



## *The Fantail Scuttlebutt*

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**It is with great hope and desire that each and everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.**

**Serving your country is an “HONOR”, and there are too many people who no longer understand it.**

**God Bless our Troops.**

**Welcome Aboard (New Finds)**  
**Siras Dean Browning Ltjg 53-55**  
**Ara L. Yardum RM**  
**Barry Craig SN3 61**  
**Alford R. Barbour SHC3 65-66**

**“HONOR ROLL”**  
**Reassigned to a Higher Command**

**Theodore W. Slesiona MM1 53-55**  
**James Schroeder BT3 48-49**  
**Ronald J. Arhar DME3 58-59**  
**Joe Perez CSSN 62-65**  
**James Richards QM3 55-57**

#### **Condolence:**

**Michael Mini on the loss of his lovely bride Therese of 50 years.**

#### **Congratulations:**

**John & Dorothy Lichoff (Jan)**  
**Donald & Delores Bond (Jan)**  
**George and Lois Perrualt (Apr)**  
**On their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to forever.**

**Sick/Surgery/Treatments,**  
**(please keep them in your prayers and thoughts.)**

**Lois Perrualt - Treatments**  
**George Perrualt - Knee Surgery**  
**John Lichoff - Knee surgery**  
**Dean Bayliff - Total Knee**  
**Cecile Blaine - Back Surgery**  
**David Wood -Heel Injury**

**Life Members:**

**Leonard Muscelli YN3 56-57  
Harold Craton DC2 46-49**

**DUES DONATION:**

**Our dues are from Jan 1 to Dec 31  
of each year.**

**You 2010 Dues Donations are now  
due.**

**Please remit all monies to:**

**DON BOND - Treasurer  
18946 FILMORE DRIVE  
GOSHEN, IN. 46528**

**(574) 533-8835  
[dbondin@aol.com](mailto:dbondin@aol.com)**

**NOTE\***

**Please do not send any money to  
me. Then I have to send it on to  
Don.**

**If you move, change address,  
e- mail or telephone, Please let us  
know.**

**On December 12, 2009, Dorothy  
and I and Delores and Don Bond  
went to Warren Indiana to help  
Lilly Nutter celebrate her 97<sup>th</sup>  
birthday.**

**There were 14 in attendance and  
all had a wonderful time.**

**After a nice lunch and cake, Lilly  
opened her gifts and cards from  
everyone.**

**She has asked that we put in the  
newsletter a great big Thank You  
from HER for all the cards and  
letters.**

**She said the cost of postage for  
her to reply to each and everyone  
was not feasible for her to be able  
to do so.**

**Later that evening, we then took  
her out for supper and a good  
time.**

**A birthday that she will always  
remember.**

**The Governor of the State of  
Indiana (Mitch Daniels) sent a  
nice letter from the State of  
Indiana honoring her for her  
birthday and all the work she has  
done for our troops in harms way.**

**It has been estimated that she has  
touched "THOUSANDS" of lives  
thru her endeavors.**

**As of this writing she has sent 829  
packages to date to troops in  
harms way.**

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

**Donations to care packages:**

**John Molaire**

**Joseph and Marge Cueno**

**Charles & Mary Layton**

**Sal Orlando**

**Virginia Witte**

**Donald & Delores Bond**

**Farmington Fire Dept. (NY)**

**Please pray for our troops in harms way and for a speedy and safe return. (Lilly)**

**I am in need of anyone who is interested in doing the Fantail Scuttlebutt for me.**

**I can greatly use the help.**

**After the weather breaks and it starts to become warmer, I will need the help of at least four people at the museum. WE have to catalog, identify, take pictures, ownership and document each and every item in the museum for our records and insurance's.**

**This will take approximately two days.**

**We will be staying at the Comfort Inn in Warren. Call me for details if available to help out.**

**BRANSON MO. REUNION**

**USS SALAMONIE AO-26**

**04/21/10 – 04/25/10**

**Due to this newsletter being late it also cuts down the time for your**

**pre-registration deadline of February 15, 2010.**

**Note: Branson now has an operational airport.**

**It is serviced by AirTran and they operate out of Atlanta and Milwaukee to Branson.**

**Phone number is 1-800-247-8726**

**They are also serviced by Sun Country Air Lines and they operate out of Dallas-Ft. Worth and St. Paul, Minn.**

**We are staying at the Grand Plaza Hotel this year.**

**Dorothy and I have stayed there before and it is a real nice facility.**

**Curtis and I have tried to make this a special reunion, since we have been there before.**

**Remember if you have any special needs, be sure and tell Curtis about them so that they can be properly addressed.**

**Arrival Wednesday 4/21/2010**

**Hospitality room opens / snacks at 12:00**

**Thursday 4/22/10 Large buffet breakfast at hotel. (9th floor.)**

**Then the motor coach picks us up  
and away we go for the days  
festivities and shows.**

**Hughes Brothers Show  
Fall Creek Steakhouse for lunch  
Shoji Tabuchi Show  
Dinner on own (Imax complex)**

**Friday 4/23/10**

**Breakfast Buffet  
Motor Coach 9AM  
Rick Boen & Texas Mudd  
Lunch on own (Downtown  
Branson)  
Noah "The Musical"  
Granny's Dinner Buffet  
Duttons Show**

**Saturday 4/24/10  
Breakfast Buffet  
FREE MORNING-  
HOSPITALITY ROOM  
3PM Twelve Irish Tenors  
6:00pm Banquet Buffet at hotel**

**Sunday 4/25/10  
Breakfast Buffet  
11:00 check out**

**Registration form and Itinerary  
are attached to the newsletter.**

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Warren, Indiana**

**I have a block of rooms reserved  
in both my name and the USS  
Salamonie name for your stay.**

**Just tell them you are with the  
Salamonie when you register**

**The parade will be at 5:00 pm July 2,  
2010.**

**It is always held on the Friday of the  
holiday weekend.**

**We will have our float as usual for  
everyone and this year our big ships  
flag is going to be in the parade with us.**

**It is going to be opened up and carried  
by the boy scouts of Warren for us in  
the Parade.**

**The phone number and address for the  
comfort inn is:**

**COMFORT INN  
7275 SOUTH 75 EAST  
WARREN, IN. 46792  
(260) 375- 4800**

**The yearly Dues Donation for the  
USS Salamonie membership is  
\$20.00 and is payable to:**

**Don Bond  
18940 Filmore Drive  
Goshen, IN. 46528**

**My apology for this news letter getting  
out so late is because we had a pretty  
rough December in the Lichoff  
household with both Dorothy and I in  
the hospital at different times and with  
my knee surgery and holidays. Things  
were just not right to be able to get any  
thing done. We are both ok now and  
thank everyone for the help that they  
gave us.**

**John & Dorothy**