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# THE CORAL SEA BREEZE

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Welcome Aboard!

**Dean C. Gates**  
AN, V-4 Div.  
1960—62

**Scott A. Hardow**  
MM3, A Div.  
1976—80

**Johnnie D. Johnson**  
AG3, OA Div.  
1972—75

**James S. Keller**  
ETN3, OE Div.  
1967—69

## Great Tours Await at the Reno Annual Reunion.

Naval Air Station Fallon is our reunion tour destination on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018. This is the Navy's premier air-to-air and air-to-ground training facility. Located about 70 miles east of Reno, we'll travel by private coach to tour the tower, airpark,

bombing range and electronic warfare area. Lunch will be

The next day, Oct. 5, you'll enjoy a guided 'Wild West' tour of

Virginia City, including a train trip on the historic V & T Railroad. You'll "steam" back in

time to explore Gold Hill, stroll down old-west wooden sidewalks, and visit the Bucket of Blood Saloon. Those less ad-

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USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Association

40TH REUNION



RENO, NV. 2018

"THE NATURAL"



at the Officer's Club, which is included in the tour cost.

## President's Corner

Greetings shipmates, On February 12-13, 2018, I flew to San Diego and met with President Oscar Granger, USS Midway Veterans Assoc., and Robert Siefker, president of USS FRD Veterans Assoc. to discuss a joint reunion for 2019 aboard the USS Midway. Also attending were other members of the USS Midway and

Mil Phillip of the USS Coral Sea.

Everyone agreed that a joint reunion is a great idea. The main problem being, when to have it? As you know, our reunion is set each year for October, but Midway and FDR can schedule their reunion at any date. After much discussion, we came up with the date of May 7-11, 2019. For you history buffs, that is when the Battle of Coral Sea took

place; May 1942 with the battle of Midway during June 1942.

We met with staff of the USS Midway and the date of May 7-11, 2019 would fit nicely into their schedule. So we took those dates and matched up hotels in the area to give us the best rates. We have two hotels in the running, asking them to give us their best rates in an effort to make our joint

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**TAPS**

**Leo D. Cali**  
SN, 1st Div.  
1947-52

**William L. Craig**  
IC3, E Div.  
1949-53

**Homer "Skip" Evans**  
MM3, A Div.  
1960-61

**Ralph N. Stewart**  
IM3, ATC Div.  
1978-79

**Leonard G. Weber**  
AB2, V-3G Div.

**NAS Fallon Tour Sign-up.**

Our Naval Air Station Fallon tour is set for Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018. For this tour we are required to provide your CORRECT given and last name, PLUS your date of birth. There are no exceptions, EVEN if you have a current DOD ID. This information needs to be submitted to NAS Fallon two weeks prior to the tour. You will also need to present a current ID to enter the base. The Navy has limited us to one bus (55 persons), so the first 55 who sign up will be able to take the tour. We are attempting to get approval for a second bus, so there will be a standby list. If you have a DOD ID you do have access to the base, **but not the tour**. Bus departs at 0900, returns at 1600.

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Cost is \$69.00 per person:** (\_\_\_\_) X \$69.00 = \$\_\_\_\_  
(includes lunch at the "O" Club)

**Credit Card Payment-Registration, call Patty's Tours at  
(775) 453-1794**

**For Check Payment-Registration mail to  
Patty's Tours  
PO Box 60343  
Reno, NV 89506**

**Virginia City Tour Sign-up.**

On Friday, Oct. 5, 2018, get ready to saddle up for our Virginia City Best of the West Tour. This tour includes a train excursion to Gold Hill with a stop at Carson City. Bus departs hotel at 1000 and returns at 1600.

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost is \$69.00 per person:** (\_\_\_\_) X \$69.00 = \$\_\_\_\_  
(on your own for lunch)

**Credit Card Payment-Registration, call Patty's Tours at  
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**Reno Tours....**

venturous are invited to do a little shopping or try their luck on a gaming table or two. Lunch will be on your own before departing for a tour of the state capitol, Carson City. A guided driv-



ing tour will include historic mansions.

Each tour is priced at \$69 per person.

Sign up forms are shown at left. Please note the instructions for each tour and

make your payments to Patty's Tours, as directed on each form.

**Confirm Your CVA-43 Association Annual Reunion Hotel Reservation Today!**

We'll be home porting at Circus Circus in Reno, Nev.

The reservation number is **(800) 648-5010**

Use group code **ICUCS18** to confirm your reservation rates.

Rates for a king single (including taxes) are:

\$59.75 for Sunday-Thursday

\$105.15 for Friday

\$122.18 for Saturday

(For double queen rooms, add \$5 Sun.-Thurs., \$10 for Fri. & Sat., per night, plus tax)

These rates ensure that you'll experience one of the most affordable annual reunions we've enjoyed in years! Also, there is complementary airport shuttle, auto & RV parking (room required), free Wi-Fi, in-room coffee, fitness center and resort passport coupon booklet!

Please call to make your hotel reservation now, and then fill out and mail the reunion reservation form, found on page six of this issue of the *Sea Breeze*!

**Chaplain's Corner**

Dear Shipmates,  
I certainly pray that Spring is coming soon where you are! Seems the older I get the less I can tolerate the cold and snow . . . and living in Suffolk, Virginia, our winters are not all that severe.

Winter always reminds me of our young sailors and Marines who cannot always avoid the harsh weather. As we all know, things on a ship never stop and there are watches and

other duties that must be done around the clock no matter the inconvenience. Let's all keep these dedicated servants in our prayers.

But looking forward, Spring brings us the renewal and new growth that makes it all worth the wait. (Of course, that also means we will have to fire up our lawnmower soon!) Our important religious festivals also come along at this time of the year. I pray you will be very blessed!

Thanks to each of you for your service to our country. And, I know that you will pass that thanks along to those who are now serving. We are proud of the new generations who wear the uniforms of the finest military services in the world.

Many blessings to you and yours,

*Michael*

Michael D. Halley  
Association Chaplain  
USS Coral Sea (CV-43)  
1986-1989



**Welcome Aboard**

**William C. Kirby**

AO2, GM Div.  
1966-68

**Thomas W. Smith**

MM1, M Div.  
1962-65

**Charles F. Stockfish**

AO2, GM Div.  
1966-69

# U.S.S. Coral Sea CVA-43 Assoc. Midwest Spring Fling.

Your Association's Midwest Spring Fling is set for April 26—29, 2018 at the Holiday Inn-Dayton Fairborn, 2800 Presidential Dr., Fairborn, Ohio 45324. Take I-675 to N. Fairfield Rd., exit 17.

Call 1-937-426-7800 for reservations. Mention USS Coral Sea Association when making your reservations to ensure the discounted rate.

**Room rate:** \$109.00 per night single or double, plus tax (currently 12.75%) includes breakfast.

**Registration price:** \$45.00 per person, includes hospitality room and buffet dinner.

Dinner Saturday night will be at the Holiday Inn. (See buffet menu below.) Please make your reservations by March 30, 2018.



## Salty Humor

Law of Physical Surfaces: The chances of an open-faced jelly sandwich landing face down on a floor are in direct correlation to the newness and cost of the carpet or rug.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
 email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$45.00/person x (     ) Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Buffet includes: Roast top sirloin, BBQ chicken breast, Cheesy au gratin potatoes, Garden salad, Mixed vegetables and Apple pie.

*Make checks payable to*  
**USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Assoc., mention Spring Fling-2018.**  
 Mail check & reservation form to:  
**John Ranson**  
**52 Woodland Pl.**  
**Ft. Thomas, Ky. 41075-1605**

## Secretary's Corner

Greetings Shipmates, Here's hoping that all of you are doing well and surviving this winter. It's been much colder here than I like. Therefore, I'm looking forward to the 2018 Spring Fling in Dayton, Ohio. Please check out the registration information in this issue for details. A good time will be had by all. Please contact me if you need further information.

Please refer to Treasurer Clarence Neander's article in this issue regarding delinquent membership dues. Please help the Association and pay your dues if past due. The Board of Directors agreed to remove members whose dues remain delinquent as of 12/31/2018. However, the Board wants to be considerate of those shipmates who has been members for a long time but may be experiencing financial difficulties. The Association wants to keep all

current members and grow its membership. I will be contacting delinquent members personally to make sure that your contact information is accurate. Also, if any of you know of a shipmate who is now deceased, please notify me. When submitting your dues payments, please make sure that you also send any changes in your contact information so that I can update.

As always, I look for-

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# The Little-Known Tale of the Aussie Stowaway.

*Ed. Note—I can vouch for the "little known" aspect of this story. This was my second and final West Pac aboard Coral Sea, and I knew nothing about this event until these news clippings arrived!*

Drawing highlights from the Australian AP articles (right and below), Trevor Bennett, 18 at the time, was reported to have boarded Coral Sea in Perth, Australia as CVA-43 prepared for her return to Alameda, Calif. after a long West Pac deployment. According to Bennett, "It was a real cool trip buddy.

## SA man may be deported from US

Australian Associated Press  
**SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday** — A young Adelaide man who told authorities he stowed away in the US aircraft carrier Coral Sea in May — disguised as an American sailor — is facing deportation from the US.

He is Mr. Trevor Bennett, 18, whose mother, Mrs. G. B. Bennett, lives at College road, Kent Town.

"I've seen all of California I want to," he told Lt. E. Volpe, of the Alameda County Sheriff's Office when he turned himself in on Tuesday night.

Mr. Bennett said he made friends with some American sailors when the USS Coral Sea stopped in Perth in May, boarded the carrier in an American uniform and kept out of sight of officers during the month-long voyage to the Alameda naval air station. He said he had been in California since July 2 and was out of money.

Officials of the US Immigration and Naturalisation Service said Mr. Bennett would be held in San Francisco pending deportation.

At home at KENT TOWN last night Mrs. Bennett said her daughter, Susan, 16, had heard a radio news item yesterday that a boy had been held in San Francisco pending deportation.

He had not been living at home and she had known nothing of her son's escapade until she received the letter from him in September.

"I was so surprised when I read the address on the envelope, but when I opened it I was worried," she said.

"My friends and I thought it was stupid."

Mrs. Bennett said her son had asked her for money and a passport. She had written to him that nobody could buy a passport and had asked him to give himself up.



Trevor Bennett pictured at the US Immigration Office in San Francisco on Wednesday.



## Salty Humor

Law of Mechanical Repair: After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

ADVERTISER: MON. JAN 5<sup>th</sup> 1976.

## Stowaway back

### Mother 'did not cry tear'

The mother of Adelaide stowaway Trevor Bennett greeted him delightedly, but silently, at the Franklin street bus depot on Saturday night.

Mrs. G. Bennett, of College road, Kent Town, said later she was a little "carried away," but did not "cry a tear."

Mrs. Bennett had not seen her 18-year-old son since he left for Perth seven months ago and stowed away in the US aircraft carrier Coral Sea.

With the help of Navy chums, he travelled undetected to San Francisco and spent five months in California.

When he ran out of money he gave himself up and had a free trip home, courtesy of the US Government.

On Saturday night Mrs. Bennett gazed at the windows of the Greyhound bus from Sydney as it pulled into the depot, uttering a suppressed cry as she saw Trevor.

All the family were



Stowaway Trevor Bennett is greeted by his mother Mrs. G. Bennett, of Kent Town, at the Franklin street bus depot, city, on Saturday.

there — sister Sue, with boy-friend Tony and Mrs. Bennett and friend Alf.

The Bennetts and friends returned to Mrs. Bennett's flat to catch up on Christmas cheer. Trevor had spent Christmas Day in gaol with other illegal immigrants in the US.

"I really had a good time." After making friends with some "American sailors," he said he boarded the carrier in a Navy uniform and stayed out of sight for the month-long transit back to the US.

Upon arrival, Bennett explained how he waited for wives, friends and girl friends to come aboard, then walked off in civvies without raising any eyebrows.

He spent the next five months touring California without a passport or visa, finally running out of money. His lack of funds led to his decision to give himself up to police two days before Christmas 1975.

While in prison, a naval intelligence officer visited to take his statement.

His return trip to Australia was again courtesy of the US Government—this time as a State Dept. deportee—traveling on a Pan Am jumbo jet and enjoying first-class accommodations most of the way!

### 2018 Annul Reunion Reservatation Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ph. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

*For name-badge printing, please complete the following:*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Rate-Rating/Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 Division \_\_\_\_\_ Aboard CVA-43 (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

- **Registration** (includes hospitality room, name badge & pin)  
 Attending ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) x \$10 per person. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - **Banquet Meal** (each option \$45 per person, select quantity below)
    1. Chicken Wellington, boneless breast of chicken filled with mushroom duxelle, wrapped in puff pastry; ( \_\_\_\_ meals) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Salmon Filet, broiled lemon & herb rubbed salmon with cioppino sauce and rosemary olive tapenade; ( \_\_\_\_ meals) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
    3. Double Cut Pork Chop, cut brined chop seared and finished with ginger peach glaze & pistachio gremolata; ( \_\_\_\_ meals) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please complete this form along with payment to USS Coral Sea Assoc. and mail to:

**John Ranson  
 52 Woodland Pl.  
 Ft. Thomas, KY 41075-1605**



### Salty Humor

Law of the Result:  
 When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

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**President's Corner...**

reunion as affordable as possible. We have rates in the range of \$110.00 to \$135.00 per night at this point. We also are asking for free parking and free breakfast.

This reunion is going to be called "The Three Sisters Reunion". There is much excitement among all attending. They think, as do Mil and I, that this could be a memorable event and never to be duplicate again. The very first Midway class carriers' reunion!

Schedule of events will go something like this:

- May 7, Registration
- May 8, Free time
- May 9, Meet and greet aboard the USS Midway (free boarding pass)
- May 10, Dinner on flight deck, USS Midway
- May 11, Reunion concludes

This is our current "working" schedule may be modified as the planning continues.

I would like a reply from all members who would attend a joint reunion. A reply from ALL members by May 1, 2018 would give me an idea how many people would likely at-

tend. Call me at 903-288-4455 or e-mail at [nijarm2@yahoo.com](mailto:nijarm2@yahoo.com). I have told the committee we would have about 35 to 40 members participating, but did not know for sure.

I really want this to happen. With all three ships, we could have almost 450 members attending. I would really like to see the Coral Sea Association well represented!

Thanks shipmates and on to Reno.

*Wayne*

Wayne Addkison  
 President  
 USS Coral Sea Assoc.

## USS Cora Sea (CVA-43) Sea Cadets Update.

The CVA-43 Sea Cadets division has moved to a new location at the airport; a much nicer building. The airport owner, Bob Cable, is looking at giving the unit a permanent meeting building.

We now have two first-year midshipmen and a third-year midshipman at the Naval Academy. I think that is a record for any USNSC Unit.



*Third-year Midshipman Sophia Luevano shown with Chief Richard Satchell (Ret.), Sea Cadets Assoc. Liaison Chief.*

The unit is getting ready for the Flagship Competition. This is a yearly military competition between all units in the region. It includes close-order drill, knot tying, fire-fighting, line toss, etc. This happens in April and is held at Camp Pendleton MCB.



*Nathon Coles, first-year Naval Academy Plebe, and another Coral Sea Cadets success story.*

The unit will be staying on the

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### Salty Humor

Law of Locker Location:  
If there are only two people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.

### Treasurer's Corner

Greetings one and all!  
Another Christmas seasons has come and gone, and the New Year has dawned, bringing with it the optimism of Spring.  
I can report that the Association is financially sound, and all the required tax filings have been done.  
You have found enclosed in the Breeze three books of tickets for the raffle to be held on 6 Oct. 2018 at the Annual Reunion in Reno, NV. This is an important fund raiser for our Association. I would encourage all who can, to purchase all or part of the tickets provided. If you would like more tickets, just include the

additional money when you return your stubs. I will fill out as many as you request and add them to the drawing. If you have address labels, please include the appropriate number for your extra tickets, it saves me from getting writer's cramp.  
One other item of business: According to association records, there are about 35% of the members on the roster who are past due on their annual dues. Please check the address label on your newsletter. If the membership expiration date is in **red**, you are in arrears. We are not looking to collect past year dues, but if you do not renew your membership by 31 Dec. 2018 you will be

dropped from the roster and will not receive future newsletters.  
Having said that, we're human and mistakes can be made. If your due date is incorrect, please contact Sec. John Ranson for correction. Members of the board will attempt to contact those who do not renew before they are dropped from the roster.  
Hoping you and your loved ones are well. See you at the Midwest Spring Fling April 27-30, 2018 in Dayton, Ohio, or at the 2018 Annual Reunion Oct. 4 - 7, 2018 in Reno, NV.

*Clarence*

Clarence Neander  
Association Treasurer

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- CAP ITEM #001 - \$19.99
- MEN POLO'S ITEM #002 - \$23.99
- MEN SWEATSHIRTS ITEM #003 - \$24.50
- MEN TEE'S ITEM #004 - \$13.00
- CAP ITEM #005 - \$19.99
- MEN POLO'S ITEM #006 - \$23.99
- MEN SWEATSHIRTS ITEM #007 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #008 - \$13.00
- ASSOCIATION PATCH ITEM # 009 - \$20.00



**USS CORAL SEA CVE-43, CVA-43, CV-43 SILHOUETTE ITEMS**

- CAP ITEM #010 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #011 - \$23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #012 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #013 - \$13.00
- CAP ITEM #014 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #015 - \$23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #016 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #017 - \$13.00
- CAP ITEM #018 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #019 - \$24.50
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #020 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #021 - \$13.00



**ADDITIONAL USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOCIATION LOGO ITEMS**

- CAP ITEM #022 - \$19.99
- MEN POLO'S ITEM #023 - \$23.99
- MEN SWEATSHIRTS ITEM #024 - \$24.50
- MEN TEE'S ITEM #025 - \$13.00
- CAP ITEM #026 - \$19.99
- MEN POLO ITEM #027 - \$23.99
- MEN SWEATSHIRTS ITEM #028 - \$24.50
- MEN TEE'S ITEM #029 - \$13.00
- CAP ITEM #030 - \$19.99
- MEN POLO'S ITEM #031 - \$23.99
- MEN SWEATSHIRTS ITEM #032 - \$24.50
- MEN TEE'S ITEM #033 - \$13.00



**EMBROIDERY ON FRONT, SIDES AND BACK OF CAPS**

- CAP ITEM # 034 - \$24.99
- CAP ITEM # 035 - \$26.99



**USS CORAL SEA CVE, CVA, CV-43 NAVY JOB RATE CAPS**

- CAP ITEM #036 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #037 - \$23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #038 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #039



**NAVY RANK OR ENLISTED PAYGRADE INSIGNIA CAPS**

- CAP ITEM #040 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #041 - 23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #042 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #043 - \$13.00



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- CAP ITEM #044 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #045 - \$23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #046 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #047 - \$13.00



**CVE, CVA, CV-43 USMC MARDET DESIGNS CHOOSE (A,B,C,D)**

- CAP ITEM #048 - \$19.99
- POLO ITEM #049 - \$23.99
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #050 - \$24.50
- TEE'S ITEM #051 - \$13.00



**CAPS WITH SCRAMBLED EGGS**

- CAP ITEM #52 - \$22.99

**JOB RATE WATCH CAPS CUPPED OR SKULL**

- WATCH CAP ITEM #053 - \$16.99
- WATCH CAP ITEM #054 - 14.99



**JACKTEACK DESIGNS/ MICRO FIBER ONLY**

- JACKET ITEM #055 \$79.00
- JACKET ITEM #056 \$83.00
- JACKET ITEM #057 \$80.00
- JACKET ITEM #058 \$80.00



**CORAL SEA WIFE**

- POLO ITEM #059 - \$30.00
- TEE'S ITEM #060 - \$13.00
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #061 - \$22.50



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**LADIES APPAREL CORAL SEA PROUD WIFE**

- POLO ITEM #062 - \$30.00
- TEE'S ITEM #063 - \$13.00
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #064 - \$22.50



**LADIES APPAREL CORAL SEA GIRL**

- POLO ITEM #065 - \$30.00
- TEE'S ITEM #066 - \$13.00
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #067 - \$22.50



**YOUTH CORAL SEA MY GRANDPA SERVED**

- POLO'S ITEM #068 - \$20.50
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #069 - \$13.50
- TEE'S ITEM #070 - \$15.50



**YOUTH CORAL SEA MY PAPA SERVED**

- POLO'S ITEM #071 - \$20.50
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #072 - \$13.50
- TEE'S ITEM #073 - \$15.50



**YOUTH CORAL SEA MY PAWPAW SERVED**

- POLO'S ITEM #074 - \$20.50
- SWEATSHIRT ITEM #075 - \$13.50
- TEE'S ITEM #076 - \$15.50



**YOUTH CAPS \$18.99**

- ITEM #077 - \$15.99
- ITEM #078 - \$15.99
- ITEM #079 - \$15.99
- ITEM #080 - \$15.99



**USS CORAL SEA CVE, CVA, CV-43 CAP WITH BLANK CENTER**

- CAP ITEM # 081 - \$27.50



**USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 VIETNAM COMBAT CRUISE PATCHES**

- COMBAT CRUISE ONE ITEM #082 - \$20.00
- COMBAT CRUISE TWO ITEM #083 - \$20.00
- COMBAT CRUISE THREE ITEM #084 - \$20.00
- COMBAT CRUISE FOUR ITEM #085 - \$20.00
- COMBAT CRUISE FIVE ITEM #086 - \$20.00
- COMBAT CRUISE SIX ITEM #087 - \$20.00



**ADDITIONAL CORAL SEA PATCHES**

- ITEM #088 - \$25.00
- ITEM #089 - \$20.00
- ITEM #090 - \$20.00
- ITEM #091 - \$20.00



**WESTERN-PACIFIC CRUISE PATCH**

- ITEM #092 - \$35.00



**EVACUATION OF SAIGON PATCHES - 7"X7"**

- ITEM #093 - \$35.00
- ITEM #094 - \$35.00



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- ITEM #095 - \$35.00
- ITEM #096 - \$35.00





# CORAL SEA ASSOCIATION SMALL STORES ORDER FORM #1

ITEM #	QTY.	SIZE NOTE: CAPS - ONE SIZE FITS MOST FOR LARGER HEADS ADD \$3.00 FOR LG/XLG FLEX- FIT CAPS	COLOR	PRICE	ADDITIONAL INFO FOR ITEM # - HULL DESIGNATION CVB, CVA, CV, JOB RATE(BT,MM,AB,... etc.) OFFICER RANK/PAY RATE (CAPT,LTCDR,EN/E4,E5,E6,E7,... etc.) USMC DESIGNS - (A,B,C, OR D) THREAD COLOR FOR WATCH CAP DESIGN
#1					
<p><b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>  shop.cva43doc @ charter.net  Shop Phone - 205.330.7750  Cell Phone - 205.310.0330  12550 Oak Ridge Road  Northport, Alabama 35475-4327</p>					
				\$ _____	** USPS PRIORITY MAIL - S/H CHARGES**
SALES TOTAL				\$ _____	UP TO \$24.99 .....\$7.00
SHIPPING CHARGES				\$ _____	\$25.00 TO \$50.00 .....\$9.00
TOTAL CHARGE				\$ _____	\$51 TO \$75 ..... \$12.00
					\$76 & UP ..... \$15.00


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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO D&P EMBROIDERY - ATTENTION CVA-43 SMALL STORES



# Mayaguez Rescue Reunion, May 13-17



**Salty Humor**  
 Law of Random Numbers: If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal and someone always answers.

The Koh Tang Mayaguez Veterans Organization (KTMV) will hold a reunion in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., May 13-17, 2018. Forty-three years ago (on May 12, 1975) the cargo ship S.S. Mayaguez was seized by the Khmer Rouge off the coast of Cambodia. The Coral Sea was called into action to help recover the Mayaguez and her crew. Forty-one brothers gave the ultimate sacrifice in this action, the last 41 names on "The Wall". The Coral Sea played a major role in the recovery of the Mayaguez and the

evacuation of the marines from Koh Tang Island. I am a member and Vice President of the KTMV organization and invite my shipmates who served with me on the Coral Sea to join our brother marines, airmen, and sailors at the reunion to remember our fallen brothers. For more information on the reunion, visit the web site: [www.kohtang.com](http://www.kohtang.com), or contact me at [john-steiert@missouristate.edu](mailto:john-steiert@missouristate.edu)



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**Sea Cadets Report...**

Liberty Ship SS Lane Victory over the Memorial Day weekend for seamanship training. This is an event designed for hands-on shipboard training and it is a favorite among the Cadets. There may be a tour of the Battleship Iowa, also.

The Association's donation to the unit is being used wisely. They have purchased two new computers, service flags (all branches) poles and harnesses, a new storage locker for gear and canteens for the Cadets. Also, some of this money is used to help cadets who are in need to help pay for uniforms, etc.

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**Secretary's Corner...**

ward to hearing from you all. On a more pleasant note, I recently talked to shipmate Richard Satchell and learned that his health has significantly improved. Shipmate Richard works with the Sea Cadet Division and is a real asset to the Association. Shipmate Mike "Oscar" Pfeffer is recovering from surgery and is also doing well. Mend up fast shipmates!

Fair winds & following seas!  
Godspeed!

*John*

John H. Ranson  
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