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President's Report

Hope everyone had a good summer. The holidays are once again around the corner. Seems like they come around very fast these days. There hasn't been much going on to really talk about. I was hoping that someone would send an E-mail or call me with some ideas or recommendations for recruitment of new members for the NWSA. As of this date, I have heard from no one. I am once again asking our member's in each of our chapter's to give this your consideration, hopefully at your next meeting. What worked for your chapter? What do our larger chapters do to maintain members and recruit new members? I suspect location...location...location plays a large part.

LCDR Earl Kerr has been working hard on our upcoming reunion set for Nashville, TN on April 13-16, 2015. It is not an easy task to do all the planning and have everything fall into place at Nashville, from your home near Seattle, WA. A tentative schedule and more information are available on the website. Please try to attend the reunion and make it as successful as the Pensacola reunion.

We are in need of two folks to step up to the plate and relieve the two persons holding the two most important positions or jobs in our Association. Those positions are Secretary/Treasurer and Editor of the "Aerograph". Libby O'Brien has been the Sec/Tres of our association since 2008. She has been a shining example, and as we all know has done a superb job keeping our finances straight and our president's and chapter's on the right course. So please, someone out there take that step forward.

Likewise, the Editor of the "Aerograph" job needs to be filled by the end of the summer 2015. Gary Cox has asked to step down so he can move into a job taking care of our website. I would like to have Gary's

replacement onboard by the Nashville reunion so there can be a turnover period for the new Editor with Gary. Gary has done a superb job as well with the Aerograph. So, someone please step up!

If you have any questions about either of these positions, please E-Mail or call Libby or Gary.

Suzanne and I wish each and everyone of you and your families a "Happy Thanksgiving", a very "Merry Christmas", and a "Happy New Year".

Respectfully,
James R. (Jim) Maxwell, AGCS (USN, RET)

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Attention on Deck!

Since November 2013, the updated Bellinger List has only been distributed via email and to members on the website: www.navalweather.org. If you need a printed copy snail-mailed, please contact Mike Gilroy and one will be immediately provided. Contact info: (425) 418-8164 or mjgrota@gmail.com. This will save the NWSA roughly \$500 a year in printing costs.

Now is a good time to begin receiving your Aerograph by email or downloading it from www.navalweather.org

We are committed to serve our membership in the best manner and want to reassure anyone who prefers a printed copy that they will continue to receive one in the mail. It is important that we hear from you if we are to be able to provide the most effective service.

There are three ways to receive your Aerograph:

1. Via: email (quicker and in color)
2. Via : regular USPS mail (slower and in black and white due to costs)
3. 3.Via: the website (always available, avoids large email files, color)

Currently we mail over 339 print copies per edition! This takes considerable effort to produce and cost to the association. Please help us by updating your preference by emailing (Aerographpreference@navalweather.org) or by sending the Secretary-Treasurer a card or letter confirming you wish to continue receive a printed copy in the mail(now or when you renew your membership). See form on last page.

Thanks from your Aerograph TEAM!



Since my last report we have three new life members, #469 CDR Harry D. Selsor, USN RET, # 470 CDR Frank Taylor, USN RET and #471 xAG3 Stephen J. Hicks, USN REL. Welcome Aboard! Our membership is now at 499 with 380 of those life members. Our e-mail list for the Aerograph is now at 205.

LCDR Earl Kerr is working very hard on the Nashville Reunion, especially since he is in Washington State and having to do everything via phone or e-mail. I hope you

will consider attending the reunion and give Earl the support he needs to make this a successful reunion.

Please keep me posted on any changes or corrections that need to be made on your records. My files are only as good as the info I receive from the members. Please consider taking over the job of Secretary/Treasurer. I have held the position since 2008. Even though I enjoy the position, it's time for me to sit back, relax, play golf and enjoy retirement with my husband. Now that the scholarship funds from the USAA Cd's have been dispensed the job will be a whole lot easier. Please think about it and consider supporting your NWSA by stepping up to the plate!! My term expires in 2016. Thank you!

Pat (Obie) and I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas. Safe travels during the holidays. Hope to see you in Nashville.

NEW CHANGE TO THE NWSA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

(Revised at the Pensacola Reunion 30 April 2014)

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

Section 2. Terms of Office

The officers of the NWSA shall serve for a term of two years. The President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President will alternate years with the Secretary/Treasurer so there will be continuity in the organization. Officers Elect will be installed at the appropriate reunion banquet.

a. No Change

How this will work:

The President Elect for 2014 will serve a one-year term. The two year term for the President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President will be affective in 2015. Their term will expire in 2017. The Secretary/Treasurer elected in 2014 will serve a two year term, expiring in 2016, thereby having the election of the President and Secretary/Treasurer's offices expire in alternate years.

Finance Statement 30 September 2014

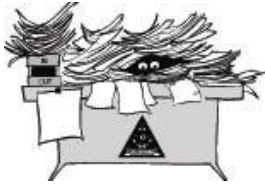
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| Checkbook Balance | \$11,486.17 |
| Operating Funds | 4,215.72 |
| Scholarship Funds | 0.00 |
| Life Membership Funds | 7,270.45 |
| USAA CD's | \$32,048.04 |
| Scholarship Funds | 0.00 |
| Life Membership | 32,048.04 |

The last installment of the USAA CD and member donations to the scholarship funds, in the amount of

\$40,010.30, was mailed to AMS on 25 September 2014. Member donations to the scholarship fund will continue to be sent to AMS on an annual basis.

Submitted by Secretary/Treasurer Libby O'Brien

EDITOR'S DESK



As a reminder, if you want a **printed** copy of the Bellinger List snail-mailed to you, you **must** request one from Mike Gilroy. Otherwise, the List will be

available to members on the Aerograph (Restricted) webpage and emailed out to those who request its delivery that way.

The NWSA website during the August to late October period had almost 1600 visitors, who typically visit 3 to 4 webpages. On average, we have about 25 users each day, but right after reunions and Aerograph issuances the number can jump to 50 to 100 per day. AG school class pictures are the most viewed webpages with 38% of the people viewing pictures of the AG schools at Chanute—89% of our viewers are 54 or younger, which is too young to have gone to Lakehurst...

In a lighter vein:



The "Every Sailor a Deck Hand" campaign got off to a slow start.

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The cut-off date will be **Monday, 19 January 2015** for the February issue of The Aerograph
E-Mail Gary at garylcox@charter.net (This is a **NEW Email address!**)

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REUNION #41 -- NASHVILLE
13 to 16 April, 2015



We are scheduled for 13-16 April, 2015 with pre & post availability. The hotel is the Holiday Inn Opryland/Airport:
<http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/nashville/bnao/p/hoteldetail>.

There are the usual extensions of the contact price for pre and post stay extensions. This hotel offers free transportation to/from the Airport and to local businesses. There is a city bus line in front of the hotel and there are several restaurants within walking distance. We have three volunteers from surrounding regions and Harry Nicholson has volunteered to be the keeper of the money associated with the NWSA registrations.

The Grand Ole Opry has a performance on Tuesday 14 April. We had discussed an evening on the General Jackson showboat, but due to a number of negative comments we will not have a scheduled event. Individuals who wish may of course make arrangements for their own event(s).

Due to the large number of Nashville attractions and music options, this reunion will have fewer organized events. Conversely, the relative ease and less costly transportation of just getting to Nashville will hopefully

translate into greater participation than some of the more recent events, not counting the Pensacola Reunion which was a tremendous success.

The Visitors Bureau has been of great assistance and based upon their experience, we do expect a good turnout for Nashville. Members who have had good experiences in Nashville may wish to submit suggestions for participation. More later when I get better organized.

My "E" mail address is: k1937err@fidalgo.net and the post address is 15375 Deception Road, Anacortes, WA. 98221. I look forward to hearing from the members and especially if you have been to Nashville and have some "can't miss" event.

Preliminary Schedule of Activities for Reunion #41

- Monday 13 Apr. - Registration and Welcome Aboard Reception
- Tuesday - Meetings, but night is left open as this is the night for the Grand Ole Opry
- Wednesday - Tour by Berl Meyer: Battle of Franklin Civil War site
- Thursday - Meetings, Happy Hour and Evening Buffet
- Friday 17 April - Depart

We do have room price extensions on both ends for people who wish to extend their stay.

Have contacted the Visitors Bureau and asked about some sort of outing for Sunday 12 April for those who may come in early.

Earl Kerr, Reunion Chairman for Reunion 41

MY BEST EXPERIENCES WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY

This feature in the AEROGRAPH is intended to provide a forum for member to tell their stories and remind others of their experiences. Because our diverse membership has service which spans over 70 years the forum will be organized in decades. Please indicate the decade that the experience occurred so we place it correctly in the article. Please try to be brief (250 words or less), or send in a photo with a caption. If your submission does not make it in the next edition of the AEROGRAPH it means we were limited by space and printing costs. It will be included in a future edition. We will also post them immediately on the website. We prefer to receive submission by email but you can mail them in to the Editor if you are still using an old typewriter for correspondence.

For information please contact Mike Gilroy or Gary Cox at aerograph@navalweather.org

Biographies Wanted! (Before it is too late!)

LT Fred Bergman, USN (Ret.), has said, "I cannot count the number of times family members have requested information on veterans that have passed". This is an attempt to help resolve that situation, spearheaded by AGCS Lloyd Corbett, USN RET.

What is a Biography?

It is simply the history of a lifetime. It narrates the most important facts of someone's life, his or her childhood, adolescence, military service, wars he or she lived through, educational background, professional life, marriage, children, and most outstanding achievements. Also, it tells anecdotes, memories, trips and dearly cherished moments. It is our most precious legacy to Shipmates.

AGCS Corbett suggests that BIOs be about 150 words and archived on CD/DVDs.

Snooping on the Russians

.After returning to the U.S. from a year in Vietnam, I took command of the USS Holder (DD-819) home ported in Norfolk, VA. I relieved the old commanding officer on a Saturday and on Tuesday we were enroute to Gitmo for 6 weeks. Following Gitmo, the ship joined a carrier task force group (one carrier, one supply ship, a submarine, and six destroyers) for a 6 month Med deployment. Just before departing Norfolk, the Holder was selected to receive a CONEX full of special electronics for snooping on Russian ships and eight highly trained intelligence personnel.

After about a month in the Med, the Holder was scheduled for five days liberty in Mallorca, Spain. We were "Med moored" (anchor out forward, stern tied to pier) in the inner harbor; the crew was enjoying liberty in Spain. About 3 hours after mooring I got a message from the task group commander to get underway in 3 hours, message to follow. We got about 80 to 90% of the liberty party back onboard and were underway heading south for the north coast of Algeria.

A Russian sub had a fire onboard and could not submerge. The sub was being escorted by a Russian Kresta (cruiser) for repairs in the Black Sea Russian shipyard. The U.S. Navy had been trying to collect intelligence on Russian submarine communications and this seemed like a golden opportunity.

A day and a half later we found them hiding in among some merchant ships heading west toward the Black Sea. The Kresta stayed about 1000 yards on the beam of the sub, so I just snuggled my destroyer between them, all heading west at about 4 kts. The Kresta didn't like this at all. She frequently tried to ram us. But she was much bigger than the Holder and therefore the

cruiser had a turning circle that was larger than ours, so when she would turn toward us we would snuggle up to her port or starboard quarter and turn with her. We did this for about four days and nights. The special box and its people collected some good intelligence on Russian communications.

After the fourth day, we got a message from the task group commander that there were three Russian frigates heading our way and we were to back off the surveillance and return to the task force group ASAP.

Submitted by CAPT Ace Trask, USN RET.



BINNACLE LIST

John Rodriguez had a 4 day hospital stay in mid-September due to a fainting spell and irregular heartbeat. He is scheduled to see a cardiologist.

Dolores Cohenour had eye surgery on 1 October 2014. **Bernie** is worried, now that she can finally see him.

Denny Maljevac spent the summer on the binnacle list. He started off by having shunt implant surgery in one of his eyes. Then he had to have reconstructive surgery to address a skin cancer problem near his other eye.

Eve Muscari copes fairly well with her back problems and is getting cortisone shots to help.

Donna Crossley continues to mend slowly from knee replacement; she has pulled her hamstring and may need to have the use of a brace for a time to help with the knee.

Chuck FiField reports that his breathing is very difficult and the doctor thinks he should use a wheel chair.

Tammie Steiner continues to cope with sinus issues.

Kathi Clark has had no change in her kidney function, they are working at slightly over 20%, to be placed on a donor list, function has to be below 20%.

Doris Stepaniak is doing well with her back (Stenosis) repairs.

Howard Lee has also been dealing with back issues.

Steve Shafer has had a lot of issues with his hands and his "buddy" arthritis.

Jim Nelson has been on and off the Binnacle List with problems caused by arthritis in his back and hips.

Rosalie Romano spent two days in hospital to have a rod removed from her leg that had been inserted when she broke her leg 4 years ago.

DO YOU DO FACEBOOK?

(You must be logged into Facebook to access either site.)

Find Facebook's Navy AG group here:

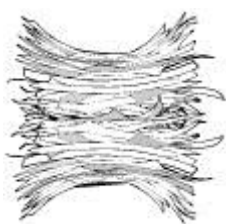
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LETTERS

PATCHES WANTED

Hello,

My name is Arthur. I am in a wheelchair and I have muscular dystrophy and I am a patch collector . I am looking to get a military patch or autographed military pictures from you
Thanks,

Art Samel

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Submitted by Jim Maxwell, NWSA President



Navy Announces Decision to Base the F-35C at NAS Lemoore

Story Number: NNS141002-04Release Date: 10/2/2014

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From U.S. Fleet Forces Public Affairs

NORFOLK, Va. (NNS) -- The Department of the Navy, after carefully weighing the strategic, operational, and environmental consequences of the proposed action, has decided to base the F-35C aircraft at Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore, California.

This will be accomplished by implementing Alternative 2 of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for U.S. Navy F-35C West Coast Homebasing.

Under Alternative 2, a total of 100 F-35C aircraft in seven Navy Pacific Fleet squadrons (10 aircraft per squadron) and the Fleet Replacement Squadron (FRS) (30 aircraft) will be based at NAS Lemoore beginning in 2016. The proposed action will be completed in the 2028 timeframe. The Navy has determined Alternative 2 best meets the operational needs of the Navy and, where feasible, minimizes potential environmental impacts.

The 100 F-35C aircraft will replace 70 aging FA-18 Hornet aircraft. As a result, aircraft based at NAS Lemoore will gradually increase by a total of 30 aircraft by 2028. Although this action calls for an increase of 30 aircraft based at NAS Lemoore, the FA-18C FRS with 30 aircraft assigned was disestablished in 2013. When the FRS for the F-35C is operational (in about 2018), the number of aircraft based at NAS Lemoore will be similar to 2013 levels. There will be no changes in aircraft

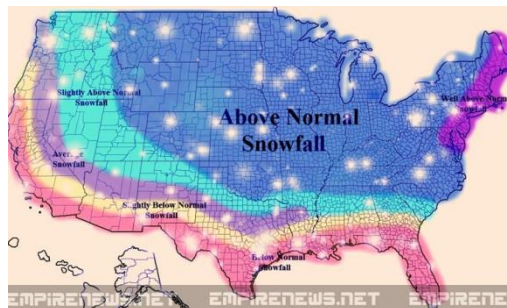
based at Naval Air Facility (NAF) El Centro, California, under Alternative 2. Basing the F-35C at NAS Lemoore will result in an increase of about 68,400 operations per year at NAS Lemoore and an increase of about 800 operations per year at NAF El Centro.

The Record of Decision is available for review at www.navyf35cwestcoasteis.com.

For more news from U.S. Fleet Forces Command, visit www.navy.mil/local/clf/.

Submitted by LCDR Bruce DeWald, USN RET

Snowpocalypse, Not Polar Vortex, Winter Weather By The End of Sept 2014 Through June



SILVER SPRING, Maryland –

Chances are you will hear a lot about El Niño in the next month or two. Meteorologists and weather science experts at the National Weather Service (NWS) say that there is a 99% chance that we will start to see a massive cold-front sooner in the year than has ever happened, which will produce not just record-breaking snowfall, but according to Dr. Boris Scvedio, a doctor of global weather sciences, record shattering snow storms across the board, affecting the entire United States.

“For the sake of comparison to the past winter, let’s say that your area received a total of twenty inches of accumulative snow for the season. Because this year the snowfall is predicted to start by the end of September or the beginning of October, you can expect to multiply that number by up to five, ten, maybe even twenty times in some areas. In the worst zones, you could see 50 times the amount of snow you’ve had in the past. This is the type of winter the American public needs to prepare for. Several meteorologists are saying not to buy into what the models are showing. I can tell you from forty years of scientific weather research, they are doing you a disservice,” Dr. Scvedio told the Associated Press on Friday. “The Northeast, Ohio Valley, and Midwestern states will definitely get hit the hardest.”

Edward F. Blankenbaker, Senior Administrator of Meteorologists, also told the media that this will be an once-in-a-lifetime kind of snowy winter.

“Pretty much everyone will see snow like they never have in their lives. Most younger people don’t even know what an actual blizzard looks like, but by the end of March, they will be seasoned survivalists,” Blankenbaker said. “Everyone needs to make sure they have their weather emergency kits prepared and ready to go. There will undoubtedly be mass power

outages, which along with freezing temperatures and enough snowfall to immobilize entire cities, will most likely, and unfortunately, be a very dangerous recipe. Safety always comes first and the time to prepare is right now.”

Along with the mention of severe winter weather, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) predicts supply and demand could cause shortages, causing the prices of bread and milk to increase substantially. FDA spokesperson Rebecca Miller suggests alternatives in preparation of the coming months.

“We are encouraging that you go out and purchase bulk amounts of dry, powdered milk which can be stored in your cupboards. This will prevent frantic trips to grocery stores and super markets as the onslaught of storms begin to fall upon your respected region.” Miller said. “As far as bread, we suggest you buy as much as you can efficiently store in your freezer. Bread can be frozen and thawed without compromising the integrity of its quality. Preparations such as these are crucial and the fact that technology has brought us to a time and place in which such events can be predicted is quite remarkable. So stock up on your powdered milk and fill your freezer with loaves of bread, because once the blankets of snow begin to fall, brave souls will confront the elements to raid stores of these products like some sort of scavenger hunt. Don’t be a part of the Snowpocalypse, it’s a dangerous battlefield of crazed shopping winter bitten weather zombies.”

Public safety organizations also encourage the masses to prepare themselves by obtaining proper necessities. James Satterfield from the National Fire and Safety Advisory Board says preparation can save lives. “Don’t wait until temperatures plummet into a freeze; obtain cold weather clothing and footwear, including wool thermal socks. It is also crucial to have plenty of batteries, candles, weather radios, you name it. Get prepared, it’s coming.” Satterfield stated. “First and foremost, make sure you have an effective plan in place to make sure you have plenty of bread and milk.”

Dr. Scvediook says to be prepared for a storm that could come as early as the end of September, and plan for the entire winter season, which this year, he says, will more than likely spread into next June.

Source: <http://2127news.net/2014/09/red-alert-snowpocalypse-not-polar-vortex-winter-weather-by-the-end-of-sept-2014-through-june-2015/>

CDR Chuck White, USN RET

Travel via the Moon

Travel around Europe can take many different modes from rental cars, to buses, trains, and as many find interesting, chartered tours with tour-guides on tour buses.....you’ll hit small towns and unknown locations to large cities and famous locations there, and certainly, a great way to see much of those areas you heard about....and of course, you did study on what you hope to see thru your local bookstore books about that country/city you’re planning to visit. But if you’ve never tried it before, try doing something a bit different and very enjoyable.....river cruising! The cost is different than rental cars where you have to pay for petrol, the

car, hotels where you stay, meals and snacks, and yes, some extra insurance from your private car at home (a choice you can buy or decline).

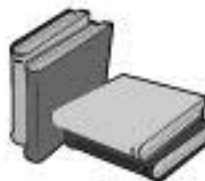
River cruises exist with a couple different companies and along most of the bigger rivers in Europe, with obviously different prices between the companies, so get on the computer and request info from all of them (knowing that just that one request for “info” will put you on their list to send you more advertising every week.....if your computer will allow it, make those ads go to “suspect mail” or junk-mail that you can delete by just looking at the company sending). There are river cruises on the main rivers in France and Germany and a few that extend into the Budapest and also to the Black Sea, so there are many to choose from. Having recently been on a Viking cruise from Amsterdam to Switzerland, we found it was just an outstanding way to see Germany from the Rhine ...maybe just a bit higher than a couple of other river cruise companies, but worth every drachma (now Euro). All meals are included in the initial price. There are snacks available 24hrs at two other places on the ship (including your room, if requested along with your own coffee-pot there) and the snacks are delivered by waiters wherever you’re sitting on the boat-deck or top-deck alongside the pool or running areas...in fact, those waiters learn early on what your favorite drink is and always ask if you’d like that drink to go with your snack/sandwich, while you continue to watch the countryside passing by...or you stop at one of the many friendly towns/villages along the river where you’re able to go ashore and visit the town or castle or nearby shopping area.

Your choice of 8 or 10 days will end you in Basel Switzerland, where the cruise company take you to the local train station downtown with connecting trains to Zurich just 30 min away and to many other parts of Europe. The Zurich airport has all the main European airlines connecting with other large cities of the continent and Asia/Africa/US. Truly, a unique way to see Europe on the many river cruises offered.

Don’t forget to call the 800 number on the back of the credit cards you’re taking on vacation and give them your credit card number account and location you will be vacationing at (Boston, Germany, London, etc) and dates you’re gone from home, so that they don’t shut down your account when they see someone trying to get money from your card at an ATM or charging with those credit cards at a hotel or store away from your local address....it can ruin your whole day....there is a long-distance phone number on the back should your card be stopped but that will cost you big-time from Europe or outside the US.

Have a great trip = you deserve it !

Submitted by AGCM Moon Mullen USN RET



CHAPTER NEWS



HAMPTON ROADS

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Social Coord. Frank Muscari
VA Hospital Coord. Joan Akers
CMAA Frank Muscari



Fall Meeting – October 5, 2014

In attendance: (18) **Ive and John Chubb, Susan and Dennis Pauly, Helena Evan** (our youngest guest), **Amber Evan, Kathi Clark, Steve and Sylvia Shafer, Bob and Tammie Steiner, Larue Wright, Chuck and Louise Steinbruck, Bob and Carol Daigle and Fay and Donna Crossley.**

REGRETS received from:

...**Joan Akers and Frank**...travel to Tucson.
...The **Muscari**...25th anniversary in HI.
...The **Harders**...Mel has Vertigo – difficult driving
...The **Nelsons**...Ed working at Trader Joes
...The **Lees**...Birthday Party to attend
...The **Fifileds**...Chuck has increasing difficulties breathing
...The **Salvatos**...They are sorry they can't make it
...**Doris and Howard**...Birthday Party to attend
...**Dave Milot**...son soccer game.
...**Bob Wright**...Friend's son hurt in Football game.

Grace was given by **Chuck Steinbruck**, as the wonderful meals were served.

The meeting was called to order about 250pm by **President Bob Steiner**. The Pledge of Allegiance, with **John Chubb** as leader, was recited.

Motion was made by **John Chubb** to accept the Secretary report from the July Meeting as sent to the membership, it was seconded by **Bob Steiner**...motion carried.

Treasurer Bob Daigle gave a report showing a balance of \$3233.88. Motion to accept the report was made by **Ive Chubb** and seconded by **Donna Crossley**, motion carried. The Treasurer gave a report about out last Charity contribution of \$100 to the USO, a thank you letter was received from the USO, see (Enclosure 4).

OLD BUSINESS:

1...**BINNACLE LIST**....(members are asked to keep HRC officials in the know about their own or anyone that is connected with HRC illnesses, injuries or the need for our special thoughts and prayers.

...**Eve Muscari**, copes fairly well with her back problems and is getting cortisone shots to help.

...**Donna Crossley**, continues to mend slowly from knee replacement, she has pulled her hamstring and may need to have the use of a brace for a time to help with the knee.

...**Chuck FiField**, reports that his breathing is very difficult and the doctor thinks he should use a wheel chair.

...**Tammie Steiner**, continues to cope with sinus issues.

...**Kathi Clark**, has had no change in her kidney function, they are working at slightly over 20%, to be placed on a donor list, and function has to be below 20%.

...**Doris Stepaniak**, is doing well with her back (Stenosis) repairs.

...**Howard Lee**, has also been dealing with back issues.

...**Steve Shafer**, has had a lot of issues with his hands and his "buddy" arthritis.

Anyone knowing of anyone needing HRC thoughts and prayers are asked to please contact the Secretary so the word can get out in the routine HRC updates.

2...A discussion was held concerning the Pungo Museum project and the USS Wisconsin project. It was felt the Pungo project should be dropped so more concentration can be towards the USS Wisconsin. The Committee will also schedule a meeting with the Wisconsin contacts as well as the Navy Norfolk focal point to coordinate and get a plan set as to how to proceed with getting the weather office on the ship open. The USS Wisconsin is now owned by the city of Norfolk and there might be some help with funding available through them.

3...**Reunion 2017**...A long discussion was conducted about the pros and cons of doing the reunion. The membership at this meeting felt there needed to be more discussion and some possible ideas of what would be required. It was voted by this meeting attendees (with one dissenting vote), that it be studied further with the recommendation that the final Yea or Nay be made at the 1/5/15 meeting.

4...**Bob Daigle** gave a brief review of this meetings charity, the holiday wreaths for the VA Cemetery in Suffolk. \$84 was collected and he made a motion the contribution be increased from the treasury to make it an even \$100, this was seconded by **Donna Crossley** and passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1...**January Venue**, A motion was made by **Ive Chubb** and seconded by Fay, that the January meeting be held at the Lucky Oyster, motion passed. A board meeting

will be scheduled in November to finalize the January meeting agenda.

2...The January Charity, was discussed and **Dennis Pauly** made a motion that we contribute to the Saint Mary's Infant Home at 6171 Kempsville Cir, Norfolk, VA. 23502 phone 757-622-2208. It was seconded by **Ive Chubb** and passed.

3...January Elections, the officers up for election are; Vice President, (currently held by appointment by **Joan Akers** – Joan has indicated that she does not want to continue in this position. **Secretary Fay Crossley** is willing to continue in this position. The Social Coordinator is currently **Frank Muscari** and he is willing to continue in that position. Veterans Hospital Coordinator is currently **Joan Akers**, and the President is unsure if Joan wants to continue in that role. HRC membership is reminded nominations can be made at any time by contacting the Secretary with any proposal, and nominations will be accepted at the January meeting.

4...We discussed “for the good of the order”, and we have said this was a place for HRC folks to tell the other members of things that are happening in their lives, most anything is acceptable and the new format of HRC UPDATES is a good method to get the information to HRC. Some other information that might be of interest to NWSA might be birthdays and anniversaries. Examples

Dennis and Susan Pauly celebrated #37.

Fay and Donna Crossley celebrated #28.

Donna Crossley turned 73 in October.

(maybe shouldn't give dates of birthdays)

Copies of any enclosure can be requested from **Fay Crossley**, fdcross@charter.net.

A motion was made by **Ive Chubb** and seconded by **Bob Daigle** to adjourn the meeting, motion carried at 342PM.

Submitted by Fay Crossley, HRC Secretary

Editor: HRC's news edited slightly...full version available at <http://www.navalweather.org/nwsahamptonroads.html>



SOCAL CHAPTER

Pres John Rodriguez
V. Pres David Rue
Sec/Treas Morry Summey

As another year is winding down and the Holiday is sneaking up on everyone, the Southern California Chapter would like to be the first to wish all of you Holiday Greetings.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

The annual Labor Day Picnic was held on Saturday, 30 August 2014 at the home of **Bill Bridge**. Attendees included **John Rodriguez**, **Bernie & Dolores Cohenour**, **Carl &**

Phyllis Drake, Morry Summey, accompanied by his younger daughter, **Marilyn**, and **Bill Bridge**, who also invited his next door neighbor and two friends. We had great weather, great sea stories, and a great time. Thanks Bill.

The October luncheon/business meeting was scheduled for Thursday, 2 October 2014. Limited attendance precluded having a formal meeting. Instead, we enjoyed an informal lunch together. The topics we discussed were our forthcoming PARADE OF LIGHTS Dinner and input for the November AEROGRAPH. Members in attendance were **President John Rodriguez**, **S/T Morry Summey**, and **Bernie & Dolores Cohenour**.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

From **John Rodriguez**: John had a 4 day hospital stay in mid-September due to a fainting spell and irregular heartbeat. He is scheduled to see a cardiologist next week. **Fujii** left for Japan on 1 October and will be returning on 3 November.

Two Japanese JMSDF ships will visit San Diego mid-October to early November for Joint Exercises. **Fujii** and I will entertain the brass upon her return, depending on their schedule.

From **Bernard Cohenour**: **Dolores** had eye surgery on 1 October 2014, and still came to the meeting. Bernie is worried, now that she can finally see him.

From **Morry Summey**: Morry's older daughter, **Martie**, will be visiting him in early November to help him celebrate his 86th birthday.

Submitted by Morry Summey SOCAL Sec/Treas.



CENTRAL COAST

President Harry Nicholson
Sec/Treas. Glenn Handlers

Howdy,

Late summer and fall continues warm and dry on the Central Coast of CA. The Mid Pacific long wave

trough seems stuck and until it moves east a few hundred miles it appears CA will continue to suffer lack of rain and snow.

Two of our retired community have joined the pibal in the sky the past few weeks. **Julius F.Steukert** b. 10 Aug. 1916 d. 15 Sep. 2014. I never met Stu on active duty but he worked a few weeks for Litton Corporation in 1970 shortly after he retired with 34 years ACDU. Being on one project with Stu was interesting. After he left Litton he opened a studio in Seaside and I saw him a few times the next few years while walking. Stu was quite an artist and showed me his studio.

Richard Carl Corkrum b. 30 Dec. 1930 d. 3 Oct. 2014. Worked for NWSA after retiring from ACDU. Attended some of the local chapter events over the years.

That is about the extent of events known about by me at this time.

Submitted by Zane E. Jacobs AGC USN RET



PENSACOLA CHAPTER

President Bernie Bauer
Sec/Treas. Pat O'Brien

Greetings. The Pensacola Chapter held its September meeting at the Red Lobster Restaurant. The following

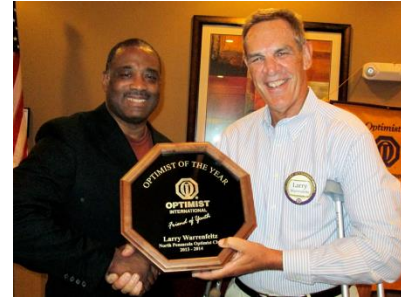
members attended: **Bernie Bauer, Pat and Libby O'Brien, Al and Helen Atwell, Greene and Marion Hawks, Larry and Nancy Warrenfelts, Denny and Helen Maljevac, John O'Hara, Ed and Gerrie Marsch, Ken and Barbara Overholt, Elspeth Lloyd, Dick and Elizabeth Tokryman, Ed and Patti Straten and Dave and Jerry Dunlap.**

Pat and Libby O'Brien just returned from a six-day trip up to Blairsville, GA. They did a lot of sightseeing and Pat got in a little fishing. Their cabin had no television or radio, so it was a QUIET week. The deciduous trees were beginning to shed their leaves, and the fall colors were just coming onto the scene.

Back in August, the **O'Briens** attended the USS Nimitz Association Reunion in Chicago along with **Jim and Joan Futtner**. The **Futtners** were unable to make the Association's 40th Reunion due to their daughter, Cathy, having had cancer surgery. We're glad to report that Cathy is doing well and has returned to work. So it was nice that Jim and Joan were able to make it to Chicago. The Nimitz Association offered a trip to Great Lakes to attend a recruit graduation ceremony and Pat and Jim took advantage of the offer. Both admitted the ceremony was very impressive and that it brought back many memories. Another highlight of the Nimitz Reunion was the weather. You would never have believed it was August in Chicago. It felt like fall instead of summer.

Bernie Bauer is doing well and reports nothing too exciting is happening. He works out at a local gym at least once a week, and Pat and Libby say he never eats anything when attending Blue Wahoo Baseball games. Pat doesn't know how he does it. He purchased one of those remotely operated small helicopters you see demonstrated at malls, and says he flies it all through his house. He recently traveled back to Pittsburg and spent a week visiting his sister and family. He said he enjoyed his visit and the COOL Weather. He was happy that his Pirates did well this year but wished they would have done more in the playoffs. He was kind enough to bring back a six pack of Iron City Beer for his friends whose last begins with "O". Gee, I wonder who that might be. Bernie is also getting in shape for the "Ice Flyers Hockey". He's a "Penquin" fan as in Pittsburg Penguins and thought minor league hockey would be boring. He says the O'Brien's made him realize how wrong he was.

Dick and Elizabeth Tokryman are also doing well. Dick says he's did his last tour of duty with H & R Block. We'll have to wait until next year to see if that holds true.



Larry Warrenfeltz Chosen Optimist of the Year by North Pensacola Optimist Club.

Larry and Nancy Warrenfeltz continue to be active members within the local community. In fact, Larry was just recognized as the Optimist Club Member of the Year. See the picture of Larry receiving his award.

Ed and Patti Straten attended an AG "A" School graduation at Keesler AFB in Biloxi in September. They were there to see Greg Richardson, a friend of their grandson, graduate. Thanks to Chief Sharpe, the Straten's had VIP seating for a very professional and impressive ceremony. Patti is off to visit their son, Craig, his wife, Melissa, and their three youngest grandchildren in beautiful NH. Perfect time of year for the autumn leaf peeping. Since Ed and Patti's birthdays are just a day apart in October, they will be spending them at the Imperial Palace in Biloxi, MS. Pattie says this may be a new tradition since the IP allows them an upgraded free room and complimentary meal and drinks. Fun birthday!

Walt Kindergan continues his pastoral duties at Holy Cross Episcopal Church and says he and Becky attended the annual conference of the Vergers Guild of the Episcopal Church in Burlington, Ontario at the end of September. Walt served as Chaplain for the conference. Conference attendees were entertained by The Three Cantors (Anglican priests) and a teen marching band from Burlington. While north of the border, they visited Niagara Falls, and had a grand celebration at the Anglican Cathedral in Hamilton, Ontario with over 140 vergers from all over the USA and Canada.

Rose and Arthur Frazier have been busy with the Milton High School band all summer and fall. Rose continues to work on keeping the uniform inventory current and ready, and they both chaperone various events. Their son Tim is a junior and is starting his search for a college. The Frazier's took a quick trip to NW Arkansas in late September, when Arthur's cousin/brother, Bud, died. This was a very difficult trip for them, but they were blessed to have spent some time with him and his family over the summer. They are preparing to help Rose's sister move into another house nearby and get settled before the holidays. Rose and Arthur already have 3 bookings as "Santa and Mrs. Claus" in December. They have been lightening their hair in preparation, and Rose says she never really wanted to be blonde, but now she is! No, she isn't

having more fun, yet! She's looking forward to spending lots of time with little ones over the holidays, and that may change her mind!

Robert Jacques tells us he was at the WW I Dawn Patrol event in Dayton a couple of weeks ago. The Dawn Patrol event features WW I re-enactors, period automobiles, replica WW I airplanes (some fly and some are static), vendors selling aviation-related items, and authentic looking camps of various countries. This one this year was the 9th held at the Air Force Museum in Dayton, and this year marks the 100th anniversary of the start of WW I.

Paul and Maria Lyon is still living over in Milton, FL, but they haven't made too many of our chapter meetings, and we really missed seeing them at the 40th reunion. Paul does keep in touch via internet e-mails.

Denny Maljevac spent the summer on the binnacle list. He started off by having shunt implant surgery in one of his eyes. Then he had to have reconstructive surgery to address a skin cancer problem near his other eye. However, **Helen** did a super job taking care of him which included serving as his nurse and chauffeur. Both surgeries were successful. The highlight of their summer was the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. It doesn't get much better than that.

Submitted by AGCM Pat O'Brien, USN RET



Jim & Lolis Steinbeck with son Edgar

One of our newer members, **Jim Steinbeck and his wife, Lolis** have gone to Europe for a river cruise on the Danube from Romania to Budapest. They plan to come back to Houston on a cruise ship from Southampton, England. Their son, **Edgar** and his family just spent some time with them on the way to Edgar's assignment in Guam. Edgar is an AMCS with 21 years, pushing for 30. He has finished a 3 year assignment on the USS Nimitz (CVN-68) and will be the Maintenance Control Supervisor for Helicopter Squadron 25 on board Anderson AFB Guam. HSC-25 provides support for forward deployed Naval units with vertical replenishment, search and rescue, and air ambulance. Edgar's prior assignments include recruiting, an F18 Squadron in Lemoore CA, several different Helicopter Squadrons (including training ones) in Norfolk, Helicopter Squadron on USS Whitney, when it was the command ship for the invasion of the Iraq war, flying in-country generals to the war room on Whitney.

Submitted by Curtis Arnold, Sec/Treas.



LONE STAR CHAPTER

President Charlie Jordan
Sec/Treas. Curtis Arnold

Mel Bourn and Pat Partesius spent the months of August and September in Vermont as their usual yearly trip away from the

Texas heat. Drove up in 4 days (He says, "Never again. Getting too old for long days on the road.") and back in 5. They visited Newport, Rhode Island and stayed at the Naval Station Lodge. Visited a couple of the mansions that line the ocean front. Indulged in lots of good eating and managed to gain a few pounds. Thinking now about losing weight doesn't work very well. They left Vermont as the splendor of the fall leaves had turned to the many shades of yellow, red, orange and brown.

Jim Nelson has been on and off the Binnacle List with problems caused by arthritis in his back and hips. He has had one surgical procedure and another on the schedule. He says that the X-rays and CT photos are gruesome. He and **Betty** have their 54th wedding anniversary coming up on October 24th and Jim will spend that weekend in the hospital.



POTOMAC CHAPTER

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Greetings from the land of National Harbour and Maryland Crab Cakes. Last June, we gathered at the home of **Jim & Rosalie Romano** for a picnic luncheon and to pass on the great (if not dry) time we had at the Pensacola reunion. In attendance were **Richie Freeman**, her daughter and son-in-law **Beverly & John Weaver**, **Robie Roper**, **Barbara Hansen**, **Mac & Shellie McCloud**, **Pete Weigand** (we missed **Marcia**), **Norm Canfield**, **Hoffmans**, **Beasleys**, **Godins**, **Tom Berkeridge**, **Delanos** and the **Miovases** were all on the road and sent regrets. We missed them all but that did not deter our appetites. Our next gathering is planned for the spring. Hopefully, dinner and the races at Rosecroft

Raceway in Oxon Hill, MD,...then, of course, we'll plan for a fun reunion in Nashville.

Later in June, **Ken & Joyce Smith**, visiting here from Hilton Head, joined the **Romanos** at the home of **Will & Ella Gould** to visit with Will who as you know is dealing with Parkinson's. He really enjoyed the visit as well as the great hoagies from Nick's Italian Del. Sadly though, Will's condition has gotten worse and he now has Hospice visiting a few days a week. Ella wants to keep him at home for as long as possible. Please keep them in your prayers.

Rosalie Romano spent two days in hospital to have a rod removed from her leg that had been inserted when she broke her leg 4 years ago. All is well except that she needs to use a walker for 4 weeks while everything heals.

We were also saddened this year by the loss of two great shipmates, **AGCS Leo Hortch** and **LCDR Walt Cottrell**. Leo was laid to rest in Southern MD and Walt will be interred in Arlington at 1230 on November 25, 2014. It is with great respect and sadness that we remember these good men.

On a lighter note, **Tom & Gladys Beasley** and **Jim Romano** recently visited with our old NSA buddy **AGCM Bob (Duke) Ducharme** for lunch at his retirement facility in Silver Spring. Duke insisted on buying lunch; we'll be back. **Barbara Hansen** has recently PCS'd to Georgia to be with daughter Cindy. We're gonna miss her.

Hope everyone has a safe and beautiful holiday season. Cheers!!

Submitted by Jim Romano, Corresp. Sec.



SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

Pres.: LT Todd McDonald
1st V.P.: AGCS Steve Turco
2nd V.P.: AGC Bob Johnson
Sec/Treas: AGCS Frank Andrews

MINUTES OF FALL MEETING

Attending Members and Guest:

AGC Bob & Charline Johnson, LT Todd & Cheryl McDonald, AGCS Steve Turco, AGCS Frank & Jane Andrews, AGCS Barry Brockman, AG1 Clarence & Antonaitt Grayson, CSM (US ARMY) Dewey and Mrs Walker, LT Fred & Lina Bergman, AGCM Joseph McGarr, and AMCS Norbert Greinke (Guest).

We opened the meeting with a remembrance and moment of silence as we remember what had happened 13 years ago today, The World Trade Center's loss with almost 3000 lives. Again we remembered the loss of a longtime supporter of NWSA SE Chapter with the loss of **AGCM Bob Bentley**. We requested everyone again to make up a BIO history of their Naval Career. Also, attach

a copy of their photo with the BIO in uniform if possible. We had to search all the way back to Bay St. Louis for a photo of AGCM Bob Bentley in uniform was when he their Command Master Chief. Special thank went to our contacts in Bay St. Louis for their help. Members can get assistance for anyone wishing to make up the BIO and have them saved on disk as part of the Chapters files.

We handed out several older issues of the AEROGRAPH and SHIFT COLORS, pointing out how important the SHIFT COLORS are for retired military. For those that were interested in NWSA membership, LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP only cost \$175. It is a savings that you cannot beat. We discussed the WEB SITE listing of the ACTIVE member and NON member Bellinger List (only can be downloaded by members) being published in November. The Necrology is currently listed on the web site for members and spouses and can be downloaded anytime. We requested all members to attempt contact with other weather types. We need to continue to follow up on our search for membership.

I pointed out that Jacksonville was talking about hurricane Dora. It is the only hurricane that we have a history of striking Jacksonville in 1964. We don't want to forget hurricane Donna that hit the Florida Keys in 1960. At least two current members was in hurricane Donna when it hit the Keys in 1960. That being, **CWO4 Bill Bowers** and myself. We were stationed at Key West Naval Air Station on September 10th when it struck. Winds were rated over 140 mph with gust to over 160 mph. Many thought it should have been higher wind speeds.

We set our Christmas Party for 18th of December (Thursday) at our Presidents home again. Additional details will be sent out early November. Remember, keep that date open.

Our finance statement was read with the balance in bank of \$3762 as of 6/30/2014, Earnings of only \$3 in interest and spent \$80 for a full page ad for the Pensacola Reunion. Our tax return was reviewed, copy signed and is being sent to IRS. Our tax year ends 06/30/2014 and we file Form 990EZ,

The next National NWSA Reunion will be held in Nashville TN on April 13-16th, 2015. Survey of present member indicated that there may be a few that are planning on attending.

Photos were taken of members present and copies have been sent to them. A group photo is being sent to the AEROGRAPH.

Submitted by AGC BOB JOHNSON, (Jacksonville)





**LCDR Glenn C.
Rosenberger, USN RET**
January 22, 1936 to January 15,
2014

Rosenberger, Glenn C., 77 of Louisville, formally of Souderton, PA, passed away January 15, 2014 after fighting melanoma of the liver. Glenn

was a member of the Shively Christian Church. He was a graduate of Penn State University and the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, CA where he obtained a master's degree in meteorology. He was a career Navy man, reaching the rank of Lt. Commander before his retirement in 1980. He then began his private meteorology career, working in Saudi Arabia and Palestine, TX where he launched scientific balloons for NASA. He officially retired again in 2005 and moved to Louisville to be with his sister Marie and her family.

He was an avid gardener who grew enough vegetables to share with anyone who wanted them, from the mail carrier to the dentist's office. He loved to keep active and enjoyed winters in Florida, walking the beach and playing bocce. He loved to help his great nieces with their homework, even if he didn't agree with the textbooks.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Marie R. Harris. He is survived by his daughter Kristy, niece Kolleen, nephews Brian and Kevin, his brother Lee (Cindy) and their children.

A memorial service was held at Evergreen Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Arlington National Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy can be made to www.independencfund.org.

Submitted by daughter Kristy Rosenberger



**LT Walter G. Cronise, Jr.,
USN RET**

April 14, 1924 to Sept. 20, 2014

Walter Garfield Cronise, Jr. (90) died peacefully on Saturday, September 20, 2014, in Jacksonville, FL. He was born in Baltimore, MD on April 14, 1924, to Walter Garfield and Margaret Catharine (Wunderlich) Cronise and was baptized in the Lutheran church. He was confirmed on April 10, 1938 at Emmanuel Evangelical Church, Baltimore, MD. Walter married the love of his life, Dorothy Mae Nielsen, on May 30, 1944 in Miami, FL. They were blessed with five children, seven granddaughters, and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Walter remained in Baltimore until the age of 17 when he joined the US Navy on December 8, 1941, following the bombing of Pearl Harbor. During his time in the Navy he was trained as a Meteorologist and served three

tours of duty with the Hurricane Hunter Squadron. Walter was proud to have served his country for 25 years, including three wars – World War II, Korean War, and Viet Nam War. While stationed primarily in Jacksonville, FL, the Navy also took him to South Florida, Alabama, California, Rhode Island, and Puerto Rico. He considered his assignment as an underway watch officer on an aircraft carrier to be one of his greatest achievements.

Following his retirement as a Lieutenant in the Navy on May 1, 1967, Walter moved the family to South Florida where he became a popular broadcast Meteorologist on television at WPLG Channel 10 and on the radio. He was known for wearing only bow ties on air and was jokingly referred to as "Rich Uncle Walter" on the radio. Walter retired from broadcast Meteorology in December of 1992. He and his wife, Dorothy, remained in South Florida until March of 2014, when they moved to Jacksonville, FL to be closer to their two eldest children. His passion for Meteorology continued until his death. Walter checked the weather maps every day on his computer and continued to predict the paths of Hurricanes. He also enjoyed playing golf, including Pro-Am tournaments during his time at Channel 10, and watching sports on TV.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents and his younger sister, Margaret Carolyn Cronise Hopf. He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Dorothy, his children Carole Lynn Cronise Ross (Todd), Diana Raye Cronise Canipelli, Glenn Arthur Cronise, Jon Christian Cronise, and Kristy Anne Cronise Friedman, and seven granddaughters and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Memorial service arrangements are undetermined at this time. In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be sent to Wounded Warrior Project on-line at <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org> or by phone at 877-832-6997; or Lutheran Church Missouri Synod World Relief on-line at <https://lcms.org/givenow/worldrelief>, by phone at 888-930-4438, or by mail to 1333 S. Kirkwood Road, St. Louis, MO 63122.

Submitted by LCDR Bud Horn, USN RET via AGC Bob Johnson, USN RET
2nd VP SE FL Chapter



**LT Bernard Fridovich, USN
RET**

March 5, 1931 to Sept. 9, 2014

Bernard Fridovich, PhD, passed away peacefully after a long battle with Frontotemporal Dementia (Pick's Disease or FTD). A renowned physicist, Dr. Fridovich's work was published in several professional journals, including the Journal of Molecular Spectroscopy and Applied Optics. He was an officer in the [United States Navy](http://www.usn.gov) who served in Antarctica as part of Operation Deep Freeze II during the International Geophysical Year (1957-58). Lieutenant Fridovich was a

meteorologist based at McMurdo Sound where he was severely injured in a helicopter crash; the Navy honored him by naming a mountain for him in Antarctica. Dr. Fridovich spent his career working for the government at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and as a contractor to NASA. He was a true lover of nature and animals, and he was a talented amateur photographer, woodworker, and tailor.

Born in Brooklyn, NY to Sylvia and Louis Fridovich, Dr. Fridovich graduated from DeWitt Clinton High School, the City College of New York, Officer Candidate School in Monterey, CA, and earned his doctorate from the University of Maryland. He married Sheila (Meyers) Fridovich in 1959 after being introduced by their families. Dr. Fridovich is survived by his wife, Sheila, of Annapolis, MD; their daughter Laura Fridovich Lee (and husband Terence) of Providence, RI; son Mark Fridovich of Crownsville, MD; son Robert Fridovich (and partner Ludovic Mougnot) of Paris, France; grandchildren Jessica and Lewis Lee; brother David (and wife Miriam) Fridovich of New Rochelle, NY and brother Irwin Fridovich of Durham, NC; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. The family is planning a memorial service for a later date; in lieu of flowers, they request that donations be made to: The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration at www.theaftd.org.

Submitted by LCDR Bruce DeWald, USN RET

and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, John.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Knights of Columbus of Virginia Assisting Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities (KOVAR) at KOVAR, 6175 Good Samaritan Council, 16933 Four Seasons Dr., Dumfries, VA 22025-3619.

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**AGCS Ross K. Gardner, Sr.,
USN RET**

Jan. 2, 1929 to Aug. 3, 2014

Gardner, Ross King Sr. age 85 of Galloway Twp passed away on August 3, 2014 at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Ross was born on

January 2, 1929 to John and Maud King Gardner in Salt Lake City, Utah. He proudly served in the US Navy for 20 years and was a veteran of WWII, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He served on the aircraft carriers USS Oriskany and USS Constellation. After he retired from the Navy, he worked for 22 years as a meteorologist for the National Weather Service at NAFEC. In 1952, while attending a class at Lakehurst Naval Air Station, he met and married his Jersey girl Marie Fago. They traveled the world together while in the Navy. She was the love of his life. Ross was a charter member of the Absegami Football Boosters. He enjoyed his yard, his garden and his dog as well as bird watching at the Forsythe Refuge. Ross was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. His greatest joy was spending time with his family. We will miss his quick wit and his many humorous sayings that will live on forever.

. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 55 years Marie and his son Ross King Gardner, Jr., his brothers, Leon and Dean Gardner and sisters, Phyllis Everton and Norma Gardner. Surviving are his children, Michelle Ewing (Michael) of Galloway, Theresa Scheuerman (Robert) of Galloway, Michael Gardner (Therese) of Virginia Beach, VA, Timothy Gardner (Joanne) of Smithville and Claudia Gardner of Galloway; his daughter-in-law Juliane Gardner of Spring Valley, NY; his grandchildren, Elizabeth Wyman (Joseph), Justin Ewing (Vicky), Rebecca McKenna (Michael), Sean Ewing, Hannah Todd (Kevin), Ross Gardner III, Tyler Gardner, Gregory Gardner, Luke Gardner, John Gardner, Claire Gardner and Mary Grace Gardner; his great grandchildren, Dylan Ewing, Michael McKenna, Jr., Katelyn McKenna and Evangeline Ewing and his dachshund Maggie. Ross's family wishes to thank the doctors and nurses at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania who cared for Ross with kindness and compassion.



**AGCM James T. Bradley,
USNR RET**

Nov. 20, 1932 to May 7, 2014

Of Sterling, Virginia and Jupiter, Florida died on May 7, 2014 at his home after a long illness. Born on November 20, 1932 in Brooklyn, New York, Dr. Bradley earned his BS from City College of New York, and his MS and PhD from New York University, in Meteorology. He had a distinguished forty-year career with the National Weather Service as a pioneer in the automation of surface weather observations. Dr. Bradley also served faithfully and honorably in the [US Navy](http://www.usnavy.com) Reserve, retiring in 1990 as a Master Chief Aerographer's Mate. He was a long-time parishioner at Christ the Redeemer Roman Catholic Church in Sterling, Virginia, and an active member of the 6175 Good Samaritan Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Dr. Bradley is survived by his devoted wife of nearly 57 years, Edda; his loving children, Ellen (Dave) Garfield, Frances (Tim) Sullivan, John, Richard (Judi), and William (Jennifer); and his beloved grandchildren, Jeannine Garfield and Logan Bradley. He was predeceased by his young daughter, Roberta. Dr. Bradley is survived by his twin sister, Virginia Connolly,

Burial with military honors was at the Atlantic County Veterans Mem. Cemetery in Estell Manor, NJ. For condolences, please visit www.wimbergfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Popcorn Park Zoo, 1 Humane Way, PO Box 43, Forked River, NJ 08731.

AG1 Theodore J. Moran, USN RET

August 18, 1932 to June 3, 2014

Theodore J. Moran passed from our lives on June 3, 2014 in Lemoore, CA. Ted was US Navy Retired as an Aerographer's Mate 1st Class, with a previous 4 years as an Aviation Machinist with VF-191 (Blue Angels). He was a "Trusted Shellback" and a veteran of the Korean and Viet-Nam conflicts. Ted had numerous commendations throughout his naval career, among them Sailor of the Year while on board the USS Hancock (CVA-19) in 1972, a Presidential Unit Citation and his Good Conduct ribbon had 4 stars. Ted served around the world at such locales as Sigonella, Sicily; Suda Bay, Crete (NATO) and the South China Sea. He was a member in good standing with the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch #261, in Lemoore. He was also a member of the Military Order of the Louse (MOL), Hut#36.

Upon retiring from the Navy in 1973, Ted spent 26 years as a Shop Machinist with Candlewick Yarns in Lemoore. He was an avid bowler and was a member of many leagues throughout California. He was a resident of Lemoore for 45 years. Born August 18, 1932 in Athens, OH, Ted graduated in 1951 from St. Joseph High School in Detroit and was employed by Detroit Edison prior to entering the Navy.

He was the son of Theodore M. Moran of Detroit and Wilma E. Breece of Indiana. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years Barbara L. (Wafford) and five sons, Michael, Kenneth, Patrick, Robert, Sean and eight grandchildren. He is also survived by his younger sister, Mary Goosen, of Gaylord, MI and her six children, Edna, Patricia, Theodore, Timothy, David, Mary Beth and 15 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at Lemoore Cemetery. Anyone wishing to make donations may do so to The American Lung Association 4949 N. Arthur Ave., Fresno, CA 93705

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LT George F. Buie, Jr., USN RET

July 17, 1921 to October 3, 2014

George Franklin Buie, Jr was born July 17, 1921 in Greenwood, MS. His family later moved to Clarksdale, MS where George graduated from High School in 1938 and shortly thereafter joined the US

Navy. His first duty station as an aerographer was at the newly established Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, FL. There he met the love of his life, Frances Brabham Buie and they married two days before Pearl Harbor.

George served aboard Battleships and Aircraft Carriers throughout World War II and took part in over 26 campaigns. During the battle of Iwo Jima his carrier, the original Saratoga, was hit by seven Kamikazi planes, one just missing him.

After the war, George served in many places: New Jersey, California, Pennsylvania, Hawaii and overseas in Trinidad, Panama, and Morocco. He retired after 28 years of service to live in Jacksonville, FL where he attended Jones College earning an associate degree.

In 1973 George and Frances moved to Dowling Park, Florida and where they served as house parents in the Advent Christian Village for two years before completely retiring. George served as Head Usher for the Village Church for 32 years.

When Frances, his loving wife of 72 years, was committed to the ACV nursing home with Alzheimers, George spent every day at her side for over six years, often seen holding hands with her.

George succumbed to the effects of major surgery on October 3, 2014. A graveside service was held on October 24.

Submitted by AGCS Lloyd Corbett, USN RET via AGC
BOB JOHNSON, USN RET, 2nd VP NWSA SE

Additional info on LT Buie's passing:

Just got off the phone with George's son Gary Buie and he gave me the following information. George was playing cards and developed a pain in his stomach. He went home took a couple of aspirin and finally called 911 for assistance. He was taken to the hospital and diagnosed with an aneurism. Probabilities were low that he would survive any surgery. In the meantime, he developed a bowel obstruction and required emergency colon surgery. The combination of the two problems weakened his system and he developed a touch of pneumonia. His system was not strong enough to overcome these problems. George passed away early October 3, 2014. He was 93 years old.

Submitted by AGCS Lloyd Corbett, USN RET
LT Buie was a member of NWSA Southeast Florida Chapter. His biography, as part of AGCS Lloyd Corbett's NWSA Project, follows:

Lieutenant George F. Buie United States Navy – Retired

LT George F. Buie became an Aerographer Mate Striker in December 1939 and has been in the Navy Weather Service Community for over 71 years. He was born in Greenwood, MS on July 17, 1921, *enlisted in the Navy* at New Orleans, LA on October 04, 1939 and left immediately for Boot Camp at Norfolk, VA. During his time on active duty, the United States was involved in

WWII, the Berlin Crisis, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam Conflict and the Cold War Era. When discussing his awards, his comment was SURVIVAL, and that was good enough. He reminisced about being on his honeymoon in Mississippi when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor and concern that all his uniforms were in Jacksonville, FL; also when the Saratoga (CV-3) was a target ship during the atomic test at Bikini, Island.

His first assignment was to the USS Ranger (CV-4) at Norfolk, VA as a Blue Shirt (Plane Pusher) in V-3 Division. The berthing compartment was shared with personnel from OA and OP Divisions. After talking with the sailors from OA Division, he requested a transfer to the Weather Office and become an AG Striker. George received orders to Lakehurst, NJ to attend AG "A" School as a member of Class 4019 from August 01, 1940 to October 26, 1940. As the class honor student, he was allowed to pick his assignment to NAS Jacksonville, FL and was the first Aerographers Mate to report for duty. During most of WWII, his assignments were in the USS Massachusetts (BB39) and the USS Saratoga (CV-3).

George was advanced to Chief Petty Officer while serving in the USS Saratoga and after the war; he attended the AERM School, Class C-1 during 1947 at Lakehurst, NJ for those personnel that were promoted to Chief Petty Officer before they attended the advanced "B" school for aerographers. Some of his assignments as a Chief Petty Officer included that of Leading Chief, FWC Morocco, Chief Petty Officer in Charge, NS Trinidad, and as the Aerographers Mate Detailer. As a Warrant Officer, he had assignments to FWC Pearl Harbor, FWC San Diego, FWC Balboa, and at ASO Philadelphia. During September 1960, he was accepted to the METLO Program, attended EMO School in Chicago, IL and was then assigned to FWC Morocco as a METLO until March 1964. When the FWC moved to Rota, Spain, George was transferred to ASO Philadelphia and served there until December 1965. His final assignment was to the Office of the Naval Weather Service, Washington, DC. He retired from active duty with 27 years and 08 months service on June 01, 1967.

George and Ms. Francis (Brabham) Buie were married on February 05, 1941 at NAS Jacksonville, FL. She was a resident of Orange Park, FL. After his retirement they returned to Jacksonville, FL for a couple of years before making their final move to the Advent Christian Village in Dowling Park, FL. For several years they served as house parents and counselors for teenagers, they then purchased a home and hung out their shingle "DUN ROMIN"

CAPT Julius F. Steukert, USN RET

August 10, 1916 to September 15, 2014

I never met Stu on active duty but he worked a few weeks for Litton Corporation in 1970 shortly after he retired with 34 years ACDU. Being on one project with Stu was interesting. After he left Litton he opened a studio in Seaside and I saw him a few times the next few years while walking. Stu was quite an artist and showed me his studio.

Submitted by AGC Zane Jacobs, USN RET

AGC Orin N. Gahlao, USN RET

A member of Branch 358 located in or near Oscoda, MI.

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A member of Branch 171 located in the PI.

Notices above appeared in *FRA Today*, In Memoriam, August 2014 issue

Submitted by Bob Johnson, 2nd V.P. SE Chapter.



CDR Richard C. Corkrum, USN RET

December 20, 1930 - October 3, 2014

Richard Corkrum died October 3, 2014 of ALS and pneumonia. He was born December 20, 1930 to Carl and Emma Corkrum. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Nancy; 3 daughters, Karleen Corkrum of Spokane, WA, Denise Williams (Roy) of Olympia, WA, and Cynthia Van Velzer (Eric) of San Marcos, CA; 5 grandsons, Chad, Joshua, Jonathan, Cameron and Justin; and one great grandson, Justin.

He entered the U.S. Navy in 1951 after 3 years at WSC. He received his commission in 1956. He served on several aircraft carriers and an icebreaker, as well as at Fleet Numerical in Monterey from where he retired in 1977. He then did Marriage, Family and Child Counseling.

He was a member of Marina United Methodist Church, Gideons International and American Legion. Services will be Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014 at 11:00am at Marina United Methodist Church, 281 Beach Rd., Marina. Neptune Society is in charge of remains.

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Submitted by AGC Zane Jacobs, USN RET



Yvette Driesse

August 4, 1935 to October 15, 2014
(Widow of AGCS Harry Driesse, USN RET)

Virginia Beach, VA - Yvette M. Driesse, of Largo, FL, died Wednesday, October 15, 2014 with her daughters by her side after a long battle with COPD.

She was born August 4, 1935 in Manchester, New Hampshire to Henry and Loretta Anger. She married Harold "Harry" Driesse, November 17, 1956.

Her husband, Harold Driesse and daughter, Margaret Frerichmann preceded her in death. She is survived by her four daughters, Dorothy Hale (Steve) of Port St. Lucie, FL, Patricia Slawson (Dave) of Salt Lake City, UT, Sandra Bunn (late husband Robert) of Clearwater, FL, Karen Halloran (Edward) of Virginia Beach, VA; son-in-law Steve Frerichmann of Huntsville, AL; grandchildren: Stephanie, Jeremy, Kim, Michelle, Kevin, Eddie, Kaitlyn, Erin, Jamie, Dylan, Rachael, and John; ten great-grandchildren; and three sisters: Yvonne Sullivan (twin) of Deland, FL, Ann Plante and Peggy Loftus of Manchester, NH.

Yvette was a long time resident of Virginia Beach where she raised five daughters, worked in nursing and later at St. Gregory the Great Catholic School before moving to Largo, FL to help her widowed daughter. While in Largo, Florida she was a volunteer at Morton Plant Hospital and a member of St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church.

The burial will be at the Rosewood-Kellum Cemetery, Virginia Beach, VA..

Submitted by Fay Crossley, HRC Sec.



Articles

Congressman: New Threats Could Halt Military Cuts

The Virginian-Pilot | Sep 06, 2014 | by Bill Bartel

NEWPORT NEWS -- The second-in-command of the House Armed Services Committee predicted Friday that the automatic defense cuts set to begin again next fall will be stopped because rising threats worldwide are swaying Americans to support a stronger military.

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry, a Texas Republican, toured Newport News Shipbuilding with four local congressmen. He said afterward that he expects that the remainder of more than \$500 billion in defense cuts set to be made over a decade -- known as sequestration -- will be changed or undone by late next year. The reductions are part of more than \$1 trillion in automatic cuts begun last year. Hampton Roads' economy, which relies heavily on defense spending, has already felt the effects.

"I can't give you the road map on exactly how that will be changed but I do know that as I travel around the country... people realize it's a dangerous world," said Thornberry, who might be in line to become committee

chairman in January. "You just have to summarize the headlines any particular day to know that it is foolhardy to continue to cut defense. I think everybody understands that better now."

He and other members of Congress return to Washington next week and will seek to pass a short-term spending bill, known as a continuing resolution, to keep the government open when the new fiscal year begins Oct. 1. The resolution would continue paying for defense-related programs without interruption.

However, a full annual budget isn't expected to be considered until after the Nov. 4 congressional elections.

Thornberry and members of the region's delegation weren't ready to say whether or when the U.S. should put troops on the ground to deal with threats such as Islamist extremists in Iraq and Syria. But they contended that by its presence, a large U.S. military can deter such threats from rising.

"There may be differences of opinion about the use of military power to deal with any one of those threats," Thornberry said. "But there should be no difference of opinion about having the military power available to deal with this broad array of threats."

U.S. Rep. Randy Forbes, a frequent critic of President Barack Obama's defense policies, noted that Russia's actions in Ukraine and China's pressure on other countries have come at a time when the United States' military is shrinking.

"You don't need Americans at war; you need Americans in leadership," said the Chesapeake Republican, who also is on the armed services panel.

U.S. Rep. Bobby Scott reiterated his argument that building up the military requires new revenue. He has opposed cutting other government programs to shift more money to defense and was critical of Congress's decision last year to renew what's called the Bush tax cuts that were due to expire.

"You can't get this kind of (military) presence free," said the Newport News Democrat. "You need to put this money in the budget. When you spend all your money cutting taxes, you don't have any money left for defense. We need to figure out a way to get some more revenue on the table."

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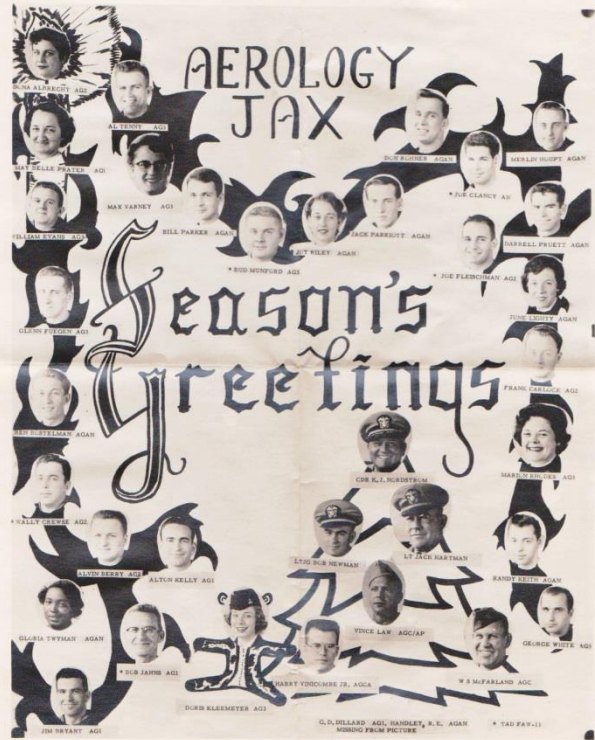
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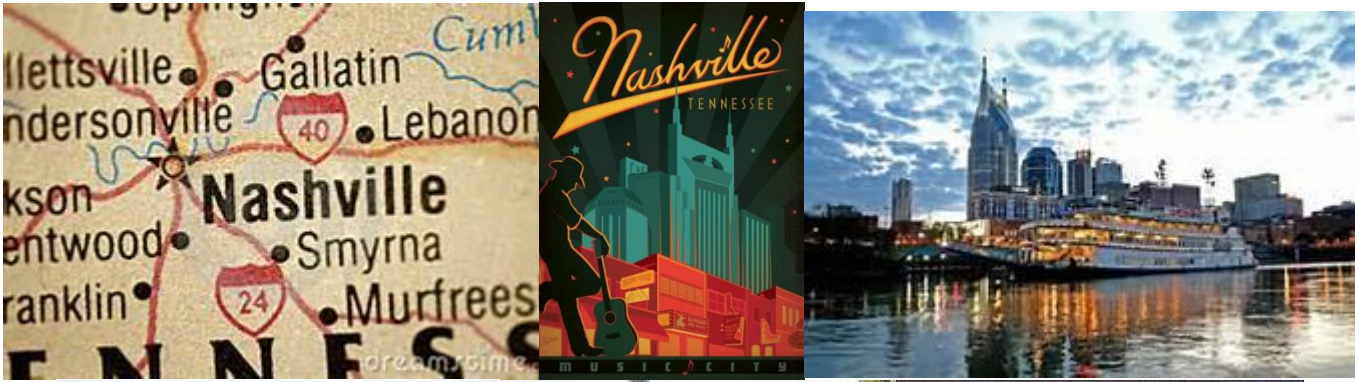
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