



## *The Fantail Scuttlebutt*

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**A smile is a sign of Joy.  
A hug is a sign of Love.  
A laugh is a sign of Happiness.  
That’s a sign of good taste.**

**Cecil Blain  
Rich Opper  
Dean Bayliff  
Mary Layton**

**One of the best things to hold  
On to in this world is a FRIEND.**

**Life Members:**

**New finds: Welcome Aboard:  
Bill Degnan SFP3 65-67  
Edward A. McBride SN 60-61**

**Carl Schwendener ENS 43-44  
Leo S. Wince SN/1C 44-46  
Edward McBride SN 60-61  
Walter Cottrell LCDR 64-66**

**“HONOR ROLL”  
Transferred to a higher  
command:**

**Condolences:**

**Charles Forenzo FN 46-47  
Terry L. Louer Sr. BMSN 60-62  
Kenneth Hirschl PN3 56-58**

**To Janice Jordan on the loss of  
her husband Kay D. Jordan.  
(May he rest in peace)**

**Sick/Surgery/Treatments.  
Please keep in your prayers and  
send cards if you can.**

**Donations to Knight-Bergman  
Civic Center:  
Chuck Layton**

**Walt Cottrell  
Lillian Wheeler  
Paul Schwenderer  
Dale Samms  
Margaret Coleman**

**Donation USS Salamonie:  
Walt Cottrell  
Gary L. Jones**

**Donation Postage Fund:  
Chuck Layton**

**John Baker  
Larry Sneed  
Richard Bayliff**

**Donations – Dues – Ect.  
If you have a donation for  
anything in particular, please  
specify to where you want it  
placed.**

**All dues and donations are to be  
sent to Don Bond.**

**Don Bond  
18946 Filmore Drive  
Goshen, IN. 46528  
(574) 533-8835  
[dbondin@aol.com](mailto:dbondin@aol.com)**

**Please advise if there are any  
changes to address, phone  
numbers, e-mails.**

**If there is someone ill or you  
know of a shipmate or family  
member who is ill or in distress,  
please let me know ASAP.**

**At the July 4<sup>th</sup> mini reunion in  
Warren Indiana the USS  
Salamonie association presented  
to the Knight-Bergman Civic  
Center a large plaque of the USS  
Salamonie AO-26 to be hung in  
remembrance of all who served  
during her tenure for freedom.**

**It is identical to the plaque that  
we have enshrined on the wall at  
the Nimitz Museum in Texas.**

**The theme for this reunion was  
honoring all veterans and the  
turnout was amazing.**

**Our float helped lead the parade  
and we were honored by the  
community as a whole with all  
branches of the service.**

**“PATRIOTISM IS ALIVE AND  
THRIVING IN WARREN,  
INDIANA.”**

**We are trying to get a complete  
series of pictures of all CO's that  
have commanded the Salamonie.**

**We are still in need of pictures of  
the following former captains of  
the USS Salamonie.**

**Cdr. M. Waldschmidt  
Cdr. L. J. Johns  
Capt J. A Holbrook  
Cdr. E. B. Stover  
Cdr. E. C. Miller  
Capt. A. V. Wallis  
Capt. J. T. Hardin  
Cdr. D. W. Todd  
Cdr. W. N. Daragon  
Capt. R. S. Craighill  
Capt. F. Fleek  
Capt. W. N. Leonard  
Capt L. C. Powell  
Capt R. B. Redmayne  
Capt. L. W. Hay**

**My wife and I wish to thank Don  
and Dee Bond for all their work  
in taking over and handling the**

reunion in Nashville on short notice.

My wife was injured and I was sick and could not make it.

Thank you, Don & Dee and all who helped them out.

**Donations to Care Packages:**

**Ronald Hix**

**Chuck Layton**

**John Moliere**

**A. McRainey**

Please send your contributions to help defray the postage for this wonderful project that Lilly has devoted herself to.

Without your generous help, this cause would cease.

She is constantly hearing from our men and women how they are so happy to get their goodies and how they so look forward to the next box from home.

As of 8/26/09 she has sent and mailed out 769 boxes by herself to troops in harm's way.

**Ms: Lilly Nutter**  
**801 Huntington Ave.**  
**Warren, Indiana 46792-9402**

**(Side note)**

**Lilly will be 97 years young on 12/12/09. Mark on your**

**calendar and please send her a card wishing her a Happy Birthday and Thanks for all she is doing.**

**There is a site on the web calling itself the USS Salamonie Store and is using our logo on merchandise.**

**We did not give anyone any permission to use our logo.**

**KT Creations is our only vendor that we recognize. Please patronize her.**

**Salamonie Web Site:**

**[www.salamonie.homestead.com](http://www.salamonie.homestead.com)**

**Please take the time and check and see what Tom Applegate has been doing for us and to see his updates.**

**REUNION 2010:**

**USS SALAMONIE AO-26**

**BRANSON, MO.**

**APRIL 21, 2010 TO APRIL 25, 2010.**

**DeeTours to Branson, Inc**

**P. O. Box 6874**

**Branson, Mo. 65615**

**[Curtis@deetourstobranson.com](mailto:Curtis@deetourstobranson.com)**

**(1-800-800-1882)**

**This year we will be staying at the:**

**GRAND PALAZA HOTEL  
245 North Wildwood  
Branson, Mo. 65616  
(866) 539-8430**

**This hotel is on the strip and is very nice.**

**My wife and I have stayed there before for another reunion that we attended and enjoyed it very much.**

**Complete Reunion package price PER PERSON,  
TWO IN ROOM. \$592  
ONE IN ROOM. \$787  
Extra nights lodging \$87.00  
100% refunds for cancellation with 48 hours notice providing that the Branson Attractions and Hotel refund Dee Tours.**

**Airport Transportation available at an Additional cost.**

**\$50.00 Per Registration Deadline is February 15, 2010. Balance due 3/15/2010.**

**Complete Reunion Package**

**Includes:**

**4 Nights at Grand Plaza Hotel  
7 Shows/Attractions  
2 Days of Area Transportation  
6 Meals plus  
Banquet Buffet  
Hospitality Room is Available from 9 am – 11 pm.**

**Wednesday April 21, 2010  
Arrive at Grand Plaza Hotel**

**12:00 pm Hospitality room opens  
5:00 pm everyone meets in Hospitality Room.**

**Thursday April 22, 2010  
Buffet Breakfast at Hotel  
Free Morning.  
3:00 pm Twelve Irish Tenors  
5:30 pm Dinner on own today  
7:00 pm Bill Medley & Paul Revere/Raiders**

**Friday April 23, 2010  
Buffet Breakfast at Hotel  
9:00 am Motor coach picks us up at hotel.  
10:00am Ricky Boen & Texas Mud  
12:00 Lunch on own (Downtown Branson)  
3:30 pm Noah “The Musical”  
6:00 pm Granny’s Dinner Buffet  
7:30pm Shoji Tabuchi Show**

**Saturday April 24,2010  
Buffet Breakfast at Hotel  
9:00 am Motorcoach picks us up  
10:00 Hughes Brothers Show  
12:30 Fall Creek Steakhouse for lunch  
2:00pm The Dutton’s Show  
6:00pm Banquet Buffet at Hotel**

**Sunday April 25, 2010  
Buffet Breakfast at Hotel  
11:00 Check out, depart.**

