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Atter leaving Trieste with a Christmas tree on the bow, Roan traveled the 63 nautical mile crossing to Venice, Italy in 1952.

(Read the rest of the story by Henry Rossi begining on page 10)

# **Shipmates**

Only through your generosity can we keep this ship afloat. The board has voted over and over not to charge dues, but we still need money to function. Each edition of "The Jolly Cholly" costs us over a \$1,200 to print and mail. By you mailing a contribution to the Association President we will be able to keep the spirit of the Charles H. Roan alive. We are hoping our shipmates will help us to keep going by contributing to the Association. Whatever you can afford will be greatly appreciated, and will also help us to continue the comaraderie we had when we served in the U.S.S. Charles H. Roan DD 853.

#### Thank you

# From the Signal Bridge



Our reunion committee has been to Amarillo and this promises to be a once in a lifetime reunion for the USS Charles H. Roan Association. The local Chamber of Commerce has gone far to accommodate us, and insure a great reunion according to committee reports. Nearby Claude, TX is where our

ships namesake grew up and lived all his life. This very small community and a local Veterans group are eager to have us there. There is a memorial set up near the center square honoring Charles H. Roan. What we need to do is make it a "MUST" to be at the reunion. Please, everybody think, plan and be ready to make your reservations for this "once in a lifetime" reunion.

The committee has negotiated some very good agreements and the cost factor will be more than reasonable to each of us. Some costs are going to be covered by the local Chamber of Commerce, which is unheard of. The local organizations involved with planning this reunion with us have been promoting our visit and have been extremely anxious and more than willing to accommodate us. What we need now is, YOU.

The Ussery-Roan Veteran's Home is in Amarillo, TX. The original Roan home is still standing in nearby Claude. Amarillo has opened their arms to us. Even the small Veterans Association in Claude is going out of their way to greet us.

Let's make this our greatest reunion and what better place to do a reunion than in Charles Roan's hometown. Set aside the dates of the reunion and plan to make this trip. I know for some of us the trip will be lengthy but if need be, get your family to come aboard to help you in this endeavor. The rewards will over shadow some of the costs and time. This may be the last big "Hoorah" for many of us. Let's not disappoint the people of Amarillo and Claude, TX.

Here's something else to consider. Flagstaff, AZ and the Grand Canyon are just one days' drive west of Amarillo and Las Vegas is just a day and a half. Why not make this a great vacation and extend your visit to see them? God willing, that is some of my plans.

Again, I would like to end with some of my concerns. I know I continue to ask for financial help to KEEP US AFLOAT. Some of you have answered the call and we thank you. My last request for help netted us a little more than the cost of one NEWSLETTER. The Newsletter alone costs us better than \$3200.00 a year. I truly believe, the Newsletter is our lifeline and keeps us together. I would like to see it continue, wouldn't you?

Richard & Souza

# Financial Report October 15, 2015

Last Financial Report 7-Apr-15

Balance of Checking Account 10,108.34 Reserve Fund-Separate Account 700.00

#### Expenditures

Post Office	310.52
Office Supplies	145.48
Small Stores	1,489.35
Printing/Newsletter	1,588.84
Telephone/Internet	875.00
Bereavement	241.83
Refunds	85.00
Amarillo Reunion Expenses	500.00

Total Expenses -5,236.02

#### **Deposits**

Donations/Small Stores \$4,992.80

Checking Account	10,108.34
Deposits	4,992.80
Expenses	-5,236.02

Total Balance 9865.12 Reserve Fund 700.00

Total Assets Including Reserve Fund \$10,565.12

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## **Loved Ones**

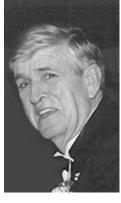
#### The Eternal Goodness

I know not what the future hath of marvel or surprise! Assured alone that life and death God's mercy underlies. And so! beside the silent sea!
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from Him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.

And if my heart and flesh are weak
To bear an untried pain!
The bruised reed He will not break!
But strengthen and sustain.

I know not where His islands lift Their fronded palms in air; I only know I cannot drift Beyond His love and care. - ].G. Whittier -

O'Connor, Jeremiah J. "Pat," 78, passed away Sunday, November 25, 2012 at the Kent Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Susan L. (Quinn) O'Connor and a son of the late John J. and Mary B. (Moriarty) O'Connor. Mr. O'Connor served in the United States Navy for 20 yrs. and was a veteran of the Korean War and Vietnam War. He was also the maintenance supervisor for Apex for 30 yrs. Pat was an avid golfer and aced a hole in one at the Crestwood Country Club. He was the loving father of Patricia A. Glendinning and her husband John, Kevin M. O'Connor and Brian P. O'Connor; devoted grandfather of Jeremy and Patrick O'Connor; and brother of John F. and William P. O'Connor. Jeremiah J O'Connor



Dear Mr. Rossi,

BM3 52-57

I ran across one of "The Jolly Cholly" newsletters yesterday while searching for information about my father-in-law's time of service on the Charles H. Roan. The newsletter that I found was Volume 16, Number 1, Spring 2013. I was pleasantly surprised to see my father in law (Rodney Dale McCloskey) in the Taps section.

We lost Rodney on September 25, 2009. Thank you for honoring him with the mention. My wife Linda (Rodney's daughter) honored him for Memorial Day on Facebook with a collage. It shows three pictures of Rodney during his time on board the Charles H. Roan, one of him as a Boy Scout, one of him in the 1970's as a National Guard member, and one of the USS Charles H. Roan itself. I thought you would enjoy it. Feel free to use it or any of the individual pictures in future publication of the newsletter.

Rodney's widow (Jean McCloskey), now 81, has been living with us since Rodney passed away. She was very moved by the mention of Rodney's passing in the newsletter.

Thank you for all you do.

Respectfully, Patrick Hill son-in-law of Rodney McCloskey BM3 54-56

Dear Mr. Souza,

This email is to inform you of the passing of my dad, Richard B. Patterson, he was an EM1 on the U.S.S. Charles H. Roan DD-853 serving from 1953 to 1957. My dad has been receiving your wonderful "Jolly Cholly" booklet for many years and he always loved reading it. I'm sure it is a costly little publication and it would be greatly appreciated if you would stop sending the booklet.

Thank you every so much. The family of the late: Richard B. Patterson EM1 54-57

Shipmates,

Shipmate Howard Timblin has lost his wife after a long battle with illness and Alzheimer's. Please say a prayer for my father during this difficult time.

Sherry Timblin-Spinney daughter of

Howard Timblin

SN 57-59

Dear Richard,

I am the wife of the late Arthur Hammell. Would you forward this thank you card to whom ever would be interested in seeing it.

It was such a surprise to see the lovely spray of flowers at the mortuary. It made us cry. Artie would have loved to see this from his shipmates from the Charles H. Roan. I'd like to think he did. The card and flowers were deeply appreciated.

Linda Hammell, wife of Artie Hammell BT3 62-64



Edward Gcnc "Louic" Loudenslarger. age 8I, of Pensacola. FL passed away Monday, September 7 2015 at a local hospice. He proudly retired from the U.S. Navy and U.S. Postal Service. He was a member of Elk Lodge #2108 and the Fleet Reserve.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Sonja M. Loudcnslarger: his brother. Robert Flolo Loudenslarger (Edna): sister, Leona Johnson; and numerous nieces and nephews. Edward "Louic" Loudenslarger RD2 62-65



Hi Joe.

Yesterday I received my father-in-law, Richard Zimmermann's, copy of "The Jolly Cholly." and noticed in there that you have listed obituaries. My father-in-law served on The U.S.S. Charles H. Roan I believe from 1965-1967. He passed away in February from brain cancer. Attached his resume as well as two photos. Would you mind printing his obituary in the next issue of "The Jolly Cholly?"

Thanks, Stacy Zimmermann daughter-in-law of Richard P Zimmermann LTjg 65-67



## Please Say A Little Prayer

Hi Richard and Jack,

I just wanted to let you know that Maria has been in the hospital since last Friday. I won't go into a lot of details now. She had a lump on her head that started out pea sized about a month ago and grew to almost golf ball size. For the last 2 weeks she has had pain from her neck down her right side and has had difficulty walking. A brain scan showed that she has three masses on her head, two on the right and a small one on her left temple. A body scan indicated that she also had 2 masses on her spine and masses on her rib and femur. Biopsy of the large mass on her brain revealed that she has Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma. Doctor says it is treatable and curable.

She is scheduled for a bone marrow biopsy and port insertion this afternoon and should be released from the hospital tomorrow. She will begin chemo next Tuesday or Wednesday. I'm waiting to hear back from the doctor's office for an appointment.

Maria is really down and we're all trying our best to keep her spirits up. She is in constant pain right now. We're hoping that will start subsiding when she starts chemotherapy.

On top of this, two weeks ago we buried her mother. When it rains, it pours. Ralph Rankin

FTGSN 65-67

# Charles H. Roan Reunion 2016 September 6 to 11 Amarillo Texas

During the last reunion in Philadelphia in 2014, Amarillo Texas was chosen for our 2016 Reunion. The city of Amarillo has welcomed the USS Charles H. Roan with open arms and advance planning is well underway. The reunion will be held at the Amarillo Inn & suites, room cost will be \$69.00 per night, plus tax, and includes breakfast.

#### The tentative schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday 6 Sept** – Early Bird Arrivals, if you are going to play Golf arrive on 6 Sept. Hospitality Room will open about 1300.

**Wednesday 7 Sept** – Golf in the morning, Shipmates arrivals, get settled in and acquainted with Amarillo. Welcome Aboard Party

**Thursday 8 Sept** – Bus trip to Claude Texas home of Charles H. Roan. Visit a local museum, tour the town, and visit the memorial to Charles H. Roan followed by an outdoor cook out with Claude residents and the local American Legion Posts.

**Friday 9 Sept** – Bus trip to the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum (PPHM) in Canyon, Texas. Charles H. Roan's Metal of Honor is on display. Lunch will be catered at the museum. Following the museum visit a bus tour of Plao Duro Canyon.

**Saturday 10 Sept** – Business Meeting, visit to Ussery-Roan VA Home. Photographs, Happy Hour, Banquet and show.

**Sunday 11 Sept** – Check out, Hospitality Room will secure about 1300.

American and Southwest Airlines have excellent connections for Amarillo through Dallas. For those who want to arrive early or stay a few days after the reunion, the reunion room rates will be good 3 days before and 3 days after the reunion.

Any comments or recommendations contact Tom Van Petten at 252 586 5853 or e-mail - rangerunner@msn.com

Be sure to visit our web page at:

http://www.usscharleshroan.org/

Ron Lucchesi, FTG3, 66-68, has put a lot of hard work into it.

# "Within my heart the song still plays in memory of those better days" Flags and Signals

Richard,

The Association does a good job putting together "The Jolly Cholly."

Thanks,

Joe Angione

MM3 46-47 Plankowner

Mr. Souza,

I'm writing this for my husband Richard J. Huefner (BT2, 55-59). We just finished reading the latest issue of 'The Jolly Cholly." The article on the last page caught our attention - The shipmates suffering from asbestos-related cancer. Rich was diagnosed in April, 2014 with this type cancer of the lung. He has been on Hospice since Sept, 2014 and his prognosis was 6-12 months. He also uses oxygen most of the day and night. He has no appetite or energy for the least activity and has lost over 70 lbs. He was a good friend of Larry Suma who was killed in a auto accident while on a weekend pass in 1959. Their bunks were across from one another. Frank Caldwell, BTCS worked on the boilers with him and passed Dec. 2012

As for VA benefits--he has been getting some medications thru them, but has never sought any compensation for anything.

Our son was an Air Force pilot and flew in Dessert Storm. He has retired from his job flying for UPS.

Sincerely,

Judy Huefner, wife of Richard Huefner

BT2 55-59

#### Hi shipmates,

How can every issue be so terrific? It's magic ... no it's not, it's hard work and dedication by the likes of you two. Thanks for it all. Every issue is better than a candy bar! A donation will follow.

Clint Vail, (now LCDR, USNR Ret)

LTJG, 53-54

#### Hi Rich,

It was good to hear from you. Here's a donation for the kitty.

June & Bob Smith

ENFN 59-61

#### Richard.

Thank you for you your hard work maintaining this excellent Association. I am proud to be a member and always look forward to the newsletters. I was saddened to read in the recent issue about the passing of CDR. Wilson. He was a fine man.

I have enclosed a check to help with the cost of the Association and the newsletter.

Mike Johnson

LTjg. 68-71

Good Evening Joe Lambert,

This is a subject that I would prefer not to indulge in. The past two editions of "The Jolly Cholly" have contained a list of "Deceased Shipmates", both Association and non-association members.

I have checked to see if Marvin [Chuck] Cunningham RD3 was listed but neither list contained his name. I had many occasion to talk with Chuck during our 1960 Med Cruise. Chuck told me that he planned to attend a small technical school in Fort Wayne, IN after he was discharged. I didn't inquire as to the school's name. Several years after my discharge, I attended a small engineering school in Fort Wayne, IN [Sept 1963].

While waiting to register and sign-up for classes, here comes Marvin [Chuck] Cunningham walking down the hallway. I called out "Chuck Cunningham" and he turned to face the caller. I said, "Bob Cronan from the Roan". We had a short conversion about life and such and moved on.

He tracked me down sometime later because he would like me to have joined his fraternity. Long story shortened, several weeks went by and I didn't hear from Chuck so I checked with his fraternity. I learned from the President of the fraternity that he had passed away from some rare disease. Time has erased some if not all of the details of his passing. I think Marvin Cunningham should be listed as deceased. If need be, I could contact the Alumni Office to learn more details. Please let me know.

Your shipmate

Robert [Bob] E. Cronan

FTG2 59-60

#### Shipmates,

Here's a C. H. Roan story to add to John Anderson's recollection of our 67 Med cruise. 48 years ago this weekend, the Roan was anchored off Athens, Greece. I had the Boat Coxswain's duty for the day. After a couple of trips to the pier, we tied the boat to the gangway and went to the galley for a sandwich. Walking back down the starboard side, I didn't see the motor whaleboat. When I reached the fantail the OOD was having a fit. Out about 15-20 yards, I could see the boat drifting away. I started freaking out, and the OOD was yelling do something. Now!

I knew I was responsible, but I'm no Johnny Weismueller or Mark Spitz. I handed my wallet to the OOD, took off my shoes and jumped in. It was probably about 30 yards or so, before I reached the boat. It seemed like it took me 2 years to get there. I didn't have the strength to pull myself in, so I just held on for about 5-10 minutes.

I finally climbed in and brought the boat back. I was so scared, I thought they'd send me to the brig. I did get a tongue lashing, and told to get back on the boat. I never left it the rest of the day. I still laugh about this all the time. Any of you Roan sailors remember this????

Mike Frederick

BM3 65-67

# Flags and Signals

Hi Richard,

Been meaning to send this. Please find a money order for \$270. Use the \$70 for my order from the ships store. Keep the rest for your needs to keep the Association going. You guys are doing a fantastic job. It's been great to be a part.

Thanks,

Mike Frederick

BM3 65-675

Dear Mr. Souza,

Please send me a Golf Shirt and baseball cap (pre-fram) from the Ship's Store. Enclosed are funds to cover the cost. I am also enclosing a \$20 contribution to help maintain publication and distribution of "The Jolly Cholly".

Sincerely,

Charles Hund

SO1 54-56

#### Hi Rich

Enclosed is a check for a ball cap, my old one has seen better days. Please use the rest to help with Association expenses.

Alan Haines

GM3 57-59

#### Richard,

As promised here's my donation for "The Jolly Cholly." My guess is you mail out all copies printed. How about we all subscribe - so much a year?

Clint Vail

LTjg 51-53

#### Richard,

Alice and I are looking forward to Amarillo next year. You and I have spoken before about sending the newsletter via e-mail. It would be a considerable saving in printing and mailing, Although all members do not e-mail, most do. If there is anything I can do to help in this process don't hesitate to ask. Snail mail can be sent to those members who don't e-mail.

See you in Texas. Enclosed is something for the Association. Tony DeNiro

SN 59-60

#### Richard,

During my "long" tour of duty on the Charles H. Roan, (3 months 19 days) I didn't get a chance to really know many shipmates. But I did enjoy the cruise we went on. Enclosed is some help for you.

A shipmate,

Thomas Kauffman

BMC 57

Dear Richard,

Here is a few bucks for the general fund.

Mike Hanley

TM3 65-67

Hi Chief,

My sympathies go out to all of our departed shipmates. I served with Capt. Max I. Slankard and LCDR. Robert T. Reimann. Two gentlemen I will never forget. I ran our ship's office during our time together. Two officer's who were true navy men all the way. I had kept in contact with both of them. Capt. Slankard when he resided in Fox Lake, IL and by telephone and correspondence with LCDR. Reimann. Many memories remain with me.

I noted that LTjg Mike Barker attended our last reunion. My health has kept me from attending our reunions, but hopefully, I will be able to make our next reunion in Amarillo Texas in 2016.

Here is a check for the Association kitty.

Regards,

Jack Koivisto

PN1 68-70

Hi Joe

From the class of 66/68.

I certainly enjoy receiving "The Jolly Cholly." It always brings back the part of my life when each day was a new experience. My first sight of the Rock of Gibraltar in 1967 was very exciting. I was just a kid from Minneapolis with little chance for extensive travel for the first 18 years of my life. The Navy provided the means to be able to do a small part for my country, as well as learn about other cultures, and the people that make up the world.

The Med cruise of 67 was memorable. The six day war had us on station off the coast of Egypt. Not a great place to be when the Soviets were the Egyptian's ally, and we the Israelis. I also recall Captain Ward's mention of blocking the Soviet destroyer when we cruised with USS America CVA66. When the evaps went down, we were out of fresh water, other than for cooking and drinking for a few days. Never appreciated a shower more subsequent to that event.

David Snobeck, Don Doxey, Richie Calabro; were all great friends. I recall as an E-3 Yeoman, signing Lt. Fitzgerald out for his new duty station in Southeast Asia. I didn't know him, other than greeting, but what a pleasure to have served aboard the same ship. Joe, please take my offering for "The Jolly Cholly." What a great read.

"Riot-Squad, Bait Hook, Old Dominion, break! My rudder is right!

Ron NaSal

YN3 66-68

Rich,

Thanks to Henry Rossi for finding me last week. I am now a member of the Association. Also thank you for the two issues of "The Jolly Cholly." I have contacted Dr. Bob Ritchie in Maine via e-mail, and renewed a friendship after 61 years. Please accept my order for a Charles H. Roan ball cap and apply the remainder to the kitty.

Keep up the good work!!!

Sincerely,

Bill Stanley ET2 52-54

# Flags and Signals

Rich,

Thanks for sending the jacket and beer mug. They're perfect! Enclosed is my payment. Thanks again for taking good care of me. Winter is finally over and the Cubs are actually winning.

Your Shipmate, John Leonard GMG3 68-70

Chief Souza,

Here's a check for the Association kitty. I really enjoy "The Jolly Cholly."

Very Respectfully,

Ed Beeler SHCA 56-58

Dear Richard,

It was good to see you in Philadelphia. We had a fine time. Maybe we'll see you in Texas. Enclosed is a check to help with the cost of the newsletter and mailing.

All the best,

Elinor & Don Burton

MM3 49-52

Rich,

I hope this finds you in good health. Me not so good. I hope I can make Texas.

Bob Davis SN 48-52

Hi Suz,

It's been awhile since I have written to you and the C. H. Roan Assoc. I enjoy "The Jolly Cholly" newsletter. I have seen a few of my buddies have passed away. That's sad for me to see, but we are all getting old and I guess we have to expect it. You and the others shipmates are doing a great job keeping things going in tough times and I am sure many feel that way.

I remember TF47 and the Great Lakes trip, the time in Cleveland when I had to march in a parade and I had the mid-watch 11-7 the night before in the radio shack. I tried to get out of it but I was on the honor guard so I had to march. I was tired but after the parade we went on liberty anyway, I was pretty young then and it didn't bother me that much as I recall.

I am ordering a ships ball cap, and I'm enclosing a check for the cap and the rest can go the ships fund .... BTAR Your Shipmate,

Bill Lodi RM3 58-61

Hi Rich & Fellow Shipmates,

I hope all is well with everyone. I'm doing fine. Please find check enclosed for the Association.

Sincerely,

Kenny Duggan SFP3 62-65 Dear Chief Sousa:

A special thank you to you and the Board of Directors for keeping the memory and spirit of the ROAN alive. I have fond memories of my time aboard. I still tell my friends that I had "recruiting poster" duty home port Newport, 2 Med cruises, America's Cup, and finally Boston. We had some amazing experiences.

Please send a post 1961 ball cap, and keep the balance of the enclosed check for the kitty.

Curtiss B. Clemens, Sr.

PN2 67-68

Richard,

Enclosed find a personal check for \$100. Please send the listed items, and I hope you can use the remainder.

Thank you,

Ion Allen

EM3 65-67

Rich,

Barb and I had a great time in Philadelphia. We are looking forward to Amarillo next year. Enclosed is a few bucks for the Association.

Joe Marolda

RD3 59-61

Richard,

Every time I receive "The Jolly Cholly," old memories and faces come back to me. It also makes me proud that I served in the U.S. Navy. Here's a check for "The Jolly Cholly."

Tom E. Parker

DC2 66-70

Richard,

Here is Ship Store order. Keep the rest for the kitty.

Thanks,

Robert "Nick" Nicklas

FTG2 63-65

Hi Richard:

Enclosed is a check for a flag pin. Please keep the balance for the Association. Thanks.

Regards,

**Bob Shannon** 

QM3 62-64

Dear Richard,

Enclosed is my "makeup" check. For some reason unknown to me, there hasn't been one for too long. Use it as you do so well.

FYI ... I have recently been informed that Jimmy Epling, MMFN, who served aboard during the world cruise of 54-55 has died of mesothelioma. His family is pursuing a legal suit in his behalf.

Best Regards,

Robert Hedrick

MM3 54-55

# **Operation Mainbrace**

The Story of the 1952 Cruise By Henry Rossi, SK2, 57-60

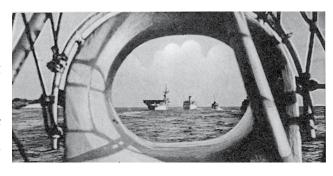


Capt. Curran, LCDR Meehan, QM1 Jack Miller

On August 26, 1952, the USS Charles H Roan under the command of James H Curran, CDR 52-54, set a coarse in the Atlantic to join other units of the fleet to participate in the first large scale naval exercise undertaken by NATO forces. Called Operation Mainbrace, it was the first part of a series of maneuvers from the Arctic Circle to the Mediterranean Sea occurring in the fall of 1952. Eighty thousand men, over 200 ships and 1,000 aircraft participated. Reported to be the largest and most powerful fleet that has cruised in the North Sea, nine NATO navies were involved; the British, French, Canadian, Danish, Norwegian, Portuguese, Netherlands, Belgian, and the United States Navy, with 59 ships present.

The objective of the exercise was to convince Denmark and Norway that they could be defended from the Soviet Union. It was NATO's military strategic concept of deterring Soviet aggression. The Cold War was on.

The Charles H. Roan arrived in Greenock (Glasgow), Scotland on September 10th. Operation Mainbrace started September 13th with the Roan sailing north to the Norwegian Sea, operating with the carriers Roosevelt CVB42, Midway CVB41 and Wasp CV18. They crossed the Arctic Circle on September 16th, than steamed all the way up, pass the top of Norway to within 1,000 miles of the North Pole. Maneuvers continued all the way down the coast of Norway to the North Sea and Denmark, where they concluded after 12 days, on September 25th.



The Roan proceeded through the English Channel to Southampton, England arriving on the 26th of September for three days of liberty and sightseeing. Next port of call was Lisbon, Portugal, arriving on Oct. 2nd and departing on the 9th. The Roan then made its way into the Mediterranean Sea and the port of Palermo, Sicily, on Oct 16 for a 4 day stay. They were underway on the 20th for a one day trip to the southeast side of Sicily into the port of Augusta, leaving on the 24th and steaming back up through the straits of Messina, up over through the straits of Bonifacio, between Sardinia and Corsica. On Oct 29th they arrived in Golfe Jaun, France, a small seaside resort next to Cannes, for 4 days of liberty on the French Riviera that included visits to Nice and Monte Carlo.

Operation Longstep was soon to begin. This was a naval exercise, with over 170 warships and 700 aircraft with forces from Great Britain, France, Greece, Turkey and the U.S. Sixth Fleet that involved the aircraft carriers Franklin D. Roosevelt and Wasp. The Roan, underway Nov 2nd from Golfe Jaun, steamed back down south of Sicily for the ten-day exercise that took place in the Eastern Mediterranean. The Roan participated with other destroyers in plane guard and ASW maneuvers. The operation concluded with an amphibious landing at Lebidos Bay south of Izmir, Turkey. Exercises over, the Roan

made port at Taranto, at the heel of Italy on Nov. 15th for a four-day stay.

Next came Athens, Greece, with site seeing at the Acropolis and the Parthenon temple. They stayed from Nov. 21st thru the 24th. Continuing to the middle-east and the port of Beirut, Lebanon, the Paris of the East, Roan arrived Nov. 26. Thanksgiving dinner was the next day and the Roan stayed in port



for 5 days. Underway again on Dec 1st and now steaming west 1,260 nautical miles to the port of Naples, Italy, Roan arrived Dec. 4th for an eight-day stay. Some shipmates toured Pompeii and the Isle of Capri. Others went to Rome to see Pope Pius the XII at the Vatican. Departing alone on Dec. 12th, Roan once again passed thru the straits of Messina, down around the boot of Italy, up to the very top of the Adriatic Sea to the port of Trieste in the Free Territory of Trieste. They arrived on Dec 20th. Christmas was celebrated here with a Santa and a party for local orphans. The Roan departed the next day with a Christmas tree on

the bow, for the 63 nautical mile crossing to Venice, Italy. They arrived the same day, Dec 26th. And anchored in the mouth of the Grand Canal. The Charles H. Roan was the first U.S. warship to visit the city in years. After five days of three-section liberty a big part of the crew were allowed ashore to celebrate New Years Eve with gusto, in the city of canals. January 2nd found the Roan taking the leisure 5-hour trip back to the port of Trieste, were they picked up mail and sent mail home. They stayed until Jan 6th, when the Roan left for long trip to Castellon de la Plana, Spain. She was the first U.S. Navy ship to visit Spain in 13 years, because the 1945-1953 trade embargo on Spain was lifted. Roan arrived Jan. 9th, staying for five days of liberty and seeing the bull fights. The ship left Jan.15th, arriving on Jan 19th in Gibraltar, the fifteenth and final foreign port. The Roan made ready, then departed on the 26th for the 3,480 mile crossing of the Atlantic to our home, Newport, RI, arriving Feb. 4, 1953, and ending a 163 day cruise, 80 days at sea and 83 days in port.

One of the most intriguing parts of this cruise is what most shipmates may not be aware of. There were 9 sets of brothers on the 1952 cruise.

Bobby, SN	and	Elvis, SN	ARMOUR
Amos, BM2	and	Wade, CS2	CHEEK
Joseph, GM2	and	Robert, CS3	DALPEE
Francis, SN	and	James, SN	FISK
Bernard, TESN	and	Earlan, SN	HOFFMAN
Donald, SN	and	Roger, RM3	HOUSEKNECHT
John, BT3	and	Roger, BT3	SAMS
John, BM3	and	Richard, BM3	SERNA
Joseph, CS3	and	William, SH3	SINKO

In addition to them, there were three BALLARDs, two CARLSONs and two DAVIS brothers who served in Roan in 1952. Only one of each of these sets of brothers made the 1952 NATO cruise. As Chief Richard Souza says, this must be a record of some kind for the USS Charles H Roan DD853.

My Thanks to Joseph Conti RD3 51-55 and Herbert Leong QMSN 51-53 for supplying the dates and to others that I talked to while researching this story. Henry Rossi SK2 57-60

### **Brothers**

1949

Christopher CARLSON BT2 Joe M CARLSON SO2

1950

Christopher CARLSON BT2 Joe M CARLSON SO2

Lawrence J SAPORITO SN Salvatore J SAPORITO SN

1951

Jack M BALLARD CS2 Thurman E BALLARD CSSN

Christopher CARLSON BT2 Joe M CARLSON SO2

Amos E CHEEK BM2 Wade C CHEEK CS3

Francis H FISK SN James I FISK SN

Joseph O GODFRAY CS1 Leonard F GODFRAY CSSN

John L PACCIA SO2 Gerald F PACCIA SN

Lawrence J SAPORITO SN Salvatore J SAPORITO SN John V SERNA BM3 Richard E SERNA BM3

1952

BOBBY L ARMOUR SN Elivs R ARMOUR SN

Jack M BALLARD CS2 Max B BALLARD SHSN Thurman E BALLARD CSSN

Christopher CARLSON BT2 Joe M CARLSON SO2

Amos E CHEEK BM2 Wade C CHEEK CS3

Robert E DAVIS SN John H DAVIS SN

Joseph A Dalpee GM2 Robert T Dalpee CS3

Francis H FISK SN James I FISK SN

Bernard D HOFFMAN TESN Earlan J HOFFMAN SN

Donald L HOUSEKNECHT SN Roger A HOUSEKNECHT RM3 John G SAMS BT3 Roger B SAMS BT3

John V SERNA BM3 Richard E SERNA BM3

1953

BOBBY L ARMOUR SN Elivs R ARMOUR SN

Amos E CHEEK BM2 Wade C CHEEK CS3

Joseph A Dalpee GM2 Robert T Dalpee CS3

Francis H FISK SN James I FISK SN

Bernard D HOFFMAN TESN Earlan J HOFFMAN SN

Donald L HOUSEKNECHT SN Roger A HOUSEKNECHT RM3

John G SAMS BT3 Roger B SAMS BT3

John V SERNA BM3 Richard E SERNA BM3 Joseph SINKO CS3 William T SINKO SH3

1954

BOBBY L ARMOUR SN Elivs R ARMOUR SN

Amos E CHEEK BM2 Wade C CHEEK CS3

Francis H FISK SN James I FISK SN

Bernard D HOFFMAN TESN Earlan J HOFFMAN SN

John G SAMS BT3 Roger B SAMS BT3

Joseph SINKO CS3 William T SINKO SH3

1955

Amos E CHEEK BM2 Wade C CHEEK CS3

John L PACCIA SO2 Donald W PACCIA SN

Joseph SINKO CS3 William T SINKO SH3



Thought I'd forward this picture of my wife, Carol, and I representing the Roan at Fleet Week in San Francisco with Alcatraz and the Blue Angels in the background on Sunday, Oct 11, 2015.

Richard Albright ETR3 64-66



I have attached two pictures of the Charles H. Roan at the U S Naval Academy in Annapolis in 1947. I bought the item off of eBay and have no other information.

John Conley RM2 69-70



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## REMEMBERING HAROLD E. WARD

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, when author Tom Brokaw called Americans who came of age during World War II the "greatest generation," he had in mind remarkable people like Harold E. Ward, who passed away last week. Mr. Ward lived nearly six decades in Lee, NH, where neighbors knew him for his kindness and warm smile. But few knew that during his 94 years he bore witness to some of the most profound events and transformations of 20th and 21st century America.

In his teens, during the Great Depression, he experienced dire poverty and frequent hunger, enduring what he called "missed meal cramps." As an African American, he endured the slights and segregation of Jim Crow, including when he joined the Navy 2 years before the United States entered World War II. Mr. Ward had graduated from trade school as a skilled electrician, but the few African Americans serving in the Navy were routinely assigned to menial positions such as stewards for ship officers. It was only later, after desegregation of the military, that he became a cook.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, he was on duty aboard the USS San Francisco at Pearl Harbor. From his battle station, he witnessed the most devastating foreign attack ever carried out against our military on U.S. soil.

That was Harold Ward's first taste of combat but far from the last. Eleven months later, serving in the Pacific during the Battle of Guadalcanal, he survived numerous wounds from shell fragments and watched a close friend die next to him. He was awarded the Purple Heart. But, referring to shrapnel permanently embedded in his legs, he later said, "I wear my medals on my body." Recalling the prejudice he faced as a Black sailor, he told a local newspaper: "You look back on it, and despite the fact there was

such a separation of people, all the blood ran red."

Harold Ward served two decades in the Navy, retiring as first class petty officer commissary steward. He went on to use his culinary skills at restaurants in Exeter and Durham, NH, including his own restaurant, Harold's Place, and also worked as a part-time police officer in Lee.

Mr. Ward was a 55-year member, past commander, and chaplain of American Legion Post 67 in Newmarket, NH, and a founding member and past commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10676 in Lee. He lived to witness the end of legal segregation, the triumphs of the civil rights movement, and the election and reelection of an African-American President.

Across the decades, Mr. Ward was a gifted mentor to countless young people who crossed his path. Harold and his wife Virginia treated these young men and women as members of the Ward family, giving them love, counsel, and a place to call home.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., said, "Life's most urgent and persistent question is: What are you doing for others?" Across his eventful life, Harold Ward answered that question in powerful ways, including service to his country, to his community, and to anyone he encountered who needed a helping hand or a wise word.

Harold was predeceased by his beloved wife Virginia and two sons, Bruce and Theodore. He is remembered with much love by daughters Linda and Harriet and son Michael. The Lee community is mourning his passing, as are countless people whose lives he touched. On behalf of the United States Senate and a grateful nation, I thank Harold Ward for his many years of dedicated service. May he rest in peace.

# **Deceased Shipmates**

John L Passia Jr Thomas E Charles Donald W Paccia Albert J Manachino, SO2 47/55 MML1 52-53 SN 55-56 RMC 61-62 08/79 01/96 12/04 02/15Lawrence Saporito Emmett I Grisso Jr Richard F Sutton Arthur G Shader SN 48-51 SN 52-53 EN3 55-57 SA 61-62 07/7307/06 09/86 12/09 Michael Tuozzolo William J Howard Albert J Guarnieri Marvin Cunningham OM2 48-54 SA 52-53 RD3 58-60 SN 61-62 06/08 11/02 05/1304/65John G Lipscomb Jr Carl S Biederman Anthony Burgio Woodford E Boyd MMFN 49-50 FN 52-53 BT2 60-61 TMCA 61-63 02/7610/99 07/1208/07 Salvatore J Saporito Charles I Mara Arthur Blackwell Patrick F Roach SN 52-53 SN 50-51 SD3 60-61 SA 61-63 02/97 03/06 11/67 05/00 Maurice S Newman Raef S Brown Edward Szymanski Howard H Hart Ir RM2 60-61 BM3 50-52 SN 52-54 CSSN 61-64 03/93 09/0712/07 08/07 Charles L Kohl George R Donovan Walter Eldridge Frederick L. Milton MM3 50-54 RMSN 52-54 PN1 60-62 MMCS 61-64 08/98 02/1401/98 08/78Robert E Stultz Gerald F Passia Earlan J Hoffman Richard Dekkinga SN 51 SN 52-54 YN3 61 SN 61-64 12/80 04/1211/01 02/11Frederick D Shanks Gerald G Hallisch Odis A McKee Iohn H Meehan ET3 51-52 XO/LCDR 52-54 CS3 61 BT3 61-65 01/8201/89 10/11 01/13Joseph A Sweeney Jr Joseph Rafalowski Henry A Altizer Arnold B Parody TEM3 51-52 LTig 52-54 GMM2 61-62 FN 61-66 06/89 10/66 05/86 10/95 Bernard D Hoffman Thomas F Scanlan Douglas S Farrell Jimmy E Engel RM3 52-55 SR 61-62 SM3 62-63 TESN 51-55 01/90 04/95 02/8304/06Joseph Sinko Ralph W Edwards Wilson Hardnett John A Dornisch CS3 51-55 GM3 53-56 GMG2 61-62 CS2 62-64 11/87 11/06 11/07 12/83 Norman F Harwood **James A Meunier James S Curtis Bob Tokash** GM3 52 RM3 54-56 GMM1 61-62 BT2 65-68 05/95 03/06 01/99Gerald E Duncan Max B Ballard Herbert D Larkie. SN 61-62 SHSN 52-53 GM3 54-56

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### Sea Stories

At the completion of the Mediterranean cruise of 1952-3, our flag was tattered and almost black. From the outboard hatch of the electronics shop I could see that a small ceremony was being carried out at the mid-ship passage. I went down the ladder to investigate. There were about a dozen people, mostly officers present. The 1st class PO from the deck crew was holding the old flag, which had been folded up in the traditional triangular manner. He then handed it to CDR. Curran, our CO at the time. He stepped back and seemed unsure what to do with it next. For some reason I felt it appropriate to step forward and respectfully request that I be given the flag. The Captain was taken aback, but after exchanging glances with the XO whose name I remember as LCDR John Meehan, he handed it to me. I was as surprised as everyone was. Why I did this escapes me, but I got what I wanted and the flag was saved from incineration.

That was in the Spring 1953, and the flag stayed with me for the next 60 years until 3 years ago when I read in our periodical that CDR Curran had died some time before. After thinking it over I felt it would be appropriate to give the flag to his wife as a memento of her husbands service on the Roan. With some difficulty I managed to find a person who had stayed in contact with the Currans over the years and from him I received her address in Bellvue, WA. I wrote to Mrs. Curran and told her what I had and that I felt it would be appropriate for her and the Curran children to have it as a memento of CDR. Curran, husband, father and grandfather. She wrote back a nice letter of appreciation. The flag in its original wrapping was sent and received.

I remember CDR Curran as a kind and competent man who treated the crew with consideration and respect. Since the electronics shop was a tiny space adjacent to the Captains cabin on the 01 level, we saw him occasionally in the evenings when things were quiet. Our opinion of him was as I just described with the added feature of being treated as if we all were "off-the-clock". He may have felt that way, but we did not forget our places.

Memories of happy days!

Bob Ritchie ET3 51-54

#### Richard.

Thank you and the crew for your ongoing efforts on behalf of the Roan gang. I would like to order a shirt and hat and tell a story of my "longest walk" onboard the USS Charles H. Roan.

It was September 1969 and we had been at sea for quite a long time on a North Atlantic cruise that ended up as a Med Cruise. (That is another story.)

Captain Wilson came on the 1MC to update the crew on some of the things that had been happening in the world. He noted that Ho Chi Minh had died, as had longtime Republican Senator Everett Dirksen from Illinois. I was on duty in the radio shack and quickly scribbled a note on a green piece of paper and gave it to a young striker to take to a friend of mine, PN3 Bill Patrick from Pennsylvania, when the striker routed the radio message boards to the officers. Bill and I always argued politics, me from the right and him from the left. My note said that Governor Otto Kerner had appointed Chicago Mayor Richard Daly to fill out the remainder of Dirksen's term. It was a joke as Daly, somewhat infamous after the 1968 Chicago Democratic Convention riots, would never leave Chicago.

I did not think much more about it until I heard the Captain come on the 1MC again. He told the crew that he had just learned that Kerner appointed Daly to the Senate spot. My stomach hit the deck. I picked it up and climbed the ladder and walked right up to the Captain on the bridge. Hardly proper protocol, but I figured no sense going up the chain of command to prolong the misery.

"Sir, that last message was not accurate," I said. "Governor Kerner did not appoint Daly to the Senate. It was a joke, "I said.

"Well, I don't think it was very funny, "he replied and excused me from the bridge. He then went back on the 1MC to tell the crew that the Daly information was not correct.

I was sure that I had walked onto the bridge as an E5 and would be lucky to leave as an E4. Executive Officer Robert Reimann came flying into the radio shack, followed closely by RMC Pankow. I knew my posterior was in for a reaming.

However, other than a verbal skinning, there was no further mention of the incident. I don't know if the Captain gave me a break since I came to him immediately, or why I avoided Captain's Mast. Our communications officer LTjg Ed Davis retrieved the note which I still have. I learned to never again use the message board for a joke.

Please send me a post 1961 hat to cover my bald head and an XL shirt to cover my big belly. Keep the rest for Kitty. John Conley RM2 1969-70

"Any man who may be asked in this century what he did to make his life worthwhile, can respond with a good deal of pride and satisfaction' - 'I served in the United States Navy' ". John F. Kennedy

Ioe.

I was doing some research on a local Vets organization called VETWORKS here in Toms River, New Jersey for my VFW post and came across an article about a Roan Veteran named: William Reeves. I did not know him, but I thought it would be appropriate to recognize him for his service to Vets in an upcoming Newsletter.

Although he is deceased, his family members continue to work at providing food and other necessities to Vets here in Ocean County, New Jersey.

Regards, Jim Sneddon SN 58-60

### **Bill Reeves Food Pantry**

William H. Reeves was a U.S. Navy veteran. He served four years on the USS Charles H. Roan DD-853 during the Korean War era. He was a member of the Tin Can Sailors - The National Association of Destroyer Veterans, VFW Post 8867, the American Legion 348 and the Elks Lodge, all of Brick, New Jersey.

Bill cared deeply about the well being of his less fortunate fellow veterans, as well as anyone in need. As part of Bill's weekly retirement routine, he would donate, collect, and deliver food and personal care items to Vetwork.

After Bill passed away on December 13th, 2006, we estimated that over time he had donated over three tons of food to our organization. In August 2007, in recognition of Bill's efforts, Vetwork dedicated its food pantry as the "Bill Reeves Food Pantry".

Today Bill's family, the Reeves and Liddy's, carry on Bill's work by holding food drives. In December 2007, the families held its first food drive and collected 1,200 pounds of food. In December 2008, they worked with St. Catharine's Cub Scout Pack 21 "Scouting for Food" event and collected 2,500 pounds of food. In December 2009 2,200 pounds was collected for this same event. They also seek corporate donations for personal hygiene products.

If you would like to help by donating food or personal care items to the Bill Reeves Food Pantry, please contact Vetwork 609-971-7613 or toll free 1-877-971-7613.

"I was hungry and you gave me food."

Matthew ~ 25:35

William Reeves TM2 51-54 12/06

## **New Members**

John G SamsTom BoweRobert AndersBT3 50-54SN 51-54ETN3 62-65Casco, MISea Isle City, NJMineral, VA

Donald Arthur William A. Stanley Nemecio Romero FT2 51-54 ET2 52-54 BTC 62-66 Mount Pleasant, SC Crossville, TN Long Beach, CA

## **After Diesel**

Hi guys. I snuck up on you a little here. I relinquished my usual spot to something more important then my ramblings.

From time to time I receive requests or correspondence or stories (not as many of these as I would hope for) from my shipmates. Like all of us I'm getting a little older and I sometimes misplace or forget about these missives. Please forgive me for this. If I do not respond to your request please ping me again and please don't take it personal.

I hope you are all planning for the 2016 reunion in Amarillo. The plans sound very interesting. This reunion will give our shipmates in the west an opportunity to attend a reunion in their own back yard. Hope to see you in Amarillo,

Joe Lambert Secretary & Editor EM2 62-64

## **Memories of the Fire Control Director**

Some of my most vivid memories of my time on the Roan involved the fire control director. Since some may not be familiar with it, I'll give a brief description of it and its place in the firing of the 5" guns. The director was located in the middle of the signal bridge (photo 1). Its function was to track targets to be fired at and send the appropriate bearing, elevation and range information to the fire control computer. This computer was WW II technology (photo 2). I'm quite sure modern computers could be held in one hand. The computer calculated where the gun mounts should be positioned for firing at the targets. I never was fast enough on the shutter to capture the full muzzle flash (photo 3). Final photo is of Hank Beanblossom (GMG2) policing brass after a shoot.

The locating and tracking of targets was always interesting as the pointer, trainer, and radar operator had to communicate with each other as to which blip on their radar screens were actually targets. When the radar was locked on and automatically tracking targets, great attention had to be paid to be sure the radar was staying on the target. This radar was so sensitive it could detect the tow cable and it sometimes started walking its way up the cable towards the towing aircraft or tug. This would necessitate the pointer or trainer (or both) having to "kick out" of automatic tracking and follow the target manually.

One of my favorite memories involving the director was during the 1964 Med. cruise. The day started out like any other day at sea. Then, someone on the bridge noticed there were dark streaks on the director's radar dish. I was told that the Admiral's flagship was just over the horizon and there was great concern it might come into view and the Admiral might look through high-powered binoculars and notice those streaks. We told the bridge that the streaks were in the fiberglass dish, not dirt or stain on the dish. However, they were not convinced until Gil Haus (FTG3), Dean Wiechmann (FTG3), and I had scrubbed the dish with every cleaning agent on the ship. There were quite a number of very softly spoken comments and some snickering during that episode. Not that our radar dish would have attracted any attention as the ship was very heavily spotted with red and yellow paint primer, but that meant that rust spots were being treated. I knew it would be a day that I would remember for many years.

Another significant memory was of a tragedy. I was in an uncomfortable semi-inverted position in the director doing maintenance of some sort, when Terry Wiechmann (FTG2) yelled down to me "Pete, Kennedy's been shot." Yes, it was Nov.22, 1963. I never imagined he meant President Kennedy. I don't remember much of the rest of the afternoon except that I kept feeling that we should be at sea rather than being in port. There would have been no need to do so, but it may have relieved the useless/helpless feeling that comes from doing nothing. I do remember dinner that evening. All eyes were focused of the photo of President Kennedy hanging on the after bulkhead of the mess deck. Little attention was being paid as to where the forks full of food and sips of milk or coffee were going. The result was that many of each missed mouths and were spilled. But it didn't matter. We were in shock, as was the rest of the country. Bill Peterson

(FTG2) 62-65







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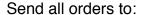
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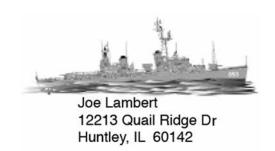
The price for two stickers (1 large and 1 small)  $(4 \frac{1}{2} \times 4)$   $(2 \frac{3}{4} \times 2 \frac{1}{2})$  is \$6.50. This is a great way to advertise your service and our ship. As you know our coffers are dwindling and we need to make money to keep us afloat. Mike's generosity is truly appreciated. By the way, any donation is greatly appreciated.

Pictured item approximate size of larger of the 2 stickers. Actual sticker in actual logo colors, (white, 2 blues and gold.)

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