



ASSOCIATION

the Quarterdeck Log

Membership publication of the Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association. Publishes quarterly – Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall. Not sold on a subscription basis. The Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association is a Non-Profit Corporation of Active Duty Members, Retired Members, Reserve Members and Honorably Discharged Former Members of the United States Coast Guard who served in, or provided direct support to combat situations recognized by an appropriate military award while serving as a member of the United States Coast Guard.

Volume 17, Number 1

Spring 2002

Coast Guard in the Korean War

50th Anniversary Commemorations Highlight Coast Guard Activities

Editor's Note: The conclusion of Historian Scott Price's article "The Forgotten Service in the Forgotten War" is included in this issue as 50th anniversary Korean War commemorations are celebrated. Contributions from CGCVA Korean War veterans are also included throughout this issue.

COAST GUARD KOREAN WAR CHRONOLOGY

26 June 1950 - Retired Coast Guard officers, hired to help train the Korean Navy, are ordered to evacuate the Korean peninsula. The first Coast Guard contingent arrived in South Korea on 13 September 1946 to train a Korean "coast guard." The active duty officers came back to the U.S. when the Koreans decided to establish a navy in lieu of a "coast guard." Retired officers were then recruited to train the nascent naval force.

9 August 1950 - Congress enacts Public Law 679, known as the Magnuson Act, which charged the Coast Guard with ensuring the security of the United States' ports and harbors, reinstating a duty carried out during both World Wars. The Coast Guard establishes 29 new port security units to fulfill the task. The primary concern of the Coast Guard was to prevent sabotage of military cargoes bound for Japan and Korea. The law also authorized the Coast Guard to determine the loyalty of U.S. licensed merchant sailors, one of the more controversial duties assigned to the service since the Coast Guard enforced Prohibition.



CGCVA member Ed Burke (left), was among Korean War veterans from the five services honored by the city of Savannah, Georgia April 6th. Savannah was one of three regional commemoration ceremonies sponsored by DoD.

20 June 1951 - The Coast Guard commissions two former-Navy destroyer escorts, the *Foster* and *Koiner*, the first two of a total of twelve that ultimately join the Coast Guard fleet. They were assigned to newly established ocean-weather stations in the Pacific designed to assist merchant and air traffic bound to and from the Korean peninsula. They provided accurate and up to date

weather information, served as radio relay stations, and search and rescue platforms. The Coast Guard established new air search and rescue stations on Wake, Midway, and Adak islands as well.

20 December 1951 - The cutter *Koiner*, homeported at Seattle, assisted the tanker *Bulkfuel* and escorted it to safety.

16-17 August 1952 - The cutter *Forster*, while on Ocean Station Sugar, searched for and found the merchant vessel *Katori Maru* drifting and burning. The vessel was not salvageable and sank soon thereafter.

16 October 1952 - The Coast Guard establishes a Merchant Marine Detail in Yokohama, Japan to deal with the increased merchant marine traffic through Japan as a result of the Korean conflict.

5 January 1953 - Coast Guard LORAN Station Pusan, code-named Elmo 4, commenced transmitting. The LORAN station, along with the other stations in the Far East Chain, guided both merchant and air traffic in the region.

(continued on page 12)



**Coast Guard Combat Veterans
Association
OFFICERS**

John W. "Jack" Campbell, LM, Nat'l President
Ed Swift "Swifty", LM, Nat'l Vice President
D.T. "Terry" Graviss, LM, Nat'l
Secretary/Treasurer

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Two-Year:

W. Figone, LM and B.W. Herbert, LM

Four-Year:

Patrick T. Denney; Sidney "Herb" Weinstein,
LM; PNP Joseph L. Kleinpeter, LM

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE*

National Secretary/Treasurer
295 Shalimar Drive
Shalimar, FL 32579-1242
Message & Fax: (850) 651-3664
Toll-free (866) 242-8277
e-mail: cgcva@hotmail.com

* use the Administrative Office for contact
with the CGCVA on all matters.

**Coast Guard Combat Veterans
Association**

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Shirley Ramsey, Nat'l President
Mare Swift, Nat'l Vice President
Jennifer Graviss, Nat'l Secretary/Treasurer

THE QUARTERDECK LOG

Ed Swift, LM, Editor-In-Chief
David Teska, LM, Assistant Editor

APPOINTEES

Walter W. Gorr, LM, Parliamentarian; Vince
Stauffer, LM, By-Laws Chairman; William G.
Miller, LM, Chaplain; PNP Robert J. Maxwell,
LM, Budget Director & Convention Planning
Director; Patrick Ramsey, Membership
Chairman; Robert MacCloud, Ways & Means

From the President

Dear Shipmates:

My annual winter retreat
to Florida is over so I'm back
in New Jersey. It was a
great few months in the sun
and there were many Coast
Guard-related activities I
was able to take part in. I
applaud Trustee Herb
Weinstein for once again
arranging a wonderful mini-
reunion for several CGCVA
members in the Miami area.



JACK CAMPBELL

Our one-day tour of the Coast Guard Air Station in Opa
Locka was a real treat and I hope other members across
the country will consider arranging similar events for
CGCVA members in their areas.

My thanks to National Vice President Ed Swift and
other officers and members for so capably representing
the CGCVA at activities in the greater Washington DC
area while I was in Florida. It is always an honor when
the CGCVA gets mentioned at events such as the Pearl
Harbor Remembrance ceremony aboard the CGC Taney
in Baltimore and the State of the Coast Guard luncheon.

My thanks also to Ed, Baker Herbert and National
Secretary Terry Graviss who together proactively
responded to the following e-mail request:

*"When I served as U S Secretary of Transportation
between 1989 thru 1991, I had the pleasure of meeting
with the leadership of the CGCVA. I believe it was during
the gulf war. They gave me a CGCVA baseball hat which
I wore proudly until I lost it during a recent move. Can
you advise me where I can purchase a new one to
replace this very special gift? Thank you very much."*

Samuel K Skinner

As soon as Sec. Skinner's request was received,
Baker provided a replacement CGCVA ball cap (with
scrambled eggs, of course), Terry provided a CGCVA pin,
and these items were sent to Swifty. He then sent the
items, along with some QD Log issues, to Sec. Skinner
with a letter from the Association. We even invited him to
our Reno reunion. Nice going gang!

Terry also coordinated printing certificates for
President Bush and Secretary of Transportation Norman
Mineta, making them both Honorary Members of the
CGCVA.

See you all in Reno! Semper Paratus!

Jack

**Next Quarterdeck Log
deadline is August 1, 2002**

From the Vice President

Hard Drive Funeral

First and foremost I apologize if this *QD Log* issue got to you later than usual. The hard drive in the CGCVA computer I use decided to try out ritual suicide (and succeeded) when I was about half way through with this issue. Unfortunately, I didn't have any back-ups, so I had to totally recreate the magazine starting with new page templates. As a result this issue may look a bit different. Since I had to re-keystroke the entire issue, there may be some errors, particularly in the listing of members' e-mail addresses. If your e-mail address is included, please check it and report any discrepancies to me.

Communicating With the Editor

Up until now, I have received much of the material for the *QD Log* from the National Secretary who receives it from the membership. To streamline the process and save some Association postage, please send stories, photos or other material strictly for submission to the *QD Log* to Ed Swift, CGCVA *QD Log* Editor, 13602 Lindendale Road, Dale City, VA 22193. You can also fax stories to me at (703) 680-5682 or e-mail me at swiftie1@msn.com. A very sincere thanks to all members who send in material for the *QD Log*... it is most appreciated.

Homeland Defense

Included in this issue is the conclusion of Assistant Coast Guard Historian Scott Price's feature article on the Coast Guard in the Korean War. It is interesting that one of the Coast Guard's primary responsibilities during that time is now familiarly called Homeland Security. Back during Korea and the Cold War, the Coast Guard was inspecting incoming commercial vessels for hidden atomic weapons. Times have changed but Coast Guard resources are again busy checking incoming vessels for all manner of weapons of destruction as a result of the events of September 11, 2001. Scott's article makes interesting reading so enjoy!

Memorial Day Aboard CGC Taney

This Memorial Day, I had the honor of unveiling the "Coast Guard Combat Veterans" granite marker aboard USCGC Taney in Baltimore Harbor. Following a stirring Memorial Day ceremony there, a dedication ceremony

was held for "Coast Guard Plaza".

With me were CGCVA and Auxiliary National Secretary-Treasurers Terry & Jennifer Graviss, Ed & Nancy Burke, and my better half, the Auxiliary Vice President.

Coast Guard Plaza will be located pierside near the Taney and consist of a large granite marker, four smaller granite markers and hopefully hundreds of single and double bricks. TBaltimore Maritime Museum is selling single bricks for \$100 and double bricks for \$250. Several CGCVA members have already purchased them and they were on display aboard the cutter. When enough bricks have been sold and produced, they will replace the existing plain bricks at the site. It should be very attractive when completed.



ED SWIFT



(Left) CGCVA Vice President Ed Swift unveils the Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association stone that will be part of Coast Guard Plaza near the USCGC Taney at the Baltimore Maritime Museum.



(Right) The large granite Coast Guard Plaza centerpiece stone unveiled on Memorial Day aboard the USCGC Taney. In front are single and double bricks already purchased and engraved by interested parties and organizations.

Remembering Coasties Buried Overseas

PNP Joe Kleinpeter recently purchased and sent Coast Guard flags to the Superintendent of the Cambridge, England National Military Cemetery for placement at the graves of Coast Guardsmen there. He plans to expand this to all six overseas cemeteries. Nice going Joe! Semper Paratus!

Swift

From the Secretary-Treasurer

QD Log Mailing Label Information

There has been some confusion regarding the expiration dates found directly behind your name on the QD Log mailing label. I was remiss for not explaining this before. When we converted to an automated mailing system for the newsletter, it became necessary to change the way the expiration date was written. The date on the label is day-month year so 1-3-2002 is 1 March 2002. I hope this ends any confusion.

E-Mail Addresses

We will continue to publish members e-mail addresses if requested. Whenever possible, send this information to me via e-mail rather than include the request along with other Association business. Often, if included with other correspondence, it can be overlooked and not entered into the listing in the QD Log. Send e-mail to me at cgcva@hotmail.com.

Welcome New Members

A hearty "Welcome Aboard!" to the following new CGCVA and Auxiliary members. New member names are underlined; sponsors names in parentheses:

Richard V. Alred (Joe Kleinpeter); Eugene W. Becktold (Joseph Oxley); Robert D. Bien (Tom Spradlin); William E. Fort (Joe Kleinpeter); Michael Laquatra, Jr. (Thomas Murphy); Leroy W. Layton (Bill Demeander); James J. Leftwich (Baker Herbert); Robert L. McGinty; Clifford E. Trebilcock (Joe Kleinpeter); Thomas F. Weber (Herb Weinstein); Edward S. Wormald (Jerry King); William R. Crowley (Steve Peterson); William H. McCabe; Michael A. Napolitano; Raymond W. Smith (John W. Leather); Harry E. Lohmeyer (William L. Darby); Walter "Buzz" J. Polek, Jr. (Joe Kleinpeter); Dale J. Palmer; Raymond J. Peters (Edward Pastucha); Cameron Shaw (Joe Kleinpeter); Joseph A. Spritzer (William Fraser); and Charles H. Thorn (William Broderick).

CGCVA By-Laws

The CGCVA Constitution and By-Laws are included in this QD Log issue starting on page 25 for members to review. The most recent approved changes are included (underlined and italicized in bold).

Please take some time to read them and if you have suggested changes, send them to

me so that they are received no later than mid-September (30 days before the reunion).

You will get an opportunity to vote on any proposed changes if you will be attending the Business Meeting at the October reunion & convention in Reno.

Oops!

I believe it was Mark Twain who said, "The report of my death has been greatly exaggerated." Anyway, my apologies to member C. Lee Boyle, Jr. who thought he was seeing his own obituary in last issue's "Crossed The Bar" section. The deceased CGCVA member was correctly listed as Charles L.



TERRY GRAVISS

Boyle but Lee didn't realize there was another member with his name. The good news is Lee is still with us. The bad news is I upset his wife by mistakenly sending a card from the CGCVA expressing our sorrow to her. Apparently I was confused too. Sorry!

CGCVA member Ed Burke is presented the Korean War Service Medal by Consul Kim, Dong Yern, Republic of Korea during ceremonies in Savannah, Georgia on April 6, 2002.



Pun Intended

These friars were behind on their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise funds. Since everyone liked to buy flowers from the men of God, a rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good fathers to close down, but they would not. He went back and begged the friars to close. They ignored him.

So, the rival florist hired Hugh MacTaggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town to "persuade" them to close. Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he'd be back if they didn't close up shop. Terrified, they did so, thereby proving that Hugh, and only Hugh, can prevent florist friars.

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him what? A super callused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

Reunions & Notices

Absecon & Chincoteague Reunion

The 2nd reunion for USCGC's Absecon (WHEC-374) and Chincoteague (WHEC-375) will be held October 3-6, 2002 at the Radisson Hotel, 700 Monticello Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia, across from the Scope Convention Center. Coast Guard and Navy personnel who served on either vessel from their commissioning dates in 1943 to decommissionings in 1972 (when both cutters were turned over to South Vietnam) are invited, as well as their families. Contact John R. Peters at 905 Laconia Court, Virginia Beach, VA 23464. Ph: (757) 479-0000. E-mail: odupeters@aol.com. You can also contact Harry S. Huggins at 5411 Greenfield Drive, Portsmouth, VA 23703. E-mail: muzz4poppi@cs.com. Ph: (757) 484-3700. Keynote speaker for the October 5th banquet will be ADM James Loy who served on the USCGC Absecon during the 1960's.

USCGC Androscoggin

Crew members from the USCGC Androscoggin (WHEC-68) Vietnam Deployment of 1967-68 will meet in September 2002 in the Jacksonville Beach, Florida area. For details, contact RMCM Joe Thomas, USCG (Ret.) at 6605 Morocco Drive, Louisville, KY 40214. E-mail: nbnp374@aol.com. You can also contact RMCM Jack Cunniff, USCG (Ret.) at 1130 Oceanwood Drive, Neptune Beach, FL 32266. Ph: (904) 246-7741. E-mail: mcmjack@aol.com.

USCGC Duane Association

The USCGC Duane Association will hold its next reunion in Portland, Maine on September 27-29, 2002. Contact Paul Turner at 1103 Wharton Hollow Road, Summit, NY 12175. Ph: (518) 287-1900.

USCG LORAN

All USCG LORAN Construction and Operations personnel from World War II and all subsequent years will hold their 25th reunion September 5-7, 2002 at the Lodge at Palmer Gulch in the Black Hills of South Dakota (just five miles from Mount Rushmore). Contact Roger Kehm at 2610 South Hawthorne Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Ph: (605) 338-0234. E-mail: rldmk@dtgnet.com.

USS Callaway

The USS Callaway (APA-35) will hold a reunion

October 7-11, 2002 in Charleston, South Carolina. Contact Wallace Shipp at 5319 Manning Place, N.W., Washington, DC 20016. Ph: (202) 363-3663.

USS Cavalier

The USS Cavalier (APA-37) World War II Association, Inc., will hold a joint reunion of its Coast Guard and Navy crews (1943-68) on September 29-October 3, 2002 at the San Remo Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada. Contact: CWO4 John E. Giles, USCG (Ret.) at P.O. Box 325, Pacific City, OR 97135. Ph: (503) 965-6732. E-mail: jegiles@oregoncoast.com.

USS Furse

The USS Furse (DD/DDR-882) Association is looking for shipmates who served between 1945 and 1972 for a reunion to be held October 16-20, 2002 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Contact Maurice C. "Tut" Tuttle at P.O. Box 890, Shelter Island, NY 11964. E-mail: ussfurse@aol.com. Ph: (631) 749-0274.

USS/CGC Lansing

A reunion for the USS/USCGC Lansing (DE/DER-388, WDE-488) will be held October 16-20, 2002 at the Best Western Landmark Hotel in Metairie, Louisiana. Contact Terry A. Moberg at 902 Cindy Street, Brainerd, MN 56401. Ph: (218) 829-3288. tmoberg@brainerd.net. Web site: www.uslansing.org.

USS Richey

A reunion for the USS Richey (DE-385) will be held September 10-13, 2002 in Oneonta, New York. Contact Joseph B. Nelson, Jr. at 1 Water Street, P.O. Box 190, Worcester, NY 12197. Ph: (607) 397-8705.

USS Seiverling

The 38th reunion of the USS William F. Seiverling (DE-441) Association will be held October 2-6, 2002 in San Antonio, Texas at the Woodfield Suites, 100 West Durango Blvd. Ph: (210) 212-5400. Contact Henry Jasper Love III at 2084 Hollywood Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Phone/Fax: (228) 467-8538. E-mail: lovedede441@aol.com.



CGCVA member and former CGC Taney crewman Donald J. Thurow by the cutter at Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Don was attending the annual Pearl Harbor Day commemoration ceremony on December 7, 2001.

Reunions & Notices

LST-787

A reunion for USS LST-787 Association will be held October 2-5, 2002 at the downtown Holiday Inn in Muskegon, Michigan. The event will include a tour of the LST-393 Museum. Contact Patty Blankenship of The Travel Shoppe at (231) 894-2777, fax: (231) 894-9881 or E-mail: travelshoppe@worldnet.att.net.

LST-793

The Coast Guard-manned LST-793 will hold its 20th annual reunion October 10-12, 2002 in the Lafayette Plaza Hotel in Mobile, Alabama. For a reunion packet, contact David Sivanich at 5040 Zenith Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55410-2114. Ph: (612) 926-8504.

LST-829

The Coast Guard-manned LST-829 will hold its 20th Ship's Reunion September 26-29, 2002 in the Lafayette Plaza Hotel in Mobile, Alabama. Contact CDR Robert Pinkerton, USNR (Ret.) at 616 Sawara Court, Pensacola, FL 32506. Ph: (850) 453-3553. You can also contact CWO Albert J. Ryzner, USCG (Ret.) at 4 Autumn Court, Dartmouth, MA 02747. Ph: (508) 995-0734.

Coast Guard League

Coast Guard Auxiliant, retired CG reservist and historian John T. Lincoln is seeking information on Auxiliary members who were members of USCG Reserve "T" (temporary) during World War II. He hopes to build a collection of personal stories, documents and photographs. In particular, he is seeking information on the Coast Guard League, formed in July, 1945. Contact John at 1309 Emerson Avenue, North Cape May, NJ 08204. E-mail: jlincoln@bellatlantic.net. Ph: (609) 886-6364.

CG Army Manning Detachment

A reunion of all World War II Coast Guard personnel who served in the Coast Guard Army Manning Detachment ships will be held in conjunction with the CGCVA Convention & Reunion in Reno, Nevada October 28-November 1, 2002. The group will hold a meeting there at 0930 on October 30th, prior to the CGCVA Business meeting. Contact George P. Alton at 2524 Longview Drive, San Leandro, CA 94577. You can also contact John Weddel at his e-mail address: marjon35@juno.com.

Gamewardens of Vietnam

The Gamewardens of Vietnam Association, Inc. will hold a reunion August 1-4, 2002 at the Hotel Inter-

Continental in New Orleans, Louisiana. For hotel reservations, call 1-800-445-6563 and mention the Association or Navy River Patrol Reunion to receive the special per night rate. For more information contact the Association at 4420 Sunrise Drive, Casper, WY 82604-5106.

Generic Coast Guard Get-Together

All Coast Guard Regulars, Reservists, Retirees and those who simply want to be a Coastie are invited to meet on Coast Guard Day (August 4, 2002) at the Wheel House at Otis AFB in Cape Cod, Massachusetts from noon until ? Contact Charles Black at 85 West Shore Drive, Ashburnham, MA 01430-1098. Ph: (978) 827-4384. E-mail: cblack8765@aol.com. You can also contact CPO Paul Duffin at (508) 249-0229.

National Sonar Association

The next reunion of the National Sonar Association will be held September 18-22, 2002 at the Landmark Hotel in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Hotel phone: (800) 845-0658. Contact Clayton E. Clark at 4111 Belmont Park Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29588. E-mail: genecl@sccoast.net. Ph: (843) 903-4048.

North Texas Coasties

The North Texas Coast Guard Association holds semi-



Herb Weinstein (right) organized another mini-reunion in Florida, this one at Coast Guard Air Station Miami in Opa Locka, Florida on April 1, 2002. With him are CGCVA National President Jack Campbell (left) and CAPT John Currier, USCG.

annual "Salty Dog Luncheons" at noon on the last Saturday in April and October every year at the Mercado Juarez Restaurant at 1901 W. Northwest Hwy., Dallas, Texas. All Coast Guard veterans, active, reserve or

Notices & Association News

retired who either live in the North Texas area or are just passing through are welcome. We'll raise a glass to anyone who holds red racing stripes on a white or black hull in reverence. For more information, contact Sam Goforth at goforths@swbell.net.

Portland Cutterman's Association

The 5th Reunion of the Coast Guard Portland, Maine Cutterman's Association will be held August 2-4, 2002 in Portland, Maine. Invitees include government weathermen and cuttermen having served or currently serving on Coast Guard vessels in Portland, Maine. For more information, contact the Association at P.O. Box 15172, Portland, ME 04112. Register for the reunion through Wes Spletstoeser at (207) 854-4016. E-mail: wesspletss@msn.com.

Free Line Drawings

Line drawings of the USCGC Duane and the Coast Guard-manned USS Joseph T. Hickman showing their 1944 configurations are available free of charge. If interested, contact Michael Kristula at 4224 Elizabeth Lane, Annandale, VA 22003. Ph: (703) 323-6374. E-mail: makrist@aol.com.

Saluting Top Recruits

Each week at graduation ceremonies at Coast Guard Training Center Cape May, New Jersey, the CGCVA sponsors the Physical Fitness Award to a graduating recruit. A CGCVA watch and certificate are presented, often by an attending CGCVA member. Since the last QD Log issue, the following recruits have received the CGCVA-sponsored Physical Fitness Award:

SA Eric G. Warren (Lima 161) of Raleigh, North Carolina, who will report to the USCGC Diligence in Wilmington, North Carolina.

SA William J. Wood (Mike 161) of Columbus, Ohio, who will report to the USCGC Sherman in Alameda, California.

SA David R. Jackson (November 161) of Los Angeles, California, who will report to the USCGC Chase in San Diego, California.

SN Joshua A. Cobb (Oscar 161) of Ventura, California, who will report to the USCGC Morganthau in Alameda, California.

SN Kenton G. Brown (Papa 161) of Greensboro, North Carolina, who will report to ET "A" School in Petaluma, California.

E-Mail Addresses

To assist our Association members in con-

tacting each other, here is an alphabetized list of member names and their e-mail addresses. This list is published as they are received. Previously listed e-mail addresses will be shown regular-face; new and changed addresses will be shown in bold-face:

Adama, Arnie. ackack@coastalnet.com
Adams, Reed. radamstuba@aol.com
Adams, Vistor. victoradams@msn.com
Ahlin, John. jahlin@acad.ummm.maine.edu
Albright, Leo. usshowze@aol.com
Ames, Richard M. richard.m.ames@verizon.net
Anderson, Jeff L. toot23@peoplepc.com
Ard, Edward J. edard@pilot.infi.net
Aspiron, Ray. RAspiron@aol.com
Austin, CAPT John M. jaustin@sault.com
Averill, Jack. javerill@cfl.rr.com
Barnes, Thomas. WWW.LaPrivateEye.com
Baxter, Gordon L. glb-w7ayd@juno.com
Beck, Craig. BARATARIA_ASSOC@webtv.net
Beckwith, Bill. gm2uscgwph@mindspring.com
Benoit "Frenchy". CGFrenchy@aol.com
Berlau, Charles. CJMLBERLAU@cs.com
Bishop, Roland. Oakauth1@aol.com
Black, Ken. knb@ime.net
Blaine, James G. jimblaine@neto.com
Blair, Clarence. CBLAIR9002@aol.com
Boyle, C. Lee, Jr. Leeruth2@aol.com
Borchert, MCPO Ray. d9rcmcuscg@gbonline.com
Brennan, Robert. Chief.Brennan@verizon.net
Brenner, Louis J. kiwis@redrivernet.com
Bretz, Thomas E. TMinGVAZ@aol.com
Bright, Robert. qu2forme@webtv.net
Brush, Homer. Hcbrushh20@aol.com
Brush, Homer. hbrush@yahoo.com
Bujarski, Marcel. marcel@bujarski.com
Bulanti, B.J. Charles. cbulanti@aol.com
Burke, Ed. edekrub1@msn.com
Burke, Ed. edekrub1@hotmail.com
Burke, Lambert L. lambertaloha@cs.com

Pun Intended

Two vultures board an airplane; each is carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at them and says, "I'm sorry, gentlemen, only one carrion allowed per passenger."

Two boll weevils grew up in South Carolina. One went to Hollywood and became a famous actor. The other stayed behind in the cotton fields and never amounted to much. The second one, naturally, became known as the lesser of two weevils.

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, but when they lit a fire in the craft it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

Notices & Association News

Callahan, Garth J. gcallaha@twcnny.rr.com
Caldwell, Charles L. chico692@cs.com
Carpenter, D. Elvin. ECarpent931@aol.com
Casselmann, Harold E. ohiohalmar@aol.com
Cathell, Ken. Kenkppc@aol.com
Causey, George T. gtcausey@bcpi.net
Clapp, Donald. daclapp@earthlink.net
Clink, Robert & Evelyn. reclink@yahoo.com
Cohen, Herb. hcohen@lvcn.com
Conklin, Garret E., Jr. garretc@earthlink.net
Conner, James E. leefarmcourt@comcast.net
Cooper, Fred. chiefrev@aol.com
Cromwell, John R. cromwell@net1plus.com
Crowley, Jack. jjccc99@aol.com
Deems, "Tug Boat" Ted. tugboatnv@webtv.net
DeKar, Walt. jwdekar@juno.com

Pun Intended

A three-legged dog walks into a saloon in the Old West. He slides up to the bar and announces, "I'm looking for the man who shot my paw."

Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused Novocain during a root canal? He wanted to transcend dental medication.

A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. "But why?" they asked, as they moved off. Because," he said, "I can't stand chess nuts boasting in an open foyer."

Dettner, Frank. frnknsuz@jps.com
Dillenback, Alan. xclamman@webtv.net
Donaldson, William G. bjdonaldson@juno.com
Doran, Donald L. dorandl@aol.com
Dreeke, Robert W. Rtdreeke@aol.com
Druktenis, George Sr. gdrukt5380@aol.com
Duffield, Al. Alduffield@aol.com
Dugas, Armand J. adugas@110.net
Eason, Paul H. eason@coslink.net
Eaton, CAPT Melvin H. meaton@exis.net
Eckert, Jack A. jeckert@execpc.com
Evans, Ray. windjmr1@earthlink.net
Feldman, Stan. railpix@trainweb.com
Field, Van R. wreck_and_rescue@juno.com
Fitch, Jesse C. CINBAR99@aol.com
Fitzgerald, CAPT Carmond. fitz@hcnews.com
Flescher, Andy. mflescher@academicplanet.com
Foster, Lowell. lofosgdt@minn.net
Foust, Dennis. pt_comfort67@yahoo.com
Frank, George. BigEightCo@aol.com
Franks, CAPT Dick. dickfrank@uswest.net
Fred's Place. www.fredsplace.org/
Friedman, Jerry. jerlil@rcn.com
Fuchs, Leonard. rlboblen@aol.com

Gates, Dr. Dillard H. dhgates@juno.com
George, Paul E. pegmpg@aol.com
Giles, CWO4 John E. jegiles@oregoncoast.com
Glaud, Ted & Alice. egalud@mindspring.com
Glenn, Floyd E. feglenn@ipa.net
Glenn, Michael. Mugsy@Compuserve.com
Glenn, Michael J., III. michael@glenn.net
Goff, Gerry. bscar00@aol.com
Graham, Charles. budort@aol.com
Graviss, Terry. cgcva@hotmail.com
Grinnel, MKC Roger. RGinn9471@aol.com
Haight, Charles L. clhaight21@aol.com
Hannan, Joe. Joesr@Jhannan.com
Hansen, Neils A. neilshansen@aol.com
Herbert, Baker. uscgw64@aol.com
Hill, Bill. USABrshu@aol.com

Hill, James. james_10848@hotmail.com

Holcomb, Mike. seasmoky@aol.com
Huckleberry, T.J. hucksandy@earthlink.net
Higgins, Harry S. muzz4poppi@cs.com
Hughes, Arthur W. ptlomas@optonline.net
Jaskot, John J. jjaskot@joneswalker.com
Jennings, Byron E. Byron E 26

Jewish War Veterans of the U.S. www.jwv.org

Johns, Wilber. wjohns@webtv.net

Johnson, Mike. oldhippie1249@aol.com

Jones, Jimmy D. jjonesoz@bellsouth.net

Jones, CDR Larry L. LLJones@iscnoia.uscg.mil

Kaarstad, Jerry. KAARJB@cs.com

Kalvin, Carl. cgakal@juno.com

Kehm, Roger L. rldmk@dtgnet.com

Kerr, Christopher. MaydayX3@aol.com

Klein, Raymond F. twoksrq@home.com

Kleinpeter, Joe. PointBanks@aol.com

Kline, Fred. MKFKL@Penn.com

Klug, BMCM James W. jimsandyklug@aol.com

Koons, Dave. dkoons1@aol.com

Landon, Gordon T. gtlandon@juno.com

Lapham, Taylor. pointgrey@surfbest.net

Latorra, Pat. pgl22@dfnow.com

Leather, John W. leathjf@aol.com

Lefebvre, Thomas W. tom.lefebvre36@hotmail.com

Lewis, Morris "Mo". Mojan2@webtv.net

Liss, John. ajliss@redrose.net

Logue, Carroll R. elflogue@aol.com

Lohrs, Harold. LOHRS@webtv.net

LST Association. www.uslst.org

MacCloud, Robert. rgbysheast@aol.com

Manion, Joe. manjoe@aol.com

Martin, Butch. MYGWING

Marzak, George E. george@cyberzone.net

Maxwell, Robert. vfwmoccg@c-zone.net

McCurry, Paul. pmccurry@charter.net

McCrummen, MCPO Dan. HDMc3@alaska.net

McKernon, Ralph. ralphandlois@aol.com

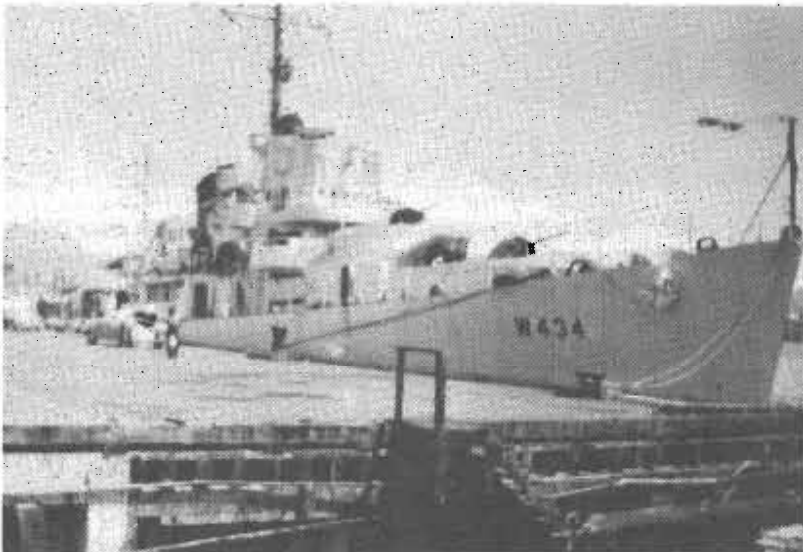
McLeod, W.C. wcmc@mymailstation.com

Meshurel, Russ. LST791@webtv.net

Notices & Association News

Mestre, Ceasar. grace@msn.com
Miller, Bill. boatsmiller@hotmail.com
Mlinscek, Nick. cambria@warwick.net
Morley, James. Jimandev791@aol.com
Moore, Donald. eroom65@earthlink.net
Murphy, CAPT William E. Bill975@aol.com
Oaks, Phil. CE_INC@uswest.net
Ober, Tanney Edward. tanbet@comcast.net
Oldford, Harry J. harborone@aol.com
Pancoast, Dean. DPancoast@aol.com
Parker, Billy G. kzeronv@prodigy.net
Parks, Bill. MUQH49A@juno.com
Peer, Stanley F. Highhook@peoplepc.com
Pelley, Richard G. apelley@mindspring.com
Peltier, Jon R. peltier@bendcable.com
Perry, Ron. prapjap@adelphia.net
Peters, John R. odupeters@aol.com
Peterson, Douglas R. farpete@juno.co.
Philippy, Basil H. basil43@juno.com
Pinkerton, RM1 Robert. rpinkerton1@mobile.att.net
Pitman, Thomas J. tjpitman@ibm.net
Polito, RMCS Larry. Mandpolito@earthlink.net
Pringle, Robert Earl. rpringlea@aol.com
Radin, Gene. gpradin@juno.com
Read, Jack W. nor44@usachoice.net
Reading, Ed. edot52744@aol.com
Richter, Larry. richter@mail.clis.com
Rix, Dennis L. denjo2001@worldnet.att.net
Rocheleau, Cliff. roch@olypen.com
Ryan, Joseph. Joseph493@webtv.net
Sargent, VADM Thomas. vadmsarg@mindspring.com
Schaar, Bob. robert.schaar@verizon.net
Schneiderman, Phil. philaine@enter.net
Scotti, Liz. els699@aol.com

Scotti, Paul. psuseg@aol.com
Seaverns, Dana L. danagladly@aol.com
Sellers, Elisha Jr. elsellers@weblink.net
Shuler, Jack. JNMNSHU@aol.com
Singer, Daniel. stormy-@sysotec.com
Slattery, Louis E. louandmary@msn.com
Sloto, Andrew. w3nnhars@juno.com
Smalling, Harry A. grampstara@aol.com
Smith, Marshall W. Chiefseagull@aol.com
Snider, Leroy. grantsnider@aol.com
Sorensen, Raymond. LST886@aol.com
Spaniol, LCDR George P. geoandnace@cox.net
Spengler, Paul R. prspengler@earthlink.net
Sproston, Ralph G. rsproston@juno.com
Steinberg, Maurice "Moe". CGCModoc@aol.com
Steinberg, Phillip A. CGBOSUN@aol.com
Steindler, Harold A. hasfmnj@bestnetpc.com
Stewart, Floyd. Stew927@aol.com
Swift, Ed. switie1@msn.com
Swift, Kristopher L. evlswift@pacbell.net
Synod, Edward M. edsde152@cs.com
Tagle, Fernando. ferdyj@aol.com
Talley, James S. jastalley@aol.com
Tartarkin, Sidney. startarkin@aol.com
Tavernia, Debra. debt51@msn.com
Teska, David L. kdteska@juno.com
Thornhill, Bill. marty9wdm@yahoo.com
Totino, Rocco. coasty71@yahoo.com
Ungerleider, Art. Artunger@aol.com
USS LST 832. www.madhooligan.org
Venzke, Norman C. venzke@erols.com
Walker, Dale. dlwdmw@earthlink.net
Wallace, John R. johnrwallace@earthlink.net
Wallis, John. bigjohn9202@webtv.net
Walthouse, Bob. Pandorabob1943@aol.com
Wanasek, Robert A. rjwana@exetsc.com
Warner, William A. billruthw@aol.com
Watson, CDR Mark P. ruckwat@aol.com
Webber, Bernard C. bernie_webber@hotmail.com
Weddel, John W. marjon35@juno.com
Weeks, Russell N. CaptRuss1@aol.com
Weinstein, Sidney "Herb". herflash1@aol.com
Wheeler, Earl. pointcomfort@specialoperations.com
Wheeler, Paul E. PEWheels@aol.com
Wolf, George A. gepewolf@aol.com
Wozniak, BMCM Walter A. wawozniak@yahoo.com
Wynens, James C. n4ctw@juno.com
Young, Rodney. royoung@bright.net
Zeller, Don. zeeco@airmail.net



The USCGC Forster (WDE-434) taken by CGCVA member Robert H. Clink at Coast Guard Base Honolulu. He boarded the cutter in Vallejo, California in December 1951, left for Hawaii in January 1952, and sailed on three weather patrols, including Ocean Station Queen and Victor/Sugar with a fueling stop in Japan.

Happy Birthday Chief Alimpolo

Belated best wishes are extended to CGCVA member SDC Eracleo Alimpolo, USCG (Ret.) who celebrated his 104th birthday on April 22, 2002. Born in 1898, he entered the Coast Guard in 1928, after serving a four-year hitch in the Navy, and

Notices & Association News

retired in 1951. He served on 11 cutters and 13 shore stations, including the USCGC Alexander Hamilton when it was a full sailing ship. Chief Alimpolo is a World War II veteran.

Editor's Note: And we thought Ed Burke was the oldest CGCVA member. Guess he just looks it!

Happy Birthday Dorothy Stratton

The Coast Guard SPARs (Women's Reserve) turns 60 years old this year and the first Director of the SPARs, CAPT Dorothy Stratton, USCGR (Ret.) celebrated her 103rd birthday on March 24, 2002. She is still active and doing well, living in Lafayette, Indiana. A belated best wishes is sent to her from the CGCVA.

Editor's Note: Just days after the tragic events of 9-11, CAPT Stratton said she was ready to come back on active duty if needed. She said she'd have to outrank ADM Loy though.

New MCPO-CG Named

On 19 March, 2002, Commandant (select) VADM Thomas H. Collins announced the selection of MCPO Ja (pronounced "Jay") M. Good to relieve MCPO-CG Vincent W. Patton as the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard. Not only will she be the first woman MCPO-CG, but she'll also be the first woman to occupy the top enlisted spot in any of the military services.

Good was selected from a field of 12 that included three women and nine men from billets across the service.

The relief ceremony will be conducted on 15 July 2002 at the Coast Guard Telecommunication and Information Systems Command in Alexandria, Virginia.

A native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Good enlisted in the Coast Guard in October 1978 and served as a paralegal and court reporter during her early assignments. A yeoman, she was tapped in the mid-1980s to help develop and implement the Coast Guard's Work-Life Program. She comes to the top enlisted Coast Guard job from command master chief for Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic in Norfolk, Virginia.

Ancient Albatross Award

On 24 March 2002, AMTCM Bernard (Dean) Irsik transferred the honor and mantle of the Enlisted Ancient Albatross to AMTCM Mark Bigart. The award signifies the Coast Guard Enlisted aircrew member on active duty with the earliest date from an aviation technical school. Congratulations AMTCM Bigart!

New Chaplain of the Coast Guard

CAPT Wilbur C. Douglass, III, CHC, USN relieved CAPT Leroy Gilbert, CHC, USN on 9 May, 2002 as the Chaplain of the Coast Guard. Chaplain Douglass is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and has served in all three of the Sea Services. He distinguished himself while serving as the on-site team leader for the Coast Guard Chaplains Emergency Response Team at two major disasters, the Egypt Air flight 990 crash and at the World Trade Center. Welcome aboard Chaplain Douglass!

New Coast Guard History & Missions Manual

The Coast Guard recently published a 72-page manual that explains what the Coast Guard is all about. It is called Coast Guard Publication 1, "U.S. Coast Guard: America's Maritime Guardian." The publication is an amalgam of doctrine, philosophy and history, providing an overview of the service's missions, summarizing its history and discussing its core values and multi-mission tasking. Although not yet available in hard copy, "Publication 1" can be read online now at: www.uscg.mil/overview/Pub%201/contents.html.

Death of VADM Ellis Perry



The USCGC Newell (WDE-422) on left and the USCGC Forster (WDE-434) during a training exercise in the Pacific during the Korean War.

On 2 March 2002, former vice commandant VADM Ellis Perry, USCG (Ret.) passed away in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee.

Perry had been the first Tennessean ever to gain a Coast Guard Academy appointment, graduating from there in 1941. He was a World War II veteran, serving as gunnery officer aboard USCGC Bibb.

Death of First MCPO-CG

On 16 March 2002, the first Master Chief of the Coast Guard, MCPO-CG Charles L. Calhoun, USCG (Ret.)

Notices & Association News

passed away in Santa Rosa, California. Calhoun was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving on the jeep aircraft carrier USS Lunga Point during battles at Leyte Gulf, Luzon, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. He joined the Coast Guard in 1947 and later saw more combat duty, serving aboard the USCGC Point Orient in Vietnam.



Coast Guard Flag Assignments

As reported in the last *QD Log*, VADM Thomas H. Collins was selected as the Coast Guard's 22nd commandant, taking over the top spot during change of command ceremonies on May 30, 2002. The following is the recently approved slate of flag assignments:

Asst. Commandant -- VADM T. J. Barrett

Area Commands

Atlantic Area/5th District -- VADM J.D. Hull
Senior Pacific Area Reserve Officer -- RADM D.L. Smith
Pacific Area/11th District -- VADM T.M. Cross
Senior Pacific Area Reserve Officer -- RADM M.P. O'Donnell

Joint Commands

Commander, JIATF East -- RADM R.D. Sirois
Commander, JIATF West -- RADM D.W. Kunkel

District Commands

Commander, 1st District -- RADM V.S. Crea
Commander, 7th District -- RADM J.S. Carmichael
Commander, 8th District -- RADM R.J. Casto
Commander, 9th District -- RADM R.F. Silva
Commander, 13th District -- RADM E.M. Brown
Commander, 14th District -- RADM R.D. Utley
Commander, 17th District -- RADM J.W. Underwood
Maint & Logistics Command Atlantic -- RADM D.G. Gabel
Maint & Logistics Command Pacific -- RADM T.H. Gilmour
Academy Superintendent -- RADM R.C. Olsen

USCG Headquarters Staff

Chief of Staff -- VADM T.W. Allen
Dir. of Resources -- RADM J.M. Garrett
Dir. of Information & Technology -- Dr. N. Heiner
Asst Commandant for Acquisition -- RADM C.D. Wurster
Deepwater Program Executive -- RADM P.M. Stillman
Asst Commandant for Governmental and Public Affairs --
RADM K.J. Eldridge
Chief Counsel -- RADM R.F. Duncan
Asst Commandant for Marine Safety -- RADM P.J. Pluta

Dir. of Port Safety -- Mr. A. Regalbuto
Asst Commandant for Operations -- RADM D.S. Belz
Dir. of Operations Capability -- RADM H.E. Johnson
Dir. of Operations Policy -- RADM J.C. Olson
Asst Commandant for Systems -- RADM J.A. Kinghorn
Asst Commandant for Human Resources -- RADM K.T. Venuto
Dir. of Health and Safety -- RADM J.M. Johnson
Dir. of Personnel Management -- RADM S. Brice-O'Hara
Dir. of Reserve and Training -- RADM C.D. Moore
Dir. AT/FP and Interagency Support - OPNAV (N32/34) --
RADM J.J. Hathaway
Dir. Intelligence and Security -- RADM S. Rochon
Dir. Coastal Security -- RADM D.B. Peterman

White House Greetings

Upon request, the President and the First Lady will send special greeting cards recognizing citizens' 80th and subsequent birthdays, 50th and subsequent wedding anniversaries, and congratulatory wedding announcements. Requests should be sent to: The White House, Greeting Office Room 39, Washington, DC 20500.

Requests should be submitted at least six weeks in advance of the significant date and should include: The full name of honoree(s); desired form of address; complete date of birth or marriage; mailing address and zip code.

If applicable, please include name and address of person to receive the card in lieu of honoree(s), if presentation will be at a dinner, party, or celebration.

National Defense Service Medal

A memorandum from the Office of the Deputy Secretary of Defense, dated April 26, 2002, authorized reinstatement of the National Defense Service Medal (NDSM) for members of the U.S. Armed Forces serving on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. No termination date has been determined.

The NDSM is awarded for honorable active service and includes the following periods: June 27, 1950 to July 27, 1954; January 1, 1961 to August 14, 1972; August 2, 1990 to November 30, 1995; and now September 11, 2001 to a date to be determined.

Patrol Craft Book in the Works

Dr. William J. Veigele, author of the book *PC Patrol Craft of World War II*, is writing a new book about all patrol craft, including PC, PCE, PCS, SC, YMS, AM, and other small escort, patrol, and ASW ships. He says their crews were more than sailors. Many were artists whose works should become part of a recorded history of World

Notices & Association News

War II. He is writing about these original works, such as poems, fictional accounts, drawings, cartoons, paintings, ship insignia, ship models, and handcrafted artifacts like boatswain's pipes, lanyards, jewelry, belt buckles, ash trays, etc.

If you wish to be included in the book, send Veigele copies of your written, painted or drawn items and photographs of handicrafts. Include your name and address plus a brief description of who created them, when and where the work was done, and where it is now. The author will use what is appropriate and give contributors credit and acknowledgement in the book. Send materials to Dr. Veigele at 333 Old Mill Road #324, Santa Barbara, CA 93110.

PC Patrol Craft of World War II: A History of the Ships and Their Crews can be purchased through Astral Publishing Company at P.O. Box 3955, Santa Barbara, CA 93130-3955 for \$39.95 plus shipping. The book, published in 1998, is 400 pages and includes photographs, drawings, index and references.

Headstones and Markers

On December 27, 2001, President Bush signed Public Law 107-103, the Veterans Education and Benefits Expansion Act of 2001. This law includes a provision that allows the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to furnish an appropriate marker for the graves of eligible veterans buried in private cemeteries, whose deaths occur on or after December 27, 2001, regardless of whether the grave is already marked with a non-government marker.

The VA is now accepting applications for markers under the provisions of Public Law 107-103. VA Form 40-1330 "Application for Standard Government Headstone or Marker for Installation in a Private or State Veterans' Cemetery" must be submitted by the next of kin, funeral director or cemetery representative, along with a copy of the veteran's military discharge documents, to request a Government-provided headstone or marker.

Do not send original documents as they will not be returned. Until this form is revised, applicants should ignore references to "unmarked graves" and should note in Box 27 "Remarks" that this will be a second marker to mark a veteran's gravesite.

Coast Guard Korean War Chronology

(continued from page 1)

18 January 1953 - A Coast Guard PBM-5A, based out of Sangley Point, Philippines, crashed after attempting to take off in heavy seas near the coast of China. The crew had just rescued the survivors of a U.S. Navy P2V that had been shot down by Communist Chinese forces while it was flying a surveillance flight. Four Navy and five Coast Guard personnel perished in the crash. The survivors were rescued the following day by a U.S. Navy destroyer.

15 May 1953 - The cutter *Forster*, homeported in Honolulu, assisted the merchant vessel *Creighton Victory*.

12 July 1953 - The cutter *Finch*, while on Ocean Station Nan, unsuccessfully searched for the downed Transoceanic Plane 806 in the vicinity of Midway Island.

30 July 1953 - The cutter *Lansing*, homeported in



Coast Guard LORAN Station ELMO-4 drew food allocations from airbase K-9 which was a B-26 Invader base housing the 452nd Bomb Group and 17th Bomb Wing.

Honolulu, assisted the grounded merchant vessel *Hawaii Bear* at Maculabo Island.

19-20 September 1953 - The cutter *Ramsden*, while on Ocean Station Uncle, stood by the *USNS Private Frank J. Petrarca*, until relieved by a tug.

Reno Reunion & Convention

I hope by now that many of you have made plans to attend our Reunion & Convention in Reno, Nevada Oct. 28 - Nov. 1 and have mailed in your registration form and checks. If not, please register soon with me and also make your hotel reservations directly with the Peppermill Hotel Casino. The registration form is included again in this issue, along with complete reunion information. It allows you to register for the planned tours, luncheons

Notices & Association News

and Awards Banquet. I strongly suggest registering early to guarantee seats for the tours since they will fill up quickly. Reunion attendees waiting until their arrival in Reno will probably be disappointed because the tours will be filled. This should be the best reunion ever and it looks like a few other reunion groups have decided to hold their respective reunions at the Peppermill Hotel at the same time under our umbrella.

No toys will be needed at the Reno Reunion. I had hoped that I would never have to say this since we started presenting the toys at various cities in which we held our CGCVA Reunions. However, after visiting Reno to make reunion arrangements and speaking with several knowledgeable people there, I have concluded that Reno is not the city or place to give the Fire or Police Departments our toys for the city's children. It seems that the many casinos there already furnish everything that the Fire and Police Departments need, including toys for children.

Our next reunion after Reno will be held in Kentucky. Remembering how appreciative the city officials there were when presented toys for the city's children, it may be better to hold them for that reunion if we can't decide on another outlet before then.

Ed Burke, Reunion Coordinator

It Was A Privilege

On February 14, 2002, I had the privilege of representing the CGCVA and U.S. LST Association at the funeral of member Charles L. Caldwell, Sr. in Charlotte, North Carolina. Charles served as a gunners mate in both the Navy and Coast Guard during World War II and Korea with distinction. I served with him in the South Pacific on LST 202, better known as the "Green Hornet". We lost contact after World War II but met several years later at one of the LST 202 reunions.

At his internment ceremony he was given full military honors and it was especially pleasing to have a Coast Guard honor guard participate. Following taps and our rendering Charlie a farewell salute,

Pun Intended

A woman has twins and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal". The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him "Juan." Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal. Her husband responds, "They're twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."

his wife Edith was presented the flag by one of the Coast Guard members. **Rev. Fred L. Cooper, ENC, USCG (Ret.)**

The Great Photo Search

A book on the Coast Guard from 1790 to the present is in the works. It is one of an extraordinary book series by publisher Hugh Lauter Levin Associates that exhibits, in great part, through photographs, the story of each branch of the armed forces. The books are large (10"x14") and heavy (7 lbs.). Each contains more than 600 illustrations and are titled for the service it features, for example, "The Marines."

Paul Scotti, a founding CGCVA member, is the graphics editor for the project and he is seeking photographs, artwork, drawings and posters to include in the book. If you have any of the foregoing that would enhance showing off our Coast Guard to the public, send them to Paul Scotti, Graphics Editor - The CG Book, P.O. Box 526, Thornburg, VA 22565. All submitted material will be returned upon request.

CG e-Newsletter

Recently, the Coast Guard created CG e-Newsletter, a weekly electronic newspaper designed to keep readers informed of issues and programs that affect the Coast Guard. It contains a variety of timely stories and includes links to commercial news materials. Any CGCVA member who wishes to be added to the CG e-Newsletter e-mail distribution list should contact Evelyn Jutte at Commandant (G I). Ph: (202) 267-0479. E-mail ejutte@comdt.uscg.mil. This is a great source to check once a week.



A Charlotte, North Carolina-based Coast Guardsman presents an American flag to Edith Lee Caldwell at the funeral of her husband, CGCVA member Charles L. Caldwell, Sr. on February 14, 2002.

Notices & Association News

and stay current on what is going on around the Coast Guard.
Editor

Pensacola WWII Memorial Update

Many CGCVA members have taken the time to write to the Chairman, Wall South Foundation in Pensacola, Florida regarding the planned World War II memorial there. This memorial's original design left out the Coast Guard and the committee's decision to not change from its original design prompted quite an uproar, not only in the Pensacola area, but nationwide. Hopefully things will be rectified and the Coast Guard's valiant contributions during World War II will be recognized in this memorial along with the other armed services. Members wishing to add their comments should send them to the Committee Chairman at 4400 Bayou Blvd., #34, Pensacola, FL 32503.
Editor

Memorial Day in Cle Elum

Recently, CGCVA Trustee Pat Denney and I worked with Cle Elum Floral for a CGCVA wreath for the Douglas Munro grave site because this year's Memorial Day ceremony was to be held at this site. Although Cle Elum Floral has changed hands, the new owners had been informed about prior years arrangements for this wreath and had been expecting our call. When the order was placed, it was doubtful that either of us would be able to make it over for the ceremony so the florist said they would deliver the wreath to the grave site, which they did that morning.

At the last minute (about 0900) my obligations cleared and I was able to attend. CGCVA member Ernest "Swede" Johnson had returned the night before from his winter hideout in Arizona and was also there. It was an impressive program as usual, complete with the high school band, a gun salute, and several guest speakers. Soloist Judy Bruchak sang "America the Beautiful" and "Taps" was played by Ernie Breznikar (who has not missed a memorial day celebration and military funeral since the end of the Korean War). Remarks were provided by VFW Post 1373 Commander Ray Killian and the flag was raised



CGCVA member Robert H. Clink when assigned to LORAN Station ELMO-4 in Pusan, Korea in 1953. He was transferred there in December 1952 after serving aboard USCGC Forster (WDE-434)

(from half staff) by Reno Dalle, charter member of VFW Post 1373.

By the way, our wreath was the only one placed on Munro's grave although there were two flower arrangements placed by the head stone. Semper Paratus!
Vince Stauffer

CROSSED THE BAR

Otto V. Peterson, LM

Joined: 7-4-94 CTB: 12-17-01

Leland H. Dumas

Joined: 11-1-92 CTB: 4-24-02

CAPT O.C.B. Wev, USCG (Ret.)

Joined: 1-21-93 CTB: 9-19-01

Ray C. Hertica, LM

Joined: 7-18-86 CTB: 3-24-02

Charles L. Caldwell

Joined: 10-7-01 CTB: 2-11-02

William "Bill" Lewis

CTB: 4-2-02

Remembering Ray Hertica

Ray Hertica was elected to the Board of Trustees in Reno, July, 1988 and he insisted on the 1990 Reunion being held in Baltimore, which was agreed to. He was a survivor of the USCGC Hamilton sinking in World War II, was commissioned an Ensign during that war and was promoted to Captain, the rank at which he retired. Ray was married to the late Gertrude, who attended every reunion with Ray until her death. Ray served in Port Security and Waterways in the Republic of Vietnam. He was a true friend and we'll miss him. Editor

COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION

REUNION/CONVENTION

Reno, Nevada, 2002

REGISTRATION

October 28 – November 1, 2002

PEPPERMILL HOTEL CASINO

2707 South Virginia Street

Reno, NV 89502

775-826-2121 * 800-648-6992 * www.peppermill.com

PLEASE BOOK YOUR ROOM DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL

(Be sure to let them know you are with CGCVA)

(Please Type or Print Clearly)

Name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip Code:	
Phone:	Organization:
Arrival Date/Time:	
Name of Guest/Spouse:	
Name(s) to Appear on Badge(s):	

Fees for Registration, Tours, Luncheons and Banquet are shown on the following page. After selection of the activities you are to attend, fill in the corresponding amounts and total them. Send this page and the page with your selections along with your check to:

E. P. "ED" BURKE, LM
17728 STRILEY DRIVE
ASHTON, MD 20861-9763

COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION

REUNION/CONVENTION

Reno, Nevada, 2002

REGISTRATION

October 28 – November 1, 2002

PEPPERMILL HOTEL CASINO

2707 South Virginia Street

Reno, NV 89502

775-826-2121 * 800-648-6992 * www.peppermill.com

PLEASE BOOK YOUR ROOM DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL

(Be sure to let them know you are with CGCVA)

(Please Type or Print Clearly)

Name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip Code:	
Phone:	Organization:
Arrival Date/Time:	
Name of Guest/Spouse:	
Name(s) to Appear on Badge(s):	

Fees for Registration, Tours, Luncheons and Banquet are shown on the following page. After selection of the activities you are to attend, fill in the corresponding amounts and total them. Send this page and the page with your selections along with your check to:

E. P. "ED" BURKE, LM
17728 STRILEY DRIVE
ASHTON, MD 20861-9763

Registration/Tour/Lunch/Banquet Reservation Form

CGCVA Registration:

EARLY: (Rec'd. By 10/1/02)
\$10.00 per person, \$18.00 Couple

LATE: (Rec'd. After 10/1/02)
\$12.50 per person, \$23.00 Couple

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>How Many?</u>	<u>Total</u>
Registration Fee (See Above)	_____		_____

TOURS:

<u>October 29, Tuesday</u>	<u>\$40.00</u> ea	X	_____	_____
Dixie II with tour of Lake Tahoe and Truckee. Depart 10:00 am				

<u>October 31, Thursday</u>	<u>\$25.00</u> ea	X	_____	_____
Virginia City/Carson City. Depart 10:30 am				

LUNCH:

<u>October 30, Wednesday</u>				
CGCVA Business Lunch	<u>\$14.50</u>	X	_____	_____
(Add \$1.50 after 10/1/02)				

CGCVA Auxiliary Lunch	<u>\$14.50</u>	X	_____	_____
(Add \$1.50 after 10/1/02)				

<u>AWARDS BANQUET:</u>				
October 31, 2002	<u>\$28.50</u>	X	_____	_____
(Add \$1.50 after 10/1/02)				

Poultry: _____ Beef: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

(Make check payable to: CGCOMVETS)

Please Register Early

If you have dietary requirements advise Bob Maxwell upon arrival.

Reno, NV 2002

Itinerary

Monday,
28 October

09:30a.m. Hospitality Room Open. Registration/Info.
4:00p.m. Opening Ceremony. Immediately after opening ceremony the Hospitality Room will be open until closing.

Tuesday,
29 October

9:30a.m. Hospitality Room Open. Registration/Info.
9:45a.m. Load onto buses for 10:00a.m. Grand Tour. M.S. Dixie II, Lake Tahoe Tour. To return about 5:00p.m.

Wednesday,
30 October

9:30a.m. Hospitality Room Open. Registration/Info.
11:30a.m. CGCVA Business Meeting/Luncheon and the CGCVA Auxiliary Meeting/Luncheon. Be sure to bring Your lunch ticket. Guests of CGCVA are invited to the Auxiliary Luncheon unless there has been a meeting luncheon set up for their group. After the meeting is over the Hospitality Room will reopen. Slot Machine Tournament immediately after meeting.

Thursday,
31 October

9:30a.m. Hospitality Room Open. Registration/Info.
10:15a.m. Load bus for 10:30a.m. Tour of Virginia City and Carson City, You will return to the Peppermill by 4:00p.m. 6:00p.m. Cocktail Hour w/cash Bar.
7:00p.m. Awards Banquet. Hospitality Room will reopen at the end of the Awards Banquet.

Friday,
1 November

9:00a.m. Meeting of Officers and Trustee's. Departure of attendee's as scheduled.

Thanks for coming and have a safe trip home.

General Information for Members & Visiting Associations

Please wear your nametag at all times while in the Hospitality Room. You will not be served without it.

If you registered early, your ship/station/Group will be entered on your nametag. This should make it easier to be recognized and attract others to speak up and get acquainted.

If you want a separate meeting room and luncheon for your group, contact Bob Maxwell. His telephone number is: (530) 335-3876 & the Fax number is: (530) 335-3304. Hopefully, you will accomplish this prior to arrival at Peppermill.

All attendee's that require Handicap Accommodations must notify hotel when registering.

R/V parking is available for self-contained units at a nominal fee. (Check w/hotel, you must register)

Remember, you are entitled to participate in all activities with one exception and that is, you cannot attend the CGCVA Business Meeting. The By-Laws state that only members can attend.

All guests are encouraged to lunch with the Auxiliary luncheon. We have tried to set up everything to make you comfortable and welcome to this reunion & CGCVA Convention. If we have overlooked something, please let us know what it is.

Different from past gatherings, this time the rates go up Friday, Saturday and Sundays. Should you want to arrive early or stay late be aware that the rates will increase. This does not include Friday, November 1, 2002.

The Forgotten Service in the Forgotten War -- Part II

The U.S. Coast Guard's Role in the Korean Conflict

by Scott T. Price, Assistant Coast Guard Historian

PACIFIC SEARCH AND RESCUE AIRSTATIONS

The Coast Guard established a number of Pacific air search and rescue detachments throughout the Pacific in support of the Korean operation. The Coast Guard commissioned air detachments on Wake and Midway islands and increased the strengths of the existing detachments at Guam, Hawaii, and the Philippine Islands. They were on call, 24 hours a day, to respond to any calls for assistance.

One of the most dangerous search and rescue cases undertaken by the Coast Guard took place off the coast of mainland China in early 1953. Communist Chinese forces shot down a Navy P2V Neptune in the Formosa Strait while the aircraft was on a covert patrol along the Chinese coast. The crew ditched their burning plane and escaped into a life raft to await rescue. The Coast Guard search and rescue station at Sangley Point responded to the call for assistance by immediately scrambling one of its two Martin PBM-5G Mariner seaplanes. In command was Lieutenant "Big John" Vukic, one of the most experienced seaplane pilots in the Coast Guard. Vukic and his crew of seven took off and flew their large aircraft towards Communist China and imminent danger. They were followed by the other PBM shortly thereafter, piloted by then-Lieutenant Mitchell A. Perry.

After arriving on scene Vukic noticed that the seas were running 15-feet. Even though the survivors managed to climb into a raft he thought they must have been suffering from hypothermia. He decided to attempt an open water landing, always a dangerous affair but something he had done many times successfully. With darkness setting in he landed near the survivors. His crewman managed to pull these men on board while other

crewman prepared a jet-assisted packs for each side of the aircraft. These devices, known as JATO [Jet Assisted Take-Off] packs, permitted aircraft to lift off in an extremely short take-off run. While the Coast Guard crew rescued all eleven in the raft, two other Navy crew, in a separate raft, were swept ashore and captured by the communist Chinese. Not knowing their fate, Vukic taxied his big PBM near the crash site searching for them.

After fifteen minutes, with the seas rising he gave up the search and attempted to take off. The JATO rockets fired as the PBM lifted into the air. Vukic remembered: "There was a 15-foot sea and a 25-mile wind." He feared that the heavy seas would swamp the amphibian if he waited for the seas to abate or a surface ship to come to their aid. Weighing each of the consequences, he decided to fly. Vukic remembered "Everything was rolling very well and I thought it was in the bag. And so I fired my JATO bottles to help my plane get airborne." Suddenly



A Coast Guard PBM-5 in San Diego, circa 1954.

the plane lurched to the left. He saw the left wing float rise above the sea but the port engine seemed to be losing power. He quickly decided to ditch and made for the crest of a wave with the plane's hull. "My seat suddenly broke and that was the last thing I knew." The PBM slammed back into the sea and broke up. Once again the Navy survivors were back in the water, at least, the seven that survived this crash. Vukic managed to escape as well and inflated a raft. He pulled two surviving Navy



LT "Big John" Vukic

crew in with him. He said "We were so cold we didn't care who got us, just so they had a fire to keep us warm." Two others of his Coast Guard crew, Aviation Machinists Mate Joseph Miller and Aviation Mechanic Robert Hewitt, also managed to escape before the PBM sank. These men were eventually rescued by the Navy destroyer *U.S.S. Halsey Powell* later that night. But the other five Coast Guard and four Navy crewmen

perished. Apparently some of these nine men escaped the sinking PBM but were captured by Communist Chinese forces and executed as spies. All five of these Coast Guardsmen, who had died in the line of duty, earned the Gold Lifesaving Medal posthumously.

PORT SECURITY

Anticommunist sentiment in the country, already at a fever pitch after the communist victory in China the year before, was only aggravated by the North Korean attack. As a result, the government reacted against domestic communist activity. President Harry Truman signed Presidential Executive Order 10173, thereby implementing the Magnuson Act, which authorized the Coast Guard to conduct duties it had carried out during both World Wars to insure the security of U. S. ports "from subversive or clandestine attacks." The Coast Guard established port security units to take charge of and secure the major ports of the United States. Their function was to prevent sabotage and insure the timely loading and sailing of merchant ships, especially those sailing to Japan and Korea to deliver ammunition needed by the United Nation forces.

The most controversial power extended to the Coast Guard was the authority to check the backgrounds of merchant sailors, longshoremen, warehouse employees and harbor pilots, in order to determine their loyalty, or

lack thereof, to the United States. The immediate problem with implementing these duties was the lack of personnel. There was no organized reserve program of any great scale as the World War II program had been emasculated with the demobilization of the United State's military at the end of the war. Indeed, in June 1949 there were only 252 enlisted reserve personnel, and a few women SPARs [the nickname of the Coast Guard's Women's Reserve] working at headquarters. The President, through a supplemental appropriation, approved the immediate increase in financing necessary to implement an organized reserve. The budget for the following year did show a substantial funding increase that permitted the Coast Guard to expand and develop an adequate reserve to meet the service's new demands.

Fears of a Eastern-bloc freighter sailing into a port, armed with a nuclear bomb, gave the service a unique Cold War task. Since the Soviet Union and its communist



The USCGC Tahoma on "guard" station at the entrance to the Chesapeake Bay in 1952. Painted bright yellow with the word "Guard" in black, the Tahoma identified all incoming vessels. Approaching vessels identified themselves by radio, giving name, nationality, home port, last port of call, destination, and estimated time of arrival at the entrance to the Chesapeake Bay.

allies had no long-range bomber force and ballistic missiles were ten years in the future, delivery of a bomb by a vessel sailing into an unsuspecting port and then being detonated was the most likely form of nuclear attack on the United States. From August 1951 every vessel entering into a U. S. anchorage had to notify Customs of its intended destination and cargo 24 hours before it was to arrive. The names of these vessels were passed to the appropriate Captain of the Port and Coast Guard patrol

Feature Article

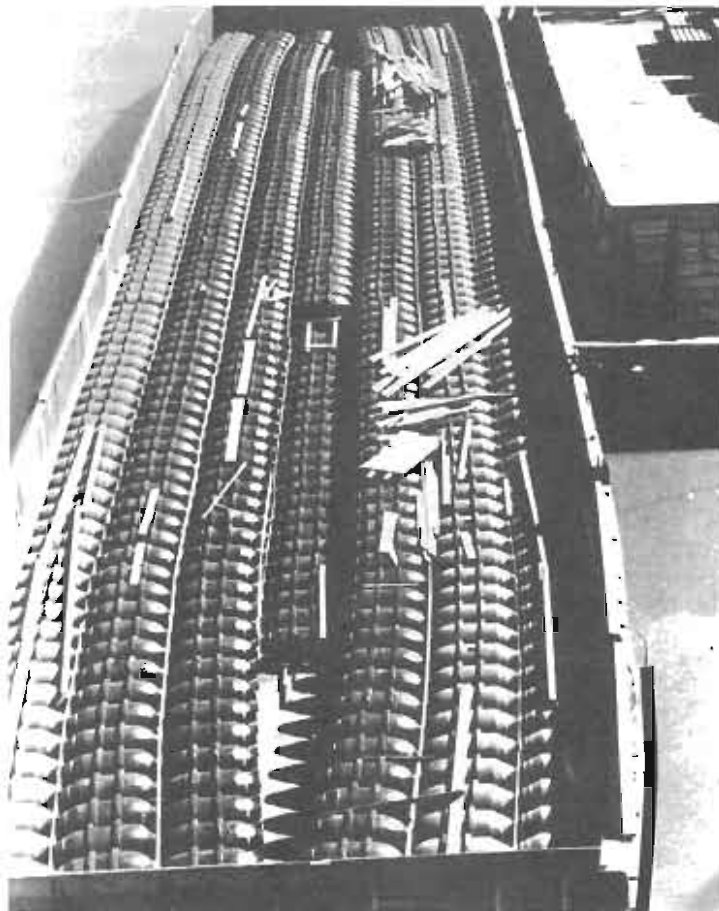
boats identified and checked each, boarding and examining those that appeared suspicious.

The boats patrolling harbor entrances in the major ports were occupied 24 hours a day and in New York, for example, there were two stations on continuous duty. For the next two years off the coast of New York, near the Ambrose lightship station, the Coast Guard inspected over 1,500 ships. Each of the two patrols inspected an average of 40 vessels per month with each inspection lasting four hours. Armed with Geiger counters, they searched for atomic weapons, general explosives, and bacteriological weapons. Fortunately, the patrols never encountered anything worth reporting.

Another Coast Guard security duty that had a direct impact on the combat in Korea was that of the men who supervised the loading of high explosives on board merchantman. Special explosive loading detachment teams conducted the incredibly dangerous job of supervising the loading of ammunition. It was sometimes conducted under the most primitive conditions. On the coast of Oregon, for example, ammunition was transported from the Umatilla Ordnance Depot to a loading site on the Columbia River about 10 miles downstream from the Depot. A privately owned tow and barge company held the contract for transporting government goods down the river. Coast Guard officers and men supervised the loading of the ammunition onto barges that each held 500 tons. Typically one powered vessel would push two barges at a time down the 200 miles to the Beaver Ammunition Storage Point, accompanied by an armed Coast Guardsman. The ammunition was then loaded onto cargo vessels for transportation to Korea.

LORAN STATION AT PUSAN

The LORAN [LONg Range Aid to Navigation] station



In Oregon, ammunition was transported from the Umatilla Ordnance Depot to a loading site on the Columbia River about 10 miles downstream from the Depot. Here a barge is loaded with bombs at that site for transport to the Beaver Ammunition Storage Point.

at Pusan (code named ELMO-4) is one of the truly unsung Coast Guard stories of the war. Established to assist the growing air and sea traffic brought on by the Korean conflict, the station's crew has the distinction of being the only Coast Guard personnel serving under a Coast Guard command on the peninsula during the fighting.

The prospective commanding officer of the station, Lieutenant John D. McCann, USCG, reconnoitered the area around the city of Pusan, which gave the LORAN station its official Coast Guard designation, and picked a hill some twenty miles from the city. His crew consisted of twelve men who served on a one-year tour. On June 6 1952 the U. S. Air Force generously agreed to support the station logistically, relieving the 14th Coast Guard District of such responsibilities.

The support included providing for the security of the station.

Despite attacks by local vandals and some guerrilla units, as well as a typhoon in August of 1952, construction progressed with the assistance of units of the U. S. Army and logistically supported by the U. S. Air Force. By the time ELMO-4 was ready to begin operation the station boasted modern plumbing, electric clothes washing machines, and a hot water heater. McCann noted "We are probably living on one of the most comfortable bases in Korea. But don't forget that we built it ourselves. Last August all we had were tents."

The only Coast Guard outfit stationed in Korea began transmitting its signal on 5 January 1953. In concert with the other eight Coast Guard-manned LORAN stations in the Far East, including stations O'Shima Island in Tokyo Bay, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa, these lonely Coast Guard outposts provided around-the-clock navigation assistance to United Nations' maritime and air forces. Every UN vessel and aircraft utilized the new technology that permitted navigation under any weather conditions during

Feature Article

the day or night, provided courtesy of the United States Coast Guard.

With the signing of the cease-fire on 26 July 1953, the Coast Guard, as it had after World War II, demobilized



Coast Guard LORAN Station Pusan, South Korea, 1952

quickly. The Coast Guard abandoned the ocean stations added for wartime purposes and decommissioned the destroyer escorts. All of the overseas air detachments and search and rescue stations were decommissioned as well and the service returned to its normal peacetime operations. Coast Guard operations during the Korean War supported the United Nations' efforts to throw back the Communist invaders. Coast Guard Merchant Marine Inspection and Port Security forces insured the safe and timely loading and departure of munitions and supplies bound for the troops in Korea. The Coast Guard also supported the transport of combat troops to Korea. Manning the lonely ocean stations in the middle of the Pacific, day in and day out, cutters on these stations provided navigation support and stood by for rescue, if need be, to transports, freighters, and aircraft bound for the far Pacific. Coast Guard air detachments stood by as well, ready to assist any in need. Finally, the Coast Guard LORAN chain provided the most direct support of any Coast Guard operation to the combat and logistic efforts against the Communist invasion of South Korea. As it had during the air offensive against Japan during World War II, Coast Guard LORAN stations provided around the clock precise navigation assistance to all U.N. ves-

sels and aircraft throughout the far Pacific.

The Korean War left a number of legacies for the Coast Guard. Port security became a preeminent mission of the service in large part due to fears generated by the Cold War. Force levels had increased to well over what they were before North Korea invaded its neighbor. Indeed, the service almost doubled in size from its 1947 low of just over 18,000 men and women until June, 1952 when 35,082 officers and enlisted men served on active duty, including 1,600 reservists. Women also continued to serve in the Coast Guard, albeit in far fewer numbers than served during World War II. In November 1952, 215 SPAR officers and 108 enlisted SPAR's served in the reserve and 15 officers and 19 enlisted served on active duty. The final and, perhaps, most important legacy was that the future leaders of the service would look for a more active role for the Coast Guard in any conflict. Worried that its vital duties during the Korean War still left the Coast Guard in obscurity, future commandants would offer Coast Guard forces for use in combat.

This is exactly what happened some ten years later during the Communist onslaught in Vietnam.

Coast Guard cutters eligible for the Korean Service Medal include:

<i>Bering Strait (WAVP-382)</i>	<i>Chautauqua (WPG-41)</i>
<i>Durant (WDE-489)</i>	<i>Escanaba (WPG-64)</i>
<i>Falgout (WDE-424)</i>	<i>Finch (WDE-428)</i>
<i>Forster (WDE-434)</i>	<i>Gresham (WAVP-387)</i>
<i>Ironwood (WAGL-297)</i>	<i>Iroquois (WPG-43)</i>
<i>Klamath (WPG-66)</i>	<i>Koiner (WDE-431)</i>
<i>Kukui (WAK-186)</i>	<i>Lowe (WDE-425)</i>
<i>Minnetonka (WPG-67)</i>	<i>Newell (WDE-442)</i>
<i>Planetree (WAGL-307)</i>	<i>Pontchartrain (WPG-70)</i>
<i>Ramsden (WDE-482)</i>	<i>Richey (WDE-485)</i>
<i>Taney (WPG-37)</i>	<i>Wachusett (WPG-44)</i>
<i>Winnebago (WPG-40)</i>	<i>Winona (WPG-64)</i>

Coast Guard shore units eligible for the Korean Service Medal include:

Commander, Far East Section, Tokyo; Merchant Marine Detachment, Japan; LORSTA Bataan; LORSTA Elmo No. 4 Pusan; LORSTA Ichi Banare, Okinawa; LORSTA Iwo Jima; LORSTA Matsumae, Hokkaido; LORSTA Niigata, Honshu; LORSTA Oshima, Honshu; LORSTA Riyako Jima; and LORSTA Tokyo, Honshu.

Features & Association News

Mini-Reunion in Florida

And so, the CGCVA enjoyed another mini-reunion here in sunny Florida, this time it was at the Coast Guard Air Station Miami in Opa Locka, on April 1, 2002. The commanding Officer, CAPT John Courier, was most helpful and congenial, providing a guided tour of the unit, a comprehensive description of the unit's operation and responsibilities, and a great lunch in the wardroom and dining areas. I'd like to think that the red carpet was rolled out for us that day (and it had nothing to do with the congressional team that was visiting there the same day).

Only kidding. The CGCVA members were shown respect by all throughout the day's events and I'd like to thank the many fine Coast Guard men and women stationed at Opa Locka on behalf of our Association.

Air Station Miami has six Falcon twin-engine jet aircraft and nine Dassault helicopters for their Air-Sea Rescue responsibilities. This unit we were told is the "busiest Coast Guard Air-Sea Rescue unit in the world." It certainly was most impressive!

Our CGCVA group of 19 members included National President Jack Campbell. This was the second consecutive year I've been able to get a group of CGCVA members and guests together for a "mini-reunion" in Florida. Both were very successful and I highly encourage other Association members to organize "mini-reunions" in their locations across the country. It's especially rewarding when it can be held at a Coast Guard facility and I'm sure, despite the long hours that Coast Guard men and women put in, they would be pleased to play host to a good-looking group of Coast Guard combat veterans.

Sure it can be tough going at the start, making lots of phone calls with limited results, trying to reach other CGCVA members in your area, but it's worth the effort. And once you've made the contacts, subsequent get-togethers can be arranged quite easily.

Besides the two "mini-reunions" held in Florida, more than 100 Association members and guests attended a "mini-reunion" in Cape May last September. That too was a huge success, and gives tribute to the Coast

Guard men and women stationed at the training center there, since they were dealing with a myriad of security concerns following the tragic events of 9-11.

If you'd like to pursue coordinating a CGCVA "mini-reunion" in your area, contact National Secretary-Treasurer Terry Graviss at cgcva@hotmail.com. Explain your plan and request a list of members in your area, including their address and phone numbers. Keep in mind, however, that such lists are not provided to anyone outside the Association without approval by the officers.

Sidney "Herb" Weinstein



CGCVA members who attended the "mini-reunion" at Coast Guard Air Station Miami in Opa Locka, Florida on April 1, 2002. The successful event was coordinated by CGCVA Trustee Herb Weinstein.

Loy Spread Coast Guard Message

To be seen -- and heard.

It's unusual for a military service to want to be noticed, to be in the spotlight and be prominent.

But when Coast Guard Commandant James Loy took the post four years ago, that was the admiral's intent: to raise the service's visibility in the public eye, at the White House and on Capitol Hill.

For his first three years in office, Loy relentlessly pursued his goal.

Like a preacher in an unholy land, he traveled to Congress to spread his message. He dispatched public affairs disciples to report the good news. Available lecterns became pulpits to sermonize -- often and frankly -- about the Coast Guard's financial woes, its aging infrastructure and its overworked staff.

And then came the awful events of Sept. aa.

In the hours, days and months following the attacks, a nation finally saw what Loy had been trying to tell it: When the country is down, whether it's because of ugly weather, terrorists, the drug trade or a man-made environmental or natural disaster, the Coast guard is "semper paratus" -- always ready.

Meeting the mission

Loy leaves his post as commandant May 30 after more than 40 years in the Coast Guard, and he departs, he says, having met his No. 1 mission -- to get the word out.

"I feel pretty good walking out the door this time," Loy

said during one of his final interviews from his office overlooking the Anacostia River in Washington, D.C.

"We tried to build a Coast Guard reputation of productivity so that when people in the executive branch and on Capitol Hill make a decision, someone says, 'Hey, don't forget the Coast Guard.'"

The country's increased focus on homeland defense means it's not likely to forget its smaller maritime service. And it's unlikely the Coast Guard will forget Loy, a man with a mix of proven sea time, leadership and tact.

"I first met him 20 years ago when I was working on my doctoral dissertation," said Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard Vince Patton. "He was one of the guys I interviewed about leadership. I left his office thinking 'Wouldn't it be great if this guy became commandant?'"

Loy saw a variety of service during his four decades in uniform. He served aboard six cutters and commanded three. He earned a Bronze Star with a combat "V" as commander of the 82-foot cutter Point Lomas in Vietnam. He spent a night trying to save the crew of a CH-3 Jolly Green Giant helicopter when the aircraft went down off a no-man's land in Vietnam. He saw a Cuban mother give birth on the flight deck of his ship, the 210-foot cutter Valiant. He helped manage a crisis situation in 1979 in Galveston, Texas, where a tanker burned for 75 days and 30 men died. He trained alongside sailors of the battleship New Jersey as commander of the 378-foot cutter Midgett.

"There are so many memories that run the spectrum," he said.

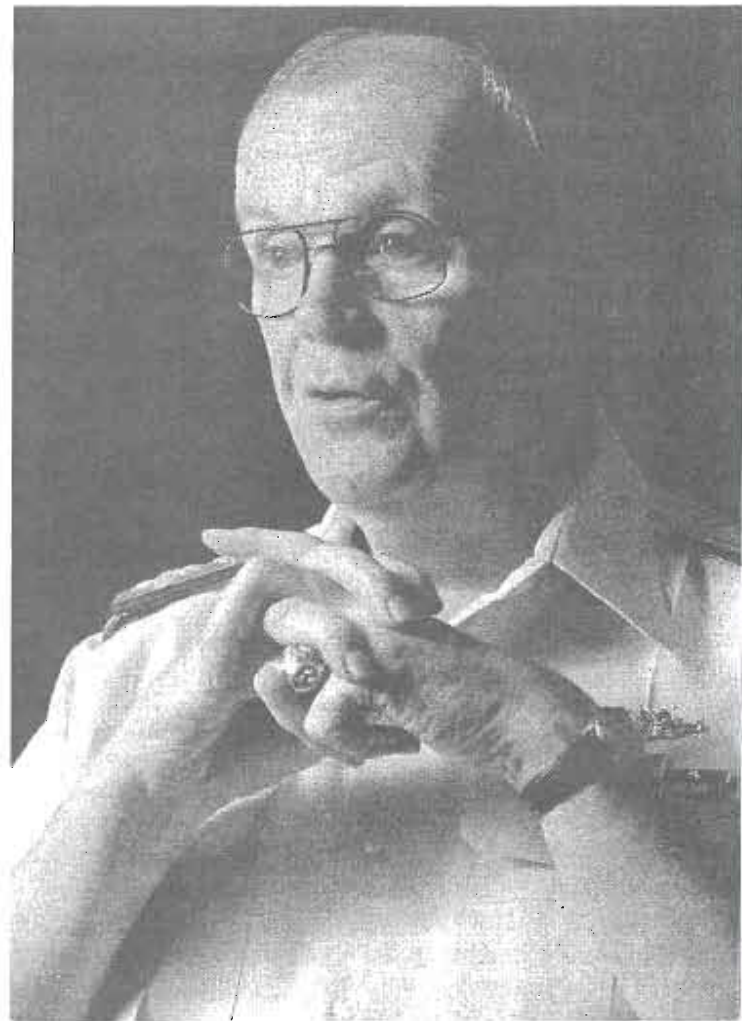
His career began when he entered the Coast Guard Academy in 1961. As an ensign, he married Kay McGirk, a state champion baton twirler from his hometown of Altoona, Pa. He went to sea; she raised two children. He worked staff jobs and earned master's degrees from Wesleyan University and the University of Rhode Island; she became an active advocate for Coast guard families.

Eyeing the top job

It wasn't until more than 30 years into his career that Loy thought he might end up leading the company, he said.

Still, as commander of Atlantic Area from 1994 to 1996, he had ideas -- many of which he started pursuing while serving as Coast Guard chief of staff from 1996 to 1998. Those ideas included the Deepwater Integrated Systems project to replace aging ships, aircraft and systems; his "Future Force 21" strategic plan for personnel; and the National Distress and Response System modernization program.

"I was his command master chief at Atlantic Area,"



"It's going to be hard to find a job that allows me to make the contribution I make now," said ADM James Loy. His four-year tour as Coast Guard commandant comes to an end in May.

Patton said. "And if there was something he or I didn't like, we'd joke 'when you become commandant, you can change that,' or 'when you become master chief petty officer of the Coast Guard, you can change that.'"

And change things Loy did. Continuing to embrace the multimission focus espoused by his predecessor, ADM Robert Kramek, Loy sought to restore readiness by increasing training and education opportunities, improving funding for maintenance and acquisition and concentrating on service members' quality of life.

He aimed to create a strategic vision so the service would have focus. And almost immediately after assuming office in 1998, he concentrated on recruiting to fix the service's personnel shortfalls.

"We closed the gap. We had fun with it. We even teamed up with WWF (World Wrestling Federation) as a marketing campaign to get our message across. Then it went into the moral tank... You make mistakes," he recalled with a laugh.

Features & Association News

Loy is proud that, during his tenure, the National Distress Response System has been funded, the service has improved its staffing situation and made progress in meeting its diversity goals and is now within weeks of awarding a multibillion-dollar contract for Deepwater.

"I'm absolutely as proud as I can be that the Coast Guard leads the other services with respect to gender issues," he said. "We have unrestricted opportunities for women to lead. And we have diversity goals that we haven't quite reached, but we have made progress."

If there are any regrets, Loy said, it's that it took a horrific event -- like Sept. 11 -- to thrust the service into the spotlight.

"Before Sept. 11, our fiscal '02 funding situation looked bad. We were about to decommission a number of assets because we were going to have to cut costs somewhere. So, I guess you could say that I wasn't as successful as I would have liked to have been getting the message out."

Like most service chiefs, Loy has a telltale crease of stress between his eyes -- even when reflecting on his proudest achievements. For four years, he's borne the weight of a service that historically has been underfunded and understaffed.

A role in homeland defense

While retirement is usually like a shot of Botox for retirees' worry lines, Loy isn't likely to shed his soon. The author of a paper published the first week of September discussing the likelihood of Osama bin Laden or other terrorists venting their anger on U.S. soil wants to pursue a career in shaping America's homeland-security umbrella, either in the government or a related industry.

"It's going to be hard to find a job that allows me to make the contribution I make now. Five thousand lives saved, 75 tons of cocaine captured a year. But homeland security, that's what I'd like to do," he said.

Wherever the admiral ends up, it's not likely he'll have time to pursue the "to-do" list at his Chantilly, Va., home. Nor will the man who once strolled into a Florida McDonald's wearing his dress whites and sword in hot pursuit of a fudge sundae be at home indulging in ice cream.

"Kay says she married me for life, not for lunch," he quipped. "She's told me I have to get out there and get a job."

"So I'm talking to anyone who is willing," he added.

Patricia Kime

Editor's Note: Patricia Kime is a Navy Times staff writer who covers the Coast Guard. The Navy Times gave permission to reprint this article which appeared in their May 20, 2002 issue. ADM Loy's photo was taken by Warren Zinn, Times staff.

COAST GUARD COMBAT VETERANS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Founded 29 July 1985

PREAMBLE

Being mindful of the traditions, duties and purposes of the United States Coast Guard, our duty to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and believing that through social association and mutual acquaintance, we may further perpetuate the memory of our fallen comrades, assist their widows and orphans, assist honorably discharged and retired Coast Guard Combat Veterans, promote and enhance the image and posture of the United States Coast Guard. Therefore, we do associate ourselves together and declare the following articles to be the Constitution and by-laws of the Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association.

CONSTITUTION

We, past and present Officer and Enlisted members of the United States Coast Guard believing in our right to form an Association consistent with the precepts outlined in the Preamble above, do hereby declare the formation of such an association to be known as the "Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association".

BY-LAWS ARTICLE I - Organization

This Association formed under the authority of the foregoing Constitution will be organized as provided hereinafter. That all meetings including the biennial meeting will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules Of Order in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these by-laws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.

1. Name: This association shall be called the "Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association".

2. Purpose: The primary purpose of this Association shall be to foster good fellowship and social activities.

a. The association assumes the responsibility for maintaining the gravesite of Signalman First Class, Douglas A. Munro, USCG recipient of the Congressional Medal Of Honor, located at Cle Elum, Washington.

b. To accomplish the programs as outlined in the Preamble.

3. Association Officers:

a. The association shall be governed by a National President; National Vice President; National Secretary, National Treasurer and an elected Board of Trustees consisting of four (4) regular members and the fifth member being the immediate past National President.

b. No elected Officer or Trustee will be installed in office that does not have a support document to substantiate their combat qualification to be a member of the association.

4. Term of Office: Officers shall be nominated and elected for a two (2) year term in office at each regular biennial meeting of the membership. Candidates for office shall be regular voting members of the association who shall be nominated and elected by a "Show of Hand". The newly elected officers and appointees shall be sworn into office at the ceremonies during

Features & Association News

the awards banquet held on the final evening of the reunion/convention. The offices of the National President and National Vice President shall not be succeeded by the same person, elected to that office more than one (1) time. Exception will be made in situations where a member is appointed to complete a term in either position caused by the vacation of the office by the Elected Officer. The offices of the National Secretary and National Treasurer due to the necessity of a consistent continuance of record management for the association, may be succeeded by the members without limitation to the succession rule above. The offices of the Board Members are covered in Article IV, 5. Below. In the event of a vacancy of any office caused by resignation; illness, death or removal for "cause", a replacement shall be selected to serve in the vacated position until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the membership. The selection shall be made by a committee appointed by the President.

5. Auxiliary: Effective 16 July 1988, there shall be an Auxiliary providing for the membership of spouses of members in good standing. Such Auxiliary to provide their own Organization and by-laws. Such organization and by-laws shall not conflict with the Constitution and by-laws of the association.

6. Headquarters: There is no permanent Headquarters site or location. The President shall designate a Headquarters location. The Administration Office(s) shall be designated by the President and will in most instances, be the residence of the National Secretary or National Treasurer or both as needs predicate.

ARTICLE II - Membership

Membership in this association shall be limited to:

1. Active duty members, retired members and honorably discharged former members of the United States Coast Guard or United States Coast Guard Reserve who served in, or provided direct support to combat situations recognized by an appropriate military award while serving as a member of the United States Coast Guard.

2. The Widow or Widower of members that were in good standing at the time of their demise, shall be considered members and shall be dues free without voting privilege. These members shall not hold office.

3. The Commandant of the United States Coast Guard and the Master Chief Petty Officer of the United States Coast Guard if not otherwise eligible shall be recognized as Honorary Members without voting privilege.

4. The National President, with the concurrence of the Board of Trustee's may authorize additional Honorary Membership without voting privilege to any person who has performed in an "Outstanding" manner for the betterment of either the United States Coast Guard or the Association. Such Honorary Membership will be accomplished by the issuing of a Certificate of Appreciation and Honorary Membership suitable for framing. Any member in good standing may make a recommendation to the National President for an Honorary Membership. The recommendation shall be in writing and accompanied with supporting information substantiating the individual's qualifications.

5. Associate Membership: Non Voting Associate Membership is established for:

a. Those persons in the United States Coast Guard who met the combat criteria while in the service of another Armed Force (United States or Foreign).

b. Members of the United States Public Health Service who served as members of a United States Coast Guard combat command.

c. A spouse, child or orphan of a deceased Coast Guard Combat Veteran who died prior to the founding of the Association may be eligible for Associate Membership. Determinations will be made upon receipt of application for membership in each case. Support documents of combat service and relationship must be provided.

ARTICLE III - Dues

Dues shall be fixed by Board of Trustee's.

1. Dues are considered due and payable at biennial intervals commencing two (2) years from the month of initial membership. The membership expiration date will be affixed to the address label of the quarterly newsletter and will be the notice for the renewal of membership. The National Treasurer will send out an "Overdue Notice" to members not responding after approximately thirty (30) days. Members not responding to the "Overdue Notice" after sixty (60) days will be dropped from the active rolls. A member dropped for Non-Payment of dues may be reinstated by submitting the necessary dues and Application Form.

2. Life Membership: Persons meeting the requirements for membership, as outlined in Article II, may apply for life membership at the following fees:

Under age 30	200.00
31-40	185.00
41-50	165.00
51-60	145.00
61-70	115.00
71-80	85.00
81-89	50.00
90 & Up.	0

Life Members shall not be subject to further levies. The National Treasurer shall deposit Life Membership moneys in a "Restricted Fund" called "The Life Membership Account" and invested as directed by the Board of Trustees'. Income derived by such investments shall be Transferred to the General Fund.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

Officers of this Association named in Article I are vested with authority and charged to perform duties as follows:

1. National President

a. As the National President and Chief Executive Officer of the Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association call meetings of Officers and Trustee's as necessary. Preside over all meetings and determine the order of business.

b. Shall review the recommendations received from the Convention Chairman and with the concurrence of the Board of

Features & Association News

Trustee's, determine the time and place to convene the biennial reunion/convention.

c. Is vested with overall responsibility for conducting the official business of the association within the constraints of the Constitution and by-laws giving careful attention to the work of the Association as well as carrying into effect the policies determined upon by the majority of the membership.

d. Represent the CGCVA at business and social functions of various veterans organizations. Military, veterans legislative meetings on local state, and national levels. Or, assign officers of the association to attend in his stead.

e. Approve all expenditures and disbursements of the Associations funds within the limitations of these by-laws and is authorized to sign drafts for these expenditures.

f. The President-elect may make appointments as necessary. They may include, but not limited to: Budget, by-laws, Chaplain, Convention/Reunion, Editor-In-Chief, Historian, Master-At-Arms, Membership, Nominating, Parliamentary and Ways and Means.

g. Shall issue an annual "State of the Association" to be published in the first issue of the Quarterdeck Log each new calendar year.

2. National Vice President:

a. Shall be the first assistant to the National President in conducting the official business of the association.

b. In the absence of the National President, preside in his behalf over official or social activities as outlined in these by-laws.

c. Furnish an annual written report of activities of the year to the National President in sufficient time for inclusion into the "State of the Association" message to members.

d. Assume the office of National President should the office become vacant for any reason.

3. National Secretary/Treasurer:

a. Assist the National President by conducting the official administrative and financial business of the association.

b. Maintain files of all official communications of the association. Maintain membership files, both in the computer and in file folders with support documents verifying eligibility.

c. Maintain the association mailing lists. The association mailing list will not be given to any "non-member" or member in "Good Standing" for their personal gain. It shall be the responsibility of the National Secretary/Treasurer to ensure that the names of the members not be given out indiscriminately.

d. Respond to the membership questions and/or requests within the capabilities of the means available.

e. In cooperation with the National Treasurer, Maintain association property records as to the description and location of items. Maintain all records the National Treasurer deems appropriate. All National Treasurer designated fiscal records to be kept in the computer.

f. In cooperation with the National Treasurer, establish and distribute budgets for all officers and appointees' of the association.

g. Furnish notification to the membership of the Time and Place of Reunion/Conventions as well as all official meetings called by the National President.

h. In conjunction with the National President, prepare agenda's for all meetings.

i. Provide the membership with all official notices through the most rapid and economical means available.

j. Have prepared and distributed the Associations official publication, the Quarterdeck Log on a quarterly basis. Provide guidance and support to the Editor of the publication. In cooperation with the Editor, establish "Deadlines" and publication dates and assure their compliance.

k. Keep a record (minutes) of all proceedings of the association. Publish and make the minutes and records available to members upon request.

l. Furnish an annual written report of activities of the year to the President in sufficient time for inclusion into the "State of the Association" message to members.

4. National Treasurer:

m. Assist the National President by conducting the official financial business of the association.

n. Maintain accurate fiscal records of the association. Account for all moneys received from whatever source and deposit them into the associations authorized account(s) at the earliest reasonable time.

o. Prepare all drafts against the association funds for settling association financial obligations as authorized by the National President and in accordance with these by-laws. In addition to the National President, the National Secretary/Treasurer is authorized to sign drafts described herein.

n. In cooperation with the National Secretary, establish annual budgets for the National President, National vice-president, National Secretary, National Treasurer, Board of Trustee's the Quarterdeck Log, National Membership Director, Ways & Means Director, Convention/Reunion Chairman. Prepare the budget to show line items for a minimum of: Travel, Supplies, Postage, Equipment, Services i.e., Printing, etc.

o. In cooperation with the National Secretary, maintain records of association property with a description and location of all items.

f. Provide an annual financial statement, for presentation at the annual business meeting, that has been audited as outlined in 5 (h), below.

g. Furnish an annual written report of activities of the year to the National President in sufficient time for inclusion into the "State of the Association" message to members.

5. Board of Trustee's:

a. The Board shall consist of not less than five (5) members.

b. Of the four (4) elected Board Members, two (2) shall be elected to a four (4) year term at each reunion/convention. The members of the Board will select a Chairman from their elected body for a two year term.

c. The fifth (5) member of the Board shall be the seating of the immediate Past National President replacing the prior Past National President.

d. As directed by the National President, review recommendations received from the Convention Chairman as to the time and place of the biennial reunion/convention and advise the President of the Boards recommendations.

e. Approve expenditures of Two-Thousand dollars (\$2,000.00)

Features & Association News

or more.

- f. Review and approve the annual budget.
- g. When directed by the National President, but no less often than annually, cause an audit of the association Financial Records in Custody of the National Treasurer.
- h. Establish the amount of dues required for membership.
- i. Review proposed changes to the by-laws as submitted in accordance with Article IX and forward to the Chairman of the by-laws Committee with recommendations.

ARTICLE V - Committees

- 1. Standing committees shall be appointed by the National President but shall not exceed the tenure of the President's term in office.
- 2. The Chairpersons of all committees shall be designated by the National President. The Chairperson shall appoint members to serve on the committee.

ARTICLE VI - Voting

- 1. Regular members, in good standing, in attendance at properly assembled association Reunion/Conventions shall be eligible to vote on matters limited to association business.

ARTICLE VII - Awards

Awards presented by this association will be based on the following criteria:

1. The Association shall award a CGCVA plaque annually to the person selected as "C.G. Person of the Year". The selection will be made from a list of 3 candidates received from Coast Guard Headquarters that had been chosen by USCG for recognition as a result of outstanding/heroic performance. Presentation will be made at the association biennial Reunion/Convention. In the years between the association Reunion/Convention presentation will be made at Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C. by the Coast Guard Commandant or his designated representative. The National President or designated alternate members, will be present to represent CGCVA.

a. Criteria: The candidate for the CGCVA recognition should have been awarded, or nominated for a Coast Guard award during the period of the previous year 1 July through 30 June of the current year.

The feat involved should indicate a high degree of risk on the part of the candidate and merits a recommendation for the award of the Coast Guard Medal, Coast Guard Gold Lifesaving Medal, Coast Guard Silver Lifesaving Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross or Air Medal for the CGCVA recognition.

The individual is to be on Active Duty, Regular or Reserve, Officer or Enlisted personnel.

2. U.S. Senator/U.S. Congressman:

At the regular Association Convention/Reunion a maximum of two (2) awards for members of the U.S. Congress (1 Senate, 1 House, 2 Senate or 2 House) may be awarded to those who have provided exceptional support to the U.S. Coast Guard for the immediate preceding two (2) year period. Recommendations will be solicited/accepted from the USCG

Liaison Officer(s) to Congress

ARTICLE VIII - Quorum

- 1. In a general meeting, the quorum is the number of members present at the time, since they constitute the entire membership at that time.
- 2. Officers and Trustee's meetings, the quorum is a majority of all the Officers or Trustee's or combination of both.

Officers:	3	Trustee's:	3
Joint:	5		

ARTICLE IX - Change & Correction

- 1. **Changes:** A request for change in the by-laws may be submitted by any member in good standing. Requests for changes must be submitted to the Board of Trustee's at least six (6) months prior to the regularly scheduled Reunion/Convention. A change is defined as any alteration that materially affects the intent and/or meaning of the Article being considered.
- 2. **Corrections:** A request for correction to the by-laws that change neither the meaning nor the intent of the Article under consideration.
- 3. **Procedures:**
 - a. Corrections as defined above shall be considered by the Association Officers. Notice of such corrections will be presented and read to the membership at the next regularly convened reunion/convention for information only.
 - b. Changes as defined above and meet all requirements shall be presented to the membership at the regularly convened reunion/convention where they will be read and voted on by a "Show of Hand". (If the changes have been circulated to the membership in no less than thirty (30) days prior to the reunion/convention, reading of the changes may be suspended).
 - c. Proposed changes to the by-laws will be published in the Association Newsletter immediately prior to the scheduled Reunion/Convention.

Originally Adopted: July, 1986 at Reno, NV	Corrected/Amended/Approved July, 1998 at Reno, NV
---	--

Corrected/Amended/Approved July, 1990 at Baltimore, MD	Approved: Board of Directors Dec. 8-9, 1990 at Reno, NV
---	--

Corrected/Amended/Approved Oct. 1992 at Reno, NV	Corrected/Amended/Approved Oct. 28, 1994 at Norfolk, VA
---	--

Corrected/Amended/Approved
Nov. 2, 1996 at San Diego, CA

Corrected/Amended/Approved
Nov. 6, 1998 at Corpus Christi, TX

Editor's Note: As the Secretary-Treasurer mentioned, please submit any suggested changes to the By-Laws to him at the Administrative Office so as to arrive there no later than mid-September. You also have to attend the Business Meeting at the Reno Reunion in order to vote on any changes,

CGCVA Auxiliary News

My thanks to our Vice President Mare Swift and Secretary-Treasurer Jennifer Graviss for their continued representation of the CGCVA Auxiliary at Coast Guard functions in the greater Washington, DC area. Through their efforts, our organization continued to get new members.

Most recently, Mare and Jen, along with Nancy Burke, attended Memorial Day ceremonies in Baltimore aboard the decommissioned CGC Taney. They also attended a Farewell Luncheon honoring Kay Loy, wife of CG Commandant ADM James Loy, on April 18th in Arlington, Virginia. Kay became an advocate for providing clothing and supplies to orphanages in the former Soviet republic of Georgia and was founder of the Holiday Stockings for Homeless Children Project sponsored by the CG Officers' Spouses' Club. Prior to that event, Mare, Jen and Nancy attended the Commandant's annual State of the Coast Guard Luncheon and Address, held this year at Bolling AFB. My thanks to you ladies!

As we get closer and closer to the October CGCVA reunion & convention in Reno I realize just how involved the Auxiliary is in this biennial event. We help out in a

number of ways, starting with refreshments following the Opening Ceremonies and assisting with registration throughout the multi-day convention. In addition, we hold our own luncheon while the CGCVA members attend their Business Meeting & Luncheon. There really are a lot of things to do and I hope that many of you will be able to help out, even if it's just for a few hours. Please let me know what you can help out with. You can reach me at (704) 263-0111 or at reliancepi@aol.com.

Finally, please keep our wonderful Coast Guard women and men in your hearts as they go about doing their often dangerous jobs everyday to help safeguard our nation. The Coast Guard continues to be a leader in homeland security and why not... they've been doing it since 1790! God bless them!



SHIRLEY RAMSEY

Shirley



Coast Guard Combat Veterans Auxiliary Membership Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Last
First
Init.

Address: _____

Street or Box Number
City
State
Zipcode

Eligibility: _____ Sponsors Name: _____

Wife, Husband, Daughter, Son, Other-Explain

Amount of Membership Dues enclosed: \$ _____ Dues: \$10.00 Every 2 Years

Make Checks Payable to: CGCVA AUX

Jennifer Graviss, Secretary/Treasurer

295 Shalimar Dr.

Shalimar, FL 32579-1242

CGCVA Form #3A (Rev. 12/96)

CGCVA Small Stores

The following CGCVA items are now available. Send orders to Baker Herbert at P.O. Box 544, Westfield Center, OH 44251-0544. Call Baker at (330) 887-5539, fax at (330) 887-5639, or e-mail at USCGW64@worldnet.att.net. Please make checks payable to CGCVA. Prices include first class mailing with the exception of Christmas Tree ornaments, which require special packaging.

BASEBALL CAP

blue/black, gold lettered CGCVA with logo, full back, plain visor \$11.00. White baseball cap also, one size fits all for both caps.

BOOK

hardback, "The Coast Guard At War, Vietnam 1965-1975" by Alex Larzalere - \$30.00

BOOK

"Coast Guard Navy of WWII" by William Knight. Special reduced price \$19.95

BOOK

"Coast Guard Action In Vietnam" - by Paul Scotti. \$20.00

BUMPER STICKER

CGCVA \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS

255' OWASCO Class; 378" HAMILTON Class, CGC MACKINAW. Each ship of class imprinted on back with commissioning and decommissioning dates. \$12.50 each (shipped in display box).

CGCVA GARRISON CAP

fore 'n aft, CGCVA Logo, white lettered "Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association" with logo. Must state size. \$25.00

BOOKS, PATCH

Volume 1-B Black Cutters \$8.50; Volume 1-C Red Cutters \$6.50; Volume 2 Aviation \$10.50. Booklets are spiral bound.

MODEL KIT

CG Helicopter, Bell HTL - \$15.00 reduced price - one left

PATCHES

Collector items as we can't get any more - Squadron One, Squadron Three, Explosive Loading Detachment, Market Time - Vietnam; Loran Station Con Son or Tonkin Gulf Yatch Club. \$10.00 each.

MODEL KIT

378" Hamilton class, 47" length, composite plastic kit includes decals and deck hardware. Suitable for radio control or static display - FOR THE EXPERIENCED MODEL BUILDER) - \$200.00

"T" SHIRT

white, CGCVA Logo, sizes large, XL \$7.00, 2XL \$8.00

WRIST WATCH

CGCVA Logo, stainless steel back, 2 men's left \$25.00

WRIST WATCH

Stainless steel, with CGCVA Logo and calendar - waterproof to 50 meters, lifetime warranty, swiss movement, comes in gift box - 3 men 1 ladies left. I will not reorder \$55.00

CGCVA

Embroidered Logo - 4 inch \$5.00

PORTFOLIO

9-1/2 x 13" zip up, CGCVA Logo embossed, leather like, \$25.00 - 10 only left



Coast Guard Combat Veterans Association

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please Print Clearly)

Personal Data

Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First Init.

Address: _____
Street

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone:() - _____ Date Of Birth: _____

Do you have two(2) Residences? [] Yes [] No
If Yes, furnish the following information: (This is for the Quarterdeck Log mailings)

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone:() - _____ When There?: _____ To _____

Sponsored By: _____

Military Data

Branch Of Service Service Number From To

Important: This Application MUST be accompanied by either a copy of your Discharge (Both Sides); or, a copy of a DD-214; or, a copy of a DD-215; or, a copy of NAV/CG-553; or a copy of your letter of awards, or a copy of some other "Official" document that states your participation in or your direct support of a combat situation. You may further get a certified statement from a former shipmate who is a member of the CGCVA in "Good Standing," stating that you served with him on a particular ship/station during a particular period of time. Haitian service has recently been authorized the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal that qualifies for membership.

Rank/Rate: Present [] @ Discharge [] @ Retirement [] _____

Dues: \$25.00 For 2 Years. Amount of Membership Dues Enclosed: \$ _____
Make Check/M.O. Payable To: CGCOMVETS

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send To:

DONALD T. GRAVISS
295 SHALIMAR DR.
SHALIMAR FL 32579-1242

