

# U.S.S. JOUETT (DLG/CG-29) ASSOCIATION



U.S.S. Jouett (DLG29)  
Commissioning Day

## Newsletter

C/O Rick Smith  
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### Hello Shipmates!

Jouett's 6th reunion is now in the history books. A hearty "BRAVO ZULU" to Gary & Margie MacIntyre for a remarkable reunion. For those of you that could not attend y'all missed a great time. Some of the activities that we encountered included a tour of the Boeing Aircraft Museum, a trip up the famous St Louis Arch preceeded by a tour of downtown St Louis. Who could forget the Budwiser brewery tour that ended, of course, in the hospitality room. This is just a small sample of the events set up by our gracious hosts.

St. Louis also has a storied military history including a Revolutionary War battle on the banks of the Mississippi and most of the generals on both sides of the Civil War served at St. Louis' Jefferson Barracks including longtime residents U.S. Grant and William T. Sherman. Historic Bellefontaine and Calvary cemeteries are the final resting place of such illustrious citizens as explorer William Clark, Edward Bates (Attorney General under Abraham Lincoln), Major General Don Carlos Buell and General William T. Sherman.

#### OFFICERS

- President—Terry George
- Vice President— Jim Jordan
- Treasurer—John Hutchinson
  - Yeoman—Bill Girard
  - Webmaster—Tim Kane
- Historian— Gary McIntyre
- Director—Herman Touchet
  - Director—Ray Fair
  - Director—Larry Blaisdell
- Chaplain—Wayne Semenkow
  - Storekeeper—Peggy Leslie
- Newsletter Editor—Rick Smith
- Director Emeritus—Rick Smith

#### REMEMBER

USS Jouett Association dues were due in December.  
It is not to late to send in your dues payment of \$20. to

John Hutchinson  
PO Box 309  
Scottsmoor, FL. 32775



## From the Quarterdeck:

I am extremely honored to be re-elected as the President of the USS Jouett Association.

Lorenzo (Larry) Dominguez attended his first reunion. While at the reunion we discovered that he had been in the Army reserves and had been activated for Iraqi Freedom. During his tour in Iraq he was awarded the Bronze Star for Meritorious Service above & beyond the call of duty. A reading of the citation was read at the business meeting and all congratulated him on his award. During the banquet he was again honored with a standing ovation from the entire group of attendees. Congratulations again Lorenzo, it is an honor for us to know you and have you as a Jouett shipmate.

Despite health problems with both Gary & Margie McIntyre, they certainly outdid themselves in hosting the reunion. The hotel accommodations were very good, the banquet was wonderful and the tours were fantastic.

From the tour of Boeing, to the tours of the Anheiser Bush Brewery, the St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis Arch & lunch at Faz-zavo's and topping it off with a dinner boat cruise on the Mississippi. They were all just great!

We hosted the local Navy recruiter (Bradley Borrer & wife Katie) at the banquet. They came back to the hospitality room for the Chinese auction and won the 50/50 raffle. We certainly enjoyed their participation and thank them for their service to our country.

All hands "turned to" when the hospitality room need set up and also when it needed to be torn down.

Any time anything need done, it was accomplished with record speed. What a great bunch of people that we serve with.

YES! We finally got to meet the elusive wives of Tim Kane and Chris Rose. Since the first reunion in Bremerton (2000) we have heard that Tim and Chris were married but the wives never attended. Well that changed at the 2010 reunion. Jane Kane and Christine Rose finally made an appearance. The guys have been telling us how great these wives were and now we know that they were not exaggerating. I believe that it was Jane, and maybe Christine also, told her husband that he was not going to attend another Jouett reunion .....without her. Good going ladies. We certainly enjoyed meeting you.....finally.

New officers were elected in a couple of positions.

Herman Touchet has been the treasurer since 2004 and has done an outstanding job. Herman decided that he wanted to step down from that position. Thanks Herman for all that you have done for the association. Y'all have done an exceptional job.

John Hutchinson has stepped up and is now the new treasurer. John has taken the reins, established an account in Florida and is accepting payments at the new address.

Sean Marshall decided that he wanted to step down as Secretary,. Sean has been the secretary since 2008. thanks Sean for a great job. Bill Girard has stepped up and is now secretary. I know that Bill will do a great job also.

Herman was elected director for 3 years to replace Ed Dowling whose term expired. Thanks Ed for a job well done.

The revised by-laws were presented at the business meeting and some amendments were suggested. The by-laws were voted on and accepted with clarifications of the amendments. Gary McIntyre, Larry Christianson & Ray Ortega were tasked with making the suggested changes.

Rick Smith has volunteered to do the newsletter as Ted Merritt has had that responsibility for the last few years and has done a great job. Thanks Ted for your dedication to the association that you help start.

A few new faces were at this reunion and most, if not all, vowed to be at the next gathering in Portland Oregon in 2012.



# SHIPS STORE ORDER FORM

Please fill out this form and mail to:

Peggy Leslie  
608 Sunrise Ave.  
Alamogordo, NM 88310

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

**SHIPPING & HANDLING S & H Cost**

merchandise sub-total S&H price

Up to \$30.00 -----	\$ 5.95 \$ 7.95
\$30.01 - \$55.00 -----	\$ 9.95
\$55.01 - \$75.00 -----	\$ 11.95 \$
\$75.01 - \$100.00 ----	14.95 \$ 17.95
\$100.01 - \$140.00 --	
\$140.01 plus -----	



Jouett Ball Caps: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
13.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
USS Jouett Polo Shirts:  
Small \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Large \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
X-Large \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
XX-Large \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 23.75 = \_\_\_\_\_  
XXX-Large \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_



**NEW ITEMS**

Koozies \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 4.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
USS Jouett Coffee Mug \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_



USS Jouett Coin:



USS Jouett Shoulder Patches \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 1.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
USS Jouett Prints: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 45.00 = \_\_\_\_\_



Prints of the original painting that was in the Officer's Ward Room when the Jouett was Commissioned. Prints are 17" x 22" total. Price does not include frame.

USS Jouett Reunion Lapel Pins:

	2008 Florida _____	@ \$ 5.00 = _____
	2006 San Diego _____	@ \$ 5.00 = _____
Limited	2004 _____	@ \$ 3.00 = _____
Limited	Louisiana _____	@ \$ 3.00 = _____
Limited	2002 Rhode Island _____	@ \$ 3.00 = _____
	2000 Washington _____	@ \$ 3.00 = _____

Merchandise Sub-Total \_\_\_\_\_  
SHIPPING & HANDLING \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

## Commanding Officers U. S. S. Jouett (DLG/CG 29)

Captain Robert S. Hayes  
3 Dec 1966—28 Nov 1968

@ \$ 14.00 =

Captain R. C. Barnhart  
28 Nov 1968—22 May 1970

Captain Samuel L. Gravely, Jr.  
22 May 1970—2 Jun 1971

Captain Edward S. Briggs 2  
Jun 1971—25 Jul 1972

Captain Ralph E. Wilson, Jr. 25  
Jul 1972—12 Feb 1974

Captain R. Frederick Stadler, Jr.  
12 Feb 1974—23 Jan 1976

Captain William E. Poling  
23 Jan 1976—31 Jan 1978

Captain Donald Martin  
31 Jan 1978—17 May 1980

Captain Gerald A. Fulk  
17 May 1980—22 May 1982

Captain R. Scott McCartney 22  
May 1982—10 Mar 1984

Captain James P. Cormack  
10 Mar 1984—26 Apr 1986

Captain Michael E. Mays  
26 Apr 1986- 19 Aug 1988

Captain Jerrold J. Negin  
19 Aug 1988—11 Jan 1991

Captain Floydton A. Weeks 11  
Jan 1991—24 Apr 1993

Commander Thomas J. Gregory

**Jouett Website!**

**[ussjouett.com](http://ussjouett.com)**



## REUNION TRIVIA

Page 4 1 What city was the site of the first Capital for the State of Missouri?

2 What was the name of Merriwether Lewis dog?

3 Why did Terry George decide to run again as President of this association?

4 How tall is the "Arch " in St. Louis?

5 Who is the largest employer in St. Louis MO.?

6 Where did Gary & Marge meet?

7 What bet was made at Fazzavo's Restaurant?

8 Who was the Indian guide for Lewis & Clarks Expedition?

9 What was the unique weapon that Lewis & Clark carried on their expedition?

10 What Indian Tribe did #8 belong to?



A VETERAN is someone, who at one point in his



life, wrote a blank check made payable to: "The  
United States of America" for an amount "up to and  
including my Life". unknown



## SCUTTLEBUTT

This is the space that I want to devote to articles of Jouett Association members of a personal nature. Any body wanna start? NO! I will then.

In April Terry George, Wayne Semenkow, Ken Rutter, Jim Jordan & Rick Smith and their wives meet up with Ray & Coleen Fair in Philly. Ray was visiting with his son and we decided to stop in & harass 'em.

Rick & Penny Married off their daughter Erin in June just 5 weeks before he retired from 26 years of gov't service. He bought a 2010 full dress Harley for his own retirement gift and his children gave him a 10 week old Red Boston Terrier puppy that he named Harley. They, Rick & Penny, became grandparents on August 30th. Rick has joined Rolling Thunder and went to Washington DC for a demonstration ride this past Memorial day. It drew over 450,000 bikers. Any body out there also belong to Rolling Thunder, American Legion Riders, Patriot Guard Riders or Nam Knights? What about other notable organizations that exist for the common good. Let us know about your contributions.

Terry George is retired and dabbles in word working. Not bad for someone who can't pronounce the name of the town he lives in.

Wayne & Dru bought a Hot Tub last year and so far have been enjoying it. Dru says she would enjoy it more if she could have more water in the tub. She's afraid that too much water will be over Wayne's head.

OK, I started it and now it's up to all y'all to send in contributions so that I can let the rest of the crew know what you been up to.

Some of us have a space in our homes that we reserve for bragging rights. Share some of those with us. Who has been recognized by their community, local organizations or the state in which they live? Share them with the rest of your Jouett Family. Future publications will dedicate a page to these notable events such as life saving, bravery, & distinguished careers.



### Our First Reunion

The St. Louis adventure was my wife Sharon Ellen and my first reunion. We didn't know what to expect as we drove from North Central Indiana to St. Louis. I was looking forward to seeing shipmates I hadn't seen in over 40 years and Sharon was nervous because she had never seen any of the shipmates that would be at the reunion.

As soon as we arrived, we stopped at the hospitality room and checked in. I knew instantly as I saw all the USS Jouett memorabilia on the wall and started the meet & greet with old shipmates that it was going to be one of our better trips. The trips to the zoo, Arch, boat ride, banquet and everything else was great. Thank you so much Gary & Margie for all the hard work. The best times were sitting around the hospitality room or just table hopping at breakfast in the morning greeting shipmates, old & new, and their wives. The old stories made me feel young again.

The hardest part of the trip was saying good bye on Sunday morning. Before we arrived, Sharon Ellen had never meet anyone that attended our reunion but she (we) had a hard time saying good bye to our new friends and shipmates.

As for the USS Jouett reunions, the one thing that we are sure of, is as long as we are able, we will be attending all future Jouett reunions. This was the best vacation we have had in years.

John Matthews BT2

Editors note: This was received within days of the St Louis reunion.

#### TRIVIA ANSWERS

1 St Charles; 2 Seaman; 3 He wanted to & nobody else wanted it; 4 564 ft; 5&6 Boeing; 7 \$20 Penny couldn't be quiet during the meal; 8 Sacajawea; 9 Air Rifle; 10 Shoshone

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Since one of the most important assets of the Jouett Association is our list of shipmates, it is very important that the roster be correct and up to date. Please check the website to ensure your entry is up to date, or when you receive your copy please check that ALL of your information is up to date. All corrections should be sent to our Vice President, Jim Jordan, [jjatlh@ptd.net](mailto:jjatlh@ptd.net) or 29 Dog-wood Lane, Nesquehoning, PA. 18240.

### U.S.S. Jouett (DLG/CG 29) Association MEMBER INFORMATION FORM

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ \*Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ \*Cell Phone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Fax Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

Rank/Rating while serving on Jouett \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Rank/Rating Held in US Navy \_\_\_\_\_

Start Date of Jouett Service \_\_\_\_\_ Ending Date of Jouett Service \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's/Significant Others Name \_\_\_\_\_ \* Optional



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 Our USS JOUETT DLG29 shipstore can be viewed through the official USS JOUETT web page.  
 We, as an association, do not receive anything from the sale of merchandise through the CAFEPRESS website. In other words, they are an unauthorized USS JOUETT DLG29 merchandise sales outlet.

**NEEDED ALWAYS**

We need stories, information, good navy jokes, photos (from the past or present) for the newsletter.  
 Please forward any of these to Rick Smith (rsmith@metrocast.net) or send via snail mail to 98 Hall Rd., Barrington, NH 03825



Any Jouett sailors get together with us on a regular basis? Send me the info and I'll publish it.

**HELPFUL INFORMATION ON TRAVEL AND BENEFITS FOR MILITARY MEMBERS, VETERANS AND RETIREES**

In our research on vacations and benefits, we have found numerous organizations, newsletters and webpages that you may be interested in.

1. Armed Forces Vacation Club—See [www.afvclub.com](http://www.afvclub.com) A great place to find discounted (and I do mean discounted) vacation stays for active and retired members along with foreign exchange service members, civilian employees of DOD, American Red Cross personnel, DOD Dependant school teachers or adult dependant and Disabled American Veterans (100%). They have week long stays in some of the most interesting places domestically and internationally. You can rent them for your friends or family OR have one of the above rent them for you. And if you can put them together with Space Available travel you can have a vacation that goes from normal to exotic for a great price. Even if you cannot or do not desire to use Space A, the vacation stay is still a bargain and in so many interesting and exotic locations.
2. Military Living Publication—See [www.militaryliving.com](http://www.militaryliving.com) or at your local exchange Books, maps, newsletters and etc. dedicated to military travel.
  - R & R Travel News—A newsletter put out every other month about travel domestically and internationally, mostly by Space A. It has stories of the travels of military people written by them with all the good and bad about locations, Space A, customs and etc.
  - Temporary Military Lodging Around the World
  - Space-A Air Travel Guide
  - Military RV, Camping & Outdoor Recreation
  - Military Travel Guide U.S.A
3. Military.com—See [www.military.com](http://www.military.com) Military news on all branches and of all kinds.
4. Navy Insider—See [www.navyinsider.com/navy\\_veteran.html](http://www.navyinsider.com/navy_veteran.html) From pay to the GI Bill, from VA home loans to health benefits whether you are on active duty, a veteran or retiree; all the information needed to make using these benefits easier.

If you know of other information that may be helpful to members please forward for the next newsletter.





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## Old Shipmates

Most all of us were just kids out of high school when we boarded the Jouett for the first time in Bremerton Washington. Having just come from boot camp and Pre-Com detail in San Diego. The year I joined the navy, 1966, and was scheduled

to go to Great Lakes for training, the airline industry was on strike. I had never flown before and frankly, I was a bit nervous. Thankfully, the government sent me, and dozens of others by train. I left NH July 10, 1966 on a train bound for Boston. I was met at the station and taken to a swearing in ceremony where I met other would be sailors. We then boarded another train & headed for New York city where we picked up more headed for boot camp. I remember passing by a herd of dairy cows and one guy from NYC had his nose pressed to the window loudly shouting "What the \*%\$^ are those"! The reply was milking cows. Nope that couldn't be he said 'cause milk comes from the store. That boy had a lot to learn. We spent almost 24 hours on that train and only had 1 meal ticket. Needless to say that by the time we arrived at boot camp we all were very hungry. We did get the evening meal and a chance to unwind.

Oh dark thirty came awfully early and that was the start of my naval career. It continued on for 3 more years where I worked my way to 3rd class PO. I made many friends during that time and those same guys are in contact with me today. A guy like BM3 Rutter from Wash. state was in awe about my ramblings of my state & how much it was like his state. He eventually settled in RI with his wife Nancy and 2 sons. A balding toe haired little guy from MD, that every time he'd get excited would mention "Jesus, Mary & Joseph". Wayne still does & I get to see him twice a year & we talk frequently on the phone.. Then there's that guy from PA that couldn't understand my New England accent and every time he stood watch for sea detail with the Port polaris and I'd say "On my mahk" he'd give me a ration of shit. He still gives me shit today about it but that's only because he works on a farm and it's free. When I needed help putting cedar shingles on my new workshop, Terry came from New Bethlehem (pronounced New Bethlim) PA. for a weekend to help me do it. (I won't tell him, but he was a great help)

When I first heard of a reunion through the posting in The American Legion Magazine I signed on. That first reunion was 11 years ago and it has continued to grow. I think that first reunion in Bremerton only had 30 or so attendees and half were our wives. Our brotherhood has continued to grow and this past year proves that we, as an association, are doing something good. There were first timers and veterans, young and old and of course pre-com and de-com crews. Some of our attendees have never missed a reunion since it's inception and there are still some out there that are not even aware that we exist. We need to put the word on the street. Next year, we meet in Oregon where Bob, Ray & Terry are planning a fun filled week. I personally know that they have some awfull big shoes to fill 'cause I haven't missed a reunion. Friendships are made by not only us, the sailors, but our wives & significant others. As Memorial day approaches, remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers, our shipmates who cannot be with us, those shipmates that have gone before us and lastly those in the military that are POW/MIA.

Rick Smith  
Plankowner/Editor

I've learned...

That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

I've learned...

That when you plan on getting even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

I've learned....

That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the one you miss.

I've learned....

That one should keep his words both soft & tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

I've learned....

That I can't choose how I feel, but I can choose what to do about it.