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**To Faithful Old Friends And
To Cherished New Friends.
There Is Not A Better Time To Say
"Thank You"
And To
"Wish You A Happy Holiday Season"**

Phyllis & Ken
Barbara & Ron
Jean & Bob
Mary & Bill
Louise & John
Jackie & Len
Diane & Gene
Pat & LeRoy

2016 Reunion

For those of you who have not heard, the 2016 National Reunion of the USS Canberra "Members of the Crew" will be held at the Best Western Merry Manor Inn in Portland, Maine from October 12 through October 16, 2016. The Spring 2016 edition of the "Members of the Crew" Newsletter will have a complete listing of planned activities for this reunion. If there are any members close to this area who would be willing to help in preparation for this reunion, please contact me at home at 740-423-8976.

Change of Address

If you move, we would appreciate it if you would inform us of your new address, either by mail, phone or e-mail. We would like you to continue to receive our newsletters. The Post Office will forward the newsletters for up to 60 days and will report a change of address to us (for a nominal fee). If it has been over 60 days, then we have no idea where you have moved to and you will no longer be able to receive the newsletters unless you contact us with a new address.

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2015 Business Meeting Highlights

- Ken Minick, President, opened the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Master-At-Arms Gene Sibley. The Invocation followed and was given by Chaplain Bill Dorsey.
- We were reminded to keep our ailing shipmates and families in our thoughts and prayers.
- President Ken Minick opened with a short talk about the Association leadership since 1991. He then opened nominations for Association Officers and stated that if anyone is interested in assuming any of the Officer positions in the Association, or would like to become a “Trainee” for one of the positions, please speak up. He also stated that since we do not have a living Past President, the office of President Emeritus will remain vacant for the foreseeable future. Unfortunately, **once again**, no one spoke up, so the following were nominated and re-elected as Officers of the Association:

President Emeritus	Vacant
President	Ken Minick
Vice President	Bob Tyliniski
Secretary/Treasurer	Ron Nullet
Chaplain	Bill Dorsey
Historian	John Chenoweth
Assistant Historian	LeRoy Johnson
Master-at-Arms	Gene Sibley
USMC Liaison	Len Kucharski

- The Mobile Reunion was discussed. It was noted that it was the smallest reunion since 1990.
- The Association Composition/Database was commented on. As of 1 October 2015 we had 3,258 names in our database: Of those: 115 are Widows; 52 are Family Members; 9 are Honorary Members; 1 Staff (AFR) Member; 99 are Life Members and 233 are Paid Members: Which means we send out 509 Newsletters. We also have 1,553 Deceased; 1,171 Not Paid and 25 Missing (old addresses, cannot contact) in the database.
- The Financial Report was submitted by our Secretary/Treasurer Ron Nullet. The Association is presently sound financially, although we still have outstanding costs for the 2015 Reunion.
- The 2016 Reunion was the next order of business. Our 2016 Reunion will be held October 12-16 at the Best Western Merry Manor Inn in Portland, Maine.
- We would usually start looking at locations for upcoming reunions in the spring/summer for the 2017 reunion. Due to the low turn out at this year’s reunion, we will probably wait to see what kind of turn out we have for Portland before starting our search for a site for the 2017 reunion.
- A Member’s directory is available via e-mail to members desiring one. The format is Microsoft Excel.
- A special thanks was once again given to Bob’s Printing (Bob and Mike Beach and their staff) for printing and mailing our Newsletters. Another special thanks was given to the ladies who keep the reunion running with their work in and around the hospitality room each year and also to all of the members that jump in and help us setup and break down the room.
- The meeting was then opened for discussions from the floor. The following items were discussed:
 - + Photos of the reunion will be placed on-line by Jim Owens. A suggestion that the 2017 reunion be held in Fort Lauderdale for the 55th Anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis.
- A motion was made and seconded that the 2015 business meeting be closed.

2015 USS Canberra Reunion Attendees

Ship	Last	First	Division	Years
CA-70	Beach	Robert	2nd	1944-45
CA-70	Koestner	Charlie	B	1943-45
CAG-2	Braz	Deomar	6th	1966-68
CAG-2	Dorsey	Bill	6th	1962-66
CAG-2	Dorsey	John	6th	61-65/67-69
CAG-2	Knight	J.J.	6th	1959-61
CAG-2	Gault	Bob	7th	1962-64
CAG-2	McMahan	Gene	8th	1956-57
CAG-2	Stewart	Harry	8th	1961-64
CAG-2	Pusateri	Samuel	A	1958-60
CAG-2	Johnson	Leroy	B	1962-66
CAG-2	Morgan	Robert	B	1965-66
CAG-2	Peredia	Art	B	1966-68
CAG-2	Stark	Michael	B	1966-70
CAG-2	Ward	Bobby	B	1956-59
CAG-2	Shirk	Neal	E	1956-58
CAG-2	Burris	Ronald	FG	1965-67
CAG-2	Sibley	Gene	FM	1960-62
CAG-2	Stone	Ed	MDSHPMN	1967
CAG-2	Condra	Wayne	OE	1965-68
CAG-2	Graves	Barry	OE	1966-68
CAG-2	Holt	John	OE	1958-60
CAG-2	Huber	Richard	OE	1965-68
CAG-2	Minick	Ken	OE	1963-65
CAG-2	Peltzer	Carman	OE	1964-66
CAG-2	Sackett	Bert	OE	1966-68
CAG-2	Simpson	Dennis	OI	1961-64
CAG-2	Glasco	Lawrence	OR	1958-60
CAG-2	Baer	Bill	R	1963-64
CAG-2	Bray	Kenneth	R	1963-65
CAG-2	Koonce	Charles	R	1962-64
CAG-2	Kralik	Tom	R	1956-58
CAG-2	Nullet	Ronald	R	1959-63
CAG-2	Schmelebeck	Del	R	1956-58
CAG-2	Vaden	Kenny	R	1963-65
CAG-2	Owens	Jim	S	1963-65
CAG-2	Patterson	Vincent	S	1964-67

Reunion First Timers

Shipmates Braz, Knight, Stewart, Stone and Patterson were first time attendees this year.

Dues

Membership dues in the amount of \$25 are now due for 2016 (1 January through 31 December).

Please mail your dues to:

**USS Canberra Reunion Association, Ltd.
c/o Ron Nullet
P.O. Box 614
Centereach, NY 11720-0614.**

Please make your check out to:

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*****Lifetime Dues Are Available*****

You can pay your dues with a lifetime membership

Age 60-70 = \$275

Age 71-80 = \$210

Over 81+ = \$140

2015 National Reunion Mobile, Alabama

The 2015 reunion in Mobile, Alabama is now history and was enjoyed by all who attended.

There were 2 CA-70 WWII plus their family members and 35 CAG-2/CA-70 shipmates attending, including 5 first timers, for a total of 84 shipmates, family and guests.

The Divisions with the highest attendance this year were R and OE Divisions with 7 attendees each.

USS Canberra Directory

We no longer offer a printed version of our Membership Directory.

We now offer an updated version via e-mail. It is in Microsoft Excel format. If you desire a copy, please let Ron or Ken know via e-mail.

The directory is updated each January.

If you desire updates, you will need to request one each January.

The Supreme Commander

Following are names of USS Canberra Shipmates that have met the Supreme Commander.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>	<u>Departed</u>
Daugherty, Garry D.	CAG-2	6th	61-62	1996
Moffitt, John K.	CAG-2	FM	63-66	2011
Calhoun, William A.	CAG-2			2015
Frappier, William J., Jr.	CAG-2	N		2015
Gould, John S., MD	CAG-2	H	66-67	2015
Hurt, Lonnie W.	CAG-2	OI	67-70	2015
Lamberto, Louis C.	CA-70	E	43-45	2015
Lievre, Louis F.	CAG-2	X		2015
Lim, Sam S.	CAG-2			2015
Lucy, Kendall	CA-70	M	43-46	2015
Pinkus, David	CA-70	R	43-46	2015
Shriver, Daniel J.	CAG-2	E	63-66	2015
Skinner, William A.	CAG-2	R	57-60	2015
Tice, George D., Jr.	CAG-2		62-64	2015
Timmerman, Arnold R.	CAG-2			2015
Wade, Jack W., Sr.	CAG-2	X	60-63	2015
Woodworth, Gary D.	CAG-2	B	56-58	2015

Found Shipmates

Following are names of USS Canberra Shipmates that have been found since the Fall 2014 Newsletter was published.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>
Matheson, Kenneth	CAG-2	4th	66-68
Brewington, Earl	CAG-2	1st	65-66

Happy 90th (Plus) Birthdays

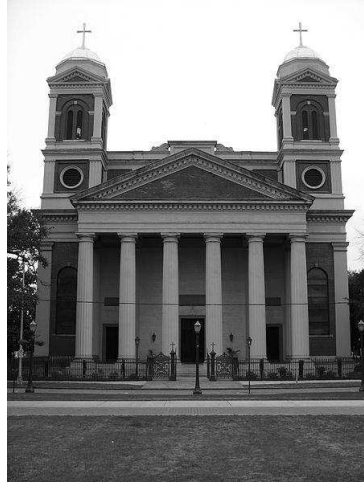
A few years ago we published an article stating that if you turn 90 to please let us know and we'd put it in the newsletter. One of our WWII shipmates contacted us and stated that he just turned 90, reminding us of the long ago newsletter article. So here is another list of people who we know that have turned at least 90.

Felix Caponi	92	Born 1923
Frank Hanrahan	92	Born 1923
Floyd Langton	91	Born 1924
James Mahoney	91	Born 1924

Some Of The Activities At Our 2015 Reunion



The Holiday Inn In Historic Downtown Mobile, AL



Cathedral Basilica Of The Immaculate Conception



One Of The Many Historic Houses On Our City Tour



We Visited The National Museum Of Naval Aviation In Pensacola, FL



The USS Alabama (BB-60) Battleship Memorial Park Where We Had Lunch And Visited Its Many Exhibits



The Mobile Carnival (Mardi Gras) Museum Located Next Door To The Holiday Inn



The Mardi Gras Twins (Lexi Beach and Ron Nullet) Show Off Purchases From The Mardi Gras Museum

USS Canberra Wearables Jackets, Shirts, etc

We still have CAG-2 jackets, chambray shirts and golf shirts available. The golf shirts and jackets are only available in blue. CAG-2/CA-70 shirts are available for shipmates who were aboard during the last few years of the Canberra's commissioning.

Jackets are \$100.

Golf shirts are \$28.

Chambray shirts are \$33.

All of the prices include shipping.

Contact Ron Nullet (PO Box 614; Centereach, NY 11720-0614 or ronsteam@optonline.net or phone 631-736-3444) if you are interested in these items.

Ship's Silhouette Hats

We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock. The cost for each hat will be \$18.00 per cap including priority mail postage. The hat is only available in Navy Blue in the CA-70 version. The CAG-2 version hats are available in Navy Blue, Summer White or Scarlet. If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these hats you can contact Ken via mail, e-mail or telephone.

2015 Group Photo

Some of our 2015 Reunion attendees gathered in the hotel lobby for a photo session prior to the Banquet. This is one of the many photos taken.



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12-16 October 2016
Portland, Maine

Details to follow in the Spring 2016 Newsletter