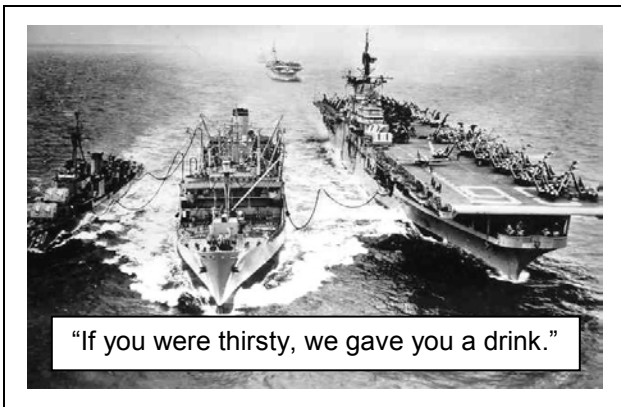




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THE
NEWSLETTER
OF THE
U. S. S. TOLOVANA AO-64
"WE CARRY THE LOAD"**



Dedicated to the deceased and living members of the best Fleet Oiler in the U. S. Navy.

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**2014 REUNION: September 29, 30, & October 1 - Monday, Tuesday
& WEDNESDAY IN COCOA BEACH FLORIDA**

RANDELL 'OKIE' BAUGHMAN IS OUR HOST FOR THE 2014
USS TOLOVANA REUNION.



Okie on the Tolovana ~ 1964



Okie now ~ 2014

Our 2014 Tolovana reunion is set for **September 29, 30 and October 1.**

We are staying at the **Best Western Ocean Front 5600 N. Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach FL.** Reservations can be made at **321-783-7621 - Be sure to let them know you are with the USS Tolovana reunion.**

ASK FOR CHERYL IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS REGARDING RESERVATIONS

(NOTE CHECK IN TIME AT THE BEST WESTERN IS 4 PM BUT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ALLOW EARLY ARRIVALS TO MEET IN THE HOSPITALITY/MEETING ROOM BEFORE ROOM CHECK IN).

The cost for a King bed room or two (2) Queen Bed room is **\$79.95 plus 11% tax.**

All rooms have microwave, refrigerator, free Wi-Fi and free hot breakfast. There is free parking.

Hotel Website is www.bestwestern.com/Cocoa_Beach.

The hotel is right on the beach and is in walking distance to restaurants and shopping.

The banquet will be at the Atlantic Ocean Grill on Wednesday night for a cost of \$20.95 per person.

The banquet at the Atlantic Ocean Grill located on the Cocoa Beach Pier is a very short walking distance from the hotel. The cost is \$20.95 and has 5 choices for the meal. There is band playing at the Pier that night right after the banquet.

There is a planned **all day bus trip to the Kennedy Space Center on Tuesday morning at a cost of \$55.** We need you to **RSVP ASAP for this event.**

There are other scheduled events like a half day casino cruise boat that goes off shore and the bus for this comes right to the hotel

There is also a scheduled trip to the TICO

Warbird's museum for those who want

Off shore fishing trips and air boat rides can also be made available.

Cocoa Beach is a beautiful place and the Best Western is a beautiful hotel with lots to do.

Contact Okie Baughman at 321-777-0868 or okie_baughman@yahoo.com if you have any questions or want to RSVP for the events.

USS TOLOVANA 2014 REUNION AGENDA

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH

6 – 8 AM - free breakfast in the hotel.

9:00 AM - **Registration** begins in the hospitality room. An attendee's form or the current roster will be available for attendees to fill out or highlight your names on the roster so everyone will know who is in attendance and for the newsletter. Any change of address, phone # and email addresses should be noted. The hospitality room is stocked with coffee, soft drinks and snacks.

Raffle tickets will be sold for the raffle of a beautiful hand made blanket made by Lenda Barnes using photographs of the Tolovana sailors she received from the crew. Also other Navy/Tolovana items that have been donated, AND, for the lucky winner to split the jackpot! **The more you buy the better your chance of winning. Last year Mary Ann Peel won \$350!!**

Donations of Tolovana or Navy items to be raffled off are requested as the raffles are how we raise money for our reunions in-lieu-of paying a reunion service organization. Last year Joe Bear donated a USS Tolovana placket and Sachi Haynes donated a beautiful USS Tolovana table runner.

LUNCH, DINNER AND RUNNING AROUND IS ON YOUR OWN.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH

6 – 9 AM - Free breakfast at BEST WESTERN.

9 AM – 4 PM – Visit the local attractions on your own or for those signed up go on the Kennedy Space Center tour Kennedy Space Center bus tour.

6- 8 PM - Business meeting in the Best Western hospitality room.

Volunteers to host the 2014 reunion will have an opportunity to tell the group as to the where & when they would like to host the reunion. If there are two, or more, volunteers to host the 2014 reunion an election will be held.

Final chance to buy raffle tickets before the raffle starts.

8 PM – The **RAFFLE** will be held.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1ST

6 – 9 AM - Free breakfast at the Best Western.

9 AM – 5 PM – Visit the local attractions on your own.

5:30 PM – Reunion attendee's group photo for the newsletter and any others that want to take pictures in the hospitality room. After photos we will walk to the Atlantic Ocean Grill for the banquet

6 - 8 PM Banquet at the Atlantic Ocean Grill.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 2ND

0630 – 0900 - Free breakfast at the Best Western.

Checkout and goodbyes until next year.

The attendees at the 2013 reunion in Hot Springs voted to have the 2014 reunion in Cincinnati to be hosted by Calvin and Maria LaBorde and the 2015 reunion was to be hosted by Okie Baughman in Florida.

However the best of plans do sometimes go awry, especially at our age. Calvin had to have back surgery March 21st and Maria had to go to the hospital, twice, in March. Therefore they were unable to host the 2014 reunion. I talked to Calvin today and he is recovering as expected and Maria is doing much better. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers for quick recovery.

Okie Baughman gracefully accepted hosting the reunion this year. Lets all give Okie mega Atta boys for taking it on!

It is sad news to report Commander Charles Wuhrman, Tolovana XO, 1951-53 passed away September 2013 in Lake Forrest CA. His son Bill said they scattered his ashes at sea per his wishes. Commander Wuhrman was the XO when I came aboard the ship in 1952 and I remember him as a first class XO Officer.

It is sad to hear that Carthel G. Williams, BM2, 1951-54 passed away on Nov. 2, 2013 due to heart failure. He was proud of his service and loved the USS Tolovana and crew.

I am sorry to inform you but Oscar Tempfel, TE3, 1952-53, passed away on July 7, 2013 at 11:05 A;M at Virginia Baptist in Lynchburg, Virginia. He was suffering with Bladder cancer and they had given him 3-6 months to live and he lived 4 months. I really miss him a lot as we were married for 46 years.

Loretta Tempfel

I am sorry to report that David Lamberson passed away Dec.16, 2013 of CHF. In Sarasota, FL. at age 78. David was the Supply Officer, LTJG, on board from 1958-60.

His wife Sandra says those were memorable days in Long Beach. He had a great sense of humor and kept it to the very end asking, "Don't they have anyone else to operate on?" He had 2 open heart surgeries in 11 months plus a pacemaker implant. He missed his 79th birthday on Christmas Day. He was our rock.

Mrs. Sandra Lamberson
Ronald Lamberson and Family
Sherry Kegel and Family.

HOWARD HENSLEY
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