

USS New Jersey Veterans, INC **"THE JERSEY BOUNCE"**

Fall 2006 / Spring 2007

WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG



"The Alamo" Yes, you go past the tacky gift shops and even the Ripleys Believe It Or Not museums. But once you cross the street to arrive at the first memorial to the Alamo, all else seems to

disappear. Walk into the gates of the compound and you are brought back to February of 1836. I couldn't help but notice the irony of seeing veterans of so many wars sitting inside the walls of the Alamo, almost reliving in their minds the tenacity of those who fought for the cause of liberty inside these walls. Intermixed were newly graduated recruits from the Lackland AirForce Base. The contrast is a story all its own.

170 years ago, men came together in defense of what they believed. Nearly 180 men from around our nation and those from Scotland, England,



Germany, Ireland and Denmark took a stand on this piece of land. A stand that has come to symbolize worldwide a place where against overwhelming odds the ultimate sacrifice was made in the fight for

freedom.



Everyday, that fight continues all over the world. It is historical places such as the Alamo that remind us that it takes all of us to preserve what so many have fought and died for. How fortunate we are to be in a country that has brought together so many in a shared belief that above all else, freedom is worth the price.

San Diego, California Reunion August 22 - 26, 2007

Most of us remember home port Long Beach, California. Some went to Boot Camp or "A" School in San Diego while



others at least made a port call in this Navy Town of the West Coast. Plan for this once in a lifetime trip / reunion as we walk the decks of the aircraft carrier USS Midway. Enjoy a very authentic Hawaiian Luau. Tour Old Town, The Harbor, take a dinner cruise around the incredible San Diego Harbor. The Red

Bus goes down to Mexico. How much can you remember from your last stop in Tijuana. P.S. Rosarita is famous for Deep Fried Lobster. Read more about this trip inside the Bounce and get all the details in our next edition. You won't want to miss this one. Bring the Family!

San Antonio RiverWalk





USS New Jersey Veterans Inc Officers & Directors

President / Director

Mike Prime 703 Seneca Street Fulton, NY 13069 (315) 598-2037 bb62sailor13@aol.com

Secretary Director

Joe Dimaria 645 Brisa Court Chesapeake, VA 23320 (757) 549-2178 joedimaria@msn.com

<u>Master-At_Arms</u>

Edward Flaherty 4004 Belnor Lane Suitland, MD 20746 (301) 423-0522 flaher34@aol.com

Web Master Director

Ed Campbell 2354 Mountain View Court Fairfield, CA 94534 (707) 428-5417 ed_campbell@sbcglobal.net

Reunion Coordinator/ Dir

Dick Esser 3930 Meister Road Lorain, OH 44053 (440) 282-8272 esser3@hotmail.com

Chaplain South

Will Clark 3072 Hickory Glen Drive Orange Park, FL 30265 (904) 213-0613 godbreathed@comcast.com

World War II

Robert LaVine 92 Old Stirling Road Warren, NJ 07059 (908) 755-9498 blavinebb62@aol.com

Treasurer / Director

Lou Ashby 19683 Finnery Road Girard, IL 62640 (217) 627-3104 coalmanvp@yahoo.com

Liaison Officer / Director

Larry Kalakauskis 6160 Roberts Drive San Diego, CA 92139 (619) 470-3659 kalskibb62@aol.com

News Editor Director

Peter Vande Walle 3701 East River Drive Green Bay, WI 54301 (920) 983-8518 peterv_bb62@yahoo.com

At-Large Director

Dick McDowell 83 Queens Way Port Orange, FL 32129 (386) 756-1144 macbb62@adelphia.net

<u>Scholarship Chairman</u>

Brian Fogelson 19 Senator Stout Road Frenchtown, NJ 08825 (908) 996-4449 brianfogelson@dvrhs.org

Vice President / Director

John Hagen 1907 Harland Drive Houston, TX 77055 (713) 686-2327 tincansd@aol.com

Membership Director

John Hayes 162 E Grand River Williamston, MI 48895 (517) 655-2888 hayesjoj@msn.com

Small Stores / Director

Joe Porambo 1503 Elder Avenue Chesapeake, VA 23325 (757) 420-1706 porambo@msn.com

Director of Veteran Affairs

Vic Weaver 7947 Meadow Drive Mechanicsville, VA 23111 (804) 746-7107 uss62@webtv.net

Seating Coordinator

Nick Rasch 18310 Candice Drive Triangle, VA 22171 (703) 221-5329 triengr@aol.com

Legal Council

Paul Siegret 49 West 33rd Street New York, NY 10011 (212) 564-8181 thesuperwasp@aol.com

Era Representatives / Directors

Korean War Richard Esser 3930 Meister Road Lorain, OH 44053 (440) 246-5594 esser3@hotmail.com Vietnam Era Joseph Wozniak 1608 La Fayette Drive Loganville, GA 30052 (770) 554-0063 joe-woz@juno.com

Lebanon-Persian Gulf Mark Findby 510 Ocean Beach Seal Beach, CA 90740

Seal Beach, CA 9074 (562) 221-7100 <u>sb510@adelphia.net</u>



From The President Mike Prime 703 Seneca Street Fulton, NY 13069 bb62sailor13@aol.com



Shipmates

Well maybe smaller is sometimes a better way to go. Like at this years reunion in San Antonio,we had a much smaller crowd than at most previous get togethers. WE had about 201 attending this reunion. But I believe we all had a great time as there were very few problems to solve. I like to think that it had to do with having all of our activities on the same floor and not spread out all over the hotel. We took over the whole 7th floor and it seemed to come together. I also like to think having the hospitality room right next door to the ships store was a positive. I also think having refreshments in the room was a big plus. I hope we'll keep that courtesy going on at future reunions.

I want to again thank Nick Rasch for the super great job he did as the new seating coordinator. I don't think he had more than a couple of problems which he handled to everyones satisfaction. Again a Brovo Zulo to Nick for a job well done. Be sure to contact Nick for your seating requests for the next reunion in San Diego. I also want to thank the Board Of Directors for their help in putting together the San Antonio reunion.

All of our events went off as planned with the exception of the Ranch tour which hardly went off at all. They ran out of food way too early, it wasn't very good at all. Lou Ashby is attempting to get some kind of refund for the group. It was voted on by the membership at the reunion to place any refund we are able to get back into the general fund.

I want to thank our Vice President John Hagen for the books and other reading material he provided in the hospitality room for all of us to read and reflect back on some good times with old shipemates.

I don't know as of yet the status on our yearbook as of right now we only sold 42, but more on that later.

Lil Joe had some nice new articles for sale in the ships store and he will have even more at the next reunion.

As you will see in the Bounce my challenge for all our members to try and sign up one new member this year. It will only help our group to grow stronger.

I want everyone to know that next years reunion is being put together by the very same guy who put on the San Diego reunion in 1994, Chief Larry Kalakauskis. He is in the final stages of putting this detail on board. With the help of John Hagen and Dick Esser I am sure this will be a first class operation. Stay tuned to the Bounce for further details.

Well I will cut this short and move on. I hope to see you all in San Diego in August of 2007.

Faternally Yours

Mike Prime





From The Vice President John Hagen 1907 Harland Drive Houston, TX 77055 tincansd@aol.com

Shipmates,

For all of you that attended the reunion in San Antonio, you are now Honorary Texans.

I hope everyone had a great time and enjoyed looking through my collection of books as well as what San Antonio had to offer. Also, thanks for all of your stories about the New Jersey.

I was sorry to hear that some of our members could not make it due to health issues at home. I hope that everyone is doing well and know that you are in our prayers.

A couple of shipmates and I have been in contact with a gentleman that puts cruise books on C.D. We asked if he would look at some of the 1950's cruise books of the New Jersey.

If you were to try and buy an old cruise book, you would be looking at paying over 400 dollars for it. As soon as I have more information I will let you know.

We did pick up new members at the reunion. Let's keep putting the word out about the organization and let them know there is a web site. <u>www.ussnewjersey.org</u>.

As the holidays approach, I hope you have a pleasant and safe Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Thanks again to everyone that helped with the reunion.

Just one more thing. We are taking up a donation for another plaque to be put up at the Nimitz museum. It will be 20 x 20 inches and will cost 2,500 dollars. The museum will be adding a new addition with a wing dedicated to the Pacific War. You may send your donation to our treasurer, Lou Ashby. Please mark it for the plaque.

Fair winds and following seas and may God Bless.

PS., Luckenbach is a real town not just a song. . . Population 3.

Respectfully,

John Hagen MMC (SW) USN RET

Vice President USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc





From The Chaplin Will Clark 2732 Cobblestone Circle West Jacksonville, FL 32225 godbreathed@comcast.net



Message from the Chaplain

My, oh my... The older we get, the more we seem to appreciate the time we have had on this earth.

And oddly, the more our gratefulness grows, the less grateful this world seems for our service and sacrifice.

Below is a dialogue between two folks from different generations. I thought some of you may get a kick out of it:

Said the little boy, "Sometimes I drop my spoon." Said the old man, "I do that too." The little boy whispered, "I wet my pants." "I do that too," laughed the old man." Said the little boy, "I often cry." The old man nodded, "So do I." "But worst of all," said the boy, "it seems Grown-ups don't pay attention to me." And he felt the warmth of a wrinkled old hand. "I know what you mean," said the old man.

If you have every felt under-appreciated, forgotten, or unneeded, remember this promise,

"For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete."

Deuteronomy 16:15

Blessings Abound,

Will Clark

Chaplain, USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS Inc





From The Liaison Officer / Director Larry Kalakauskis 6160 Roberts Drive San Diego, CA 92139 kalskibb62@aol.com

"Greetings"

I would like to first thank John Hagen, Vice Pres. and HOST for the superb assistance to make our reunion great at the Hotel. Thank You John.

A well borne thank you to all the other Board members and the Volunteers that also helped out, and to my dear lady Frances Flora for her vase and Rose.(I'm sorry the catering staff put water in the vase on an imitation rose.)

I hope that some of the members were happy with the Navy Anchor 'Bowl, Plate and Cup" set on the 'Empty Chair" table.

I hope that there will be a large turnout for the San Diego Reunion as I do not think there will ever be another one here in the future. As you can see the prices are getting to be atrocious. That's why the Locals stay out of the Downtown areas. It costs too much to for us to enjoy San Diego.

Hope to see you soon.

Resp.

Larry Kalakauskis,

Liaison Officer





YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS



L-R Top Row; Lou Ashby; Nick Rasch; Joe Dimaria; Larry Kalakauskis; Peter VandeWalle

L-R Bottom Row: Joe Parambo; Dick Esser; Mike Prime; John Hagen

Missing in this picture are:

Ed Campbell, John Hayes, Dick McDowell, Vic Weaver; Ed Flaherty; Robert LaVine; Joe Wozniak, Mark Findby



USS New Jersey Memorial Plaque To honor all who served

Viewing the Memorial Wall at the National Museum of the Pacific War is an impressive and poignant experience for museum visitors. Over 1000 plaques line the 100 year old limestone wall surrounding the Memorial Courtyard.



Individuals, ships, or units from all United States of Allied branches of service that served in the Pacific during WWII are honored on the Memorial Wall.



Plaques are solid metal, photochemically etched and anodized with a dark bronze background and silver text and detail. Photos and line drawings reproduce well and are featured on many plaques. We are seeking your donation to create a fitting plaque for the USS New Jersey. The cost of our 20 X 20 Plaque is \$2,500. Any donation on your part to this beautiful memorial to our ship and its veterans will make a difference.

Deadline for receiving funds is February 28th, 2007

Send you check to: Lou Ashby; Treasurer USS New Jersey Veterans; Inc 19683 Finnery Road; Girard, IL 62640



From The President Mike Prime 703 Seneca Street Fulton, NY 13069 bb62sailor13@aol.com

PRESIDENTS CHALLANGE

In an effort to increase membership and provide an opportunity for you, my shipmates, to rekindle past friendships and make new friendships, I challenge each of you to bring one new member into the organization this year.

Everyone knows at least one person that had served aboard the New Jersey and is not a member of the organization. Enlighten this person or persons to the opportunity of enjoying the company of past companions and exchanging old)exaggerated) sea stories.

In addition to the annual reunion, your organization provides opportunities for scholarship funds (family members), a vehicle to purchase unique items in the ships store and a method of keeping in contact with old shipmates.

Have this potential new member provide the following information:

- 1) Name
- 2) Address, including State, Zip Code, Phone Number and E-Mail
- 3) Dates served aboard ship and Division assigned

This information in addition to a check in the amount of \$20.00 should be sent to:

John Hayes; Membership Chairman 1672 East Grand River Williamston, MI 45598 (517) 655-2888 hayesjoj@msn.com

I urge you to do this as soon as possible in order to provide the new member with an opportunity to join us in San Diego for our next reunion.

Mike Prime President USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING September 10, 2006

Meeting was called to order by President Mike Prime

Treasurer's report; was read and accepted by the membership

Scholarship Report; we will be going in a new direction for next year's scholarship recipient. The application will be going to a junior. We will get a new chairperson and committee.

Minutes from last year was voted not to be read.

Up coming reunions

2007 San Diego CA starting August 22, 2007

2008 USS New Jersey (21 votes)

2009 Great Lakes area. (16 votes)

Buffalo NY (13 votes) Charleston SC (10 votes) Las Vegas NV (1 vote)

Unfinished Business; None

New Business; Mike Prime made a motion to elect Richard McDowell At Large Director and Richard Esser as Korea Director. Seconded by Joe Porambo. Each was voted separately and voted in.

Motion made by John Hagen to expand the time frame of the reunions from Sept. to Oct. to July thru Oct. Seconded by Peter VandeWalle.

Discussion was quite a few remarks for and against changing it. Votes: Yes 17 No: 30 John Hagen requested that if a member would like to receive the Bounce on line please fill out the form that has been in the Bounce and will be in the next Bounce.

Mike Prime discussed to move the Sunday breakfast and meeting to Saturday next year and was approved by all.

Good of the Order; Edwin Aken made a motion and 2^{nd} by Joe Porambo to design and purchase a plague for the WWII Memorial at the cost of \$2500. Sergio will make the design. This will be done thru donations. The organization will donate up to \$1250, if needed. Discussion was held, and voted on yes 41, no 3.

50/50

1. William Franklin \$677.40	2. William Myers \$580.05
3. Harry Bratton \$338.00	4. Hank Siewers \$169.35

The following received plaques at Saturday evening dinner First to Register Donald Barger, Viet Nam, 4-8-04 Youngest Sergio Morariu, Persian Gulf, 39 yrs old Senior age Tony Sala, Korea, 87 yrs old Farthest Ernest Norman, Korea, Maine

Motion was made to adjourn by Porambo Second by John Murphy

Respectfully Submitted Joseph Di Maria, BTCM Secretary

November 26, 2006

Board of Directors, USS New Jersey Vets. Inc

Dear Members:

I hereby submit my resignation as Vietnam Era Representative. I have been the Vietnam Era Rep since before the 2002 reunion. It has been a memorable experience, as well as a pleasure serving the organization and its members.

I wish continued success for the organization in any and all endeavors.

God Bless the organization and God Bless the United States of America.

Sincerely,

Joseph S. Wozniak

Joseph S. Wozniak Chief Warrant Officer (Retired) Vietnam Era Representative



[STREET ADDRESS] • [CITY/STATE] • [ZIP/POSTAL CODE] PHONE: [PHONE NUMBER] • FAX: [FAX NUMBER]

<u>Show Me Your</u> <u>Battleship Pride</u>



Divisonal Patches aboard the Big J

A Patch can tell a story. Not much said, but one look, and you know were that guy has been, is going, or wants to be. Along the way, a number of divisions about ship produced their own signature patch. Bob Dingman of E-Division shared this thought with me.

"If I remember correctly, a lot of the different

divisions were having patches done while we were in Japan."

They drew this one up while at sea and then had one made for each E Division Distribution guy who wanted one. The



Bob Dingman's Patch E-Division Vietnam Era

distribution gang was all the electrician mates who worked in the engine rooms, fire rooms and forward and after diesels. The item connected to the turret by the lightning bolt is a main ships service generator that produced the electricity for the ship.

Did your division create a unique patch all it's own? How about sharing it with the rest of us. E-Mail a scan to The Bounce Editor peterv_bb62@yahoo.com

<u>New Cold War</u> <u>Certificate Program</u>

In accordance with section 1084 of the Fiscal Year 1998 National Defense Authorization Act, the Secretary of Defense approved awarding Cold

War Recognition Certificates to all members of the armed forces and qualified federal government civilian



personnel who faithfully and honorably served the United States anytime during the Cold War era, which is defined as Sept. 2, 1945 to Dec. 26, 1991. You can order your free certificate at this Army website

www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/tagd/coldwar/

It's another item to hang on your Wall of Honor.

Wish You Still Had Your Old Cruise Book?

There is now a place were you can get your old cruise book on a Compact Disk.

http://www.usnavybooks.com/

There you will find the Cruise Book from WWII.

They also have the Cruise Book from 1953 & 1955

Korean Era for only \$36.95 plus shipping. If yours is old and fading, send it to them and they can create a custom Cruise Book CD just for you.



Contact US Navy Books with your questions at: <u>navyboy@adelphia.net</u>



What has happened to the membership in most civic organizations? Ask the VFW, The Legion Club or Kiwanis as to their membership numbers and most will say they are down and dropping. You can ask various groups as to why they feel membership is declining and few if any can give any solid answers other then they can't seem to get members to join.

Interesting. In order for civilization to continue, people must have children. You know, those little crumb crawlers who are everywhere and breaking the stuff we have collected over decades. I had this statue that I bought on a port visit to Athens in 1980 and this little rug rat broke the darn thing. OK, so the statue really was pretty ugly, but it was mine. I put it in my place and I didn't want it moved, let alone broken by some young little kid. Sound a little familiar?

It's the same in a great many organizations, including our own. Why don't younger people join these outstanding civic groups? You will hear that they are too busy with careers, family and the pressures of life today. Yes, it is different today then it was 20 - 30 - 40 years ago. In those times not that long ago, mom stayed home and took care of everything. The house, food, shopping, kids, taxi service, bake sales, school, after school and anything else that needed to be done. If Dad had to miss Joey's ball game because of the meeting over at the lodge, that's just the way it was. Dad having a tea party with his daughter? Today, Mom works outside the home and many families carry an extra job to stay ahead. Sure, its their own fault. They buy there darn kids everything. Boy, when we were kids we made our toys out of a piece of string and a empty thread spool. And we appreciated it more too.

Single causes have also taken root with many people. Years ago, there was only the March of Dimes or an occasional Bowl-A-Thon. Now we have a walk for numerous causes, and people have been promoting their single agenda vs the whole. If you're a person who knows someone affected by a single cause (that should cover most of us) then you are out rallying or selling or donating or soliciting for that cause. The time spent on that is time not available to the civic groups or memberships.

Another issue is I don't believe that the younger people feel all that welcome in most organizations. When I first got out of the Navy in 1988, I was a proud member of the Fleet Reserve Association. Because I wore a Navy Expeditionary Metal, I was able to join the VFW. I soon came to learn that while I was a welcome new member, I was only welcome if I paid my annual dues and kept quiet. What did some young kid know about being a part of this fine post? Besides, I might lose one of their cribbage pegs.

Let me ask each of you this question. What have you done to make those younger members want to join our group? What have you done to make any of them feel welcome when they have joined? We are members of an organization that none of us own. If we are selfish with our toys, others will just take their ball and go home. We owe it to the memory of what was accomplished to share that gift. OR, like a family without any children, that legacy to will

vanish.



Peter V



Why Attend A USS New Jersey Reunion?



First off, let me explain that I have 5 daughters. So far my wife and I haven't taken them to the reunions. That would be my first reason for going.

Everything else aside, we arrived rather late on Wednesday evening missing the Welcome Aboard Party. However, after a day of work and travel to get there, I don't think Diane and I minded all that much. It was the next morning that really set the stage for what was about to be another can't miss get-together.

For those of you who have heard about the infamous San Antonio Riverwalk, but haven't actually been there, let me tell you that words do not do it justice so I won't even try to give you a verbal description. Let me just say that no matter your taste for food, beverage or entertainment, you will find it on The Riverwalk.



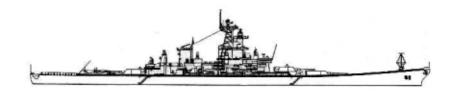


We left the Holiday Inn hotel to begin our inaugural walk. We were not 5 feet from the hotel before we met Charles and Bonnie Poznich. Charles was sitting in a chair looking for a way to fall asleep while Bonnie had just begun pencil sketching a vision that she alone could see from a vantage point just under the bridge. (I am very proud that she allowed me to print her work on the back of this issue). Bonnie told us that she was sketching this picture for a friend but would allow me to have a copy once it was completed. How was I to know the depth of detail and artisanship that Bonnie would allow me to share with you?

Bonnie, I'll say it again; you are one fantastic artist. However, I could not copy the picture for the online version so it can only appear in the printed version. I am so sorry about that, it is so beautiful.

As we walked the Riverwalk, it was such pleasure to run into other members, (the ball caps and T-shirts are a dead giveaway), who were happy to either share a story or let you know of the places ahead that shouldn't be missed. They came from Houston and Austin, Texas, from St Louis and Kansas City, Maryland and Virginian. I still to this day, find it amazing how people can come from all over these great states to share one common interest. Our time on the greatest Battleship of them all.

We toured the Alamo twice. It was during our second visit after watching a video from the History Channel and listening to a tour guide talk about the events leading up to the infamous battle at Mission San Antonio de Valero, that I looked at the walls inside the structure and asked myself. What part will we play in history that future generations can look back at and say; "These men and women were hero's"? Have you left your mark on this world?



Why Attend A USS New Jersey Reunion Continued ...?

Nothing works better than sitting in the air conditioned comfort of a hotel hospitality room drinking a cup of very strong coffee and hearing sea stories from the men who lived them along with the women who have heard these stories a time or two. As a veteran, we all have stories. However, hearing those from the people who sailed in a different era and time in our history is something that we will only be able to take advantage of for a few more years to come. And yet, this was my 5th

reunion, and I still heard new tales that I am sure were told exactly as they happened nearly 60 years ago. What a memory! Our Vice President John Hagen shared with everyone his collection of books and memorabilia. Those books, from all era's, brought about more stores including the one about the USS Frank vs. USS New Jersey that you can read about in this edition as well. I heard more then one person say how he enjoys seeing old friends and shipmates at the reunion. This is true. I can't imagine a



reunion without Jack Murphy, Weaver, Larry Kalakauskis, but in the same token, there were more than a few who were unable to attend. Ed Campbell is a great friend and a pleasure to see with his wife. My best friend, Dirk Gunderson was also unable to attend. Yet, the people we met more than made up for who couldn't be there.



What a contrast it was to be near Lackland Airforce Base. Friday brought about another graduating class of new Airmen. To see the fresh young faces of these fine men and women out with family and friends in their crisp new uniforms in comparison to our members. Hard to imagine that just more then a few years ago, that was us too? It is also fun to note that there was a large contingent of Ohio State football fans in town for the game against Texas on Saturday night. Ohio State won the game, which added tremendously to the ambience of the local watering holes.

In the end, before leaving the hotel for the airport, Diane and I walked one last time down the San Antonio Riverwalk heading for lunch at Dick's Last Resort. This is a place that treats you rudely as a matter of plan unlike most places today that are just plain rude. On the walk, we met a man and his wife from the Army Airborne 17th Battalon. The battalon had been disbanded at the end of WWII so their youngest member was 81 years old. 210 members were in San Antonio attending what will be the next to last reunion for its members. Next year will signal the end as they are all getting older and finding it to difficult to keep their organization going forward. It drew interesting contrasts to our own association and our struggle to recruit and bring on new members to keep the legacy of our accomplishments alive for future generations.

Yes, the hotel was fine, the food was as it should be and the city we choose to visit offered even more then I had expected. Yet after all is said and done, it was still the time spent with fellow shipmates and their families that made the trip the success that it was. Next year, we will be in San Diego. How about you? If you haven't been in a while, we need you there for your part in history, and we need you there to keep the legacy of the USS New Jersey alive and moving forward. In this, as in everything else, you will get just a bit more than you put into it. In that, I promise.







Items Presently On Hand in Small Stores

VI + HONGIN + BIS'	<u>Items Pres</u>	sently On Hand in Si	mall Stores	
Golf Shirt -	- Embroidered on fr	ront over pocket		\$22.00
Avail	able in Navy Blue, Gre	een, Ash, Light Blue, Maroon	n, White	
Sizes	Medium, Large, Extra	Large & XX Large		
T-Shirt				\$18.00
Avail	able in Light Blue, Tar	n, Maroon, White		
Sizes	Medium, Large, Extra	Large & XX Large		
Sweatshirt	(Blue or Ash) – Em	broidered		\$22.00
Sizes	Medium, Large, Extra	Large & XX Large		
Pullover V	Neck Navy Blue Sv	weater		\$36.00
Sizes	Large, Extra Large & I	XX Large		
Button Dov	vn Cardigan Navy H	Blue Sweater		\$36.00
	Large, Extra Large & I			
	all Jacket (Royal B	U U		\$37.00
		een Print of Ship on Back		
	Medium, Large & Ext	-		
Ladies Shir	•	0		
	Tee – Short Sleev	re la		\$20.00
1			Large and XX Large	\$20:00
Available in Butter or Red / Sizes Medium, Large, Extra Large and XX Large Scoop Neck Tee – Long Sleeve \$2			\$20.00	
1	e	e ue / Sizes Medium, Large, Ex	tra Large and XX Lar	
	-	e) USS New Jersey Silho	-	\$27.00
		ble in Medium, Large & Extra Larg		φ27.00
	New Jersey on From			\$13.00
	II" on back	"Plankowner" on back	Blank (80's-90's C	
	a" on back	"Vietnam" on back	× ×	,
Hat – (Whi	te) USS New Jersey	V		\$13.00
· ·	II" on back	"Plankowner" on back	"Korea" on back	
"Vieti	nam" on Back	Blank (80's – 90's Crew)		
Socks (Whi	ite) – USS New Jers	sey BB-62	\$10).00 pair
PINS:	,	5		1
Ribbon Pin -	USS Navy	\$4.50		
	USN W/ Anchor	\$4.50		
\$4.00) ea.			
Lone		USS New Jersey BI	B-62	
Cross Flags Navy Cross Flags WWII Veterans				
Cross Flags Vietnam Veterans Vietnam Veteran				
Korea Veteran USS New Jersey Reunion Lapel Pin				
Yello	w Ribbon w/ Americar	n Flag Support our Troops		
Tote Bags \$10.00			0.00	
Patches	All Era's		\$5.00 Each / \$22	2.00 Set

SHIPPING AND HANDLING 1-2 Items \$5.99 3 or More \$7.99 ¹⁵



My Brother, Ed O'Neil served aboard the New Jersey from Commissioning Day to the Spring of 1946. He was a Yeoman third class. He died in September of 1985. I do not know what division he was in and could not find his picture in the cruise book of that time. He was from North Attleboro, Massachusetts. I know he bragged about the ship and kept telling me that my ship (U.S.S. Los Angeles Ca135) was a small boat. eileenoneil@webtv.net.

From: Jenny Reed

Trying to track down old friends of my father who at the time was a chief boats on the Jersey. Im looking for Eric J Nelson, and many more. My father has ALS and is losing his battle and would like to reunite him with his past crew. Keep in touch anyone. Thanks guys!! **alexi_mom03@yahoo.com**

I am presently looking for anyone who recalls the following shipmates on board the USS New Jersey; Edwin Harold Paris yrs 1946-1949 and Jackie Troy Gregory yrs 1967-1969. Any information you might have would greatly be appreciated. Please contact me at:

Carol_DeLaGarza@bcoonlaw.com

My brother Rich served on the New Jersey from 88-90, stationed out of Long Beach, CA and was part of the West Pac as the first battleship to enter the Persian Gulf. He served in Dessert Storm and was part of MarDet 3 on the New Jersey (Weapons Company). He recently went and visited the New Jersey and was allowed to actually go to his bearth level. He saw his bunk with his name tag still remaining as well as a circuit breaker type metal box which him and his fellow marines engraved their names in which still exists on the ship. I take great pleasure in having a brother who is a part of history. To all who have served I thank you. Semper Fi —

joifetchko@comcast.net

From: Robert Block

My dad John Block served onboard the USS New Jersey 1944-1946 in the quartermaster unit. He died at the age of 95 on May 31, 2006. His service on board the New Jersey was one of the proudest times in his life and we honor him and his service. Is there anyone that served onboard at the time still alive who may remember my dad? Thank you, Robert Block, US Navy Submarine Service, USS Tunny SSG 282

tunny@yahoo.com

From: W. Eric Heinen

Served onboard from Jun 1968 Til Dec 1969. While at Pearl Harbor Sep 10, 1968 I received my Silver Star from Admiral John S. McCain. It was for what happened to myself and a bunch of others (involved 2 river patrol boats, 2 crews(including our patrol officer)). PBR#64, I was the forward gunner on it, was sunk. And the other one PBR#62 was seriously damaged. The only death was our Vietnamese interpreter who took a direct hit from a B-40 rocket or maybe it could have been a 57mm recoilless round. The last time I saw him he was missing enough of his body that a soccer ball(hell, maybe even a basketball) could have fit into the hole. ericheinen@hughes.net



Mark Your Required History String (s)

Indicate your required Reunion History Badges by placing an "X" in the appropriate Column next to the Reunion City you attended

(Note: Each of the Following Strings are \$2.00 Each)

Attachment Name		Crew	Guest	
Plankowner				
City:	Year			
Long Beach, CA	'82			If ordering more than (1) Guest String,
Atlantic City, NJ	'84			please make attachment listing Guest
Indianapolis, IN	'86			Data for Badge and Associated
New Orleans, LA	'88			Reunion History Required.
Daytona Beach, FL	'90	. <u></u>		Include contents of the attachment in Total Cities / Guest Badge QTY
Nashville, TN	'92	. <u></u>		In Pricing.
Cherry Hill, NJ	' 93			5
San Diego, CA	'94			PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE
Norfolk, VA.	'95			YOUR PHONE NUMBER WITH
Fort Mitchell, KY.	'96			ALL SMALL STORE ORDERS
Danvers, MA.	'97			
Colorado Springs, CO	'98			Total Cities Selected
Seattle, WA.	'99			
Daytona, FL.	'00			
Branson, MO.	'01		[
Cherry Hill, NJ.	'02	. <u></u>		
Las Vegas, NV	'03			
Washington, DC	'04			
Valley Forge, PA	'05	. <u></u>		OUR WEBSITE:
San Antonio, TX	'06	. <u></u>		WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG
San Diego, CA	'07			

The Ship Small Stores Available on line at: http://www.ussnewjersey.org/store/default.htm

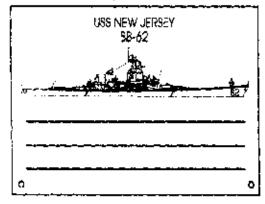


USS NEW JERSEY (BB-62) NAME PLATE ORDER FORM

Section #1

(Complete Section #1 by selecting any desired Plate(s), for both Crew Memoers and Guests/Spouses)

Provide Standard Style I 2.0" X 3 0" Crew Member Plate. (White/Bille Letters)

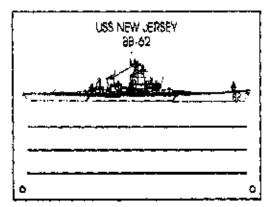


Please print desired text as you wish it displayed on the (3) lines provided. We reserve the right to re-arrange text as required for purposes of clarity and to minimize letter distortion. Enter such data as Name, Rate. Theater of Service, Service Years, etc.

Section 3--Pricing

Select Guest Plate

Provide Standard Siyie : 2.0" X 3.0" Guest Member (Navy), (White/Blue Letters)



Provide Style II 1.0" X 3.0" Guest Memoer Bodge,	
(Guest Name)	
0	٥

Section 2-- Complete Back of Form for any required attachments.

Section 4--Mail Badges to: (Please Provide Your Address)

Name		 		
Address 7		 		
Address 2				
Clty				
State				
Terephone	l l	 	ومراودين والمراج	
E-Mail (If an				

Mail Completed Order Forms To:

Joseph S. Porambo 1503 Elder Avenue Chesapeake VA 23325

18



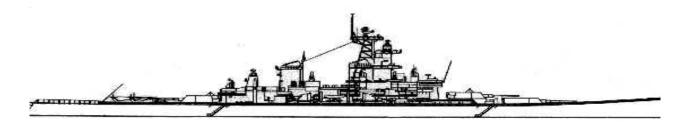
THE OLD OUTFIT

"Written By a World War II Sailor." Come gather round me lads and I'll tell you a thing or two, about the way we ran the Navy in nineteen forty two. When wooden ships and iron men were barely out of sight, I am going to give you some facts just to set the record right. We wore the ole bell bottoms, with a flat hat on our head, and we always hit the sack at night. We never "went to bed." Our uniforms were worn ashore, and we were mighty proud. Never thought of wearing civvies, in fact they were not allowed. Now when a ship puts out to sea. I'll tell you son- it hurts! When suddenly you notice that half the crews wearing skirts. And it's hard for me to imagine, a female boatswains mate, stopping on the Quarter deck to make sure her stockings are straight. What happened to the KiYi brush, and the old salt-water bath Holy stoning decks at night- cause you stirred old Bosn's wrath! We always had our gedunk stand and lots of pogey bait. And it always took a hitch or two just to make a rate. In your seabag all your skivvies, were neatly stopped and rolled. And the blankets on your sack had better have a three-inch fold. Your little ditty bag . . it is hard to believe just how much it held, and you wouldn't go ashore with pants that hadn't been spiked and belled. We had scullery maids and succotash and good old S.O.S. And when you felt like topping off -you headed for the mess. Oh we had our belly robbers- but there weren't too many gripes. For the deck apes were never hungry and there were no starving snipes Now you never hear of Davey Jones ,Shellbacks Or Polliwogs, and you never splice the mainbrace to receive your daily grog. Now you never have to dog a watch or stand the main event. You even tie your lines today- - back in my time they were bent. We were all two-fisted drinkers and no one thought you sinned, if you staggered back aboard your ship, three sheets to the wind. And with just a couple hours of sleep you regained your usual luster. Bright eyed and bushy tailed- you still made morning muster. Rocks and shoals have long since gone, and now it's U.C.M.J. THEN the old man handled everything if you should go astray. Now they steer the ships with dials, and I wouldn't be surprised, if some day they sailed the damned things- from the beach computerized. So when my earthly hitch is over, and the good Lord picks the best, I'LL walk right up to HIM and say, "Sir, I have but one request-Let me sail the seas of Heaven in a coat of Navy blue. Like I did so long ago on earth - way back in nineteen-forty two."



Lt jg Don Ballard joined the U.S. Navy in 1935 when he received \$21.00 per Month.

Proudly copied from Lt .Ballard USN Retired, April 13, 2002 , who loved the Navy and all the men he served with in all of World War Two. Courtesy of the author's son



Ed Campbell * 2354 Mountain View Ct. * Fairfield, CA 94534-1081 * 707-428-5417 * ed_campbell@sbcc

FROM THE WEBMASTER

Dear Shipmates,

As some of you know, I was not able to attend the Reunion in San Antonio because of a business conflict. I did receive some nice photos which I've posted on our Web Site. If anybody else would care to e-mail more photos to me I'll be glad to post them for you.

The key to the health and welfare of any organization is communication. Once again I'm asking each of you to check your contact information on our Web Roster. If everything is correct you do not need to make a new entry. However, if your e-mail address has changed or your address has changed please make an updated entry and I'll delete the old one.

If you're concerned that unauthorized people will have access to your contact information, relax. The only thing people see is your name, ERA, Division and e-mail address. Your address and phone number remain hidden. When sons, daughters, lawyers and old girl friends come looking for you (it's always about the money) I always tell them I'll be glad to pass along a message but I'm not permitted to share our Roster with unauthorized personnel.

I'm looking forward to the reunion in San Diego next year. The weather is exceptional there at that time of year and there is so much to see and do some of you may want to plan to spend a few extra days.

It's nearly Winter and while the Sun is still bright the nights require I wear a jacket. Brrrrr. Happy Holidays to all.

Oh, one last thing. I'm a short-timer at this job and when my time is up..... If anybody would like to replace me, now would be a good time to let me know so I can bring you up to speed. Otherwise you might find yourself trying to re-invent the wheel as it were.









From The Membership Director John Hayes 162 East Grand River Williamston, MI 48895 hayesjoj@msn.com

Shipmates:

Membership dues statements are being processed now. You will probably have your 2007 dues statement by mid-November. Of course, if you are already paid up to 2007 or later you won't receive a dues statement. Dues are \$20 per year, an amount that has not increased recently. Still a bargain in my book.

We are still steadily getting new members, on average about one or two per month. This is about the same as the number of Active Members who pass away. New members this year represent each of the four eras that the USS New Jersey BB-62 was in Commission The USS New Jersey Veterans Inc now has 1,130 Active Members. Our membership continues to decrease, mainly because less than 5% of members owing more than two years dues actually renew.

John Hayes, Membership Chairman

USS New Jersey BB-62

FA Division/Weapons Dept.

1967-1969



\$20.00 USS New Jo Name:	ersey Membership Coupon \$20.00	Make Checks Payable To: USS New Jersey Veteran's Inc
Address:	State: Zip Code	Mail To: John Hayes Membership Director 162 E Grand River Williamston, MI 48895-1450
Telephone:	E-Mail	
Division:	Rate / Rank	Era On Board
Years on Board	Spouse:	
•	nce will be made available on line at wy issue of the ships newpaper mailed to y I would prefer	





Welcome New Members of the USS New Jersey Veterans Inc.

PRIME, Bonnie, Associate member, Husband: Mike Prime, Vietnam Era FLYNN-KEEGAN, Frances, Associate member, Widow of John Keegan, WWII, 6th & FA Divs

Name:	Era	Division	Years Served
LANDERS, Edward J,	Korea	OS Division	55-57
HEALD, Carl,	80's	MarDet,	87-89
MORENO, Joseph S	Korea	Н	51-52
CHASE, John M	Vietnam	FM	68-69
BROWNLEE, David	Vietnam	Х	67-69
HUND, Wilbur "Bill"	Vietnam	E	67-69
DOTSON, Jr., Arthur L	Korea	Μ	
TOYEK, John L	80's	В	84-90
SMITH, Jr., William E	Korea	Flag BD2	53-55
POKRANT, Frederic P	80's	X-1	81-83
DUNLAP, William A	WWII	Κ	43-45
GALLIHER, R Donald	WWII	7th	
JACKSON, Steve	80's	MarDet	86-88
LAUDAHL, Ken	80's	А	81-85

OUR WEBSITE: <u>WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG</u>

Plaque Winners at the USS New Jersey Veterans Inc. Reunion San Antonio, Texas

First (1st.) Registration, Donald H. Barger, E-Div, Vietnam Era. April 8th. 2006 received by treasurer. Youngest Member, Sergio Morariu, (39yrs.) 5th.Div, Persian Gulf Era. Senior Age Member, Tony Sala, (87yrs.) S Div, Korea Conflict Farthest Milage, Ernest Normand (Maine) ? Div, Korea Conflict



Youngest Member; Sergio Morariu



62 Battleship Place • Camden Waterfront • Camden • New Jersey • 08103 Main: 856-966-1652 • Fax: 856-966-8228

Touring the Battleship

When you first witness the Battleship New Jersey, you are arrazed at its sheer size. Nearly three football fields long and over 11 stories high, the Battleship New Jersey was the longest battleship ever built. You will also marvel at its three turrets of three 16-inch guns each, which used to fire a six-foot long projectile with the weight of a Volkswagen Beetle 23 miles. Once you enter the Quarterdeck and step on to its teak deck, you realize that this is one incredible vessel.

Built in the Philadelphia Naval Yard and launched on Dec. 7, 1942, you will find it difficult to believe that this ship is over 60-years old. You'll see a few of its upgrades over the years, including the installation of Tomahawk and Harpoons missile launchers and the Phalanx defense system—a computerized gun that could fire off 10,000 rounds a minute. But you don't have to be a Navy Admiral to view the New Jersey, the most decorated ship in US history.

The **Firepower Tour** gives people a detailed look of the impressive weapons aboard the Battleship. From the Combat Engagement Center, where you can participate in a simulated tomahawk missile launch, to 16-inch gun turrets, to the 5-inch gun handling room, to the Tomahawk and Harpoon missile launch pads, you'll see the Big J.'s Firepower. A **Docent-Assisted Tour** features a guided tour through the Admira's or Captain's Quarters, the Wardroom, and where the crewate and slept, the crew's sleeping and eating areas, and the museumarea. See the Battleship's newest exhibit, "Keepers of the Sea", a detailed look at the history and design of battleships. This exhibit, cosponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Historical Society and Lookheed Martin, even features a "Build Your Own Battleship" area for kids! For those that want to tour at their own pace, a **Self-Guided Tour**, is also available. New interpretive signage and video kiosks, presented by Commerce Bank and the Battleship New Jersey Foundation, allow guests to learn about key locations and exhibits aboard the ship.

4D Flight Simulator

Nowall guests can enjoy the virtual reality ride of the new **4D Flight Simulator**. Riders can experience "Seahawk: Battle for Iwo Jima" and be launched off the Battleship's deck in a Seahawk prop plane, fly over the Island of Iwo Jima, avoid anti-aircraft fire, engage in a dog fight with an enemy plane and land in the ocean next to the Battleship. Guests can ride the simulator for \$5 with a tour ticket or \$6.50 for a simulator ride only. Other available simulation programs include a "Dessert Storm. Dessert Attack," where riders experience piloting a Navy jet, and "Wild Africa: A Safari 4D Adventure," where riders meet hippos, lions, bats, bee and many more creature in the African Plains.



62 Battleship Place • Camden Waterfront • Camden • New Jersey • 08103 Main: 856-966-1652 • Fax: 856-966-8228

Group Tours

Your company can enjoy a unique social outing with a tour of the Battleship. Special rates for groups of 20 or more, as well as upgrades that include Souvenir Photographs of your group in a commemorative frame, rides on the new 4D Flight Simulator, presented by Cherry Hill Volvo, or customized apparel with your company's name or logo on it, are available. The Battleship also offers a Battleship BBQ – chicken, ribs, hamburgers – even bar service – on the fantail of the ship. Finally, get that nostalgic feeling with an old-time song and dance review for your group with the "Red White and Blue Review."

Your group can not only see how the 55,000 officers and crew of the Battleship once lived, but they can also enjoy a meal in the crew's mess area – whether they pre-purchase the Dietz and Watson "Rations" lunch, purchase form the ship's "geedunk" (a/k/a snack bar), or bring their own lunch. Meals can be enjoyed in the crew's mess – big enough for 230 people. To book a group tour, call 856-966-1652 ext 145.

Special events

If you're tired of traditional meeting space and are seeking a unique venue in which to host your next conference, tradeshow, social event or class reunion, look no further than the Battleship New Jersey. Offering a spectacular view of Center City Philadelphia, the Ben Franklin Bridge, and New Jersey State Aquarium, the Battleship offers an unforgettable time for your guests. Whether under its legendary 16-inch guns on the forecastle or on the fantail under the tents, guests will marvel at the Battleship's size and history.

Some of the Battleship's event highlights include: a 3,000 person presidential reception hosted by the American Society of Industrial Security, a national record launch by Toby Keith; a Miss America photo shoot; and a Trane Air Conditioning trade show. Any combination of outdoor and indoor space can be adapted to accommodate groups ranging in size from 8 to 3,500 people. Heated tents have been installed covering the fantail alleviating any bad weather concerns. Let our professional caterer and planner create the ultimate experience for your company, group or organizations. We can even customize Battleship merchandise for your guests! To book your next special event or for more information about hosting your event on the Battleship, call 856-966-1652 ext 114 or visit our website at www.battleshipnewjersey.org.

Partnerships

In addition to its draw as a venue for events, marketing opportunities exist for partners looking to reach a targeted, high volume audience. In addition to its event-goers, The Battleship attracted more than 200,000 visitors over a 12-month period. The diverse nature of The Battleship's marketing campaign and ship offers sponsors limitless opportunities to generate sales, drive traffic, reach customers and provide good positive press. The Battleship's sponsorship programs are powerful and effective. For more information on how you can use the power of the Battleship to power your brand, call 856-966-1652, ext. 144.



62 Battleship Place • Camden Waterfront • Camden • New Jersey • 08103 Main: 856-966-1652 • Fax: 856-966-8228

Overnight Encampments

Another highly successful program is our overnight encampment program. The ship's encampment staff welcomes supervised families or youth groups, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, athletic organizations, etc., to stay overnight in the Battleship New Jersey's restored crew's quarters. The experience includes dinner from the "chowline," a guided tour of the battleship, a ride on the new **4D Flight Simulator**, and interaction with our knowledgeable docents or tour guides. You'll be "rousted" early for breakfast and then a stop in the Battleship's store to pick-up your commemorative dog tag or other souvenirs. For more information or to book your group for an overnight encampment, call 856-966-1652 ext. 203 or visit our website at <u>www.battleshipnewjersey.org</u>.

Location

The Battleship New Jersey is located on the Camden Waterfront on the Delaware River in Camden, NJ. Directly across from Center City Philadelphia, the Battleship is easily accessible over the Ben Franklin Bridge or via water ferry on the Freedom Ferry from Penn's Landing. Among the Battleship's neighbors are the New Jersey State Aquarium, the Tweeter Center, Campbell's Field – home of the Camden RiverSharks Baseball Team, and the Children's Garden. Just across the Delaware River is the Independence Seaport Museum, Penn's Landing and not too much further Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell. The Battleship's address is 62 Battleship Place, Camden, NJ 08103

Hours of Operation/Admission

The Battleship New Jersey is opened for tours:

January – February:9 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and MondaysMarch 1 – 31:9 a.m. – 3 p.m. every day of the weekApril 1 - September 30:9 a.m. – 5 p.m. every day of the weekOctober 1 – December 31:9 a.m. - 3 p.m. every day of the week

Admission price:

<u>Firepower Tour</u>: \$17 for adults; \$11 for children from age 6 – 11, senior citizens and veterans with valid identification. Active military personnel and BB-62 veterans are free.

<u>Guided/Docent-Assisted Tour:</u> \$15 for adults; \$10 for children age 6 – 11, senior citizens and veterans with valid identification. Active military personnel and BB-62 veterans are free.

<u>Self-Guided Tour</u>: \$13.50 for adults; \$9.00 for children from age 6 - 11; senior citizens and veterans with valid identification. Active military personnel and BB-62 veterans are free.

4D Flight Simulator: \$5 per person with tour combination ticket; \$6.50 per person for simulator ride only.

Overnight Encampment: \$49.50 per person per evening.

<u>Group Tours</u>: Docent-assisted tour for groups of 20 or more: Adults: \$11 per person; Seniors/Veterans: \$9 per person, one comp ticket for every 20th person; Students: \$6 per person

For more information call 866-877-6262 or visit www.battleshipnewjersey.org.



Battleship New Jersey Membership Program

All Battleship New Jersey Crew Members receive:

- ~ Free admission to the Battleship New Jersey for one year
- Members only ticketing
- ~ 10% discount in the Battleship New Jersey Museum Shop
- ~ 10% discount on overnight encampments on the Battleship New Jersey
- ~ Invitations to special events
- [~] Exclusive member publications

\$30 Individual Membership

- ~ Free admission to the Battleship New Jersey for one year for one adult
- ~ An official Battleship New Jersey mug

\$62 Family Membership

- ~ Free admission for two adults and children or grandchildren under the age of 18
- ~ An official Battleship New Jersey mug
- ~ An "Official Battleship New Jersey Crew Member" car decal

\$100 Contributing Membership

- ~ All Family Membership benefits
- ~ A members-only Battleship New Jersey hat
- Four guest passes

\$250 Sustaining Membership

- ~ All Contributing Membership benefits
- ~ Four additional guest passes
- Tribute Listing on the BNJ Memorial Kiosk

\$500 - \$999 Benefactor Membership

- ~ All Sustaining Membership benefits
- ~ Six additional guest passes
- ~ Hardback copy of the full color book From Birthplace to Berthplace, chronicling the USS New Jersey

Full Name		Email	
Address		Phone	
City	State	Zip	
Sustaining/Benefactor Memb	ership Only: Tribute Name for Memoria	al Kiosk:	
q YES, I want to join the c	rew of the Battleship New Jersey Muse	eum and Memorial.	
\$30 Individual	\$62 Family	\$100 Contributing	
\$250 Sustaining	\$500-\$999 Benefactor Other:		
	Thank you for supporting Americ	ca's most decorated battleship.	





How Does Your USS New Jersey Scholarship Work?

By Brian Fogelson, Scholarship Chair

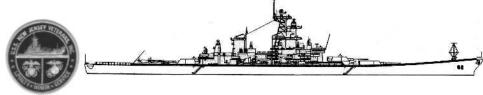
I've been asked to provide the membership with a brief description of how our scholarship works. It's relatively simple.

Up to now, the applications have been either obtained through the *Jersey Bounce* or directly on line at www.ussnewjersey.org. Completed applications have been returned to my attention. After the deadline for application, the applications are forwarded to the committee members. We then read the applications and scan them for several key factors:

- 1. The student's overall Grade Point Average (GPA). Is this weighted or unweighted.
- 2. The student's class rank.
- 3. The difficulty of the student's course load. A student who has a 3.6 average and has taken Advanced Placement (AP) courses or a full load of Honors courses will stand a better chance than a student who has not taken the most challenging courses that his/her school offers.
- 4. Next, we look at activities. We are looking for well-rounded students. These students have achieved academically, while participating in athletics, music, drama, community activities, or their church or synagogue.
- 5. Recommendations count as well. Students solicit recommendations from favorite teachers, counselors, etc.
- 6. We read the essay carefully. Students who are very focused in their future plans usually rate better than those who are attending college with no particular major in mind.

After we've read all the applications and ranked them individually, we confer and compare notes. It's usually amazing to me that we usually come down to the same two or three students. We often have them ranked in the same order. In that case, it's easy. When we don't, we talk about the candidates and discuss their relative strengths and weaknesses and reach a consensus decision. That's the process in a nutshell.

Carolyn Lilley, Jack Feys, and Joe Santucci have been part of the selection team over the past number of years. I would like to publicly thank them for their service.



USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS INC / SCHOLARSHIP FUND

U.S.S. NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC will maintain Scholarship Awards to be given annually. A committee, appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors will make recommendations to the assembled Members at a General Membership Meeting for approval. Applications for the Scholarship Award must be received by the committee not later than July 15, 2006.

Applications postmarked later than July 15, 2006 will not be accepted.

GUIDELINES

- 1. No committee Member's family or relatives are eligible for an award
- 2. Scholarships will be awarded to deserving students who have maintained at least a "B" or 3.0 Grade Point Average
- 3. Student must be a Junior in High School, with plans on attending an Accredited College / University or Vocation Technical Institution. Graduating in the Class of 2007.
- 4. Applications must be recommended by their High School Counselor.
- 5. Award must be used at an Accredited Education / Technical Institution for Undergraduate Studies.
- 6. Awards are Not Available for Graduate Study
- 7. The Award will be paid directly to the Institution selected.
- 8. Publicity will be done through the USS New Jersey Veterans Newsletter.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Any son, daughter or grandchild of a member in good standing, includes children of a member in good standing who passed away during the current membership year. (Must be a USS New Jersey Veteran)
- 2. Must be a High School Junior, Graduating in the Class of 2007.
- 3. Official Transcripts for the 10th and 11th Grades, submitted with Application
- 4. Two (2) Academic References
- 5. Student's Personal Resume
- 6. Student's Hand Written Essay
- 7. Name of Educational / Technical Institution you will attend
- 8. June 1, 2006 is the last date to request a Scholarship Application.
- 9. Scholarship winners will be notified by phone and a follow-up letter from the President of the USS New Jersey Veterans Inc.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INCLUDED IN NEWSLETTER

Submit Application to:

USS New Jersey Veterans Scholarship Mr. Brian Fogelson 19 Senator Stout Road Frenchtown NJ 08825

USS NEW	JERSEY VETERANS INC / SCHOLARSHIP FUN	D
	SCHOLARSHIP STUDENT INFORMATION	
Section I	(To be completed by Student Applicant – Type or I	Print)
Name:		
Home Address	:	
City:	State: Zip:	
Home Phone:	()	
Name of USS N	New Jersey Veteran Sponsor:	
Relationship to	USS New Jersey Sponsor:	
-	(Committee Use Only)	
Recommendation:		
	¢	
	<u> </u>	
	<u>\$</u>	
Member:	<u>\$</u>	
Remarks:		-
		-
L		

ANNUA	VETERANS INC / SCHOLARSHIP FUND AL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS APPLICATION PAGE 1
Name (applicant): Address: City:	Telephone: () State: Zip:
Birth Date: / Armed Forces: <u>Y / N</u>	/ Marital Status: Where: When:
Parents: Address: City:	Telephone: () State: Zip:
High School (s):	Where: When: (Dates) Were:
High School Records:	When: (Dates)
Scholastic Honors:	
Distinctions:	
School Activities:	
Your SAT Score:	ACT Score:

<u>USS N</u>	NEW JERSEY VETERANS INC / SCHOLARSHIP FUND
	ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS <u>APPLICATION PAGE 2</u>
School yo	u expect to attend:
Schools to) which you have applied:
What are	ea of study: your hobbies and interests:
Communi	ity Activities:
Employm	ent Experience:
Do you pl If yes, we	an to work this summer: <u>Y / N</u>
	h do you expect to earn: \$
	h of your earnings do you expect to use for school expenses?
	Resume and handwritten essay with career goals indicating bose and goals in attending higher education.
	vities have you pursued towards achieving your career goal? then 200 words)
Date:	/ /
Applicant	's Signature:



USS New Jersey Taps List

"Fading light dims the sight, And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright. From afar drawing nigh — Falls the night.

"Day is done, gone the sun, From the lake, from the hills, from the sky. All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

"Then good night, peaceful night, Till the light of the dawn shineth bright, God is near, do not fear — Friend, good night."

He designed the Battleship New Jersey License Plate for the State of New Jersey. He also designed and painted the Tour Bus at the Ship and participated in many parades towing a twenty foot model of the USS New Jersey. An original member of the USS New Jersey Historical Society

Norwin Sanders	Korean Era
Edward Green	WWII

Stuart ChalkeyAssociate Member

Holy One, who gave us the gift of life and breath, and whose love for us never ceases, We give you thanks for these whose journey has moved them beyond us. We thank you for the memories that we treasure because of them, for the good that they shaped in us, for enjoyment and growth that they called forth in us. In the silence we let them go from us, while we will ever hold dear their memory.





News from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Provided By: Vic Weaver Director of Veterans Affairs

DD-214 Available On-Line

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following web site for veterans to gain access their DD-214 on-line:

http://vetrecs.archives.gov

The National Personnel Records Center is working to make it easier for veterans with computers and Internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files. Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new on-line military personnel records system to request documents. Other individuals with a need for documents must still complete the Standard Form 180, which can be downloaded from the on-line web site.

Because the requester will be asked to supply all information essential for NPRC to process the request, delays that normally occur when NPRC has to ask veterans for additional information will be minimized. The new web-based application was designed to provide better service on these requests by eliminating the records center's mailroom processing time.

Please pass this information on to former military personnel you may know and their dependents



V A Awards Grants For Homeless Programs

On November 13th, the Veterans Affairs Administration awards over \$11.6 Million in grants to various Community Homeless Programs around the country and in Puerto Rico. You can imagine the number of homeless veterans living in San Diego (\$21,400 Grant), San Francisco (\$100,00 Grant), Philadelphia (\$13,130 Grant), Norfolk (\$181,787 Grant) and Virginia Beach, VA (\$279,999 Grant).

But looking into some of the numbers may cause you to scratch your head a little. How about \$447,466 to the Cornerstone Rescue Mission in Rapid City South Dakota? \$448,641 to the Promise and Parade South Dakota Projects? Chipawa Falls, WI \$116,675? La Crosse, WI \$364,000? New Bedford, MA \$375,000? How about this one!

\$828,322 grant awarded to Cazenovia Recovery Systems Inc. of Batavia, NY

Did you know?

The VA has the largest integrated network of homeless assistance programs in the country. It is the only federal agency that provides substantial one-on-one contact with the homeless. In many cities and rural areas, VA social workers and other clinicians conduct extensive outreach programs, clinical assessments, medical treatment, alcohol and drug abuse counseling and employment assistance

33







Tentative Plan of the Day

Wednesday; 22 Aug 07

Welcome Aboard Dinner; Red Lion Hanalei Hotel

OUR WEBSITE: <u>WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG</u>

The Official Hotel of the USS New Jersey 2007 Reunion

Thursday; 23 Aug 07

Old Town Trolly Tour



Group Tour of San Diego http://www.hanaleihotel.com/

Dinner Cruise Aboard the Hornblower Harbor Cruise Ship

http://www.oldtownsandiegoguide.com/





Breakfast Business Meeting

Hawaiian Luau Pool Side Dinner Party

Please Remember This is only a Tentative Schedule Actual Schedule With Costs Will be Posted in the Spring Edition of "The Jersey Bounce"



Motu Nehenehe Polynesian Dance Group



Ships of the Today's United States Navy

USS Green Bay LPD 20

The LPD 20 USS Green Bay is being built at Northrop Grumman Ship Systems, Avondale Division, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Following a Navy tradition of naming ships of this class after American cities, LPD 20 is named Green Bay to honor the nation's Midwest "city by the bay."

"Green Bay may be modest in size but it is enormous in spirit," said Danzig. "The oldest community in Wisconsin, Green Bay is well known for its commitment to team efforts, and particularly for its support of its football teams. As Vince Lombardi, a Green Bay coach, put it, 'The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual.'

The San Antonio class amphibious transport dock ships are used to transport and land Marines, their equipment and supplies by embarked landing craft or amphibious vehicles augmented by helicopters in amphibious assault.

These versatile ships perform the mission of amphibious transports, amphibious cargo ships and the older dock landing ships (LSD) by incorporating both a flight deck and a well deck that can be ballasted and deballasted to support landing craft.



The 12 ships of the San Antonio class will provide greatly improved warfighting capabilities including an advanced command and control suite, a greatly increased lift capacity, including substantial increases in vehicle and cargo carrying capability, and advanced ship

survivability features. These ships have been designed from the keel up to support the Marine Corps 'mobility triad' - the LCAC (Landing Craft Air Cushion vehicle), 'Triple A-V' (AAAV - Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicle), and MV-22 (Osprey tiltrotor aircraft). The LPD 17 class ships are scheduled to replace the older LPD 4 class.

The San Antonio class design integrates the latest in command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) capability. These capabilities are further enhanced by additional, dedicated intelligence, mission planning, and command and control spaces. The shipboard wide area network (SWAN) developed for LPD 17 is a fiber optic shipwide large area computer network.

This highly reliable, warfare-capable ship class will be the most survivable amphibious vessel ever put to sea. The ship's automated combat system includes a highly capable sensor suite and weapons capability that provides for a robust self defense capability. LPD 17's design optimizes radar cross section signature by streamlining topside design and incorporating reduced radar cross section signature technologies including a boat valley instead of boat deck, removable coverings over the rescue boat and fueling at sea stations, and accommodation ladders that fold into the ship's hull. The advanced enclosed mast/sensors, which enclose the ship's radars and communications antennas, characterizes the ship's distinctive profile.