



USS Caliente Association



USS CALIENTE AO 53

PIPELINE

June 2008

Hello Shipmates

Here is a little information for those of you that are new to the Association.

At each reunion we have a business meeting. At the upcoming reunion in San Antonio we will be selecting the location of the next reunion and the next slate of officers. It has been customary to select the next reunion location first and then elect a president who will head that reunion. Because the association is primarily a social organization, with those that are interested getting together at the reunions doing so, we have always elected a president who is willing to undertake the task of organizing a reunion and other officers who support the president, perform their roles and help with the next reunion as necessary. As we all know, it is not the easiest task to find persons who are willing to volunteer their time and effort and be willing to undertake the, not so small, task of organizing a reunion. Two of the current officers, President **Bob Howard** and Treasurer **Pat Hurton**, have been serving in their capacities since 2002. With the influx of new members, brought about by Norm Street and his supporting shipmates, new candidates for office may wish to come forward and bring their ideas and talents to the organization. Six years is a long time to serve and a constructive fresh view of what and how things are done can be a welcome to any organization.

Expecting members who attend the business meeting affect any major changes to the current structure, or method of conducting the organization, is too much to ask of anyone. It usually results in many different viewpoints, valid or invalid, being presented and very little time to properly discuss the merits of each view point. As many of the ideas may be very valid and helpful to the running of the organization it is only proper that they be presented to the voters well before the reunion business meeting. **Norm Street** presented some ideas at the last business meeting that were somewhat discussed but required more thought. Those ideas were to be presented for vote at the San Antonio reunion. Those ideas were addressed in the minutes of the last business meeting that were published in the December 2007 Pipeline. Any other ideas and especially candidates who are willing to run and be elected for office should be present at the business meeting in San Antonio. If your current dues are paid, you can attend the business meeting even if you are not signed up for the reunion.

Please contact **Bob Howard** with anything that you would like to present in time for its incorporation into the September Pipeline.

Sad News

3/29/08 email from Albert DeGott

I received your newsletter today and wish to notify you that my father, **Frederick Ray DeGott** passed away on February 22, 2008. I know that he enjoyed your newsletters and that his service aboard the USS Caliente was an important part of his life.

Sincerely, Albert J. DeGott. **Frederick DeGott** joined the Association last year.

6/17/2008

Received a phone call from John Pasola to inform the Association of the death of his father, **Bobby Pasola** on June 16, 2008. Bobby Pasola joined the Association earlier this year. There was a note in the March 2008 Pipeline from him offering a place to stay at his house during the reunion in San Antonio.

6/18/2008 email from Sr Jeannette Trimmell

Greetings,

This is **Joe Trimmell's** eldest daughter Sr. Jeannette Trimmell contacting you to inform you of my dad's passing. Joe died May 8, 2008 at 11:33pm of complications of Lung Cancer, COPD, and cardiac arrest. I am sorry to have waited this long to inform you of his passing. There are many things yet to be done and things that are slowly getting done. Thank you for your patience.

Blessings,

Jeannette Trimmell, ASC

6/27/2008

I learned today that **Douglas Tolderlund** died in January after a long illness. I was told that I made Mrs. Tolderlund an Honorary Life Member at that time. I spoke with Mrs. Tolderlund today and expressed my condolences. I don't remember talking to her in January, and she doesn't remember talking to me. Sometimes my memory skips a beat. My sincere apologies to Mrs Tolderlund for not reporting this in the March Pipeline.

New Members

James D. Bentz. 1965 to 1967, EN2. He lives with his wife Susan in San Diego, CA
Leslie W. Branham. 1963 to 1965, SK3. He lives with his wife Shirley in Indianapolis, IN
Santiago R. Curry. 1969 to 1973, BT1. He lives with his wife Patricia in Corpus Christi, TX
Robert T. Ecker. 1966 to 1967, YN3. He lives with his wife Susan in Willow Brook, IL
Melvin R. Etheridge. 1964 to 1965 Commanding Officer. He lives with his wife Anne in Simsbury, CT
Laurence R. Gauthier. 1963 to 1965, SN. He lives with his wife Susan in Brockton, MA
Thomas W. Glenn Jr. 1963 to 1964, SN. He lives with his wife Gay in Prattville, AL
Steve R. Hammer. 1967 to 1968, RM2. He lives with his wife Kitty in Spanaway, WA
Peter F. Hughes. 1963 to 1966, SH3. He lives in Ithaca, NY
John C. Kubal. 1963 to 1966, HM2. He lives with his wife Bea in Brookings, SD
Darrell E. Larson. 1963 to 1964, BM3. He is a full time RV'er with an address in Blaine, WA
John C. Lechner. 1964 to 1965, SN. He lives in Stockton, CA
Ronald P. Lushia. 1964 to 1966, BM2. He lives with his wife Debra in Walled Lake, MI
Kenneth H. Mead. 1954 to 1955, FN. He lives with his wife Carol in Tucson, AZ
Kenneth E. Neu. 1966, RM2. He lives with his wife Pamela in Morrison, CO
George W. Rawls. 1962 to 1965, EM3. He lives with his wife Helen in San Bernardino, CA
Lyle Richardson. 1953 to 1954, E-4. He lives with his wife Carol in Camarillo, CA
Gordon M. Rosenberg. 1967 to 1968, SN. He lives with his wife Marlene in Holland, MI
Conrad W. Roth. 1959 to 1961, LT. He lives with his wife Roberta in Virginia Beach, VA
Richard A. Schuldeisz. 1960 to 1964, BMSN. He lives with his wife Diane in Williford, AR
Lon R. Smith. 1954 to 1955, SN. He lives with his wife Dorothy in Russellville, KY
Marnell K. Smith. 1954 to 1955, SN. He lives with his wife Joy in Diamond Springs, CA
John B. Supernaw. 1963 to 1966, CS2. He lives with his wife Patricia in Tulsa, OK
Wilbur L. Witham. 1967 to 1968, DC2. He lives with his wife Sharon in Benton, AR

Welcome Aboard

Member News

2/28/08 email from **Bob Beeter**

Hello Fellow Shipmates,

Just thought I would update you on my back situation. I went to see a neurosurgeon in San Antonio recently. Things look pretty bad for my entire spine. It would take a long rod and about 10 screws just to repair a bulging disc in my lower back. There would be about an 8 month rehab period also. My upper back is not much better. My neck would require an incision in my throat and a lengthy rehab time for that. I have been getting injections in my lower back and neck but the last injection in my lower back seemed to have made things worse. Neck injection seemed to have helped though. I go back to see my pain mgt. doctor this next Monday. Could use all the prayers I can get as I consider all possible alternate procedures.

Don't know if I mentioned this before or not. I retired from the U.S. Air Force at George AFB, CA in 1989. I was the Non-commissioned Officer In Charge (NCOIC) of Materiel Control in the Communications Squadron there and retired as a Tsgt. (E6). I spent most of my Air Force career in Materiel Control for Communications Squadrons some of which included NORAD and the USAF Academy in Colorado Springs, CO. Including my active duty time in the Navy and Air Force - approximately 22 yrs. Also had 4 yrs. reserve time in the Navy.

I am looking forward to meeting all the guys who served on the CAL. I only spent 2 yrs. on her, but did a lot and seen a lot. Seems like I was either on the cargo deck or on a refueling rig most of the time when we were in the combat zone in Viet Nam. I was an SK3.

Bob Beeter (66-68)

3/19/08 email from **Ray Corliss**

Hi Bob:

Enjoyed the Pipeline very much and yes I would like to get an Ball Cap, also if there are any Pictures of The Caliente like the one at the beginning of the Pipeline; just let me know cost/shipping please. Lost most all my Service Mementos due to a fire some years ago and it would be great to replace some of them.

USS Caliente was my first Ship; from her I went the USS Delta AR-9--Danang Vietnam--NAS Quonset Pt.--NTC Great Lakes (ETA Instructor)—USS Calossahatchee AOJ-98--NTC Great Lakes (ETB school)-- USS Voge FF-1047--NAS S. Weymouth--Fleet Reserve. Will miss the reunion this year as I am already burning up my vacation time by driving to Alaska in Aug., but hope to attend in '09. Smooth Seas- Ray Corliss

3/19/08 email from **Milan Nikceovich**

BOB...RECEIVED, OPENED AND READ THE PIPELINE...ANOTHER OUTSTANDING JOB...YOU PUT TOGETHER A HELL OF A NEWS LETTER AND IT IS ALWAYS INFORMATIVE AND ENJOYABLE...MILAN

A STORY FOR YOU ABOUT **FRANCIS BEASLEY** A SEAMAN FROM THE 2ND DIVISION...WE WERE IN SUBIC BAY IN 1953 AND FRANCIS WAS NICKNAMED "MOUSE". HE WENT ASHORE IN OLANGAPO AND AS A GOOD SAILOR CAME BACK ABOARD FEELING NO PAIN. WE HAD A FANTAIL WATCH POSTED WHO HAD A CARBINE RIFLE AND AMMO BELT. MOUSE CHANGED FROM WHITES TO DUNGAREES AND RELIEVED THE FANTAIL WATCH WHO THOUGHT HE WAS BEING RELIEVED PROPERLY. A SMALL TUG WAS COMING ALONG SIDE TO PORT AND MOUSE BEING EVER ALERT, HIT THE GENERAL QUARTERS ALARM LOCATED ON THE FANTAIL, RAMMED A CLIP INTO THE CARBINE AND STARTED FIRING AT THE TUG WHILE YELLING AT THE TOP OF HIS LUNGS THE WE WERE BEING BOARDED BY PIRATES...NEEDLESS TO SAY, THE TUG HIGH TAILED IT OUT OF RANGE.

WE LATER FOUND OUT THAT MOUSE GOT TO DRINKING WITH A BUNCH OF CREW MATES IN A BAR IN OLONGAPO AND THEY WERE ALL TALKING ABOUT THE PIRATES THAT WERE HARASSING SHIPS IN THE AREA...MOUSE BEING EVER VIGILANT LET ALONE THREE SHEETS TO THE WIND WASN'T GOING TO LET ANY PIRATES BRING HARM TO THE CALIENTE...MOUSE HAS PASSED AWAY AND THOSE OF US WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING AND SERVING WITH HIM, KNEW THAT HE WAS JUST A COUNTRY BOY FROM EAST GEORGIA WHO WAS A FIRST CLASS SHIPMATE.

3/20/08 email from **Dennis Murphy**

Hi Bob,

I just finished reading the March Pipeline, and wanted to express appreciation to you for the excellent job you do on it. I also appreciate the efforts of **Norm Street** and **Pat Hurton**. Pat recently sent me a renewal verification note, which I thought was a nice touch.

The "I Was a Sailor Once" piece was very moving. The sentiments expressed by that unknown author exactly matched my own. Serving in the Navy is a great way of life, and I regretted leaving it many a time over the past thirty-four years.

I was happy to see a note from **Jim Locke**, who was one of my shipmates when I served on the Caliente as First LT. The Engineering Officer at the time was LT **Bill Keaton**, a crusty LDO who, as I recall, had risen to the rank of MMC before becoming a Chief Warrant Officer and finally a commissioned officer. And he wasn't all that much older than Jere Cordell and myself, the two other LTs on board! Engineering-wise, Bill kept the Caliente in great shape, and I was surprised when the decision was made to decommission her. It seemed like there were a few more good years in her.

Thanks again for the great job you are doing!

Dennis Murphy

3/20/08 email phiniusfudpucker@yahoo.com **Don Hall**

I won't be able to attend the get together in San Antonio because I have 3 other commitments in Phoenix during the month of Oct, one is the get together with the guys I worked with for 30 plus years, the 2nd is I am going to get together with **Morris "Woody" Woodburn** whom I have not seen in 55 years, we both served on the Caliente at the same time, and I have a family reunion to go to, and some of them I have not seen in over 50 years.

I gathered from this last Pipeline that you were interested in stories or experiences while serving on board the Caliente. I was the subject of one such story in 1949 while the Caliente was refueling the 7th Fleet returning from the far east. If you are interested in the story let me know and I will relate it, also I am interested in finding any shipmates that were on board at the same time. Thanks **Don Hall**

3/21/08 email from **Don Hall**

Bob, what happened to me while I was on board the Caliente was in either October or November 1949. We were enroute to Hawaii to refuel the 7th Fleet that was returning from Japan. We were in the process of refueling either a cruiser or destroyer on the port side around 2300 hrs, the sea was rough. I had been assigned to the oil rig that was refueling the ship on the Port side and during the process of getting the fuel line over to the ship the line got caught on the well deck guard railing causing the fuel hose to hit the water and the line to get caught on the deck railing. I volunteered to go to the well deck to free the line, but when I got to the well deck to free the line members of my fuel rig got the line loose behind me and when they freed the line it hit me on the shoulder knocking me overboard. I remember going overboard in a swan dive, but when I returned to my senses I was hanging upside down with my right foot, by my toes only, caught on the round "female portion" of the deck railing that

extended out about 3 or 4 inches. Fortunately the ship was making a starboard to port roll and we were low on fuel so we were high in the water and I had on my life jacket with the battery operated light, (that would not have been worth a damn at midnight) I did not go into the water thanks to my big feet, and when they got me back on board a **Lt. Malinowski** who was the Officer in charge of fueling rigs asked me if I was ok, I could not answer, could not speak. When I got my voice back I called him everything I could think of, all not good, but I survived and I would like to contact any of the crew members that remember that incident. It's ok Bob to give out my emails if someone else remembers that incident. I don't have nor do I intend to file a claim, just want to contact the crew members at that time, thanks. **Don Hall**

3/24/08 Email fro **Don Verlenden**

Hi;

Being a new member, I don't know to whom I should be sending this note. It is an addition to the record that I have not yet seen in the "Pipeline" or other information about AO-53.

Our involvement in the Viet Nam war began long before the dates I have seen. It began in 1954. The U.S. sponsored the migration of those Vietnamese who wanted to leave the north and go south to Saigon before the actual partition of the country. The Navy provided transport to make the run from Hanoi to Saigon. It also provided the logistics to manage the transport, a "reefer" and an "oiler" stationed at what was about the midpoint of the trip, a beautiful little town with an excellent harbor, Cape Touraine, to provide what was needed for the job. For part of the time, the Caliente was the oiler. The town was later named DaNang and became infamous under that name.

I remember liberty. We anchored fairly far from town because of the depth of the harbor, accessibility by the transports, and general safety. The trip into town was welcome. Liberty was limited to daylight hours, had to be accompanied by an officer and an armed guard, and offered little other than an chance to see dry ground under you. I do remember sitting at a curbside "tavern" having a Vietnamese beer with two French foreign legionnaires we ran into in town. The furniture of the bar consisted of packing crates and the decoration was flowering trees overhead. While we sat there we heard gunfire, but the French dismissed it with a shrug, so we shrugged it off, too. When we left Cape Touraine we went to Hong Kong for R&R

I presume this stop is well known by those who go back to 1954, and I think it belongs in the long history of the Caliente.

Don Verlenden

Received from **Tom Lewis** April 7, 2008

Bob,

Just to tell you I am going into for brain surgery on Wednesday 9 April. Great bunch of people here to take care of that. We've come a long way since sick bay on the Caliente.

A. T. (Tom) Lewis

Received from **Tom Lewis** April 28, 2008

Info on a message to Andy Santoriello

Hi Andy,

I was watching PBS last night and came across the show "carrier". They will sell you a copy for \$40. It is an excellent portray of today's big carriers.

I ended up so proud of being a part of such an organization as the US Navy. It's different now than our Navy. Highly professional and highly integrated both sexually and ethnically. The personnel are older too. Bald heads, not like the kids we were and then are great young people too.

We were a great crew in our day. I loved it and cherish every moment in my heart. We were just a bunch of 20 year olds wandering around the ocean. And we were damn good.

I miss my shipmate **Nibble**. I wrote to him several times but never managed to see him in person. His wife wrote to me a lovely letter from his death bed. I still have pictures of our cabin stuffed full of glass balls and antiques.

I remember our last Skipper, **Sam Loomis**. He was a real teacher and gave good parties too. We went into San Diego to the oil pier and the bar pilot had not arrived. So Sam just picked up the tugs and maneuvered to the pier. The bar pilot came onboard just as Loomis got the first lines ashore. He thanked the Pilot and never gave up the Con.

The films that you and Derek put together are priceless.

Cheers!!

Tom Lewis
Ltjg, USNR

Received from **Bob Beeter** April 12
Hello Fellow Shipmates,

I just returned from a trip to Branson, Missouri and visited the national patch wall at the 76 Complex Mall. They display all military patches from all the different branches of the military services. I did not find any patches on the wall from the Cal and was wondering how we could rectify this. The two patches like the ones that were sent to me with the new member package would be great. However, I do not really want to give mine up. I have seen ships patches and all kinds of military patches in stores in Branson, MO and elsewhere, but you can't find them in many museums. Perhaps you all might know of a way to rectify this also. You can go to bransonveterans.com to find more info on this probably. Branson would be a great place for a reunion if not already done.

I am having my permanent spinal stimulator implant surgery on April 15. Thought this was coincidentally funny, my economic stimulus package from Uncle Sam for a spinal stimulator. Tricare actually is taking care of most of this, thank the Lord for that. I'm looking forward to the reunion in October. Health permitting, I'm planning a trip to Montana to see one of my niece's get married. Please remember me in your prayers. I will be looking forward to hearing from you again soon.

Bob Beeter

Received from **Jed Stone** April 12
Bob,

Jed Stone here 64-66, it has been some time since I emailed you, it took me about 8 months to get a new computer so I haven't emailed too many people. Thanks for sending me the " Pipeline" I really enjoy it. **George Bateman** and I email each other several times a week now since we served together back in the 60's in the Black Gang down in the hole.

In one of the previous papers Norm Street sent, it mentioned that Salt Lake City might be a reunion place in 2010 ? If that is right and you would like, I have a book I can send you about things to see around Salt Lake City. Let me know if you want me to mail the book to you, okay? I have lived here my whole life and really don't go see too much of what is here and most of the places are only 15-30 minutes from where I live.

I would really like to go to the San Antonio reunion this year, it all depends on my daughter as my wife baby sits our new grand-daughter, every day of the week....it's a long story.

I took my retirement from the hospital that I worked at for 40 years and I am now a Boiler Operator at the Veteran's Hospital in Salt Lake City. I have worked here for just one year now and will work for four more years until I am 66 then hope to retire for good.

I am at work tonight and I can email from here with my home account.

Norm and the men do a great job in locating former ship mates, I have talked to **Kenneth Walsh** and **George Bateman** on the phone, it was great to hear their voices, and this paper has **Paul Roethymeyer's** name in it. He left the ship in 64 or early 65. I think he told me he was going to a Tin Can someplace in Florida, I still have some pictures of some of the guys, how young we were then, where did our youth go...??? **Norm Street** also called me in late November or early December, I was surprised to hear from him too. Like I said your men are Great !!!

Well my friend, I better get going as I have boiler rounds to do.
Jed Stone 1964-1966

Received from **Tom Lewis** April 29

Bob,

Thanks for your note. Let's update my phone #. I have moved into a retirement community. St. Paul's Towers, 100 Bay Place, #1101, Oakland, CA 94610, Tel: 510-891-8131 or 510-891-8354 Not that I want to retire but the work doesn't come to me so easily any more. I finished my last overseas contract in August 2007 and finished a charter bus driving job the year before.

The health issue is not what one anticipates. It is one of the biggest and most interesting experiences in life. To have a Thai Doctor open up your head and take out two tumors sounds awful but its allot easier than lots of other things I've done. In fact it's a rather enjoyable experience. I woke up after the operation in good spirits and no headache. Surprise!! At moments I am treated by a cloud of Angels (nurses) who treat me very much like an big intelligent baby. I am learning new things at a very fast rate. The staff here is first rate. They come in all colors from all over the world. Racial or ethnic prejudice is almost non-existence. That is a long way from where was when I was a boy. I will pass away in one day or maybe 10 years. One simply doesn't know, but the process is totally without fear. Someone once said " We only have fear itself to Fear". He is absolutely right.

Thanks again for your note. With the help of the Caliente and crew, this has been a really great life. I tell my kids to push it out just as far as they can.

Tom Lewis

Received from **Warren Froscheiser** April 29

Hi guys, Below is an email I received from **Al Peters**, a former shipmate. Al is on, I believe, a one year assignment in Iraq as a mechanic. Al's wife had some medical conditions that pretty much drained their savings. Al lost his job a little over a year ago and ended up driving a truck over the road for a few months. I understand he's making very good money over there, and felt it was about the only way to build some instant savings for retirement.

Thought you'd like to know...

Take care!

Warren

From **Al Peters**

Hi to all, arrived in Alasad Iraq on April 17th and a hetic trip from Houston. I have been fighting sandstorms and temperatures in the Hundreds. Living in an 8 man tent and working in a tent fixing Humvee's and 7 ton trucks. Cannot receive and attached messages so some of you will have to learn how to type instead of forwarding messages. I am on a secure network

A Little Humor

A Delaware Department of Water representative stopped at a farm and talked with an old farmer. He told the farmer, "I need to inspect your farm for your water allocation."

The old farmer said, "Okay, but don't go in that field over there."

The Water representative said, "Mister, I have the authority of the Federal Government with me. See this card? This card means I am allowed to go WHEREVER I WISH on any agricultural land. No questions asked or answered. Have I made myself clear? Do you understand?"

The old farmer nodded politely and went about his chores.

Later, the old farmer heard loud screams and saw the Water Rep running for the fence and close behind was the farmer's bull. The bull was gaining on the Water Rep with every step.

The Rep was clearly terrified, so the old farmer immediately threw down his tools, ran to the fence and shouted out.....

Your card! Show him your card!"

From Paul Jacob

One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small American flags mounted on either side of it. The seven year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, "Good morning Alex."

Good morning Pastor," he replied. Still focused on the plaque, he asked, "Pastor, what is this?"

The pastor said, "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service." Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Finally, little Alex's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear asked, "Which service, the 9:30 or the 10:45?"

On The Road Again

A farmer had five female pigs. Times were hard, so he decided to take them to the county fair and sell them. At the fair, he met another farmer who owned five male pigs. After talking a bit, they decided to mate the pigs and split everything 50/50. The farmers lived 60 miles apart, so they agreed to drive 30 miles each and find a field in which to let the pigs mate.

The first morning, the farmer with the female pigs got up at 5 AM, loaded the pigs into the family station wagon, which was the only vehicle he had, and drove the 30 miles.

While the pigs were mating, he asked the other farmer, 'How will I know if they are pregnant?' The other farmer replied, 'If they're lying in the grass in the morning, they're pregnant. If they're in the mud, they're not.'

The next morning the pigs were rolling in the mud, so he hosed them off, loaded them into the family station wagon again, and proceeded to try again. This continued each morning for more than a week.

The next morning he was too tired to get out of bed. He called to his wife, 'Honey, please look outside and tell me whether the pigs are in the mud or in the grass.'

'Neither,' yelled his wife, 'they're in the station wagon and one of them is honking the horn.'

Oh well!!!

The USS Caliente Association Reunion in San Antonio, Texas Oct 9 – 12, 2008

Location

Holiday Inn San Antonio Downtown-Market Square, 318 West Durango Blvd

It is about 5 blocks from the Riverwalk, but transportation to the Riverwalk is just across the street from the hotel.

It is a really nice hotel with a very large swimming pool, excellent banquet facilities and a very professional staff. They just completed a big remodeling project.

The room rate for us is \$115.00 per night, plus 16.75% tax. I have reserved a block of 30 rooms for the reunion, with 5 rooms for 2 days before and 5 rooms for 2 days after. With all the new members, we may need more rooms. **Get your reservation in early if you think you might be able to attend.** You can always cancel if you need to. The hotel reservation deadline is September 7th. Call 800-972-3480 or 210-225-9005 to book your reservation. Our rate code is UCA.

Reunion Outline

Thursday, Oct. 9 Registration and reception, 3:00 to 10:00PM Food and Beverages

Friday, Oct. 10 8:30AM to 4:00PM Bus tour of San Antonio, then to Fredricksburg to the Nimitz Museum, the Bush Museum and the Museum of the Pacific. Lunch on your own. There are several restaurants in the area.
6:00 to 7:00PM Social Hour, Photos (Bar service 6:00 to 10:00)
7:00 to 11:00PM Dinner and Entertainment (The Banquet is on Friday instead of Saturday, because of a wedding dinner on Saturday)

Saturday, Oct 11 8:00 to 9:30 Business meeting. Afternoon and evening free.

Sunday, Oct 12 Farewells

Banquet Entrée Choices:

Chicken Altrusa. Breast of Chicken stuffed with Lon Grain Wild Rice and Sauteed Mushrooms, served with a Creamy White Sauce.

Filet Mignon. 8oz Charbroiled Filet Mignon wrapped with Bacon and cooked to perfection

All dinner selections include Tossed Green Salad, Chef's Choice of Starch and Vegetable, Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls, Desert of the Day, Iced Tea and Coffee.

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Sign-Up Sheet

Please return by September 25, 2008

Send to:
Robert Howard
USS Caliente Association
2674 Buena Vista Ave.
Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2547

I/We will be attending the reunion. Enclosed is a check for \$140.00 per attendee. _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Please make checks payable to Robert Howard

Name tag data:

SELF: _____ to _____
Name Years served on the Caliente

SPOUSE: _____
Name

GUEST: _____
Name

Please indicate your choice for dinner at the banquet.

Chicken _____ Mobility problems _____

Filet Mignon _____ Arriving early _____

Signed _____ Date _____

In the event you need to cancel, a refund will be made up to 3 weeks prior to the reunion (Sept 18)

Comments: