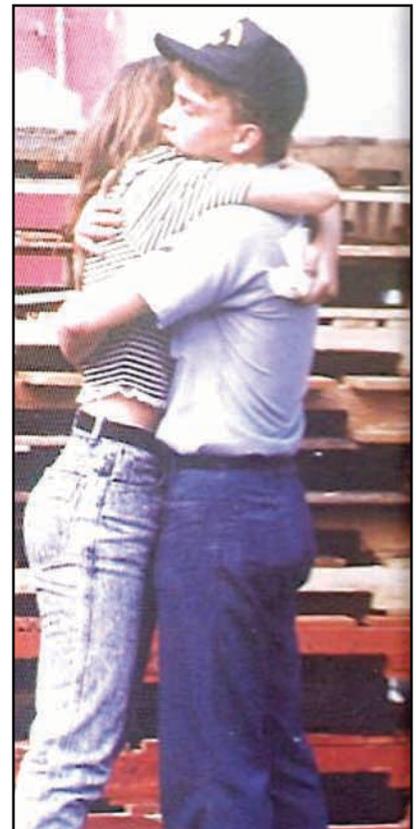
since WW II. Throughout the cruise the *USS New Jersey* was the centerpiece of the surface action group. The ship continually demonstrated the versatility and flexibility only possessed by a battleship of her strength and ability.

The cruise encompassed passing through the Indian Ocean en-route to the Persian Gulf. The *USS New Jersey* was the first battleship to enter and operate in the Persian Gulf.

This cruise like all previous cruises brought emotion to everyone as crew members had to say good-by to loved ones.



Captain Ronald D. Tucker



Crew Member Saying Good-by

## Pusan Korea

Pusan was to be the first foreign port the *New Jersey* was to visit.

There were stories about the great shopping in Pusan, and the crew couldn't wait to get ashore and see for themselves.

After two and a half weeks at sea entering Pusan Harbor was a welcome sight. The crew was



**Crew Members Waiting For Liberty Boat to Go Ashore**

ready willing and able to go on liberty.

After the long wait for the liberty boats members of the crew hastened ashore. There were shops with everything imaginable and shop keepers anxious to sell just about everything. Crew members quickly found the best watering holes and hunkered-down to enjoy shows, dancing, and more.

This isn't the same Pusan the Jersey-men experienced during the Korean War. No air raids, no worry about communist military trying to harm them, no citizens selling black market food on every corner. It was just a common war torn city.

Pusan is now a modern city with every amenity possible, a fine city and a more important a great liberty port.

## Subic Bay

Only too quickly the visit to Pusan was over and we were on our way to Subic Bay. This was the favorite liberty port the USS *New Jersey* sailors enjoyed during the Vietnam War.



**Pusan Tower**

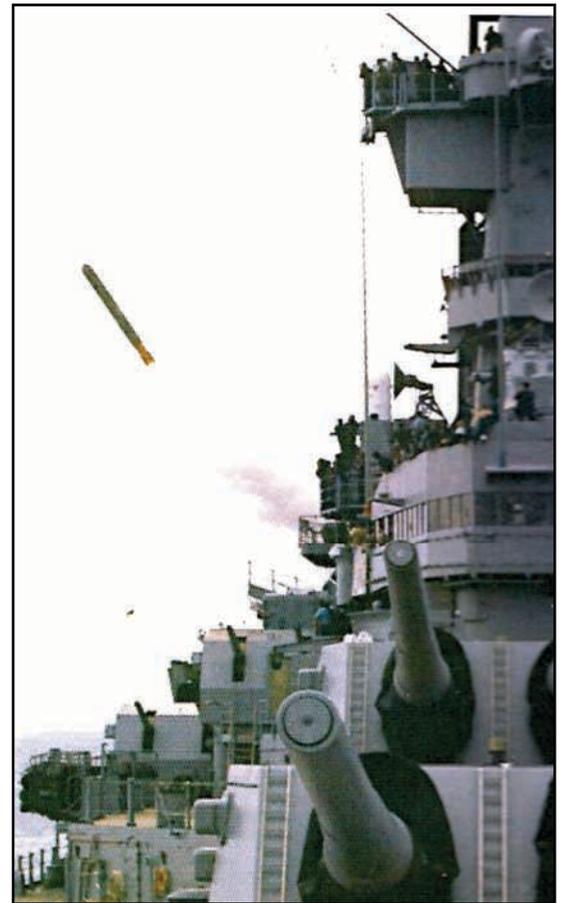


**Parade To Welcome The Big 'J'**

When the ship arrived a parade in honor of the *USS New Jersey* was held. The crowds turned out in droves, the people were extremely hospitable.

After departing the crew agreed that this was one of the greatest liberty ports in the world.

**Crew Member Staring At Breech Of A Corregidor Cannon**



**Firing a Harpoon Anti-ship missile**



**Young Lady Looking For Sailors**





**Local Taxi Will Take You Anywhere**



**Woman Selling Vegetables And Much More**



**Local Market Selling Souvenirs**



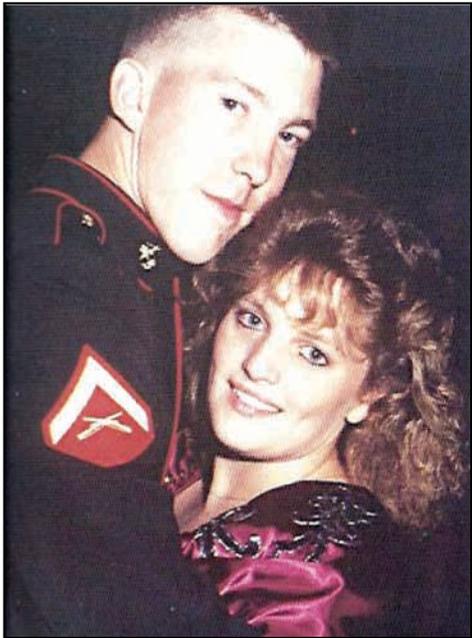
**Crew Observing The Firing Of A Harpoon Missile During PacEx 89 Operations**

## MARINE BIRTHDAY

While still in Subic Bay the Marines celebrated their organization's Birthday. This is a big event and the booze flowed like water. Before long everyone was feeling no pain and the celebration was highly successful.



**Sailors and Marines Celebrating**



**Corporal Found A Dance Partner**

After the Celebration the ship got underway for Hong Kong.

### Hong Kong

Hong Kong another name for paradise. There was everything anyone could ever want here. Hospitality, wine, women, souvenirs, and international cuisine. Yes, Hong Kong was like going to the promised land, maybe even better.



**Entering Hong Kong You Observe The International Atmosphere**



**Liberty Boats Transporting Luck Crew Members Ashore**

This visit was outstanding, everywhere the crew went they were greeted with hospitality. This was more like being in a big city in the USA except the people spoke in a foreign language. If this is the orient, the crew member wanted to just stay.

Only, way too soon the ship departed this outstanding liberty port. Most of the crew forgot that they were crew members of a **ship of the line, a man-of-war, it's guns spoke in anger.** It was more like a long vacation.

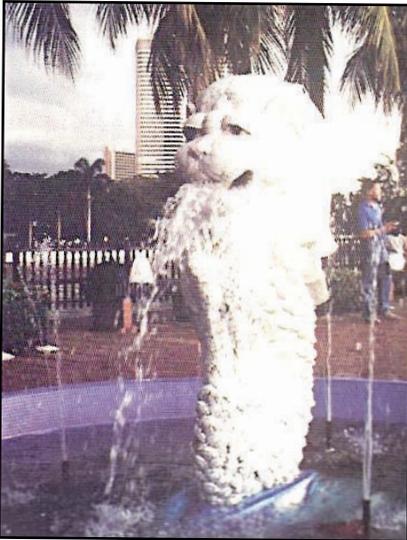
Captain, Captain, 'Where Oh Where' are you taking me next?



**Crew Member Waiting For A Cooley To Pull The Taxi**

## Singapore (Lion City)

Singapore was a British Colony for many many years and still had the British tradition. Most of the older building resembled Victorian style.



### Seafarers Are Greeted With A Lion Fountain

Soon all the lockers were overflowing with souvenirs. The cameras about worn out. This has been the most exciting cruise ever.

Christmas was spent in Singapore. Not like being home with loved ones but the natives tried to make everyone feel welcome, and they did a great job of it. Very few crew members were depressed at being so far from home at this special time.

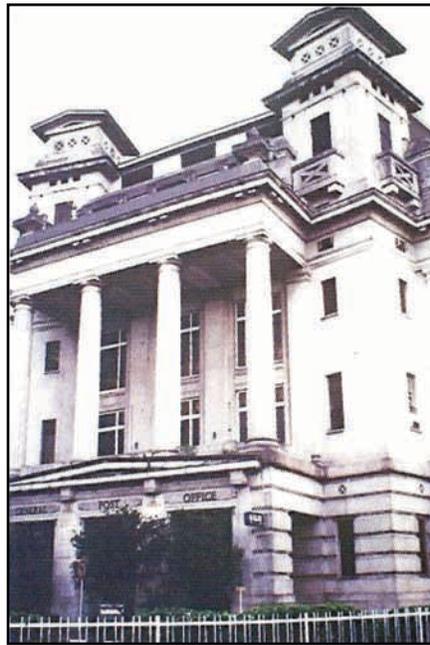
Again, and again, the ship and crew had to depart a great liberty port.

What great liberty port awaits us next, Great Captain?

### Sitrah & Dubai

The ship had sailed into waters that were new to her. She had never been to this part of the world. The *USS New Jersey* was going to be the first United States battleship to enter the Persian Gulf.

Things were different here. They were now in relatively hostile



### Victorian architecture was even event at the Post Office

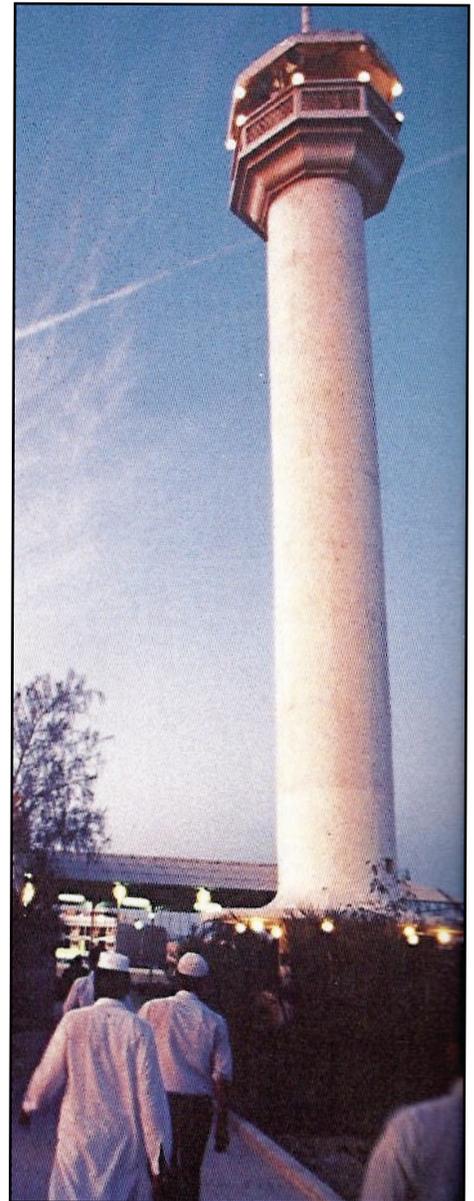
waters. The battleship was being perceived as a deterrent for any hostile action. Although the ship was in a Third Nation military enclave, caution had to be maintained. The 60 caliber weapons were locked and loaded, ready for immediate action. Lookouts continued to watch for floating mines and armed speed boats as she enter the Straits of Hormuz.

Things were much different here. Where was the hospitality shown at Singapore and Hong Kong? Liberty was much different in the Arab world, Carpenter's Lounge was one of the few watering holes available.

Where was the hospitality, the bright lights, the shops, dances. places to get adult drinks?

Yes, there were souvenirs readily available: gold, perfume, and cloths to name a few.

In an effort to keep morale high the Skipper decided to have a **Steel Beach Picnic**. The cooks set up a long chow line. The event was a success and some of the built up tension was relieved. The entire crew was anxious to depart this area.



### Muslims Approaching A Mosque

### Pattaya Beach Thailand

Thailand might not be in the same class as Singapore and Hong Kong but it was a welcomed relief from being in the Persian Gulf. Tensions were reduced and the crew could go back to normal operations.

Liberty was outstanding and yes, there were watering holes available. The experienced crew was able to locate these facilities without too much guidance.

By now the crew had seen just about everything and was anxious to get home.

Often wondered how the old salts in WW II were able to handle being at sea for long periods of time.

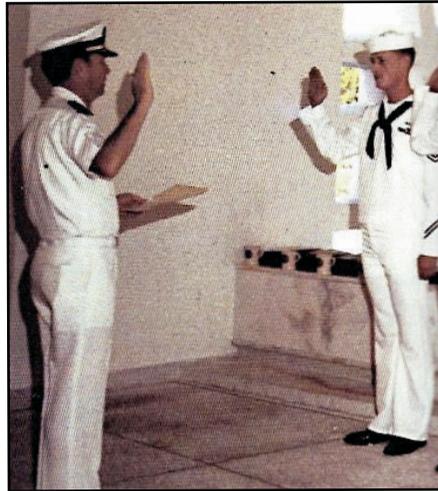


**Thai Woman Carrying Goods**

### **Pearl Harbor**

The ship slowly slipped into Pearl Harbor to replenish supplies and give the crew a few moments to enjoy the surf and sand of this great Island.

During the brief stay Captain Tucker reenlisted five members of the crew aboard the USS Arizona Memorial.



**Captain Tucker Giving The Oath To The Reenlisties On The USS Arizona Memorial**

### **Tiger Cruise**

Again it was time for the Tigers to come aboard for the cruise home.

Several hundred Tigers quickly came aboard. The ship slowly departed and quickly increased its speed to 25 knots for a speedy trip home.

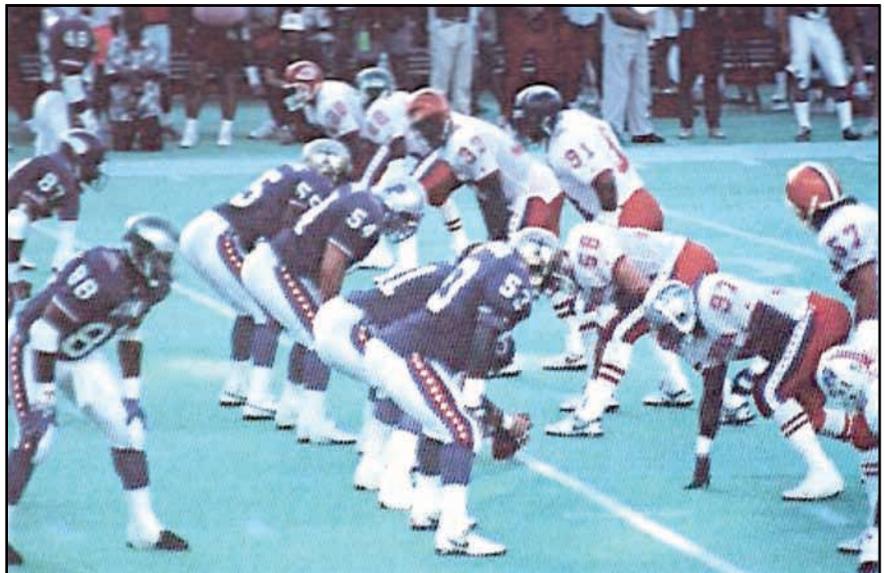


**Tigers Trying Their Hand At Holly Stoning The Deck**



**Statue of Thai Soldier Placed In A Park**

As this was the last foreign 'Port-of-Call the crew members were rapidly purchasing souvenirs prior to the long trip home.



**While in Hawaii Several Crew Members Received Free Tickets To The National Football All Star Game.**

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

July 15, 2013

Dear Steve Sheehan.

After 36 yrs I am finally doing research regarding my husband - Duane Alan Zimmerman. We married in 1955 - had 6 children & at age 45 he died with our youngest 8 yrs old & the oldest 20 - I had my RPN license so went to work & did not quit until 2011 - so now you know the reason I never really knew anything about my Duane & his time in the navy. I'm working on it now with his USS New Jersey 6662 book in front of me. I have been in touch with Dow Weaver because my Duane named one of our boys after him because he knew him in the navy. Dow doesn't remember him so I'm on a mission to find someone that knew him during 1950 - 1954. I do not have a computer but you could send info to my oldest son Donald at: Zim glide @ yahoo. com

I am including Duane's Honorable Discharge papers & his certificate of death so you have proof & do you have him on your list of veterans that have proceeded us into eternity?

"The Jersey Bounce"  
Dow Weaver has sent me the Volume XXVI NO 2 Fall 2011 issue & I've read it

Anyone having any information concerning Duane Alan Zimmerman please contact Mrs. Bonnie Zimmerman 10817 160th St. E. Hastings, MN 55033, Phone: 651-437-6909, Email: [zimglide@yahoo.com](mailto:zimglide@yahoo.com)

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

At every reunion several member jump in to ensure that the reunion goes smoothly. Drafting the Bounce requires additional support and I'm extremely appreciative of this support.

- Kathy LaBat Kathy was instrumental in taking pictures which are found through this issue of the Bounce.
- Dan Fielder Danny was here, and there, and everywhere helping wherever possible. He participated at the Memorial Service, guiding member to the correct tour bus, participating at the Banquet. Yes, he was everywhere.
- Ed & Diana Linder Their help and support in obtaining gifts and helping at the Blind Auction.
- Jean & Pete Vance The outstanding effort to make the 50/50s a success.
- Pierre LaBat Helping at the Blind Auction.
- Tom Gallucci Tom and his organization supplied all the sweet rolls found in the Hospitality Room.
- Joe DiMaria Gifts for the Blind Auction.
- Hesham Oubari For the use of his cruise books

**IN ADDITION TO THE AFOREMENTIONED, THERE WERE MANY MEMBERS THAT HELPED  
IN VARIOUS WAYS TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE REUNION**

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**-- THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE --**



**Members Enjoying The Hospitality Room**

## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

There were only three applications for the USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. scholarship this year. The applicants represented a broad cross-section of the Class of 2013.

With only 3 applicants the Scholarship Committee's job was relatively easy as the organization awards 2 scholarship plus the Dick Esser Scholarship. The Board of

Directors and Membership approved awarding each of the three applicants a \$1000.00 scholarships.

### **ANDREW BRECKEL (Dick Esser Scholarship)**

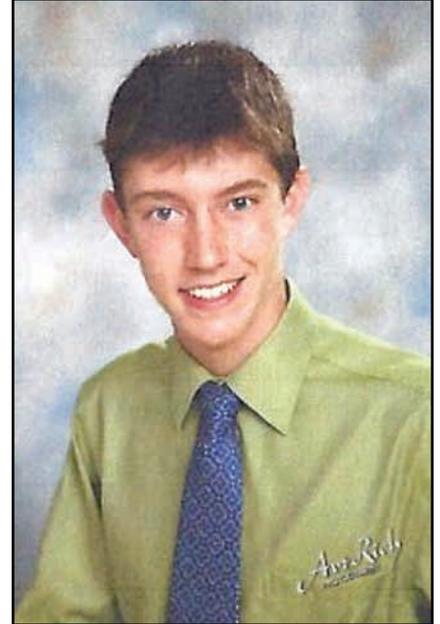
Andrew is the grandson of USS New Jersey Veteran William Breckel, 'C' Division, Korea and the son of Paul and Denise Breckel. Andrew graduated 2nd (salutatorian) in the Rham High School class of 2013 with a GPA of 4.00 (on a scale of 4.00). In addition, Andrew was the Captain of both the varsity Math and Tennis Teams. Andrew complied a SAT score of 2350 which is almost perfect.

While at Rham High School, Andrew was a member of the National Honor Society, CAS/GIAC

Scholar Athlete, AP Scholar, 2013 National Merit Scholar, and awarded Excellence in both Mathematics and Science from the Rham Science Department.

Andrew is attending Boston College in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts where he will major in Accounting in the School of Business.

**'Congratulations Andrew'**



**Andrew Breckel**

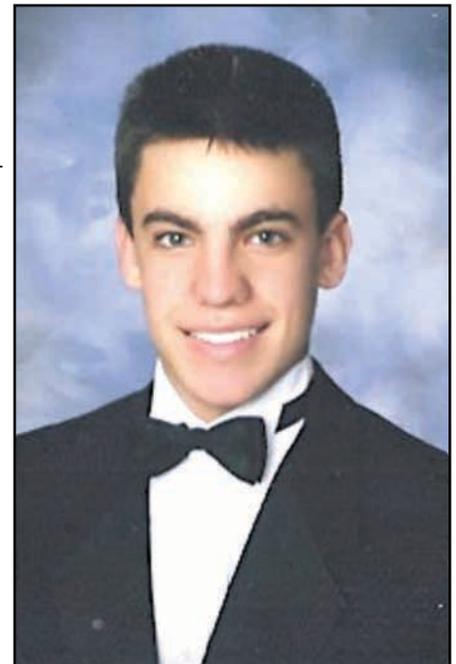
### **SAMUEL M. ROSS**

Samuel is the grandson of USS New Jersey Veteran Robert R. Ross, WW II (Plank Owner) and the son of Ken and Barbara Ross. Samuel graduated from Babylon High School with a GPA of 3.85 (on a scale of 4.00). In addition, Samuel was a member of the varsity wrestling, lacrosse and winter track teams.

While at Babylon High School Samuel was a National Honor Society member in Science, Business and Marketing. In addition Samuel was member of the Principal's High Honor List.

Samuel is attending James Madison University, in Harrisonburg, Virginia where he will major in Accounting in the School of Business.

**'Congratulations Samuel'**



**Samuel M. Ross**

The organization wants to thank the Scholarship Selection Committee for their insight in selecting the winners.

## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS (continued)

### JUSTIN KENLEY

Justin is the grandson of USS New Jersey Veteran Jerry Kickman and the son of Forrest and Jan Kensey. Justin attended Metroline Christian Academy in Indian Trail, North Carolina. Justin was a junior marshall at the school and a member of the varsity baseball, basketball and cross country teams.

Justin is attending Anderson University in South Carolina and is majoring in Christian Studies. Justin decided to attend Anderson University to gain knowledge of the scriptures which will help him in obtaining his ultimate goal of becoming a Christian Preacher

**‘Congratulations Justin’**



**Justin Kenley**

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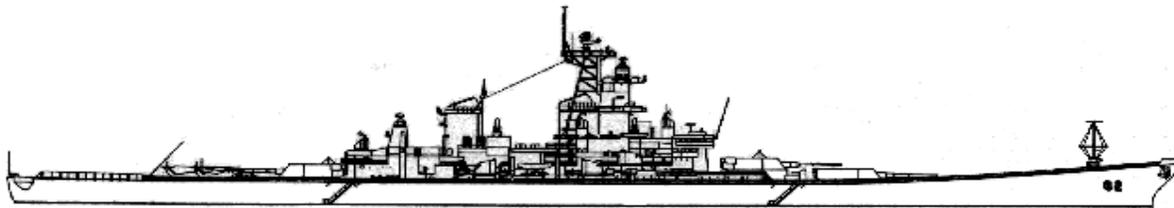
### Bailey Evans

The organization received the following letter from Bailey Evans (last years recipient of a scholarship award) and I wanted to pass it along to our members.

Miss Evans is starting her sophomore year at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Georgia. During her freshman year she was a member of the President’s Honor Roll with a grade point average of 3.5 in addition to being the starting goalie of the girls soccer team. Her first year on the soccer team culminated with her being awarded the defensive MVP on the team and being named second team All Southern Athletic Association goalie. In addition, she received an all-scholastic first team honor from the Southern Athletic Association.



**Bailey Evans**



## **SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES, ELIGIBILITY, AND APPLICATION INFORMATION**

The organization will continue to award two \$1000.00 scholarships in addition to the \$1000.00 Dick Esser Scholarship. A committee appointed by the President will review the applications and make a selection. This listing will then be forwarded to the Board of Directors for approval. These selections will then be forwarded for final approval by the members at the formal business meeting.

**Applications for the Scholarship must be received by the President NO later than June 1, 2014**

### **GUIDELINES:**

- a. No Committee member's family or relative is eligible for the award.
- b. Scholarships will be awarded to deserving students who have maintained a 'B' or '3.0' GPA
- c. Students must be a graduating senior, attending an accredited high school/vocational technical institution graduating in the class of 2014.
- d. Applicants must be recommended by their high school guidance counselor.
- e. Awards must be used at an accredited educational/technical institution for undergraduate studies.
- f. Awards are not available for graduate studies.
- g. The award will be paid directly to the institution selected.

**Additional information and forms are only available on the Internet (reference) [WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG](http://WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG)**

**Publication will be accomplished through the USS New Jersey Veterans News Letter and the aforementioned Home Page.**

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- a. Any child, or grandchild of a member in good standing, including children of a member in good standing who passed away during the current membership year is eligible.
- b. Must be a high school senior graduating in the class of 2014.
- c. Official transcripts for the 11th and 12th grades must be submitted with the applications.
- d. Must have two (2) academic references.
- e. Student's personal resume.
- f. Student's complete essay.
- g. Name and address of educational/technical institution to be attended.
- h. Graduation picture or equivalent.

### **APPLICATION SUBMISSION:**

Eligibility requirements b, c, d, e, f, g, and h must be received by Steve Sheehan, President, by June 1, 2014.  
Steve Sheehan, 1209 Cumberland Rd., Abington, PA 19001

**THE PRESIDENT WILL NOTIFY THE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS BY PHONE WITH A FOLLOW UP LETTER OF CONFIRMATION.**

# USS NEW JERSEY BB 62 REUNION NAME PLATE ORDER FORM

Complete this section by selecting the designed Name Plate for Crew Member, Associates, Spouse, or Guest.

Crew Member Plate 2.0 X 3.0 inches (White with Blue Letters)

Associate Member, Spouse, or Guest 1.0 X 3.0 inches (White with Blue Letters)



## Pricing

At this time prices have not been finalized. Contact John Chase for prices

Mail this complete order form and check to:

**John Chase**

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Phone: 603-286-7065

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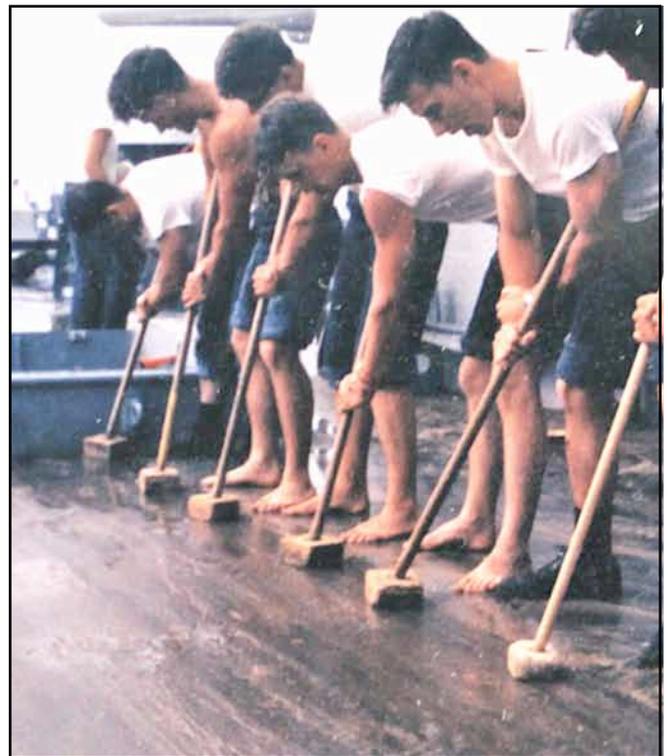
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**NOTE:** Name Plate will be attached to your envelope at the Welcome Aboard Table



Life is Good At The Reunions



Crew Keeping the Deck Clean

**WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS**  
to the  
**USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS ORGANIZATION, INC.**



<i>John Carey</i>	<i>OI</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>Virginia Beach, Va</i>
<i>Jeremiah Early</i>	<i>OI</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>Acworth, Ga</i>
<i>Thomas Harwood</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>San Diego, Ca.</i>
<i>George Komer</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>WW II</i>	<i>Skaneateles, NY.</i>
<i>Robert Leister</i>	<i>USMC</i>	<i>Korea</i>	<i>Eloit, Me.</i>
<i>Hesham Oubari</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>Suffork, Va.</i>
<i>Paul Tapia</i>	<i>Admin</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>San Bernardino, Ca</i>
<i>Peter Thelander</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>Vietnam</i>	<i>Cooks, Mi.</i>
<i>Gary Vercammen</i>	<i>R</i>	<i>Lebanon</i>	<i>Medford, Or.</i>
<i>Radm Edward Walker Jr.</i>	<i>Admin</i>	<i>Korea</i>	<i>Alexandria, Va.</i>
<i>Bonnie Lou Zimmerman</i>	<i>Assoc.</i>		<i>Hastings Mn.</i>



## *USS NEW JERSEY BB-62 TAPS LISTING*



*When I come to the end of the day  
and the sun has set for me.  
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little, but not too long  
And not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love we once shared  
Miss me, but let me go.*

*For this is a journey we all must take  
And each must go alone.  
It's all a part of the Maker's plan  
A step on the road home.  
When you are lonely and sick at heart  
Go to the friends we know.  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds  
Miss me, but let me go.*

<i>Frank Becker</i>	<i>5th</i>	<i>WWII</i>	<i>Clifton Park, NY</i>
<i>Frank Bozek</i>		<i>WWII</i>	<i>Trenton, NJ.</i>
<i>Dick Mc Dowell</i>	<i>4th/5th</i>	<i>Korea Port</i>	<i>Orange, Fl</i>
<i>Elwyn Duprey</i>	<i>Deck/Gun</i>	<i>Korea</i>	
<i>David Foley,</i>	<i>8th, L</i>		<i>Bethlehem, Pa.</i>
<i>George Gund,</i>	<i>8th,</i>	<i>Korea,</i>	<i>San Francisco, Ca.</i>
<i>Howard Harper</i>	<i>E</i>	<i>WWII</i>	<i>Thousand Oak, Ca.</i>
<i>Manuel Rocha</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>WWII</i>	<i>Raynham, Ma.</i>
<i>Wesley Davis Stangee</i>		<i>Korea</i>	
<i>Thomas Zachwieja</i>		<i>WWII</i>	<i>Philadelphia, Pa</i>
<i>Duane Alan Zimmerman</i>		<i>Korea</i>	<i>Hastings, Minnesota</i>

## ADDENDUM

### CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS

The changes to the By-Laws that were approved by the members at the 2013 Reunion at Virginia Beach September 14, 2013. These changes are shown in upper case italics. All the changes are incorporated on pages 1 & 2 in the By-Laws.

Only the changes incorporated at this meeting are shown here in an effort to conserve resources as the entire By-Laws are available on our home page. [WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG](http://WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG)

#### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP;**

(1) Qualifications for membership, all persons, Sailors and Marines who were assigned to active United States Naval service aboard the USS NEW JERSEY BB62.

(2) ***THE SPOUSE, SURVIVING SPOUSE, CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF MEMBERS, WHO SERVED ON THE USS NEW JERSEY BB62, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE CORPORATION AS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND SHALL PAY DUES, BUT SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO VOTE AT ANY MEETING AND THEY SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO SERVE AS OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION.***

(3) ***ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP SHALL ALSO BE OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND SAID PERSONS SHALL PAY DUES, BUT SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO VOTE AT ANY MEETING AND SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO SERVE AS OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION.***

(4) ***UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A TERM AS PRESIDENT, THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT AND SPOUSE SHALL BE MADE LIFE MEMBERS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF DUES. PRESIDENTS WHO PASS AWAY WHILE IN OFFICE SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR TERM AND THEIR SPOUSE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LIFE MEMBERSHIP. ANY PERSON HAVING SERVED AS PRESIDENT WHO HAS NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR TERM OF OFFICE SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LIFE MEMBERSHIP.***

#### **ARTICLE IV - ANNUAL MEETINGS:**

##### **Section 1. Reunion**

- a. An Annual Reunion, ***HEREAFTER*** known as the Annual Meeting of the Corporation, ***OR ANNUAL MEETING***, shall be held between ***JULY 1ST AND OCTOBER 30TH OF EACH YEAR*** at a site to be approved by a majority vote of the members attending the Annual Meeting. If there is more than one recommendation for a reunion site, the membership in attendance shall vote and select the site. If for some reason the site cannot be selected at the Annual Meeting, then the Board of Directors is authorized to select the site. The President shall announce the selection of the site in an upcoming "Jersey Bounce" before the next Annual Meeting. ***SITE SELECTION SHALL BE MADE TWO (2) YEARS IN ADVANCE.***
- b. A non-refundable *reunion registration fee* may be fixed by the Board of Directors per registered Member, Associate Member and Guest, levied in addition to the usual Annual Meeting charges. ***Only dues paying former Crewmen in attendance at THE Annual Meeting shall be entitled to vote.***

##### **Section 2. Annual meeting of the Corporation.**

Annual Meetings of the Corporation shall be conducted by the President or, in his absence the Vice- President or in his absence the Secretary or in his absence the Treasurer.

a. The Board of Directors meeting shall be held prior to the commencement of the Annual Meeting at a location pursuant to the President's designation as to date and time. Majority attendance of Board of Directors constitutes a quorum.

b. All Annual Meetings and all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be governed by these bylaws, the Certificate of Incorporation, and by Robert's Rules of Order in cases not covered by these bylaws.

##### **Section 3. Order of Business**

The order of business to be conducted at an Annual or Special Meeting of this Corporation shall be:

- a. Opening of the Annual or Special Meeting.
- b. Posting of Colors / Pledge of Allegiance or National Anthem
- c. Invocation by Chaplain
- d. Reading of the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting or Special Meeting.
- e. Reading of the Financial Report.
- f. Committee reports.
- g. Old business.
- h. Correspondence and new business.
- i. Selection of reunion site.
- j. Election of Officers and Directors (every 4 years)
- k. Good of the corporation
- l. Closing Invocation by Chaplain
- m. Adjournment /closing of the Annual Meeting or Special Meeting.

**ARTICLE V- DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS;**

**Section 1. Term of office and composition.**

- a. TERM OF OFFICE: DIRECTORS SHALL SERVE FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR (4) YEARS. ELECTIONS SHALL BE HELD AT THE ANUALL MEETING IN YEARS DIVISIBLE BY 4. (I.E. 2004, 2008, ETC.)**
- b. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HEREINAFTER CALLED THE BORAD, SHALL CONSIST OF 6 DIRECTORS AND NOT MORE THAN 10 ADVISORS PLUS PAST PRESIDENTS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR TERM. NEW OFFICERS WILL THAK OFFICE ON JANUARY 1ST, FOLLOWING THE**

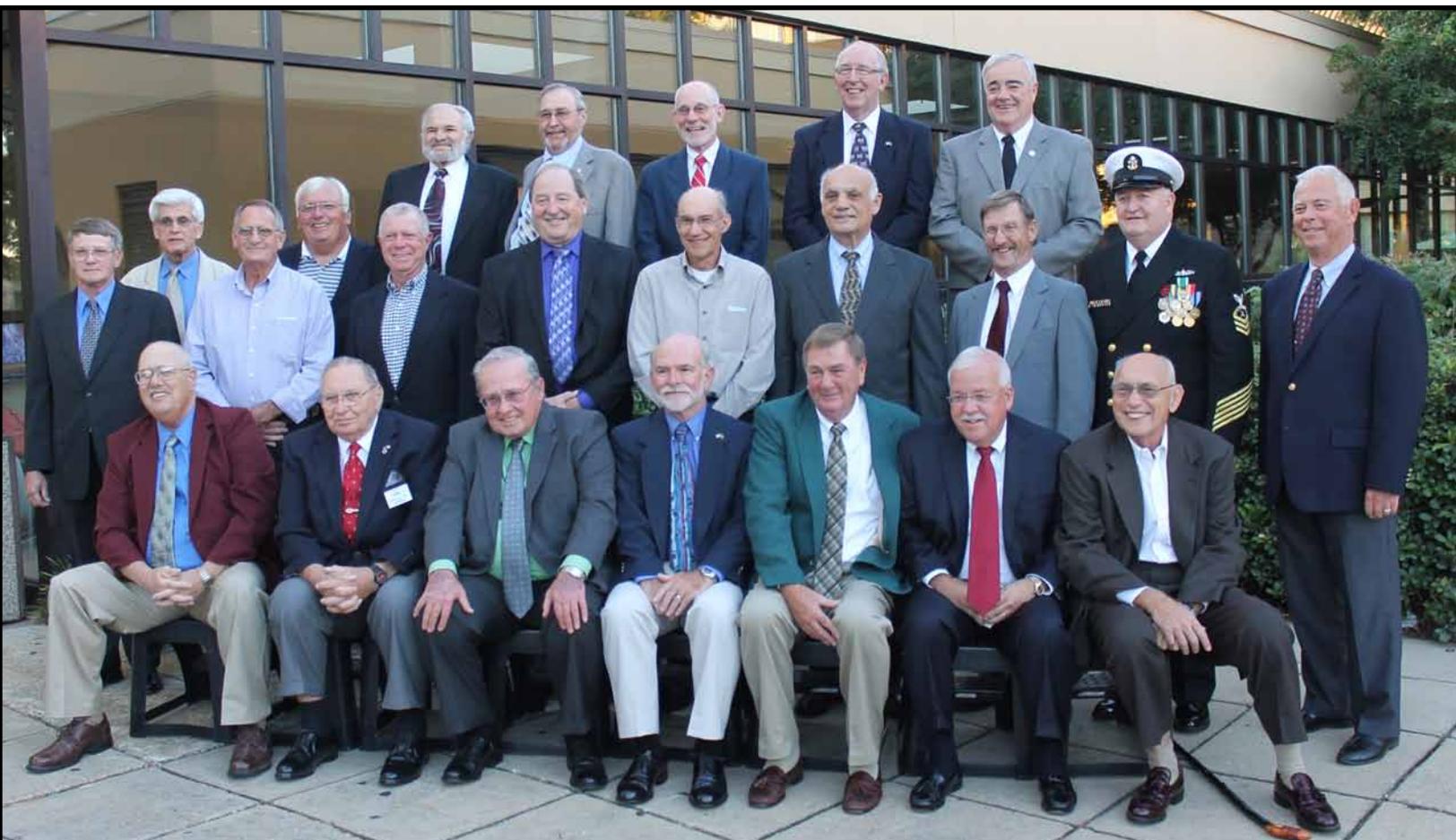


**Women's Tour to  
Norfolk Botanical  
Garden and the  
'With Flair' Tea  
Room**

**Doesn't That Look Like Commander Pierre  
With The Ladies**



**LEBANON AND PERSIAN GULF VETERANS**



**VIETNAM VETERANS**

