

USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) NEWSLETTER

THE 21MC

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→ updated through
August 21, 2021!

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

Captain John J. Herrick USN On-Scene Commander during the Tonkin Gulf Incident (TGI) of August 2-5 1964 and Commander Robert C. Barnhardt, Jr. USN; CO of the USS Turner Joy during the TGI.



President's Corner. Since the last 21MC was published on June 23, 2021, we have firmed up many more details for the reunion for September 9th through the 12th, 2021 in Bremerton, WA. Tod Hale and myself have made a trip to Bremerton, WA for contract negotiations and got a better feel for the remaining COVID-19 restrictions for the area and the USS Turner Joy destroyer museum. Since then, the Delta and Lamda variants of COVID-19 have arisen, but currently all are urged to pursue standard precautions by the Government. We currently have two-thirds of the contracts negotiated and completed, with signatures or verbal agreements in place. Tod and I are still working on contracts and hope to have all the done prior to the reunion! The next 21MC Newsletter, expected to be published sometime in August, 2021, about three weeks before the reunion will have the latest updated information! 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 (EXW) [Expeditionary Warfare Qualified] Toni Lee, USNR 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 final 2021 Reunion Plan of the Day and the final 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. Mail in time to ensure delivery at my place by September 3rd, 2021.

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 6/23/2021 TO 8/5/2021

Date(s)	Events/Transactions	Checking	Savings	Total
6/23/21	Balances per TJRG CK & Sav Reg	\$ 917.59	\$19,158.10	\$20,075.69

ADD

6/11-6/24	Membership Dues/Donations	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 70.00
5/28	Interest Income	\$.03	\$ 4.06	\$ 4.09
---	Reunion Exp-Ck 1153 not cl by 6/27	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
---	Reunion Exp-Ck 1154 not cl by 6/27	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ 225.00

SUBTRACT

6/23	GEN Mailings	\$ 14.65	\$ -	\$ 14.65
6/21	Admin/Office Exp for TJRG	\$ 55.35	\$ -	\$ 55.35
6/27/21	Balances per NFCU BK Stmt	\$ 1,612.62	\$ 19,192.16	\$ 20,804.78

ADD

7/12-7/26	Membership Dues	\$ 196.00	\$ -	\$ 196.00
6/30/21	Interest income	\$.02	\$ 3.94	\$ 3.96
7/9-7/27	Reunion Income	\$ 2,849.10	\$ -	\$ 2,849.10

SUBTRACT

7/2	Postage	\$ 176.00	\$ -	\$ 176.00
7/15	Reunion Exp-Ck 1153 cleared	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
7/7	GEN Mailings	\$ 45.35	\$ -	\$ 45.35
7/27/21	Balances per NFCU BK Stmt	\$ 3,936.39	\$ 19,196.10	\$ 23,132.49

ADD

7/26	Membership Dues	\$ 60.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00
8/2	Outside Donation	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
8/2-8/5	Membership Donations	\$ -	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
6/30-8/5	Reunion Income	\$ 1,090.00	\$ -	\$ 1,090.00

SUBTRACT

7/29	GEN Mailings	\$ 2.40	\$ -	\$ 2.40
7/29	Postage	\$ 110.00	\$ -	\$ 110.00
8/5/21	Balances per TJRG CK & Sav Reg	\$ 4,973.99	\$ 19,496.10	\$ 24,470.69

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 A/B @ \$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 (EXW) TONI LEE USNR. 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 EACH_____

1000-1400 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP PICNIC/lunch, LOCATION AWAITING Decision of Director of the Conference/Convention Center.

I WILL ATTEND--___ I WILL BRING___ GUESTS. TOTAL @\$20 EACH_____

1600-2100 USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP SALMON BAKE, LOCATION on board USS TURNER JOY! WATER/SODA, WINE, BEER/ALE PROVIDED BY USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP. Music by the Bremerton Symphony Orchestra.

**I WILL ATTEND___ I WILL BRING___ GUESTS. TOTAL@ \$20 EACH_____

GRAND TOTAL: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE the updated TWO PAGE REGISTRATION FORM AND MAIL WITH CHECK TO: USS TURNER JOY (DD-951) REUNION GROUP; 1330 THOMPSON STREET; CARSON CITY, NV 89703-0605. Please ensure it arrives at the President's residence NLT than September 3rd. Additional reunion registration will be held at the hospitality Suite, Room 330 at the Hampton Inn!

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/Registration, Hospitality Suite Room 330;
Hampton Inn

1700-2100 Icebreaker/Reception with Music and Open Bar Puget Sound
Ballroom A/B; 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 USS Turner Joy (DD-951) Destroyer
Museum

1200-1300 [Approx] TJRG Business Meeting-TJRG Members ONLY (location
Hospitality Suite, Room 330 at the Hampton Inn). See Notes!

1700-2130 TJRG Banquet/Bufferet in Marine Vista; Guest Speaker: HMC (EXW)
Toni Lee, USNR, 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/lunch, location TBD awaiting decision from Director of
the Conference/Convention Center.

1730-2100 TJRG Salmon Bake; location on board USS Turner Joy. Patriotic
Quartet-Bremerton Symphony Orchestra!

Sunday, September 12, 2021

0400-1230 [Farewells] AND Check Out, Hampton Inn & Fairfield Inn

0430-1230 Shuttle available to Union 76 gas station and Baymont Hotel in Bremerton to hook up with the Bremerton-Kitsap Airporter shuttle bus to SEATAC. Again, we thank the owner of the BKA shuttle bus for his In-Kind Services to the TJRG! He is one of the Co-Founders of the TJRG nearly 30 years ago!

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 (despite hotel confusions) 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, if necessary!
4. Upon check In at the Hampton Inn and the Fairfield Inn, you will receive a tote bag with a small containers of hand sanitizer, facemasks, two bottles of purified drinking water and two USS Turner Joy patches (if they arrive on time) for You and your Wife/SO/Guest/Family!
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 final 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. Please ensure it arrives at my place NLT September 3rd!
8. We are still negotiating the Bus Tour Contract, depending on those who select the tour 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 on or about 21 August, 2021, we will have all the necessary finalized information. Per Person cost for the bus tour will stay at \$75 per passenger.
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 accustomed 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 Salmon Bake will be on the USS Turner Joy. We will have music provided by the Bremerton Symphony Orchestra.

12. The Bremerton-Kitsap Airporter will be running free shuttles between SEATAC and Bremerton! Please thank the driver and ask the driver to extend thanks to the owner of the BKA for his generous In-Kind Services!
13. We recommend that all TJRG Members stay clear of Seattle, WA! Last we heard on August 19, 2021; limited rioting is still going on in that City! Be safe and use your Common Sense(s)!
14. We have hired a van shuttle for departure on September 12, 2021. The van will shuttle the reunion group members to and from the two Bremerton pick up points at a Union 76 gas station and also the Baymont Hotel, which is also a pickup point for the BKA shuttle bus. The van will operate from 4:30AM to 12:30PM on Sunday, September 12th, 2021. There will be a sign on the van: USS Turner Joy!
15. **The business meeting!** We urge everyone attending the reunion to participate. If anyone wants to run for elected office for any position, including President and Treasurer, Internal Auditor, Vice President, Alternate Treasurer and a new position of 21MC Editor for the Newsletter, then those seeking those positions will be voted on. We also have some issues of where the next reunion should be and when it should be held. Already quite a few suggestions have been made to hold it in San Diego in 2022, to give a chance for ED and Nan Briggs to attend. Ed and Nan are approaching their mid-nineties and this would afford them an opportunity to attend what may be their last reunion. Turnover of those positions will be accomplished expeditiously. Right now, the USS TURNER JOY REUNION GROUP IS A WELL ESTABLISHED 501(C) 7 Veterans Social Group with a squeaky-clean reputation! We have a rock-solid audit and paper trail for the last three years, full organized and ready for turnover. For me personally, due to severe eye strain from my highly operational Navy career, (19 years at sea, with 8 arduous years of sea duty in combat and in the Cold War). I hope someone younger would run for President. Not sure how much longer my eyes will hold out. I've been to the Eye Doctor twice on this issue in the past two years. Dave Leverenz has volunteered for the 21MC Newsletter Editor position and I have cheerfully accepted his offer. Mike Stockreiter has done a tremendous job as Internal Auditor. Anyone running for his position should have some business experience, experience with the Internal Revenue Service and it would be best if the candidate had a Bachelor's or Master's in Business Administration. Tod Hale and Chad James have also done tremendous jobs and very grateful to them!