



# THOMAS C. HART LINE

## YOU GOTTA HAVE HART

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<b>T. C. Hart Veterans Assoc. Officers 2019-21</b>		
President	Phil Leblanc	HT2 (73-76)
Vice Pres.	Steve Holliday	DC1 (85-90)
Treasurer	Dennis Paul	HM1 (91-93)
Secretary	Garry Collins	LT (86-89)
Historian	Ron Church	FTG2 (73-77)
Storekeeper	John Ebata	BTFN (86-90)
Newsletter	Dave Neimeyer	LTJG (75-77)
Webmaster	Mark Lamboni	LTJG (76-78)
Chaplain	Lee Edwardsen	STG2 (81-86)
Chairman	Ron Church	FTG2 (73-77)

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Shipmates-A very challenging year is coming to an end, and with a vaccine very close to being available, hopefully next year will be much better and the end of this pandemic. With that optimism in mind, we are very close to finalizing next year's reunion in the Washington DC area, June 22 thru June 27 2021. The reunion itinerary is close to being completed and a brochure is expected to be available in the very near future. During the reunion we will be dedicating the ship's commemorative plaque at the Navy Memorial, which has already been completed and hanging on the wall. Thanks to all of you who contributed to make this happen. As always, there will be many other interesting places to visit. Of course, the best thing about the reunion is to once again meet with your old friends and shipmates, and meet with other shipmates who served at a different time. A chance to relive old memories and tell sea stories (always truthful) of your time on the Hart So, make sure you mark your calendar and plan on attending.

Remember to check your member status as the year is closing out. There are several memberships that are coming up for renewal at the end of the month. Only paid up members can attend the reunion. Hope to see many of you at the 2021 reunion.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year,

*Philip Leblanc*

Philip Leblanc (HT2 1973-1976)

President TCHVA

## VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Season's Greetings Shipmates,

I hope this finds every Shipmate and their families well. It is my hope that all of you had a blessed Thanksgiving. The new normal is not easy to accept. We have lived our lives with difficult times in the past, but to change the way we live every day is uncharted waters. As we enter into this very special time of the year, we are still dealing with Covid-19 and seeing many states in the red. Many shipmates may be wondering if the Washington DC Reunion is still on. Our planner, Sherry and the association officers continue to plan and finalize a great schedule of tours and events. Our plaque representing our ship is presently installed at the Navy Memorial awaiting our dedication ceremony. We are seeing an increase of shipmates joining and reenlisting in the TCHVA. This is great news, but there are more shipmates out there that are unaware of our association. I know from my time aboard, that USS Thomas C. Hart was my best Ship that I was stationed on in my 22 years of service. Many of you probably can say the same. I am deeply honored to be a shipmate that served on her and can still serve in her memory today.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy, and safe new year. Please spread the word of our plans if you are in touch with any of our shipmates.

All the best,

*Steve Holliday* (DC1(SW) 1985-90)

TCHVA Vice President

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From the Secretary 

Shipmates,

As we close out this tumultuous year, TCHVA Membership remains strong. We currently have 111 Paid Up members!! That's terrific but the down side is we've got 23 members whose membership expires at year end. For your convenience, here is the listing of those members who need to re-enlist before year end:

Ronald Babb	Ron Baylis	Stanley Best	Ron Church	Larry Cooper
Lee Edwardsen	Randy Fisher,	Peter Ford	Steve Garcia	Steve Holliday
Jeff Ishee	Michael Kust	Phil Leblanc	Peter Luschenat	Archer Macy
Sean McCreery	Edward Parker	Dennis Paul	Raymond Poirier	Robert Rooks
Scott Reurup	Toby Thiel	Joseph Tumminello,		

For your convenience, you may reenlist here: <http://www.thomaschart.org/id33.html> Let's make 2021 the best year for membership ever!!

As our President said, our reunion agenda is in the final stages of planning. Our planner should have the reunion brochure available very soon. We are watching the COVID-19 situation closely and we have decided that we will call a Go - No Go in mid-March. That said, please don't wait until then to register. Assume the reunion is on. Early registrations do a lot to help boost the reunion attendance. As in the past, TCHVA keeps an up to date roster on our website that lists shipmates who've signed up for the reunion. That's very helpful and an encouragement to others to register. Seeing the name

of a shipmate who has registered for the event is a great motivator. Be assured, if we have to cancel the event due to COVID, you WILL receive a 100% refund!!!

On Friday, 25 June 2021, we will be at the Navy Memorial to dedicate our Commemorative Plaque. This should be an awesome ceremony. I hope everyone can attend!

Have a safe and prosperous winter.

All the best, *Garry Collins*

Garry Collins  
LCDR, SC, USN (ret) SUPPO 1986-1989  
USS Thomas C. Hart Veterans Association Founder/Secretary

## REUNION 2021

Place: The Westin Washington Dulles Airport, 2520 Wasser Terrace, Herndon, VA 20171, (703) 793-3366.  
Dates: 22 - 27 June 2021

### *Preliminary itinerary as follows:*

- **Tues 22 Jun 2021 - Early Bird Check-in/Hospitality Suite open ~1500.**
- **Weds 23 Jun 2021 – Tours of the Capitol, downtown Washington DC**
- **Thurs 24 Jun 2021 – Tours of Arlington Cemetery and Mount Vernon**
- **Fri 25 Jun 2021 – Dedication of plaque at Navy Memorial, self-guided tour of  
memorials, museums, and other attractions on the national mall**
- **Sat 26 Jun 2021 - Business Meeting (AM)/Free Time/Banquet (PM)**
- **Sun 27 Jun 2021 - Check-out (AM)**

**The full schedule and sign-up options should be available on our website soon. Keep checking!**

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## FINAL FAREWELLS

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If you were on the Hart from 76 to 80 then you probably knew SM2 Cameron Glenn. I found this on line:  
CONCORD James Cameron Glenn of Concord passed away, at his home Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2019. He was 71 years old. Born in Birmingham, Ala., Cameron had an adventurous spirit that over his lifetime saw him in California, Philadelphia, Virginia and finally North Carolina, where he made his home with his beautiful wife, Deborah. Cameron served as both a signalman and a machinist in the U.S. Navy, and then he and Deborah both worked throughout the United States with Schneider, embracing the open road. Cameron relished the time he spent fishing and time on his motorcycle and lived life to the fullest. Cameron is preceded in death by his wife, Deborah Glenn and leaves behind his son, John; and his daughter, Stacey. To honor Cameron, a private celebration of life will be held at a later date.



## **Financial Report** **THOMAS C HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION**

Checking Balance as of Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> is \$3432.37

Transferred \$154.68 From Paypal to Checking Account; will take a couple days to show up in account.

Web service \$29.85

Dues received \$382.20

Stop Payment fee -\$35.00

Check for Bus Deposit Reunion -\$600.00

Payment for Navy Memorial Plaque -\$2500.00

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### **CRUISE BOOKS**

A big THANK YOU to Jim Zamorski, who provided scans of a number of Hart familygrams for our files. The issues he provided are: June 1976, August 1976, October 1976, November 1976, March 1977, June 1977, April 1978 and December 1978. He also provided scans of the 1976 UNITAS cruise book, the 77/78 Med cruise book, and the 1980 Persian Excursion cruise book, as well as the 1978 “Crew’s Book”, a HART-produced photo album of the yard period. Jim is hereby designated “Admin Officer of the Quarter”.

We now have scans of 75 familygrams/TCHVA newsletters and 7 cruise books. CD copies will be provided at the next reunion to anyone who wants them.

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### **DESTROYER ESCORT SAILORS ASSOCIATION (DESA)**

Thomas C. Hart sailors are eligible to join DESA. This organization is dedicated to sharing and preserving the history of all destroyer escorts, including the Knox class DE/FFs. For more information, check out their website at <http://www.desausa.org>, or contact them at Destroyer Escort Sailors Association, PO Box 488, Henderson Harbor, NY 13651-0488; (315) 938-7000

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### **NEWSLETTER ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

Comments, and items for the newsletter 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 475 members and hundreds of photos and posts.

**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](http://www.thomaschart.org)

**THOMAS C. HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP**

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 you have trouble printing out this form, just provide the same info on a short note,  
mail it in, and we'll muster you in.*



*If a shipmate told you about the TCHVA, please tell us his name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Tell us about you and your TCH service:*

*First Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *M.I.* \_\_\_\_\_ *Last Name* \_\_\_\_\_

*Rate/ Rank on TCH* \_\_\_\_\_ *Division* \_\_\_\_\_

*Year Reported Aboard* \_\_\_\_\_ *Year Detached* \_\_\_\_\_

*Current Street Address:* \_\_\_\_\_

*City* \_\_\_\_\_ *State* \_\_\_\_\_ *Zip* \_\_\_\_\_

*Home Phone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Cell/Work Phone* \_\_\_\_\_

*Current Email Address:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Spouse Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*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 Dennis Paul  
11620 E. Camino Aurelia  
Vail, AZ 85641**

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