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2015 REUNION

CHARLESTON, SC

MAY 27 - JUNE 1

USS SHANGRI-LA Reunion Association
P. O. Box 1367
Aliquippa, PA 15001

From the President

Best wishes and good health to all in this New Year. I would like to thank Al Miller, this year's reunion host, for a great job in organizing this year's reunion in Charleston, SC. It looks like we have a good selection of actives to enjoy. We look forward to seeing many old friends and making new ones. Come early, stay late or come for a day, just come and enjoy.

Keep safe and well!

Gary Clark, President

1st Vice President

It's on to Charleston, SC in May for the 2015 reunion. Keep an eye on the website for reunion information.

We continue to try to streamline the Horizon newsletter by making our snail mail list shorter. If you have internet access and would like to get your Horizon access by email, please consider doing so by contacting me at bopahay@comcast.net or our Sec/Treas Chuck Hull. We will then take you off the mailing list and put you on the email notification list. This will help the Association save some money on our large mailing costs.

Until next time....
YISSS,

Bob Hayner
1st Vice President & Webmaster

From the Secretary-Treasurer

Since the last Horizon, we have had 1 life member, Robert Jones and 2 new members, Thomas Bender and Jonathon Schaefer. I have San Antonio memory books for sale, \$24 this includes postage and 2014 rosters for \$6. Dues for 1015 are due. If you have moved or have changed you e-mail

address, please let me or Bob Hayner know so that we can up date our records. We hope to see you in Charleston.

Chuck Hull, Secretary-Treasurer

Ladies Auxiliary President

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with your family and friends. Chuck and I wish everyone a very Happy New Year. I am happy to report I am doing well and do not plan on any surgeries this year and can't wait for this year's reunion. 2015 will rock.

Now that the holidays are over we can focus on shoveling snow, returning gifts, buying great sale items and pray for and early spring and make plans for this year's reunion in beautiful Charleston, SC.

The Ladies' Auxiliary will be holding another one of our fun-filled auctions. There have been many beautiful and sometimes unique items donated through the years. I hope this year will be the same. This event helps support the Shangri-La Reunion Association. Membership support of the Ladies Auxiliary auction is truly appreciated. It is an event where we make new friends, great old friends, and share in a fun-filled evening of laughter. So bring yourselves, your donations, and greenbacks to the Ladies Auxiliary Auction, for a fun-filled evening.

I want all of you to remember that, in a few months, the sun will be shining, the birds will be singing, the flowers will be blooming, and we will be greeting each other again with love in Charleston.

God Bless All,

Ruth Hull, Ladies Auxiliary President

Auxiliary Treasurer Report

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Auxiliary Treasurer Report

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Please think of items for the Aux. Auction and bring some extra cash or checks to bid. It is our big fundraiser for the year!

Dues remain \$5 per year or \$50 for Lifetime membership. They can be mailed to me at: PO Box 103, Conneautville, PA 16406-0103.

Keep safe and healthy until we meet again!

Debra Clark, Treasurer

Ship's Store Update

Sales have been slow this year. We will be driving to Charleston Reunion so we will bring extra items that have been discontinued or we have few left. Plan to take advantage of these sales. Remember cash or checks only. Then we will have money and room to stock some new items. Please let me know of any items you would like offered in the Ship's Store.

Shang38store@hotmail.com

Debra Clark, Store Manager

Collision at Sea

During the early morning hours of August 27, 1965, SHANGRI-LA and NEWMAN K. PERRY (DD-883) collided in the Mediterranean. The collision occurred at the conclusion of an electronic warfare exercise and it resulted in the death of one sailor and injury to another sailor aboard the destroyer.

The report of the Navy's investigation and findings was obtained by the Association through a Freedom of Information request. A copy of the report has been posted on the SHANGRI-LA Facebook page. A email copy of the report can also be obtained by sending an email to ShangHist@aol.com and putting COLLISION REPORT in the subject line.

TAPS

Daniel J. Fries, Mid 1950s, DOD: 26 June 2014
Perry McPherson - 1957 to 1961 - DOD: 8 June 2014
Melba Smith, wife of shipmate Frank Smith, DOD: 9 April 14
William Pinkerton, VB-85, 1944-45, DOD: 24 Dec 14
Charles Lewis Lail, early 50s, DOD: 7 Sept 14
Milas Spivey ,S1C, 1944 to 1946, DOD: 14 Oct 14
Linda Hop, wife of shipmate Donald Hop, DOD: 25 Mar 14
William H. Smith, MM1, WWII, DOD: 16 Nov 14
Ron Girard, DC, 1968-71, DOD: 2 May 11
Tom Cook, YN1, Ops Dept 1966-67 , DOD: 1 Jan 15
Ed "Kid" Hopke, R Div, 1965-69, DOD: 28 Oct 2014
Curtis Spratt, 1956-59, DOD: 30 Dec 13
Ken Jones, GF Div., 1944-45, DOD: 6 Jun 14
Everette H. Jones, AOM3, DOD: 23 Mar 14
Stanford Bowman, E Div, 1968-69, DOD: 25 Jun 13

CALL SIGNS

SHANGRI-LA's International Call Sign was NTIF (November Tango India Foxtrot). Her tactical voice call sign during World War II was first "Spider" and later "Sharpshooter." Her voice call sign in the '60s and 70s was "Allstar." A search is on for her call signs in the late '40s and '50s.

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USS SHANGRI-LA ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM – MAY 27 – JUNE 1, 2015

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order, or register online and pay by credit card at www.afr-reg.com/shangrila2015 (3% will be added to total). If a valid email address is provided, a receipt will be emailed. Otherwise, your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee. All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before April 24, 2015. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you keep a copy of this form. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form.

Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.
322 Madison Mews
Norfolk, VA 23510
ATTN: USS SHANGRI-LA

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check # _____ Date Received _____
 Inputted _____ Nametag Completed _____

CUT-OFF DATE IS 4/24/15		Price Per	# of People	Total
<u>TOURS</u>				
<i>Please choose one of the following two tours:</i>				
THURSDAY, 5/28: CITY TOUR **OR**		\$35		\$
THURSDAY, 5/28: CITY TOUR / HUNLEY SUB		\$68		\$
FRIDAY, 5/29: PATRIOT'S POINT / LUNCH		\$61		\$
FRIDAY, 5/29: DINNER CRUISE		\$92		\$
SATURDAY, 5/30: MAGNOLIA PLANTATION		\$46		\$
<u>MEALS</u>				
THURSDAY: DINNER IN HONOR OF PLANKOWNERS (<i>Please select your entrée below</i>)				
<i>Sirloin of Beef</i>		\$37		\$
<i>Chicken Florentine (spinach/cheese)</i>		\$37		\$
SATURDAY: LADIES AUXILIARY AUCTION DINNER (<i>Please select your entrée below</i>)				
<i>Grilled Salmon</i>		\$34		\$
<i>Chicken Bistro (sun-dried tomatoes, olives, scallions, goat cheese)</i>		\$34		\$
SUNDAY: BANQUET (<i>Please select your entrée below</i>)				
<i>Prime Rib</i>		\$39		\$
<i>Chicken Chardonnay (tarragon chardonnay sauce)</i>		\$39		\$
<u>MANDATORY PER PERSON REGISTRATION FEE</u>				
Includes Hospitality Room and administrative expenses.		\$ 20		\$
Total Amount Payable to <u>Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.</u>				\$

PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR NAMETAG

FIRST _____ LAST _____ RATE/RANK _____

DIVISION ON BOARD _____ YEARS ON BOARD 19 _____ - 19 _____ PLANKOWNER? ☐ YES ☐ NO

SPOUSE NAME (IF ATTENDING) _____ GUEST NAMES _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PH. NUMBER (_____) _____ - _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS _____

(*Sleeping room requirements must be conveyed by attendee directly with hotel*)

MUST YOU BE LIFTED HYDRAULICALLY ONTO THE BUS WHILE SEATED IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN BUS TRIPS? ☐ YES ☐ NO (PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY).

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PH. NUMBER (_____) _____ - _____

For refunds and cancellations please refer to our policies outlined at the bottom of the reunion program. **CANCELLATIONS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00am-4:00pm EASTERN TIME (excluding holidays).** Call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion.

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USS SHANGRI-LA ASSOCIATION REUNION
MAY 27 – JUNE 1, 2015
CHARLESTON PLAZA HOTEL – CHARLESTON, SC

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

2:00pm – 6:00pm

Reunion Registration Open

Hospitality Room Open

Ships Store Open

Evening on your own

THURSDAY, MAY 28

8:00am – 8:30am

Reunion Registration Open

9:00am – 1:30pm

CITY TOUR

9:00am – 4:00pm

CITY TOUR / HUNLEY SUB

5:00pm – 6:00pm

Reunion Registration Open

6:00pm

Cash Bar

7:00pm – 10:00pm

Dinner in Honor of Plankowners

FRIDAY, MAY 29

9:00am – 3:00pm

PATRIOT'S POINT / LUNCH

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Reunion Committee Meeting

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Reunion Registration Open

6:00pm – 10:30pm

DINNER CRUISE

SATURDAY, MAY 30

9:00am – 12:30pm

MAGNOLIA PLANTATION

6:00pm

Cash Bar

7:00pm – 11:00pm

Ladies Auxiliary Auction Dinner

SUNDAY, MAY 31

9:30am

Men's Business Meeting

9:30am

Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting

Free day

6:00pm

Cash Bar

7:00pm – 11:00pm

Banquet

MONDAY, JUNE 1

Farewells and Departures

TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

CITY TOUR – THURSDAY, MAY 28

Begin the day with a two-hour guided tour of the Holy City, named for its many picturesque churches. Favorite sites include the Battery overlooking Charleston's harbor and Fort Sumter, colorful Rainbow Row, the Citadel, and White Point Gardens. Arrive for an early lunch and shopping on your own in the Market Area, Charleston's historic marketplace surrounded by restaurants and eateries of all types.

9:00am board bus, 1:30pm back at hotel

\$35/Person includes bus, guide, and admission.

Lunch on your own.

****OR****

CITY TOUR / HUNLEY SUB – THURSDAY, MAY 28

Enjoy the tour described above, but after lunch continue on to the Warren Lasch Conservation Center to view the USS Hunley, the world's first successful combat submarine. Currently, the Hunley sits in a 90,000 gallon conservation tank, slowly being restored. See artifacts found during the excavation, films, and interactive exhibits. Also see the life-size model from the TNT movie, the Hunley. Proceeds from tour admissions go to the research project.

9:00am board bus, 4:00pm back at hotel

\$68/Person includes bus, guide, and admissions.

Lunch on your own.

PATRIOTS POINT / LUNCH – FRIDAY, MAY 29

Start the morning with the USS Shangri-La Association Memorial Service on the Fantail of the USS Yorktown. Afterwards, continue on a self-guided tour of Patriots Point, home of the largest naval and maritime museum in the world. Visit the carrier USS Yorktown, the submarine Clamagore, and a replica of a Vietnam Support base. Priceless war planes used in conflicts spanning from WWII to Desert Storm are featured aboard the Yorktown's 40,000 square foot hangar bay and atop the 888 foot flight deck. Patriots Point is also the home of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society and their official Medal of Honor Museum with interactive exhibits. Enjoy a hot lunch in the Hangar Bay.

9:00am board bus, 3:00pm back at hotel

\$61/Person includes bus, escort, admission, and lunch.

TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

DINNER CRUISE – FRIDAY, MAY 29

Come discover the history, beauty and fun of cruising Charleston Harbor while having dinner aboard the Spirit of Carolina. The evening will consist of great food, entertainment, and fun under the stars as you cruise Charleston's historic harbor. Enjoy a classic four-course dinner starting with the Traditional Charleston She-Crab Soup, Spirit Line Salad, and a choice of multiple entrees (seafood, chicken, and beef), all served with chef's choice of accompaniments, beverage, and house dessert. (Vegetarian, Vegan, and diabetic selections are available.)

6:00pm board bus, 10:30 back at hotel

\$92/Person includes bus, escort, and dinner cruise.

MAGNOLIA PLANTATION & GARDENS – SATURDAY MAY 30

Founded in 1676 by the Drayton family, Magnolia Plantation has survived the centuries and witnessed the history of our nation unfold before it from the American Revolution through the Civil War and beyond. It is the oldest public gardens in America, opening its doors to visitors in 1870 to view the thousands of beautiful flowers and plants. It is Charleston's most visited plantation. See an introductory film, tour the home, and walk through the gardens during your visit. The home is not wheelchair accessible.

9:00am board bus, 12:30pm back at hotel

\$46/Person includes bus, guide, and admission.

Driver and guide gratuities are not included in the tour prices.

Please plan to be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time.

All trips require a minimum of thirty-five people, unless otherwise stated.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY FOR ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC.

For attendees canceling reunion activities prior to the cut-off date, Armed Forces Reunions, Inc. (AFR) shall process a full refund less the non-refundable AFR registration fee (\$10 per person). Attendees canceling reunion activities after the cut-off date will be refunded to the fullest extent that AFR's vendor commitments and guarantees will allow, less the non-refundable AFR registration fee. **Cancellations will only be taken Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 4:00pm Eastern Standard Time, excluding holidays.** Please call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion. Canceling your hotel reservation does not cancel your reunion activities.

CHARLESTON PLAZA HOTEL – CHARLESTON, SC
(888) 747-1900
www.thecharlestonplazahotel.com

Location

4770 Goer Drive, N. Charleston, SC 29406

Ideally located a few miles from both the downtown historic district and the Charleston International Airport

Reservation Information

Call the number above and reference the USS Shangri-La CV/CVA/ CVS Association Reunion or please visit www.thecharlestonplazahotel.com and use Group Code USSSHAN to receive the discounted rate.

Group Name: USS Shangri-La Association Reunion

Reunion Dates: May 27-June 1, 2015

Rate: \$109 + tax (currently 13.5%). Rate includes a full breakfast buffet for up to 2 people per room, to be served each day in the hotel restaurant. Hotel will offer group rates three days pre and post reunion dates based on space and rate availability.

Cut off Date: 04/24/15. Late reservations will be processed based on space availability at a higher rate.

Cancellation Policy: Room reservations must be cancelled 24 hours prior to your arrival date in order to not be charged the cancellation fee that is equal to the first nights room plus tax.

Parking & Shuttle Information

The Charleston Plaza Hotel offers complimentary, roundtrip airport shuttle service. Upon retrieval of their luggage in the baggage claim section of the airport, inbound guests can contact the hotel (888-747-1900) for pickup. Outbound hotel guests can arrange for return airport transportation with the hotel front desk. The hotel will also offer scheduled shuttle service to the Historic District at \$3.00 per person each way and complimentary shuttle service within a three mile radius of the hotel, to include the Tanger Outlet Mall. The Charleston Plaza Hotel also offers self parking at no charge.

Wheelchair Rental

ScootAround rents both manual and power wheelchairs by the day and week. Please call (888) 441-7575 or visit www.scootaround.com for more information and to make reservations.

COMMERATIVE SHANGRI-LA .45 CAL PISTOL

Shipmate Al Miller is spearheading a fund-raising raffle for a commemorative USS SHANGRI-LA .45 caliber automatic pistol. The pistol is a beautiful handgun produced by Shipmate John Lyons. It comes in a finely finished wooden display box. The attached photos show that the gun is engraved with the ship's name, the first commissioning date, and the final decommissioning date. The hand grips are marked with the Navy insignia. Marine Corps insignia grips are also available.

The cost of tickets are 1 ticket - \$10, 3 tickets - \$20, 10 tickets - \$50. Each ticket order must include an additional 49 cents to cover the cost of mailing the raffle ticket(s) back to the purchaser. Those wishing tickets must mail a check for the appropriate amount, plus 49 cents, to Al Miller, 20 Richards Lane, Bangor, Pa. 18013. Tickets may also be purchased at the reunion.

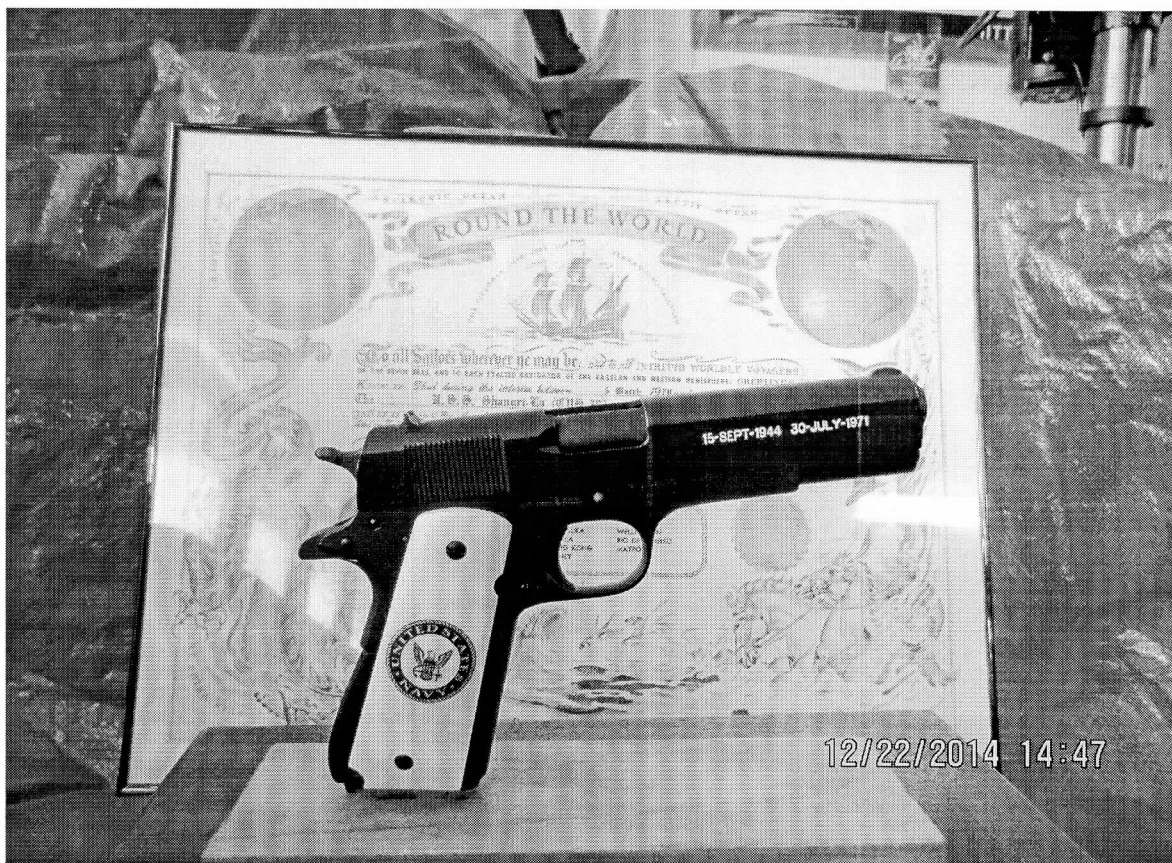
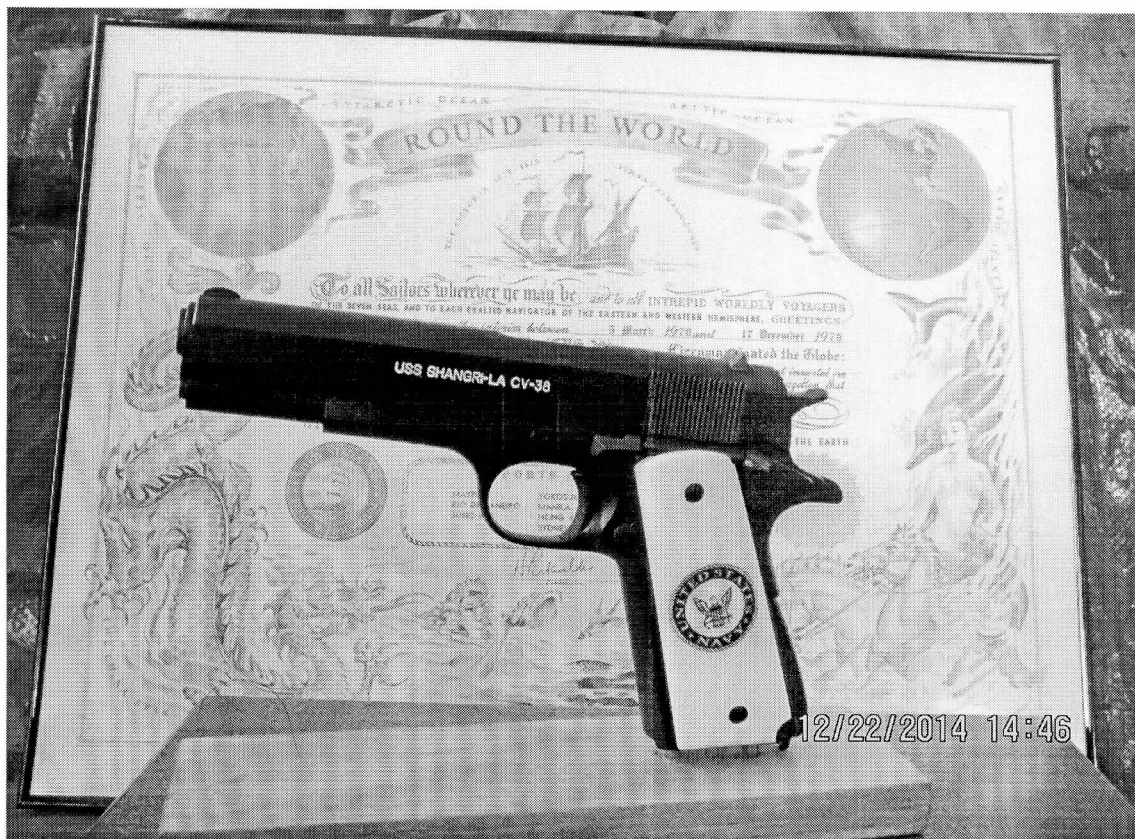
The drawing will be held at the 2015 Reunion in Charleston. You DO NOT need to be present to win. Al is arranging for a local Charleston gun dealer to handle the transfer and the shipping of the gun to the winner.

Proceeds from the ticket sales will go to the USS SHANGRI-LA Reunion Association general fund.

For additional information, contact Al Miller at email: shangair@yahoo.com; home: 610-588-0422 or cell: 484-894-5121.







	USS SHANGRI-LA SHIP'S STORE 10/2013		
NAME	PHONE		
ADD	E-MAIL		
PRICE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	CHECK	SIZE AND COLOR
\$20	DVD "MEDITERRANEAN HOLIDAY" EMERGENCY SURGERY ON THE SHIP- 1962 LIMITED LEFT		
3/\$1	POSTCARDS		
\$20	REPLICA ZIPPO LIGHTER, BRUSHED CROME: SILHOUETTE ONLY _____		
\$2	BUMPER STICKER, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME		
\$5	PATCH, EMBROIDERED, LOGO 4 IN _____		
\$1	MAGNET WITH SHANGRI-LA LOGO 3 IN		
\$2	BUMPER STICKER, SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME		
\$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/ 2 FLAGS		
\$4	TIE OR LAPEL PIN, "UNITED STATES NAVY" W/ OAKLEAF		
\$4	TIE OR LAPEL PIN, BLUE W/ "US NAVY" & SHIP SILHOUETTE		LIMITED LEFT
\$4	TIE OR LAPEL PIN, WORD "NAVY" IN GOLD LETTERS		
\$5	TRAVEL MUG, LOGO WITH CLOSEABLE LID		
\$5	COMBO-CAN COOLER/ INSULATED BEVERAGE COOLER, SHANG LOGO, WITH LID		
\$5	LICENSE PLATE HOLDER WITH NAME & WEB ADDRESS		
\$5	LUGGAGE TAG _____ OR D.C. REUNION PIN _____		
\$14	BALL CAP, NAVY BLUE, LOW PROFILE W/ SHIP SILHOUETTE & NAME (LADIES OR MEN'S)		
\$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 _____		
\$11	T-SHIRT W/ POCKET NAVY _____ WHITE _____ S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X MARINE M, 2XL ONLY		
\$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 OR WHITE S, M, L, XL		
\$27	FOR 2X,3X NAVY _____ 2X WHITE _____		
\$32	HOODED SWEATSHIRT /W ZIPPER, EMBROIDERED, NAVY S, M, L, XL		
\$34	FOR 2X ,3X		
\$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, XL		
\$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 OR DK. PINK M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL		
\$25	LADIES, DENIM, LONG SLEEVE, EMBROIDERED XS, S, L, XL		
\$27	FOR 2X		
	SALE: LIMITED SIZES AND COLORS		
\$15	LADIES GOLF SHIRT, EMBROIDERED, WHITE XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL		
\$10	LADIES V-NECK KNIT SHIRT, EMBROIDERED, NAVY S, M, L, XL, 2X L, 3XL		
\$20	HOODED SWEATSHIRT W/ZIPPER, EMBROIDERED, ROYAL BLUE S, L, 2X ONLY		
\$10	GOLF SHIRT, NO POCKET, EMBR. WHITE, NAVY, CREAM, YELLOW, ROYAL BL-- VARIOUS SIZES		
\$10	DENIM, SHORT SLEEVE, EMBROIDERED XS, S ONLY		
3/\$10	LIMITED SELECTION T SHIRTS: NAVY LOGO--S OR M WHITE LOGO--M OR XXL		
	SILOUETTE WHITE--M OR XXL SILOUETTE WHITE/POCKET--S OR XXL		
	PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING FOR PACKING/SHIPPING:		
	\$1-\$25=\$6	\$26-\$75=\$9	\$76- 125=\$12 OVER \$125=\$16
	SEND ORDER & PAYMENT(CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY) TO:		
	USS SHANGRI-LA AUXILIARY, PO BOX 103, CONNEAUTVILLE, PA 16406-0103		
	TOTAL COST _____	VISIT WEB SITE TO VIEW ITEMS:WWW.USS-SHANGRI-LA.COM	
	SHIPPING _____	E-MAIL QUESTIONS TO: SHANG38STORE@HOTMAIL.COM	
	TOTAL ENCLOSED _____	PLEASE ALLOW 4-6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY	