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USCG LIGHTSHIP SAILORS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

[] 2015 MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

[] New [] Renewal

Please PRINT your information (even if you submitted it before); we will then update our database.

Check all Applicable:

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Last Name or Group / Business Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial Nick Name:
Street Address:	City: State: Zip:	Spouse/Other:
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Membership Level, and Dues Rate:

- Full Membership – VET or MBR. \$25.00 Annually
 Group / Business \$50.00 Annually
 Life Membership \$300.00 (1x life time fee)

\$ _____ **Please fill in below:**

Lightship Name	Hull #	LS Service Dates (From - To)	Your Rank/Rate: Aboard	Commanding Officer:
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Fill in as it applies to you:

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We are desperately searching for pictures of our members for posting on our web site under "Then and Now" "THEN" means when either in Boot Camp or on board the Lightship, "NOW" means recently. Return with your Dues or send to [Ron Janard](#) or [Larry Ryan](#).

Submit any additional information you may wish, on the back of this form, or on a separate sheet of paper.

Annual Dues period runs on the fiscal year; October 1 thru September30.

LSA Donation (Optional):

General Fund, Lightship Preservation \$ _____

Enclose this form with your check or money order, made out to the:

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ABANDON YOU

THE FOG HORN

SPRING 2015 EDITION



LIGHTSHIP NOT IN
CORRECT POSITION

Volume 5 Issue 49 Newsletter of The U.S. Coast Guard Lightship Sailors Association

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My Brother Lightship Sailors, Life Members, Founders and Friends:

It is a pleasure to bring the Spring Edition of your Fog Horn newsletter to you once again. I think you will find this issue interesting, and certainly preserves some of our past. I would like to introduce our new Web Master, Lori Morris Templeton, daughter of the late Gil Morris, CO of the LV118/539 and LV 102 WAL 525 in 1962 on Crossrip Station. Lori works a full time job and has agreed to join our group and serve as our Web Master. She will be making updates and some changes as time allows. For those of you wishing to contribute items of interest to the website, in order to keep Lori from being swamped with requests, please submit your requests to either Bill Quigley or Larry Ryan for priority assignments. And, everyone is encouraged to visit the website on a regular basis, there is and has been a tremendous amount of vital information that deserves to be viewed and preserved. Should you have any problem getting on, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We will have one more issue of the Fog Horn before our annual meeting in New London, but don't wait too long to get your reservations both through the hotel and your registration into to Dave. The basic information is all included in this edition, with more details to follow in the Reunion Edition.

There is a lot to see and do in Mystic. More than what is listed in their flyer. The hotel has extended our rates to allow more time to take in the sites that we just can't include in our limited schedule. In addition to Mystic itself, two of the largest casinos are nearby, and worth seeing just for the decor (and buffet). Plans have not been confirmed at this writing, but we hope to recruit a speaker from the USCG Academy in our activities.

We lost one of our loyal members in April, Anne Marie Tamalonis. Anne Marie was the widow of Joe Tamalonis CWO USCG (Ret) a Lightship Sailor. Anne Marie made her home in Oregon and missed only one of our reunions. She was usually accompanied by her brother, daughter and a cousin, and was generous in many ways. She will be sadly missed.

We are pleased to welcome another daughter of a Lightship CO, Dawn Schrieber. Dawn is descended from Jacob Arthur Hughs, BMC O-in-C of Chesapeake WAL 116 in 1952. Dawn is looking to contact anyone that served aboard the same time.

In closing let me encourage everyone to do a couple of things: First, please pay your annual dues as Ron has requested. Annual dues pays our newsletter expenses. Second: We need a minimum number of attendees at our reunion. The hotel requires us to have a minimum number in order to provide us the meeting spaces. Please try and attend, this is critical for our continued existence.. Until next time,

Keep the Light shining,

Larry



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SEA STORY FROM OUR PAST

The first tour of duty of Nantucket Lightship #112 Station January 15, 1946 at the end of World War II. At 1:30 pm left Chelsea Coast Guard Repair, Mass.

My very first time at sea and I was scared to death and fascinated at the same time as being in this new worldly adventure. Did not have a watch that night, but did have the 8-10 am the following day. The crew, including myself, were all in and out of our bunks with bouts of seasickness. Somehow mine started to subside by the time my watch came up by 8 am that morning. When I arrived on the Flying Bridge I was so surprised in this new world of nothing but sea and more sea without seeing any land. I felt so tiny.

I was told by the executive officer Bos'n to take the ship's wheel and keep it on course that would be our scheduled exact position of our duty station where we would proceed with the dropping of our anchor to hold us secure to that position for aiding the endless trafficking of increased troop ships to New York and Boston at the war's end.

This was a big change in the way I would live my life from that day on. I had been told by the captain and instructed how to keep the ship's log and fly all storm warning flags from our mast. Would receive storm warnings from radio weather station daily. I felt a lot of responsibility and how important it was and how I handled it. I would bring the reports to the Yeoman in charge for the Captains report of the month. The logs and my quarter-master duties became very much routine after awhile. The one job I feared the most was when I would go on the blinking light for signaling information between ships. Practiced very hard and finally got it down, but at a very slow pace. We were all divided into work details for different work stations. We all had been assigned at times as mess cooks in the galley for certain periods of time.

My first watch on the bridge, January 16, 1946, 8 am- 10 am.

B/M 2nd Frank Prikyl as the executive officer on board, he would give us and direct us in all jobs pertaining to the functioning of our duty. We were very aware of what was expected of each of us for this duty tour on board. After getting squared away on the ship and still with the sea sickness that was still with us, we were also getting our sea legs and were able to walk with balance on the deck.

I was assigned to mess cook for one month starting 1/19/1946 at 7 am. Made my own breakfast and enjoyed it after the sea sickness had left me feeling quite good. The weather has cleared up and the sea seems to have settled down to a moderate chopping or less pitching and rolling. Seems that I've got used to it with my body movements. Work as a mess cook is routine as you go through the day with your routine jobs that the cook assigns you. I've still maintained my making out the daily log and Q/M duty.

My second month I was assigned to work details, which involved all phases of maintenance aboard ship. All these duties will change as we get in the storm season bringing with it all sorts of weather mostly coming out of the Nor Eastern storm that are of hurricane velocity. there are time when all you can do is get in your bunk and hold on for dear life. These storm seem to have come on us at the day of January 18. With a group of five storms back to back with us going on no work details and scarce galley chow, such as sandwiches. We got used to the bad weather and inconveniences very quick. The one thing that any of us could not take was the introduction of the Fog horn, that would go on for extended periods. There was a period of time needed to adjust to noise and actually the shaking feeling that goes along with it. Going outside on the deck was forbidden for ear damage danger. After awhile you let it be part of your daily routine.

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The hardest to overcome was to be able to sleep though it, but even that came after a while. Believe, the month of January, we had over 10 bad N.E. storms and one with hurricane velocity on February 7. B/M Prikyl called Seaman Thomas and myself to tie down a davit that had broken loose on the forward bow of the ship and had to be secured. The Bos'n prepared us with life lines secured to the deck before attempting our job of securing the davit. The storm was in the early stages, but still rolling to some degree. We both worked together and secured the davit and were working our way back to safety when all of a sudden a huge wave put her in roll of water came over both of us but not enough to was us overboard. Thanks to Bos'n Prikyl and his knowledge, both Thomas and I escaped going overboard. I remember how I felt when I logged it into our ships log.

Bos'n Prikyl was a regular Coast Guard member making a career out of it by joining at an early age. He had all the skills required to have mastered seamanship aboard any vessel he was aboard. I respected him and asked him for guidance many times. He supplied me with material and tools to make a traveling small sea bas as a project for me to do during idle time. He taught me how to make a Masthead Knot used in the early sailing days of shipping. Bos'n has shaped my life in so many ways. Getting close to the end of the month, meaning my galley mess duty would end and I would go on daily work details. This scheduling change made me happy and did not fell like a waiter no longer.

We have experienced a few snow storms and the removal of snow and ice from the decks and railing. Never a dull day on this old Nancy, a new nickname, the crew is calling the ship. Seems like we are caught in a series of bad storm conditions. There was one day I remember that was so different than any day I remember, the seas were very calm and a slight breeze. These would change rapidly around noon, February 15. A full scale Nor'Eastern with hurricane velocity arrived with all of its fury by noon that day. Our ship was rolling at 45-50 degrees, when she changed position and went bow into the storm. Thought our anchor chain was going to break any minute. At around 5 pm was trying to eat a sandwich and the ship went into what seemed to be a double wave roll and put me airborne and sliding across the galley mess table to an abrupt end into a structural part of the bows construction. Was still conscious but bleeding badly, the pharmacist mate cleaned me up and dressed the wound. I'm just glad that it was not worse. Had a headache after it was over and was told to stay in my sack for awhile and rest. They opened the ships exchange locker for us to buy cigarettes at 50 cents a carton.

We were all waiting anxiously for the buoy tender Hornbeam to take us aboard and put us ashore at New Bedford, Mass. There we would board trains home for our 30 day leave. The Hornbeam brought with them a Life Magazine film crew to do an article about our ship being the first Lightship back on station since the end of World War 2. A few of them had gotten sea sick and were having a bad time of it and were just hanging on. Very fortunate there was a crew member who was a professional photographer and was very helpful to them. The Life Magazine was published June 1946.

Completed my leave and was sent to Brooklyn, N.Y. for discharging. At this time was a seaman 2nd class. I am very proud of the over 40 years of experiences received as being a part of U.S. Coast Guard.
Edward C. Houston, P.S.C. (Retired, USCG)



NEWSPAPER HEADLINES

"Police begin campaign to run down jaywalkers"



MEMBERSHIP AND HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Ron Janard

Membership Director / Historian Report

Greetings Lightship Veterans, Family and Friends, It is supposed to be Spring, but here in New England, it doesn't feel it, for the most part. Believe it or not, there is still snow in the shadows. Boston hit Record snow fall this past Winter. No one I know has ever seen so much snow in their lives, including me!

Membership Renewal has slowed a bit in March and April. I send a Thank You, to the few of you that took the time to renew your dues for 2015. On the positive side, we Welcome a new Member, Dawn Schrieber, from Egg Harbor, N.J.. Dawn has joined the membership of the LSA, in respect of her Father, Jacob A. Hughes, served on the 116/538 from 1968-1970. I am sure one of you may have been shipmates. Jacob served the C.G. 1947-1973. The LSA also has a new Life Member! S. Greg Krawczyk has become, Life Member # 62. Greg has strong interest in Lightships, and Lead volunteer aboard the 116/538 in Baltimore. Congratulations Greg!

Once again, We learn of Lightship Veterans, Crossing the Bar, through unknown LSA Website Visitors. But that is a good thing. We understand Family can be overwhelmed at times like this.

Robert A. Buotte LV-118, crossed Nov.19,2014 Thomas Morrison 92/516, crossed Jan.30,2014 James Lawson 84/509, crossed Oct. 30, 2014

The LSA lost a Great Supporter this month, I am Sorry to announce Anne Marie Tamalonis, has Crossed the Bar. She was a familiar face along with Her Family members at the past reunions. Her presence will be missed.

Please, If you haven't Renewed your Dues for 2015, Do it now! Thank you! Ron Janard 1 Melvin Ave. Beverly, Ma. 01915

SPECIAL REQUEST

An LSA Member, Bob Fraser, of Belfast Maine, has been corresponding with me through Mail. Bob is a wealth of information pertaining to maritime and Lightships. He was a Researcher, assisting Willard Flint, to publish a "Bible" of information regarding Lightships. "Lightships and Lightship Stations, of the United States Government". Perhaps, not a 100 percent accurate, but they did the best they could, with what information they could find at the time. It is a rare and expensive book, if you can find a copy.

Bob, is asking if anyone remembers seeing or knowing any information that pertains to a Barge or Float, painted Red which was placed "on Station" off Nobska Point, in mid 1949. He states the Float was equipped with a white beacon, fog horn and radio beacon. It remained for a year or so, and was marked with a Lightship symbol, on Charts. I know it's a long shot, but worth asking. Send me a line or email if anyone has any knowledge regarding the subject. Appreciate the help.

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"Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance and the gospel of envy. It's inherent virtue is the equal sharing of misery". Winston Churchill



VETERANS AFFAIRS

Roland Holloway, Director of Veterans Affairs

For all members who cannot hear the television properly with or without your hearing aids you may be able to get a device from the VA after an appointment with your audiologist. I took the easy way and purchased a set on the internet. These are a wireless unit with a charging base called TV Ears 5.0 Analog retail \$129.95 but once a promo code was inserted the cost was \$70.00 plus shipping for a total cost of \$77.37. The web site is www.tvears.com and their telephone number is 888-883-3277. I can now hear the TV clearly and my wife can listen at a normal level.

Please keep me updated with your progress on your hearing benefits application. I hope to see everyone in New London in October.

Roland Holloway
Veterans Affairs



1st VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Bill Quigley

1st VP/Director of Publicity report

Well, we've made it through another winter. The folks in the Northeast will never forget the winter of 2014/2015. That was an historical event. Of course, here in South Texas we had to check the calendar to note that it was winter.

It's just a matter of months now to our 2015 reunion in historic Connecticut. October is a beautiful time of year with the New England foliage. Place the dates of Oct 19-21 on your schedule now so you will be sure to attend. This reunion will be great. The area contains a lot of nautical history of the whaling days, along with Coast Guard and Navy history and activity. Some of you that receive the American Legion Magazine may have noticed the 2015 reunion notice. Did you notice the typo in my phone number? Well the Legion Magazine was notified of such, and a correction notice for the New London CT reunion will appear in the June issue. They are very pleasant and cooperative people to deal with.

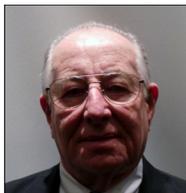
We have published the reunion notice in various publications that will be appearing throughout the summer. Hopefully we will get the good results that we did last year from these publications.

Have you approached anyone? I'm sure that there are former Coasties and other folks interested in the preservation and history of lightships that are unaware of the LSA. Remember, it is up to us to keep our ship afloat.

Have a safe, fun and healthy summer.

From my Texas Station,

Bill



"Great acts of love are done by those who are habitually performing small acts of kindness" Victor Hugo

REGISTRATION FORM

USCG LIGHTSHIP SAILORS ASSOCIATION INC (501(c)(3) Corp)
2015 REUNION to be held 18-21 October 2015
at the Holiday Inn New London.

Please check your category:

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____
E-MAIL _____
OTHER INFO:

- USCG LIGHTSHIP VETERAN
 LSA MEMBER
 LIFE MEMBER
 NEW MEMBER
 GROUP MEMBERSHIP

REUNION FEES

At \$115.00/person

Dues for 2016(Optional)

(1 Oct— 30 Sep Annually)

Membership Levels

Full-\$25 Group-\$50 Life-\$300

NAME:

FEE:

Dues:

TOTAL:

REUNION FEES TOTAL

\$ _____

DUES TOTAL \$ _____

Please fill in the registration form and enclose this form with your check or money order made out to the:

USCG LIGHTSHIP SAILORS ASSOCIATION Inc. (All dues and donations are tax deductible)

Mail to our Treasurer:

Dave Orszak
7 Ridge Road
Palmer, MA 01069



NOTE: Make all hotel reservations directly with Holiday Inn at (860) 443-7000

Reunion Committee Record:

Total Received \$ _____ Check # _____ Date _____ Received By _____

USCG LIGHTSHIP SAILORS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

2015 ANNUAL REUNION NEW LONDON, CT

October 19, 20, 21. (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)

Quick Overview of Basic Reunion Information to Help in your Planning!

Sunday October 18, 2015

03:00 pm... Hospitality Room Opens...

Monday October 19, 2015

08:00 am... Hospitality Room Opens

08:00 am – 2:00 pm: LSA Registration in main lobby, receive ID Badge.

Badge must be worn for all functions

2:00 pm – 4:45 pm: Annual Membership Meeting.

5:00 pm... Lightship Sailor Social

Tuesday October 20, 2015

9:00 am- Day out-Mystic Seaport Tour

Wednesday October 21, 2015

9:00 am..Day Out-Annual Memorial Service-

12:00 noon Lunch Brown Bag

1:00 pm... Annual Lightship Sailors Memorial Service and Wreath Laying
Ceremony in memory of all lost Lightship Sailors

5:00 pm... Annual Banquet Dinner with cash bar-

Note: As a courtesy to our guest speaker, the bar will be closed during his/her presentation.

The Hospitality room will remain open for those unable to attend our day trips, coffee & soda will be available.

Note: Unless otherwise noted, Lunch and Dinner are on your own except above

HOTEL INFORMATION

Holiday Inn-New London,
35 Governor Winthrop Blvd
New London, CT 06320

You must ask for "USCG Lightship Sailors Assn block"

Reservations: 1-860-443-7000

Rooms \$115.00 per night

GENERAL QUARTERS

Chiefs Corner



ANNOUNCING OUR NEW WEB MASTER

With pleasure, we are pleased to introduce our new Web Master; Lori Templeton.

Lori is the daughter of a Lightship Sailor, the late Gilbert E. Morris, CWO USCG (Ret). Mr. Morris was the CO of the LV118/539 Cross Rip 1962.

As Lori works full time (and cares for her mother) her time is limited, and has agreed to serve as our Web Master a few hours a week. In order to protect her allocated time to best serve our members, all web content, modifications and changes must pass through either Bill Quigley, 1st VP, or myself where priorities may be assigned.

Lori will for the time being, be sitting on the Board of Directors in a Non-Voting position.

Please join me in welcoming Lori to our organization.

Larry Ryan

FOR THOSE INTERESTED

The USCG Lightship Sailors Association International is a Delaware Corporation, incorporated on January 4, 2007 and recorded in Sussex County, DE. Follows a condensed explanation.

"The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes under Section 501 (c) (3) of the internal Revenue Code....., may engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations be organized under the General Corporation Law of Delaware.

This corporation shall be a non-profit corporation.

Upon dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, **or shall be distributed to the federal government or to a state or local government for a public purpose**" {editors emphasis}.

Further

"The conditions of membership of the corporation are as stated in the by-laws of the corporation".

Again, editors note: The Lightship Sailors Association maintains and pays an annual fee to our corporate attorney, Virginia Zrake representing us in the State of Delaware.

Should anyone have any question regarding our authenticity, please address those questions to any of your elected officers: Dave Orszak, Treasurer, Deb Dasch, Secretary, Bill Quigley, 1st VP or your president, Larry Ryan.

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE RED NECK?

He went into the hardware store to buy a saw as he had a lot of trees to cut down. The salesman said this chain saw will cut 6 trees an hour. The next day the red neck returned with the saw complaining it would not cut 6 trees an hour, barely one. The salesman said let me take a look at it, pulled the starter rope one time and the engine started. The red neck exclaimed "What's that noise"?

Presidential Politian's Response to a Reporters Question

"Thank you for that thoughtful question. Now I'll pretend to respond while answering an entirely different self serving question"



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CROSSED OVER THE BAR

2013-14

Lightship Sailor Veteran

Crossed Over

LSA Notified

Jerrold Bernella

October 27, 2014

Feb 25, 2015

LV 115/537 *Frying Pan* 1958-'59

James Lawson

October 30, 2014

Feb. 17, 2015

84/509 *St. Johns River* 1954

Robert Buotte, Sr.

Nov. 19, 2014

Feb. 14, 2015

LV 118 *Boston* 1972

Tommy E Morrison

Jan. 30, 2014

Feb. 13, 2015

92/516 *Relief* 1949-1950

Raymond J. Shea

December 10, 2013

January 24, 2015

LV 101/524 1955

DUTY WELL DONE,

REST IN PEACE

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Rev. Adrian Van Houten

Hello Members and friends of the LSA. It seems winter is fading away and spring is springing on our way to the warmth of summer. That means we are that much closer to our memorial service in the fall. We are blessed with the four seasons God has given to creation. It serves as a reminder who created the universe. As I pray for you and the future of the LSA I am very confident He has it all under control. Plan on attending the reunion in Oct. all of our presence is so important for our future. I want to extend a special welcome to Lori as our new web master. I am confident she will do a great job. I also want to thank Rick for the years of service he gave to us. Thanks Rick. Let us go forward together honoring those who gave it all for our future. See ya in Oct. God bless in Christ, your Chaplin

Adrian V.H.



Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

Psalms 33:12

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The Fog Horn