

USS Noxubee Shipmates Association Newsletter

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SPECIAL NOTICE:

Hello Shipmates, a White House tour has been added to the September 2015 Noxubee Reunion. This is short notice, if you plan on coming to the reunion, want to go on the White House tour we must have this personal information turned in before 15 May 2015.

If your information is not provided you will not be permitted on the White House Tour.

This information is a security requirement for visiting the White House:

- Full Name (as appears on Gov. ID)
- Date of Birth
- Social Security Number
- Gender
- U.S. Citizen (yes or no)
- Place of Birth
- City and State of Residence
- Passport Number (if NOT a U.S. Citizen)

To give the information you may call Bill/Judy Holton 410-381-2428 or me at 706-245-6110 or e-mail me with the information dickbarber@aol.com and I will forward it on to the Holtons . Remember it must be turned in by 15 May so do not wait until that date to send it.

Bill and Judy have been working tirelessly to provide us with another Great Reunion, we hope to see many of our shipmates this year in Washington DC

The enclosed Reunion Registration form lists other events and other deadlines for hotel reservations and forwarding payment to Bob Ahlersmeyer.

I have Hats and a limited number of shirts large and Xtra Large ordered for this reunion, If you want to ensure a shirt size contact me.

New Shipmate Located

Herman "Frenchie" Meche SA Dec 74- June 75 Herman made contact thru Frank Gosselin, we now have him on our Shipmates Directory

Crossed the Quarterdeck

Andy Lyberg SF1 1945-47 8 July 2014 Plank Owner
George Bednarz LTJG 1946-47 25 Nov 2014
John J DiMatteo EN3 55-56 16 March 2015

Rick Campbell Author of "The Trident Deception" has another best seller released February 2015, "Empire Rising" I have a copy for a door prize at the reunion in DC, check it out at the book stores.

I do not know how many are aware of President Obama proclaiming 29 March 2012 Vietnam Veterans Day? It does not show on my calendars, the only reference this year that I heard of was on 30 March 2015 the day after. From some references it should be an annual event?

Registered with the VA for medical treatment? Did you receive your copy of the "Veterans Choice Card" for those living 40+ miles from a VA Medical Center? If you did not receive one call your State Veterans office or the VA Center where you go for treatment. If you live over 40 miles from a VA treatment center you may get to see a local doctor for care but you have to get pre authorization from the VA for each visit.

We have quite a few shipmates and or their wives with serious health problems, 1969-72 Doug Prettymans wife Esther, 1966-69 Emmet Gosnell, 1951-54 Dick and Elly Lightner to name a few. Lets keep them in our prayers.