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A Message from our President

Dear Shipmates, Spouses, and Significant Others,

As we approach another holiday season, I'll take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year.

As always we extend our most sincere appreciation to John and Dorothy Lichoff, Mike and Jan Seidel, Dave and Rita Wood, Barry and Marlene Stark, Roger and Bev Reller and Donna and Duane Wampler for all of their contributions to this association.

You know that we should also extend a special thank you to Stephanie who without her outstanding care-giver efforts, I would not be able to deliver this message.

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"There is no other woman in the world like the Navy wife. She is indeed unique! She is indeed rare!" The United States has the largest and best navy in the world.

Robert Zubrin



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New Finds

Welcome aboard to: Jerry Skinner SN 42-23 Darrel Sodren BT2 66-67



Sick/Surgery/Treatments- please keep in your prayers.

Don Bond Jackie (Tom) Graham

Eles Barnes, Jr. Roger Reller Leonard Buck Doug Snead



Shoe Box Care Packages

Janice Jordan has been busy with our care packages and has sent several boxes so far. She now needs names and addresses of our troops in harm's way.

If you know of anyone, please let her know.

Janice Jordan Ryan 188 Dogwood Warren, IN. 46792 (260) 358-6783 Jordan@citznet.com

All donations for care Packages can be sent to Janice or to our Treasurer Mike Seidel.

Please pray for our troops who are in harm's way and for a speedy and safe return.

Reunions

Due to dwindling numbers in our ranks, individual and small ship reunions are becoming a thing of the past but here's info on upcoming reunions.

Everything You Wanted to Know About Reunions in 2017

Annual Reunion in Warren, Indiana July 2017

John Lichoff has 20 rooms reserved at the Comfort Inn. When you call you can register under the USS Salamonie Reunion Block

The reunion dates are: Thursday, 6/29/17 Check in

Friday, 6/30/17 Parade

Saturday. 7/1/17 Banquet and Lilly's Memorial Bench Dedication

Sunday, 7/2/17 Return home.

If you stay. Fireworks on 7/3/17.

Join us for a Cruise in September 2017 Four Ships Reunion USS Sabine AO-25 USS Salamonie AO-26 USS Chemong AO-30 USS Kalamazoo AOR-6

The USS Sabine AO-25 under the direction of Don Roland has organized a tanker reunion and has asked us to join them. The details are in this newsletter.

The price is very reasonable and the more people we can get the more affordable it will be.

25 cabins have been booked and we are hoping for more to sign up.

Dorothy and I have made our reservations and are looking forward to going to renew friendships and meet new shipmates.



Greetings from your Treasurer

Greetings from your Treasurer Mike Seidel

Greetings Shipmates!!

Greetings fellow shipmates! I trust that this finds you all well and ready for the Holiday Season? The Seidels are planning a trip to Texas and hope to make it to Fredericksburg to take a look at the things related to the Salamonie placed there. Of course this note will not be complete unless we talk about the DUES for 2017. I have received some but we are way behind in those coming our way from last year. We do have a need to keep things afloat such as the newsletter you are reading.

I appreciate that you have allowed me to be your treasurer. I and the rest of the board try to make good use of the funds we are entrusted with. As you will no doubt have read in this newsletter a new bench was added to the Lilly memorial in Warren. I have yet to see it in person but am looking forward to doing that.

Please if you have not sent in your 2017 dues make that at the top of your list of things to do.

Mike Seidel

Dues are \$25.00. Make your check out to USS Salamonie and send it with this form to Mike Seidel 3211 Northern Valley Drive NE Rochester, MN 55906

(507-226-8698)

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Additional donations can be made to the:

USS Salamonie Museum Knight-Bergman Civic Center USS Salamonie Postage Fund Troop Care Packages Fund Lilly Memorial Please specify what your donation is for.

Your dues help to keep the Association afloat.



Lilly Nutter Memorial Bench

Lilly's bench has been delivered and put together. John Lichoff went to Warren in October to accept it and to put the bench together.

The Knight-Bergman Center will pour a pad and anchor the bench. It will be placed by the outside Gazebo and playground for people to use as they watch activities at the playground and basketball courts.

We will have a dedication/memorial ceremony on July 1, 2017 during the upcoming annual July 4th holiday reunion.

Your donations have helped to defray the cost of the bench.

Salamonie Web Site

Our Web Master, Tom Applegate has redone the site and has made several changes for the good.

He created a site for our museum so that all who want to visit can see pictures of the memorabilia that we have on display.

We have pictures of both rooms at all angles so that you can see everything that is on display.

Please check it out and sign our guest book.

Ship Stores

Ship patches are available. Go to the Ships Stores on our website.

***Please note that there has been a site selling Salamonie memorabilia and calls itself the Salamonie Store. It is in Texas and it "HAS NO" connection to us and we do not receive any compensation for their sales.



Coins on Military Headstones

If you visit a military cemetery, such as Arlington or Jefferson Barracks, you may have noticed coins lying on some of the tombstones.

Each coin means something.

The coins let the family of the deceased Soldier/Veteran know that someone stopped to pay their respects.

Leaving a penny means that you visited.

Leaving a nickel means that you and the deceased Soldier/Veteran trained together.

Leaving a dime means that you served with the Soldier/Veteran.

Leaving a quarter is very significant because it means that you were there when the Soldier/Veteran was killed.

Maybe when you visit the grave of a fallen Soldier/Veteran you can leave a coin to honor him or her.



An Interesting Poem by an Unknown Sailor

When I was young. Many years ago...
I joined the Navy. Why, I don't know...
I served my time, with Honor and Pride...
For this young boy, it was quite a ride...
I went to places, I'd never dreamed...
Time went fast, so it seemed...
I met people I'll never forget...
But as I think back on those days gone by...
My Ship, My Shipmates, bring a tear to my eye...
I didn't know then, never gave it a thought...
But my time in the Navy, could not have been bought...

I guess we all feel the same, after we're out...
The Pride we feel, that's what it's about...
Having served our Nation, keeping it free...
Protecting our way of like, and our Liberty...
And the friends I made, along the way...
Would I do it again? Any day...
And I say to all my Shipmates.

Anchors Aweigh.

Newsletter

The newsletter will now be sent out two or three times per year. You can get it by snail mail, e-mail or go to the website.

Please keep your mailing and e mail addresses up to date.

Also keep John Lichoff up to date about moves, deaths, illnesses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers.

Send corrections or information to John Lichoff at <u>jlichoff@neo.rr.com</u> or John D. Lichoff 14 Morley Drive Norwalk, Ohio 44857



"May you have the gladness of Christmas which is hope; The Spirit of Christmas which is peace; The heart of Christmas which is love."

Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season From the Officers of the USS Salamonie Association



Carnival Magic Cruise

The USS Sabine AO25 is hosting a cruise in September 2017.

At our July reunion USS Salamonie AO-26 members, friends and relatives were invited to attend.

Here's the information that was in "The Oily Rag Newsletter".

Carnival Magic Cruise

WHAT: USS Sabine AO-25 Reunion WHEN: September 24-30, 2017

WHERE: Leaves from Port Canaveral, Florida CRUISE: Carnival Magic – 6 Night Cruise

RESERVATIONS: Ed Lederman 800-819-3902, Ext. 82946

Ed's hours are

Monday through Thursday 11:00 am to 8 pm EST

Friday 9:30 am to 6:00 pm EST

COST: Interior from \$447

Ocean View from \$577 Balcony from \$678

Deposit:\$250.00 per person

Final Payment due by: 07/11/2017

The six night cruise on the all new Carnival Magic departs from Cape Canaveral, Florida will take us on the exotic Eastern Caribbean Itinerary to Nassau, The Bahamas, Amber Cove, Dominican Republic and Grand Turks.

Because we have booked early you will have until July of 2017 to pay for the cruise. Departure Date is September 24, 2017.

ITINERARY

DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	Depart
1	Port Canaveral, FL		4:00 PM
2	Nassau, Bahamas	9:00 AM	5:00 PM
3	Fun day at sea		
4	Amber Cove, Dominican Republic	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
5	Grand Turk	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
6	Fun Day at Sea		
7	Port Canaveral, FL	8:00 AM	

You are encouraged to send your deposit as soon as possible.

You are encouraged to bring your passport



6 DAY EXOTIC EASTERN CARIBBEAN

Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
1	Port Canaveral FL		4:00pm
2	Nassau, Bahamas	9:00am	5:00pm
3	"Fun Day" at Sea		
4	Amber Cove, DR	8:00am	4:00pm
5	Grand Turk	8:00am	4:00pm
6	"Fun Day" at Sea		
7	Port Canaveral FL	8:00am	

Your departure date:

Sept. 24, 2017

The port of call as well as the sequence, time and/or day may change. For the most current itineraries and terms and conditions related to your cruise, please contact your travel professional for details.

Deposit - \$250 pp Final Payment due by 07/11/2017

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FOR INFORMATION ON FLIGHTS CALL MR. ED AT 800-819-3902 EXT. 82946



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Things to do ASAP:

- * Pay your dues
- * Make a donation
- * Make a Cruise Reservation
- * Enjoy the Holidays