

LLOYD GEORGE

USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68) – Nov67 to Sep68

Navy Unit Commendation – 17 Dec 67 to 31 Dec 67

Navy Unit Commendation – 14 Mar 68 to 31 Mar 68

Golden Journeys Booklet – 2015

My tours of duty following graduation include USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68 as damage control officer and assistant engineering officer...Surf the web for "ANDY" accomplishments during the Vietnam conflict.

Coast Guard Awards and Medals Board – List of CG Units Coming Under Hostile Fire

August 30, 2004

Encl. (16) to COMDTINST 650.25b MEDALS AND AWARDS MANUAL

ANDROSCOGGIN – 29 Feb 68 and 10 Mar 68

WIKIPEDIA

Early on the morning of March 1, 1968, four enemy infiltration vessels attempted to sneak ashore with supplies intended to fortify the current expanded Viet Cong offensive in South Vietnam. The attempt was a complete failure as one vessel was turned back without unloading its cargo and the other three were destroyed by Market Tim units along the 1,200 mile coastline.

Playing a major role in what has been termed "The most significant naval victory of the Vietnam Campaign" was Miami's High Endurance Coast Guard Cutter Androscoggin. Operating in our assigned patrol area some 150 miles south of the DMZ, we were ordered to take one of the trawlers under surveillance. At the time we were alerted, it had become apparent that this infiltrator would attempt to come through our area. We got underway immediately at 18 knots enroute to make contact with the vessel, fell in behind him, and tracked him for several miles. As it got closer to the coast the Andy began closing in.

At 1:12 AM, March 1, Androscoggin challenged the trawler with her flashing light. When the infiltrator ignored the challenge, we fired illumination shells from our gun mount. The third star shell clearly illuminated a vessel of approximately 100 feet in length. It was of the same design as vessels which had infiltrated in the same area during March and July 1967.

The VC vessel then began firing with her deck guns and headed directly for the Androscoggin firing what appeared to be small arms, machine guns and a 57mm recoilless rifle.

At that time we began surface destructive fire with our 5" gun mount and .50 caliber machine guns. At 1:29 AM our main battery scored a direct hit on the after starboard side of the infiltrator and she turned again and headed for the beach.

At the same time, a cargo junk blundered into the line of fire, so the order to cease fire had to be given. Two Coast Guard 82 foot cutters, the Point Welcome and Point Grey, and two Navy Swift boats, PCF-18 and PCF-20, had formed a barrier off shore, while two Army helicopters gunships and a flare plane were orbiting the area. The gunships were ordered to attack the infiltrator. They did, and as the flare plane illuminated the area, our crew saw the trawler take many direct hits with both rockets and mini-gun fire.

It was now 1:40AM and the 82 footers and Swift boats were ordered to attack. At least six mortar shots as well as many rounds from the machine guns were seen hitting the enemy, while all the time the infiltrator returned fire.

At 2:10AM the infiltrator beached near the mouth of the Song Thau Cau River, and a few minutes later her crew apparently set off an explosion in an attempt to destroy her. Although it badly damaged her bow section she was still about 75% intact.

The 82 footers and Swift boats kept up their hectic mortar and machine gun attack while surrounding the vessel in a semi-circle on the off shore side.

At 2:25 AM, the vessel erupted in a violent explosion and was completely destroyed. A quick search of the area turned up only scattered debris. The largest piece recovered was part of a hatch cover. Although Androscoggin and other units in the area had taken several hits from machine guns and small arms, there were no friendly casualties.

Scars of the battle remained with the Androscoggin, such as dents and bullet holes across her port bow, spray shield and bridge area. One enemy machine gun round was still embedded in our bow. It jutted out an inch or so about four feet above the water line, centered in the broad red slash which angles down our side identifying us as a cutter of the USCG.

Navy divers later recovered 600 carbine rifles, mortar rounds, and other ammunition during salvage operations.

RELATED ARTICLES/WRITINGS

- **PERSONAL JOURNAL – ANDROSCOGGIN VIETNAM TOUR**

- Cover Page
- Poem – December 7, 1941 *Label x back story*
- Song Ong Doc village children letters *Date*
- Christmas Worship Service Program – in schoolhouse *higher grade - c.*
- Photograph of ANDROSCOGGIN Officers – in schoolhouse *→ color c's*
- Congratulations from COMNAVFORV – trawler sinking *- u*
- “Happiness” lyrics
- TIMLAND Program
- “HANDY ANDY” post
- Notice of Return *Type*
- “What is a Sailor”
- Welcome Home Western Union telegram
- Return Newspaper Clippings

**LBJ back story
u-3/31/1968*

- **RECORD OF USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68)**

- **ANDROSCOGGIN NEWSLETTERS – All to be to be retyped/reconstructed**

- January 1968
- March 1968
- April 1968
- May 1968
- June/July 1968 – faint copy included

Scrapbook - Class of 1965 Experiences in Vietnam

1 message

Bill Carr <bill@getrain.com>

Fri, Aug 27, 2021 at 3:25 PM

To: Lloyd George <Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com>

Lloyd - Your Personal Journal entries add significantly to this project. Thanks for taking the time scan and send to me....excellent additions!

Please review the OVERVIEW to make sure I have everything ship shape.

Regarding your Personal Journal, I've left out the more personal portions or lines that pertained to relatives, cousins, etc. As you read through what I extracted and typed, I've identified (highlighted in yellow) those pages you sent me that I did not print out.

I have a full list of the 148 pages you sent me of what I typed out and could extract, pages that I couldn't read and pages that I am hoping are readable from your originals. We can address all that when we get together on the 7th of September.

Looking forward to working with you soon....Bill

2 attachments**OVERVIEW - LLOYD GEORGE.docx**
17K**PERSONAL JOURNAL.pdf**
153K

Re: White Cutter Cruise Books

1 message

Lloyd George <Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com>

Mon, Aug 23, 2021 at 3:00 PM

To: Bill Carr <bill@getrain.com>

Cc: "Eugene (Gene) & Lynne Johnson" <eugenekjohnson@aol.com>, Tony Finizio <tfinizio@comcast.net>, "Lawrence (Larry) Greif" <larrygreif@aol.com>, Michael Koloski <mkoloski1@gmail.com>, Tom Lucey <tomlucey1991@gmail.com>

I'll send a SHIPWIDE to the ANDY crew to see who's got what besides me.

Re: my own book, I'm happy to have the digitized copy available, but I've got to check with the children re: the original, as I had promised it to them. I don't know if they still have an interest, but I will inquire.

Thanks for doing this, Bill.

Lloyd

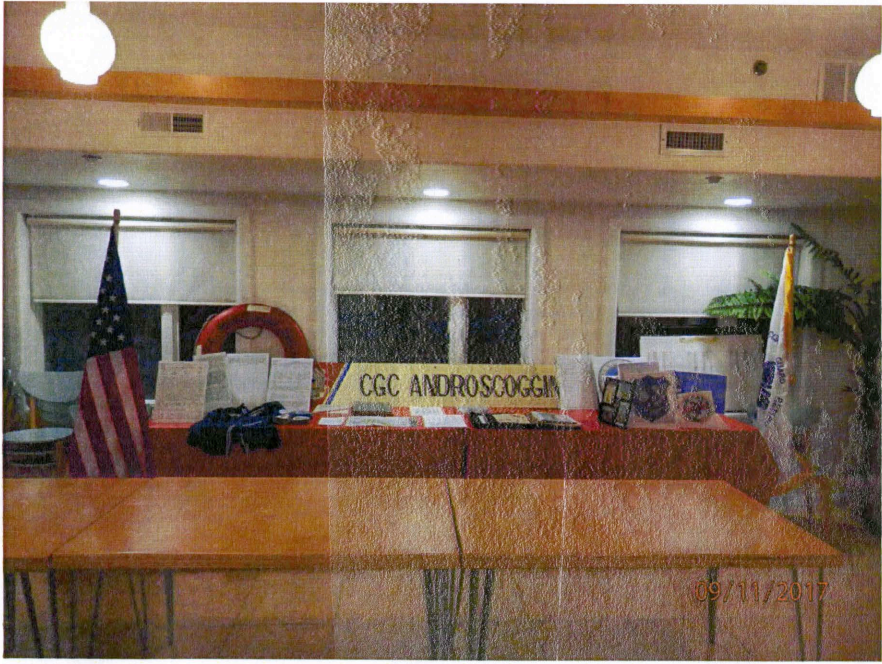
On Mon, Aug 23, 2021 at 2:54 PM Bill Carr <bill@getrain.com> wrote:

Hello All - I'm coming down the home stretch in completing the "Class of 1965 Experiences in Vietnam" scrapbook. I will have it ready for the Reunion coming up and will also have a digital copy available on the Class of 1965 web-site shortly afterwards.

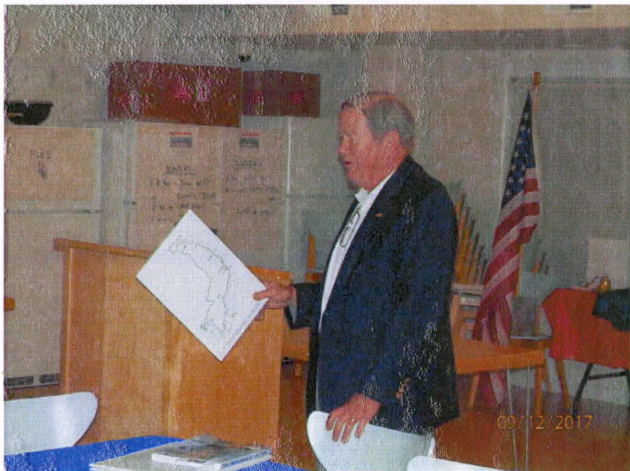
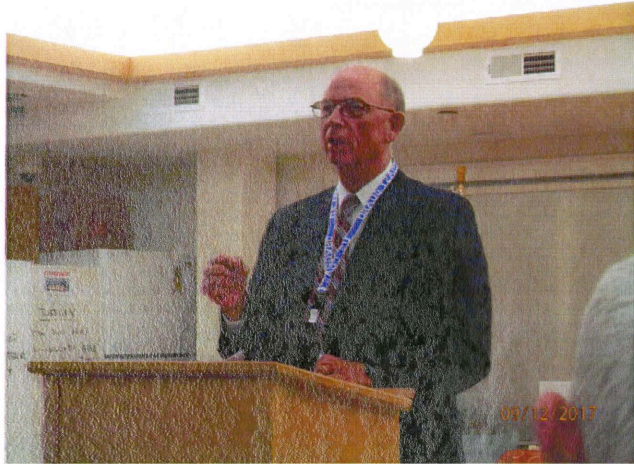
Would it be possible for each of you to donate your Cruise Book to this collection - if you have one? The scapbook and Cruise Books will be donated to the Academy Museum/Library after the Reunion. That way, anyone who would like access to these artifacts of Vietnam - classmates, cadets or library patrons - on down the line can get that access on-going.

If your ship put one together but you don't have a copy, can you give me a hint on how I might find a shipmate who might be willing to donate their copy?

Thanks.....Bill



2017 ANDY Reunion
exhibit table



Lloyd, Milt and Gerry



Bill Carr <bill@getrain.com>

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1 message

Lloyd George <Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com>
To: "William C. Carr" <bill@getrain.com>

Tue, Aug 17, 2021 at 10:06 PM

Bill, please confirm receipt of the VN Deployment log via Hightail. It's a large pdf.

As a backup, here's the link:

<https://spaces.hightail.com/receive/5P7bOkj0gj>

Many pages didn't scan well, as the originals are faded mimeographs, but so be it.

Thanks for asking for this input.

Lloyd

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WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT 3 Nov. 67 TO
SEPTEMBER 68

LOG OF

LTJG LLOYD F. GEORGE 7610 USCG

LOG

PERSONAL JOURNAL
ANDROSCOGGIN VIETNAM TOUR

Lloyd George

3 November, 1967

1000H – Vessel u/w enroute from C.G. Base Miami Beach, Florida, to Panama Canal. It was hell getting ready, but we finally made it. The ride to Panama was rough due to 50% fuel aboard, no ballast in fuel tanks and over complemented crew with full stores.

7 November, 1967

1500H – We transited Panama Canal last night. The Isthmus was lighted by mercury vapor and florescent lamps. We re-fueled this A.M. and now we are u/w enroute from U.S. Naval Base, Rodman, Balboa, Canal Zone to Honolulu, Hawaii. I visited the Navy Exchange and bought a pipe. There was little in the way of gift items that caught my eye. We were moored outboard of USCS DUANE (WHEC-33). I shall work now on calculating our stability data. DUANE appears to be in poorer shape than we. Her evaporator is O.O.C., (out-of-commission), her doctor seems to be incompetent, and many stores are adrift. We are now u/w in the Pacific Ocean making 180 SRPM for 18.2 knots.

8 November, 1967

2250H – Vessel u/w in Pacific Ocean enroute to Honolulu. Held 1st Training Board Meeting. Received shots today for flu and typhus. We had received shots for plague, cholera and gamma globulin. Routine watches.

11 November, 1967

1745H – We are still u/w enroute Honolulu. This afternoon we received shots for smallpox, typhoid and tetanus. We also had an oil overflow onto the main deck which the engineering department promptly washed up.

12 November, 1967

0100H – I've just been relieved from the watch at 2350 and have done a small bit of paper work. I neglected to mention that I'd ruined a good but old shirt and a good new pair of trousers during the oil spill, as the large puddle on deck sprayed in the wind.

0945H – We changed time zones during the night. This is our second change since EDT in Miami. Each time we change, we gain an hour and if we return by way of Europe instead of Panama, we'll continue to gain time. However, if the CO decides to return via Panama we'll be losing 1 hour each 15 degrees of longitude.

2210H – We had a steak barbecue with condiments, beans and beer this evening on “Fantail Beach.” It surely hit the spot.

14 November, 1967

0045H – I just came off watch and shall turn in after I sew my trousers. We held UNREP drills with DUANE today, exchanged movies, brought aboard cokes and foam and high-lined DUANE’S CO....the weather has been ideal. However, I haven’t been getting out much except for quarters.

1720H – A-418W is being stripped so that it may be “sweetened.” As a result we are taking a starboard list. The Oil King is de-ballasting C-419F right now so we can return to an even keel.

16 November, 1967

0950H – Repair Party training, however, is sub-par and I am way behind in my courses.

18 November, 1967

0930H – We changed time zones again yesterday afternoon and we’ll change again today due to the OTC’s delay and/or inefficiency. Burnett SD1 has been baking pastry for the officers every night. It sure is a morale booster. Today we have our weekly ship’s material inspection.

21 November, 1967

1225H – We pulled into Pearl Harbor yesterday morning after first colliding with DUANE who was tied up. Our stbd anchor hit her port davit. We incurred no damage....Last night Mike Gurity and I rented a car and went out. We drove up a high hill overlooking the harbor. What a beautiful and serene sight. The waters were glass smooth, as the islands (Oahu and Ford) were silhouetted and lighted against the late sunset. It’s hard for me to ‘imagine’ that this peaceful nest 26 years ago was a raging inferno and the nightmarish beginning of World War II.

Today, Mike and I are planning to photograph that scene at sunset. Also last night we drove around Honolulu and Waikiki Beach. We stopped at the Tapa Room and the Golden Dragon at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, the Colsin Restaurant for dinner and alter the Polynesian Romanie Room for entertainment. There was a belly dancer there who was supposedly part Persian. We also stopped at a country-western place.

Yesterday while transiting the entrance channel we passed close to starboard of the U.S.S. ARIZONA memorial. I’d like to visit it along with U.S.S. UTAH which was also sunk on 12/7/41.

23 November, 1967

0750H – We were given a day long briefing for WESTPAC operations. Yesterday afternoon I took a group of men to the U.S Marine Corps combat range for small arms training. We fired the M-16 and the M-1.

24 November, 1967

0005H – Today Howard Copeland, Don Van Lieso and Ollie Marshall travelled around Oahu today and took in many sights. Howard is an absolute menace on the road. I enjoyed our tour but I was a nervous wreck all afternoon. I tried to call home for Thanksgiving but I couldn't get through.

27 November, 1967

0000H – Friday I had the duty. The main condenser salted up and we had to roll some tubes and plug 2 tubes. That together with two H.P. steam leaks prevented us from departing Pearl until 1200H Saturday.

Tonight, I had the 1600 – 2000 watch and had a casualty to the variable frequency voltage transformer. Ugh!

0730H – We retarded our clocks again today to +11 ZD. The ship has been rolling around quite a lot. We had a G.Q. drill today followed by a VD lecture, followed by .45cal pistol training qualifying the officers to be issued pistols and 50 rounds of ammo. I now have my weapon in possession.

Shortly after I assumed the 0800-1200 watch, the evaporators salted up and I lost #2 LPAC. I think I'm a jinx on that engine room.

We received TB tests today.

Tomorrow we cross the international date-line and, of course, all of us "pollywogs" will be initiated accordingly.

28 November, 1967

1655H - In a short time, the date will be Wednesday, 29 November 1967 as we shall transit the 180 degree meridian at latitude 18 degrees, 22 seconds North. We "pollywogs" have just been initiated and have been found worthy to be accepted into the "Order of the Golden Dragon." After I was initiated, I showered and shot a roll of movie film.

2 December, 1967

0835H – Today is Saturday and the ship is preparing for another CO's material inspection. Two days ago I lost F.O. pressure on my watch. Yesterday (last night 1600-2000) I lost #2 LPAAC, this time due to an intercooler rupture and had a Class B fire. We were also blowing tubes at the time.

2 December, 1967

2220H – We had an UNREP drill last night with DUANE and at times, while I was observing on deck, it was rather scary. We closed in to about 30 feet at one point but those stars in the sky

were absolutely gorgeous...Today was a beautiful day. The waters were calm, the sun shone bright in a partly cloudy blue sky and the mighty Pacific was a deep rich majestic blue.

7 December, 1967

Happy birthday to me from myself. Tuesday, 12/5 we pulled into Guam for 8 hours to re-fuel. I visited the exchange and didn't find any unique gifts...Guam is much like Hawaii with its tropical environment. The Guamanian natives are dark, redish-brown skinned, with black hair.

While we were there, I received mail beaucoup, a Thanksgiving Day tape wit voices of the members of my family...and I was absolutely elated.

10 December, 1967 – 8 ZD – Sunday

We're anchored in Subic Bay right now unloading ammo. We should tie-up late on today and I'll mail my Christmas cards.

We transited the San Bernardino Straits and Verde Island passage. The Philippines Archipelago is peaceful and beautiful. The waters are flat calm.

12 December, 1967 – 8ZD

We tied up Sunday night. I'm working on several repair projects for the ship now.

15 December, 1967 – 8 ZD – Friday

We're u/w in the South China Sea enroute to our first patrol area. Yesterday the ship got u/w for a firing exercise in shore bombardment. I stayed ashore to do some errands and while doing so I called my family.

16 December, 1967

1900H – We are approaching the combat zone and should enter it tonight at 2300.

While we were in Guam several B52's flew overhead and I assume they wre headed for North Vietnam. IN Subic, several jets flew overhead daily.

We're rocking and rolling quite a bit.

17 December, 1967 – ZD-8

We're supposed to have a 24 – 72 hour truce, but I don't trust the VC during the truce period. I hope the CO keeps us combat ready.

I just received word that one of my men Garner DC3 failed his DC2 EOC exam and so he will not be advanced this time. I felt sorry to have to tell him but I also gave him some text material which might be helpful to him.

I've been designated one of the two boarding officers for our deployment. This doesn't frighten me too much because I'm ready to do my job. I will not tell my folks or Barb about it, however, until I get home. About the only things that really have me worried are superheated steam line ruptures and losing the plant in a rough sea or combat situation and I won't describe that to them either until I return home.

20 December, 1967 -ZD-8

2010H – Monday we arrived on station near An Thoi, South Vietnam and yesterday we made our first rendezvous with the two Swift boats and 4 crews who will be working with us. We re-fuel and water them. We also carry their off duty crews, officers and liaisons PO's. Our ship has also been assigned a RVN liaison petty officer. (My penmanship is hampered both by the ship's vibrations and my poor writing position.

I weighed 176 lbs today! I'm terribly fat and must lose a good 20 lbs. I'm now over a 3 day case of the flu and am recovering from a severe infection in my left elbow. Thanks to rest, soaking and penicillin.

22 December, 1967

1245H – Yesterday the E.O. went ashore and on patrol with a Swift boat and I was acting E.O.. He returned today and had some interesting stories to tell of his visit to the village and camp at Song Ong Doc which is surrounded by VC controlled territory. The camp is a RVN camp but a platoon of US Army Special Forces is also there. I met the OINC Major Haverty yesterday aboard the Andy along with an Army intelligence Colonel and 3 RVN advisors. I've been wanting to make a Swift boat patrol and I think I shall next week sometime.

1940H – We fired over 100 rounds this afternoon of 5" projectiles around Song Ong Doc, destroying some buildings and damaging 2 sampans and bunkers or buildings. I don't know if we killed anyone or not.

At first it didn't hit me as being the real thing and it still hasn't fully hit me that we were actually firing at the enemy and that we might have killed some people. I just can't find it in my heart to hate anyone. I do my job and if it means killing the enemy to keep myself and my country alive and free, I'll do it, but I can't hate the Viet Cong or anyone else.

23 December, 1967

1220H – In two more days I can open the gifts Barbara sent me. I feel as excited as a child at this time of the year.

I plan to go ashore along with the C.O et al into Song Ong Doc tomorrow to play volleyball with the villagers and eat Christmas dinner there. In my own way, I'd like to help the VN and bring some Christmas cheer to them. I pray for my safety in the meantime and the safety of my companions. This may be my only visit to the village and I'd rather do it now during the Christmas truce than later on when things get hotter. It promises to be an interesting visit and

I'll try to take some pictures while I'm there. I don't mind admitting that I'm a bit frightened at the idea of going, but I volunteered because I want to go and gain some benefit from it.

24 December, 1967 – ZD-8

1125H – Wow! What a day I had. I'll begin at the beginning and try not to miss anything important. The Captain, Paul Swisher, the Doc, 8 crewmen and I travelled by Swift boat to Song Ong Doc this morning. I was given a chance to steer the boat on the way over. I was quite nervous at first as we approached the village, passing some junks and small fishing boats in route, but when we arrived at the dock, we were greeted first by the fish odor of the community and second by the town council, the district military Chief and some of the more important town officials.

The Captain and Doc were presented with leis. The people seemed very happy to meet us and as we walked past the array of fish, shrimp, etc. along the pier, we were greeted with the smiles and inquiring faces of the people. We went to the school house, which is crudely constructed of wood planks and corrugated aluminum. We sat at a long table as guests of honor at the front of the classroom and after a few speeches, the little children presented us with letters which they had written, four of which are taped onto the next page.

Those kids were really cute. We then served them ice cream and candy which we had brought with us. They sure loved it. They really go crazy over candy and being photographed. After they had a few sack races and a "fill the water bottle" race, we trekked to the U.S. Army advisory team's quarters, met all of them, had a beer, lounged, met the maid, toured their can and sand bag fortifications and prepared for a dinner at the district Chief's quarters.

We ate fish (boiled on the table and dipped in bean sauce) fried shrimp, fried chicken, pork strips, water cress, cucumbers, rice and beer. What a feast! I used the chopsticks well, too. There was a hand-made manger scene at the end of the table where I was seated, made of "paper rock" dirt steps and a creche.

The men were very hospitable, similar to our people at the dinner table and it didn't take me long to feel right at home. Afterwards a helicopter brought us a chaplain and his team who offered divine Christmas services in the officers' lounge at Major Haverty's quarters. (NOTE – SEE THE Christmas Worship Service Program insert.) The doc, Hovda SN and I later walked through the village to the dispensary where I watched the Doc give medical advice and treat four patients. Intermittent weapons fire was heard throughout the day in the bushes across the river. The area around this village is all VC controlled. Most of the rest of the day was taken up by a volleyball game in which I took part, both as a player and as a referee. I kept thinking all day what prime targets we were for VC sniper fire. The rest of the story I'll take care of with pictures and answers to specific questions. I shot over three rolls of film.

I might mention that their standards of hygiene and sanitation are typically poor and that they are a comparatively wealthy fishing community.

December 7, 1941 (Lloyd George c. Nov. 1968)

A mass of wreckage in the water,
Smoke, fire, blood, and getting hotter,

A scene from which some did flee,
A sight that none could care to see,

Steel and oil and splinters, too,
Many a man died with his crew,

Bullets and bombs poured down like sleet,
and they hit hard upon our fleet.

Much loss was felt after this day,
but sorrow, grief, and mourning went away,

Replaced by courage and might,
Which showed the world that we could fight!

Saturday 24th December 1967

My dear friend
So night, our God ~~come~~ comes
to us, especially for you, and
your ship. I know to night you
miss your family very much
and you leave your country becau
se of:

Humanity

and Liberty

So come to Viet-Nam to help
Vietnamese. May you have a Merry
christmas with all my heart

your friend

Hồ Hữu Cảnh

VIỆT NAM CỘNG-HÒA

TRƯỜNG TIỂU HỌC AN-XUYỀN

Số 1 Tiểu Học Sông Ông-Độc

Số: T.TH



Sông-Ông-Độc, ngày 2 tháng 1 năm 1968

Hiệu-Trưởng Trường Tiểu-Học Sông-Ông-Độc

Kính gửi: Captain Stewart

TRÍCH YẾU: v.v.:

TRẦN TRỌNG KÍNH TRÌNH ÔNG: Captain Stewart

I am the representative for all teachers and students at Sông-Ông-Độc Elementary school, because I can't paint the school by myself.

Now you have come to visit here at Sông Ông Đốc you help for my country especially for my school you call your sailors to come to my school to paint it so nice.

I and all my teachers want to visit you at your ship, but I haven't any transportation

I and all teachers and students wish to you thank all of you and HAPPY-NEW YEAR

Head. master NGUYỄN-HỮU-HẰNG (HENRY)

wishing you and your family the

happiest christmas ever

your friend

YÉ MINH HÝ

Saturday 23rd December 1967

My Dear Friend

Take this opportunity to wish
you a very Merry Christmas. I am sure

this letter wishing you every word
happiness on this your brightest
of holiday.

I am sorry that I cannot visit you
on your stay and I would be very

-talem

Thank you for all you have

Saturday th December 1964
My dear friend

So might all my love
be as a gift of for you,
and your wife. I know
to night you are sure
of my love and I will
love you and your family
and Liberty

— Be sure to visit me
to bring a warm

— May you have a fine
holiday with me
and your family

Yours truly
John Doe

Friday December 21st
Dear brother

I sincerely wish you and your
family a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a
happy new year.

MAY GOD BLESS AND PROTECT ^{you}
Sincerely

TRẦN HỮU HÒA

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UNCLAS

1. CHRISTMAS

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR REFLECTION AND FOR HOPE. IT IS
A TIME WHEN THE TROUBLES OF DAILY LIFE GIVE WAY TO LARGER THOUGHTS.
IT IS THE HOPE OF PEACE REMEMBERED AND PROMISED.

2. I WISH TO EXTEND TO EACH MAN IN THE TASK GROUP AND HIS FAMILY
BEST WISHES FOR A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS. IN REFLECTION EACH OF YOU
CAN LOOK UPON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE PAST YEAR WITH PRIDE;
IT IS HOPED THAT THE NEW YEAR WILL BRING YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS AND
YOUR FAMILIES MUCH HAPPINESS. WE AT SEA AND DEPLOYED CAN TAKE
PRIDE IN SERVICE THAT BUILDS FOR BETTER DAYS TO COME.
REAR ADMIRAL SHELDON KINNEY

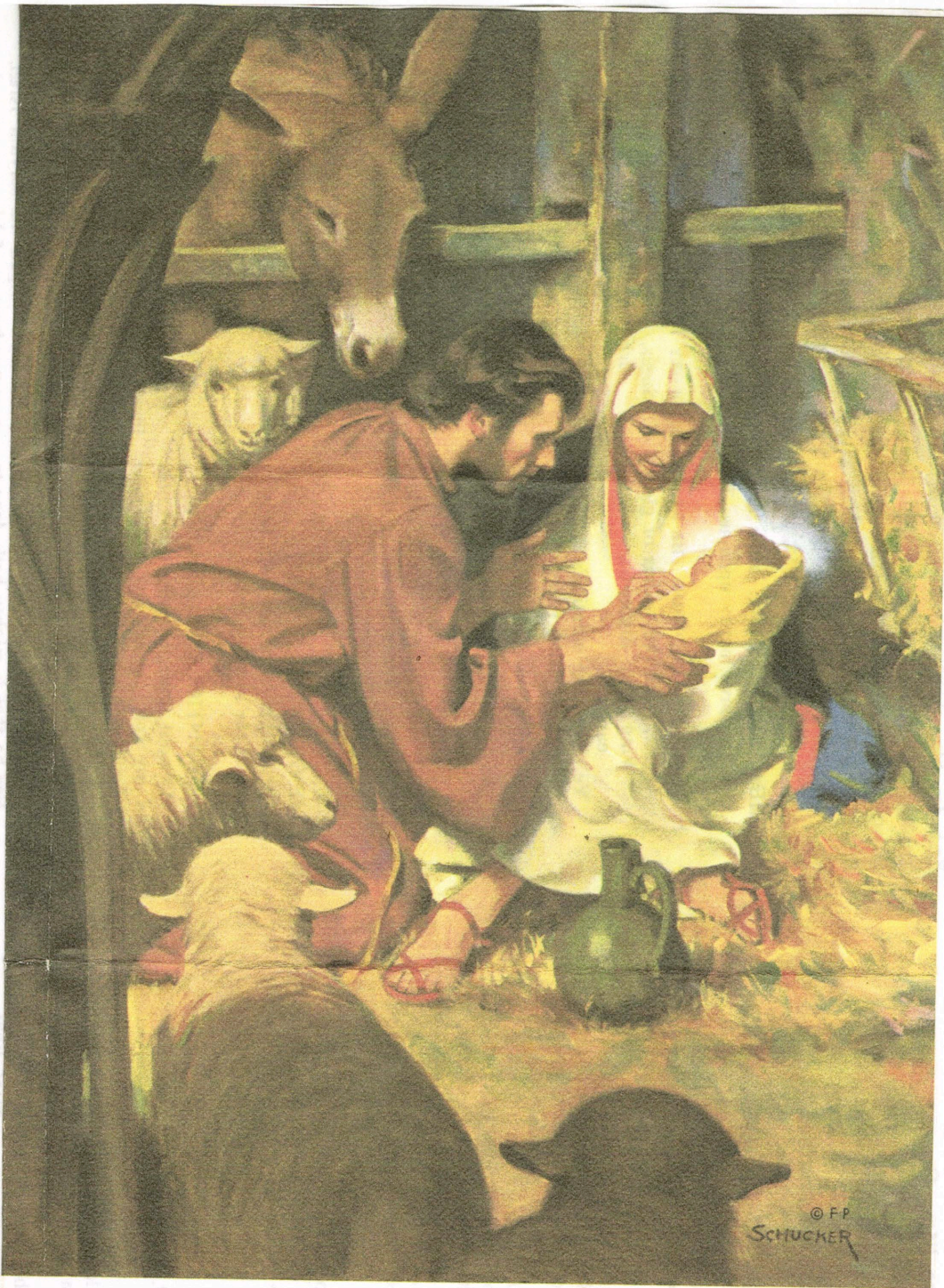
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*Found this in msg. files
today -*

NNNN

JJ 5/5/68

One of several such messages.



GLAD TIDINGS OF THE KING OF KINGS
CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL: " O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem! Come and
behold Him, Born the King of angels! O come, let
us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come
let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

O sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation!
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory
to God, all Glory in the highest! Refrain

THE VERSICLES

O Lord, open thou my lips. *And my mouth shall show forth thy praise.*
Make haste, O God, to deliver me. *Make haste to help me, O Lord.*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *As it was in
the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.*

THE PSALM (138)

I will praise thee with my whole
heart: *before the gods will I sing
praise unto thee.*

I will worship toward thy holy
temple, and praise thy Name for thy
lovingkindness and for thy truth: *for
thou hast magnified thy word above
all thy Name.*

In the day when I cried thou an-
sweredst me: *and strengthenedst me
with strength in my soul.*

All the kings of the earth shall
praise thee, O Lord: *when they hear
the words of thy mouth.*

Though the Lord be high, yet hath
he respect unto the lowly: *but the
proud he knoweth afar off.*

THE FIRST LESSON: Micah 5:2-4

O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN: "THE FIRST NOEL"

1. The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds
in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay,
keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night
that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.

Though I walk in the midst of
trouble, thou wilt revive me: *thou
shalt stretch forth thine hand against
the wrath of mine enemies, and thy
right hand shall save me.*

The Lord will perfect that which
concerneth me: *thy mercy, O Lord,
endureth for ever; forsake not the
works of thine own hands.*

Yea, they shall sing in the ways of
the Lord: *for great is the glory of the
Lord.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the
Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *As it
was in the beginning, is now and ever
shall be, world without end.
Amen.*

2. They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east
beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave
great light,
And so it continued
both day and night.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.

THE SECOND LESSON: Luke 2:1-20

O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Thanks be to God.*

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight!
O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.

THE THIRD LESSON: John 1:1-14

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HYMN: "ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY"

1. Angels, from the realms of glory, 3. Sages, leave your contemplations,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Brighter visions beam afar;
Ye, who sang creation's story, Seek the great Desire of nations,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth: Ye have seen his natal star:

Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the new-born King.

2. Shepherds, in the fields abiding, 4. All creation, join in praising
Watching o'er your flocks by night, God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
God with man is now residing, Evermore your voices raising
Yonder shines the infant light: To the eternal Three in One:

THE SERMON

THE OFFERING

Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense. *And the lifting up of my
hands as the evening sacrifice.*

THE CANTICLE: MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God
my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: *the low
estate of his handmaiden.*

For behold, from henceforth: *all
generations shall call me blessed.*

For he that is mighty hath done to
me great things: *and holy is his name.*

And his mercy is on them that fear
him: *from generation to generation.*

He hath showed strength with his
arm: *he hath scattered the proud in
the imagination of their hearts.*

He hath put down the mighty from
their seats: *and exalted them of low
degree.*

He hath filled the hungry with good
things: *and the rich he hath sent
empty away.*

He hath holpen his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy: *as he
spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and
to his seed forever.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the
Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *As it
was in the beginning, now, and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen.*

THE PRAYER

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O GOD, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light: Grant, we beseech thee, that as we have known on earth the mysteries of that Light, we may also come to the fulness of his joys in heaven; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

(Other collects may then be used.)

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

**(Here a Candlelighting Ceremony may follow.)*

HYMN: "SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT"

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| 1. Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace. | 2. Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia,
Christ, the Saviour, is born! |
| 3. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. | |

THE BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL: "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH"

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| 1. Angels we have heard on high,
Singing sweetly through the
night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. | 3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the new-born
King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. |
| 2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy
cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear? | 4. See him in a manger laid
Whom the angels praise above:
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in
love. |

*The candlelighting ceremony may be used in this way: The ushers will distribute candles and drip cards to worshipers as they enter. At the appointed time the minister, taking a large candle, will light it from an altar candle. The minister will then give light to the acolytes or ushers who are standing at the chancel entrance. They in turn will give light to the first worshiper in each pew who will pass it on to the others. The lighted candle is never tilted but always held upright while giving light to another. The worshipers' candles shall be extinguished when the minister's candle is extinguished.

Christmas 1967, Song Ong Doc, Vietnam; Village School Reception of ANDROSCOGGIN crew

Christmas in
Song Ong Doc.
l to r.
Capt. Stewart, Maj.
Lavery (MACV),
Dr. Charles Mabry,
Paul Swisher, L. George



Left to right:

Captain William Stewart, Maj. Lavery (U.S. Army, MACV), Dr. Charles "Chuck" Mabry, CDR, USPHS, LT Paul Swisher LtJG Lloyd George

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31 January 1968

PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN 1250 REQUISITIONS FROM COAST GUARD DIVISION TWELVE.

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LT HELTON -

~~LT SAUNDERS~~

LT BLACK - PT. CAUTION

LT RUTTER - PT. YOUNG

~~LT ARNOLD~~ LTJG WALTON - PT. GREY

LTJG CARR - PT. ARDEN

LTJG SANDERS - PT. LEMUS

LTJG FRITZ - PT. DUME

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LTJG CHRISTIANSEN - PT. SLOVER

LTJG FROEHLER

LTJG BREDVOLD

PT. ORIENT

LTJG HOWSE

LTJG MC GURK

LTJG FISHER

LTJG GREENLAW

LTJG WALKER

LTJG NIX

LTJG MC GEORGE

LTJG BLAKE

LTJG HARRIS

LTJG BARRY

LTJG BRADFORD

CHRELE ROCHE - To sign for all electronic parts

CHMACH FRELE - To sign for all engineering parts

ENG STRONG - Alternate for engineering parts

YNG FISHER

KIEN - PT. COMFORT

R. A. Bauman

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25 December, 1967

1620H – It's Christmas Day in Viet-Nam, a beautiful sunny day, but certainly not as nice as it would be back home, even with the trees, goodies and music we have aboard. Thanks to my family and Barb, however and thanks to the villagers of Song Ong Coc and Major Haverty, my Christmas is a happy one nevertheless.

26 December, 1967

2330H – Tonight we are UNREPPING with an ammo ship and I hope we receive some mail.

Last night the Major was attacked by heavy mortar and machine gun fire. One Swift boat assisted and somehow that seemed to be sufficient to halt the attack. However, many shots were fired and I'm sure many VC were killed. CTG wouldn't let us help the Major, even though he requested GFS urgently.

27 December, 1967

1915H – The days seem to be passing very slowly. The mail deliveries are very late and it's impossible to keep track of my family and friends back home. I am grateful, however, for their consistency in writing me and I wish there were some way I could repay them.

Yesterday we met up with the pacifist boat "PHOENIX" and last night we loaded 5" ammo and 7 movies by UNREP. I was hoping for mail, but there was none. We should get some more mail before the end of the year, I hope, I hope.

1 January, 1968

Two days ago we shot at the beach on a GFS mission. We've UNREPPED a couple of times and last night we took on fuel and mail. I got several more Christmas cards and letters. I've also had an intestinal virus during this period, but I feel well now. The mail was the high point of this period ...

We made two trips to a mountainous island called "Pali Obi." It was inhabited in the early 20's by a Frenchman in exile with his mistress and 50 slaves. They built a mansion and a lighthouse, but were overtaken by the Japanese during the war followed by the British and then the French after the war.

The VC controlled it in 1954 and left in '61' killing all the inhabitants of the small fishing village at the foot of the mountain, except for a man and his family who escaped and who now inhabit the island and operate the light. The Americans then landed by helicopter and set up a radar station which they now operate and they assist the Vietnamese family there. There are stories of buried treasure, etc. on this beautiful jungle island. It is infested with deadly snakes, however, much as the bamboo viper and cobra and I don't care to visit the place.

Our first trip was to drop off the XO and others to help the soldiers repair their radar. Our second trip was to drop off the doctor to investigate the reported sprained ankle of the Officer in Charge.

5 January, 1968

1130H – We were relieved yesterday morning by USCGC BERING STRAIT, who has been on deployment to WESTPAC for about 7 months.

During the last week of our patrol, I suffered 2 days with diarrhea, the Doc had to amputate the little finger of the VN fisherman with the infected hand, we had two more GFS missions and the Doc treated a Swift boat EN who had been shot in the leg and back. The back wound was just a bruise, as he was wearing a flak jacket, but the thigh wound was a clean hole that missed arteries, veins and nerves. The fellow was vey lucky. We transferred him to our relief by stretcher. The amputee had been in our sick bay for about a week suffering from a fishhook infection. We tried to save the hand but we couldn't save the little finger.

Our total personnel toll for the patrol was 3 VC KIA and 3 VC WIA which might be considerably les than the actual figures.

JANUARY 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (3 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

14 February, 1968

2045H – Now it's been over a month since I last wrote in this log. So much has happened in that time that I must omit many details from this entry so that I may up-date the log tonight.

We spent 10 days at Subic Bay Naval Base where I was overall in charge of ship's maintenance and repairs. We had repair work accomplished by 3 tenders and SRF right up until the day we sailed and there are still two job orders in progress and two other job orders completed and awaiting shipment to us. I took liberty in Olongapo City the first night, but never again. I spent the remainder of my liberty time at the "O" club, Chuckwagon and aboard ship. I spent many long hours working, following up on yard work, etc. But I enjoyed it. One night at the Chuckwagon I approached the entertainer's platform to sing "Semper Paratus" but, like a fool, I couldn't remember the words....

We were at Subic from 7 – 18 January and then departed for Hong Kong. We were the station ship at H.K. from 21 January to 11 February 1968. I was the senior boarding officer and boarded DD's, one SSBN, and AO and AK and MSO and a few other ships. While in H.K., I spent much money...rode the cable car to Victoria Peak, toured the New Territories and the Chicom boarder...and generally had a good time. The phone call connections were crystal clear and the service was excellent. I ate Chinese food twice at the Lok Kwok Restaurant, Cantonese food once at another restaurant, Chinese food at the Playboy Club (that was a mistake) and a delicious lobster at the Hilton's Eagle's Nest.

We observed the crowds and markets on New Years Eve and participated in the Chinese New Year. I saw the temple of the 1000 Buddhas, another temple on New Year's Eve, Chinese junks, Kowloon, the aircraft carrier Kearsarge, a massage house (one of the finest anywhere), the Walla Walla, drivers on the left lane, Chinese and Indian merchants and many other typical sights.

We sailed from H.K. on Monday afternoon 12 Feb for another Market Time patrol, where we are now. The ship is rolling around a lot. We have a Chaplain on board, LT Mitchell CHC, USN and I'll take him on a tour tomorrow.

March 3, 1968 - ZD(-8)

We'll be relieved of this patrol in a few days and right now I'll recap the events till now. I attended my first church service since we left Miami on Sunday 18 February 1968. Chaplain Mitchell preaching. It felt good to worship again with others.

I've met several classmates here who are skippers of 82' C.G. WPBs – Ron Fritz, Dick Walton, Bob Christianson, Howie Newhoff, Gerry McGill and Bill Carr. It's been wonderful seeing them all again. There are others out here too and more to come. I also saw Ed Rocke Chrele W-2, a former shipmate from the Andy. Ed rammed a government rented vehicle into my 66 Impala station wagon in the Holiday Inn parking lot last Spring while we were at the yard in Curtis Bay.

We had two boiler casualties with #1 economizer and tonight we've got our third with an UNREP tomorrow at 1000, we'd best get it temporarily repaired and back on the ine quickly. We've also had a pump shaft and two sleeves renewed at Da Nang.

The patrol has been boring for the most part. We've had several UNREP's though and three nights ago we destroyed a commie trawler which was attempting to smuggle a load of ammo into VC hands. This is accounted part of the most significant naval victory of the war as three such trawlers were destroyed that night, two by C.G. Cutters (Andy and Winona) together with PCF's and WPBs. I heard the VC shells hitting us but only one penetrated the hull in the bow. An accident with 5" ammo handling was our only personnel casualty.

Today we picked up 27 refugees in a small boat and now have the women and children sleeping on the port mess deck after having fed them and warmed them. The 6 men are in the boars which we have in tow, battling choppy seas and wind and rain. We're anchoring now so that these people can resume their flight to a nearby island called Cool-O-Ra. Incidentally, Walter incurred no harm during the recent fighting in and around Saigon.

March 23, 1968

1930H – Since my last entry, we've spent 4 days R&R in Bangkok, a beautiful port. While entering the channel, I observed both the old and the new on both banks. I saw cars, a Thai Navy base, temples, orange-robed monks and many dugouts. The people seemed friendly but not so obnoxious or interfering as the Chinese. In Bangkok I visited an old Buddhist temple, the

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PROPOSED PRESREL

A. YOUR 051200Z MAR 68

1. PROPOSED PRESREL CONTAINED REF (A) REWRITTEN AND RELEASED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. EARLY ON THE MORNING OF MARCH 1, FOUR ENEMY TRAWLERS ATTEMPTED TO SNEAK ASHORE WITH SUPPLIES INTENDED TO FORTIFY THE CURRENT EXPANDED VIET CONG OFFENSIVE IN SOUTH VIETNAM. THE ATTEMPT WAS COMPLETE FAILURE AS ONE TRAWLER WAS TURNED BACK WITHOUT UNLOADING HER CARGO AND THE OTHER THREE DESTROYED BY MARKET TIME UNITS ALONG WITH 1000 MILE COASTLINE.

PLAYING A MAJOR ROLE IN WHAT HAS BEEN TERMED "THE MOST SIGNIFICANT NAVAL VICTORY OF THE VIETNAM CAMPAIGN" WAS MIAMI'S HIGH ENDURANCE COAST GUARD CUTTER ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC68).

OPERATING SINCE DECEMBER WITH THE SEVENTH FLEET AS A UNIT OF COAST GUARD SQUADRON THREE, ANDROSCOGGIN WAS PATROLLING

*4/15/68 I've entered this because of its
"official" appearance, and not to
boast ^{and not} ~~or~~ to boost my ego.*



PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS
FIRST PATROL

JUNK INSPECTION (Condition I)

<u>Boarding Party</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Provide</u>
Boarding Officer	* <u>LT VENTO/LT BOUCK</u>	.45 Cal.
Boarding Petty Officer	<u>WILLIAMS BM1</u>	PRC 59 - .45 Cal.
Corpsman	<u>UMSTEAD HMC</u>	First Aid Kit
Boarding Member	<u>BARKER QM1</u>	Portable Lights, Signal Flags
Boarding Member	<u>ZAKUTNEY SN</u>	Scaling Ladder, Signal Flares

Boat Crew

Coxswain	<u>ADAMS BM2</u>	PRC 59 (retain in boat)
Engineer	<u>MANN MM3</u>	
Bow Hook	<u>BULLARD SA</u>	AR-15
Stern Hook	<u>SANDERS FNMM</u>	AR-15

Arms Issue (Armory)

Boat Lowering Detail

In Charge: LAMBERT GM1

In Charge: McCLAY BMCM

Machine Gun Crews assist in Lowering Boat

Crew at General Quarters

Additional Personnel, if required topside, will be provided by the Repair Parties.

Protective armor will be worn by BOARDING CREW and ALL TOPSIDE EXPOSED PERSONNEL.

* - LT VENTO on Even Days
 LT BOUCK on Odd Days
 LTJG GEORGE Alternate

Dear George

Note from Johnny Wong, a Chinese artist whom I met in Hong Kong who was trying to earn his way to the U.S.

10th March 68. (Monday)

As the time passes by, I have not ^{see the ship} ~~hear~~ from you for about few weeks. I hope everything you are wishing will bring to you satisfaction and Luck!

I heartily thank you for the encouragement and the help you have give to me. All these will lead me to a brilliance future that will be full of hope and success. The only wishes is that I hope I'll be able to leave Hong Kong for New York in an instant future.

The reason I want to leave Hong Kong is that the competition of business here is increasing every minute, and the tourist is getting less and less. everyone takes H.K as a transit place they want to explore other places in quest of new life because ~~it~~ that it is very hard to earn a living here and so do I.

I am now ready to write a letter to the Museum which you had introduced to me, and I hope the letter will bring to me hope and order from them. Now I am enclosing two pictures one is for you and the other is for the Captain ~~and~~ as a remembrance and give my best regard to him please. I will let you know if the Museum reply me and my procedurd of sending the water picture to them too. lastly I hope to hear from you and LUCK BE WITH YOU ALWAYS

Yours sincerely
Johnny Wong

"Happiness" [From Bards' 3/18/68 ltr.]

(From the show "You're A Good Man Charley Brown")

Happiness is two kinds of ice cream

Finding your skate key

Telling the time

Happiness is learning to whistle

Tying your shoe for the very first time.

Happiness is playing the drum in your
own school band.

And happiness is walking hand in hand.

Happiness is five different crayons -

Knowing a secret -

Climbing a tree -

Happiness is finding a nickel

Catching a firefly - setting him free;

Happiness is being alone every now and
then

And happiness is coming home again.

Happiness is having a sister,

Sharing a sandwich, getting along.

Happiness is singing together when
day is through

And happiness is those who sing with
you.

Happiness is morning and evening,

Daytime and nighttime too -

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At all

That's loved by you.

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TIMLAND PROGRAM

AFTERNOON SHOW 2.00 P.M. - 6.00 P.M.

2.00 P.M. - 3.15 P.M. SIGITSEEING TIMLAND
INCLUDING JEWELRY, THAI SILK,
LOCAL PRODUCT DISPLAY BEFORE
THE STAGE SHOW :

- 1 - Thai typical sport, (Takrow Lord Buang)
or Rattan ball playing.
- 2 - Rice Transplanting and buffalo at work
with the plow.
- 3 - Rice threshing, husking & polishing by hand.
- 4 - Silk worm keeping & silk spinning.
- 5 - Silk weaving by various kinds of wooden
loom from various parts of THAILAND.
- 6 - Serpentarium.
- 7 - Fresh water fish aquarium.
- 8 - Thai orchids.
- 9 - Clay pottery.
- 10 - Typical northern industry e.g. Paper.
umbrella & lacquerware making.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS

3.15 P.M. Welcoming by typical northern dance
(FORN LEB or NAIL DANCE)

3.20 P.M. Demonstration of elephants at work.

3.30 P.M. Thai music, Thai Classical Dances & Thai
Folk Dance.

4.00 P.M. Sports Events

Thai Boxing	approx.	10 mins.
Cockfighting	"	10 mins.
Snake feeding and how to protect oneself against Cobras	approx.	10 mins.
Thai fencing & fighting with clubs & stick	approx.	20 mins.

4.50 P.M. Demonstration of elephants at work,
for late comers.

5.00 - 6.00 P.M. FREE TIME FOR VISITORS.

Admission Fee	100	Baht
Children (8-12 years)	50	Baht

Sait Bangkok

April 15, 1968 – I -9

1200H – We were relieved from patrol on 8 April and have been sailing enroute to Yokosuka, Japan. Right now we're anchored off Yoko to off-load ammunition. This will be followed by a sea trial to be observed by an official from SRF, before we tie up for 15 days of repair and upkeep.

Last week, one night, we had a fire in the seabag locker that began in the ordinance power panel and spread to the cables and seabags in the compartment. Only the cables in the immediate area of the panel were burned.

1410H – We're nearly finished off loading ammo and will prepare for sea trials shortly.

There are two more work requests I should prepare, but they're minor jobs and one of them requires the information of the XO who isn't available right now.

APRIL 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (3 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

May 4, 1968 – I -9

1120H- We are now sailing for another patrol after 17 hectic days at SRF Yokosuka.

May 6, 1968 – I-9

1245H – We'll arrive on station on 10 May. While in Japan, I saw no sights as I was kept very busy with yard work. I called Barbara twice (once on Easter Sunday and once after Easter), and I called home on Easter. It's always a thrill to call home. I hope I can call them from Singapore.

We had an Engineering Department party one night in Yoko and I ate dinner two other evenings at a Japanese restaurant one of the latter evenings. I also walked through the downtown area with Milt, Ron and Tom and we stopped at the Bamboo Bar, an officer's night spot.

We had the wardroom paneled in Yoko and it looks really sharp.

MAY 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (4 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

June 2, 1968

1530H – So far this patrol we've done no boarding but we've shot several NGFS missions, including one amphibious assault (the first of the war), an invasion and other missions totaling close to 700 rounds. So far I've seen a couple of old Swift boat buddies and 82' skippers: Bill Blanchard, Roger Rufe, Jim White, Carl Josephson, Bud Sanders, Bob Offutt, Bob Storch, Al Wosnowski (reservist), Tom Johnston (XO) and another reservist C.O. whose name I don't recall.

June 2, 1968

1530H – Shortly after arriving on patrol, some of us visited An Thoi for a USO show. We went swimming afterwards where I met Bob Offutt and Bud Sanders. I had seen them in the audience at the show beforehand but couldn't reach them.

I'm having one of my explosimeters recalibrated by a repair ship at An Thoi.. CSC is supposed to "Daisy Chain" it out to me.

We're having festivities tomorrow in Song Ong Doc to present gifts to the District Chief and yo-yos and dolls to the children. I've requested to attend so that I can re-evaluate the status of the people and the village before we leave this area for good.

I saw a Frank Sinatra movie last week entitled "assault on a Queen" featuring the Androscoggin and the Winona. A couple of nights ago I saw "The Group," the story of some Connecticut College girls and how they lead their lives after college. They were a closely knit group throughout college and afterwards.

Our homeward-bound route so far looks like – Subic Bay, Yoko, Seattle, Frisco, San Diego, Acapulco, Panama and Miami beach.

June 3, 1968

2300H – We had quite a day in Song Ong Doc today. Roger Rufe brought us over in his boat and Jim White brought us back. ...We boarded a VN fishing junk to bring us to the pier and were greeted by the familiar odor of this wealthy fishing village which I haven't visited since Christmas Eve. We went directly to the school house where the children were preparing for their school closing ceremonies. ...Several children were presented prizes by members of the audience. I presented one to a little girl – she must be about 7 years old. The prizes consisted of summer study books wrapped in colored cellophane and tied with red ribbon. I gave away a ball point pen to a young boy, and then I had to hide my others in my rear pocket to avoid having to give them out. We presented the yo-yos and dolls to the children at this time and they really went for the yo-yos especially. The children performed on the stage in groups – some skit (clever and comical) choral selections (small chorus), vocal solos and dancing comprised the program.

We left the school and proceeded to the compound where the District Chief distributed the remaining dolls and yo-yos. They were a big hit here, as the little girls ran back to their mothers to show off their dolls.

We ate lunch with the District Chief; it consisted of egg rolls, chicken, fried shrimp, canned lychees in syrup, bourbon and coke, sausage and coffee. I didn't eat any of the raw herbs this time though. At the lunch table I swapped one collar device with a VN 1st LT and a VN LTJG gave me his ball cap. The JG is the Commander of a coastal junk Div 41 out of Poulo Obi and I shall give him in return an Andy ball cap and badge with leather back.

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THANK YOU.

We left shortly thereafter and returned to the ship. I really enjoyed the day and made some observations which cause me to believe that the people are developing. They have concrete sidewalks installed in some places and the school children are learning the meaning of working together for the achievement of constructive goals.

June 10, 1968 – Monday

1115H – Yesterday was Mom and Dad's anniversary (their 27th, I believe). Senator Kennedy (Bobby) finally died a few days ago. He was shot with a .22 rifle in the side and in the head. What a tragic result of dedication and loyalty in service to and for one's own country.

We are enroute to Singapore now carrying some R&R passengers with us from Poulo Obi. One of them is LTJG Scott Miller, a fine young Navy officer. He's a stately, dignified sort and very friendly.

Unbelievable! I received a grade of "good" on my EOC exam in Shipboard Electrical Systems. I'm encouraged now to whip through the remainder of my Engineering Admin course now.

1903H - We crossed the equator today at 105 degrees and 04' east longitude. There was a wetting down via fire hose party on the fantail following a steak-beer barbeque. I didn't get wet as I have no more trousers and this wasn't a real initiation anyway.

June 18, 1968

1730H – We are on our way to Market Time Station 3 for our sixth and final patrol. We departed Singapore yesterday after what I believe was an enjoyable stay.

June 19, 1968

0000H – We're UNREPPING right now for 5" ammo, mail, freight and one "long lost" BT

Singapore is a shopper's paradise, similar to Hong Kong and Bangkok but a bit more expensive....I didn't do much sightseeing in Singapore. There are many Muslims and mosques there, but I wasn't ready to visit them or to dine at a Muslim restaurant until the last two days. However, the first of these days it rained and the second I was sick so I never made it.. I did befriend two duty drivers though and spoke words of greeting in Arabic. Their names are Ebrahim and Abdul Rahman. We were involved in a minor collision in town one afternoon during rush hour and I drafted a letter of witness in Ebrahim's defense for him.

Many stores in Singapore had Arabic inscriptions on their signs and advertisements for the benefit of the Muslims. They call this language Jawi and I was able to read and understand most of it.

The Naval Base was very well kept. We befriended several Australian officers and we frequently frequent their Officers club.

I really needed that R&R very much. I can tell the difference now while we are underway. I'm much more spirited and enthusiastic; I've taken on a more mature attitude of leadership and duty and I can understand why I was naturally so carefree and relaxed in port (I had to be after that long patrol).

Looks as if we've changed our schedule to Station 9 again as we received word that the Winona has to go to the yard for some emergency repairs, the nature of which we don't know.

July 31, 1968

2330H – We completed our final patrol in grand style, setting shooting and undamage records, treating U>S> Army, Navy and ARVN and VNN personnel with illnesses or injuries, welcoming our new squadron Chaplain aboard Les Reiter (alias "Elmer Gantry", UNREPS, one VERTREP with U>S>S> Niagra Falls AFS-3, and returned to Subic with #1 boiler economizer leaking badly. While in Subic, we got some yard work done, I called Barbs and my family, frequented the Chuckwagon and played handball with LCDR Newman, #2 man at CGRON 3 headquarters. Captain Stewart was presented the Bronze Star with Combat "V" and LCDR Gallop and Milt Rose were awarded the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V." Seaman Neese received a Letter of Appreciation for his action taken at the scene of the fire we had in the seabag locker months ago.

Our return trip home was planned to take us to Yoko, Seattle, Frisco, Acapulco, Panama and Miami but the morning of our departure from Subic it was changed to Guam, Pearl, possibly San Diego, Panama and Miami.

During our last patrol I received my orders to MIO Philadelphia and I was selected for promotion to LT.

We're enroute home now. Tomorrow we'll pull into Guam for an overnight refueling stop.

JUNE/JULY 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (6 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

August 25, 1968

1500H - ...we sailed from Guam to Pearl where we passed customs, health and agriculture inspections....swam at the 'O' Club pool almost daily and visited the "O" Club lounge almost nightly. I met the Ops Officer Bob Montgomery from U.S.S. Bryce Canyon AD-36. The weather in Pearl was beautiful and peaceful. There were 3 Canadian ships moored together about a mile aft of us. They're handsome ships. The new 1040 class DE's had a representative there - just aft of us the DE 1045, 1200# plant, single screw, ASW type. A DER ahead of us had a small pump room fire for which we prepared ourselves to assist. We weren't needed however.

While in Guam, I met Darvy Cohan, my classmate from CGA. I was at the "Top of the Mar" dining room ("O" Club) eating with Howard, Doc and Dick Cashdolar when I received a phone call from the "Pump Room." Mack and I returned to the ship in his truck and we chatted and

drank coffee until about 0300 or so along with the other officers as they returned from liberty. It was good to see Mack again.

Now we're off the coast of Mexico enroute to Panama Canal Zone. We're taking some heavy rolls tonight and it might be rough to stay in bed, but I'll manage.

In rummaging through my files, I found ...a poem I made up as a cadet. I found it just after we left Pearl which is apropos since it's about Pearl Harbor Day and the beginning of the U.S. involvement in WWII.

We're taking some bad rolls now so it's hard for me to write. Oh well, another week and it will be all over. I don't have much more to write about in this log. I'm expecting to see many Miami friends on the dock when I arrive and I'll be happy and grateful to see them all, but if they don't plan to come, I'll be satisfied to see just the Sandas.

I plan to ship all my gear home except what I need to exist on, shortly after we arrive.

It will be so good to get back! Oh yes, I almost forgot – we stopped in San Diego for an 4 hour refueling stop on the 21st and were welcomed by the 11th Coast Guard District and some lovely young ladies from the USO.

That's all for now. It's time for bed. Tomorrow begins our final week underway.

September 1, 1968

1805H – Well, tomorrow is a big day all right. Big doings are expected, as we have received word of a great ceremonious welcome home from the City of Miami and the 7th District. I have my household effects transportation application ready for processing at the district office and I've received approval of the CO to be detached on 16 September. I'm sort of shy on funds and so I can't spend much before I get home.

My ship is well painted now, in preparation for tomorrow. It's taking too long through for the log office deck to dry.

We arrived at the Panama Canal on Wednesday evening and transited on Thursday (28 Aug). None of us got much sleep.

It certainly will be good to see everyone tomorrow. We had been counting days but lately we've been counting the hours. It's hard for us to believe we're actually so close to being home.

Last night we attempted a full power run, but were unsuccessful due to a casualty to #2 main feed pump.

I guess that's the major news until now.

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Subject: Re: 50 Years ago

D.C. Officer & Ass't. Engineer aboard CGC ANDROSCOGGIN, passing through 180 th meridian, Unrep with CGC DUANE, conducting DC drills, fighting a Class B fire, while steaming to Guam en route to South China Sea to join Operation Market Time, Squadron One

1655 X (11), Tuesday 28. November 1967

In a short time the date will be Wednesday 29. November 1967, as we shall transit 180° meridian at lat. $18^\circ 22'$ N. We "pollywog" ~~is~~ have just been initiated and have been found worthy to be accepted into the "Order of the Golden Dragon". After I was initiated, I showered and ~~took~~ ^{got} a roll of movie film.

0935 X 2 December 1967

Today is Saturday, and the ship is preparing for another CO's material inspection. Two days ago I lost F.D. pressure on my watch. Three days ago the ~~the~~ Yesterday (last night 1000-2000) I lost #2 LPAC, this time due to an intercooler rupture and had a class B fire. We were also blowing tubes at the time.

2220 X 3 December 1967

We had an UNREP drill last night with DUANE, and at times, while I was observing on deck, it was rather ~~scary~~ scary. We closed ~~into~~ in to about 30 ft at one point, but those stars in the sky were absolutely gorgeous. I wish my family

could see that, and I wish I could take Barbara on a cruise sometime and show her the beautiful ocean.

Today was a beautiful day. The waters were calm, the sun shone bright in a partly cloudy blue sky, and the mighty Pacific was a deep, rich, majestic blue.

I wrote and/or prepared 25 Christmas cards today for mailing at Guam. At first, it made me a little sad. Also some fine Christmas music, and today's being Sunday contributed to my general loneliness. I feel much better now, and I'm making a concentrated effort not to convey any deep feelings of "blues" to Barbara or to my folks.

On Fri, Dec 1, 2017 at 12:29 PM, Robert Christiansen <robertchristiansen41@hotmail.com> wrote:
Where were you 50 years ago on December 1st?

I was CO of the CGC Pt. Glover (WPB 82307) "Underway in the South China Sea on Market Time patrol in Area 2E, maneuvering on v/c/s for random cover of the area."

Nice to have copies of the log sheets.

Chris

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Huge Welcome Is Planned For Cutter Androscoggin

By **MIKE BAXTER**
Herald Staff Writer

Andy, Miami's biggest Vietnam veteran and best friend of thousands of refugees on both sides of the world, will return to Miami Labor Day.

Appropriately, the Coast Guard announced, a huge welcome will be staged for the cutter Androscoggin and her men. Coast Guard cutters, Air Force jet fighters, small boats and tugs, smaller aircraft, and a flotilla of private boats will participate in the welcome.

Andy stayed busy with both combat and mercy missions in Vietnam.

The cutter's five-inch gun barrel was worn out after hurling more

than 140 tons of explosives at the enemy, firing more rounds in a week than she did in a decade in Miami.

Her medical team treated 1,064 civilian South Vietnamese and several North Vietnamese

Dr. Charles B. Mabrey of Atlantic Beach and Coast Guard Chief Hospital Corpsman Charles E. Umstead of Jacksonville were, in most cases, the first permanent medical force serving the isolated villages since the 1954 French pullout, the Coast Guard said.

True to her former — and future — role as moving van for Cuban refugees, the Andy served as transportation for escaping Vietnamese — and Viet Cong careless enough to be caught.

Miami Cutter Is Due Back From Viet Duty Labor Day

Miami's biggest veteran of the Vietnam war, the Coast Guard cutter Androscoggin, arrives back in port here Labor Day.

The men aboard the "Andy" wore out her five-inch gun barrel hurling more than 140 tons of high explo-

sives at the enemy.

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the first permanent medical force to serve the isolated villages since the French pulled out in 1954.

The Androscoggin served as transportation for escaping anti-Communists. On one such rescue, 27 fleeing men, women and children were crowded into a 25-foot boat.

*August 24, 1968
The Miami News*



My stateroom
with new pipe



FEB 68

RECORD OF USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68)

2 December - 4 August

1. GUNFIRE

a. NGFS - Fired 37 Naval Gunfire Support Missions on operation Market Time areas Eight and Nine. (Seven other scheduled missions were aborted without firing due to weather). During first three patrols, ANDROSCOGGIN received infrequent calls for fire from USMACV Forces on Gulf of Thailand Coast of Vietnam. Fired 576 rounds of 5"/38 ammunition in nine (9) missions, all in the vicinity of Song-Ong-Doc, RVN, and U Minh forest area. However a change in policy by Commander, Coastal Flotilla One, resulted in wider use of this unit as well as other WHEC's for NGFS. Total rounds fired from ship's 5"/38 battery on Operation Market Time, including surface action described below, was over 4,000. Ship required regunning after last patrol.

Two missions were fired on the west coast of Phu Quoc Island, including 22 May mission in support of a joint amphibious operation involving 500 regional and popular force RVN troops, two (2) RVN PGM's, one (1) WPB, two (2) PCF's and several RVN Juck force units acting as landing craft. It is believed to be the first such operation for a WHEC since World War II, and established the capability of cutters to support amphibious landings.

One mission was fired in support of USMACV Advisory Group, Ha Tien, just south of Cambodian border. This unit fired 25 missions in the vicinity of Song-Ong-Doc and U Minh forest area, during four (4) patrols in areas eight (8) and Nine (9), on request of USMACV Advisory group and Naval Intelligence Liaison Officer, Ca Mau. Spotting by LT Don Barnhart, USN, Nilo Ca Mau, and CAPT. Henry J. St. Germain, U.S. Army Pilot, Forward Air Controller An Xuyen Province, during last two patrols was outstanding and resulted in greater gun damage assessment than previously realized. At request of IV CTZ Naval Gunfire Liaison Officer, ANDROSCOGGIN was shifted from area Nine to area Eight from 8 July to 16 July in order to destroy heavy VC concentration of supplies, ammunition, and base camps in the Nam Can forest area on the South east coast of the Ca Mau Peninsula. Nine missions were fired in this area, seven (7) with the excellent coordination and spotting by LT Barnhart and CAPT St. Germain. High gun damage assessments were realized in these missions, including ammunition and POL secondary explosions, despite the density of the forest coverage. The area had been a Viet Cong stronghold due to lack of attack by heavy artillery previously. ANDROSCOGGIN fired 482 rounds into the forest on 9 July, including 254 rounds in a single sustained mission in the afternoon. The final NGFS Mission was the first dual WHEC shoot since the inception of Market Time. Prior to relief ANDROSCOGGIN was joined by WINONA for a combined mission with two spotter aircraft.

b. Surface Action - Intercepted, kept under covert surveillance, and participated in the destruction of an unmarked enemy steel hull trawler-type infiltration vessel on the night of 29 February/1March. ANDROSCOGGIN was on-scene-commander and primary surface action unit, directing the fire of the inshore units (two WPB's and two PCF's) and aircraft (two helicopter gunships and a flare ship). This unit challenged the enemy vessel within twelve miles of the Vietnamese coast, illuminated it when it did not answer and commenced destructive fire with the main battery when the enemy commenced fire with machine guns and a 57MM recoilless rifle. Bracketed vessel and scored direct hit, then directed fire from gunships and inshore units as the damaged enemy vessel was driven on the beach.

The VC "trawler" was driven hard aground and was destroyed by two explosions believed to have been command-detonated by surviving crew members.

c. Gun Damage Assessment - Damage reported by spotters from 37 NGFS Missions and one surface engagement is as follows. Damage assessment could not be made on all missions because of lack of spotters, weather and jungle growth.

Structures Damaged - 480
Structures Destroyed - 175
Sampans Damaged - 177
Sampans Destroyed - 106
Bunkers Damaged - 24
Bunkers Destroyed - 35
Storage Facilities Destroyed - 4
Bridges Destroyed (Wooden) - 2
Canal Blocks Damaged - 2
Piers Destroyed - 2
Trawler Damaged (resulting in self destruction) - 1
Viet Cong Killed in Action (Estimated and Confirmed) - 114
Secondary explosions and fires - 46

2. Public Affairs Program

a. Medical Treatment

(1) Ship's medical officer, Chief Hospital Corpsman, Dental Technician, and Corpsman Striker conducted twenty (20) clinic visits to village of Song-Ong-Doc and Poulo Obi Island, RVN, under the MEDCAP program. Treated 1064 civilian patients, as well as 140 RVN military personnel and 30 U.S. Military personnel, some during visit by doctor and corpsman to Poulo Obi, RVN, and others on board this unit.

(2) Ship's doctor performed four-hour major surgery in April to save the life of RVN soldier critically wounded by grenade booby-trap. Despite loss of illumination because of temporary power loss during night-time operation, surgery and post-operative treatment were successful. Treated another grenade victim, less seriously wounded in same accident. Doctor operated on Viet Cong wounded in battle with RVN Junk force in May, but patient died on board this unit from massive bleeding of internal wounds in leg, groin, and abdomen. Treated PCF crewman for gunshot wound suffered in combat in January, another PCF crewman for carbon monoxide poisoning in April, and a WPB crewman for phosphorous burn suffered in accident with a flare in June. Amputated finger of South Vietnamese fisherman who came along side in Gulf of Thailand during January. Amputation prevented death from gangrene. Treated Thai trawler crew member whose toe was amputated by winch on his boat. Stopped bleeding and treated patient for shock and possible infection; patient remained aboard this unit until his boat departed for Bangkok four days later. Performed minor surgery on board and in Song-Ong-Doc in many cases, and brought patients with fractured limbs aboard for X-rays and setting of limbs.

b. Civic Action - During four (4) patrols in Gulf of Thailand, maintained close liaison with USMACV Advisor Team 59 at Song-Ong-Doc and local Vietnamese leaders. Work of ship's medical officer promoted much goodwill among district and village officials as well as the people of the village. Entertained district chief and village official on board, and attended dinners given by district chief.

Painted village school with basecoat on first patrol, and repainted it with color coat during later patrol. Presented engraved bronze school bell to village school, built swing set for schoolyard on later patrol, gave Christmas party for 500 school children, and presented 400 dolls and 400 yo-yos donated by Coral Gables Rotary Club, Coral Gables, Florida, Coast Guard Officer's Association and Officer's Wives Club of Miami, Florida, to students of the village school as commencement gifts. In appreciation, children of school presented three programs of Vietnamese music, dance, and humor, and asked officers and men of ship to participate in their commencement exercises. On each occasion, the district chief entertained the officers of the ship at dinner.

In Hong Kong, while acting as Station Ship (SOPA ADMIN), invited American, British and Chinese residents to tour ship. Entertained children from Sisters of St. Paul Orphanage and Creche with a cartoon show, ice cream, cake and soft drinks on board; ANDROSCOGGIN officers returned visit by demonstrating model train equipment at the orphanage. Ship's company donated 35 pints of blood to the Hong Kong Red Cross, a branch of the British Red Cross Society. This unit earned the perfect conduct award during its three weeks in Hong Kong.

While in Yokosuka unit personnel donated 104 pints of blood for Red Cross use in Viet Nam.

c. Public Information - Submitted twelve (12) news releases to military publications, civilian newspapers, and fleet hometown news center concerning this unit's gunfire support missions, surface engagement, public affairs program, MEDCAPS, surveillance, and SAR Case.

3. Patrol Operations

a. Surveillance - Detected 4,528 vessels, inspected 2,385 and boarded 26. Detained 25 Vietnamese on fishing boats and turned over to Vietnamese national Police for interrogation.

b. In December, sighted closed and kept under surveillance during transit of area nine, the U.S. Sailing Ketch PHOENIX. In February, acted as on-scene commander for a four-unit Navy-Coast Guard round-up of 23 contacts found congregated near a prime infiltration point in area two. With other units, boarded six boats, and detained three boats and 13 people. In March, intercepted and investigated contact reported by aircraft in area nine. Contact was supply vessel; boarded and escorted to An Thoi by PCF. In May, intercepted and identified Cambodian PGM (E-311), held under close surveillance as it transited area nine until relieved of duty by area eight patrol unit by direction of CTG 115.4.

c. SAR - Rescued 27 South Vietnamese refugees aboard a small junk apparently lost in heavy seas South of Cu Lao Re (Island), 2 March. The men, women, and children, fleeing from Viet Cong in Tam Quan, RVN, were taken aboard and given food, medical treatment, and overnight shelter from high winds and heavy rain. Junk was taken in tow and the engines were repaired by ship's force. Refugees were delivered to Cu Lao Re, their final destination, the morning of 3 March.

4. Assistance to other forces

a. Gave frequent assistance to USMACV Advisory Team 59, Song-Ong-Doc; U.S. Navy Radar Site, Poulo Obi; VNN Junk Force, Poulo Obi; and all WPB's and PCF's operating near ANDROSCOGGIN's barrier or transitting. Repaired electrical generators at Song-Ong-Doc several times, one of these generators later was shipped to dispensary at Ca Mau. Repaired .50 Caliber machine gun, and procured another machine gun for Song-Ong-Doc. Repaired Radar at Poulo Ovi, and radar and radios aboard PCF's and WPB's.

b. Transferred 68,930 gallons of JP-5 fuel and 49,000 gallons of water to WPB's and PCF's. Replenished WPB's and PCF's alongside 223 times.

c. Carried two spare PCF crews during two area mine patrols. Provided facilities of ship for R & R for in-country personnel on a not-to-interfere with operations basis. Provided transportation to Singapore for personnel on Radar Site, Poulo Obi, for R & R.

5. Hong Kong - Acted as SOPA (ADMIN), Hong Kong, 20 January to 11 February. Communications record was 89 percent reception, 85 percent sending. Acted as processing center for personnel transfer, payment, medical treatment for all U.S. Military personnel, and provided permanent shore patrol. Briefed all U.S. Naval Ships entering Hong Kong.

6. Deployment Statistics

a. Miles steamed as unit of U.S. Seventh Fleet - 40,949

b. Replenishment at sea:

Number of UNREPS - 49

NSFO - 660,612

JP-5 - 66,148

General Stores - 37 tons

Commissary Stores - 109 tons

Ammunition - 160 tons

c. Percentage of time underway - 71%

d. Miles steamed from departure to return to Miami Beach - 64,676

USCGC ANPROSCOGGIN (BHEC-88)
June - July Newsletter

We were once again standing by for gunfire support for a helicopter assault by South Viet Forces near Ha Tien (on the Gulf of Thailand near the Cambodian border). This first day of June, however, we did not do any gunfire support since the assault force met no resistance that needed our fire power. A difficulty we have been experiencing during the monsoon season is caused by the shift in prevailing winds. These onshore winds kept pushing the AIDY around causing our gunmount to be masked by our superstructure necessitating many bells (orders to the engine room for various speeds ahead and back) to keep our gun mount open to the target. That afternoon an 82-foot boat came alongside asking for assistance in repairing its radar and air conditioning unit. Air conditioning out here is quite a comfort item, without it, the interior of a ship or small patrol craft becomes stifling and crew efficiency suffers. With water temperature of 90° and air of 95° there is no question as to this. Thus, as an additional duty of being patrol ship, we had our auxiliary division out repairing air conditioning units and our electronics technicians tearing into the radar. Soon the boat was repaired and on patrol again.

Monday, we held an early morning gunshoot and then the Captain, 4 officers, 1 chief and 5 of our crew, along with 400 yo-yos and 400 toy dolls went into Song-Ony-Do. Now that the monsoon had shifted the swift boats are on the other side of Vietnam in calmer waters—the 82-footers have taken their place but unfortunately are of too deep a draft to enter the river to Song-Ony-Do. Therefore the group transferred to a Vietnamese fishing junk for the last leg up river. This day also happened to be the commencement day for the school children and proved quite a day of festivity.

The Rotary Club of Coral Gables, Florida donated the yo-yos and the Coast Guard Officer's Association and Coast Guard Officer's Wives Club of Miami donated the dolls for us to distribute in the village. The District Chief suggested that only those children who had been attending school should receive the gifts thus encouraging the parents of children on the fringes of the village to begin sending their youngsters to the school.

Presentation of the toys took place after a rather decorous commencement exercise complete with graduation speeches and entertainment. What occurred could be called a wild stampede and it was quickly followed by lessons to an eager audience of how to tie knots in the yo-yo strings and how to use this strange gadget. Soon little Vietnamese boys were wandering over the fort, school grounds, and village with little round yo-yos dangling from their fingers and little girls were showing off their new dolls. As our group departed the village for return to the AIDY they even noticed a few Vietnamese adults playing with the new yo-yos.

The coming week was to be quite busy with gunshoots. Monday through Friday found us snorting 6 times and dropping another 12 tons of explosives on top of a VC training camp, and other targets.

On Wednesday we brought aboard two wounded South Viet Jark Force personnel who were shot in a small arms mishap at their unit. They were treated in our Sick Bay and the next day we EVACUATED (Medical Evacuation) the patients to Sang-Ong-Ong for a helo lift to Da Nang Hospital.

Saturday we had an UNREP and SSG Macquisen was brought aboard on a highline between us and the fuel tanker. Later in the day one officer and 3 enlisted Naval personnel who were stationed at the radar station on Paulo Oba, the small island off the south tip of Vietnam, came aboard for transportation to Singapore with us.

On Sunday 9 May, we were relieved by the Coast Guard Cutter WYMAN and after the routine relieving and turn over of charts and "hot words" we set a course southward for the Equator and Singapore.

Monday afternoon we held another of our tented beach parties. Sticks on an open grill, cold drinks, potato salad, baked sweet & beans and cake. At the close of the festivities some representatives of King Neptune and his court came aboard and proceeded to initiate all those newcomers to the Equatorial Domain--with a fire hose spraying everything and everyone. We had indeed crossed the Equator. (Actually the blue water/the sea setting behind the volcanic mountains of Lingga Indrapolaga look like a lot of South Pacific scenes--although the difference was that we were soaking wet).

We turned and headed north again to the Island of Singapore and 3 days of rest and relaxation (RAR).

Situated at the southern tip of the Malay Peninsula, about 25 miles north of the Equator, the diamond shaped Island of Singapore covers about 225 square miles extending 25 miles East and West by 11 miles North and South.

Singapore was first known to the Malays as Temasek (Sea Town). It was destroyed by the Japanese in 1377 and legend has it that the bloody battles of that era are what caused the soil to have its red color. It got its modern name from a prince of the court in Sumatra. Under the misapprehension of having seen a lion (they aren't supposed to be natural to the area) he changed the island's name to SINGA (Lion) PURA (City). The British arrived in 1819, a trading post for the East India Company was set up and within 4 months the population expanded from a mere 100 fishermen to 5000. In 1865 it became a British Crown Colony. During World War II it was captured by the Japanese but after the war it became a separate crown colony. In 1963 it became one of the states of Malaysia and 2 years later separated from Malaysia and became an independent nation.

Throughout the island we noticed that signs were written in 3 or 4 languages. Malay is the national language while English, Chinese and Tamil (the officially recognized Indian dialect) are the other official languages. Parents are free to choose any one of the 4 languages as a medium of instruction for their children. The study of a second language is compulsory and every child receives a tri-lingual education.

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Two of our Electronics Technicians EBN2 Harold Cremer and ET2 Curtis Connor were sent over to a Navy LST to repair their teletype machine. Our chance to shoot that day was spoiled by the typical monsoon weather we are experiencing. Once again visibility for our spotter plans was nil and the gunshoot was cancelled.

The story of the rest of the week was gunshoots and UNREPs. On one of our gunshoots our spotter in the small plane discovered a VC ammo storage area. We shot into it from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and got 2 sampans, 18 fortified bunkers and in addition damaged 9 sampans, 4 structures, 15 bunkers. The spotter reported 17 secondary explosions of the ammunition and petroleum type with 50 foot diameter fireballs and smoke to 600 feet in the air. After this he said "I'm going home, you guys have totally destroyed this target. There isn't a tree or a bush left standing--it looks like a B-52 strike."

As we approached the end of our patrol we were forced on occasion to stop our shooting since the Navy couldn't get ammo to us fast enough to feed our gun. On this occasion as we ceased fire due to low ammo supply our spotter, disappointed and in view of several good targets, said, "I feel like a man in front of a winning slot machine who just ran out of nickels." With this he dove his small spotter plane at a target and fired his rockets as a parting sting to the VC for the day.

We also had a new type of UNREP this last patrol, called a VERTREP (you guessed it--it means vertical replenishment). The USS NIAGARA FALLS is a new Navy super cargo ship (35 million dollars worth) and it actually loads supplies aboard us by helicopter--no highlines, no close side by side running. The large twin-rotor "flying-Banana" copter just lifts off the cargo ship with 2 cargo nets full of supplies, zooms over to the ANDY's fantail, and gently lowers the supplies being very careful not to get its rotors caught in our after mast. Our biggest problem was getting all the supplies off the fantail to make room for the next loads. This is fast loading--20 minutes from beginning to end for 8 tons of supplies. Later we headed toward a swift boat that was hit by recoilless rifle fire, there were no casualties and she was to be repaired by her LST "mother ship." We also took aboard an ill Navy Officer who was brought out by an 82-footer from a Navy Radar Station along the coast.

Saturday 13 July our gunshoot yielded a few additions to our scoreboard, 23 structures and 8 sampans destroyed, 45 structures and 20 sampans damaged, 2 VC killed (confirmed) 15 VC killed (estimated) about an hour later we shot again and got 4 more structures and 2 sampans and 3 more VC killed.

Sunday was a quiet day after a long busy week.

Our last full day of our deployment we had an early morning UNREP with a Navy tanker and because of the weather again a gunshoot was called off that afternoon.

Tuesday morning we held a joint gunshoot with the USCGC WINONA who was relieving us. Both our ships pounded the VC areas and canal banks for the better part of the morning. After the shoot we held relief briefings and steamed away from Vietnam, homeward bound.

Here is our scoreboard for all our Vietnam patrols.

VC Killed - 112

VC Wounded - 31

Structures Destroyed - 175

Structures Damaged - 130

Bunkers Destroyed - 34
Bunkers Damaged - 31
Sampan Destroyed - 106
Sampan Damaged - 177
Infiltration Vessels Destroyed - 1
Canal Blocks Destroyed - 2
Secondary Fires and Explosions - 47
Storage Facilities Destroyed - 4
Piers Destroyed - 2

Congratulations go to the following men who advanced in rate recently. Their new rate is shown:

BM1 Gene ADAMS	QM2 Duane PINTER
BM1 Robert MINER	QM2 James WALKER
RM1 James HAMMITT	QM2 Dana LEWIS
CS1 Charles CONNER	ET2 Curtis CONNOR
CS1 Claude COOKE	ET2 John SCHICK
MM1 Kenneth LACY	BM3 Walter ZAKUTNEY
FT1 Byge MILLER	SN Robert HANNER

We will now be heading home to Miami Beach via Subic Bay, Philippines, Yokosuka, Japan, Seattle, Washington, San Francisco, California, Acapulco, Mexico and the Panama Canal.

During our cruise we had a cruise book committee of LTJG Donald Van Liew, MM2 Arthur Thompson, ET2 Larry Swift, RM2 David Reiland, ET2 John Schick, ET2 Curtis Connor, MM3 Paul Sanders, design and produce a 96 page book that will show in words and pictures the ANDY in the Vietnam War.


We expect it will be ready at Miami when we arrive home to augment the pictures most of us have taken and share some more of our experiences with our loved ones home. This is the last issue of the ANDROSCOGGIN Vietnam Newsletters. We therefore sincerely hope our newsletters have kept you informed of our duties and experiences over here--soon we will be able to tell you about them in person.

The following is from the Captain:

"I would like to add a footnote to this letter. The record you have seen unfold in the pages of this and previous newsletters was not made by any one individual but by a disciplined team--a team developed out of shared experiences and common concern. It is a record which we hope we have shared with you to the best of our ability.

This crew will commence the inevitable change now that the job is done but the record will always be a common bond between us all. It has been a rare privilege to work with this team."

"We'll see you at home, shortly."


W. H. STEWART

Saturday 24th December 1967

My dear friend

So night, our God ~~come~~ comes
to us, especially for you, and
your ship. I know to night you
miss your family very much
and you leave your country becau
se of:

Humanity

and Liberty

So come to Viet-Nam to help
Vietnamese. May you have a Merry
christmas with all my heart

your friend

Hồ Hữu Cinh

VIỆT NAM CỘNG HÒA
TRƯỜNG TIỂU HỌC AN - XUYỀN
Số 1 Tiểu Học Sông Ông-Độc
S: T.TH

Sông-Ông-Độc, ngày 8 tháng 1 năm 1968
Hiệu-Trưởng Trường Tiểu-Học Sông-Ông-Độc

Kính gửi: Captain Stewart

TRÍCH YẾU: v.v.:

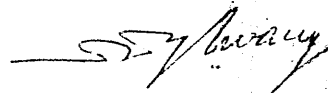
TRẦN TRONG KÍNH TRÌNH ÔNG: Captain Stewart

I am the representative for all teachers and students at Sông-Ông-Độc Elementary school, because I can't paint the school by myself.

Now you have come to visit here at Sông Ông Độc you help for my country especially for my school you call your sailors to come to my school to paint it so nice.

I and all my teachers want to visit you at your ship, but I haven't any transportation.

I and all teachers and students wish to you thank all of you and HAPPY-NEW YEAR



Headmaster NGUYỄN HỮU HẰNG (HENRY)

Wishing you and your family the

Happiest Christmas ever

Your Friend

Lê MINH Lij

Saturday 23th December 1967

My Dear Friend,

I take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas, Tam send this letter wishing you very much happiness on this your highest of holiday.

I am sorry that I want visit you on your ship but I haven't transportation

Thank you for all you have

Saturday 24th December 1967

My dear friend

To night, our god comes
to us, especially for you,
and your ship. I know
to night you miss your
family very much, and
you leave your country
because of: Humanity
and Liberty

- To come to Vietnam
to help Vietnamese

- May you have a Merry
Christmas with all my
heart Your friend

Ng. Thanh Lim

Satu day December 23th 1967

My dear brother

I sincerely wish you and your
family a merry CHRISTMAS and a
happy NEW YEAR

May GOD watch over and protect ^{you} ~~at~~

Sincerely

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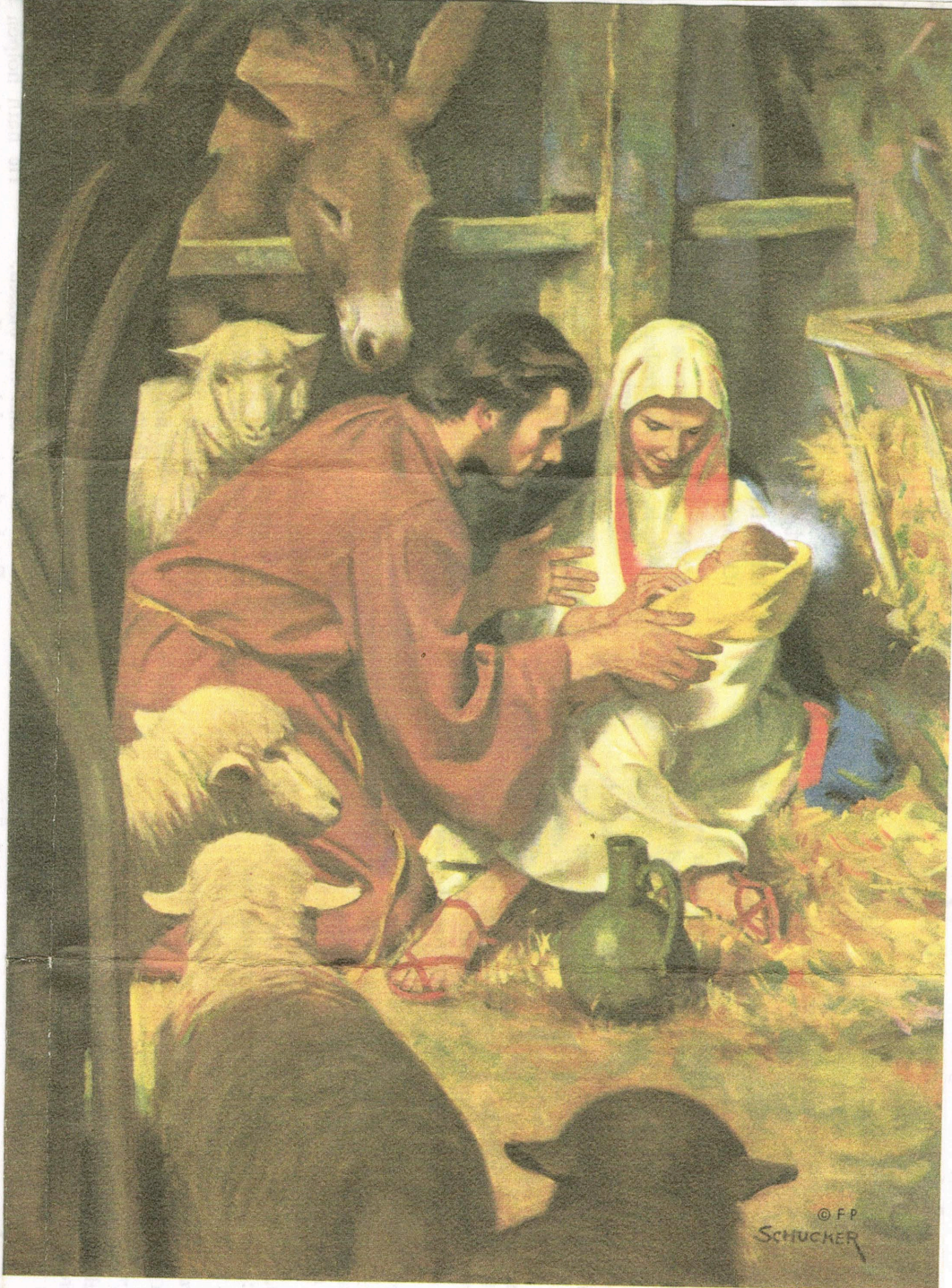
1. CHRISTMAS
AN OPPORTUNITY FOR REFLECTION AND FOR HOPE. IT IS
A TIME WHEN THE TROUBLES OF DAILY LIFE GIVE WAY TO LARGER THOUGHTS.
IT IS THE HOPE OF PEACE REMEMBERED AND PROMISED.
2. I WISH TO EXTEND TO EACH MAN IN THE TASK GROUP AND HIS FAMILY
BEST WISHES FOR A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS. IN REFLECTION EACH OF YOU
CAN LOOK UPON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE PAST YEAR WITH PRIDE;
IT IS HOPED THAT THE NEW YEAR WILL BRING YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS AND
YOUR FAMILIES MUCH HAPPINESS. WE AT SEA AND DEPLOYED CAN TAKE
PRIDE IN SERVICE THAT BUILDS FOR BETTER DAYS TO COME.
REAR ADMIRAL SHELDON KINNEY
BT

*Found this in msg files
today -*

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JPS 5/5/68

One of several such messages.



GLAD TIDINGS OF THE KING OF KINGS
CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL: " O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem! Come and
behold Him, Born the King of angels! O come, let
us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come
let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!
O sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation!
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above! Glory
to God, all Glory in the highest! Refrain

THE VERSICLES

O Lord, open thou my lips. *And my mouth shall show forth thy praise.*
Make haste, O God, to deliver me. *Make haste to help me. O Lord.*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *As it was in
the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.*

THE PSALM (138)

I will praise thee with my whole
heart: *before the gods will I sing
praise unto thee.*

I will worship toward thy holy
temple, and praise thy Name for thy
lovingkindness and for thy truth: *for
thou hast magnified thy word above
all thy Name.*

In the day when I cried thou answeredst me: *and strengthenedst me
with strength in my soul.*

All the kings of the earth shall
praise thee, O Lord: *when they hear
the words of thy mouth.*

Though the Lord be high, yet hath
he respect unto the lowly: *but the
proud he knoweth afar off.*

THE FIRST LESSON: Micah 5:2-4

O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN: "THE FIRST NOEL"

1. The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds
in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay,
keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night
that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.

Though I walk in the midst of
trouble, thou wilt revive me: *thou
shalt stretch forth thine hand against
the wrath of mine enemies, and thy
right hand shall save me.*

The Lord will perfect that which
concerneth me: *thy mercy, O Lord,
endureth for ever; forsake not the
works of thine own hands.*

Yea, they shall sing in the ways of
the Lord: *for great is the glory of the
Lord.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the
Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *As it
was in the beginning, is now and ever
shall be, world without end.
Amen.*

2. They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east
beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave
great light,
And so it continued
both day and night.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel.

THE SECOND LESSON: Luke 2:1-20

O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Thanks be to God.*

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent
Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met
O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin, and enter in, Be born in us
We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings
O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel

THE THIRD LESSON: John 1:1-14

O Lord, have mercy upon us. *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN: "ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY"

1. Angels, from the realms of glory, 3. Sages, leave your
Wing your flight o'er all the Brighter visions
earth; Seek the great Deity
Ye, who sang creation's story, Ye have seen his
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:

Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the

2. Shepherds, in the fields abiding, 4. All creation, join
Watching o'er your flocks by God, the Father
night, Evermore your voice
God with man is now residing, To the eternal
Yonder shines the infant light:

THE SERMON

THE OFFERING

Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense. *And the
hands as the evening sacrifice.*

THE CANTICLE: MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord: He hath put down
*and my spirit hath rejoiced in God their seats: and exalted
my Saviour.* degree.

For he hath regarded: *the low He hath filled the hu-
estate of his handmaiden.* man things: and the rich
For behold, from henceforth: *all empty away.*
generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath done to He hath holpen his
me great things: *and holy is his name.* in remembrance of his
And his mercy is on them that fear spake to our fathers, to
him: *from generation to generation.* to his seed forever.

He hath showed strength with his Glory be to the Father,
arm: *he hath scattered the proud in the Son, and to the Holy
the imagination of their hearts.* as in the beginning, is
shall be, world without

THE PRAYER

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

O GOD, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true light: Grant, we beseech thee, that as we have known on earth the mysteries of that Light, we may also come to the fulness of his joys in heaven; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

(Other collects may then be used.)

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

**(Here a Candlelighting Ceremony may follow.)*

HYMN: "SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT"

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| 1. Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace. | 2. Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing, Alleluia,
Christ, the Saviour, is born! |
| 3. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. | |

THE BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL: "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH"

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| 1. Angels we have heard on high,
Singing sweetly through the
night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. | 3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the new-born
King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. |
| 2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy
cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear? | 4. See him in a manger laid
Whom the angels praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in
love. |

*The candlelighting ceremony may be used in this way: The ushers will distribute candles and drip cards to worshipers as they enter. At the appointed time the minister, taking a large candle, will light it from an altar candle. The minister will then give light to the acolytes or ushers who are standing at the chancel entrance. They in turn will give light to the first worshiper in each pew who will pass it on to the others. The lighted candle is never tilted but always held upright while giving light to another. The worshipers' candles shall be extinguished when the minister's candle is extinguished.

Christmas 1967, Song Ong Doc, Vietnam; Village School Reception of ANDROSCOGGIN crew

Christmas in
Song Ong Doc.
l to r.
Capt. Stewart, Maj.
Lavery (MACV),
Dr. Charles Mabry,
Paul Swisher, L. George



Left to right:

Captain William Stewart, Maj. Lavery (U.S. Army, MACV), Dr. Charles "Chuck" Mabry, CDR, USPHS, LT Paul Swisher LtJG Lloyd George

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A. YOUR 051200Z MAR 68

1. PROPOSED PRESREL CONTAINED REF (A) REWRITTEN AND RELEASED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. EARLY ON THE MORNING OF MARCH 1, FOUR ENEMY TRAWLERS ATTEMPTED TO SNEAK ASHORE WITH SUPPLIES INTENDED TO FORTIFY THE CURRENT EXPANDED VIET CONG OFFENSIVE IN SOUTH VIETNAM. THE ATTEMPT WAS COMPLETE FAILURE AS ONE TRAWLER WAS TURNED BACK WITHOUT UNLOADING HER CARGO AND THE OTHER THREE DESTROYED BY MARKET TIME UNITS ALONG WITH 1000 MILE COASTLINE.

PLAYING A MAJOR ROLE IN WHAT HAS BEEN TERMED "THE MOST SIGNIFICANT NAVAL VICTORY OF THE VIETNAM CAMPAIGN" WAS MIAMI'S HIGH ENDURANCE COAST GUARD CUTTER ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC68).

OPERATING SINCE DECEMBER WITH THE SEVENTH FLEET AS A UNIT OF COAST GUARD SQUADRON THREE, ANDROSCOGGIN WAS PATROLLING

*4/15/68 I've entered this because of its
"official" appearance, and not to
boast ^{and not} or to boost my ego.*



PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS
FIRST PATROL

JUNK INSPECTION (Condition I)

<u>Boarding Party</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Provide</u>
Boarding Officer	* <u>LT VENTO/LT BOUCK</u>	.45 Cal.
Boarding Petty Officer	<u>WILLIAMS BM1</u>	PRC 59 - .45 Cal.
Corpsman	<u>UMSTEAD HMC</u>	First Aid Kit
Boarding Member	<u>BARKER QM1</u>	Portable Lights, Signal Flags
Boarding Member	<u>ZAKUTNEY SN</u>	Scaling Ladder, Signal Flares

Boat Crew

Coxswain	<u>ADAMS BM2</u>	PRC 59 (retain in boat)
Engineer	<u>MANN MM3</u>	
Bow Hook	<u>BULLARD SA</u>	AR-15
Stern Hook	<u>SANDERS FNMM</u>	AR-15

Arms Issue (Armory)

In Charge: LAMBERT GM1

Boat Lowering Detail

In Charge: McCLAY BMCM

Machine Gun Crews assist in Lowering Boat

Crew at General Quarters

Additional Personnel, if required topside, will be provided by the Repair Parties.

Protective armor will be worn by BOARDING CREW and ALL TOPSIDE EXPOSED PERSONNEL.

* - LT VENTO on Even Days
 LT BOUCK on Odd Days
 LTJG GEORGE Alternate

Dear George:

Note from Johnny Wong, a Chinese artist whom I met in Hong Kong who was trying to earn his way to the U.S.

10th March 68. (Monday)

As the time passes by, I have not ^{see the ship} ~~heard~~ from you for about few weeks. I hope everything you are wishing will bring to you satisfaction and luck!

I heartily thank you for the encouragement and the help you have give to me. All these will lead me to a brilliance future that will be full of hope and success. The only wishes is that I hope I'll be able to leave Hong Kong for New York in an instant future.

The reason I want to leave Hong Kong is that the competition of business here is increasing every minute, and the tourist is getting less and less. Everyone takes H.K. as a transit place they want to explore other places in quest of new life because ~~it's~~ that it is very hard to earn a living here and so do I.

I am now ready to write a letter to the Museum which you had introduced to me, and I hope the letter will bring to me hope and order from them. Now I am enclosing two pictures one is for you and the other is for the Captain ~~and~~ as a remembrance and give my best regard to him please. I will let you know if the Museum reply me and my procedurd of sending the water picture to them too. Lastly I hope to hear from you and LUCK BE WITH YOU ALWAYS

Yours sincerely
Johnny Wong

"Happiness" (Jambardo' 3/18/65 ltr.)

(From the show "You're A Good Man Charley Brown")

Happiness is two kinds of ice cream

Finding your skate key

Telling the time

Happiness is learning to whistle

Tying your shoe for the very first time.

Happiness is playing the drum in your
own school band.

And happiness is walking hand in hand.

Happiness is five different crayons -

Knowing a secret -

Climbing a tree -

Happiness is finding a nickel

Catching a firefly - setting him free;

Happiness is being alone every now and
then

And happiness is coming home again.

Happiness is having a sister,

Sharing a sandwich, getting along.

Happiness is singing together when
day is through

And happiness is those who sing with
you.

Happiness is morning and evening,

Daytime and nighttime too -

And happiness is anyone, anything
At all

That's loved by you.

TIMLAND PROGRAM

AFTERNOON SHOW 2.00 P.M. - 6.00 P.M.

2.00 P.M. - 3.15 P.M. SIGHTSEEING TIMLAND
INCLUDING JEWELRY, THAI SILK,
LOCAL PRODUCT DISPLAY BEFORE
THE STAGE SHOW :

- 1 - Thai typical sport, (Takrow Lord Buang)
or Rattan ball playing.
- 2 - Rice Transplanting and buffalo at work
with the plow.
- 3 - Rice threshing, husking & polishing by hand.
- 4 - Silk worm keeping & silk spinning.
- 5 - Silk weaving by various kinds of wooden
loom from various parts of THAILAND.
- 6 - Serpentarium.
- 7 - Fresh water fish aquarium.
- 8 - Thai orchids.
- 9 - Clay pottery.
- 10 - Typical northern industry e.g. Paper.
umbrella & lacquerware making.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS

- 3.15 P.M. Welcoming by typical northern dance
(FORN LEB or NAIL DANCE)
- 3.20 P.M. Demonstration of elephants at work.
- 3.30 P.M. Thai music, Thai Classical Dances & Thai
Folk Dance.
- 4.00 P.M. **Sports Events**
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| Thai Boxing | approx. | 10 mins. |
| Cockfighting | „ | 10 mins. |
| Snake feeding and how to protect oneself
against Cobras | approx. | 10 mins. |
| Thai fencing & fighting with clubs & stick | approx. | 20 mins. |
- 4.50 P.M. Demonstration of elephants at work,
for late comers.
- 5.00 - 6.00 P.M. FREE TIME FOR VISITORS.

Admission Fee 100 Baht
Children (8-12 years) 50 Baht

Sant Bangkok

April 15, 1968 – I-9

1200H – We were relieved from patrol on 8 April and have been sailing enroute to Yokosuka, Japan. Right now we're anchored off Yoko to off-load ammunition. This will be followed by a sea trial to be observed by an official from SRF, before we tie up for 15 days of repair and upkeep.

Last week, one night, we had a fire in the seabag locker that began in the ordinance power panel and spread to the cables and seabags in the compartment. Only the cables in the immediate area of the panel were burned.

1410H – We're nearly finished off loading ammo and will prepare for sea trials shortly.

There are two more work requests I should prepare, but they're minor jobs and one of them requires the information of the XO who isn't available right now.

APRIL 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (3 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

May 4, 1968 – I-9

1120H- We are now sailing for another patrol after 17 hectic days at SRF Yokosuka.

May 6, 1968 – I-9

1245H – We'll arrive on station on 10 May. While in Japan, I saw no sights as I was kept very busy with yard work. I called Barbara twice (once on Easter Sunday and once after Easter), and I called home on Easter. It's always a thrill to call home. I hope I can call them from Singapore.

We had an Engineering Department party one night in Yoko and I ate dinner two other evenings at a Japanese restaurant one of the latter evenings. I also walked through the downtown area with Milt, Ron and Tom and we stopped at the Bamboo Bar, an officer's night spot.

We had the wardroom paneled in Yoko and it looks really sharp.

MAY 1968 ANDRSCOGGIN NEWSLETTER (4 pages) – yet to be retyped/reconstructed and inserted.

June 2, 1968

1530H – So far this patrol we've done no boarding but we've shot several NGFS missions, including one amphibious assault (the first of the war), an invasion and other missions totaling close to 700 rounds. So far I've seen a couple of old Swift boat buddies and 82' skippers: Bill Blanchard, Roger Rufe, Jim White, Carl Josephson, Bud Sanders, Bob Offutt, Bob Storch, Al Wosnowski (reservist), Tom Johnston (XO) and another reservist C.O. whose name I don't recall.

June 2, 1968

1530H – Shortly after arriving on patrol, some of us visited An Thoi for a USO show. We went swimming afterwards where I met Bob Offutt and Bud Sanders. I had seen them in the audience at the show beforehand but couldn't reach them.

I'm having one of my explosimeters recalibrated by a repair ship at An Thoi.. CSC is supposed to "Daisy Chain" it out to me.

We're having festivities tomorrow in Song Ong Doc to present gifts to the District Chief and yo-yos and dolls to the children. I've requested to attend so that I can re-evaluate the status of the people and the village before we leave this area for good.

I saw a Frank Sinatra movie last week entitled "assault on a Queen" featuring the Androscoggin and the Winona. A couple of nights ago I saw "The Group," the story of some Connecticut College girls and how they lead their lives after college. They were a closely knit group throughout college and afterwards.

Our homeward-bound route so far looks like – Subic Bay, Yoko, Seattle, Frisco, San Diego, Acapulco, Panama and Miami beach.

June 3, 1968

2300H – We had quite a day in Song Ong Doc today. Roger Rufe brought us over in his boat and Jim White brought us back. ...We boarded a VN fishing junk to bring us to the pier and were greeted by the familiar odor of this wealthy fishing village which I haven't visited since Christmas Eve. We went directly to the school house where the children were preparing for their school closing ceremonies. ...Several children were presented prizes by members of the audience. I presented one to a little girl – she must be about 7 years old. The prizes consisted of summer study books wrapped in colored cellophane and tied with red ribbon. I gave away a ball point pen to a young boy, and then I had to hide my others in my rear pocket to avoid having to give them out. We presented the yo-yos and dolls to the children at this time and they really went for the yo-yos especially. The children performed on the stage in groups – some skit (clever and comical) choral selections (small chorus), vocal solos and dancing comprised the program.

We left the school and proceeded to the compound where the District Chief distributed the remaining dolls and yo-yos. They were a big hit here, as the little girls ran back to their mothers to show off their dolls.

We ate lunch with the District Chief; it consisted of egg rolls, chicken, fried shrimp, canned lychees in syrup, bourbon and coke, sausage and coffee. I didn't eat any of the raw herbs this time though. At the lunch table I swapped one collar device with a VN 1st LT and a VN LTJG gave me his ball cap. The JG is the Commander of a coastal junk Div 41 out of Poulo Obi and I shall give him in return an Andy ball cap and badge with leather back.

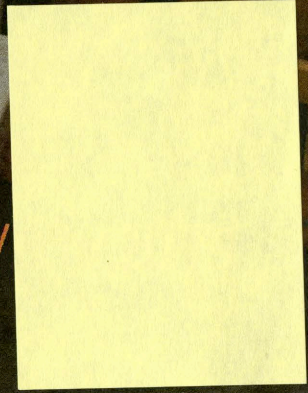


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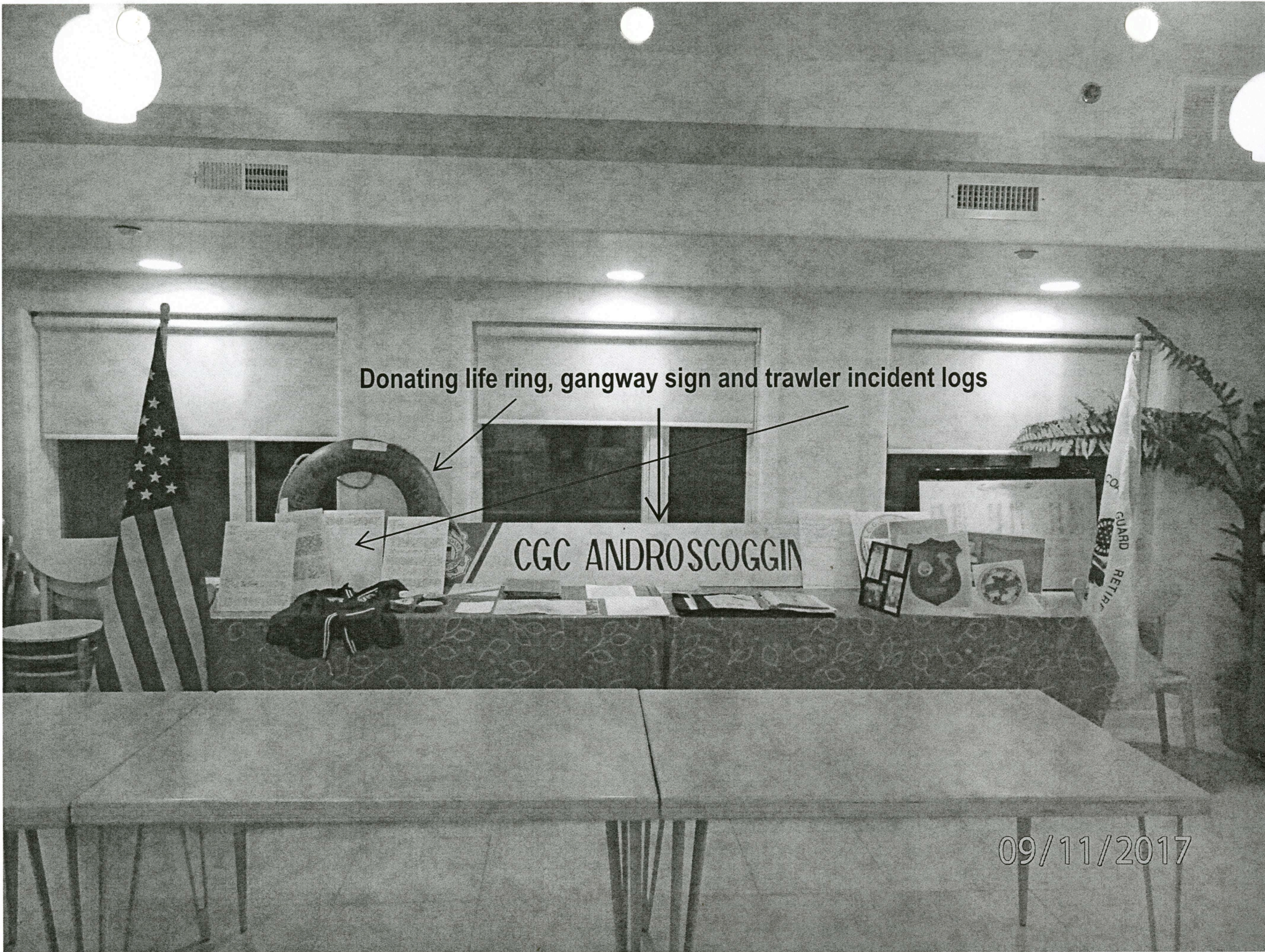
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Donating life ring, gangway sign and trawler incident logs

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09/11/2017



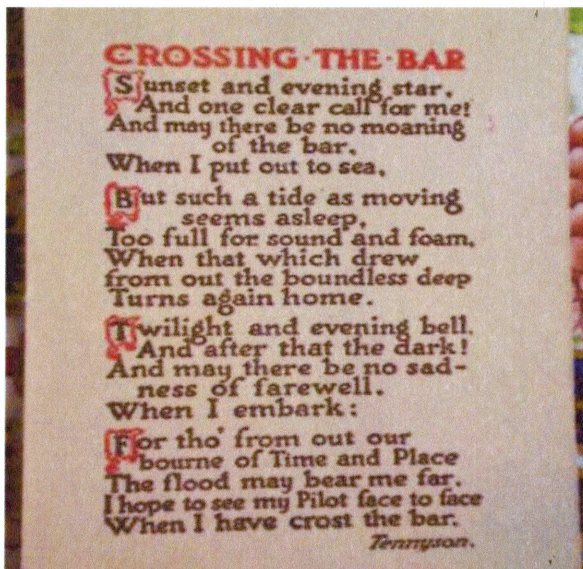
In Memoriam

Many with whom we have served or who served before us or after us, are part of us, nevertheless. They are the threads of our fabric, and we honor their memories.

Thank you, shipmates for the bonds that we have shared in common purpose and for the memories that will live in our hearts forever.

Farewell and following seas.

Semper Paratus



U.S.C.G.C. ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68)

2017 REUNION



10 – 13 SEPTEMBER 2017

Shalimar Resort

Wildwood Crest, New Jersey

**U.S.C.G.C. ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68)
2017 REUNION**



Sunday Arrive: Hospitality at the Shalimar

Monday
0800 Breakfast at the Doo Wop
1030 Catch trolley to Cape May
1100 Trolley tour of C.G. Training Center
Noon Lunch at CGTC
1400 Cape May NAS, C.G. Exhibit and CG-36538
1630 till ?? Shalimar-chill-out, hang out and BBQ

Tuesday
0800 Breakfast at the Doo Wop
1000 Have fun!
1700 Little Italy

Wednesday
0800 Breakfast on your own

Farewell departures according to your own itineraries

Tuesday Dinner Program

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres	
Presentation of the colors	
Pledge of Allegiance	
Welcome	Lloyd George
Remembrances	David White
The Story of the Stripe	Craig MacCullough
82'-boat perspective	Gerry McGill / Milt Rose
From the heart	Quang Nguyen
Closing	Paul Swisher

Bill Carr

From: viglie@aol.com
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 9:51 PM
To: viglie@aol.com
Subject: COAST GUARD WEBSITE

i JUST FOUND THIS SITE <http://community.coastguardchannel.com/>

Lloyd's ANDROSCOGGIN September reunion is advertised on it

apologize if you told me about it, and i forgot??? getting old

Walt Viglienze home 850 492-5634 cel 850 206-3522

2017 Reunion of Crewmembers Who Sailed Aboard

USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68)

10-13 SEPTEMBER 2017

CAPE MAY

The seventh in a series of reunions of “ANDY” crewmembers took place in the vicinity of Cape May, this year’s location having been selected by popular demand. The first reunion took place in Jacksonville, FL in 2002, organized by the crew who sailed her 44 years before as part of Market Time Operations, Squadron 3, during 1967 & 1968. This year’s reunion was orchestrated by **Lloyd and Barbara Géorge**, assisted by three of Lloyd’s shipmates, Paul Swisher, ANDY’s First Lieutenant, David White, one of ANDY’s Radiomen, and Milt Rose (’67), ANDY’s Gunnery Officer. All ANDY reunions are open to all who sailed on her, whether during Vietnam or not.

Most reunion participants sailed on Vietnam deployment. One of them is classmate **Jim Sanial**, who, while not able to attend, did offer life ring and a gangway sign for the reunion exhibit table. Barbara and Lloyd met with Pat and Jim en route to the reunion to pick up the artifacts and bring them to the reunion along with greetings from Pat and Jim.

The hospitality room offered food and drink constantly from Sunday through Wednesday morning, where shipmates swapped more sea stories than they remember ever existed. (We assume that they’re all true.) Monday offered a guided tour of the Coast Guard Training Center at Cape May, tours of 87-foot patrol boats moored there and lunch with the recruits. The tour was followed by a visit to the Naval Air Station, Wildwood, NJ, where the crew visited historical Navy, Marine and Coast Guard aircraft on display, observed the hulk of CG 36538, a sister of CG 36500 of “The Finest Hours” fame, currently under restoration. The crew wrapped Monday back at the Shalimar Resort with a BBQ featuring plenty of burgers, franks, sweet sausages, all the condiments, beer, wine and soft drinks, capped off with a ripe, juicy watermelon. Most of Tuesday offered a broad spectrum of activities for individual choice, including the boardwalk at Morey’s Piers, whale and dolphin cruise, par 3 golf, the beach and just sitting by the gorgeous pool.

Following Tuesday’s formal dinner at Little Italy, the playing of Semper Paratus and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, four speakers addressed the crew, their wives and those of their extended families in attendance. Lloyd reflected on the tight bonds that ANDY shipmates developed regardless of differences in rank, geographical/cultural upbringing and creed. Our skipper, the late Captain “Bill” Stewart (’49), lead the turnaround of the ANDY from failing at GTMO I to an “E” rating at GTMO II, announcing in the wardroom, “None of us, even I, has all

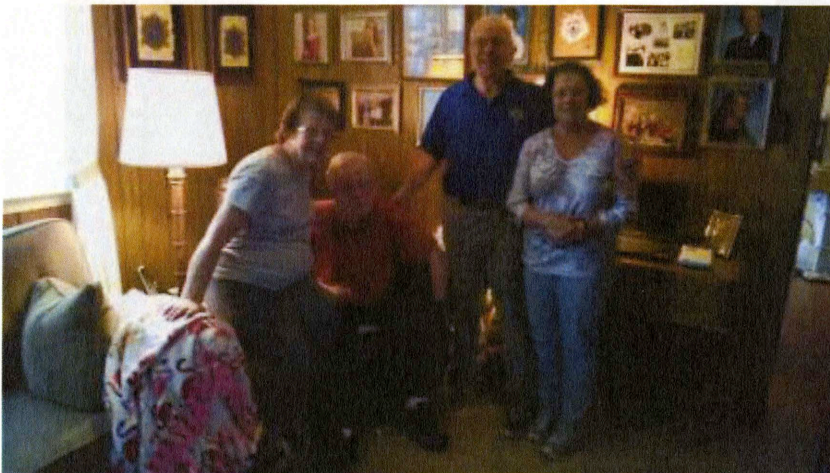
the answers, but together, we damned well better.” Thus under his command, the ship steamed over 64,000 miles, fired over 4,000 5”/38 rounds through 44 gunshots, operated 49 UNREPS, held GQ 54 times, detected over 4,500 contacts (investigating over 2,300), and set condition ZEBRA in 2.5 minutes. Lloyd commemorated shipmates who have crossed the bar, introducing the participants to the poster of names at the exhibit table. The skipper’s wife Paulette accepted Bill’s posthumous induction to the Academy Hall of Heroes in 2014.

Guest speaker Craig MacCullough addressed the crew, explaining the story behind the creation and deployment of the Coast Guard racing stripe before introducing Milt. The combat scorecard is not repeated here, but Milt went on to single out each crewmember in attendance recalling their contributions to the ANDY team and making our deployment come alive again. Following Milt, our own **Gerry McGill**, accompanied by **Maureen**, made a guest appearance, using a map, log books obtained previously by **Dick Walton** and personal experience to describe patrol boat operations during the war and recalling the night of 29 Feb – 1 Mar 1968 when Gerry, commanding POINT WELCOME, accompanied by Dick, commanding POINT GREY, worked together with ANDY in tracking and, in conjunction with air power, causing an enemy trawler’s ultimate destruction. Having sailed with Bill Stewart as XO on SEBAGO fresh out of the Academy, McGoo didn’t realize he was working with Bill that night as ANDY’s CO and took pleasure in recalling his prior experience with and admiration for ANDY’s skipper.

Mr. Quang Nguyen followed Gerry, offering an icing on the cake with the story of his and his wife’s successful evacuation from Vietnam as adolescent children. Quang is a successful businessman from Arizona. He and his wife Mai are the proud parents of a son who is a recent graduate of the University of Portland and a daughter who was recently inducted to the U.S. Naval Academy Class of 2021. Quang’s described in moving detail various stages and personal experiences of his transition from fleeing his native Vietnam at the age of 12 to adopting his new home in the United States. As a parent, he has declared two cardinal rules for his children to follow in their lives: (1) never disgrace the family name (*i.e.* your personal reputation) and (2) never disgrace the people who made it possible for you to grow up in America. (If only we could bottle Quang’s attitude, motivations and values and distribute it as standard fare throughout American youth.) Quang received a standing ovation.

Paul Swisher capped the evening with his personal reflections of a ship tempered by training together, serving ocean station and in combat together and growing older together. He concluded with a prayer crafted by Greta Bridges, the wife of Machinist’s Mate Jim Bridges (crossed the bar), as Greta was not able to attend.

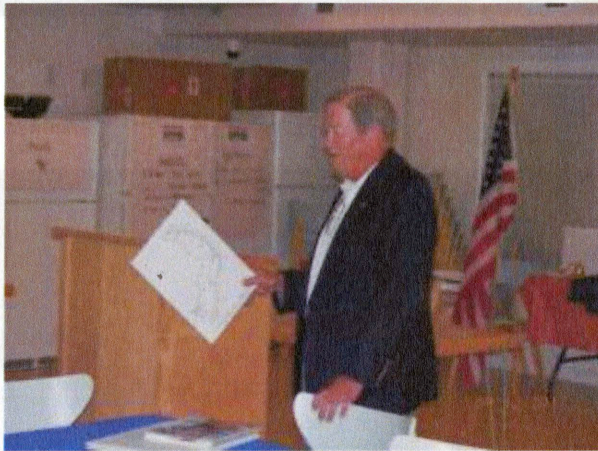
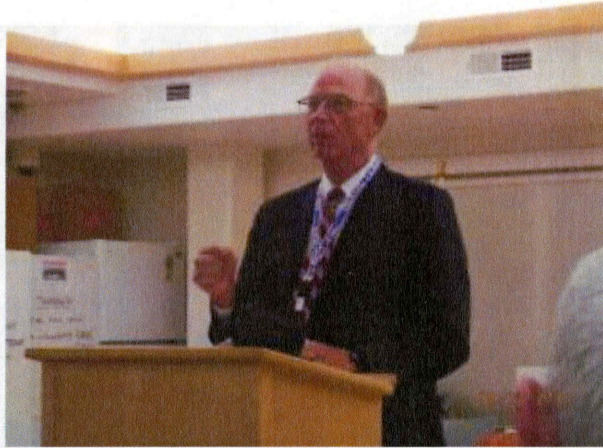
Fair winds and following seas, shipmates.



Sanials and Georges en route to ANDY Reunion-20170909



2017 ANDY Reunion exhibit table



Lloyd, Milt and Gerry

2017 ANDY REMICK
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Quang Nguyen





Bill Carr <bill@getrain.com>

Fwd: ANDROSCOGGIN REUNION SITREP 3

1 message

Lloyd George <Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com>
To: "William C. Carr" <bill@getrain.com>
Cc: "Walter S. & Diane Viglienzone" <viglie@aol.com>

Fri, Jul 28, 2017 at 1:27 PM

FYI. I'll have a blurb for you after mid-Sept. Lloyd

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From: **Androscoggin Reunions** <androscogginreunion@tampabay.rr.com>
Date: Fri, Jul 28, 2017 at 2:23 PM
Subject: ANDROSCOGGIN REUNION SITREP 3
To:

USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN (WHEC-68) REUNION 2017

CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY

10 – 13 SEPTEMBER 2017

SITREP 3

28 July 2017



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“Now hear this: To all who served aboard USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN WHEC-68. Convene 10-13 September 2017 for our next reunion.”

Situation report (SITREP 3)

Shipmates,

As of 22 July, the participation statistics were as follows:

- Based on the responses to-date, the expected number of attendees is 52, a headcount that **beats all of our expectations**.
- Of those 52, 31 (59.6%) have registered and 8 rooms have been reserved at the Shalimar. (See roster attached.)
- What you need to do **NOW**:

(1) If you haven't sent in your registration, please do it ASAP. Please note two changes in the registration form

(a) Please indicate whether you will or will not participate in the group tour of the C.G. Training Center, Cape May, including a visit to the Maritime Museum.

(b) Please indicate if you would like to purchase an ANDY ball cap or polo shirt to be paid for per the order form on the last page of this SITREP.

(2) If you haven't booked your room, please do it by 15 August. (If you register and need more time before booking your room, please call me at 609-799-5863 or e-mail me at Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com. Call the Shalimar directly at (609) 522-0609 and mention "2017 ANDROSCOGGIN Reunion".

(3) If you need assistance with travel arrangements, please call or e-mail Wanda Christian at Liberty Travel and mention "USCGC ANDROSCOGGIN 2017 REUNION" Phone no.: 847-517-9235 E-mail: christianw@libertytravel.com.

(4) Other action items:

(a) For activities on Tuesday the 12th, following the group breakfast at the Doo Wop, make your own arrangements among the various area activities.

(b) Advise me if you need any physical assistance.

(c) Advise me of your dietary restrictions, if any.

(d) If you are willing and able, let me know if you can volunteer for cooking at the barbecue, welcoming shipmates and spouses, restocking the hospitality suite and cleaning up.

(e) Dig through your C.G. archives for your top three ANDROSCOGGIN photos and/or videos and get them to Tom Vento; 727-841-0407; keepalive@keepalive.net

(f) Stay tuned for updates including menu and pricing for the Tuesday evening dinner.

Location and lodging:

Shalimar Resort (Award-winning "Doo Wop" motif)

6405 Atlantic Ave.

Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

[609-522-0609](tel:6095220609)

www.shalimarresortnj.com

Call the Shalimar directly (609-522-0609) and reserve your room by August 15, 2017.

Terms: \$85/night, double occupancy. (Add \$10/night for each additional guest.)

\$100 refundable deposit will be charged to your credit card at the time of booking.

Costs:

Registration fee: \$67.00 per person, payable to Keith Hill, LLC. Send registration fee with remittance slip at the bottom of this memo to:

Lloyd F. George

46 Hamilton Lane

Plainsboro, NJ 08536

The registration fee will cover hospitality room access, snacks, beverages, lunch at the Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May and a barbecue at the Shalimar on Monday, 11 September.

Additional costs would be incurred for commutation to and from the U.S. Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May (approximately \$15 per person), and for any other activities that you might choose.

Plans of the Day:

Sunday 10 September: Arrival, hospitality, swap stories

Monday, 11 September

Morning through lunch:

Group breakfast at the Doo Wop Coffee and Ice Cream Shop (a short walk from the Shalimar).

Group trip to Cape May, including a guided riding tour of the base, visit to the Exchange and lunch with recruits. A visit to the Cape May Maritime Museum will follow, where there is the possibility of seeing the CG36538 currently being restored. The 36-footer is the sister of the CG36500 which was featured in the film "The Finest Hours".

Afternoon:

Beach and boardwalk; hospitality room all day, barbecue at the Shalimar.

Tuesday, 12 September

Group breakfast at the Doo Wop Coffee and Ice Cream Shop (a short walk from the Shalimar).

Free time to choose your own activities from the following menu:

Local beach or hang out at the Shalimar pool or hospitality suite.

5 min. taxi ride or 20 min. walk:

- (1) Morey's Piers and boardwalk: check web site for admission pricing: www.moreyspiers.com
- (2) Fishing excursion or whale/dolphin watching cruise: Starlight Fleet, [609-729-3400](tel:609-729-3400); check web site for pricing: www.jjboats.com

20 min. taxi ride:

- (1) Cape May Par 3 Golf and Driving Range: up to 5 players per hole, \$20 for 18 holes, including cart, \$3 for club rental; call [609-889-2600](tel:609-889-2600); www.capemaypar3.com
- (2) Cape May National Golf Club: 18 holes only till 2 p.m. for \$69; 9 holes after 2 for \$30; \$35 for club rental; call [609-884-1563](tel:609-884-1563); www.cmngc.com

Evening:

Group dinner at Little Italy, 5 min. ride, 20 min. walk from the Shalimar. "Early Bird" menu will apply regardless of our arrival time.

Early Bird Specials

Served Sunday thru Friday from 4 pm to 5 pm • All Early Bird Entrees \$14.5

<p>Tomato Sauce, Marinara, Vodka or Alfredo Sauce with Meatball or Sausage Served over your choice of spaghetti, angel hair, linguini, penne or rigatoni</p> <p>Giro D' Italia (Tour of Italy) Ravioli, gnocchi, spaghetti and stuffed shell with one meatball or one sausage, topped with our fresh homemade tomato sauce</p> <p>Rigatoni all Primavera Mushrooms, onion, broccoli, carrots and tomato in a light red sauce</p> <p>Manicotti Stuffed Shells</p> <p>Penne al Forno Penne prepared in a meat sauce with ricotta cheese, topped with mozzarella & baked to perfection</p> <p>**Melanzana Parmigiana (Eggplant Parmigiana)</p>	<p>Gamberi Scampi (Shrimp Scampi) Shrimp sautéed in butter & garlic, seasoned with Italian herbs, and served over your choice of pasta</p> <p>Salsa di Vongole Red or white clam sauce served over choice of pasta</p> <p>**6 oz. Filet Mignon (additional \$4)</p> <p>**Vitello o Pollo Parmigiana (Veal or Chicken Parmigiana)</p> <p>**Chicken Marsala Sautéed with fresh mushrooms in a marsala wine sauce</p> <p>**Deep Fried or Broiled Crab Cake</p> <p>**Fried Shrimp</p> <p>**Sogliola al Forno o Fritta (Broiled or Fried Flounder) Lightly breaded and seasoned with Italian herbs, and broiled or fried to perfection</p>
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All Entrees Include Cup of Soup or Fresh Garden Salad, Bread & Butter and Dessert
**Entrees Include Vegetable & Potato or Side of Pasta

Raw Bar

<p>Shrimp Cocktail - \$11</p> <p>Super Lump Crabmeat Cocktail - \$11.5</p> <p>Clams on the Half Shell (6) - \$8.5 Locally harvested clams, chilled with a side of cocktail sauce and lemon</p>	<p>Oysters on the Half Shell (6) - \$10.5 Cape May salt oysters, chilled with a side of cocktail sauce and lemon</p> <p>Clams (3) and Oysters (3) on the Half Shell - \$9.5</p>
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Wednesday, 13 September

Group breakfast at the Doo Wop Coffee and Ice Cream Shop (a short walk from the Shalimar).

Farewell, except for those who plan to extend their stay.

General notes:

- (1) Please select your top 2 or 3 photos and/or video from your tour(s) aboard ANDROSCOGGIN and send them ASAP to Tom Vento; [727-841-0407](tel:727-841-0407); keepalive@keepalive.net.
- (2) Guest speakers include Gerald A. ("Gerry") McGill, Esq., C.O. of POINT WELCOME during Tet '68, Mr. Quang Nguyen, American entrepreneur and Craig MacCullough, ANDY vet who was part of the racing stripe design team.
- (3) The beach and boardwalk are available all the time.
- (4) The hospitality room will be open **most** of the time.
- (5) Please sound off if you would like to volunteer for an event planning or execution task. Please check from the tasks listed below which you would be willing to assist with.

Current registrants (31 people; 16 shipmates, many with spouses or other guests) include:

Bill Bishop	Craig MacCullough	Gerry Remillard	Paul Swisher
Lloyd George	Paul Matsko	Milt Rose	Ray Young
Dennis Greenawald	Gerry McGill	Mike Sexton	Elmick Brasseaux
Bill Jones	Quang Nguyen	Marion Smith	David White

Approximately 7 other registrations, representing 13 additional participants, are expected to be received this week. **We want to see you!**

Please feel free to contact any of us on the Reunion Planning Committee if you have any questions.

Lloyd George	Lloyd.George@lfgcpa.com	H. 609-799-3294 O. 609-799-5863 C. 609-915-4485
Dave White	androskogginreunion@tampabay.rr.com	H. (727)729-7839 C. (727)204-4638
Paul Swisher	circlered@teleclipse.net	334-885-6388

Milt Rose

rose.miltr@gmail.com

713-301-5354

See next two pages for registration details and cap/shirt ordering details.

Send this page back to Lloyd George with your registration fee, indication of assistance that you are willing to provide, your needs for physical assistance, dietary restrictions and ball cap/polo shirt order. **Thank you!**

Registration:

Date: _____

Name: _____ Guest(s): _____

participants ___ x \$67 = \$ _____ Made payable to Keith Hill, LLC. Send check and this page to:

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46 Hamilton Lane
Plainsboro, NJ 08536

Yes, I would like to assist with the following tasks:

a. Welcome guests.	___
b. Assist in the hospitality room serving snacks, beverages or with clean up.	___
c. Organize and maintain table of memorabilia.	___
d. Coordinate the receipt to a central repository of photos and video clips to be played	Tom Vento

using A/V equipment at the Shalimar.	
e. Coordinate compilation of life stories to be collected as a "Memory Book" and distributed to all participants.	_____
f. Cook at the barbecue.	_____

I/we will participate in the Monday excursion to Cape May

Yes _____ (Indicate headcount)

No _____

Describe physical assistance needed: _____

Describe dietary restriction: _____

See the following page for ball and shirt ordering details.

Total amount of order	Price	Quantity	Ball Cap

Ball cap and polos shirt order:

Cap/shirt quantities are limited to the following inventory on hand:

- Regular ball caps : 8 (E1 through O4)
- Officer ball cap: 1 (O5 and O6)
- Polo Golf Shirt: 4 medium
- " 2 large
- " 3 extra large

In order to provide shirts and caps for anyone who wants to purchase them, beyond the existing inventory, please fill out the order form below. If we achieve sufficient quantities to satisfy the requirements of a minimum order, we'll provide same. Otherwise, fulfillment will be on a first-come, first-serve basis, and residual payments will be refunded.

Make a separate check payable to David White and mail it to him 3017 Saint Croix Drive, Clearwater,

FL 33759 by **Wednesday, 9 August 2017.**

Ball Cap			# Polo Shirt			Total amount of order
		Qty.			Qty.	
Regular	\$15.00		S	\$20.00		
Single eggs	\$17.00		M	\$20.00		
Double eggs	\$18.00		L	\$20.00		
			XL	\$24.00		
			XXL	\$24.00		
Total						\$ _____

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