

Winter 2019 Newsletter



THE DRYDOCK DRIBBLE

The USS Cabildo (LSD-16) Crewmembers Association Newsletter

President's Message

Darrell "Ozzie" Osborn

As we endure the chill of winter, even in Northern California. We look forward to the sweltering temperatures of Charleston for this year's reunion. The format for activities looks great and encourages us to invite shipmates that haven't been attending or maybe have yet to participate before. Only you know who they are.

The purpose of having reunions in rotating geographic locations, is to make it easier and financially possible for individuals to attend.

Our numbers are dwindling, mostly to age, illness, finances and I have been experiencing less contact ability to those I've been seeking in the past and present.

Our Association has been so blessed to have the access to the internet mail, web and a devoted webmaster, to keep in contact with shipmates.... along with the ability to mail hardcopy of this newsletter.

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Each year, other ship associations approach us to join forces, so as to survive with numbers of participants.

Ozzie

Vice President's Message

Leo Waltsak

Hello again Shipmates and families. We've made it through another holiday season with our spirits high and our wallets low. I've noticed that the days are getting longer; the daffodils are poking through the soil, and Claire starts looking at the Burpee Catalog. Each of these are a sure and welcome sign of spring. As much as I look forward to spring, before you know its summer, and sometimes I wish time would slow down again like when I was a kid. Summers were endless, and it was a long time between Christmas's. The only benefit I see of time moving along is that we get to visit with you in September. I look forward to each reunion as a meeting of old friends. Whether we were on the Cabildo at the same time or not, we share a common "once in a lifetime" experience. We formed a bond with our ship and our shipmates, or we wouldn't be gathering as we do.

We are all getting older, and it's sometimes harder, but if there are two of us, let's keep this get-together going for our own benefit and in honor of all those who've come before us.

Now, just for fun and to keep you on your toes, I have a couple of riddles for you. I'll send the answers in the next newsletter 💎💎. I'll have a few more at the reunion in Charleston where winners will get a prize!!

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May. What was the third child's name?

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Kansas City



National WW I Museum



Charleston, SC

2. A clerk at a butcher shop stands five feet ten inches tall and wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?

3. In British Columbia you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg. Why not?

4. If you were running a race and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?

Chaplain's Report

By: Ken Bredehoeft

Phil Shirey is battling serious health concerns and is presently at home but would love hearing from shipmates and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with Charlene and the Shirey family during this time.

I have also been in touch with Joe and Alice Bunner and Angie and Pablo Garcia who missed our last reunion and they are all planning on joining us in Charleston.

Charleston Reunion 2019

By: Becky Lyon

Here's an outline of our planned reunion events.

Monday Sept. 9

Hospitality room will open and a reception buffet dinner will be held there.

Tuesday Sept. 10

Morning bus tour of Charleston with lunch on your own and we will return to our hotel about 3:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m. We will depart for an evening dinner cruise on the Carolina Queen.

Wednesday Sept. 11



Boone Plantation Charleston



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Charleston Dinner Cruise

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10:00 a.m. Board our bus for a tour of the Naval Weapons Station which will include lunch. While there we will also have our memorial service. Next we will visit Boone Hall, an active producing plantation which grows vegetables, peaches and pecans. We will get back to our hotel about 5:00 p.m.

Dinner will be on your own. There are several restaurants in walking distance of our hotel.

Thursday Sept. 12

9:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting and the remainder of the day will be free time.

6:30 p.m. No host bar will open

7:30 p.m. Banquet dinner followed by our Cabildo Association Raffle

Friday Sept 13

Breakfast and farewells.

Note: We will be staying at the Hampton Inn and Suites Charleston Airport. Daily breakfast and the airport shuttle are complementary and the shuttle will take us anywhere within 5 miles.

The hotel also said they had a medical supply place with scooters and so on, Herbert's Mobility, 1930 Ashley River Road #B, Charleston, SC 29407. 844-571-1515, or www.herbertsmobility.com.

herbertsmobility.com. The hotel told me are good people, they will deliver to hotel and pick up from hotel also.

Treasurers Report

Bob Gwin

We currently have 51 members with dues paid for 2019. If you have not sent in your 2019 dues please do so. Also please fill out the "contact information form" and return it with your dues.



Website/Newsletter

Warren Gammeter

We had a few malware problems with the website last fall. I was able to remove the malware code that was sending us to the wrong places and some missing pages. There were several pages including the crew list page what were affected. I believe I have removed the old scripts that allowed the robot programs or "bots" to implant the malware code. I have restored the effected pages and we have not had a problem for two months.

Having a service clean an infected site is around \$200 and a regular monitoring/repair service can run \$50 a month. At this point I think we are OK and we don't need this expensive service. If you do see a page that is not correct or is missing let me know ASAP.

Thanks to all who filled out the contact information form with you annual dues.

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