

Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association Newsletter

"Tradition - Duty - Rapport"

NEWSLETTER 3-90

JUNE/JULY, 1990

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Let me begin by thanking you for the many cards, letters and phone calls of support. There are far too many for me to answer each one. In order to let the dust settle on the issue of changing our name let me share my position with you. I was elected to represent you as President of the Coast Guard Combat Veterans. One of my mandates, as I see it, is to protect the organization and the members thereof as well as our name. It is not my intention to allow any motion or resolution to come on the floor in Baltimore that would change the basic structure or the name of our organization. Resolutions dealing with other changes in our by-laws which tend to better the organization as a whole are encouraged and will be dealt with by a resolution committee chaired by the Board Chairman. I certainly encourage any by-law addition that would allow us to deal with a member that cannot communicate with others within the bounds of respect and decency. Many of you have expressed concern about allowing the member in question to continue his membership status in the organization, however I believe it should take by-law changes or additions to allow that to happen.

Because our re-union agenda is a somewhat tight one we will not enjoy a lengthy business meeting. I recognize that many of you have items you wished on the agenda so in order to facilitate by-law changes, etc., we ask that you submit those changes in resolution form to the resolution committee who will meet and make recommendations prior to our general meeting (time and place will be posted). You will, of course, have an opportunity to vote on the recommendations of the committee. Please forward all resolutions to GIL BENOIT, 3021 PRINCESS LANE, PLANO, TEXAS 75074. We also request that all nominations for elected officers 1990-1992 be submitted to the nominations committee Chairman, DICK AHRENS, 6511 COTTONWOOD DRIVE, FRUITPORT, MI 49415-9605. Nominations may be submitted up to one (1) day prior to our general session. Please understand that these measures are in place only to ensure a smooth running business session and not meant to deprive any dues paying member an opportunity to express their views.

Although we have had some minor problems and misunderstandings with our hotel they are ready for us and our re-union promises to be an outstanding event. Special thanks to Bill Hoover, Hank Rogers, Jon Uithol, Baker Herbert and the Board for their extra efforts.

I look forward to visiting with all that can attend the Baltimore Re-union.

Semper Paratus,

Bob Maxwell

The CGCVA Auxiliary will hold a business/social luncheon on Friday, July 20 at 1300 hrs. If you are not now a member you are cordially invited to attend and join at that time. This event takes place simultaneously with the CGCVA meeting. Tickets for this event are available from Baker Herbert at a cost of \$13.00 per person. Please join us.

Liz Scotti - Auxiliary President

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

Our balance on hand is \$5,990.09 as of May 26, 1990. This will be audited in Baltimore and the books are open. We have 670 members, including three widows.

Our clothing has been re-stocked and we now have XX large "T" shirts and sweat-shirts. We are still working on patches and hope to have them at the Baltimore Reunion. I will only bring what caps I have to Baltimore as it will be too bulky to bring the "T" shirts and sweatshirts.

It has been my pleasure serving as your Secretary/Treasurer and getting out a few Newsletters. My wife, Marylou and Mother-in-law, Bess (she's 82 and going strong) have helped me label and band the Newsletters.

I won't do another tour as Secretary/Treasurer, which I told the President and Board of Directors in the Fall of 1989. While it has been most enjoyable I, at this time, don't have the time to do a first class job--and that's what you deserve. We need a member with a computer who would be willing to do this for us. I will recommend Herb Reith, who has done our labels and helped out so very much--and he has a great computer.

My good friend, Vice Admiral Tom Sargent helped me in 1984 organize what is now the CGCVA. We met in Chicago (Bloomingdale) in 1985 with fifteen super people and their wives. My father-in-law was taken to intensive care shortly after we arrived in Bloomingdale and Marylou and I had to return to Ohio. Thank the Lord for Bill Hoover and Paul Scotti.

Bob Maxwell has worked hard on our Association and has put forth some great ideas. The Legislators Award and the Outstanding CG Person Award were Bob's ideas, so far as I know. Having first met Bob in Reno, 1986 I realized that as past California State VFW Commander he had considerable experience. Bob has always had our best interests in the forefront of whatever he was doing. It has been my pleasure to work with him.

The membership applications that we have on file are a great history of people and Coast Guard events. I've learned about the Coast Guard from our members. Can you believe we had a CGC MAYFLOWER? We did. We had a CGC CHERRY also. I hope assignments sent our biggest and best fighters to those ships, especially if the name of the ship appeared on the nameband of the flathat.

Talking with Duke Schneider we have found that few know about all of the duties involving the Coast Guard during and since WWII--that includes the Coast Guard itself. Few know about Explosive Loading Detachments, the Loran C in SE Asia, training the Korean Navy, Loran in Korea when the North Koreans started South, CG involvement in Granada and the Cuban Missile Crisis, to mention just a few of the things we have done. We had CG personnel in the Dominican Republic for police action. The list goes on and on. We manned the hardest riding Army and Navy ships during WWII and going to sea on a 110' Tug or a buck and a quarter in the North Atlantic requires real sailors.

Some can't make it to Baltimore. Health is a serious consideration and family is right up there. To those that I won't see at this reunion, stand-by, we will meet in 1992 hopefully. To those that I haven't met previously and will be in Baltimore, it will be my great honor to shake your hand and thank you for your help.

Semper Paratus,

Baker (first name) Herbert (last name)

REUNION COMMITTEES

Bill Hoover - General Chairman

Bob Maxwell - President & Meeting Chair

RESOLUTIONS

Gil Benoit - Chairman

NOMINATIONS - Dick Ahrens, Chairman

AUDIT - Don Kneip, Chairman

MEDIA LIASION - CWO Paul Scotti, USCG

YARD TOUR - Hank Rogers

VIP - Jon Uithol

REGISTRATION/TICKETS

CHIEF MASTER AT ARMS

Baker Herbert - Jane Maxwell

John E. Gnegy. MCPO (Ret)

REUNION EVENTS

- 7-18-90 - Wednesday 1600 - Check in, Marriott Inner Harbor, Register with CGCVA
- 7-19-90 - Thursday 0900 - Depart Marriott for Curtis Bay - ticket required
 - 0930 - Arrive Yard - Orientation
 - 1000 - Group Tours, Yard, Tug Boat to Lifeboat Station
 - 1130 - Steak Dinner - no host bar
 - 1230 - Exchange open
 - 1300 - Return to Marriott from Yard
 - 1800 - Open Bar, Marriott, CGCVA Host
 - 1900 - Cash Bar, Marriott
- 7-20-90 - Friday 1030 - Greet EAGLE
 - 1200 - Meeting/Lunch CGCVA - election of officers, 1990-92
Current membership card required for meeting admission - Lunch ticket required for luncheon
 - 1300 - Meeting/Lunch, CGCVA Auxiliary - ticket required
- 7-20-90 - Saturday 0900 - Private Vehicle tours
 - Tour EAGLE
 - Rash Field will have exhibits of USCG Activities
 - 1300 - USCG Dixieland Band performs on Rash Field
 - 1500 - USCG Band concert in Harborplace Amphitheatre
 - 1700 - Cash Bar, Marriott
 - 1800 - Awards Dinner, Marriott - dinner ticket required
- 7-21-90 - Sunday Individual Church Services
 - 0800 - Volksmarch (Family distance walk)
 - 1030 - Memorial service and wreath laying
 - 1200 - Exhibits open on Rash Field
 - 1300 - Dixieland Band performance, Rash Field
 - 1400 - USCG Band - Harbor place Amphitheatre
 - 1600 - Dedication ceremonies for CHEASAPEAKE Light Ship as National Historic Marker
 - TBD - Meeting of newly elected officers
 - Departure as desired

The Marriott Inner Harbor will provide a display room for those who would like to bring articles of interest. This room will be guarded and/or locked.

ATLANTIC CITY - The USS KEY WEST will travel to Atlantic City, Wednesday, July 18th. The bus will leave the Marriott at 8:00AM and return at 8:00PM. The cost will depend on the number of passengers on the bus. \$15.00 will be returned in gambling coupons at Atlantic City. Contact Vince Positan, 20 Gregory Rd., Springfield, NJ 07081. This will be on a first come, first served basis, space available.

CGCVA HONORED GUEST: ASM Kelly Mogk will receive the outstanding Coast Guard Person award from the CGCVA. Following taken from Commandant's Bulletin, February, 1989: "ASM3 Kelly Mogk earned the Coast Guard Air Medal for her part in the Jan. 3 rescue. (Kelly rescued 2nd LT Mike Markstaller, ANG, 35 miles East of Tillamook Bay, Oregon in heavy seas.) Mogk is the only female rescue swimmer in the Coast Guard. She is also the only woman to graduate from the Navy Rescue Swimmer School in Pensacola, Fla. The Jan. 3 rescue was her first. Mogk flew to Washington to represent the Coast Guard at the swearing in ceremony of Secretary of Transportation Samuel Skinner, Feb. 6. Mogk was also congratulated by the new President at the ceremony. Kelly was awarded the Air Medal.

CGCVA OUTSTANDING US SENATOR: Senator Barbara Mikulski (MD) has been selected for her outstanding support of the U. S. Coast Guard and will be honored at the Awards Dinner, July 21, 1990, Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor Hotel.

CGCVA OUTSTANDING US REPRESENTATIVE: Congressman Silvio Conte, (MA) will be honored by the CGCVA at the Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor Hotel on July 21, 1990 for his outstanding support of the U. S. Coast Guard.

BINNACLE LIST: Jack Orewiler, CAPT, USCG (Ret) (Northland) will be unable to attend Baltimore Reunion. LT Mike Evgrafoff (he took French leave from the Russian Navy to work for the Coast Guard - only in America) was in an automobile accident before Christmas.

COAST GUARD SEA VETERANS OF AMERICA: Biannual convention/meeting Grand Haven, MI area, August 3rd. They invite Combat Vets to utilize their hotel accommodations at \$62.00, Muskegon Harbor Hilton, prior to June 21st. Call 1-800-445-8667 or 616-722-1000 and state that you are making a SEA VETS reservation. For further information contact Mr. John M. Nelson, CG Sea Veterans of America, P.O. Box 59578, Chicago, IL 60659.

LAURENT (LARRY) PELLETIER DIES: Larry served from 1943-45 in the Pacific Theater in USS AQUARIUS (AKA-16).

MICHAEL GALLANT ON VIETNAM: Many memories but only three stand out as highlights; the day I went in, the day I got out, and the day I got shot at. Mike is accumulating a library of books on the Coast Guard, builds models of cutters and is willing to share information.

BALTIMORE MARRIOTT INNER HARBOR: You should have a reservation number for this, the CGCVA HEADQUARTERS HOTEL. Phone them at 302-962-0202 if you have any doubt. Make certain that your reservation form is in so as to be received by the Hotel on June 18, 1990. Contact CGCVA, 6858 Lafayette Road, Medina, OH 44256 if you have not received a reservation form and wish to stay at this Hotel. You may prefer to call the Hotel direct and make reservations if you haven't already made them.

CGCVA OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED: President, Secretary/Treasurer, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

FIRST CLASS MAIL: Due to the delay in our receiving permit mail, and since we have only a few days to ^{get} our reservations in, etc. first class seems to be the most appropriate for this newsletter.

NEW MEMBERS

ALKES, Morris - TAMPA, WAKEFIELD, BLUE #7
AVERILL, Jack E. - HARVESON
BAER, John H. - HASTE
BRUNO, Thomas W. - MERRILL
CAGLE, Charles R. - EL PASO
CANNON, John A. - KEY WEST
CLAPP, Donald R. - SPENCER
COLLINS, Clay W. - Wm. E. Corey, August Ziesing, 92001, RICKETS, CAMPBELL
CONKLIN, Garret E. Jr. - TANEY
CORELLA, Paul - APA-12
COTTON, Anna E. - Widow, Curtis Cotton
DAVIN, Richard P. - ELD#3
DENNEY, Patrick T. - RONONE
EBEL, Albert V.
ENKE, LaWayne F. - CARRABASSET, SHEEPSCOTT
FINDLAY, William M. - VIETNAM
FISHER, JR. "C" "L" - HARVESON
FORRY, Richard L. - SOUTHWIND, NORTHWIND
FULLER, Charles D. - PC-556
GAETZI, John A. - MODOC
HAMMOND, Waverly R. - GRESHAM, DIONE, 83430
HARDING, Elmer G. - MERRILL
HAYES, Paul M. - HARVESON
HERBERT, George H. - ALGONQUIN, CAMPBELL
HOFF, James E. - COMANCHE
HUCKABY, Raymond C. - MERRILL
JACOBS, Russ G. - SAMUEL CHASE
KING, Henry H. - MERRILL
INGELS, William H. CACTUS, MOHAWK
JOHNSON, Priscilla S. - Widow, Vanno O.
KUHLLKIN, Louis F. - HUDSON, NORTHLAND, CG83399/83526, FS-225
LAMPHERE, Harold A. - MOHAWK
LETIZIA, Louis D. - CHAMBERS, GEN. WM. H. GORDON
MAHONEY, John P. Jr. - MATAGORDA, RAMSDEN
MAHONEY, Thomas C. - PT. WHITE
MARSH, John J. - USA-F11
MC HALE, THOMAS M. JR. - PONCHARTRAIN
MC LAUGHLIN, Edward D. - AIVIK, MODOC
MERKEL, Gerhard - TAHOMA
MESSNER, Andrew C. - CADDO, ATLANTA
MORRIS, Sheppard - NORTHLAND
NOLETTI, Umberto P. - MERRILL, J. C. BRECKENRIDGE (Double plankowner)
OLSEN, Edward O. - CARRABASSETT, AMMONUSUC
PALOMBI, Howard - MOHAWK
PAOLUCCI, Arthur A. - JOS. T. DICKMAN
PROUSE, Lewis O. - BROWNSVILLE
ROLAND, Charles E. - JOS. T. DICKMAN, TANEY, STEROPE
RUMMEL, Charles L. - GROTON, SNOHOMISH
SABAT, Louis S. - ROBT. L. HOWZE
SABATA, John G. - MODOC, CAVALIER
SALTER, Albert F. - ANNAPOLIS, LOWE
SCHWARTZ, Aaron - CARRABASSETT, OGEECHEE
SHULL, Sherman - 83503 (RESFLO)
SLOVAK, Michael J. - MERRILL
SMALL, David G. - ARTHUR MIDDLETON, BONHAM, FIR, J. E. GORMAN(USA)
SPENCER, George V. Jr. - HARVESON
VAUGHN, Ben - ADM. C. F. HUGHES
WALKER, HOWARD S. JR. - FS-313, FS-550
WALKUP, Lowell E. - LCI(L) 87, FS-146, CODINGTON, ALBIRO

NEW MEMBERS (Con't)

WALL, John J. - BIGHORN
WALTER, Charles G. - LCI(L)325
WHALEN, Roderic K. - LST764, AMPHIBS, ARMED GUARD
YODER, Ben F. - CYPRESS, SASSAFRAS

COAST GUARD PORT SECURITY AT WAR
Viet Nam Update 11/1/89

Condensed from an article by Commander E. Schneider, USCG (Ret)

Much has been said about the Coast Guard in Viet Nam, especially Squadrons One and Three. Somewhat less has been said about the several other units and detachments that served in this same area of operation. Examples can be found in the significant activities of Coast Guard aviators flying Air Force helicopters, in-country Aids to Navigation, Loran-C stations, Merchant Marine Safety and, of course, the activities of the Coast Guard's Port Security and Waterways Detail.

Organized into four Explosive Loading Detachments (ELDs) and one HQ team (PSWD), each ELD operated as an independent unit assigned to a major port command. These ELDs were additionally responsible for any outports operated by their port command.

Coast Guard ELDs were based in Da Nang, Qui Nhon, Cam Rhan Bay and Cat Lai. Using small 2 and 3 man teams from the four ELDs, Coast Guard advisors travelled throughout South Viet Nam by small boat, jeep, truck and aircraft supervising ship and barge unloading, conducting physical security inspections of ammunition unloading facilities and training VN Army and Police personnel in port security functions. ELDs worked at exposed barge sites, river ramps and unloaded ships at explosive anchorages under threat of sniper and rocket attack and swimmer sapper activity. Ammunition ships at river anchorage had to be worked around the clock to reduce their threat to exposure. Except when under attack, ships remain lighted which tended to invite enemy attention but was entirely necessary.

Major General Joseph M. Heiser, Jr. Commanding General 1st LOG CMD referred to PSWD as the Army's Coast Guard and directed his commanders to think of PSWD detachments as Army.

Of the awards received by the Coast Guard in Viet Nam, PSWD and its four ELDs in 1968/69 earned 1 Silver Star, about a half dozen Bronze Star medals, and at least 2 Purple Hearts, more than a dozen Army Commendation medals, and two Army Unit Commendations.

Although considered the Army's Coast Guard, PSWD was at all times U. S. Coast Guard.

PAUL CORELLA would like photos of LCVP landings (APA-12). He would buy copies if available. Paul may be contacted at 7020 2nd Parkway, Sacramento, CA 95823.

MODOC, MOJAVE, MOHAWK reunion, June 20-23, Quality Riverview Hotel, Covington, KY (Cincinnati, OH). Contact Richard Stent, Jr., 2295 Haviland Road, Columbus, OH 43220-4625 phone 614-457-0414. Dick Stent is the guy who pushed for and got a CG Medal struck.

TICKET ORDER

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NO. () _____

Enclosed is \$ _____ (please make check payable to CGCVA and mail to: 6858 Lafayette Road, Medina, OH 44246). Mail so as to arrive on or before 7/1/90.

- BUS TRIP TO CG YARD, CURTIS BAY TO INCLUDE STEAK LUNCH - 7/19/90 @11.00
- LUNCHEON, CGCVA, MARRIOTT INNER HARBOR (MEMBERSHIP CARD REQUIRED)
7/19/90 - 1200 @13.00
- LUNCHEON, CGCVA-AUXILIARY 7-20-90, MARRIOTT INNER HARBOR 1300 @13.00
- AWARDS DINNER, MARRIOTT INNER HARBOR, 7-21-90 1800 @29.00
(Please indicate Beef or Chicken and number)

PRIVATE VEHICLE TOUR INFORMATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO. () _____

I WOULD LIKE TO/WILL VISIT _____

I CAN TAKE _____ PASSENGER(S)/WOULD LIKE A RIDE TOGETHER WITH _____

PASSENGER(S) IN MY PARTY.

The Association has added \$4.00 to each dinner ticket and \$1.00 to each lunch ticket to help defray the one hour open bar on Thursday from 1800 to 1900. This open bar will cost about \$8.00 per person. Also, we expect to have some guests at the Awards Dinner.

Tip is included in all meals together with Maryland State Tax.



COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION REUNION

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

JULY, 1990

THE 1990 BALTIMORE REUNION ACTUALLY BEGAN IN RENO, NEVADA, AT THE THIRD REUNION OF OUR ASSOCIATION, IN THE SUMMER OF 1988. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS VOTED ON BALTIMORE. PRESIDENT BOB MAXWELL, COMMODORE BILL HOOVER AND SECRETARY/TREASURER BAKER HERBERT MET WITH THE USCG COMMANDANT'S REPRESENTATIVE IN WASHINGTON, D. C. DURING THE FALL OF 1988. IT WAS AT THIS MEETING THAT THE CGCVA REQUESTED THE BARQUE EAGLE, ACADEMY BAND AND NATIONAL COLOR GUARD IN BALTIMORE. AS YOU KNOW THE COAST GUARD GRACIOUSLY ACCOMMODATED US. PRIOR TO THE MEETING WITH THE COMMANDANT OF THE COAST GUARD COMMODORE BILL HOOVER HAD MADE SOME ARRANGEMENTS IN BALTIMORE WITH THE CITY BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE FOR THE COAST GUARD CELEBRATION AND REUNION DATES WERE COORDINATED. FROM THERE, IT WAS OVER TO CURTIS BAY AND A BEAUTIFUL RECEPTION AT THE YARD. HANK ROGERS DID SO VERY MUCH ON THIS ASPECT OF THE REUNION.

THE GREAT MEMORIES OF BALTIMORE WILL LIVE WITH EACH OF US THAT ATTENDED. IT WAS A SHARING THAT IN SOME CASES WAS SEPARATED BY FIFTY YEARS. COAST GUARD VETERANS OF WWII, KOREA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND VIETNAM WERE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE LEOPOLD AND POINT WELCOME SURVIVORS.

COAST GUARD PETTY OFFICER KELLY MOGK LARSON, SENATOR BARBARA MIKULSKI, CONGRESSMAN SILVIO CONTE AND COMMODORE BILL HOOVER WERE GIVEN CGCVA AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE U. S. COAST GUARD AND THE CGCVA.

A MEMORIAL TABLE WAS SET AT OUR BANQUET AND A MEMORIAL WREATH WAS PLACED IN THE BAY NEAR FORT MC HENRY IN MEMORY OF THOSE COAST GUARD PERSONNEL WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES BUT WERE WITH US IN SPIRIT.

CERTAINLY, BALTIMORE WAS AND WILL ALWAYS BE SPECIAL - - BECAUSE YOU WERE THERE. YOU, THE MEMBERS AND YOUR WONDERFUL LADIES, ARE THE COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION.

SEPMER PARATUS AND THANKS,

BOB MAXWELL, NATIONAL PRESIDENT



Andy & Annie Anderson



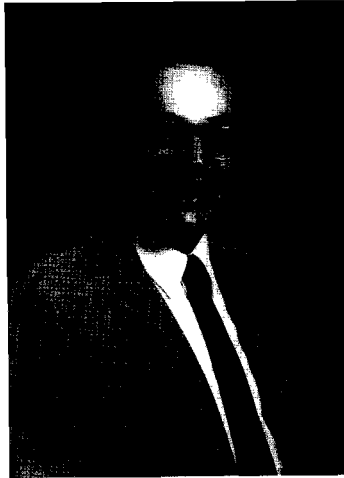
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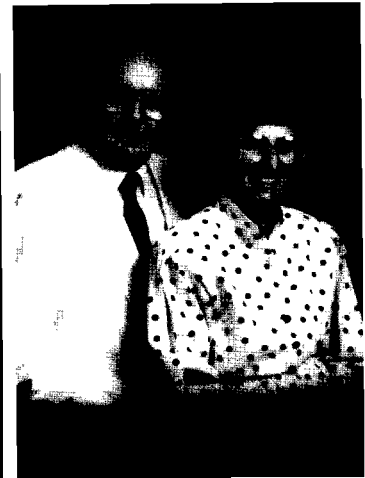
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Gil & Linda Benolt & Family



Donald Caiffee



Bill & Helen Chambers



Jim & Ellen Clawson



Gene & Mary Corrigan



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John Driscoll & Daughter



Robert & Jean Engle



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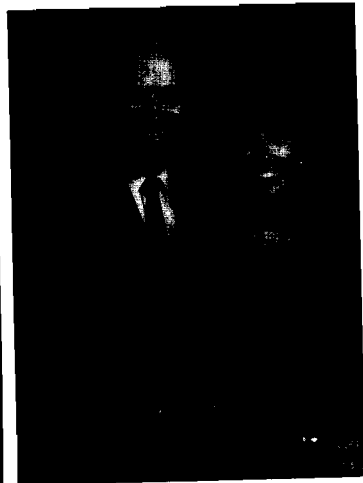
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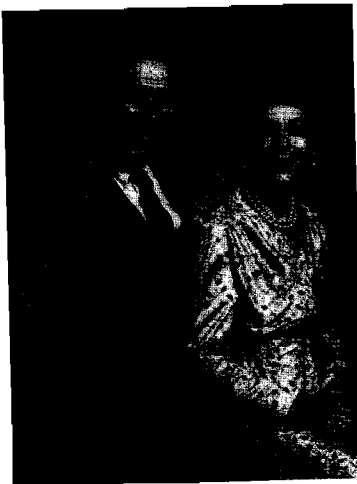
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William Miller



Harold & Prudence Mueller



Jack Queen



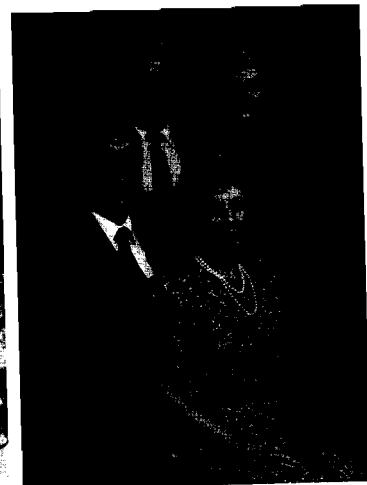
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Frank & Frances Reinhold



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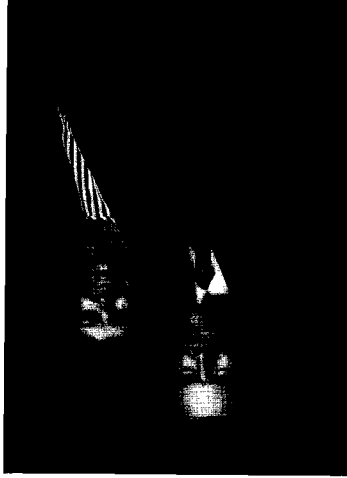


Duke & Viv Schneider
Duane & Geraldine Gatto

Dan & Jacqueline Whitaker



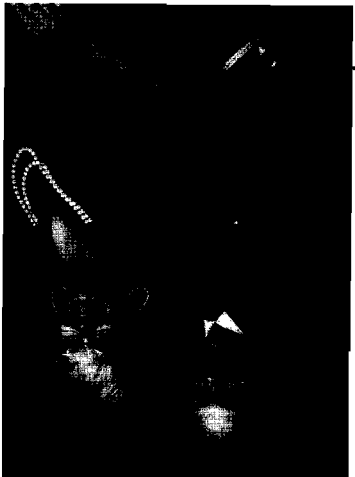
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Charles Chalone, Jr.



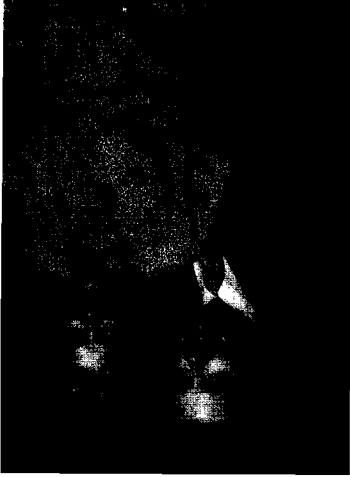
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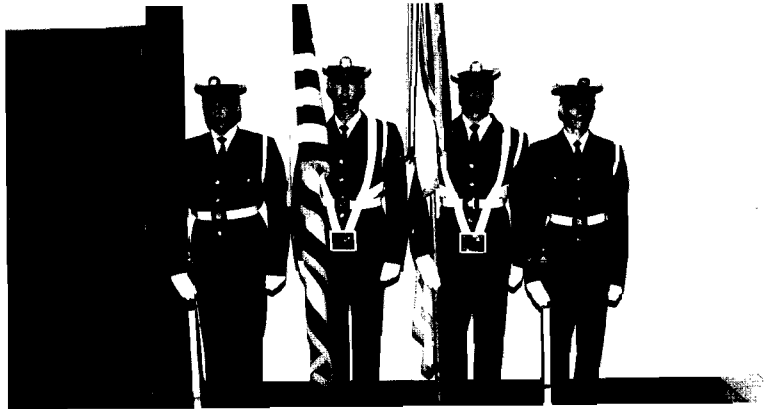


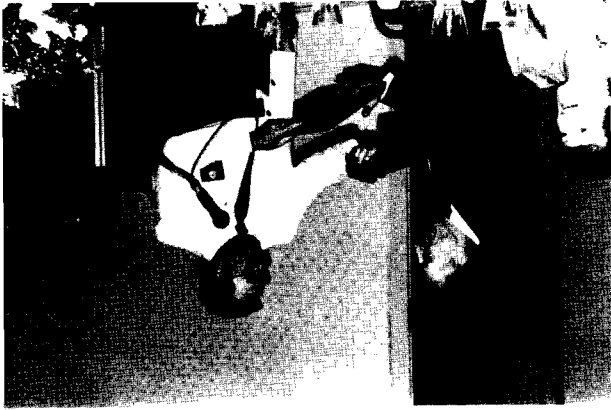
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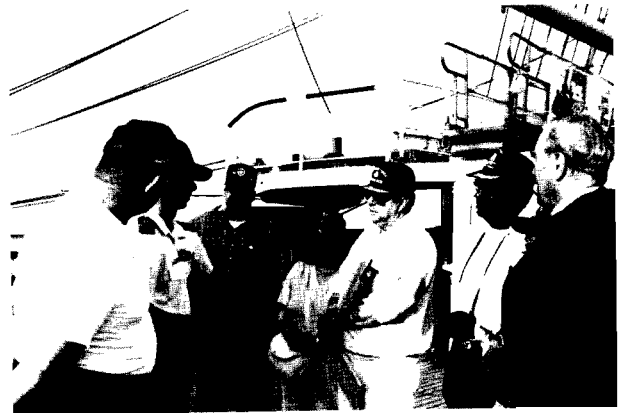
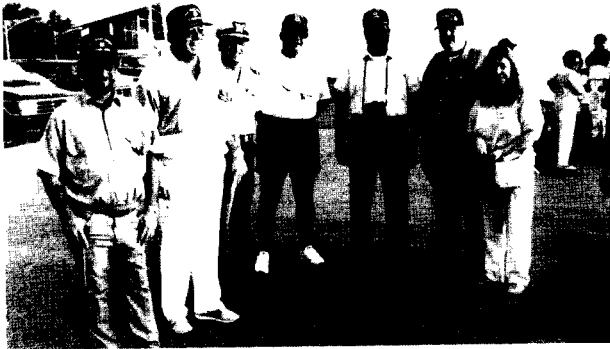


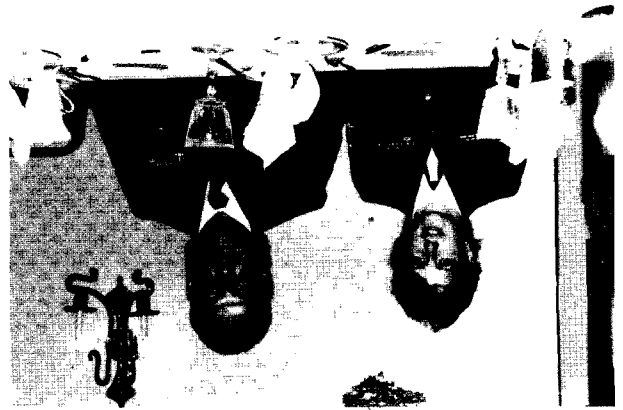
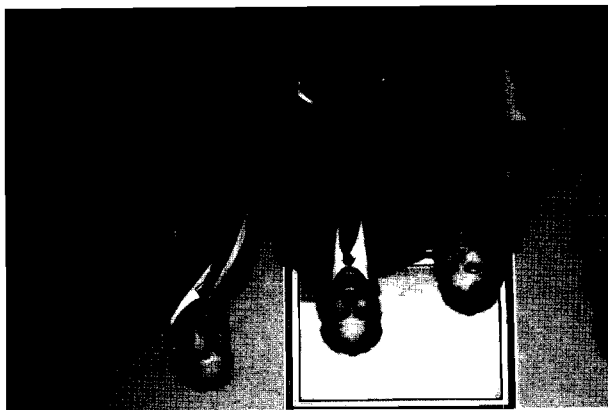
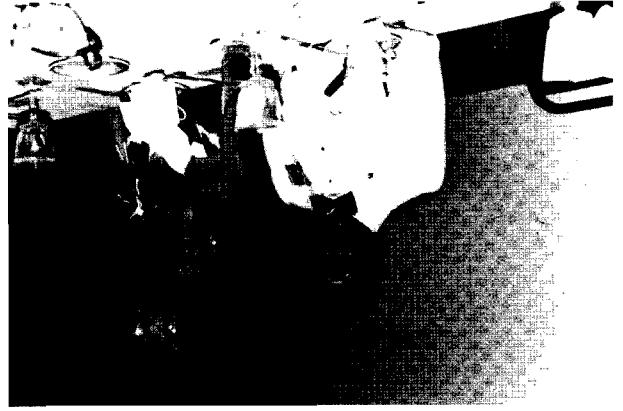
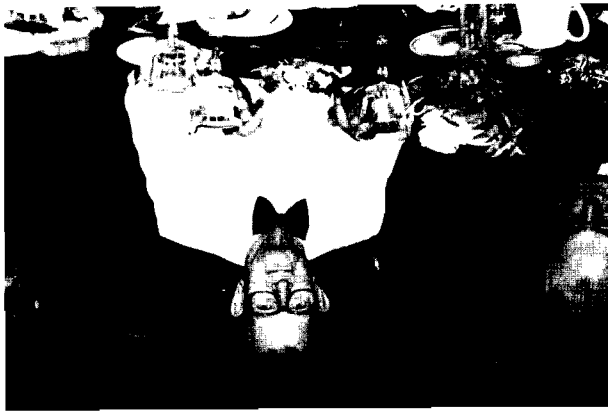
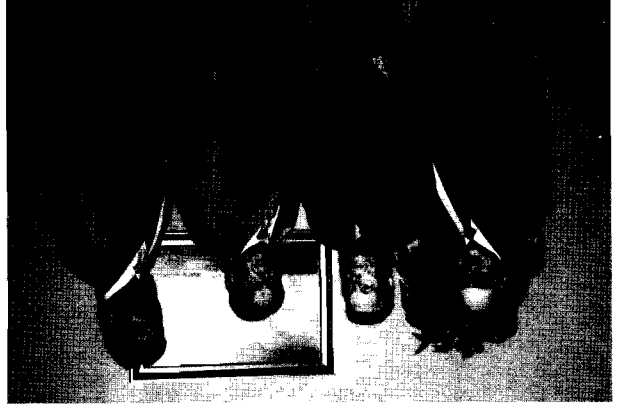
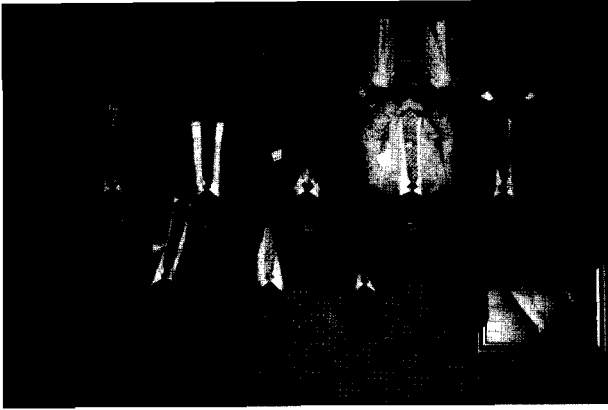
Arthur & Doris Wells



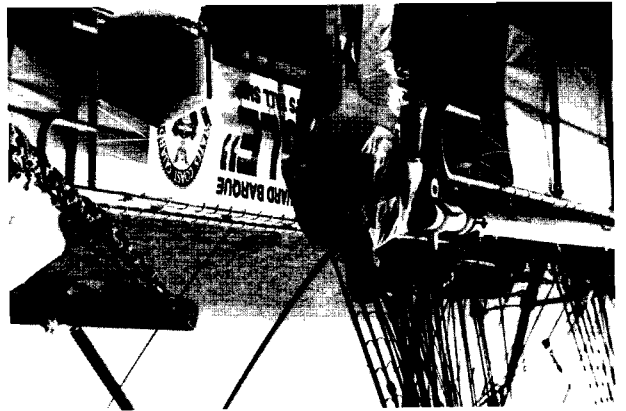
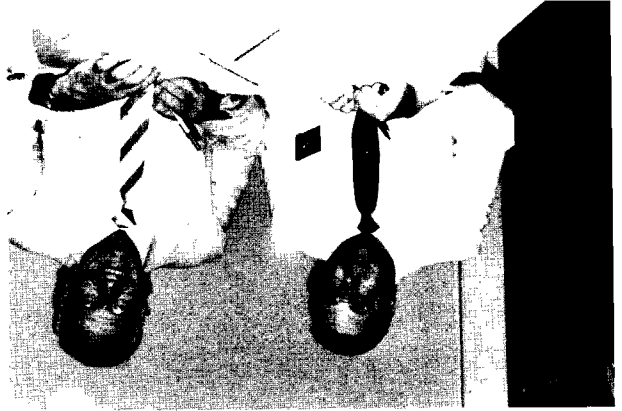




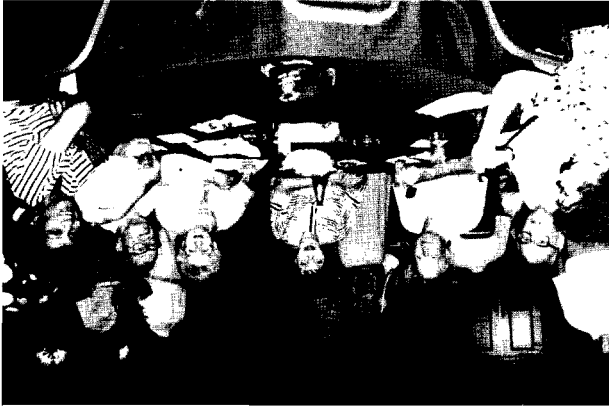




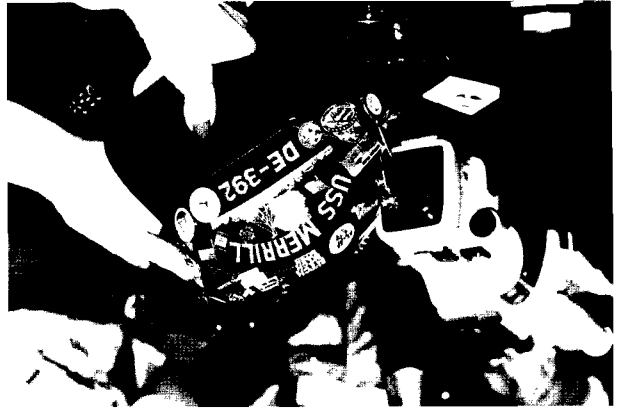


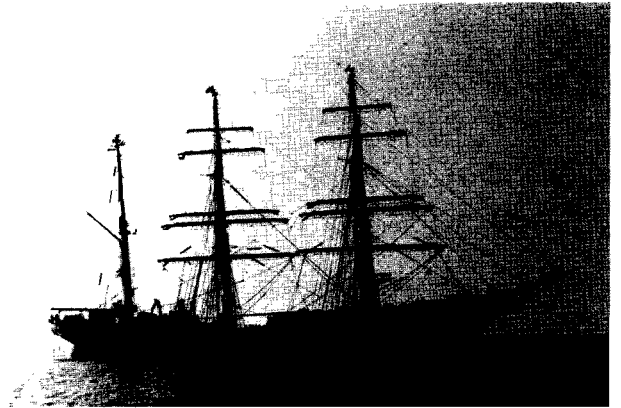
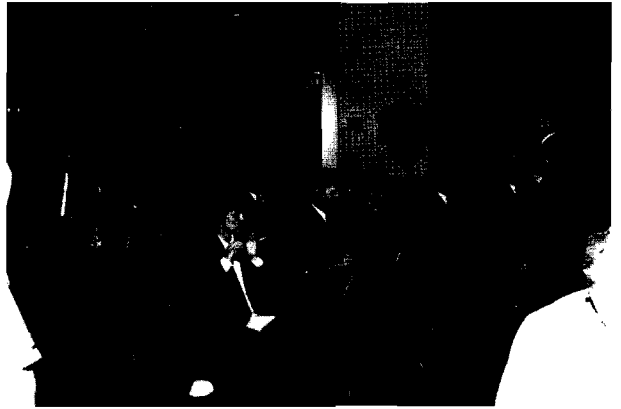












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