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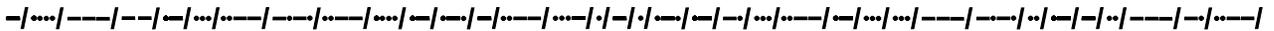
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President's Report

Shipmates;

Another reunion has come and gone. Thank you to Randy Groen for a super job on arranging lodging and tours. Taste of Minneapolis and the new Vikings Stadium; Peg, John Ebata and I did not burst into flames, so that was a plus. The decision has already been made for the next reunion in Rapid City, South Dakota. An event planner has already started making inquiries into what we can do there. You will be kept up to date on the planning as it goes on, check the website and the Facebook page. 2019 will come pretty quick, so plan on getting to see some great country.

Not everything happened at the reunion, some of us made other stops; Minnesota Zoo, SPAM Museum, John Wayne Museum and Amelia Earhart Birthplace. Plenty of interesting places to see on the way to and from Rapid City.

Looking forward to seeing all the regulars and many more.

See y'all there.

Ron Church (Chapel)

FTG2 73-77

Past President's report

Good afternoon shipmates! Well it's that wonderful time again when we all get together and reunite and see how life has treated us over the past few years. This year's reunion was in Minneapolis, MN. Randy put together some great things for us to do and places to visit. Even if you weren't interested in doing everything we liked seeing you and having you come...even if it was just for the weekend.

As lives go on things change and situations change, but the one thing that doesn't change is that at one time or another we were shipmates, comrades in arms. Many of us were or have become good friends over the years and that is just as, if not more important. Sometimes though even as good of friends and shipmates as we are, we might unintentionally offend each other. Maybe we made a decision that, though at the time it didn't seem like it, was beneficial to both of us in the long run. Or we let our personal political views influence us to the point we weren't comfortable with the idea of associating with someone, or just happen to let our mouth override our brain and heart. Bottom line is that even if things like this happen, we will always be shipmates, nothing can change that. And true friend will always be friends...no matter what. One of my favorite sayings is: People who mind don't matter, and people who matter don't mind. You all matter to me and I am thankful that I have been blessed with your friendship for all these years, and have had the honor to serve as president of the Thomas C. Hart Veterans Association for the past two years. Fair winds and following seas my friends. Hope to see you in Rapid City.

Steve Garcia

President, TCHVA

2015-2017

Items for the newsletter, and other comments, can be sent to Dave Neimeyer at
<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 366 members and hundreds of photos and posts.



FINANCIAL REPORT
THOMAS C HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION
SEPTEMBER 2017 RANDY GROEN

It was great seeing everyone at the reunion. Already looking forward to the next one in Rapid City.

The TC Hart treasury currently has a total of \$1102.12. Included in that total is \$324 that is dedicated to the “Help a Shipmate Fund”, and \$57.36 is in our PayPal account.

The total cost for Reunion in Minneapolis was \$9074. This includes all the venues, tours, food and \$153 of PayPal fees for reunion registering on line. We collected \$7345 from the registration fees leaving \$1639 that was paid out of the Treasury.

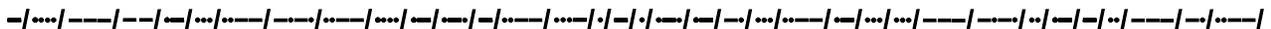
Our only source of income is your membership fees. If you are not a member, please join.

World’s Best Cookies

My mother baked cookies for me to bring to the reunion, and several of the attendees asked for the recipe. Sorry it took so long, but here it is. (PS I did not make up the name for the cookies. That was how it was titled in my Mom’s cook book)

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| 1 cup sugar | 1 cup brown sugar |
| 1 cup butter | 1 cup vegetable oil |
| 1 egg | 1tsp vanilla |
| 1 tsp salt | 1 tsp baking soda |
| 1tsp cream of tartar | 1cup rice krispies |
| 1 cup coconut | 1 cup instant oat meal |
| 1 cup mixed chopped nuts 3 ½ cups flour | |

Cream the butter and sugars till fluffed. Add egg and oil and mix well. Add oatmeal and nuts and mix well. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Drop from a tea spoon onto an ungreased cookie sheet and flatten with a fork that has been dipped in ice water. Bake in pre-heated oven at 325 for 12 to 14 minutes.



WANTED: NEWSLETTERS AND CRUISE BOOKS

I’m trying to scan all newsletters, cruise books, change of command programs, and other similar memorabilia, to distribute on CD to all reunion attendees, as I did in Minneapolis. So far I have the following: newsletters/familygrams: 1973 Oct, Nov; 74 Feb, Apr, Sep; 75 May, Aug, Dec; 78 Aug, Dec; 79 Aug; 80 Feb; 81 May, Aug, Oct, Dec; 82 Feb, Apr, Jul, Oct, Dec; 83 Mar, Jul, Aug, Oct, Nov; 84 Feb, Apr, Sep; 1985 #10; 86 Jul, Sep; 2005 #1; All after 2007. Other items: 1975 Med cruisebook; 1976 Unitas cruisebook; 1974 Welcome Aboard pamphlet; 1975 change of command program; 1977 change of command program. If you have any other items not listed above, I’d greatly appreciate if you could send me a scan, or send me the actual item so I could scan it and return it to you. Together we’ll keep the memories alive!

Dave Neimeyer 610-285-4515 neimeyer@us.net

From the Secretary



Secretary Input - Our roster shows we have 78 TCHVA “dues paying” current members. Our roster also shows over 400 shipmates so we have lots of room to grow! I encourage all our members to reach out to your shipmates from your day and asks them to join us! Facebook recruiting efforts haven’t seemed to do much to help boost TCHVA membership for some reason. We have posted many reunion posts and calls for the FB TCH community to consider joining us. Once again, I think the key is for individuals to reach out to the shipmates with whom you are already in contact and nudge them to join us! We are the ONLY official gathering place for TCH veterans! Remember, if you are a TCHVA member, you are eligible to have access to the Master Roster which has those 400 names. You can email me to check for a shipmate’s name/contact info.

For those who were once members and your membership has expired, or for those joining the first time, we are waiving the dues for the rest of 2017. That means if you re-join or join for the first time now thru the end of the year, your \$20 membership dues will cover years 2017, 2018, and 2019. We are looking forward to welcoming you aboard TCHVA!

Reunion 2017 in Minneapolis was a blast so I want to give a BZ to our Treasurer, and reunion 2017 host, Randy Groen! A great time for sure! Nice city too!

Update on Reunion 2019 - We have contacted our reunion planner Sherry Mills, from “A Complete Reunion” to begin the hotel search for our 2019 event. I don’t expect she’ll do too much for a couple of months since we’re so far out from 2019 but that’s the first step in setting up another great reunion event. She’ll be soliciting the area hotels, looking for great rates, nice accommodations, and amenities such as banquet options, and our infamous “hospitality suite”. With so much to do in the Rapid City area, I know we’ll be considering some great tourist attractions to put on our reunion agenda. With Mount Rushmore, Black Hills, Custer National Park, Presidential Museum, and other venues, I’m sure our options are going to be impressive! Right now, all hands need to start thinking about making the commitment to attend. I suspect the reunion will be summer time or maybe early fall but I know several members have expressed an interest in trying to schedule the event close to the big motorcycle pilgrimage in Sturgis! We’ll see how the hotel rates and availability shake out before we have to decide the dates.

Garry Collins



SWEET HARTS



OFFICERS 2017 - 2019
RANDY GROEN – RON CHURCH – PHIL LEBLANC – GARRY COLLINS



LOTS MORE PHOTOS ON OUR WEBSITE, AND ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

USS 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
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