

USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) NEWSLETTER

THE 21MC

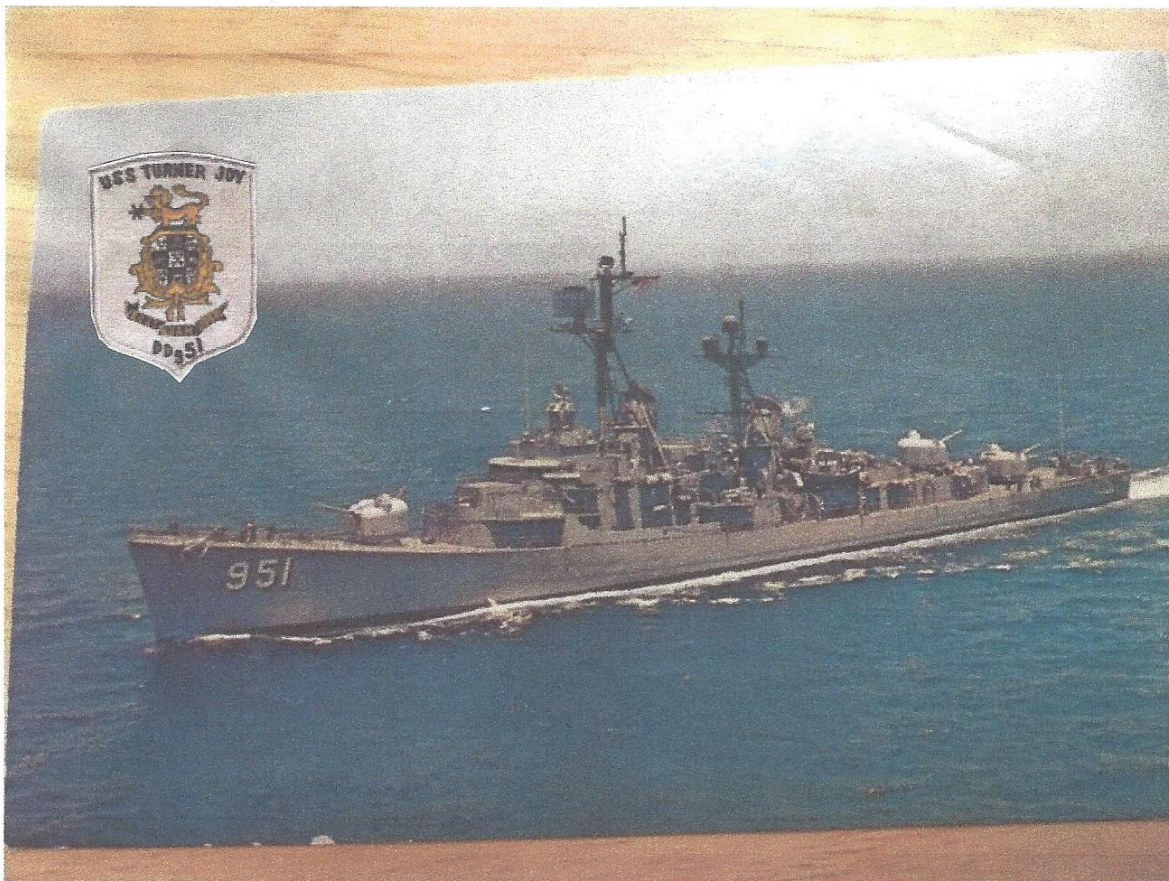
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USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) UNDERWAY IN THE EASTERN PACIFIC,
CIRCA 1973!

Our Ship's Motto: TO BE, RATHER THAN SEEM TO BE!



President's Corner. Since the last 21MC was published on April 23, 2021, we have started the reunion planning for September 9th through the 12th, 2021 in Bremerton, WA. Tod Hale and myself have made a trip to Bremerton, WA to start the contract negotiations and get a better feel for the remaining COVID-19 restrictions for the area and the USS Turner Joy destroyer museum. We currently have two-thirds of the contracts negotiated and completed, with signatures in place. Tod and I are still working on contracts and hope to have all the done prior to the next 21MC Newsletter, expected to be published sometime in August, 2021, about three weeks before the reunion. We are expecting a favorable shift in COVID-19 restrictions from the State of Washington, sometime in early July, 2021. If those restrictions lift the way we expect them to lift, that information will be published in the August, 2021 21MC Newsletter. Traditionally, our banquet is on Saturday night, but this time we are doing on Friday, September 10, 2021.

For the first time, we will have a female guest speaker! Her name is HMC (FMF) Toni Lee Swalstad, USNR (Ret) and her worldwide experiences, will tell a tale of the modern Navy and the challenges we face in the Navy and Marines! Toni also guarded terrorist prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. It will be a great pleasure to have her talk!

The 2021 Reunion Plan of the Day and the first version of the 2021 Reunion Reservation Form will be promulgated in this 21MC Newsletter! Please copy the 2021 Reservation Form (two pages) and fill out and mail with your check to: USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) REUNION GROUP; 1330 Thompson Street; Carson City, NV 89703-0605.

Much financial planning has been done, defining the many variables as closely and as refined as possible, so after the reunion is over, we will have suitable cash funds for future events. Management of your funds by the EXCOM and myself is a major priority! The refined budgeted revenues and expenses for the upcoming reunion based on defining variables in terms of attendance and costs in the negotiations, and applying constant refinements is our approach.

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION. Please do not hesitate to go to our web site and review these documents which are currently up to date!

REQUIRED WASHINGTON STATE VOLUNTARY DONATION DISCLOSURE.

Remember, that mandatory disclosure is on our web site!

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE - TJRG MEMBERSHIP FROM 4/23/2021 TO 6/22/2021

Date(s)	Events/Transactions	Checking	Savings	Total
4/23/21	Balance per TJRG CK & Sav Reg	\$ 3,846.84	\$19,110.13	\$22,956.97
	ADD			
3/31/21	Interest Income	\$.03	\$ 4.05	\$ 4.08
4/27/21	Balance per NFCU BK Stmt	\$ 3,846.87	\$19,114.18	\$ 22,961.05
	ADD			
5/3-5/21	Membership Dues	\$ 240.00	\$ -	\$ 240.00
5/17/21	Membership Donations	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
4/30/21	Interest income	\$.03	\$ 3.92	\$ 3.95
	SUBTRACT			
5/7-5/21	GEN Mailings	\$ 9.45	\$ -	\$ 9.45
5/4/21	OFFICE Supplies	\$ 257.98	\$ -	\$ 257.98
5/7-5/21	POSTAGE	\$ 52.00	\$ -	\$ 52.00
5/27/21	Balance per NFCU BK Stmt	\$ 3,767.47	\$19,138.10	\$ 22,905.57
	ADD			
5/29-6/21	Membership Dues	\$ 360.00	\$ -	\$ 360.00
6/7-6/21	Membership Donations	\$ 50.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 70.00
6/7/21	TJRG Refund-Postage	\$ 8.85	\$ -	\$ 8.85
	SUBTRACT			
5/29-6/22	GEN Mailings	\$ 56.00	\$ -	\$ 56.00
6/1/21	OFFICE Supplies	\$ 362.57	\$ -	\$ 362.57
6/15/21	Reunion Entertainment [Ptrl]	\$ 725.00	\$ -	\$ 725.00
6/9/21	Reunion; Kitsap Conf Ctr [Ptrl]	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
6/4-6/8	POSTAGE	\$ 43.00	\$ -	\$ 43.00
6/1/21	PRINTING	\$ 82.16	\$ -	\$ 82.16
6/22/21	Balance per TJRG CK & Sav Reg	\$ 917.59	\$19,158.10	\$ 20,075.69

USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) REUNION GROUP REUNION FOR 2021

BREMERTON, WA

PLAN OF THE DAY FOR SEPTEMBER 9TH THROUGH 12TH, 2021

Thursday, September 9, 2021

1200-2300 Room Check-In; Hampton Inn or Fairfield Inn

1200-1600 Shipmate Check-In, Hospitality Suite; Hampton Inn

1700-2100 Icebreaker/Reception with Music and Open Bar Puget Sound Ballroom AB; Registration of shipmates will continue at Icebreaker/Reception.

Friday, September 10, 2021

0900-1600 Free Time-Hospitality Suite, Hampton Inn, lobbies of Hampton Inn and Fairfield, Inn, local restaurants, Embarcadero, local bars

1000-1145 Memorial Service on board or next to/close by USS Turner Joy (DD-951) Destroyer Museum

1200-1300 [Approx] TJRG Business Meeting-TJRG Members ONLY (location TBD). See Notes!

1700-2130 TJRG Banquet/Bufferet in Marine Vista; Guest Speaker: HMC (FMF) Toni Lee Swalstad, USNR (Ret), Veteran of Middle East and Guantanamo Bay Terrorist Guard Duty. Semi-Formal attire for ladies and gentlemen!

Saturday, September 11, 2021

0830(EST)-1430(EST) Bus Tour of Olympic Peninsula, possible short day hike and lunch at location TBD! Carry extra cash for Park Ent Fee (\$15) and lunch.

1000-1400 TJRG Picnic, location TBD awaiting WA State Govt COVID-19 management decisions after 7/1/21

1730-2100 TJRG Salmon Bake; location TBD awaiting WA State Govt COVID-19 management decisions after 7/1/21. Patriotic Quartet-Bremerton Sym Orch!

Sunday, September 12, 2021

0800-1200 [Farewells] AND Check Out, Hampton Inn & Fairfield Inn

2021 TJRG REUNION RESERVATION FORM

REUNION DATES: SEPTEMBER 9-12, 2021

HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT THE HAMPTON INN & SUITES, 150 WASHINGTON AVE., BREMERTON, WA 98337; PHONE # 1(360)405-0200 AND FAIRFIELD INNS AND SUITES BY MARRIOTT, 239 4TH STREET, BREMERTON, WA; PHONE # 1(360)377-2111 OR 1(844)208-1535. - TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH: **THE USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP.** - Also read Reunion notes and Hotel reservations notes carefully!

Name(s) _____ Phone: _____

Address _____ E-mail: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Your Guest(s) Full Name(s)

Years You Served On-Board: 19 ___ to 19 ___ Rank/Rate _____

If Retired Military, Branch & Final Rank/Rate _____

Thursday, September 9, 2021

1700-2100 Icebreaker/Reception-Open Bar in Puget Sound Ballrooms AB @ \$30.00 per person. Band will be "The Brothers Reed"! Dress: Casual! Registration will continue at the Icebreaker/Reception until 2100!

**I WILL ATTEND ___ I WILL BRING ___ GUEST(S). TOTAL @ \$30 EACH _____

Friday, September 10, 2021

1700-2130 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP BANQUET/BUFFET IN MARINA VISTA. GUEST SPEAKER: HMC (FMF) TONI LEE SWALSTAD USNR (RET). Veteran of the Middle East and Guantanamo Bay terrorist guard duty. Formal evening attire!

**I WILL ATTEND ___ I WILL BRING ___ GUESTS. TOTAL @ \$62.00 Each _____

Saturday, September 11, 2021

0830 (EST)-1430 (EST) Bus Tour of Olympic Peninsula/Possible short day hike/lunch at location TBD. PICKUP AT HAMPTON INN-LIGHT JACKETS, SUNGLASSES AND CAMERA ADVISABLE. Carry extra cash for Park Entrance fee of \$15 and for lunch. See Notes!

**I WILL ATTEND ___ I WILL BRING ___ GUESTS. TOTAL @\$75(EST)EACH _____

1000-1400 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP PICNIC, LOCATION TBD/AWAITING WA GOVT COVID-19 MANAGEMENT DECISIONS AFTER 7/1/21!

I WILL ATTEND-- ___ I WILL BRING ___ GUESTS. TOTAL @\$20 EACH _____

1600-2100 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP SALMON BAKE, LOCATION TBD/AWAITING WA GOVT COVID-19 MANAGEMENT DECISIONS AFTER 7/1/21! WATER/SODA, WINE, BEER/ALE PROVIDED BY USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP

**I WILL ATTEND ___ I WILL BRING ___ GUESTS. TOTAL @ \$20 EACH _____

GRAND TOTAL: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE TWO PAGE FORM AND MAIL WITH CHECK TO: USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) REUNION GROUP; 1330 THOMPSON STREET; CARSON CITY, NV 89703-0605

NOTES CONCERNING USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP 2021 REUNION IN BREMERTON, WA

1. Please bring a Face Mask for each person, just in case there is a change in the COVID-19 situation.
2. Upon check In at the Hampton Inn and the Fairfield Inn, be sure to state clearly you are with the USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP. Room rate for the reunion is \$114.00 per night and parking is paid by the USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP!
3. The USS Stonewall Jackson (SSBN-634) is having a reunion at the Hampton Inns and Suites on the same dates as our reunion! We have asked the Hampton Inn if all their rooms are NOT filled if they would reserve those unused rooms for the TJRG.
4. Upon check In at the Hampton Inn and the Fairfield Inn, you will receive a bag with two small containers of hand sanitizer, two bottles of purified drinking water and two USS Turner Joy patches for You and your Wife/SO/Guest!
5. Our Hospitality Suite is room 330 at the Hampton Inn.
6. For the Business Meeting, we encourage all TJRG Members to attend. Due to room occupancy restrictions and current COVID-19 restrictions still in effect, Wives/SO/other Guests will not be able to attend. Please have your special person in life give you any agenda items to be brought up at the business meeting.
7. The TJRG picnic is concurrent with the Bus tours of the Olympic Peninsula. We could not schedule the picnic for another time, so please make your choices carefully when you fill out the two-page registration form and mail it with your check to: USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) REUNION GROUP; 1330 Thompson Street; Carson City, NV 89703-0605.
8. We are still negotiating the Bus Tour Contract and will adjust the Revenues and Expenses as necessary after the contract has been agreed upon and signed by all parties! We hope by the 2nd 21MC Newsletter, that we intend to put out in August, 2021, we will have all the necessary finalized information. Per Person cost may be lower! TBD!
9. If you are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccination, please get it before the reunion. If not eligible for the vaccination, please take all the standard precautions you have become accustom to.
10. In our contract with the Kitsap Conference Center, they do NOT allow Cannabis use on their premises whatsoever. If anyone has Medical Marijuana license, please use your medicinal Cannabis at another location according to your doctor's orders!
11. Location of the TJRG picnic and the TJRG Salmon Bake is yet TBD. We are awaiting WASHINGTON State decisions, which are expected in early July, 2021, so we can later determine locations for those events. Hopefully the Salmon Bake will be onboard the USS Turner Joy!
12. The Kitsap County Airporter will be running shuttles between SEATAC and Bremerton!
13. We recommend that all TJRG Members stay clear of Seattle, WA! Last we heard; limited rioting is still going on in that City!
14. Be safe and use your Common Senses!

SHIPMATES COMMENTS:

FTG2 Victor Jones—Joined TJ Before overhaul in Long Beach and completed WESTPAC 80. Nice to see her again!

SN Charles "Bob" Easton—Best Years of My Life!

FTG2 Jay Wilson—Plankowner! Best 4 years of my life! In WESTPAC 4 times, saw things I would never have seen otherwise. Had a lot of great times with the finest CAPTAIN and EXEC; and the crew!

FTG2 Jeff Wiener—As a very proud Plankowner, I am extending my dues 5 years! The times on the TJ were some of the best of my life. I am still in contact with shipmates from over 60 years ago! We went through the Commissioning, the Shakedown cruise(s), WESTPAC and Typhoons. We were so proud and still are as part of TJ History!

STG3 William "Tod" Hale—Dear Mr. President-Thank You! Tod

LTJG Mike Stockreiter—Look forward to next reunion and meeting all shipmates. Stay safe and Healthy through these challenging times!

BMSN David M. Luther—Active Service AUG 66 Thru SEP 68! USNR!

BM3 Harvey E. Halvorson—I served on many types of ships, all but sweeps and tugs! But the Destroyers were the most active! I'll always remember my time on the TJ. This includes a long time of NOT receiving mail while on the Gunline. My GQ Station was 1st loader on the 5" gun and we did get to fire 300 rounds and the many UNREPS!

"TAPS" With Great Regret, we report the following shipmates who passed on:

" FAIR WINDS AND FOLLOWING SEAS"

Jerry O'Rand-Onboard Approximately 70-73, Age 58, died June 16, 2009, Reported by his family on the Internet. From Garland, TX

Alfred G. LeGault, Age approx. 76, FTG3, Onboard 65-66; Reported by his family on the Internet! From Florida!

William McGovern Age 79, FTG2, Onboard 61-63, Reported by his family on the Internet! From Maryland!

Andrew Loyal, Age 68, died January 7, 2016, Onboard 1968, BM3, Reported by his family via US Mail. From Aiken, SC! Interred in New York next to his wife Janice; his true love! He loved saltwater fishing!

2020 – 2021 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP MEMBERSHIP

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Spouse/Partner: _____ E-mail: _____
Street: _____
City, State & Zip: _____
Home/Cell Phone: _____
Member E-mail: _____
Dates Served Onboard: _____ Rank/Rating on TJ: _____
Years of Active Duty: _____ Retired: _____ Retired Rank/Rating: _____
Present Occupation/Employer: _____

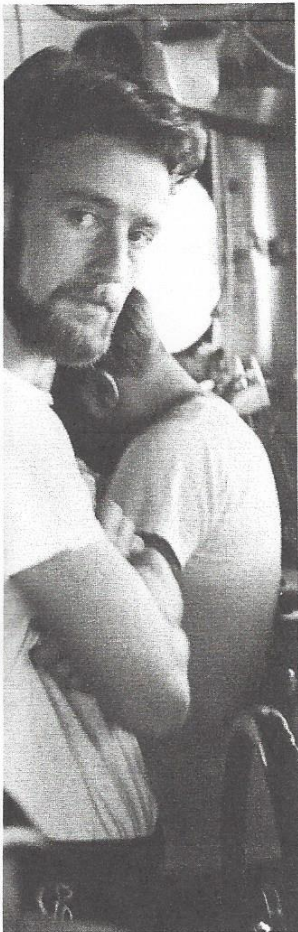
Comments for possible inclusion for the 21 MC
newsletter: _____

Donations: They are always welcome! Currently the funds for the TJRG are “fully replenished” and the Federal IRS and State Conversion costs are paid for! **Thank You So Much!** Now, as a regulated 501 (c) 7 tax exempt, non-profit, Veteran’s Social Group and State of Washington Charitable Organization operating under IRS Rule 501 (a), we are a healthy Veteran’s Organization. We are always seeking donation funds for follow on reunions: Donations in fiscal categories have been reported by name per IRS RR&G’s!

Annual Dues: They are \$ 20.00 per year (NOV/DEC). Membership Dues may be paid in advance for the year and more out years. Your Dues and donations subsidize all reunion activities!

Please send this application with your check payable to:

USS Turner Joy Reunion Group
c/o Jim Chester-President
1330 Thompson Street
Carson City, NV 89703-0605



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