

USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68 ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2010

USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68 ASSN. OFFICERS ROSTER 2009-2011

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FOUNDERS

PAUL FANT (43/45) deceased
 CHARLES McCARTY (44/45) deceased
 ROBERT SANDER (43/45) deceased

24 JULY 2010

FROM: Treasurer, USS THE SULLIVANS (DD537/DDG68) Association

TO: Executive Committee/ Advisory Board of the Association

SUBJECT: Financial Report as of 30 JUNE 2010

Balance as of 30 JUNE 2009 \$ 13,745.57
 (REUNION audit dated 18 SEPT 2009)

Income:

Dues/Donations	\$ 7,102.00
Refund for Advance for 2009 REUNION	\$ 3,030.00
Refund for Nov 2009 Newsletter	\$ 65.00
Refund for 2009 REUNION	\$ 3,476.04
Refund for March 2010 Newsletter	\$ 262.35

SUBTOTAL \$13,935.39

Expenses:

Tin Can Sailors Donation	\$ 3,000.00
Buffalo Park, NY donation	\$ 5,000.00
November 2009 Newsletter	\$ 1,000.00
Kelly Loughren Reimbursement	\$ 175.00
Advance for 2011 REUNION	\$ 2,000.00
Flowers for The Sullivans Grave	\$ 46.55
March 2010 Newsletter	\$ 1,200.00
Service Charge	\$ 3.00

SUBTOTAL \$ 12,424.55

BALANCE as of 30 JUNE 2010 \$ 15,256.41

Submitted: Jim Rauth Treasurer

NAME	_____
ADDRESS	_____
CITY	_____ ST _____ ZIP _____
YEARS ON BOARD	_____ SHIP _____
SPOUSE	_____ PHONE _____
EMAIL	_____

Please mail this form or email the secretary any changes to your current mailing address. It is very important that we keep our roster information up-to-date.

Membership in The USS The Sullivans Association is open to all who have served on USS THE SULLIVANS DD537 or USS THE SULLIVANS DDG 68. To join the Association please complete this form and mail to:

HARRY E. NELSON, Secretary
USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68 ASSN.
P.O. BOX 1196, CHARLESTOWN, NH 03603-1196
Or email to hendd537@msn.com

Fill out this Membership Application and mail it with your check for \$25 to TIN CAN SAILORS, INC., P.O. BOX 100, SOMERSET, MA. 02726-0100.

TIN CAN SAILORS, INC. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	
NAME	_____
ADDRESS	_____
CITY	_____ STATE _____
ZIP	_____ TEL. _____
SHIP: <u>USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68</u>	
DATES ON BOARD _____	
HIGHEST RANK OR RATE _____	
<i>Recruited by <u>USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68 ASSN.</u></i>	

The USS THE SULLIVANS ASSOCIATION has about 600 members who served aboard DD537, but only 160 of us belong to Tin Can Sailors. If you are one of the many who DON'T belong, now is the time to join.

You can't go wrong. You will get free admission to seven museum ships, a 40-page quarterly newsletter full of interesting articles, your name will never be given or sold to any commercial firms: and if you ever decide it was a mistake to become a member, Tin Can Sailors guarantees that it will refund your membership contribution, in full, without question. But BEST OF ALL, you contribute to the preservation of THE SULLIVANS DD537 and the other museum ships.

ALL OF THIS FOR ONLY \$25 PER YEAR.

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NEW MEMBERS

CHAPLICK, STEPHEN M. (56/57), 40 Buttonswood Ave., Haverhill, MA 01830-6471
FOSTER, MARK W. (son of GENE W. 43/45). 6416 Allison Ave, Windsor Heights, IA 50324-5912
GARNER, CARROL & NORMA (parents of NATHAN DDG68 95/98), 3294 Maple St., Lake Charles, LA 70615-3332

ADDRESS CHANGE

BROSKIE, ROBERT (43/46), 1861 Cedar Hill Rd., W. Frankfort, IL 62896-5411
CRANE, PAM (widow of DEAN 55/57), P.O. Box 3912, Lake Wales, FL 3389-3912
JORDAN, KATHLEEN (widow of WILLIAM 54/56), 8200 Hadley Ave S., Apt. 201, Cottage Grove, MN 55016-2687
LANEY, RAYMOND (51/52) 413 Portbrush Loop, Pawley's Island, , SC 29585-6770
LEWIS, WALLACE (43/45), One County Lane, #B1101 Brookhaven Villas, Brookville, OH 45309
LOOKER, FC3 DON (DDG68 96/), 274 Craftsman Circle, Suffolk, VA 23434-1530
MARSTON, THELMA (widow of DENNIS E. 43/45), 2203 Leisure World, Mesa, AZ 85206-5382 tmdm@cox.net
PFETSCH, KENNETH W. (52/52), 4832 Bridge LN. Apt. #1, Mason, OH 45040-7036
ROBAR, MILTON (58/61), 281 Chauncey Walker St. Lot 108, Belchertown, MA 01007-9638..rbrmil69@netzero.net
SMITH, DONALD W. (55/57), 533 Vasto Drive, Venice, FL 34285-4450
WRIGHT, HARVEY C. (51/54), 945 Border Ave. Apt. 401, Ellwood City, PA 16117-1874

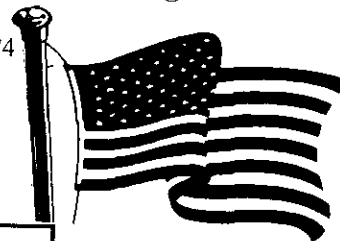
HAPPY THANKSGIVING

REMOVE FROM ACTIVE ROSTER*These members have been removed because their mail cannot be delivered or forwarded. If anyone knows of their whereabouts please notify the secretary.*

EWING, SHSR KEIDRICK R. (96/)
FORD, BENJAMIN B. (43/45)
GORTON, WILLIAM H. (51/55)
LANCASTER, HMCS DEBBIE (DDG68)
MATHESON, JAMES (57/59)
NICHOLSON, GMCS BRUCE D. (95/)
NIZ, JOE (55/56)
WOODS, ROBERT (54/57)

DECEASED

ABBOTT, GENE (51/54)...10-10-2010
DAENZER, BERNARD J. (44/46)...3/20/2010
FRAOLI, LOU (56/59)...10/02/2010
JULAGAY, SAM (63/65)...5/28/2009
TEDESCHI, PAUL (43/45)...1/09/2010



"WE STICK TOGETHER"

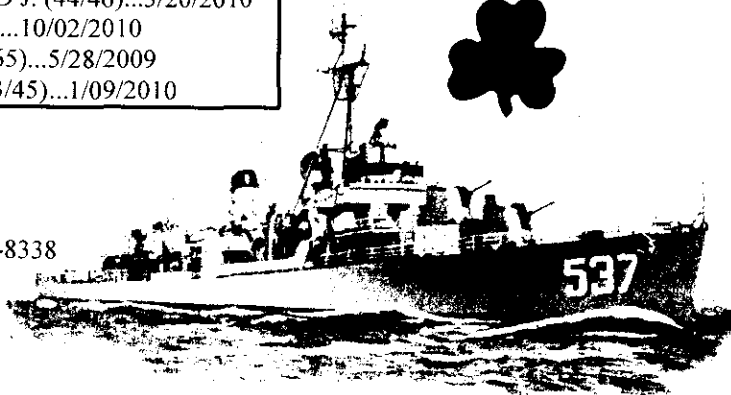


REINSTATE TO ACTIVE LIST

KELLER, WILL (61/62), 16 Westford Lane, Bella Vista, AR 72715-8338

EMAIL UPDATES

GAY, MARTIN (53/56)...JoyinPC@yahoo.com
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TIN CAN SAILORS BULL SESSION. JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2011. There will be a Bull Session at the Holiday Inn Express, 1101 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32250. For room reservations call 904-435-3000. Call before Jan. 24, 2011 and ask for the Tin Can Sailors room rate of \$89.00 + tax. The cost of the Bull Session is \$40 per person which includes registration, dinner, coffee, etc. Mail coupon and check payable to Tin Can Sailors, P.O. Box 100, Somerset, MA 02726 or call TCS at 877-846-2267 to register using a credit card. Complete information and coupon are in the current issue of the Tin Can Sailors Newsletter. If you do not belong to TCS you can send a Self-addressed stamped envelope to Roger K. Smith, P.O. Box 177, Athol, MA 01331-0177 for a copy of the coupon or you can email us at rksdd537@mass.rr.com and we will email you a copy. Your editor will be in Florida at this date and plans on attending. If enough members are interested perhaps we could have an unofficial mini-reunion with that event.

THE 24th REUNION OF THE USS THE SULLIVANS DD537/DDG68 ASSOCIATION will be held in Waterloo, Iowa. Tentative dates are Sept. 21-25, 2011. Mike Magee, an Honorary Member of the Association and its Historian, was elected Chairperson for the reunion. Lonnie Elmore and the staff of the Waterloo Convention & Business Bureau will help with arrangements. Please mark your calendars for this important event. We hope to have more information in the March newsletter.

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NEWS FROM BUFFALO NAVAL PARK INCLUDING A REPORT ON THE 2010 FIELD DAY-WORK DONE.

As I write this our thirty first season is rapidly coming to a close and I can't help but reflect on some of the positive happenings over the past few months. It is the continued interest and support of many individuals and organizations which make this job so rewarding. Today I would like to mention a few of the highlights but certainly in the limited space the list is not meant to be all inclusive. Neither are they listed in any priority. First, I'd like to talk about the Tin Can Sailors Field Day we held in August. We had 47 participants including five former crewmembers of THE SULLIVANS. Of note, in addition to those volunteers with a Navy background we had two Marines, an Army helicopter pilot and three women participate. John Watts and Walter Voll both trekked from Florida to participate and as has become the norm there was a sizeable contingent from the New York City area. Everyone, when they weren't feasting on the delicious meals prepared by Jeannie Rollo, the chef we have hired the last few years accomplished a myriad of tasks. These included painting, electrical work, general cleaning and polishing. Among other things, the emergency diesel and anchor windlass rooms were cleaned, the wardroom floor was leveled, work was done in the #5 gun mount, on the 20 and 40mm's letters and numbers were painted on the flag bag and the med lights were relamped. I can't emphasize enough what a big help their efforts were in accomplishing needed work which our limited staff had not been able to fit into their schedule. We have tentatively scheduled next year's Field Days for August 18 -21. As it turned out the same weekend that we hosted the Field Day we underwent our annual inspection by the Navy. Needless to say there was some interesting dialogue between the inspectors and the Field Day participants. I also need to express the sincere appreciation of the staff and the Board of Directors for the generous donation received from your Association. I know they could not do that without the financial support of the membership. As agreed to these funds will be used solely for maintenance and preservation work on DD 537. We recently opened an educational interactive World War II exhibit on the second deck of the Museum Building. We hope that this will stimulate the younger generations to learn more about the magnitude of the war and the sacrifices made by those who fought in that conflict. We also arranged with the American Society of Marine artists to display 52 pieces of art from a juried show in our museum from the end of September to the end of October. We opened the show with a successful gala on a beautiful Sunday evening on the waterfront with over 200 attendees. While the above mentioned things were happening we also hosted a week long Boot Camp for Naval Sea Cadets, our overnight program and several ship reunions. Also planning has begun for commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the War of 1812. Until we meet again we wish you and your families fair winds and following seas. (*Respectfully submitted, Patrick J. Cunningham, Colonel, USA Retired. Executive Director.*)

TIN CAN SAILORS FIELD DAY. USS THE SULLIVANS DD537, BUFFALO, NY. AUGUST 19-22, 2010.

Forty-seven dedicated men and women participated in this year's Field Day. The Naval Park's staff organized this event. We thank all who took part for their generosity, time and work. Five crewmembers from USS The Sullivans DD537 who participated were Donald Casiere (61/62), Milton, NY; Joseph Fugalli (63/65), Bayside, NY; Joe Grosso (61/63), Harrisburg, PA; Edward Suite (55/57), Falkville, AL; John Watts (55/56), Port Orange, FL with his grandson, Andrew Soles Ellicott City, MD.

Other participants included Jim Adams, N. Royalton, OH; Leo Aubin, Stratford, NY; John Bender, Harrisburg, PA; Steve Berti, Staten Island, NY; Joseph Bruno, Strongsville, OH; Gene Byers, Walpole, MA; Dick Clark, Pottstown, PA; Sheila Claus, St. Johnsville, NY; Robert Cochrane, Perkiomenville, PA; Lawrence Comstock, Stratford, NY; Kenneth Dorotiak, Temperance, MI; Michael Driscoll, Ashtabula, OH; John Fedynich, Wantage, NJ; Randy Fleming, Clearfield, PA; Frank Graham, Brooklyn, NY; Ken Hollingsworth, Birdsboro, PA; Richard Houston, Bronx, NY; David Hrusch, Middleburg Hts., OH; Bill Humienny, Brooklyn, NY; John & Janet Jackson, Warren, OH; Alicia Johnson, Mohawk, NY; Thomas F. Jost, New Hyde Park, NY; Dave Lashman, Pennsburg, PA; Michael P. Lester, Holand, NY; Paul Lester, Orchard Park, NY; Jim Mach, Depew, NY; John L. Morrison, Portland, NY; John Mulroy, West Lake, OH; Tom Nevans, Strongsville, OH; Robert Phelan, Port Chester, NY; Harold M. Pratt, Albion, NY; Paul Shanks, Hamburg, NY; Lee Rush, Shortsville, NY; Lewis Stellman, Fresh Meadows, NY; Bob Stepnowski, East Meadow, NY; Walter R. Voll, Port Charlotte, FL; Paul E. Weiman, Auburn, NY; Ray Zielewski, Erie, PA; Barry Zimmer, Scotsville, NY;

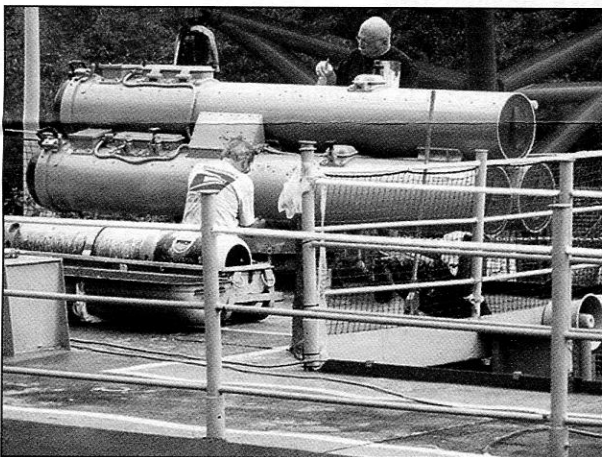
MARVIN "JOE" CURRY. CWO. SHIP SUPERINTENDENT BUFFALO NAVAL & MILITARY PARK, 1977-1997. Joe passed away on July 24, 2010 at his home on the Cattaraugus Territory just one day shy of age 77. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1950. He graduated from NOCS in 1966 as a C.W.O.. Mr. Curry served on eight ships, including the USS Little Rock. He was in charge of various vessels, aircraft and the museum at the Buffalo waterfront venue from 1977 until his retirement in 1997 He was proud of his Native American heritage and did much for the Seneca Nation. He is survived by two sons, Marvin and Richard Cornfield, a daughter, Marcy Cornfield, and two sisters, Alice Cook and Patricia. Our thoughts and prayers go to the family. (Courtesy the *Buffalo News*.)

THE 5th ANNUAL FIVE SULLIVANS BROTHERS VETERANS MEMORIAL 5K/10K RACES were held in Waterloo, Iowa on Saturday November 6, 2010. We will publish the results in the March newsletter or you can review it now at www.wfcourier.com.

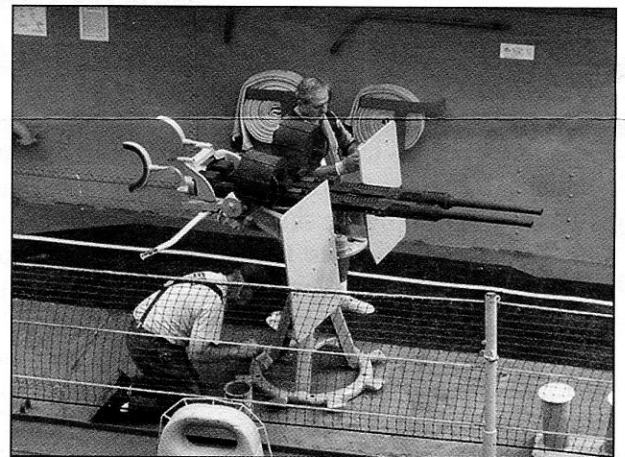
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Photo of most of the participants who attended the 2010 Field Day in Buffalo.



Painting the MK32 Launchers.



Painting the 20 MM Mount.

THE SULLIVANS BROTHERS MEMORIAL STATUE RESTORED, RELOCATED & REDEDICATED NOVEMBER 13, 2010. In 1956 a memorial statue was erected at the Sullivan Brothers home parish, St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waterloo. The memorial fund was started by those bearing the Sullivan name in Boston, and quickly spread across the country. The statue depicts Mary, the mother of Jesus. The base of the memorial notes that it is dedicated to George, Francis, Joseph, Madison and Albert Sullivan who were lost when their ship, USS Juneau, was sunk on November 13, 1942. Since the church closed several years ago a search for a new and appropriate home for the memorial had been underway. The statue was removed in July for restoration and will be relocated to the Waterloo Knights of Columbus Council 700 Hall, 1955 Locke Ave, at Locke Ave and La Porte Rd. "This has been a long process, figuring out where the best place was for it," said Kelly Sullivan Loughren, granddaughter and grandniece of the Sullivan brothers. The statue will be rededicated at a ceremony on November 13, 2010, the 68th anniversary of the brothers' deaths. (Courtesy of Mike Magee and the *WCF Courier*.)

IOWA VETERANS MUSEUM. WATERLOO, IOWA 2ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION with a MASH OPERATION SHOWTIME THEME for entertainment will be held Saturday, November 21, 2010. The winner of the Sullivan Brothers Outstanding Military Family Award will be announced at this event.