

THE MAGOFFIN MESSENGER

The Newsletter of USS Magoffin (APA-199)

Veteran's Association

Issue number 30

Summer 2005



Association Officers

(800) 621-5950

Mike Stein

President

Jim Earven

Vice President

Tom Haglage

Secretary

Joe Beninato

Treasurer

Chuck Whiteley

Director

Les Wilson

Director

Chaplain

Historian

Dick Dickenson

Director

Bill Berglin

Director

Jerry Lopez

Director

Carl Jennins

Director

L.G.Duncan

Master at Arms

Pasquale Guido

Bosn

Terry Little

Editor/Webmaster



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

President's Message

Greetings shipmates. Hope this newsletter finds you in good health and enjoying the summer. Doris and I are continuing to work on setting up the tours for the next ship's reunion in April.

We will have everything in place by the fall newsletter. Again please let me know any suggestions you might have for places to visit while we are in San Diego.

Shipmate Tom Haglage was contacted by Magoffin County High School a few months back with a request for the membership. Their American Flag had badly weathered and needed replacement. They were wondering if the Association would be willing to pay to replace the flag. After contacting some of our membership via e-mail it was the opinion of all that this would be an excellent expenditure of association funds.

You will be pleased to know that the new American Flag is flying proudly from the flagpole in front of Magoffin County High School because of your generosity.

Shipmates who attended the Kentucky Reunion are aware that the plaque at the base of the flagpole has a misspelled word. Some members had talked about having the plaque replaced. I again contacted some of the membership and it was the consensus of the group that the plaque should be replaced, and possibly increased in size with some additional comments about the ship and the association.

I will be bringing the plaque to the reunion in San Diego so that all of you can see it before we send in on to Magoffin County.

Mike Stein
President

See page 2

An Open Letter from Tom Haglage

Friends, as many of you know, we have a close working relationship with the wonderful folks in Magoffin County, Kentucky. Those of us who visited Salyersville during the '03 Lexington reunion experienced the warmth and love those people have for us. The scholarship we present to a graduating senior there each year is greatly appreciated by both the students and the school officials.

Now, to the point. During the crew meetings at each of the last three reunions, there was lively and enthusiastic discussion of making our scholarship a permanent one, if possible to be there many years after we are ALL gone.

The purpose of this letter is to determine if there are enough of you willing to make the monetary sacrifices to achieve that lofty goal.

Let's face it: as we ALL agreed at the Milwaukee crew meeting, one day there won't be any of us to answer at muster.... and there won't be a U.S.S. Magoffin Veterans Association. If we fail to establish this scholarship permanently, we will have missed a great opportunity to have left something of ourselves and our service behind.

We all know that our ranks are thinning as each year passes, soooo...while there are still enough of us left, let's make it happen, shipmates! To make it happen there are several things that need to be done, the first being to establish if we can generate enough money. We're looking at a goal of \$25,000 to \$30,000 so the donations will have to be substantial

Continued on page 2

Open Letter Continued

--- in the range of \$500.00 to \$1,000 or more from those members who can afford it.

Another necessary requirement is going to be to restrict the scholarship to a single university, and my own choice would be the Morehead State University, an excellent school, that is an easy drive from Salyersville. I've contacted some very nice people there and have been informed that a \$25 000 endowment, their minimum, would produce the \$1000 we need each May for our scholarship check, guaranteed! If we should build up more than the minimum required, they will increase the amount of the scholarship check or put the excess back into the endowment fund, per our instructions. The lady at M.S.U., whose name + number I'll be glad to provide, also told me that they manage hundreds of scholarships and that the endowment fund is presently worth about \$23 million; our \$25,000 (or more) would be part of that pool. Also, we can make donations directly to M.S.U. in the name of our scholarship; all donations will be acknowledged and each donor will receive an annual statement in Jan. or Feb. for tax purposes.

That's pretty much it in a BIG nutshell. The lady with whom I'm dealing at M.S.U. is sending me informational materials so WE can get this underway. I am very enthusiastic about all that I've learned in the last few days and sincerely hope my "Magoo" shipmates share my feelings. If any of you do wish to share your thoughts and/or ideas with me, please call me at 859-625-5523; cell 859-489-5532. If I'm not here, PLEASE leave a message and I will return your call. I'd welcome your input. OK! Turn to! Let's get it done, sailors! Thanks for your interest guys.

Your Shipmate and Secretary,
Tom Haglage

The new plaque for the flagpole at Magoffin County High School

DEDICATED TO
THE MEMORY OF THE
USS MAGOFFIN (APA-199)
1944-1969
WWII • KOREA • VIET NAM

BY
USS MAGOFFIN VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

2005 Scholarship recipient named

Brittany Lynn Carty is the 2005 USS Magoffin Veteran's Association Scholarship Recipient. Mr. Tom Haglage presented her with a certificate and a check for \$1,250 on May 18th, 2005, at the Magoffin County High School Awards Night.

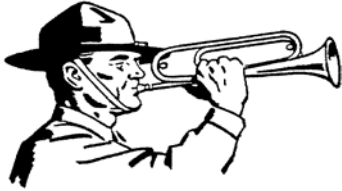
Brittany is the 18 year old daughter of Tim and Regina Carty of Salyersville, KY. She is graduating from MCHS with high honors (3.88 GPA) and is one of seven MCHS graduates who will receive the prestigious Commonwealth Diploma presented by the Kentucky Board of Education.

Brittany is a member of the Mu Alpha Theta and SADD/Champion. She has also served as a PSI (Postponing Sexual Involvement), Best You Can Be, and TNT (Towards No Tobacco Use) Teen Leader. Brittany is also a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Brittany plans to attend Morehead State University this fall where she will pursue a career in the medical field. She and her family would like to thank the veterans of the USS Magoffin for this scholarship.

USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION BANK RECONCILIATION YTD

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| BEGINNING BANK BALANCE 01/01/05 | \$ 14,420.38 |
| <u>CASH RECEIPTS</u> | |
| Dues | \$ 1,050.00 |
| Ship Store | 116.50 |
| Reunion | |
| Scholarship Fund | 185.00 |
| <u>Total Receipts</u> | 1,351.50 |
| <u>CHECK DISBURSEMENTS</u> | |
| Postage | |
| Telephone (800) | (35.30) |
| Ship Store Supplies | |
| Office Expense | |
| Flag for School | (159.62) |
| Reunion | |
| Newsletter | (151.40) |
| Scholarship | (1,000.00) |
| <u>Total Disbursements</u> | (1,346.32) |
| ENDING BALANCE 12/10/04 | \$ 14,425.56 |
| <i>(Broken Down as Follows)</i> | |
| Education Fund Beginning 01/01/05 | \$ 5,023.11 |
| Disbursement (May 2005) | (1,000.00) |
| Receipts - Reunion | |
| Donations Jan-Dec 2005 | 185.00 |
| Education Ending Balance 12/10/05 | \$ 4,208.11 |
| General Operating Fund 12/10/05 | \$ 10,217.45 |



TAPS

Luke Raich

Formerly of Bloomington, MN. Born January 14, 1933 in Nashwauk, Minnesota. Left this world May 25, 2005 in Conifer, Colorado. Survived by wife Elizabeth of Conifer, CO, son Steve of Austin, TX, (Lara) daughter Mary of Austin, TX grandchildren Caleb, Katie and Jacob and brothers Bob and Tom Raich. Preceded in death by father Steve, mother Barbara and sister Anna Durlak. Interment was at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Luke was a kind, loving and generous husband, father, brother, grandfather and friend. He loved the simple things in life like work with his hands, fishing or just drinking a beer with his friends. While his loss has left a great void in the lives of many, he is no longer suffering from his long journey with cancer and is at peace with his Lord Jesus Christ. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society, the American Lung Association or the National Cancer Institute.

Luke served aboard the Magoffin from 1952 until 1955. He and his wife attended the reunion in Spokane. Bill Berglin and his wife Kathy attended the services for Luke.

Jack Heiken

John "Jack" Heiken, 79, of Monticello, Iowa died Wednesday, June 8, 2005 at Mercy Medical Center in Cedar Rapids following a brief illness. Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 11th with interment at the Scotch Grove Cemetery. Condolences can be sent to his family at www.goettshonline.com

Survivors include his wife Helen of Monticello, three sons; William "Bill" (Wendy) of Galena, IL., Leslie (Carrie) of Salida, CO, Ken (special friend Wendy Wilkins) of St. Paul, MN" Two daughters, Sandra (Gary) McAvorn of Delmar, Judy (Don) Folken of Dubuque; two sisters, Donna Lea (Dick) Strother of Mount Vernon, Ruth Ann (Tim) Corporon of New London; one brother, Jim (Erma) of Wyoming, 13 Grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

Jack was born August 7, 1925 on the family farm in Scotch Grove, the son of Henry and Muriel Heiken.

Continued overleaf

He was christened July 1st 1928 at the Scotch Grove Presbyterian Church and became a member on October 3, 1943. While in school Jack received the Iowa Farmer Degree and graduated from Monticello High School in 1943. He was a veteran of WWII serving on the USS Magoffin from 1945 to 1946. On May 27, 1949, he married Helen Eliza Oltmanns at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Anamosa where he was confirmed. Jack was a lifetime farmer and bee-keeper, since the age of 12. He and Helen farmed in Richland Township, moving in 1960 to their farm in Scotch Grove. Jack was gentle man who truly understood nature, and the land in his trapping, hunting and raising coon dogs.

He received the Iowa Honey Producers Pioneer Award in 2004. He was also a member of the Iowa Trappers Association, a charter member of the Scotch Grove Coonhunters and St. Mathews Lutheran Church.

USS Recruit becomes Historical Landmark

The USS Recruit, the Navy's only non-sailing commissioned craft, was built of wood and sheet metal in 1949 for basically one purpose: to teach recruits port from starboard and bow from stern.

Over the years, through Korea and Vietnam, tens of thousands of recruits at the Naval Training Center scampered aboard what originally was a two-thirds-scale model of a destroyer escort. The structure, remodeled into a guided missile frigate in 1982, is 41 feet high and 233 feet long.

"It's an iconic building," said Alan Ziter, executive director of the NTC Foundation, which oversees the Recruit and 25 other structures at what used to be NTC.

Years ago, Clint Steed had charge of recruits during their tours aboard the ship, teaching such essentials as boarding protocol, seaman's language and damage control.

"We didn't educate. We trained," said Steed, who was aboard the Recruit from 1988 to 1993.

The ship, also known as the USS Neversail, was a teaching tool until 1993. Four years later, NTC itself was shut down.

Tied up at North Harbor Drive and Laning Road, the Recruit today resembles a ghost ship: Lines are tattered and the gray exterior is turning brown with rust. The anchor chain has no anchor.

The NTC Foundation wants to restore the Recruit's exterior by early 2007 as part of a planned renovation of the area into a cultural district.

Town houses, schools and office buildings are being developed on the 361-acre NTC site, now called Liberty Station. "The Recruit touched so many lives here in San Diego," said Makinson, whose group paid for the Recruit's landmark plaque. "Practically every time I mention it, someone says, 'I trained on that thing!'"

Do you know any of these fella's ?

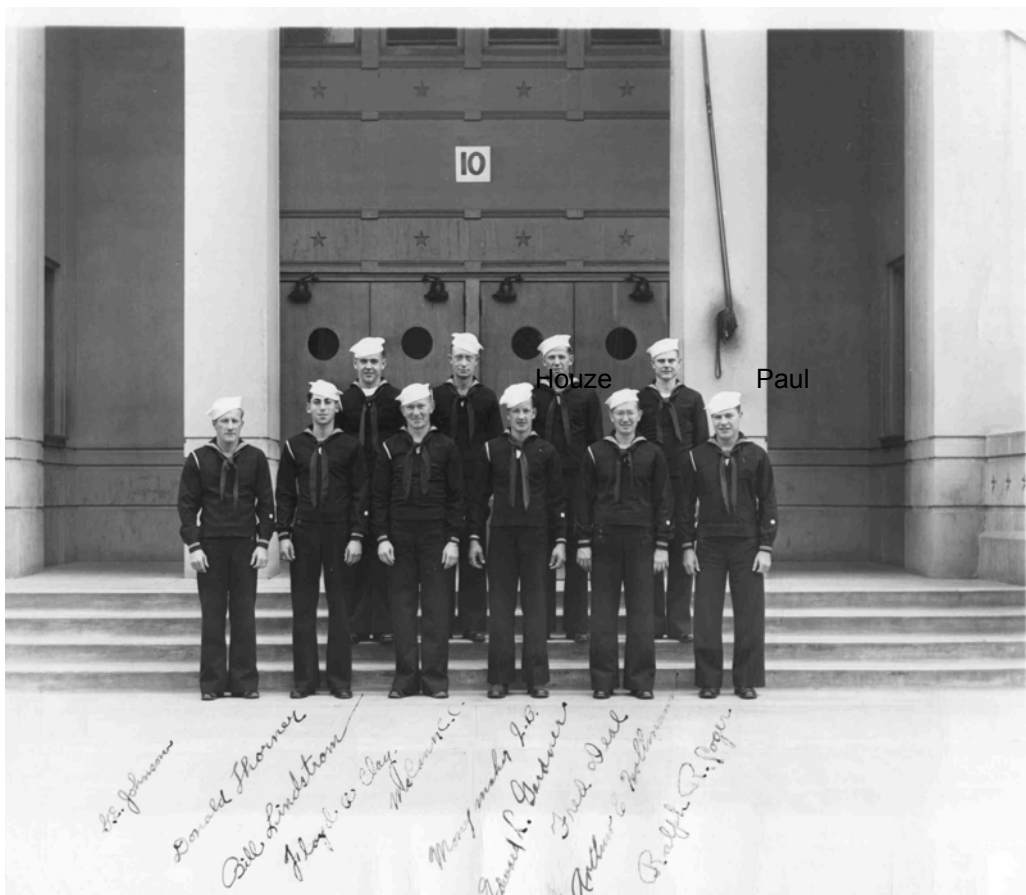
This photo was mailed in a tube from C. C. McCann S 2/c (?) E.M. 27-44, A.N.T.S. Lane Union, Seattle (9) Wash. (With a Win the War 3 cent stamp.) to his home. An identical picture has these signatures on the back - Copied as nearly as possible, that is.

Edward L. Gardner Galesville, Wis, Floyd A. Clay Lewiston, Idaho , Donald Thorner Los Angeles, 16 Calif., Monymaker Forestville, Calif , Ralph R. Roger Route 5 Sedalia Mo , G. E. Johnson 1975 Bacan San Diego, Calif , Fred Deal 35 Elm St Long Beach 2 Calif , A. E. Holliman 2615 Avie Dr. Jennings Mo , Bill Lindstrom Route 2 Box 159 Renton, Wash.

This photo was discovered by Ms Marilyn Quimby, who is the daughter of Carl C. McCann. Carl passed away last February at the age of 93 . Carl was a Magoffin plank holder. If anyone knows more about the photo or the men who appear in it, Ms Quimby would like to learn more. Please give me a call at 1.270.436.5132 or email me at webguy@ussmagoffin.org

Thanks, to Marilyn for the photo and thanks to the crew for any information you might be able to provide.

Terry Little



Did you know Robert O. Buckholz

We received the following recently; My name is Patricia Burk. In 1952, I met a sailor who was stationed at Bremerton, WA. It was a short and wild romance and we were married before his ship sailed for Korea. He told his boss he had to marry me because I was pregnant! Not true. His name was Robert O. Buckholz. I would like to hear from any shipmates that were on the Magoffin with Bob.

Sincerely, Patricia J. Burk
11815 NE 70th Ave, Vancouver, WA. 98686

Welcome Aboard

Welcome Aboard to the following new members -

Paul Houze of Montezuma, IN. Paul was in "M" division from 1963 to 1966 and was an MM-3.

Mark Strohm of San Diego, CA. Mark was aboard from 1960 through 1965. He was a BM-3 and was in the boat group.

The Association Membership

Members with dues paid through 2004 (These folks need to renew) A. Aguilar, C. Arnold, L. Ayers, C. Barrick, R. Bee, M. Bellin, J. Beninato, E. Bryant, J. Bryant, B. Curry, M. Gray, W. Hancock, D. Johnson, Guy Johnson, T. Key, J. King, R. King, G. Latham, G. Macioce, T. Mackey, R. Marcus, D. Maroney, J. Mihilbach, D. Malloy, D. Mullen, K. Nelson, D. Ogburn, C. Peterson, Tex Raily, D. Rech, E. Rogers, W. Schaeffer, J. Sharp, B. Showler, K. Skluka, R. Snodgrass, E. Sons, G. Swanson, J. Taylor, K. Tellefsen, T. Tessar, M. VanDeWouwer, E. Walker, G. Wayson, C. Whiteley, W. Wilhelm, J. Wilkinson, R. Youngs.

Members with dues paid through 2005 – C. Alexander, T. Barta, Berglin, V. Biding, S. Borenstein, W. Calvert, J. Charlton, M. Christy, Bud Church, A. Cooper, J. Crowley, L. Duncan, D. Eliff, D. Engelman, J. Flanagan, J. Ford, R. Foster, M. Frank, A. Gaskill, H. Griffith, T. Haglage, R. Henderson, D. Hummel, S. Jordon, W. Kershner, E. Kopczynski, R. Kuklenski, E. Lango, D. Lukenson, D. MacConnell, H. McElroy, W. McIntyre, G. Miller, B. Munger, L. Noll, R. Olson, R. Paquette, R. Patterson, E. Renfro, M. Rhodes, W. Ring, C. Rubeling, S. Rubin, G. Schultz, R. Shreffler, W. Shropshire, H. Simpson, H. Skow, R. Springer, M. Strohman, B. Sturzman, W. Swary, J. Translou, J. Truxillo, J. Tull, T. Vonasek, T. Williamson, L. Wilson, H. Wood,

Members with dues paid through 2006 or more – C. Anderson, P. Andress, W. Anson, J. Barry, D. Beals, B. Betz, Jr., J. Carey, F. Carper, Jr., R. Cheely, A. Corral, D. Culpepper, M. Dejarnette, D. Dickenson, H. Drugan, K. Duttarar, J. Eagon, J. Earven, F. Fitzpatric, R. Furlow, R. Gehrich, L. Gideon, J. Gillivan, P. Goguen, P. Guido, J. Hagg, D. Hammond, D. Hellmann, J. Hogard, P. Houze, C. Jennings, J. Johnson, R. Jones, K. Kyle, H. Lowther, W. Lutz Jr., J. Masters, T. McCants, R. McDonald, J. Mozis, R. O'Brien, A. Oliveria, D. Pavey, J. Pearce, C. Phipps, A. Poortvliet, M. Riley, E. Roth, R. Sakers Jr., J. Saeugling, P. Savage, W. Schulz, D. Schirmer, F. Small, J. Splese, M. Stein, M. Stevens, B. Wall, T. Ward, J. Wilson,

Life Members - John D. Adams, Pete Agostini, Robert Dixon, James W. Graves, Jack Heiken, Lawson Hornor, James Housley, Charles Jardine, Jackson Johnson, Carl McCann, Richard Phares, Luke Raich, Harold Reece, Wilton Schanzenbach, Charles Unetl,

Magoffin "TEE" shirts



Magoffin Ball Caps



Lapel Pins



Magoffin Gear Available

Order Form

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Nr _____ Email _____

Item name _____ Quantity _____ Subtotal _____

Magoffin ball caps \$13.00 ea _____

Lapel Pins \$ 4.50 ea _____

Magoffin t-shirts \$15.00 ea _____

S M L XL XXL XXXL _____

Circle the sizes and show amounts

Prices include shipping costs _____ **Total** _____

**Send checks to: USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION
SHIP'S STORE
104 214TH. N.E.
SAMMAMISH, WA 98074**

Individual reservations must be made by calling 866-837-4201 no later than Friday, March 24th 2006. Be sure to identify yourself as a member of the USS Magoffin Group.

The hotel provides free transportation to and from the airport.

Parking Fee of \$5.00 per night - Check in 3:00 PM - Check out 12 Noon

(This rate is available three days prior and three days after the conclusion of our reunion.)

Room Rate \$99.00 Sgl/Dbl. per night (plus 10.5% TOT)

www.sheraton.com/sandiegomv

Phone 619-260-0111

1433 Camino Del Rio South,
San Diego, Ca.92108
Mission Valley

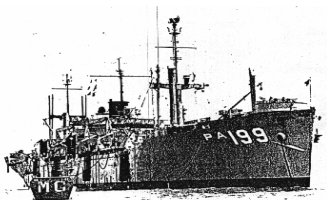
Sheraton San Diego Hotel

Wed April 19th to Saturday April 22nd 2006

USS Magoffin Veteran's Association
12th Reunion

**USS Magoffin (APA-199)
Veterans Association**

**Terry Little, Editor
1914 Irvin Cobb Road
Murray, KY 42071**



"No beach beyond our reach"

Defending America - WWII, Korea, Cold War, Viet Nam