

THE CORAL SEA BREEZE

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Welcome Aboard!

David Austerman
AN, V-4 Div.
1969-72

Daniel Brakebill
AN, V-2 Div.
1965-67

Richard Burke
CHC3, S-3 Div.
1969-72

Thomas Gargus
LTJG, Admin.
1976-78

Leroy Moore
EM2, E Div.
1950-53

Jack Nordeman
LTJG, X Div.
1960-62

Don't Let That September 10 Deadline Pass!

Deadlines come and deadlines go...but how many give you access to Naval Air Station Fal-

lon? That is just one of several reunion tour destinations, but only if you get your reservation forms (and pay-

ment) in by September 10!

USS Coral Sea CVA-43 Association

40TH REUNION



RENO, NV. 2018

"THE NATURAL"



You will find the Reunion Tour forms on page 2, the Circus Circus hotel '800' number information on page 3 and the Reunion Reservation form on page 6. Everything you need in one handy issue of the Sea Breeze.

Each form will include pricing details and the mailing address for each transaction. If you have any

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President's Corner

Greetings shipmates, Reno is close approaching, so get your reservations in as soon as possible. We are going to have a great time. I do not have much to report on the Three Sisters Reunion, except that everything is going well to see that this reunion comes off as scheduled. The hotel

is going back on the rates that was quote to us, but we should have that problem solved soon.

As I understand, as of today that there is a Bill on President Trump's Desk to cover Blue Water Sailors exposed to Agent Orange. It should be signed in September. This is good news to all of us and should bring relief to a lot of

men exposed during their tour on Yankee Station.

Anna and I had the privilege of going to the NRA Convention this past weekend and had a great time. There was over 80,000 people attending and about half were armed. There were several thousand guns on

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TAPS

Charles J. Bonds
DC2, R Div.
1959-61

Mario Gallacchi
BT2, B Div.
1951-55

Jack Husack
ADF2, VIF
1949

Paul A. Kurzdorfer
RD1, OI Div.
1955-56

Daniel L. Levin
AK3, V-12 Div.
1951

Glen A. Sievert
BT2, B Div.
1959-61

Earl R. Underhill
IC3, E Div.
1959-63

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 BY SEPT. 10, 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
(775) 453-1794**

**For Check Payment-Registration BY SEPT. 10, mail to
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PO Box 60343
Reno, NV 89506**

Confirm Your CVA-43 Association Annual Reunion Hotel Reservation BY SEPT. 10!

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 (running continuously from 0430—2400 hrs.), auto and 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!*



Salty Humor

Money can't
buy
happiness...
but somehow,
I'm just con-
vinced I'd be
much more
comfortable
crying in a
Lexus LS 500
than a Kia
Sorento.

Chaplain's Corner

Dear Shipmates,
I don't know about you, but I am ready for warm weather! Although nobody who lives in a moderate climate like I do (Suffolk, Va.) should complain, I just like warm weather! During my days in the Navy (1971-1993) I can recall all the long walks down the pier to board our fine ship. In the winter, at Naval Station, Norfolk, it could be a very cold walk! But once aboard, our great engineers who worked overnight -- in fact who worked around the clock! -- we

were in a good climate-controlled place.

And, of course, if I were ever cold while underway, all I had to do was pay a pastoral visit to one of the fire-rooms! As close to Hades as I ever want to be!

So, what I am doing is remembering all that our shipmates did for the welfare of the rest of the crew. Some worked in obvious places, many others worked in out-of-the-way spaces, but all are appreciated. Many of our old familiar rates have been consolidated, we still remember each of them and how

together we operated a great ship. She truly was "The Ageless Warrior"!

So, thanks to all my shipmates who were my Navy family and who have given me many great memories. Let's keep on telling those stories and hopefully inspire a new generation of Navy and Marine Corps women and men.

May God bless you all,

Michael

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

2018 Scholarship Recipients Announced.

Shipmates, I am happy to introduce to you our 2018 scholarship recipients. Trevin Saathoff will receive the \$2000 scholarship and Bridgette Valenti the \$1000 scholarship. You will find a brief 'bio' on each recipient on page 5.

Trevin is the grandson of shipmate Tommy R. Thompson who served aboard Coral Sea from 1966-1968. Bridgette is the granddaughter of Frank Valenti who served aboard Coral Sea in V3G Div.

We had six scholarship packets mailed out with four entries returned. I and ALL our shipmates wish them well in all their future endeavors, both in the classroom and out.

It is now time to start requesting your 2019 scholarship packets for those graduating in the Spring of

2019. I will begin mailing them out in September and they can be requested through February 1, 2019. The packets will need to be mailed to the chairman **NO LATER THAN** March 1, 2019.

I will not be the chairman after the Reno reunion. I have a granddaughter who will be a junior next year and I do not want my committee obligations to conflict with her senior-year scholarship opportunity.

That being said, ANYONE who would like to take over a GREAT task for the association, speak up at the reunion. This is an appointed office and the next association president will be appointing you unless there are more than one seeking the position. In that situation, the chairman will be selected by a membership vote.



Salty Humor

The Law of the Alibi...if you tell your boss you were late to work because you had a flat tire, the very next morning you will have a flat tire.

Secretary's Corner

Greetings Shipmates, There's a lot going on now that Summer is near, and we are getting ready for the 2018 reunion in Reno, Nev. I do hope that many of you will be able to attend. All indications so far look like there'll be a good turnout. Please check out the reunion registration form elsewhere in this issue of *Sea Breeze*. Please note that all registration forms must be **received by me no later than Sept. 10, 2018.** This will allow enough time for processing. If you have any questions, please contact me. Shipmate

Mil Phillips and I are co-chairing this event.

Thanks to all Shipmates who have paid their dues. Please note that if the dues expiration date on this issue of *Sea Breeze* is in red, your dues have expired. Contact me to get reinstated. Please fill out the membership form and return it to me with all your current information. We want to keep all of you as members in good standing. This summer we will start the process of contacting past-due Shipmates.

The Spring Fling went well. We had several new Shipmates attend this year. The 2019 Spring Fling will also be in Dayton, Ohio at the

same hotel. Many thanks to Shipmate Brad Deegan and new Shipmate Paul Mett for stepping up to operate the fling in 2019.

The 3 Sisters reunion will be in May 2019 in San Diego, Calif., aboard Midway. Look for information elsewhere in this issue. President Wayne Addison and Mil Phillips have done a great job setting up this unique event. There'll still be a Coral Sea reunion in 2019 in addition to the 3 Sisters reunion. Time and place for the 2019 reunion will be determined at this year's reunion in Reno. We're looking for sites for

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Scholarship Recipient Biographies.

Hello. My name is Trevin Saathoff and I live in Wymore, Neb.

I am very active in my school. I have played on my high school's football, basketball and track teams all four years of high school and also play Legion baseball in the summer.

I am a member of the Future Business Leaders of America, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and S-Club. I am registered to attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the fall.



My grandfather, Tommy Thompson served on the USS Coral Sea from 1966-1968. I would like to thank him and all of the people who have served on the USS Coral Sea for this scholarship. It is greatly appreciated.

My name is Bridgette Valenti. I grew up in Plainfield, Ill., with my parents and two older brothers. I currently attend Rosary High School, an all-girls college preparatory school in Aurora, Ill.


Next year I will be attending Tulane University in New Orleans, La., to study medicine.

During my four years at Rosary, I ran cross country, participated in my school's club for community service, and was a member of Student Ambassadors and the Senior Retreat Team, a group that leads youth retreats.

Outside of school, I tutor, volunteer at various children-related organizations, and work part-time at a local movie theater. Both my maternal and paternal grandparents served in the United States Navy.

—Ed. Note: Several attempts were made to locate a photo of Ms. Valenti, but none were available at press time.





Salty Humor

Law of the Bath...once your body is fully immersed in water, the telephone rings.

2018 Annul Reunion Reservation—DUE SEPT. 10

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** (mandatory, for 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:

**DUE BY
SEPT. 10**

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

**DUE BY
SEPT. 10**



Salty Humor

Brown' Law of Physical Appearance...if the clothes fit, they're ugly.

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President's Corner...

display and--do you know--not one person was shot. That should drive Nancy and Chuck crazy. All of us crazy people with guns. What a shame. I had on my veterans' hat and I can't tell you how many times I was stopped and was told "WELCOME HOME". If you ever get to go to the NRA Convention, if is well worth the time. They are a great supporter of Veterans. I even joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Anna and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers for her aunt. She was in-

jured in Austin, Tex., this past spring by the nut case setting off bombs. She is still in the hospital and recovering well. They saved her leg, but she has a long road to recovery.

I am sorry that I did not get to attend the Spring Fling this year, but I hope everyone had a good time. I am looking forward to next year.

Looking forward to seeing all in Reno. Be safe and God Speed,

Wayne

Wayne Addkison
 President
 USS Coral Sea Assoc.

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Reno Reunion...

questions, you'll find contact information for the reunion co-chairs, John Ranson and Mil Phillips, on the Officer's Page of our newsletter. They are just a phone call or email away from addressing any concerns or questions about our reunion. And they always welcome shipmate suggestions for a bigger and better annual reunion event. They would love to hear from you (almost any hour of the day or night!).

Proposed By-laws Changes for 2018.

Proposed changes are underlined.

Amend Article VII, Sec. 2 Responsibilities of Treasurer as follows:

f) At his discretion set up various funds, such as "Museum", "Ships", **Relief Fund**, etc, with the approval of the Executive Board. Any funds so designated must conform to the requirements of Article II.

Replace Article X with the following:
Article X

DUES:

Sec. 1 The dues of the U.S.S. Coral Sea CVA-43 shall be \$20.00 per year for the period of January 1st to December 31th. Any dues increase must be recommended by the Execu-

tive Board and voted on by the members present at the annual business meeting. Any increase would be retroactive to January 1st. of the year in which the increase is approved. All plank owners i.e. all those on the Ship's original commissioning crew shall pay no membership fee. All those whose birthdate is prior to December 31, 1932 shall pay no dues.

Sec. 2 All former Commanding Officers of USS Coral Sea shall pay no dues.

Sec. 3 Any delinquent members may be reinstated by the payment of current dues.



Salty Humor

Don't make yourself irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.

Treasurer's Corner

Happy Spring everyone.

I recently returned from the Midwest Spring Fling in Dayton, Ohio, where everyone had a great time and plans were made to return next year. Hope you will be able to join us.

Reno is shaping up to be a well-attended reunion. Hope to see you there. Remember, registration and raffle tickets must be received no later than 10 Sept. 2018, which is also the cutoff date for the Coral Sea hotel room rates at Circus-Circus.

A special BZ to Joe Difiglio, Richard Kearney, Craig Caldwell, Thomas Bennis and Robert Kurtz for their generous dona-

tions to our Association. Their donations will be put to good use. The Scholarship award checks have been mailed. Award recipients are acknowledged elsewhere in this issue. Have a great summer and don't forget to send in your raffle tickets.

Hope to see you all in Reno this Fall as well as Dayton next April and/or in San Diego next May for the Midway Class Three Sisters combined special reunion (early details in this issue).

Be Well and Be Safe,

Clarence

Clarence Neander
Association Treasurer

ATTENTION SHIPMATES

Please note your expiration date on the mailing label of this issue of the 'Sea Breeze.'
If your dues are now expired, you will be removed from the Association roster on 12/31/2018. Please contact Association Secretary John Ranson for further details.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO D & P Embroidery ATTN: **CVA-43 SMALL STORES** CREDIT CARDS WILL PROCESSED THRU PayPal
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USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOCIATION LOGO ITEMS

- 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



NAVY PAYGRADE INSIGNIA (SILVER)

- 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



"MAYAGUEZ RESCUE" PATCHES 7"X7"

- 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>CONTACT INFORMATION 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**
				\$ _____	UP TO \$24.99\$7.00
				\$ _____	\$25.00 TO \$50.00\$9.00
				\$ _____	\$51 TO \$75\$12.00
				\$ _____	\$76 & UP\$15.00
				\$ _____	

NOTE: ALL CREDIT CARDS WILL BE PROCESSED THRU D & P Embroidery PayPal Account

Use your PayPal Account to PAY - Acct. email _____

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



Coral Sea Statistics

"Impressive then, impressive now..."

With a crew of more than 4,000, Coral Sea is a self-contained city. Within her armored hull are many of the same jobs and positions available in most American cities and towns.

Coral Sea has the resources available to enhance its crewmembers physically, intellectually and spiritually. She is equipped with a professional weight room; she has a 3,000-plus volume library and offers college courses; her Religious Ministries Department offers worship services for five denominations.

At first, Coral Sea may overwhelm you. Here is a list of facts and statistics to help fill out her hull:



Salty Humor

Generally speaking, you're not learning much when your lips are moving.

	<u>1947</u>		<u>1990</u>
Length:	968 feet	Length:	973 feet
Displacement:	40,000 tons	Displacement:	more than 67,000 tons
Number of spaces:	1,750	Number of spaces:	more than 2,500
Miles of piping:	150 miles	Miles of piping:	150 miles
Number of aircraft:	125	Number of aircraft:	approx. 66
Shaft horsepower:	200,000	Miles of firehose:	300 miles
Number of telephones:	2,000	Monthly payroll:	\$1,650,000
Number of five-inch guns:	18	Height:	18 stories
		Beam:	120 feet
		Draft:	35 feet
		Meals served each day at sea:	more than 14,000

A 5,000 pound automobile would travel 2.5 miles if shot from one of Coral Sea's three steam-driven catapults. Average daily sales in Coral Sea's four stores exceed \$10,000. Coral Sea's WSEA-TV and KREW radio stations provide the crew with 24-hour FM radio and three channels of television programming over the ship's closed circuit system. Twelve oil-fed boilers feed four main engines for a total of 212,000 shaft horsepower.

All welded seams, if laid in a straight line, would extend from Norfolk to San Francisco, a length of more than 2,400 miles.

Since commissioning, Coral Sea has traveled more than two million miles, which is equal to four round trips to the moon.

USS Coral Sea Association Membership Application/Renewal Form

Membership in the USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOCIATION is open to all Navy, Marine Corp and Air Force personnel who served aboard the ship (CV/CVB/CVA-43) for a period of at least 90 days. Also, any person who was assigned to the original commissioning crew (plank owner), even if they spent fewer than 90 days aboard, shall be eligible for membership. **DUES:** Association membership is \$20 per year. Dues for membership are not limited to one year when submitted for renewal or first-time application. Any amount submitted over the annual dues will be automatically earmarked for the Association's Scholarship Fund program.



New Member: [] I apply for membership for _____ year(s). Enclosed is a check/money order \$ _____
Renewal: [] Renew my membership for _____ year(s). Enclosed is a check/money order \$ _____

Name _____ Birth Date _____
 (Please PRINT First name, middle initial, last name) (mo/day/year)

Address _____ CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP+4 _____ PHONE: (_____) _____ Email _____

Spouse's Name _____ Birthday _____ Anniversary _____

ON BOARD SHIP AS CREW MEMBER:

From _____ to _____ Division _____ Rank/Rate On Board _____
 (Month/Year) (Month/Year) (Lt/RD/FN/SN/Sgt)

Military Retirement: No [] Yes [] Retired as: _____ USN [] USMC [] USCG []
 (Rank/Rate) USNR [] Air Force [] Army []

I do [] do not [] want my complete mailing address printed on the published roster.
 I do [] do not [] want an Association bumper sticker.

Please make check payable to: **USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOC.**
 Mail application to:

John Ranson, Secretary, USS CORAL SEA CVA-43 ASSOC.
 52 Woodland Pl.
 Ft. Thomas, KY 41075-1605 Email: jrsr3843@fuse.net

Office Use Only

Received: _____
 Check: _____
 Amount: _____
 Expires: _____

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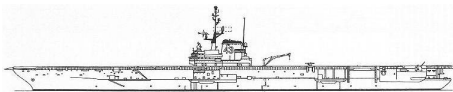
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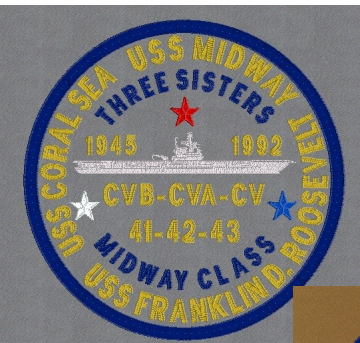
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Secretary's Corner...

2019. So far Colorado Springs, CO. is the only site under consideration. All good suggestions from Shipmates for future reunion sites are appreciated.

There are two proposals for changes in the USS Coral Sea Assoc. By-laws up for consideration at the 2018 business meeting in Reno. Please see that information elsewhere in this issue.

As always, I'm glad to hear from shipmates. If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me.

Fair winds & following seas!

John

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