



USS SHANGRI-LA (CV-38, CVA-38, CVS-38)

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Next Liberty Port:  
**Norfolk, Virginia**  
**June 7-12, 2016**

### **From the President**

We enjoyed another great reunion, thanks to Mike and Patty. Hope to see even more shipmates and families at our Norfolk reunion next year.

Officers will remain the same for the next two years, with the addition of Allan MacKay as Chaplain. Thanks to the membership for your vote of confidence.

Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for a generous donation of \$1,000.00. The auxiliary's support is greatly appreciated.

We have finalized the lease agreement with the Hornet museum for two years. Thanks to Allen Elston for working on our behalf.

Gary Clark, President

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### **From the Secretary-Treasurer**

Bill Otto and Linda Harmon won the 50 - 50 raffle at the reunion. Tex Lambert won the Doolittle 45. We had \$1979 in raffle sale at the reunion and sales of raffle tickets before the reunion for a total of \$2900. I want to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for their \$1,000 donation. I have 2016 rosters for sale, \$6, including postage. We had 2 new members, Ray Granston and

William Schafer and 2 Life members, Charles Knotts and Philip Bronner. If anyone has a change of address or a new e-mail, please let me or Bob Hayner know so that we can up-date our records.

See you in Norfolk next year.

Chuck Hull, Secretary-Treasurer

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### **Ladies Auxiliary President**

Ahoy & Greetings,

Thank you for your vote-of-confidence as your newly elected Pres. of the Ladies Auxiliary along with 1st V.P Terry Whitehead, 2nd V.P. Kathy Harmon, Sec. Patty Theisen, and Treas. Debra Clark. After serving for over 10 years as president, Ruth Hull's shoes will a challenge and an honor to fill. Thank you Ruth for your years of dedication to the Shangri-La Association.

A huge thank you to Mike and Patty Theisen for their hard work as hosts of the wonderful and memorable reunion in St. Louis!

Another big thank you to John and Dorothy Lyons for not only creating our largest fund-raiser in the past 2 years with the pistol raffle, but their tireless and encouraging help in the



hospitality room, registration, and auction.

And, speaking of the auction, which would not be possible without the enthusiastic expertise of Paul and Luann Klote, Karen Peters volunteered to assemble the 'mystery bags' for the auction in Norfolk. Thank you Karen!

Everyone start thinking and planning for auction items at next June's reunion.

I welcome suggestions, comments, help, etc.

Wishing y'all a Blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas Season and looking forward to our reunion in Norfolk, June 2017.

Keeping you close to heart,  
Gwen Miller  
H-610-588-0422 (preferred) or e-mail  
@ [gwenmiller59@yahoo.com](mailto:gwenmiller59@yahoo.com).

Dear Shangri-La Members

It has been an honor and privilege to have served as the USS Shangri-La's Ladies Auxiliary President for the past 10 years. It is impossible to keep track of all the fun we have shared during our tours and at our auctions. We have also shared in the loss of members and gained new ones who contributed to all the banter and crazy shenanigans that make our auctions so outrageously memorable. Our members, both past and present, have donated and purchased many special and unforgettable items and I hope each of you has a special memory of every auction you have attended. The most important thing though is the comradary that is present at every reunion I have attended. I hope all of you cherish your memories of your past Shang friends and continue making new ones. I am saying good bye as the Ladies Auxiliary President but definitely not as a Shang member. I hope everyone enjoyed this year's reunion and I am already looking forward to next year's reunion and auction.

This year's auction, like all the previous ones, was a great success. Please always remember, you are the ones that make it a success. A special salute and thank you to this year's host and hostess Mike and

Patty Theisen. I would also like to thank Paul Klote, our talented auctioneer, and all the wonderful ladies that have assisted me with the auction during these 10 years. I hope you will all continue to assist our new Auxiliary President, Gwen Miller, in making the auction a success.

I would like to finish my last article by saying congratulations to our newly elected 2017 officers of The USS Shangri-la's Ladies Auxiliary Officers: President Gwen Miller, 1st Vice President Terry Whitehead, 2nd Vice President Cathy Harmon, Recording Secretary Patty Theisen, Treasurer and Ships Store Manager Debbie Clark. Good Luck, God Bless and see you all next year.

Love,  
Ruth Hull  
Past-President Ladies Auxiliary

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#### **Ladies Auxiliary Treasurer**

Grateful thanks go out to Past President, Ruth Hull for 10 years of dedicated work for the Shangri-La Auxiliary. It has been my pleasure to work with you all that time. Many thanks to all who helped with the Auxiliary Auction. It was a great success! The Auction, bag auction, 50/50 and Veteran raffle took in \$2479. Jamie Janse joined as a new

Lifetime Member; welcome aboard! Patty Theisen drew the Auxiliary donation ticket and chose the Duluth Elk's Club Veteran Outreach Program for the combined \$500 from the Auxiliary plus the \$50 from the Veteran raffle. Also \$1000 was given to the USS Shangri-La Reunion Assoc. There were 4 Plankowner dinners paid for and 3 guest dinners. Dues remain at \$5 per year or Lifetime Membership of \$50. Send to: Debra Clark, PO Box 103, Conneautville, PA 16406-0103.

Debra Clark, Treasurer

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#### **2017 Reunion News**

Doubletree by Hilton at the Norfolk International Airport. Room rate is \$119 based on single-quad occupancy, plus state and local taxes. Rate will be available 3 days before and 3 days after the contracted reunion dates. Rate includes complimentary breakfast buffet. There is free wifi throughout the hotel. A limited number of suites and handicapped rooms are available. This is a pet-friendly hotel. There is a \$50 non-refundable pet fee per stay.

Room reservations are made on an individual basis by calling the hotel



direct at 757-466-8000 or 800-222-TREE (8733). You must identify yourself as a member of the Shangri-La Reunion Association to receive the special rate. **Reservations must be made no later than May 6, 2017.** Check-in begins at 1600 and check-out is at 1100.

On-site parking is free for registered guests. RV parking is available however no hook-ups are provided.

A free shuttle runs between the hotel and the airport upon request from 0430 to 0030hrs.

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### Ship's Store Update

New items this year were Henley, 2 button shirts in maroon and light blue, 3"x 11" Bumper Stickers and Magnets with Assoc. web site and a smaller 3"x 9" magnet. Store sales were way down from previous years and with shipping going up I would like to know what to order. Ladies please let me know color and size of V-Neck shirt you would like as I can combine colors to get a better quantity price. Men also let me know size of Yellow with blue trim golf shirt (no Pocket) and Hooded Team Jacket as there seems to be an interest in obtaining these. Please let me know by Dec. so I can have them ordered

and available at the Norfolk Reunion in May. E-mail: Shang38Store@hotmail.com or phone: 814-587-2122.

It has been my pleasure to serve you in managing the Ship's Store.

Debra Clark, Store Manager

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### Taps

Richard Pearsall\*  
ABM3 1944-1946  
DOD: 30 June 2015

Kenneth S. Reightler\*  
AM2 1944-1945  
DOD: 30 June 2016

Robert P. Coogan\*  
Captain 1967-1968  
Commanding Officer  
DOD: 9 March 2015

Dale R. Davis\*  
S1c  
DOD: 2 January 2012

Lester J. Jenkins  
AN 1969-1970  
DOD: 3 April 2011

James K. Corrigan  
PH3 1957-1959  
DOD: 26 August 1999

Helen Gray\*  
Widow of member Harrell Gray  
DOD: 1 January 2016

\*Denotes USS Shangri-La Reunion  
Ass'n Member or Member's Family

### Request For Information

Ron Howard posted on the ship's Facebook page asking anyone who remembers his father, Glyndon Ray Howard (1944-45) to contact him. Contact can be made thru Bob Hayner ([Bopahay@comcast.net](mailto:Bopahay@comcast.net)), who maintains our Facebook page.

The HORIZON is published by the USS SHANGRI-LA Reunion Association. Comments, additions, corrections and other material for future issues should be sent to [ShangHist@aol.com](mailto:ShangHist@aol.com), Subject: HORIZON.

### FYI

Issues of ALL HANDS magazine from 1922 to 2011 can be found at [http://www.navy.mil/ah\\_online/departments/arch.html](http://www.navy.mil/ah_online/departments/arch.html)

### Horizon Mailing List

Efforts continue to clean up the Horizon mailing list. If you wish to read the Horizon online and you are still receiving a hard copy in the mail, please send an email to [ShangHist@aol.com](mailto:ShangHist@aol.com) with HORIZON Mailing List in the subject.

# USS SHANGRI-LA SHIP'S STORE 9/2016

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADD \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL PRICE ITEM DESCRIPTION CHECK OR CIRCLE SIZE / COLOR

4/\$1 POSTCARDS CV 38

\$4 SMALL MAGNET, SHIP SILHOUETTE, NAME & WEB SITE, 3"X 9"

\$4 BUMPER MAGNET, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME & WEB SITE, 3"X 11"

\$4 BUMPER STICKER, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME & WEB SITE, 3"X 11"

\$5 PATCH, EMBROIDERED, LOGO 4 IN \_\_\_\_\_

\$5 DECAL, SHANGRI-LA LOGO, INSIDE WINDOW

\$6 TIE OR LAPEL PIN, SHANGRI-LA LOGO

\$4 TIE OR LAPEL PIN, ROUND, NAVY VETERAN

\$4 TIE OR LAPEL PIN, OVAL CHOOSE: BLUE "NAVY VERTEAN" \_\_\_\_\_ OR RED "USMC VETERAN" \_\_\_\_\_

\$4 TIE OR LAPEL PIN, "UNITED STATES NAVY" W/ OAKLEAF

\$4 TIE OR LAPEL PIN, WORD "NAVY" IN GOLD LETTERS

\$30 BEACH TOWEL, EMBROIDERED "USS NAVY & USS SHANGRI-LA" RED LIMITED LEFT

\$3 SLATE COASTER, SHANGRI-LA LOGO

\$3 SLATE MAGNET, 2X3, USS SHANGRI-LA, CV 38, 2 ANCHORS in white lettering

\$3 LUGGAGE TAG, EMBROIDERED, SHIP SILOUETTE, USS SHANGRI-LA, CVA, CVS

\$15 VIET NAM BRACELET, WOVEN

\$14 BALL CAP, NAVY BLUE, EMBROIDERED W/ DATE: 1944-1971, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME, CLOTH

\$14 BALL CAP, NAVY BLUE, LOW PROFILE W/ SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME (LADIES OR MEN'S) CLOTH

\$16 BALL CAP, NAVY BLUE, EMBROIDERED W/ OAK LEAF, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME, CLOTH

\$14 BALL CAP, NAVY BLUE, EMBROIDERED W/ DESIGNATION, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME, CLOTH

CV \_\_\_\_\_ CVA \_\_\_\_\_ CVS \_\_\_\_\_

\$24 HENLEY, 2 BUTTON, EMBROIDERED W/SHIP NAME & SILHOUETTE, S \_\_\_\_\_, M \_\_\_\_\_, L \_\_\_\_\_, XL \_\_\_\_\_

\$26 2XL \_\_\_\_\_, 3XL \_\_\_\_\_ MAROON \_\_\_\_\_ OR LIGHT BLUE \_\_\_\_\_

\$29 T-SHIRT NAVY SILKSCREEN BACK "TOKYO EXPRESS" M, L, XL, 2XL

\$14 T-SHIRT W/ POCKET NAVY \_\_\_\_\_ WHITE \_\_\_\_\_ SAND \_\_\_\_\_ S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X

\$29 GOLF SHIRT W/ POCKET, EMBROIDERED, SHIP SILHO/NAME NAVY OR WHITE S, M, L, XL

\$31 FOR SIZE 2X, 3X

\$25 SWEATSHIRT, EMBROIDERED, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME - NAVY S, M, L, XL

\$27 FOR 2X, 3X

\$32 HOODED SWEATSHIRT W/ZIPPER, EMBROIDERED, NAVY S \_\_\_\_\_, M \_\_\_\_\_, L \_\_\_\_\_, XL \_\_\_\_\_ ONLY

\$36 JACKET, LT. WT, NYLON LINED, EMBROIDERED, SHIP SILHO & NAME, NAVY S, M, L, XL

\$38 FOR 2X & 3X

\$49 TEAM JACKET W/HOOD, NYLON W/ FLEECE LINING, EMBROIDERED, SHIP SILHO/NAME S, M, L

\$51 FOR 2X & 3X

\$25 MENS, DENIM, LONG SLEEVE W/POCKET, EMBROIDERED, LT. BLUE S, M, L, XL,

\$27 FOR 2X

\$11 LADIES T-SHIRT, EMBROIDERED, LT.PINK \_\_\_\_\_ DK.PINK \_\_\_\_\_ LT.BLUE \_\_\_\_\_ S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL

\$25 LADIES, DENIM, LONG SLEEVE, EMBROIDERED XS, S, L, XL

\$27 FOR 2X

SALE: LIMITED SIZES AND COLORS

\$5 LADIES GOLF SHIRT, EMBROIDERED, WHITE XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL

\$5 LADIES V-NECK KNIT SHIRT, EMBROIDERED, NAVY S, M, L, XL, 2X L, 3XL

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING FOR PACKING/SHIPPING:

\$1-\$25=\$6

\$26-\$75=\$9

\$76-125=\$12

OVER \$125=\$11

SEND ORDER & PAYMENT(CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY) TO:

USS SHANGRI-LA AUXILIARY, C/O DEBRA CLARK, PO BOX 103,  
CONNEAUTVILLE, PA 16406-0101

TOTAL COST \_\_\_\_\_

SHIPPING \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

VISIT WEB SITE TO VIEW ITEMS: [WWW.USS-SHANGRI-LA.COM](http://WWW.USS-SHANGRI-LA.COM)

E-MAIL QUESTIONS TO: [SHANG38STORE@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:SHANG38STORE@HOTMAIL.COM)

PLEASE ALLOW 4-6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY

## FACTS ABOUT THE SHANGRI-LA

- \*\* SHANGRI-LA's flight deck is 885 feet long from bow to stern. Her displacement is 43,000 tons.
- \*\* At the waterline, the carrier is over 100 feet wide, too wide to pass through the Panama Canal.
- \*\* Approximately 75 aircraft can operate from SHANGRI-LA.
- \*\* Three elevators move aircraft between the flight deck and the hangar deck, which is used as a parking and maintenance area.
- \*\* Planes land on the after section of the flight deck at over 130 miles per hour by catching one of four arresting cables with their tailhooks.
- \*\* The ship has four screws, each 15 feet in diameter, which are capable of moving the ship in excess of 30 knots.
- \*\* Two steam-powered catapults can launch one aircraft every 30 seconds like a giant slingshot.
- \*\* SHANGRI-LA's two anchors weigh 30,000 pounds each.
- \*\* The distance between the waterline and the highest point on the mast is over 195 feet. The draft of the carrier is 32 feet.
- \*\* The generators of the ship are powerful enough to supply the electrical needs of a city with a population of 7-10,000.
- \*\* SHANGRI-LA was built at an original cost of \$131,000,000. It costs an average of \$92,000 per day to keep her operating.
- \*\* The steam which drives the turbines is at a pressure of 600 pounds per square inch and a temperature of 850 degrees Fahrenheit.
- \*\* SHANGRI-LA's four turbines produce a total of 150,000 horsepower.
- \*\* The ship's armament consists of four five-inch .38 caliber guns.
- \*\* SHANGRI-LA's evaporators can produce 192,000 gallons of fresh water daily.
- \*\* If the Washington Monument were laid on the flight deck, it would barely cover the distance between the bridge and the fantail.

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