

CONNECTIONS

The following entries are taken from the Web Log. Some have been edited in the interest of brevity. The original comments are intact on the website.

Donald Morgan, BM

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Hi my grandfather Kenneth Mathis served on the Gunston Hall as an e3. He passed away on July 13. For all of you who knew him please keep him in your prays. Thank you.

Royal Eckert

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My Dad was on the ship during WWII. He is doing well here in Nebraska. He remembered a few of the names on the log. One thing he did was painted the name on the ship after the War for the first time. Feel free to email me and i will pass it on. Andy

Albert Salois, SN, 1964-67

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See many of former shipmates in this time frame. Enjoyed some great times!! Some-- not so good!!!

Forrest Roberts, HM, 1967-68

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Oliver Humphrey, MM, 1966-70

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Coker, I tried to email you, Robert Luke, I have tried to find you. Email me if you see this. God Bless You All!

Frank Schlangen, FN, 1966-67

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I fondly recall service aboard the "Gunnysack." This was my first tour of sea duty and led me to retire CWO-2.

Terry Troglin, BM, 1964-66

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Looking forward to attending my first reunion in Texas

Joe Whitehill, ET, 1956-59

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Enjoyed serving aboard the "Gunny Sack." Lots of fond memories. Glad to find out about the website. Hope to see you all in San Antonio in 2013.

Bob Chamberlin, SN, 1963-64

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Elias Lake Tolbert, MM, 1942-46

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Shipmates planning to attend As of December 15

ANDERSON Mike RM 66-68
ANDREWS Andy MM 43-46
BACK Don BM 53-54
BEYER Bob RM 69-70
BRUNELLE Robert RM 61-62
BUICK Jack RD 56-59
CORNER Bud BM 57-60
CRAYCRAFT. Jim EM 66-70
CREMER Chod BM 50-53
DIZONA Joe RM 63-66
DRISCOLL Bill BM 62-65
DUNKLEBERGER Gary RM 60-62
HARDY Ken EM 67-70
INFANTE Val MM 52-56
JOJOLA Lucas BM 65-69
JONES Kelly BT 65-68
JOSEPHSON Jerry BM 57-60
KENNEDY Ron PN 57-59
KIRALY Joe LT 67-68
KNOX Tom SN 67
KOMIS George SN 62-65
KOOISTRA Tom MM 65-67
LARSON Harold SK 51-54
LEON Ray MM 49-50
MCLAUGHLIN Earl RD 68-70
MCMILLIN Floyd SN 60-62
MCQUATE Dick RM 64-66
NEWTON Bill SN 57-61
O'CONNOR Rory MM 60-64
O'KELLEY Pat GM 51-54
PARSLEY Don SK 51-54
PETERS Jim BM 57-59
PFISTER Marion MM 61-64
PRIZZI John MM 53-56
ROH Bob SK 54-56
SAIZ Donald EN 66-67
SILKETT Van MM 59-63
SUNDQUIST Bob HM 51-53
SURRETT Charles MM 50-54
TANK Ed MM 64-65
TIDWELL Bob MM 59-63
TOLBERT E.L. MM 43-46
TRAPP Harry MR 52-54
TROGLIN Terry Lee BM 64-66
VOLLMER Robert FN 67-68
WEAVER Shelton BM 58-62
WELLINGTON Chuck MM 69-70
WETTER Gene MM 67-69
WHITEHILL, Joe, ET, 56-59
WRIGHT Jimmy RD 56-58
WALLERSTEIN George LT 51-53

Dues Expired?

Send your check for \$20 for a full years dues made out to GHRA to our treasurer We can't do it without your support. Thanks much.

Chod Cremer, Treasurer
P. O. Box 201, Agency, IA 52530.

Check the website for updates:
ussgunstonhall.org

San Antonio Info

San Antonio is the seventh largest city in the United States and the second largest in the state of Texas with a population of over one million in the city and more than two million in the greater metro area. It is the home of the Alamo, one of several early Spanish missions in Texas (it is also known as Mission San Antonio de Valero) and the site of the famous battle in 1836.

Temperatures in late April, early May are around 80 during the day and cooler in the evening. There may be a few April showers.

San Antonio Links

sanantonio.gov
downtownsanantonio.org

Nimitz Museum Info



pacificwarmuseum.org

A tour of the National Museum of the Pacific War also known as the Nimitz Museum is planned for Monday, the 29th. This is where we have our plaque of the ship on display and from what I've seen it looks like it's a great tour. Many shipmates have told me they plan to go. So when you get this newsletter if you think you would like to go and you haven't informed me already, please notify me as soon as possible in order that transportation may be arranged (the museum is about 70 miles out).. Admission prices are \$12 but if we have a group of 20 or more the price is \$8. Also WWII veterans are free.

-Ron

In Memoriam

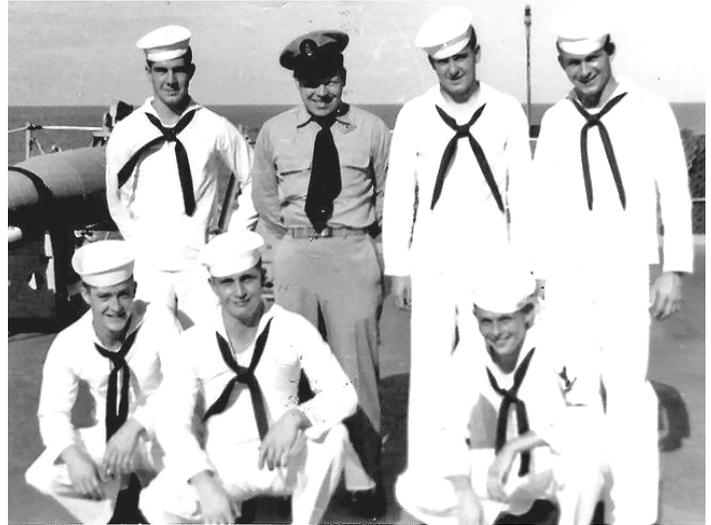
Tom Levett, ET, 1951-52
Fred Tooker, YN, 1952-55

Nostalgia

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Have you ever stopped to think what it took to feed the Gunny Sack crew? Following is a partial (unsubstantiated) list of a single month's supplies as reported in the referenced periodical.

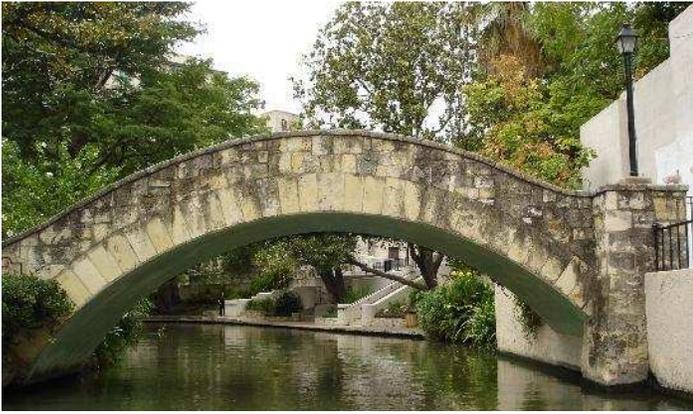
Flour	5,250 lbs	Meat	7,600 lbs
Fresh veggies	10,400 lbs	Canned veggies	3,270 lbs
Frozen veggies	1,600 lbs	Fresh fruit	1,470 lbs
Canned fruit	2,500 lbs	Coffee	1,100 lbs
Powdered milk	1,000 lbs	Butter	1,300 lbs
Eggs	1,071 doz	Shortening	1,122 lbs
Sugar	2,400 lbs	Dry beans	600 lbs



'E' Division in Sasebo, circa 1951



Mary Soo and crew painting the hull



San Antonio 2013



FREE ROOM

See Page 1 for details



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History

San Antonio has a rich and varied history and is the oldest European settlement in Texas. To many of us, the singular defining element in the history is the Alamo and the Battle of the Alamo.

Santa Anna led the Mexican army into Texas in the spring of 1836 intending to end the Texian rebellion. Victory was expected and many residents abandoned the area. A volunteer force including James Bowie and Davy Crockett remained and occupied the Alamo, at the time a deserted mission. After a siege lasting 12 days, Santa Anna stormed the Alamo overwhelming the defenses. All of the defenders were killed and became known as "Martyrs to Texas Independence."

