



USS Henry W. Tucker DD/R 875

Greetings shipmates:

A lot has happened since the last newsletter in August. Our country has come under attack. The events of September 11 (attacks on the Pentagon and the World Trade Center, and the heroic acts of the passengers who brought down the plane in Pennsylvania and most likely saved hundreds, if not thousands of lives, and now the anthrax attacks) has affected us all tremendously. I'm sure we're all praying this war will end quickly and our men and women in uniform will come home safely. If anything good has come of this, it is the fact that it's now politically correct to be patriotic, and it's now ok to pray in public. We proudly fly the flag I received when I retired from the Navy Reserve.

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well as we approach the holiday season. During the holidays, we think a lot about our extended family of shipmates, no matter what their race or religion or how they celebrate the holidays. We wanted to get a newsletter out before Thanksgiving because we'll be really busy for the rest of the year.

It's beginning to feel like Fall here in New England. There's a nip in the air and the foliage is pretty — except when the leaves are falling and have to be raked. We may be in for a hard winter. The oak trees are dropping millions of acorns. Sounds like drumming on the deck.

We have many additions to the crew list, which is wonderful. I have a feeling we will have a very large turnout for the reunion next year in San Diego. We never dreamed when we got involved in this last year it would grow so fast. We extend a warm welcome to all our new members.

Our bank account balance is about \$4,700. It seems like a lot, but each mailing costs over \$300 and we will soon have to make deposits for the reunion, so the balance will drop. As always, we welcome donations to help defray expenses. The information on how to make out checks and where to mail them is the same as for baseball caps (on the last page). We do not charge dues, and your donations help us stay afloat. Any amount, no matter how small, helps. And if you can't afford to donate, that's ok too.

Fair Winds and Smooth Sailing

Bill Siler

Reunion News

Errol Samuelson has signed a contract with the Hanalei Hotel in San Diego for the 2002 reunion. The reunion will take place November 7-10, 2002. The hotel has set aside a block of 100 rooms for us, but more will be available if necessary. If all the people who say they'll be attending to go, we may double our attendance from the last reunion, which was 100 shipmates.

We have attended a reunion at the Hanalei and found it to be an excellent hotel. The rooms are very nice and the service is excellent. They are really geared toward reunions and do a great job. There are lots of interesting sights to see in San Diego and we feel everyone will find the San Diego area delightful and the reunion a fun event.

Additions to Crew List

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Additions to Memorial List

Boyer, Malcolm, FN, 51-55 era (from Bill Keith)

Burghdorf, James L., QMSN, 51-54, April 1956 (received first from Bob Bryan, confirmed by Robert Baugher and James' sister Carol)

Frith, Thomas A. Jr., GM3, 46, September 1988 (from his son, a CWO5 in USMC)

Hart, ?, 51-55 era (from Bill Keith)

Kerby, Archie, 52-54 era (from Thomas Mashburn)

Lewis, Arthur, QMC, 45-50 (newsletter was returned with "deceased" on it)

Onken, Jr., Paul E., SOG2, 51-54, December 25, 1998 (from his wife Sharon) (brother in law of Richard Beers)

Thienes, Robert L., CDR, 56-58, October 14, 2001 (from his daughter)

The email addresses we have for the following people are incorrect. Please contact us with updated email addresses:

Larry Finton

James R. Bowler, Jr.

Joe Grant

Donald Ragon

George Odell Duncan

Don Fern

Michael Sagristano

John B. Toner

Noel Harris

We received the following information in an email from Donald Hooper.

We'd like some feedback as to whether you all think it might be something worthwhile to do at the raffle at next year's reunion. If so, do you think Donald's idea of tickets for \$5 for a break even proposition would be about right, or would you consider \$10 as a fundraiser for the reunion fund?

You can email Pat at psiler@adelphia.net or call us at 508-888-3049 with your feelings. If a majority of shipmates thinks it would be a good idea, we'll contact the store and look into purchasing a model to raffle.

The Store for Model Ship Builders has a "resin" model of a Gearing Class DDR for sale at \$129.95. Since I am not a model builder I wrote to find out if you could buy one already assembled and completed. Here are the responses and the costs for doing it. If we had one built, and sold "raffle" tickets at \$5 - assume 150 attendees - it would be a break even proposition.

What do you think? You can go to the website and find a picture of the "Buckley" (DDR 808) which is the model they show, but that same model can be used with any other Gearing class DDR

The website for information is: <http://www.modelshipbuilding.com/350ddr.htm>

If you are interested in receiving a list of shipmates who were aboard at the same time you are, there are two ways to get them.

1. Send an email to Pat requesting the list. She will email you a list.
2. Send a self addressed stamped envelope to us and we'll mail you the list. You will need two stamps on the envelope for enough postage.

Mail to: Pat Siler
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Something for the wives:

Creating the Navy Wife

When the good Lord was creating navy wives, he was into his sixth day of overtime. An angel appeared and said, are you having a lot of trouble with this one? What's wrong with the standard model? The Lord replied, have you seen the specifications on, this order?

She has to be completely independent, must be sponsored to get on the base and have the quality of both mother and father during cruises; be a perfect hostess to 4 or 40; run on black coffee; handle emergencies without a BUPERS manual; be able to handle the flu, birthdays and move around the world if need be on a moments notice; have a kiss that can heal anything from a child's torn valentine to her Husband's weary day; have the patience of a saint when waiting for the ship to come in; and have six pairs of hands.

The angel shook her head slowly and said six pairs of hands! No way! And the Lord answered, don't worry, we'll create other navy wives to help. Besides, it's not the hands that are causing the problem; it's the heart. The heart must swell with pride in her husband, sustain the ache of separations, beat on soundly and strongly when it's too tired to do so, and be large enough to say, I understand when she really doesn't and say I love you regardless.

Lord, said the angel touching his sleeve gently, come to bed, you can finish this tomorrow. I can't, said the Lord. I'm so close to creating something unique. Already I have one that heals herself when she is sick, can feed three unexpected guests who were stuck in the area due to bad weather, and can wave goodbye to her husband from a pier or runway and fully understand that it is important to our country that he leaves.

The angel circled the model of the navy wife very slowly. It's too soft, she sighed. But tough. Said the Lord excitedly. You cannot imagine what this woman can do or endure. Can she think? Asked the angel. Can she think! Why she can covert 1400 to 2:00 p.m. Finally the angel bent over and gently ran her fingers across the model's cheek. There's a leak, she pronounced. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this model. It's not a leak, said the Lord. It's a tear. What for? Asked the angel. It's for joy, sadness, pain, disappointment, loneliness, and pride! You're a genius, exclaimed the angel...

The Lord looked somberly at the angel and replied, I didn't put it there.

USS Henry W. Tucker Websites

<http://www.geocities.com/Pentagon/7401>

<http://www.geocities.com/hwtucker2000>

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Have Gun Will Travel

The USS Henry W. Tucker Reunion Association was formed in 2000.

Since then, we have held a reunion, which was attended by 100 shipmates (200 counting wives, "significant others", children and friends.

The intent of this organization is to bring together shipmates to renew friendships. It's also important to remember those who have passed away. Also, to show our concern for those who are ill or whose wives are ill or have passed away. We'd like to hear of any

illnesses or deaths among our family of shipmates. If you would like word of illnesses to be included in the newsletters, please let us know.

If there is anything you would like to see added to the newsletters or the website, or anything you don't like, please let us know. This is your newsletter and we want it to contain information of interest to you.