



FLAMIN' CAIMAN TALES

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COMMANDER'S SCUTTLEBUTT

Greetings CAIMAN Shipmates. This is our second news-letter since our reunion in May. In July Doug Smith ventured down to Northern California for us to work on the lost list of CAIMAN personnel who we cannot locate. Since Bob Mehrling and Bob Hyde graciously donated \$500 each to pay for locating these shipmates at our May reunion, we sent \$1,015 to the Naval Personnel Command in Millington, Tennessee to find these crew-members. The list which totaled 290 names was sent along with a letter and a membership application to each shipmate asking them to reply to the Association whether they were interested in becoming a member or not. The Manpower Center assured us they would let us know one way or another if the shipmate was located, deceased, or unable to find in the Navy Department system. The cost for each name submitted was \$3.50 per name. Since we had the money we submitted all lost CAIMAN Shipmates E-5 and above. We should hear from NAVPERSCOM this next month the outcome of our request. Bryan Minnegrode has discovered a new mission for the CAIMAN. If you attended our first reunion in Colorado Springs, Bryan was able to obtain a 3 foot CAIMAN from Colorado Gators, a tourist attraction. The CAIMAN was on display for 3 days in a tank in our hospitality suite. Now, it seems this same CAIMAN was found with Marijuana plants surrounding the 300 gallon stock tank in which it was kept in a home's master bedroom. You guessed it, the tenants were arrested by police as they were trying to steal a refrigerator from the landlord, whom he had evicted a few days earlier. Our CAIMAN was taken away by a reptile rescue unit to be monitored for health problems. Police said the CAIMAN'S stock tank was filled with gold fish for him to feast on while guarding the pot.

John "Yeo" Fagereng, Commander

BRENT CHRISTIANSEN

Bent has found a reliable contractor and he has a roof and outside walls on his house. They are starting on the inside – plumbing, wiring, wallboard and kitchen cabinets. He is still living in an apartment but his house is getting closer to livable. He expressed his thanks to all CAIMANITES many times. You guys are the greatest.

SAILING LIST

I compared the lost list (un located shipmates) against the VA's gravesite registration and located several shipmates. I ensured that name, rate, and time in service matched before I added their name to the sailing list. The sailing list will show month and year they went on Eternal Patrol for the shipmates I located this way. Our sailing list has over 850 names.

ASSOCIATION DUES

To save the phone calls and emails, I am attaching a list of all the CAIMANITES that have paid their association dues. Dues \$10 for 2008 and \$75 for life membership.

Mail dues to:

USS CAIMAN ASSOC

PO BOX 6003

VALLEJO, CA 94591-6003

REUNION

Our Commander and I will be going back to Branson next year to locate a hotel that will be able to handle the CAIMAN reunion. Since we had 190 sailors and guests at our first reunion and 217 at our second, we will be planning on at least 250 this time. We need you to attend the next reunion so Yeo and I will not be accused of blowing smoke up some hotel sweetie's skirt.

CAIMAN SWEETHEARTS

Carol Field, Chris' adult supervisor and bride, has attempted to contact all the ladies that gave her their email addresses at the reunion and had several bounce. Carol's email address is arneybird2@comcast.net. If you did not get an email from Carol or want to be placed on her list, send Carol an email. Guys, this is not a conspiracy. Carol is just going to have some events for the ladies during the reunion. A CAIMANITE's adult supervisor has already volunteered to show the ladies how to preserve all the great photos we have from our years on CAIMAN. She has been around sub sailors enough to know that we won't do it so she will show our better halves the correct procedures.

REUNION

In the last newsletter, I neglected to mention the attendance at our last reunion. We had:

124 Caiman sailors

1 Caiman widow

92 guests

Total 217

I live in Bremerton, WA and have compared notes on reunions with several people from other boats and they have trouble believing we had that many people attend. Most have trouble believing the number of people on our sailing list also. They consider a large reunion attendance at around 40. Once again we prove that CAIMAN is a great boat.

GOLF

Phil McGaughey is helping the Yeo and I put together a golf tournament during the reunion in Branson. We need help because Yeo and I know nothing about pasture pool. The information will be in the newsletter. If you play – plan on bringing your clubs.

ASSN	LAST NAME	FIRST	YRS
LIFE	ADAMS	James H.	60/61
LIFE	AMATO	Sam	68/71
LIFE	AXTELL	Robert D.	59/60
LIFE	BAER	Greg A.	69/71
LIFE	BAIN	James K.	60/66
LIFE	BAINS	Richard	53/56
LIFE	BARNHARDT	Roger	68/71
LIFE	BELL	Gary B.	58/61
LIFE	BICH	James D.	55/58
2008	BILDERBACK	O. J.	62/63
2008	BLOCK	Edward	55/60
2008	BOELLHOFF	Lawrence E.	45/46
LIFE	BONDI (PK)	Richard W.	44/45
LIFE	BOWLIN	Robert C.	57/61
2008	BOYER	Laurin	69/71
2008	BRADLEY	Edward F.	53/53
LIFE	BRASELL	James E.	69/72
LIFE	BREAULT	George O.	56/60
LIFE	BRYAN	Thomas	66/69
LIFE	BUCKLEY	Thomas D.	64/65
LIFE	BUEHLER	Gary	64/64
LIFE	BURGETT	Michael R.	68/70
LIFE	BURY	Michael	68/69
LIFE	BYERS	Joseph L.	62/66
2008	CAMPBELL	James	51/55
LIFE	CARSTENSEN	Larry D.	64/67
2008	CASH	Eugene	64/66

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LIFE	CAWTHORN	Rick	71/72
LIFE	CHAPMAN	Wayne	51/54
LIFE	CHRISTIANSEN	Bent	68/70
LIFE	CHRISTISON	Randall B.	68/69
LIFE	CLARK	Franklin W.	67/69
LIFE	COFFEY	David	65/69
LIFE	COONEY	James R	67/68
LIFE	CUEMAN (PK)	Kenneth F.	44/45
2008	CUMPTON	Pierce E.	46/47
2008	CUNNINGHAM	Phil	62/64
LIFE	DAVIDSON JR	Roy D.	61/66
LIFE	DENGEL	Robert	64/68
LIFE	DETHRAGE (PK)	Claude A.	44/45
2008	DeVORE	Robert	51
LIFE	deYARMIN	Ray W.	62/65
LIFE	DeYOUNG JR	Ernest	62/63
LIFE	DILLREE	Bryce	67/69
2010	DUMBAULD	William B.	56/59
LIFE	DUTCHER	Ronald A.	59/61
LIFE	EHRNSCHWENDER	David J.	68/71
LIFE	EILAND	A. Z.	47/48
LIFE	ERB	Ronald J.	58/62
2008	ESTOQUE JR	Florentino D.	69/72
LIFE	EUGENIO	Romeo	70/72
2008	EWING JR	John	49/53
LIFE	FAGERENG	John A.	67/68
2008	FARRIS	Carlyn L. F.	54/55

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LIFE	FIELD	Chris	67/72
LIFE	FLEMING	Kenneth L.	62
LIFE	FOLSOM	David W.	62/64
LIFE	FORE	George E.	57/60
2008	FRIES	Robert	52/54
2008	FROMM	Carl R.	62/64
LIFE	FURST	Douglas	62/64
LIFE	GAIDOS	Jack	52/55
LIFE	GENEST (PK)	Roland P.	44/45
LIFE	GIFFORD	Jerry	63/67
LIFE	GROVES	James E.	51/53
LIFE	GUIMOND	Paul	68/69
LIFE	HALEY (PK)	John	44/46
LIFE	HAMANN	Dennis	60/62
LIFE	HARRER	Neil A.	59/62
LIFE	HART	Irving H.	61/64
2008	HARTMAN	David L.	55/57
LIFE	HARVEY	Charles L.	58/60
LIFE	HATHAWAY	Jack	68/71
LIFE	HAUCK	Victor D.	64/66
LIFE	HAWKINS	Jack	56/58
LIFE	HAYES	Charles (Marty)	53/55
LIFE	HELM JR	George N.	67/69
LIFE	HEPP	Glenn T.	62/63
LIFE	HESTER	Robert	64/67
LIFE	HILL (PK)	James W.	44/45
LIFE	HINDES	Charles	63/66

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LIFE	HNATOVIC	Ronald F.	58/58
LIFE	HUNNICUTT	James A.	68/69
LIFE	HYDE	Robert	65/67
LIFE	JACKS	Jerry D.	63/64
LIFE	JANSON	Robert	66/70
LIFE	JOHANNESSEN	Allen C.	69/70
2008	JOHNSON	Robert L.	53/56
LIFE	JOHNSTON	Rodney K.	62/64
LIFE	JONES	Billy C.	60/62
LIFE	JURCHECK	John	68/70
LIFE	KAN	Darryl B.	54/55
LIFE	KANE	Fred	68/70
LIFE	KICENSKI	Virgil R.	55/58
LIFE	KIDDER (PK)	John M.	44/45
2008	KINNIE JR	Phillip B.	69/70
LIFE	KOPACKA SR (PK)	William F.	44/45
LIFE	KREH	Richard E.	64/66
2008	LEITGEB	William C.	48/53
LIFE	LIBRIZZI	Victor	53/55
LIFE	LOUDON	Allen J.	56/57
LIFE	LOWE	William L.	58/60
LIFE	LUCE	John L.	60/66
LIFE	MAES	Dennis R.	66/70
2016	MAHONY	Terry	67/69
LIFE	MALIKOWSKI (PK)	Stanley	44/46
LIFE	MALSBURY	Gary A.	65/66
LIFE	MARCHANT	Thomas	62/64

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LIFE	McCABE	Benny	56/59
LIFE	McCLURE	Alvin R.	52/52
LIFE	McGAUGHEY	Philip D.	57/59
LIFE	McGILL	Harry	70/72
LIFE	MEAUX	Richard	70/72
LIFE	MEHRLING	Robert	64/67
LIFE	MILAS (PK) (MILOSZEWSKI)	Forrest M.	44/46
2008	MILLER	Albert V.	49/51
LIFE	MINNIGERODE	John H.B.	63/65
2008	MORGAN	Howard	67/68
LIFE	MORRISSETT (PK)	Cliff W.	44/45
2008	NICHOLS	Glenn T.	68/69
2008	O'TOOLE	James	66/70
LIFE	PERNAT	John	63/65
LIFE	PIAZZA (PK)	Peter	44/45
2008	POSPISIL	Warren F.	70/71
2008	PRICE	John A.	45/46
LIFE	PRICE	Tom	63/68
LIFE	PUPICH (PK)	Edward	44/45
LIFE	PURCELL (PK)	Melvin	44/45
LIFE	REEVES	Walter S.	65/68
LIFE	RIDLEY	William D.	65/67
LIFE	ROECKLEIN (PK)	Robert G	44/45
LIFE	ROGERS	Douglas A.	52/54 58/62
LIFE	SAMANIEGO	Manuel S.	63/68
LIFE	SAMMUT (PK)	Andrew P.	44/44
2008	SANDERLIN	Kenneth W.	61/63

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LIFE	SANOR	Sandy	66/70
LIFE	SCHMIDT	Mark	71/72
LIFE	SCOBLIC	Thomas L.	67/70
LIFE	SCOFIELD	John T.	59/63
LIFE	SCOTT	David H.	60/62
LIFE	SEID	William P.	60/61
LIFE	SHAFER	Gerald T.	63/68
2008	SHOEHIGH	Alvin	48/50
LIFE	SMITH	Douglas W.	66/69
2008	SMITH	George H.	46/50
LIFE	SORRELLS	Robert H.	51/55
LIFE	SPANG	Gary L.	71/72
LIFE	STAHLMAN JR	Wayne L.	45/45
LIFE	STARR	Gerald	62/63
LIFE	STEARRETT	Thomas W.	66/67
LIFE	STINER (PK)	Doyle	44/45
2008	SWEENEY	Thomas	65/66
2008	TEARE	Ray T.	65/66
2008	THOMAS	Donald F	45/46
2008	THOMPSON	Richard C.	56/59
LIFE	TIPTON	Jimmie	69/72
LIFE	TRACE	George H.	51/52
LIFE	TRAHAN JR	Walter D.	66/70
LIFE	TROUTMAN	John	66/68
LIFE	ULMER	James	66/69
LIFE	VENZKE (PK)	Rudolph	44/46
LIFE	VOGELE	William	53/55

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LIFE	WALL	James L.	61/64
LIFE	WALTERS	Robert P.	55/57
LIFE	WARNBERG	Gurney	66/70
LIFE	WATSON	John S.	52/54
LIFE	WHEELER	David	66/68
LIFE	WHITE (PK)	Bennie	44/45
LIFE	WHITWELL	Ivan P.	64/70
LIFE	WILD III	Charles D.	61/62
LIFE	WILLETTE	Lloyd E.	58/61
LIFE	WILLIAMS	Edwin	67/70
LIFE	WILLIAMS	Eric	68/70
2008	WINDER	Warren E.	60/63
LIFE	ZARATE	Frank	67/69
2008	ZINER	Anthony	62/63