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President's Corner

For our rescheduled 2021 Reunion in San Diego, CA, we have again contracted with the Holiday Inn Bayside San Diego Hotel, conveniently located on The Bay, near the attractions that have made San Diego world famous.

We were able to retain a room rate of \$154.00 plus tax, which includes a \$30 breakfast voucher. Also included are a fitness center, free self-parking, free shuttle to local attractions and free wi-fi in all rooms. We were able to get the guaranteed rate for three days prior and three days after the reunion.

We have put together a slate of attractions that will have something for everyone. The tours have been designed to maximize our sight-seeing opportunities while minimizing the amount of walking required. All are priced on an à la carte basis, so you can participate in as many or as few as you like. See the enclosed Itinerary for tour details.

After check-in on Sunday, August 22, the Hospitality Room will open at noon. We will assemble at 5:30 p.m. for the Welcome Aboard Pizza Reception, compliments of the Association.

On Monday, August 23, we will depart from the hotel at 9:30 a.m. for a bus tour of Cabrillo National Monument, and Old Town, followed by lunch at Casa Guadalajara, with a welcoming margarita, choice of steak or chicken, rice, beans, guacamole, tortillas, chips, salsa, beverage and a rich flan for dessert. Return to the Hotel by 3:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, August 24, we will depart the hotel at 9:30 a.m. for a tour of the worldfamous Birch Aquarium and La Jolla Cove, followed by lunch at Harbor House Restaurant, which overlooks the Harbor at Seaport Village, with three entrée choices, including beverage and dessert. Return to the Hotel by 3:30 p.m. Both these tours are not to be missed.

On Wednesday, August 25, we will hold our Memorial Service at 10:00 a.m., followed by our Business Meeting at 10:30 a.m., concurrent with the complimentary Ladies Tea and Gift Exchange (please bring a gift valued at \$20.00). We will have our Cocktail hour at 6:00 p.m., followed at 7:00 p.m. by the Final Evening Banquet and Dance.

See you in August!

Maurice Medland President



(Photo courtesy of Sharon Lange)

TAPS

Our sincere condolences go out to the families and friends of our departed shipmates.

Claude Ray Miller (50-54) 12/4/2019 Harrison MacNeir (64-65) 4/29/2019 Leslie C Hunter (62-65) 7/14/2019 Capt. Bill Bloh (66-67) 8/12/20 [Please see Memoriam, below] Bill Drinkwalter (55-58) 7/22/20 William Silveira (53-56) 1/28/2020 William P. Klapp. 9/1/2020 Herbert B. Madeley, Jr. (48-52) 7/6/2020 Burnia Jones (58-62) 5/17/20 Ronald C. Parsons (60-62) 11/7/2020

Membership

Currently we have 548 people on our roster for which we have addresses, consisting of 62 Charter Members, 129 Regular Members, 26 Widows, 6 from other tenders and 325 nonmembers. Our numbers are gradually decreasing as can be expected because of our age. If you have contact information on a shipmate that is not on the roster please give the information to Secretary Victor Fischer. He in turn will extend an invitation to join our association.

William Carl Bloh, Captain, US Navy Retired January 30, 1935 -- August 12, 2020

William (Bill) Bloh, 85, was born on January 30, 1935 in Giddings, Texas. He was the son of William Rinehardt Bloh and mother Ida Bloh Bloom. He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Norma McNaely, Irene McNaely and Vivian Holliday.

Bill is survived by his wife of 61 years, Marcia; son, David Bloh and his wife, Kerrie of Montgomery, TX; son, Greg Bloh and his wife, Donna of Chattanooga, TN; granddaughters Cori Washburn and husband Brett, Lauren Bloh, and Kamryn Bloh; great-grandson Tripp Washburn; and brother, Robert Bloh and wife, Deirdre Bloh of Ashborough, NC.



Bill served in the US Navy from October 1957 through November 1981. He enlisted out of college, attended flight training and started his tour around the United States. The highlight of his career was being selected as Commanding Officer of VP 49 in Jacksonville, FL, a squadron consisting of twelve P3C Orions, and 245 Officers and Men who searched for Russian Submarines throughout the Atlantic and Mediterranean. Upon completing his command tour he served in London, England and was in charge of anti-submarine forces in the Mediterranean. His final tour was regional manager for the Navy high school NROTC program in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas.

After fifteen moves to different places across the world, their retirement from the military brought Bill and Marcia to April Sound on Lake Conroe to be their home for 39 years. Bill launched a successful career in real estate as a broker and realtor, specializing in land sales. He built Top Guns Realty from the ground up. After selling Top Guns, he and Marcia continued their real estate endeavors with their company MuchLand.com until his final days.

Bill was full of wisdom and experiences that he loved to share with others. He was great at telling sea stories and jokes, and was always sure to get a good laugh. He enjoyed helping others, and he was "here to teach you about land, and if you find something you like, then we'll work out a deal."

Bill's pride and joy was always his family and the time they spent together. Bill and Marcia shared many great memories with lifelong friends. Bill always looked forward to meeting a couple times each week at 105 Café for breakfast with his coffee buddies. Over the years, he enjoyed his time spent in the outdoors, hunting, saltwater fishing and being on the lake.

The family would like to thank Dr. Edward Flores and Heart to Heart Hospice for their special care. There will be a private service for the family at Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Houston. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Faith Fighting Cancer in Montgomery County or The Wounded Warrior Project.

Dues

As a reminder, our dues are \$20 per year for regular members and \$15 for charter members. If you fall behind for five years you will be moved to a non-member status. You are encouraged to keep your dues up to date to fund our newsletter and other expenses that are incurred.

Please make the check out to Salisbury Sound Association, and mail to:

Victor Fischer, Secretary 664 Fourth Street Lemont, IL 60439 <u>duffer664@sbcglobal.net</u> The last date that you paid dues is listed on the fourth line of the address on the envelope of this newsletter. For those who receive this by email you will receive an email dues reminder.



Sally Baseball Caps



Sally Polo shirts have been discontinued but sales continue to be brisk for Sally Baseball Caps. Caps are \$22 plus \$6 for shipping and handling. These beautiful caps feature a state-of-the-art embroidered image of the ship that is incredibly detailed. Don't miss out. Order yours before the current supply is exhausted. Make check out to USS Salisbury Sound Association and mail to:

> Barry Henry, Treasurer 3298 Province Circle Mundelein, IL 60060

	San Di	ego Reunion		
		22-26, 2021		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25	August 26
Check in at	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
HOLIDAY	at Hotel	at Hotel	at Hotel	at Hotel
INN SAN DIEGO BAYSIDE HOTEL	0,20 a m		10:00 a.m. MEMORIAL SERVICE	Depart
\$154.00 per pere	9:30 a.m. CABRILLO NATIONAL MONUMENT, OLD TOWN and	9:30 a.m. BIRCH AQUARIUM, La JOLLA	10:30 a.m. BUSINESS MEETING	
\$154.00 per room per night plus tax including \$30 breakfast voucher	LUNCH at Casa de Guadalajara	COVE and LUNCH at	10:30 a.m. LADIES TEA &	
12:00 Noon Hospitality Room Open		Harbor House	GIFT EXCHANGE Compliments of the	
5:30 p.m. "WELCOME ABOARD" Compliments of	\$105.00 per person Return to hotel by 3:30 p.m. Hospitality Room Open 5:00-7:00 p.m. HOTEL	\$105.00 per person Return to the hotel by 3:30 p.m. Hospitality Room Open 5:00-7:00 p.m.	Association 6:00 p.m. COCKTAILS Cash Bar 7:00 p.m. FINAL EVENING	
the Association Reception in Hospitality Room 6:30 p.m. BOARD MEETING	HOTEL HAPPY HOUR in Bayside Bar Drink Specials & Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres	HOTEL HAPPY HOUR in Bayside Bar Drink Specials & Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres	BANQUET and DANCE \$67.00 per person	

USS SALISBURY SOUND (AV-13) San Diego Reunion August 22-26, 2021

NAME		
SPOUSE/GUEST		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
HOME PHONE		
EMAIL		
Years Aboard (e.g., 55-57)	Rank (e.g., EM2)	Division (e.g., E) _
Any Dietary Restrictions?		
Wheelchair Required?		

HOST HOTEL: HOLIDAY INN SAN DIEGO BAYSIDE HOTEL 4875 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, California 92106

Call 619-224-3621 for room reservations and mention you are with the USS Salisbury Sound Reunion. The room rate is \$154.00 per room per night plus tax including breakfast. Rooms not reserved by July 22, 2021 will be dropped from the group block. The hotel will accept reservations after July 22, 2021 on a space

available and rate available basis only.

REUNION ACTIVITY PACKAGE

Sunday Welcome Reception (complimentary) _____# of attendees

Monday Tour and Lunch_____# of attendees x \$105.00 pp = \$___

Tuesday Tour and Lunch_____# of attendees x \$105.00 pp = \$_____

Wednesday Ladies Tea (complimentary) _____# of attendees

Wednesday, Dinner_____# of attendees x \$67.00 pp = \$_____

____Tri Tip Steak _____Chicken Marsala _____Poached Salmon _____Vegetarian

Registration Fee: _____# of attendees x \$25.00 pp = _____

TRIP INSURANCE:

_____# of attendees x \$19.95 pp = \$_____

Full refund on cancellation of activity package up to 48 hours prior to the first day of the reunion.

TOTAL DUE: \$_

A 50% deposit is required by JUNE 22, 2021 with final payment due JULY 22, 2021. No refunds on activity package after JULY 22, 2021 unless trip insurance has been purchased.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK TO:

GATHERINGS PLUS

155 Industrial Park Drive, Hollister, Mo. 65672

or

Register online at www.GatheringsPlus.com Passcode: salisburysound2021

or pay by credit card with 5% processing fee added by Gatherings Plus:

Name on Card:

_____Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Amount to be charged: \$____

(If 50% Gatherings Plus will automatically charge the balance 30 days prior to reunion)