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Another successful reunion and summer fun have come and gone and we hope everyone had a good time.

Honor Roll:

Reassigned to Higher Command:

John Litchko FN 46-49

Roger Smith EM3 51-54

John Kisielewski EM3 44-46

New Finds: Welcome Aboard:

Richard B. Holt EM2 57-60

Dallas Harreld BT/FN 63-64

Leo S. Wince SN/1C 44-46

Robert (Bob) Arnold PN3 56-57*

*(Bob is the designer and painter of the Salamonie Octopus)

Sick - Recovering. Please keep in your prayers:

Mike Seidel

Lawrence Owen

Ron Arhar

Richard Martin

Carl Seiberlich

Raleigh Masters

Red Hat Ladies – Warren, Indiana

A big “Thank You” to Ms Lilly Nutter for spearheading this endeavor.

The Grande Dames have been sending care packages to our troops in harms way. They are sending four packages each month and are supported by the USS Salamonie Association with our donations for the postage.

The following have made donations for the cause to help defray the costs.
Jerry Frye, Lawrence Owen, John J Steinhauer, George Perrault, William N. Colgrove,
Allen Jirik, Leon Wright.

Any one wishing to contribute to this wonderful cause can send their check to me and I will forward it to Lilly.

Lilly has gotten several thank you letters from the troops thanking them and us for the goodies from home.

Success – Success – Success – Success

The reunion in Buffalo-Niagara was a huge success and wonderful time was had by all.

We cannot begin to thank Tom and Jackie Graham, and Richard and Gloria Martin for all their work in this endeavor. They should all be applauded.

Please send them a card thanking them for their work. “WELL DONE”

The tours were wonderful and interesting and the trip to the Navy museum and visiting the ships on display was great along with our trip to the Falls.

The Wreath Ceremony and lunch aboard the USS Little Rock was great and heartwarming.

Linwood Gideon and James Scruggs dedicated the memorial wreath in remembrance of our departed crewmen.

At the banquet Ms: Marilyn Morrison gave a nice presentation of our “New” USS Salamonie Museum Room at the Knight-Bergman Civic Center.

Business conducted and the audit committee audited and certified the books and bank account.

All was certified by our CPA.

It was decided to hold the 2005 reunion in Florida, around the Orlando-Daytona area. More about this at the end of this newsletter.

It was also decided that in 2006 the reunion be held in Reno Nevada.

Election of officers was held for the following year 2005.

The following officers are:

John D. Lichoff	President
Thomas Keske	Treasurer
Tom Graham	Trustee

Joe Cueno
Raleigh Masters

Trustee
Chaplain

Bill Blind entertained us with a few jokes that we all enjoyed. Thanks Bill for the laughter.

This was our largest turnout for any of our reunions and I thank all who attended.

I wish to at this time thank John and Dorothy Cooper for their attendance and representing the USS Salamonie, for the Memorial Day services at the Nimitz Museum.

Notice:

Tom Keske has a new e-mail address and can be reached at:

Tkeske@MSN.Com

His mailing address is the same as before.

Warren, Indiana:

On July 4th week end about thirty people from the Salamonie family showed up for the festival.

The La Quinta Motel opened their doors for us and we thank Jodie and her crew for all the help.

We enjoyed watching the fireworks from the home of Kay and Janice Jordan.

On Saturday there was a cookout for the community and the dedication of our new room at the museum for the public to view for the first time.

This fine cookout was a success with “Master Chefs” Tom Keske and George Perrault preparing and manning the grills. They sold out everything.

The USS Salamonie had a float in the parade and won a trophy for the best military entry in the parade. Janice Jordan and Karen Herr put the float together.

The forward gun mount, (Mount 51) was manned by Gunnermates (?) Perrault and Scruggs.

After the smoke cleared, everyone on the float was still alive and almost breathing.

Our Museum room is far beyond our expectations and words are hard to describe to the amount of work and dedication that was put into it by the committee at the center.

Items are in place and pictures are hung with pride. Uniforms on mannequins are enclosed in glass cases for viewing

A large mural of the Salamonie was painted on the entire North Wall.
The volunteers were acknowledged and presented with Salamonie pins and Mugs for their work.
The committee and workers were Marilyn Morrison, Janice Jordan, Karen Herr, Thomas Applegate, (Painters)- Bill McNany, Ron Neff, Dan Stouffs, Jerry Boyer.

If you are in the area and it is during the week, then stop in at the city hall and see Marilyn and she will assist you in viewing the museum.

Please make arrangements ahead of time if possible.

Tom Applegate is doing a wonderful job on keeping our web site updated with new articles.

Please continue to check for updates.

Please note:

Newsletter: Everyone that has an e-mail address will get his newsletter that way.
If you do not want to receive it this way and want a hard copy instead, then please inform me as such and you will be placed on the mailing list.

Please keep me updated on any changes involving moves, address, e-mails, phones.

If there is a crewmember sick, deceased or in distress, take the time and let us know so that if we can help in any way or send a card.

The following people have moved and left no forwarding address and are now missing in action.

Do you know where they are?

Edward Gibson, Henry Selmer, William Crump.

Life Members:

I had a computer problem and mix up on some correspondence and some life member certificates were inadvertently missed in mailing.

If you have paid your life membership and did not receive your life membership certificate and card, please contact me and I will send it out right away.

The following members are now Life Members in good standing:

Andrew Mosher, Harry Gill, James Wheeler, Lawrence Owen, Walter Protas, John Cooper, William Blind, Paul Epple, Michael Fay, Edward Girard, Boyd Hamp, Lyle Heuer, Joseph Manuele, Antonio Pellegrino, James Scruggs, Wayman Coleman, Roland Rainford, Henry Reidel, Cornelius Venveloh, Gerald Wisser, Joseph Cuneo, Fred T. Kelley, Vernon Halstead, Carl J. Seiberlich, Clyde Barnes, William Colgrove.

If your name has been omitted, contact me and I will correct it.

Honorary Life Membership:

These were given in appreciation of the works of each individual and of the gifts to the museum on their behalf and from their families.

Mrs. Ellen (James) Thomas
Mrs. Ingrid (Edward L.) Beach
Mr. Thomas Applegate – Webmaster
Ms: Marilyn Morrison
Mrs. Janice Jordan
Mrs. Karen Herr

The Fleet Tanker Association will be holding their first reunion at the Grand Plaza Hotel in Branson, MO. From September 12-15, 2004

My wife and I are planning to attend, representing the USS Salamonie.

Will report in the next newsletter on what is transpiring with this new organization.

Treasurers Report:

All bills paid and all receipts for reunion, mailing, postage, museum, donations.

\$4983.45 Balance 08/28/2004
Tom Keske – Treasurer

Reunion 2005 ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺ ☺
April 1-3, 2005
Daytona, Florida
Host's – Herb & Doris MacIntrye
P.O. Box 503
Astor, FL. 32102-0503
(352) 759-3417
Herbmac1@aol.com

Treasurer Island Resort
2025 S. Atlantic Ave.
Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118
1-800-543-5070
April 1-3, 2005

The airport is approximately six miles from the Hotel.

Room Rates \$59.00 per night.
The entrees include: 4 style chicken dinners, fish, prime rib.

You will have to designate which meal you want as this is a plates served meal.
They will comp a roof top hospitality room for the weekend.
All rooms are ocean front view rooms.
There is also a Casino boat off shore for those that wish to gamble.

There will be a bus tour of the Kennedy Space Complex. The rate will be in the next newsletter.

There are also two Cruises that are departing after the reunion for four nights to the Caribbean.

They are the Carnival's "Fantasy" Departing "SUNDAY" April 3rd at 4:30 from Port Canaveral.

The other is the Royal Caribbean "Sovereign of the Seas" departing "MONDAY" at 5:00 PM

Both cruises are about \$380.00 PP.

All prices will be in the January newsletter as details are still being worked out for everything.

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