



# USS JOUETT NEWSLETTER

**From the Board of Directors**

**Happy New Year!!!**

## **Jouett Association**

- **SHIPS STORE**
- Peggy Leslie still has USS JOUETT DLG/CG 29 ball caps, and shirts. If anyone is interested in purchasing these items please contact Peggy, at Email:
- [thebagladies@webtv.net](mailto:thebagladies@webtv.net)

As a possible way of making money it was brought up by Ed Springer a couple of years ago that the Ladies could start a recipe book. This will have to be discussed at the next reunion in Orlando in '08. It would take all our ladies submitting one or two of their GREAT recipes and when there were enough a book could be printed and sold. Even if it was just within our organization the potential is there to make money.

The website address is [www.ussjouett.com](http://www.ussjouett.com)  
Thanks to Tim this is growing. If someone you know is interested in the association, please make sure they are aware of our website. This is our best way of advertising.

**"A MARINE IN IRAQ RESPONDS TO SEN. KERRY"**

This was written by my husband, Aaron, who is currently deployed to Iraq, in defense of a recent comment made by Senator John Kerry. Pass it along, it might inspire someone else to speak up! Yesterday John Kerry said, "You know education, if you make the most of it, you study hard, you do your homework, and you make an effort to be smart, you can do well, and if you don't, you get stuck in Iraq... So I wrote him a letter: I am a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. I am currently on my second tour in Iraq, a tour in which I volunteered for. I speak Arabic and Spanish and I plan to tackle Persian Farsi soon. I have a Bachelors and an Associates Degree and between deployments I am pursuing an M.B.A. In college I was a member of several academic honor societies, including the Golden Key Honor Society. I am not unique among the enlisted troops. Many of my enlisted colleagues include lawyers, teachers, mechanics, engineers, musicians and artists just to name a few. You say that your comments were directed towards the President and not us. If we were stupid Senator Kerry, we might have believed you. I am not a victim of President Bush. I proudly serve him because he is my Commander in Chief. If it was you who was President, I would serve you just as faithfully. I serve America Senator Kerry, and I am also providing a service to the good people of Iraq. I have not terrorized them in the middle of the night, raped them or murdered them as you have accused me of before. I am doing my part to help them rebuild. My role is a simple one, but important. You see Senator Kerry, like it or not, we came here and removed a tyrant (who terrorized Iraqis in the middle of the night, and raped them and murdered them). And we have a responsibility to see to it that another one doesn't take his place. The people of Iraq are recovering from an abusive relationship with a terrible government and its going to take some time to help them recover from that. We can't treat this conflict like a microwave dinner and throw a temper tantrum because we feel like its taking too long. Senator Kerry, you don't have to agree with this war. You don't have to say nice things about those of us who choose to make sacrifices for the rights of every American rather than sit back and simply feel entitled to it. But please Senator Kerry, if you're going to call me a stupid murdering rapist, stick by what you say. Don't tell me that I misunderstood or that you would never insult a veteran because you are one too. Having been there and done that does not give you a free pass to insult me. My suggestion for you, Senator Kerry, is to remember that your speeches are recorded, and broadcast to us simpletons over here. You may want to write down what you want to say before you say it, maybe have somebody look at it before you say it and tell you what others might hear. Remember that we can't read your mind, if there are any misinterpretations in what you say, it's because you didn't communicate clearly. Good luck to you Senator Kerry, if nothing else it's always entertaining to watch you try and climb out of the holes that you constantly dig for yourself.

Sincerely,

Somebody who is watching his daughter grow up in photographs so that you can have the right to say whatever you want about him.

## News and Information

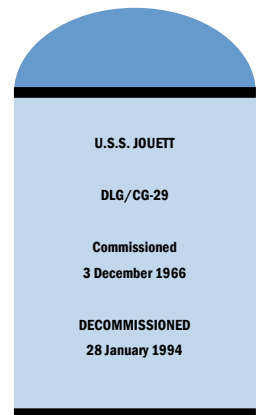
Attention!! Attention!!

All shipmates please check your information on the roster to make sure it is correct and up to date. The association has been getting mailings returned because of wrong or out of date information. If you need to make correction please send them to Jim Jordan or Herman Touchet via email.

Thank you

If you served on another command besides the Jolly J and want to see if they have reunions please check out [www.trea.org](http://www.trea.org).

There will not be a News Letter for Feb. because I'm going to have surgery on the 6th. I hope I can resume some type of News Letter in March.



### Reunion 2008 Orlando Florida

The 2008 Reunion will be a great time for all. Terry, John and myself have had a meeting to get information on past reunions and it is my dream to make this one to remember. If you have any questions as we get closer to the reunion please drop us an email.

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Birthday and Anniversary

Shipmate Birthday:

Spouse Birthday:

Anniversary:

Please send this to Sean Marshall via  
email or regular mail.

Thank you

**USS JOUETT ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FORM**

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Dues for members are \$20.00 per year. December 3 to December 3. Please attach your check (made payable to the USS JOUETT ASSOCIATION) and return it to either Herman Touchet, 616 Rue Novembre Scott LA 70583 ; or Jim Jordan, 29 Dogwood Lane, Nesquehoning, PA. 18240 .