

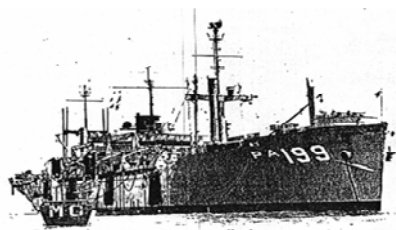
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Presidents Corner

Greetings from the West Coast and the former home of the "Moaning Maggie".

Doris and I have spent some time recently scouting out places to see when we all meet for the next reunion in 2006. We recently spent time at the USS Midway Museum that has recently opened. It's tied up at navy pier at the foot of Broadway. I had forgotten how narrow and steep those shipboard ladders were. Maybe it's because I'm a little older and heavier than I was in my navy days! More info on the Midway Museum can be found at ussmidway.org

I would like to hear suggestions from the crew on what they might like to see on the San Diego tours. I didn't make the last reunion in San Diego so I'm interested in hearing what those crewmembers liked and may not have liked about the tours, accommodations etc. Please call me at 1-800-621-5950, or write c/o 2010 Santa Ysabel Glen, Escondido, Ca. 92026. My e-mail is mpstein1@cox.net.

The Association has also purchased a personalized brick that will be placed at the NTC Promenade Plaza, which is located on the site of the former Naval Training Center. It will be inscribed with the Naval Training Center Logo and the USS Magoffin APA 199 Veterans Association.

Wishing happy holidays and a great New Year to all of our Magoffin family.

Mike & Doris

Magoffin Vets eligible for Korean War Medal

America's military veterans of the Korean War are now eligible to accept and wear a medal initially offered by the government of South Korea nearly a half century ago.

In 1951, South Korea offered to all service men and women who fought under the banner of the United Nations, the "Republic of Korea War Service Medal (ROKWSM)."

While military personnel from other nations accepted the medal, American law at that time prohibited members of its armed forces from wearing medals issued by foreign governments.

The law was changed in 1954, but South Korea did not renew its offer of the service medal until 1998.

This past May, in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War, the South Korean government announced it would again make the medal available to U.S. veterans, or to their surviving next of kin.

The United States Air Force has been designated the lead agency to receive and distribute the medals.

To be eligible, a veteran must have served between June 25, 1950 and July 27, 1953 in the territorial limits of Korea, its adjacent water or in the air over Korea. A copy of the veteran's military discharge or other acceptable proof of service must be provided.

Additional information on how to apply can be obtained by contacting the Air Force Personnel Center at (800) 558-1404, weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time, or by writing to: Headquarters, AFPC/DPPRA, 550 C Street West, Suite 12, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, 78150-4714.



The Magoffin Messenger is a quarterly publication for and by the members of the USS Magoffin Veterans Association. This newsletter as well as a wealth of other USS Magoffin information and history can be found at: www.ussmagoffin.org

A Message from the Vice President

Shipmates,

I wanted to take a minute, to wish each of you a happy holiday. It has been a great year for me, with one of the high lights being the reunion in Wisconsin. After all these years, I can't really put in words, the feelings that I feel, when we get together, and when I hear from you either by mail, or on the phone. I guess as we get older, our memories of the past mean more to us. The time spent with you guys, back then, hold a very special place in my heart, and the time we spend together at the reunions, makes me glad that I have lived long enough to get back in touch with you all.

I hope that this holiday season is special for each of you, and you families. I hope the New Year will be good to you, and that each of you are making plans to attend the 2006 reunion in San Diego.

J. L. Earven VP

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Welcome to new Members

The Association would like to welcome three new members - Arthur Corral, Donald E Pavey & Ted Vonasek.

Don was a BM3 with the boat group 1965 - 66. He lives at 423 Anderson Road, New Bedford, IN 47421 His phone number is 812-279-2006. His e mail is deba-pavey@yahoo.com

Arthur was an SM3 in OPS 1964 - 1966 He lives at 800 Twin Hills Drive, El Paso, TX. His phone number is 915.581.3915. His e mail is alcorrals@aol.com

Ted was a EM3 in E division from 1952 through 1955. He lives at 83 Tolland Turnpike, Willington, CT, 06279. His phone number is 860-487-1221 and his e mail is dfrase-ro@hotmail.com

Dues Payments

Thanks to all of the members who recently paid their dues. The Association received \$440.00 in renewals over the last 60 days. The payments keep us afloat and keep the newsletter coming - Thanks again.

A "Little" Commentary

2004 will soon be in the can and we will be on to yet another year. Looking back, 2004 has been busy and exciting for Judi and I (and a number of other shipmates, I'm sure.) New house, new town, new state - Wonderful reunion, great new friends, visitors to the new place. I hope that 2005 is as good to us and you as 2004 was.

By way of general information, I am told that Tom Haglge has made great strides in getting the association 501(c) status and arranging for the scholarship to continue past the life of this association. I will keep you posted.

There will be a big change in the web site on or about January 1st. Thanks to the terrific number of photos, stories, memorabilia, etc. collected at the reunion plus from other donated sources, I am redesigning the web site so that it will be easier to use, navigate and read. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

FYI - Our niece just made second class! E-5 in under 24 months.

Judi and I wish all of you and your families a happy holiday season, A healthy, prosperous New Year.

Terry Little

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Broadside Cartoons by Jeff Bacon

"Equipment Upgrade"



New Veteran Memorial Opens

A new Smithsonian Institution exhibit that pays tribute to the service and sacrifice of the nation's battle-worn men and women opened on Veterans Day. The exhibit includes more than 800 artifacts, from the 18th-century's French and Indian War to the current global fight against terrorism and the conflict in Iraq. The war relics on display include the sword George Washington wore while reviewing troops before the Whiskey Rebellion in 1794 and Colin Powell's Army fatigues from Operation Desert Storm. An .80 caliber British Tower musket recovered from a dead British soldier during the Battle of Bennington in 1777 and a U.S. M16A1 automatic rifle used by soldiers and Marines during Vietnam are among the many weapons on view. Other items include MIA bracelets, a Silver Star awarded to a Marine during the Persian Gulf War and a piece of the twisted steel from the World Trade Center.

Additional information can be found at - <http://americanhistory.si.edu>

What's For Christmas Dinner?

Those shipmates who were aboard the Magoffin for Christmas, 1945 celebrated the holiday with carols, religious services and a "Feast". "The mess decks were decorated with "Stars large and small, and the Machine Shop is turning out silver (?) stars and great lengths of steel and brass shavings, to remind us of the glittering, glistening, galaxy we know in childhood." Here is the menu that appeared in the December, 1945 issue of the "Slave Trader" (The ships newspaper)

- French Tomato Soup
- Soda Crackers
- Roast Chicken
- Baked Spiced Ham
- Sage Dressing
- Giblet Gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Buttered Peas
- Fruit Salad
- Mayonnaise Dressing
- Sweet Pickles
- Green Olives
- Apple Cobbler
- Ice Cream
- Chilled Fruit Juice
- Bread
- Butter

USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION BANK RECONCILIATION - YTD			
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE 01/01/04			
CASH RECEIPTS			
	Dues		\$1,950.00
	Ship Store		849.00
	Reunion		14,142.00
	Scholarship Fund		2,416.00
	Total Receipts		19,357.00
CHECK DISBURSEMENTS			
	Postage		-215.17
	(800)		-31.22
	Ship Store Supplies		-435.66
	Office Expense		-79.44
	Reunion		-12,552.09
	Newsletter Expense		-576.85
	Scholarship		-1,000.00
	Total Disbursements		-14,890.43
	ENDING BALANCE 12/10/04		<u>\$14,420.38</u>
(Broken Down as Follows)			
	Education Fund Beginning 01/01/04		\$4,492.11
	Disbursement		-1,000.00
	Receipts - Reunion		1,264.00
	Donations Jan-Dec 2004		1,152.00
	Education Ending Balance 12/10/04		<u>\$5,908.11</u>
	General Operating Fund 12/10/04		<u>\$8,512.27</u>

FYI

Best Wishes for a quick recovery to Sam Rubin. Sam recently under went back surgery and will probably not be ready to enter Polka contests for a while.

If you have a cruise book, roster, mailing list etc. from anytime other than the '62 cruise - please let me know. I am trying to generate a "shipmates" of as many former crew members as we can identify. I estimate that there were about 5500 men who served on the 199 during her years of service. I would like to capture as many of their names as possible for the website and history. Thanks.

I hope you have seen the reports about how Sears is treating its reservist employees who are called up? By law, they are required to hold their jobs open and available, but nothing more. Usually, people take a big pay cut and lose benefits as a result of being called up . . . Sears is voluntarily paying the difference in salaries and maintaining all benefits, including medical insurance and bonus programs, for all called up reservist employees for up to two years. The next time you are in Sears you might want to find a manager and let them know that they are doing the right thing

Magoffin Memorialized with brick at San Diego NTC

Nothing that was worthy in the past departs; no truth or goodness realized by man ever dies, or can die. -Thomas Carlyle

For more than 75 years, hundreds of thousands of recruits were trained at Naval Training Center (NTC), San Diego and were proven worthy to serve their country in the United States Navy. It was here that these young men and women matured and stepped up to the challenges of military duty.

Now inactive and designated a historic property, NTC San Diego continues to hold the lessons of truth and goodness for past generations of Naval recruits. As such, NTC is slated to once again become a focal point for a new generation of adventurers. Renovated and restored, a central portion of NTC San Diego will soon open as the NTC Promenade, a center for civics, arts and culture, as well as a celebration of San Diego's proud Naval heritage.



The president and board of the USS Magoffin Veteran's Association decided to donate the funds to obtain a "paver brick" that will be inscribed as above and will be part of a permanent exhibit at this historic area. (The NTC has been designated a Historic Site and is being persevered as both a memorial and a cultural arts center. Our donation will insure that the name of the Magoffin will be kept alive.

The Association Membership

Here is the list of all current dues paying members. Please look up your name to make sure that it is correct. The number after the name is the year when your paid dues run out. (Remember that 04 ends soon)

John D. Adams LM, Pete Agostini LM, Alonzo Aguilar-04, Clyde Alexander-05, Craig Anderson-06, Paul Andress-07, Willis Anson-06, Charles Arnold-04, Leo Ayers-04, Clifford Barric-04, Terry Barta-05, D. A. Beals-06, Richard Bee-04, Merble Bellin-04, Joseph Beninato-04, Bill Berglin-05, Bill Betz Jr.-06, Vernon Bidingier-05, Earl Bryant-04, Jackson Bryant-04, William Calvert-05, Junior Carey-06, Floyd Carper Jr.-07, Jimmy D. Charlton-05, Raymond Cheely-06, Mac Christy-05, Bud Church-05, August Cooper-05, Arthur Corral-06, John Crowley-05, Don Culpepper-08, Bernard L. Curry-04, Michael Dejarnette-07, Dick Dickenson-09, Robert Dixon- LM, L.G. Duncan-05, Eugene Durham-05, Kenneth Duttarer-06, Jeff Eagon-07, James Earven-07, Daryl Elliff-05, Dave Engelman-05, Francis J. Fitzpatrick-06, Joe E Flanagan-05, James Ford-05, Robert Foster-05, M. Allan Frank-05, Ray Furlow-07, Al Gaskill-05, Richard Gehrich-06, Lester Gideon-06, Jim Gillivan-06, Paul H. Goguen-09, Marvin P. Gray-04, Hugh Griffith Jr-05, Pasquale Guido-07, Jack W. Hagg-07, Thomas Haglage-05, David Hammond-07, William Hancock-04, Jack Heiken-06, Don Hellmann-07, Robert Henderson-05, Joseph Hogard-08, Don Hummel-05, Emil Jardine LM, Carl E. Jennings-07, David C. Johnson-04, Guy Johnson-04, Jack L. Johnson-07, Jackson Johnson LM, Roy Jones-06, Sid Jordon-05, William Kershner-05, Terry Key-04, James King-04, Robert King-04, Ed Kopczynski-05, Robert Kuklenski-05, Keith Kyle-06, Erwin Langlo-05, George Latham-04, Terrence Little-08, Billy Joe Logson LM, Herald Lowther-07, Dan Lukenson-05, William Lutz Jr.-07, David W. MacConnell-05, George Macioce-04, Terry Mackey-04, Robert Marcus-04, Derrell Maroney-04, John Masters-06, Thomas McCants-06, Richard McDonald-06, Harold McElroy-05, William McIntyre-05, Jerry Miihlbach-04, Gary Miller-05, Dennis Molloy-04, Jerry Montgomery-04, James Mozis-06, Daniel Muller-04, Bill Munger-05, Kenneth Nelson-04, Louis Noll-05, Robert O'Brien-06, Donald D. Ogburn-04, Albert Oliveria-06, Robert Olson-05, Robert Paquette-05, Rodney Patterson MD-05, Donald E Pavey-07, John J. Pearce-06, Charles Peterson-04, Richard Phares-04, Charles Phipps-06, Al Poortvliet-07, Tex Raily-04, Daniel Rech-04, EE Renfro-05, Merval Rhodes-05, Mike Riley-06, William Ring-05, Emmon Rogers-04, Ellis Roth-06, Claude Rubeling-05, Sam Rubin-05, James Saeugling-07, Ross C. Sakers Jr.-06, Pat Savage-10, Wallace Schaeffer-04, William Schulz-06, Don Schirmer-06, Gerald Schultz-05, John G. Sharp-04, Bill Showler-04, Ronald Shreffler-05, Wallace Shropshire-05, Harry Simpson-05, Kent L. Skluka-04, Harold Skow-05, Fred Small-06, Richard Snodgrass-04, Earl D. Sons-04, John Splese-06, Ralph Springer-05, Michael P. Stein-06, Michael G Stevens-07, Bill Stutzman-05, Gerald Swanson-04, Wayne Swary-05, Jim Taylor-04, Karl Tellefsen-04, Thomas Tessar-04, Jim Transou-05, Harlan Truxillo-05, John Tull-05, Charles Unetl LM, Marinus VanDeWouwer-04, Ted Vonasek-05, Eugene Walker-04, Bill Wall-07, Thomas A Ward-06, Gilbert Wayson-04, Charles Whiteley-04, Wallace Wilhelm-04, Jesse Wilkinson-04, Thomas Williamson-05, James Wilson-07, Leslie Wilson-06, Howard Wood-05, Robert Youngs-04,

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Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone Number (_____) _____
E-Mail address _____
Served aboard from MO ___ YR. _____ to MO ___ YR. _____
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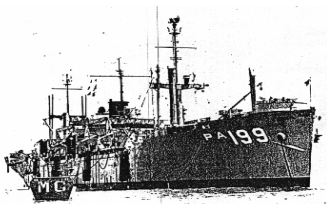
If you have previously filled out this form completely, just your name and address would be required to re-register unless something has changed otherwise.

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"No beach beyond our reach"