



THE HELM

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Make Your Plans for Cape May

By Stan Barnes, President

As we proceed through 2004, (where did 2003 go?), I would like to take this opportunity again to thank all of you who have bestowed your trust in me so that I may lead the association through the next few years.

I would like to take a moment to reflect back to all the fun times we have shared over the years and thank each of you for making this association what it is today. The future looks as if we will keep finding new members as some of our newer members have reached out to those they know and have had them respond. We still have a lot of people on the data base with no means of us contacting them, so if you wish, contact us and we can give you some names that you may know and wish to contact.

This association depends on your dues to survive, so if you have not paid your 2004 dues, please do so as soon as possible.

I have had several people from other Coast Guard organizations contact me in the last few months stating what a wonderful newsletter *The Helm* is and our organization must be very proud. One gentleman said that we must have a real good bank account. I told him that we run on a shoestring and it is all the hard work put in by the members that keeps us going.

The engraved brick that The Duane Association purchased for the waterfront promenade at the New Coast Guard Plaza next to the USCGC *Taney* in Baltimore has been put in place. If anyone would like to go see our contribution this summer, please contact me.

August 6, 2004, is Coast Guard Day at the USCG Academy in New London, Conn. If anyone would



like to join me at this event, please let me know and I will get back to you soon with the details. This is a one day event.

By the time that you read this newsletter, you should have received the reunion packet from The Atlas Inn in Cape May. Time is getting short so please remit as soon as possible so we all can stay together. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

The ship's store is open with a limited amount of items. Send in your order and I will fill as we replenish the seabag.

Relaying the Information

Relay the word! I find myself not doing an adequate job of updating information because I don't get the word. If you know of a shipmate who has had something special happen, good or bad, please let Secretary Jay Schmidt know. We want to be able to send a condolence or an "at-a-boy" card in a timely manner, not 3-4 months after the fact. You are all the eyes and ears of the association and we could really use your help. Thanks!

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USCGC Duane Association

Cape May Reunion Sep. 30–Oct. 3, 2004

ATLAS INN CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY PLAN OF THE DAY

Wednesday, September 29

1600 – 2300

Registration / ID Cards

Hospitality Room Open

Socializing

Optional Adventure

Evening meal as a group

(Location Optional)

We recommend the Ball Park Cafë, located at the Atlas.

Thursday, September 30

Registration / ID Cards in the hospitality room.

Breakfast in the Ball Park Cafë, at your leisure.

0900 Tee time at the Cape May Golf Course - Tom Braithwaite Challenge. Contact Tom at

tombraith@earthlink.net for registration

Car pool to Atlantic City - 1 hour drive.

Tour 1879 Physick Estate - Details available at the Atlas or go on line.

Trolley tour of Cape May, Ferry trip to Rehoboth, Delaware factory outlet malls, schedule available at The Atlas or go on line.

Scavenger Hunt - A list of items to be found will be provided at check-in.

1700 - 2300 Welcome reception in the hospitality room.

Friday, October 1

Breakfast in the Ball Park Cafë, at your leisure

1000 Muster at the Atlas parking lot for car pool to Coast Guard Base

1100 Graduation

1230 Lunch on the base

1330 Tour the base / Visit base exchange

1700 Muster at the Atlas for the dinner / dolphin watch cruise or be at the marina by 1800

1830 Dinner cruise and Dolphin Watch

2100 Return to the Atlas

Hospitality room open.

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Saturday, October 2

Breakfast in the Ball Park Caf e,
at your leisure

The day is open to do as
you please. **DON'T FORGET THE
SCAVENGER HUNT**

1630 Business meeting in the hos-
pitality room

1830 Muster at the Officers Club
on the base for the banquet

1830 – 1930 Cash bar

1930 Dinner served

2030 Guest speaker

2100 Raffle - It is requested that
everyone please bring one (1) item
for the raffle

(Scavenger Hunt Award)

2300 Return to the Atlas - The
hospitality room will be open

Sunday, October 3

0730 – 1000 Breakfast in the Ball
Park Caf e

1000 – 1100 Check out and fare-
wells



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Jack's Joint

We try to post PDF files of this newsletter on
Jack's Joint Web site. You can view and down-
load copies anytime. Jack also has lots of other
CG stories.

Go to www.jacksjoint.com and check it out.



**2004 Duane Reunion Cape May, NJ
Sept. 30 – Oct . 3, 2004
Atlas Inn**

Mark your calendars

Secretary's Report

Active members (receive all three newsletters and are eligible to attend reunions)

83

Inactive members (receive only fall newsletter)

333

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All arrangements have been completed for our reunion, here are the two items that we were waiting on:

Reunion Dinner Prices

- Prime rib \$25.00
- Ham \$20.00
- Baked stuffed shrimp \$30.00

If you have a special diet request, please let me know, and I will see that you receive the diet of your choice.

Please send your checks to Treasurer Bob Haviland, and he will let me know your choice. (payable to USCGC Duane Reunion Dinner)

Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker at the reunion will be Captain Odom, Commanding Officer USCG Training Center, Cape May

I will have complete packages for the 2005 reunion in the hospitality room at The Atlas.

SEMPER PARATUS

Stan

Treasurer’s Report

Since the last edition of *The Helm* we have received dues payments from 38 more members of the crew bringing in an additional \$955 to the treasury. Thanks mates for your support—you answered the call when we needed you!

We have also received \$112.15 from the ship’s store, \$140 in meal payments for Cape May and a donation of \$75.00.

We spent \$368.56 to print and mail the last edition of *The Helm* (this was the big one that went to everybody) and \$619 to restock the ship’s store. The balance in the checkbook as of 6/1/04 is \$3004.09.

After the last mailing of *The Helm*, the following came back as unknown:

Mark Carter, Ronald Clinton, George Corston, George Decastro, David Forbes, Jr, Rick Hagberg, Dave

O’Connor and Daniel Urc. Does anyone have any up-dated information for these members?

Bob Haviland, Treasurer

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Proposed By-Law Changes

2.3 Termination

Any individual’s membership may be terminated for failure to pay the required dues or assessments as established by the Association for the required year passed and after notice has been offered and/or after the third month of the next calendar year. Any active member who has not paid their required dues for the previous two years shall be placed on the inactive membership roster. The member may reapply for active status at anytime only after remitting all past dues owed and the dues of the current year.

3.4 Participants at any and all Association functions shall be limited to members and their wives or significant others. Non-members wishing to participate or attend such an event must receive explicit permission from the President or other Association officer. Only the Association officers are authorized to extend invitations to non-members for Association events. For example, if a family member of a departed Association member would like to carry on a family tradition of the departed member they may do so by permission from a elected officer and only after all Association dues or past unpaid assessments have been paid in full.

Article IV: Voting

Add the following:

4.3.1 All motions shall be written on a official USCGC Duane “Motion Form” (provided) and a copy provided to the Association Secretary for file.

WHALE & DOLPHIN WATCHING DINNER CRUISE

Price per person is included in the hotel reunion package price

Please submit your dinner choice as seen in the brochure to Stan Barnes before September 2nd, 2004.

	Person #1	Person #2
Broiled Flounder	_____	_____
Fried Flounder	_____	_____
Broiled Scallops	_____	_____
Fried Scallops	_____	_____
Broiled Seafood Combination (flounder, shrimp, scallops)	_____	_____
Fried Seafood Combination (flounder, shrimp, scallops)	_____	_____
Shrimp Scampi	_____	_____
Fried Shrimp	_____	_____
Fried Chicken	_____	_____
Double Petite Filet	_____	_____

Name #1:

Name #2

Phone:

E-mail:

Please send to:

Stan Barnes / Dinner Cruise
381 Stage Road
Sanbornton, NH 03269

RETURN PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 2nd, 2004
(THIS WAS ONE OF OUR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1999 REUNION)



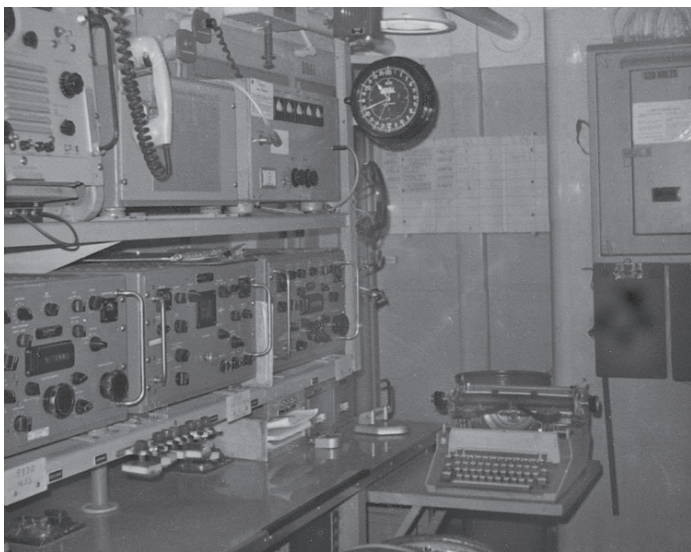
Who's important?

A Coast Guard Captain and his chief engineering officer got into an argument about which one was more important to the ship. Finally they decided to trade places for a day.

The engineering officer went to the bridge and the Captain went to the engine room. After a few hours, the Captain suddenly appeared at the bridge all covered with oil and soot.

“Quick,” he yelled, wildly waving aloft a monkey wrench. “You’ll have to come down. I can’t make her go!”

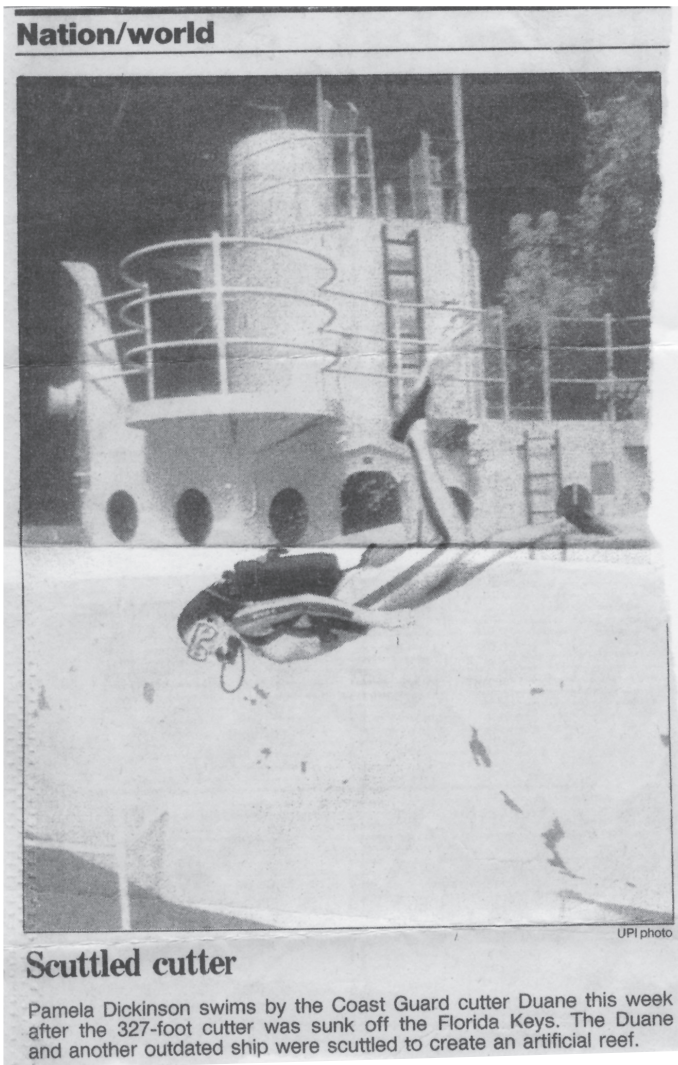
“Of course not,” replied the engineering officer. “We’re aground.”



Duane's radio central about 1966. An enlarged color copy of this photo was donated to the USCGC Taney museum.

Crossed the Bar

Richard Clark
George Chioreau
Charlie Farlow
Erdman Ruse



Newspaper clipping courtesy of Lee Grant