

# THE CORAL SEA BREEZE

## Complete Your 2024 Annual Reunion Registration at:

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## Welcome Aboard!

**Michael J. Bibler**  
AC3, OC Div.  
3/68—3/68

**William T Bishop**  
OS2, OI Div.  
3/83-84

**Ephariam C. Peek**  
FN, B Div.  
6/67—1/70

**Vernon A. Sylvester**  
AGAN, OI Div.  
10/53—1/55

USS Coral Sea sailors will be joining those from the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt and USS Midway for the 2024 "3 Sisters" Reunion beginning Sept. 23, 2024. Featuring the San Diego waterfront, our host hotel will be the Wyndham San Diego Bayside. It also offers a great view of our host carrier, USS Midway. A number of events will be held on USS Midway, the

most popular naval warship museum in the U.S. based on an-



nual visits.

On page three of this issue you will find the reunion registration form. You can print

that form or copy/paste the link shown above.

Your tour options for the reunion are described on page 4. Make your selections on the registration form, indicate the number of people, and total your cost. Payment can be by check or credit card if completing the form online. The deadline to register is Aug. 19, 2024. See you in San Diego!

## President's Corner

Greetings, September is coming fast, and of the upcoming San Diego "3 Sisters Reunion" info is available in this issue. Sign up ASAP so we have a good count for the tours, dinners, and shows.

As of last Thursday, total reservations for all ships were 230. We guaranteed 600, so we have some ways to go. But I

feel we will get way over the 600 attendees. Hopefully Coral Sea will have more attendees this time as this will be our normal reunion. We will not have our normal schedule of events at this reunion. Our general meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Tuesday in the hotel hospitality room. There will be no auction this year, but we will have our annual raffle. Other usual annual reunion

activities will be scaled back some as well. I will have all details for our 2025 U.S.S. Lexington-Corpus Christi reunion plans available for discussion. Among other business, we will choose which hotel to stay at. I am having lunch with Admiral Allen first Thursday June. He wishes he could attend this reunion, but his health will

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# TAPS

**Ronald H. Roberts**

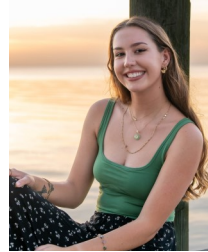
PH3, X Div.  
1962—1964

**Charles D. Thornburgh**

RM2, CR Div.  
1958—1963

## First Place Scholarship Winner.

My name is Madisyn Morris, and I am from Currituck County, N.C. In May I will graduate from the College of the Albemarle with my associate in arts. I am committed to the University of North Carolina Wilmington and will be attending there this fall. There, I will earn my BA in Criminology. Afterward, I will either stay at UNCW to earn my master's degree, or I will transfer to another university. After I



finish college, I plan to join the police force to gain experience for my dream career which is to be an FBI profiler.

I would like to thank my parents, family, and my closest friends for being by my side for these last four years.

—Ed. Note: Madisyn is the granddaughter of Assoc. member Al Ching. Her winning essay will appear in our Sept. issue.

### Secretary's Corner

Good day Shipmates, I'm very pleased that Spring is here. I can't stand the cold weather. Besides, it's great to be able to do outdoor activities and not freeze.

I thank all of you who have paid your dues, especially those of you who were behind in paying.

There's not much else to report currently. There are no planned changes to the Associ-

ation by-laws unless something pops up very soon for consideration. According to the Association by-laws any proposed changes need to be published in the June issue of "Sea Breeze".

Since this is an even numbered year it will be necessary to elect Association Officers at the business meeting. This will be on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 1000. The offices up for election are: President, Vice President, Treasurer,

Secretary, and 3-Year Board Member. If you attending the reunion please plan to attend this meeting. It will be in the hospitality room and the only business will be the election of officers.

I look forward to seeing many Shipmates in San Diego this year.

Godspeed!

*John*

John H. Ranson  
Association Secretary

### Vice President's Corner

Greetings Shipmates. The office of the VP has been quiet and uneventful recently, which is not necessarily a bad thing!

Plans for the annual reunion—a.k.a. 3 Sisters—are moving forward and it's shaping up to be a "must at-

tend" event. Make your plans now to join us.

Raffle ticket returns have been running a bit slower than we'd prefer, so let me ask that you return yours very soon. Keep in mind that the reunion is early, so the cut-off date for ticket returns is also early. Please mail soon so your raf-

fle ticket purchase gets in before Sept. 19, 2024.

Looking forward to seeing you in San Diego!

*Clarence*

Clarence Neander  
Association Vice President

<http://www.events.afr-reg.com/e/MidwaySisters2024>

**MIDWAY CLASS – THREE SISTERS’ REUNION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM – SEPTEMBER 23-28, 2024**

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order. Your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. Returned checks will be charged a \$35 fee. You may also register online and pay by credit card at <http://www.events.afr-reg.com/e/MidwaySisters2024> (4% will be added to total). All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before August 19, 2024. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form.

**Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.**  
**322 Madison Mews**  
**Norfolk, VA 23510**  
**ATTN: MIDWAY CLASS-3 SISTERS**

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Check # _____	Date Received _____
Inputted _____	Nametag Completed _____

<b>CUT-OFF DATE IS 8/19/24</b>		<b>Price Per</b>	<b># of People</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>REGISTRATION:</b>				
<b>Mandatory Registration Fee – Per Person (except for guests only attending dinner banquet)–</b> Includes hospitality room &reunion expenses		\$45	#	\$
<b>TOURS/OUTINGS:</b>				
<b>TUESDAY, 9/24 – SAN DIEGO AIR &amp; SPACE MUSEUM</b>		\$74	#	\$
<b>WEDNESDAY, 9/25 – LAJOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD TOUR</b>		\$44	#	\$
<b>WEDNESDAY, 9/25 – MOVIE NIGHT AT EMBARCADERO</b>		\$40	#	\$
<b>THURSDAY, 9/26 – CITY TOUR/CORONADO</b>		\$47	#	\$
<b>MEAL OPTIONS</b>				
<b>TUESDAY, 9/24 - ICE CREAM SOCIAL - MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAES &amp; CASH BAR</b>		\$35	#	\$
<b>WEDNESDAY, 9/25 – MEET &amp; GREET ONBOARD THE USS MIDWAY</b> <i>(please indicate number of guests attending)</i>		Included	#	
<b>THURSDAY, 9/26 - GRAND BANQUET DINNER</b>		\$75	#	\$
<b>THURSDAY, 9/26 – FOR GUESTS ONLY ATTENDING THE GRAND BANQUET DINNER</b>		\$75	#	\$
<b>REUNION APPAREL – WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON-SITE</b>				
Reunion T-Shirt – Select Size: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/> XL		\$18	#	\$
Reunion T-Shirt – Select Size: <input type="checkbox"/> 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> 3XL		\$20	#	\$
Total Amount Payable to <b>Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.</b>				\$

**PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WANT YOUR NAMETAG TO READ**

FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_

ON WHICH SHIP DID YOU SERVE (REQUIRED)  Midway  FDR  Coral Sea

YEARS ON BOARD (EX. 1962-65) \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION/SQDN \_\_\_\_\_ RATE/RANK \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE NAME (IF ATTENDING) OR GUEST NAMES \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS OF MAIN ATTENDEE \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PH. NUMBER (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Sleeping room requirements must be conveyed by attendee directly with hotel)*

MUST YOU BE LIFTED HYDRAULICALLY ONTO THE BUS WHILE SEATED IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN BUS TRIPS? (PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY).  YES  NO

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PH. NUMBER (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

For refunds and cancellations please refer to our policies outlined at the bottom of the reunion program. **CANCELLATIONS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am-4:00pm EASTERN TIME (excluding holidays).** Call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion.

**SEPTEMBER 23-28, 2024**  
**WYNDHAM SAN DIEGO BAYSIDE | SAN DIEGO, CA**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:**

**SAN DIEGO AIR & SPACE MUSEUM/CORONADO TOUR**

Spend the morning in Balboa Park to explore the San Diego Air & Space Museum. The museum offers a dazzling collection of historic U.S. and foreign aircraft and aviation memorabilia, which bring to life the more significant events associated with flight and space exploration. The International Hall of Fame honors, in portraiture and narrative, those men and women who have made a substantive contribution to the advance of aerospace sciences. See some of the legendary aircraft of this era, including the inspiring Spitfire and the vaunted Japanese Zero. Then we'll head over to the Ferry Landing Marketplace for a late lunch on your own while enjoying spectacular views of San Diego across the bay. After lunch we'll do a quick driving tour of Coronado, to include a drive by of the US Naval Amphibious Base where the US Navy SEALs are trained on our way back to the hotel.

**9:30am board bus, 3:30pm back at hotel**

**\$74/Person includes bus, guide, and admission. Lunch on your own.**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25:**

**LAJOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD TOUR**

Starting the day we will head to Mt Soledad National Veterans Memorial where a 27-foot tall cross, built in 1954, serves as a memorial to honor veterans, living and deceased, from the Revolutionary War to the current global "War on Terror." Time will be allowed for photos and reflection on the more than 3,500 memorial plaques that are part of the Memorial. Then we will head down to La Jolla, the "jewel" of San Diego, past the Cove and famous Children's Pool and into the heart of the Village. Free time will be allowed to enjoy the park and to take photos of the seals who are usually sunning themselves on the beach! Enjoy a beautiful town center with fantastic shopping, photo opportunities and more!

**12:30pm board bus, 4:30pm back at hotel**

**\$44/Person includes bus, guide and National Park Admission. Lunch on your own.**

**MOVIE NIGHT AT EMBARCADERO**

Lights, Camera, Action!! Enjoy the ultimate Movie Night at the open-air cinema experience. With stunning views of the San Diego coast, enjoy a classic movie with concession snacks available for purchase including candy, sodas, hot dogs, pretzels and nachos. To say thank you for your service, each person receives one complimentary popcorn. A full cash bar is also available featuring local brews, wine and cinema-themed cocktails. Everyone is provided with personal headphones. So, sit back, relax and enjoy the show on the big screen!

**7pm Tentative Start Time– Film Will Be Selected by Reunion Committee**

**\$40/Person includes ticket with cash bar and concessions available for purchase. Transportation NOT included.**

*The theatre is located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel.*

*The hotel is a short 15-minute walk (.7 miles) or a 5-minute drive from the Wyndham Hotel.*

*Guests can self-park at the Grand Hyatt garage for \$11 (up to 4-hours) with a validation from the Box Office. You can also self-park at the surface lot in the Seaport Village (rates vary) or arrive via the San Diego Trolley (Green Line). Just hop off at Seaport Village Station and you will be directly across the street from the hotel.*

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26:**

**CITY TOUR & CORONADO**

Enjoy a driving tour of beautiful San Diego. We'll go to Harbor Island for a great view of North Island Naval Air Station (NASNI), and then continue along to see the Maritime Museum, Gaslamp Quarter, and Balboa Park, where you will be provided with a brief stop to stretch your legs, grab a cup of coffee or to take pictures. Then it's onto Liberty Station (formerly the site of the Naval Training Center) for lunch on your own where you will find many art studios, Liberty Public Market and unique eateries. After lunch we will drive over the bridge for a tour of Coronado to enjoy seeing the #1 family beach in the United States, the "Baby Del" and "Crown Manor." On the return trip to your hotel, you will drive through Old Town, which is considered the birthplace of California as the American Flag was raised here in 1846.

**9:00am board bus, 2:00pm back at hotel**

**\$47/Person includes bus and guide. Lunch on your own.**

Please be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time.  
 All tours require a minimum of thirty-five people. Driver and Guide gratuities are not included in tour prices.

**SCOOTER POLICY FOR PROGRAMS:** If you use a scooter but can climb the steps to board the bus, either you and/or a person traveling with you must be able to put the scooter in the bus's luggage compartment. Due to liability issues, drivers and tour guides cannot assist with scooters.

## The History of "Anchors Aweigh"

"Anchors Aweigh", the unofficial march song of the U.S. Navy has an interesting history. It was composed by Lt. Charles A.

Zimmerman who was the band master of the US Naval Academy. He composed the music while Alfred Hart Miles composed the original lyrics.

Each year, Lt. Zimmerman would compose a fight song for the annual Navy-Army game (my choice of designation for this game!). Anchors Aweigh was first publicly played

at the annual game on December 1, 1906. By the way, Navy won this game 10-1.

The song was gradually adopted as the song of the U.S. Navy. Although

there is a pending proposal to make it the official song, and to incorporate protocol into Navy regulations for its performance, its status re-

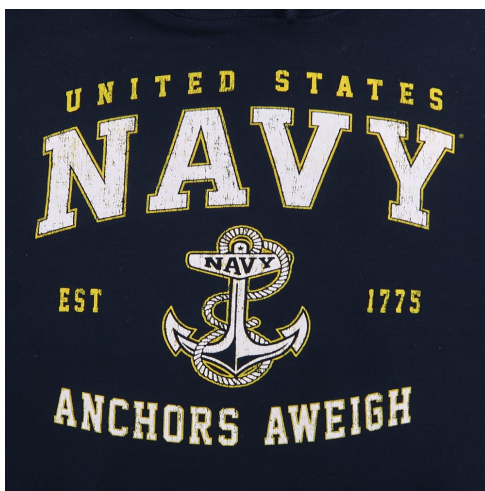
mains unofficial. Its lyrics were considered too specific to the Academy and not representative of the Navy at large, and so were rewritten by George D. Lottman. Its melody was also slightly rewritten by Domenico Savino.

In later years verses were added; however, these have been unused for a long time. More modern lyrics were written

by George D. Lottman in 1926. The version used today was written in 1997 by MCPON John Hagan:

*Stand Navy out to sea, fight our bat-*

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### Salty Humor

How did the Irish jig get started? Too much to drink and not enough restrooms.

### Treasurer's Corner

Greetings Coral Sea shipmates!

As we approach the days of summer, hope this finds you well and in good health. Plans for the 3 Sisters Reunion (TSR) are finalized and in place. Raffle ticket sales have been somewhat steady but, we can use more. If you haven't already done so, and intend to do so, please go ahead and mail in your ticket stubs and payment. If you would like to purchase additional tick-

ets, please send me your check/cash payment and I will enter your tickets in the drawing.

Since the TSR banquet is a joint banquet, we will not be selling tickets at the banquet. The drawing for the raffle will be held at our general business meeting. There will be a very limited number of additional tickets available for purchase at the TSR as well as a limited amount of time to do so. Bottom line, if you want raffle tickets, get them now before it's too late!

Please, do not mail ticket stubs/payment after Monday, Sept. 9. I will not have time to process them if received any later than Friday, Sept. 13. Also, there will be no auction at the TSR as the banquet is a joint event.

Best wishes to one and all. Hope to see you in San Diego in September!

*Bill*

Bill Bomar  
Association Treasurer

## 3 Sisters Reunion Schedule.

### Monday, Sept. 23

**1400–1900**

- Early Reunion Registration

**1400–2200**

- Hospitality Room Open (Hours posted at Reunion)
- Explore San Diego

### Tuesday, Sept. 24

**0800–0900**

- Reunion Registration Open

**0800–2200**

- Hospitality Room Open

**0930–1530**

- San Diego Air and Space Museum/Coronado Tour

**1600–1800**

- Welcome Ice Cream Social and Cash Bar

**1700–1800**

- USS Midway Business Meeting in Hospitality Room
- Explore San Diego and dinner on your own

### Wednesday Sept. 25

**0800–Until**

- Meet & Greet Onboard the USS Midway (followed by free time on the ship)

**0800–2200**

- Hospitality Room Open

**1030–1200**

- USS Coral Sea Business in Hospitality Room

**1230–1630**

- La Jolla/Mt. Soledad Tour

**1900–TBD**

- Movie Night on the rooftop at Embarcadero
- Explore San Diego on your own

### Thursday, Sept. 26

**0800–2200**

- Hospitality Room Open

**0900–1400**

- City Tour & Coronado

**1430–1600**

- USS FDR Business Meeting in Hospitality Room

**1830–1930**

- Cash Bar Reception Aboard the USS Midway

**1930–2130**

- Grand Banquet Aboard the USS Midway

### Friday, Sept. 27

- Farewells and Departures



### Salty Humor

If robbers ever broke into my house to search for money, I'd just laugh and search with them.

### Chaplain's Corner

Dear Shipmates,

I certainly don't want to come across as a "fair weather friend", but I surely do enjoy fair and warm weather better than the alternative! It is refreshing to see the good earth come alive as plants begin to grow. I frequently drive through

farming country here in Suffolk, Virginia, and it is inspiring to see green growth.

Speaking of weather, I also remember some not-so-good weather days onboard our Ageless Warrior. Yes, we had our resident "weather guesser" aboard, but I never was jealous of his job, trying to predict what is going to happen

weather-wise. I also got real nervous every time someone asked me to pray for good weather . . . if my prayer was successful, then surely, I would repeatedly be asked for an encore!

Well, weather is just one of those things over which we have little or no control. I

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# The Wyndham San Diego Bayside Reunion Hotel.

**Wyndham San Diego Bayside** is a waterfront hotel located in downtown San Diego. It embodies Southern California's laid-back style, combining a refreshingly vintage vibe with modern-day essentials that San Diego visitors crave. Here are some key features of this delightful hotel:

**Waterfront Location...**Wyndham San Diego Bayside enjoys an unmatched waterfront location right on North San Diego Bay. Guests can savor balcony views from every room, taking in the scenic beauty of the bay.




• **On-Site Restaurants...**The hotel boasts three on-site restaurants, allowing guests to indulge in a variety of dining options.

Whether you're exploring nearby attractions like the USS Midway or simply unwinding by the water, Wyndham San Diego Bayside offers a comfortable and memorable experience.

• **Airport Shuttle...**For added convenience, the hotel provides a complimentary airport shuttle service, making travel to and from San Diego Airport hassle-free.

• **Pet-Friendly...**With 600 pet-friendly rooms, Wyndham San Diego Bayside ensures that your furry companions are welcome during your stay.

## Salty Humor

Junk is something you've keep for years and throw away three weeks before you need it!

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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



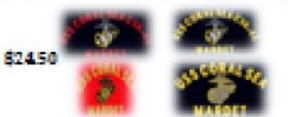
**NAVY PAYGRADE INSIGNIA (SILVER)**

- 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



**JACKETBACK 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 - \$13.50



**YOUTH CORAL SEA MY PAPA SERVED**

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



**YOUTH CORAL SEA MY PAWPAW SERVED**

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



**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
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**Salty Humor**

At my age, I  
run like the  
winded.

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**The History of Anchors Aweigh...**  
*tle cry!*  
*We'll never change our course so*  
*vicious foes steer shy-y-y-y!*  
*Roll out the TNT, anchors aweigh!*  
*Sail on to victory, and sink their*  
*bones to Davy Jones, hooray!*  
*Anchors Aweigh, my boys, Anchors*  
*Aweigh!*  
*Farewell to foreign Shores, we sail*  
*at break of day-ay-ay-ay;*  
*Through our last night ashore,*  
*drink to the foam,*  
*Until we meet once more, here's*  
*wishing you a happy voyage home!*  
*Blue of the mighty deep, Gold of*  
*God's great sun;*  
*Let these our colors be, Till All of*  
*time be done, done, done, done;*  
*On seven seas we learn, Navy's*  
*stern call:*  
*Faith, courage, service true, With*

*honor over, honor over all.*  
 The song became popular through-  
 out not just the USA but also in  
 several numerous foreign countries  
 as well. Several other Navies have  
 adopted it as their official song.  
 An interesting aside to Anchors  
 Aweigh occurred when President  
 Theodore Roosevelt sent the "Great  
 White Fleet" on a world cruise. The  
 Fleet was scheduled to land in Bra-  
 zil on this goodwill tour. The gov-  
 ernment of Brazil wasn't aware of  
 any particular USA National An-  
 them; however, owing to the  
 song's international popularity,  
 they assumed that Anchors Aweigh  
 was the US National Anthem. So, it  
 was played upon the Fleet's en-  
 trance into Rio De Janeiro.  
 How appropriate!  
 —Submitted by John Ranson

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**President's Corner...**

not permit travel. He says he will try his very best for next year.

While visiting the Lex in Corpus Christi to finalize dinner plans and other 2025 reunion details, I'll take some pictures of the display of our memorabilia. Rusty and his crew have done an outstanding job. Also, Rebekah from the Corpus Christi tourist convention center is doing fantastic work to make this an outstanding reunion. With that said, I have invited both parties to be our guest at dinner aboard the Lex.

It's summertime and filled with graduations, weddings, vacations, and

many other activities. I ask that you all have a great summer and be safe. Will see everyone in San Diego!

*Wayne*

Wayne Addkison  
Association President

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**Chaplain's Corner...**

have learned and I try to practice patience and acceptance concerning those things I can't change. In fact, that advice is quite well-known in The Serenity Prayer:

*God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change;  
courage to change the things*

*I can;  
and wisdom to know the difference.  
Living one day at a time;  
Enjoying one moment at a time;  
Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;  
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it;  
Trusting that He will make all things right  
if I surrender to His Will;  
That I may be reasonably happy in this life  
and supremely happy with Him Forever in the next.  
Amen.*

Best wishes to all!

*Michael*

Michael D. Halley  
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