



THOMAS C. HART LINE

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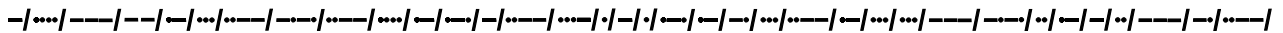
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President's Report

Shipmates,

June 2019 is approaching fast. The Black Hills of South Dakota will have good weather and some rural drives with great views. Buffalo and Prairie Dog towns are very photogenic. Seeing old shipmates and telling sea stories will keep you busy. The reunion will be the place to make new friends and renew old friendships. For one week you can forget all your troubles and just relax with men of similar life experiences.

Now is the time to make your plans to attend. The hotel has been selected and tours are being booked. Rapid City has a major airport, and there are major roads from all directions. I plan on driving up from Prescott Valley, AZ. I look forward to seeing the Rockies in Colorado and then driving through the Great Plains on my way back. Being in the center of the United States, Rapid City is about equal distance from everywhere.

Peg and I look forward to seeing all y'all there.

Ron Church FTG2 73-77

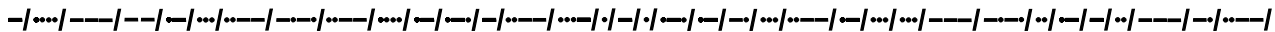


FINANCIAL REPORT THOMAS C HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION

As of November 11th 2018, there is \$1772.54 in the treasury. Major expenses are monthly \$5.00 bank fee and \$9.95 fee for the T.C. Hart Website. The only other expense is PayPal fees that are generated when members renew their membership.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the T.C Hart Ships Reunion being held in Rapid City South Dakota this coming June. I have been there several times, but the last time was over 20years ago. Mt Rushmore is a major draw and I also want to see how much more of the Crazy Horse Monument has been completed. The scenery in the area is unique and gorgeous. There are many other attractions there and I am sure it will be a great time for all.

STG2 *Randy Groen*



From the Secretary 

Shipmates,

As 2018 draws to a close one of my duties is to advise status of current TCHVA membership. As of today, TCHVA has only 87 members! Can you believe it? Of all the TCH vets, only 87 are current members. Of those 87, 25 memberships will expire at year's end. Frankly, I'm a bit saddened that more TCH vets haven't committed to be a part of this effort to keep the memories of our fine ship alive. I understand that the Facebook is a great place for day to day communications but it hasn't done much to boost TCHVA membership. In fact, I feel the opposite is true. Remember, TCHVA is the "only" organization that plans and sponsors reunions! Without your support, the organization will perish. Also know that all funds received by the organization go fund the website hosting and domain fees. The other expenditures are to help fund our reunions. No person in the association benefits financially in any way!

I'd like to see the membership numbers double before our next reunion in June. It is up to us to get the word out and ask our shipmates to join us. It is also important for us to stay the course and keep our memberships current. To that end, the following lists current TCHVA members. If there is an asterisk by your name, your dues expire at year end. Obviously, if your name is not on the list, your membership expired in years past or you have never been a member. Let's build the membership in preparation for reunion 2019.

David Altwies	RM1	85-89	Ronald Babb**	ETR2	76-78	William Bacher**	BTFN	73-74
Ron Baylis**	YN2	73-77	James Black	LT	87-90	Penny Bragonier (Adm. Hart's Granddaughter – Ship's sponsor)		
John Buckley	LT	84-86	Patrick Burke	ETN3	79-80	Michael Cady	OS2	76-78

Patrick Carr**	GMG2	79-80	William Carter	CTI1 (NAC)	76	Ron Church**	FTG2	73-77
Frederick Cook**	RMC	92-93	David Coleman	STG1	73-77	Robert Coleman	HM2	73-75
Garry Collins	LT	86-89	Craig Cope	STG1	73-77	Peter Coste	LCDR	81-82
Bill Cox	MM1	82-85	Mark Dammer	GMT2	77-81	Paul Dougherty	LT	88-91
Paul Dobroski	ET2	89-93	Patrick Dunn	LCDR	90-93	Ovidio Duran**	PC3	83-87
Charles Earley**	SHSN	76-80	John Ebata	BTFN	86-90	Lee Edwardson**	STG2	81-86
Randy Fisher	EN3	74-78	Peter Ford**	BM2	73-76	Randy Funkhouser	ETCS	88-91
Alex Gales	BT2	90-92	Norbert Gandara	SN	74-76	Steve Garcia**	NC1	84-87
Robert Giles	LTJG	75-78	Randy Groen	STG2	73-76	Stephen Holiday	DC1	85-90
Ron Hungerford	LTJG	77-81	Neal Jeffries	LT	82-85	Michael Jones**	SHC	74-76
Sean Keller**	OS2	85-88	Ron Koshko	EW1	75-79	Wayne Kreson**	SK3	85-87
Mark Lamboni	LTJG	76-79	Toby Layman	YNC	89-92	Jerry Leatherwood	BT1	85-88
Philip Leblanc**	HT2	73-76	Terry Ledford	OS2	75-79	Kerry Long	LT	73-77
Fred Longenecker**	LT	84-87	David Lundquist	YN2	73-76	Peter Luschenat	IC2	79-83
Archer Macy	LT	85-86	"Skip" McMichael	CAPT (CO)	83-85	Glen Mansfield	RM2	88-91
Larry Martin**	RM2	73-76	Craig Maywhort	SK2	82-86	Robert McDonald**	BMCS	73-76
Bill McGlooin	CAPT (CO)	83-85, 92-93	Jack McKinzie	RMC	73-76	Nelson Mertz	STG1	73-76
Eric Mettendorf**	EWCS	89-93	Thomas Miller**	RM2	78-81	Dave Neimeyer	LTJG	75-77
Gary Nelms	IC2	74-77	Louis Nick	CAPT (CO)	85-87	Kevin Nordberg	HM3	74-75
Archie Parks	QMSN	86-89	Terry Peterson	TMO2	91-93	William Rodriguez	LTJG (RADM)	73-77
E. Scott Ruerup	OS2	73-76	Richard Rush**	FC1	86-89	Kenneth Salmon**	QMC	73-76
Michael Schmitt	STG1	79-83	James Schreiber	LT	88-90	Dan Schubert	ETN3	73-75
Thomas Sexton	BT2	75-80	Bill Shank	LT	87-90	Kevin Staten**	OS1	87-92
James Stevens	CDR (CO)	87-89	David St. John	STG2	77-80	Kenneth Sweet	MR2	85-89
Mark Truitt	OS2	80-85	Joseph Tumminello	FC3	84-87	Bill Tylock	EM2	78-83
Daniel Vasconcellos	FCCM (CMC)	77-82	Darron Walker	STG2	86-90	Frank Whalen	CDR (CO)	81-83
Jimmy Wilkerson	MMC	73-75	Ron Wood	RM2	77-79	Samuel Yearby	OS2	79-83
James Zamorski	LTJG	76-78						

Our Association was formed in 2004 and our first reunion was held in Norfolk in 2005. Planning reunions and affording all TCH vets a place to congregate is our objective. Our 2019 reunion in Rapid City, South Dakota has been planned and we are ready for folks to begin signing up. You can find out all you need to know on our website www.thomaschart.org or on our planner's website acompletereunion.com. Let's make it the biggest reunion yet. We have some great hotel and tour rates!

Questions about membership? Email me at garrysea@gmail.com

Garry Collins

Items for the newsletter, and other comments, can be sent to Dave Neimeyer at [<neimeyer@us.net>](mailto:neimeyer@us.net) or 9026 Haaf Road, Fogelsville PA 18051-1717

If you are on facebook, consider joining the USS Thomas C. Hart FF 1092 group, with its 408 members and hundreds of photos and posts.

USS Thomas C. Hart Reunion 2019

June 4th – 9th, 2019

Grand Gateway Hotel, 1721 N. Lacrosse St.

Rapid City, South Dakota 57701

On behalf of the USS Thomas C. Hart Veterans Association, welcome to the 2019 reunion of the USS Thomas C. Hart (DE/FF-1092). Please join us for an exciting time in Rapid City, SD! We know you will have a wonderful time sharing the experience with old and new friends. We welcome any family or friends who would like to attend with you. Call the Grand Gateway Hotel directly for your reservations (866-742-1300). Tell them you are with the USS Hart Reunion to get the discounted rate of \$119 plus tax. This includes two \$10 passes per room per day to Perkin's Restaurant and onsite parking. The reunion registration fee is \$73.00 for each attendee, which covers the hospitality room, the banquet, and other group expenses. For more information please visit the hotel website at: <https://www.grandgatewayhotel.com/>

AGENDA

Tuesday June 4 th , 10AM -12PM	Check in
Tuesday June 4 th , 2 PM	Hospitality room open; remain open throughout reunion
Wednesday June 5 th , 8:15 AM – 4:45 PM	Tour #1 Black Hills; \$67 (includes transportation, admission, and lunch): Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Custer State Park
Thursday June 6, 8:45 AM – 3:15 PM	Tour #2 Badlands; \$45 (includes transportation and admission) Badlands National Park, Ben Reifel Visitor Center, Wall Drug
Friday June 7 th , 8:45 AM – 3 PM	Tour #3 America's Founding Fathers Exhibit/South Dakota Air and Space Museum/Downtown Rapid City; \$31 (includes Transportation and admission)
Saturday June 8 th , 9 – 11 AM	Business meeting; afternoon and lunch on your own
Saturday June 8 th , 5 PM	Pictures: A professional photographer will have an area set up for group shots – large group, small groups, couples – whatever you want. She puts out the pictures before the banquet, you order whatever you want; they are printed during the banquet and can be picked up as you leave. The large group shot is \$20 for an 8 X 10, others are less.
Saturday June 8 th , 6-30 PM – 9 PM	Banquet (cost included in the \$73.00 reunion registration fee)
Sunday June 9 th	Checkout

A brochure with details and registration info will be sent out soon. It is also posted on the TCHVA website www.thomaschart.org You can register from there. More details will also be on the *A Complete Reunion* website www.acompletereunion.com. Once you have registered you'll be able to get an update on who else has registered for the reunion to date.

Cost keeping you from attending? Contact TCHVA President Ron Church or any of our officers to see about our "Help a Shipmate" fund.

THOMAS C. HART DE/FF 1092 VETERANS ASSOCIATION



TCHVA relies on your continued support to help build the Association and keep the great memories of T C Hart alive! You can continue to help by referring other shipmates to us and letting us know when you have an email address, phone number or some other bit of info that may help us locate our shipmates. The success of the Association depends on the active support of our members!

You can stay up to date with current events and happenings by visiting our website at www.thomaschart.org

THOMAS C. HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Visit the link to renew now! <http://www.thomaschart.org/id33.html>

Check your membership status: <http://www.thomaschart.org/id100.html>

USS THOMAS C. HART (DE/FF-1092) VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please print the form, complete, and mail to address listed on the form



If a shipmate told you about the TCHVA, please tell us his name: _____

First Name _____ M.I. _____ Last Name _____

Rate/ Rank on TCH _____ Division _____

Year Reported Aboard _____ Year Detached _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell/Work Phone _____

Spouse Name: _____

Current Email Address: _____

Dues are only \$10 per year. We have chosen to collect for two years (\$20) at a time to reduce the administrative burden on our all volunteer staff. Thanks for your understanding and support. You may join for any additional years if you desire.

I am sending in \$ _____. Please begin/renew my membership!

**Please mail check/M.O. to: USS THOMAS C. HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION
c/o Randy Groen
2219 Friendship Ln.
Burnsville, MN 55337
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