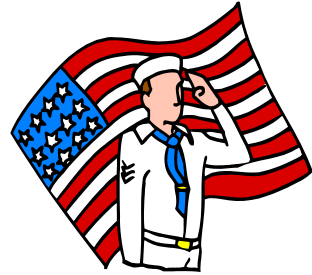


Navy Postal Clerk Association



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Treasurer: Steven Hill



Posted by Gil Hough and Jack Spellman on June 10, 2010

A combined message from your Navy Postal Clerk Association Elected Officers:

The main focus of this newsletter is to recap our Reunion events for those who were unable to attend the event. We want all of you to become a NPCA recruiter and we will give you one free year membership for each new or old member you bring back to the Association.

FYI: Dues that are in arrears more than six months will cause your name to be eliminated from the mailing list. Please keep them paid to date to ensure we can operate the Association.

Las Vegas Reunion Events May 3-6, 2010

Monday May 3, 2010: Check in, identify and renew old buddies which is hard to do because we are getting older and our profiles and memory are not what they used to be (ha ha). We had snacks (beer) in the hospitality room and sold tickets for the first 50/50 raffle.

Tuesday May 4, 2010: A few members went on tours of the local area to include Hoover Dam. A fair amount of gambling took place. The hotel held a reception luncheon for us at noon; great meal. A 50/50 raffle was conducted. The winners were Bunny Aarnold; Steve Adamak & Darlene Williams. Good job you all! Gil will issue the IRS form 1099 to you soon (ha ha)! A slot machine tournament was held this day too and the winners are: 1st place was Ed Carter, 2nd was Pam Peters, 3rd was Wally Faulkner, 4th was Bernie Kauffman, and 5th was Lois Masters.

Force Master Chief (LSCM) and former PCCM Jim Collins of the Navy Supply Systems Command stopped by to say hello on his way to NAS Fallon, Nevada to give a briefing. The distance from Las Vegas to Fallon is about 8 hours by car. Jim will be retiring in December and states he will be an active member of **NPCA**.

Wednesday May 5, 2010: Open day to tour, see shows and gamble. Many observed **Cinco de Mayo day** and had a boatload of cerveza (beer) and margaritas.

Thursday May 6, 2010: Our Association Meeting came to order at 1000 hours. Our guest speaker was PCCM Ron Kyle, USN (Ret) who did a magnificent job of preparing a briefing on Navy Postal Operations from its inception to its demise. Very little attention is being devoted to Postal Operations ashore and afloat. We discovered that the old Fleet Post Office in San Francisco (JMPAPAC) is being moved to Los Angeles and New York was moved to New Jersey several years ago. Former Postal Clerks are being assigned supply duties so they can learn the other aspects of their new rating (Logistics Specialist). Former Storekeepers are being assigned to operate the very limited postal operations so they can learn their new function. It is our understanding that money order business has been eliminated too.

Harlan Kikrendall announced that he was unable to continue as Vice President. All other officers agreed to continue in their current positions. An election was held for Vice President and Gil Hough was elected. Gil & Jack will continue with the **NPCA** newsletter twice a year around June and December. Bravo Zulu Kirk for all of your hard work and dedication!

Gil Hough nominated Abel Quinones to become our third honorary (paid) member for his service and dedication to the Association. He was so appointed.

A vote was taken for the place of the 2012 reunion. Branson, Missouri was selected as the place of choice. We all agreed that it should be held sometime in the first two week of May 2012.

A second 50/50 raffle was conducted and the following were the lucky winners: 1st place was Lou Sprinkle, 2nd place was Gary Lybarger and third was Harlan Kikrendall.

Reunion photos were taken by duty station, i.e. Japan, Philippines, Hong Kong, United Kingdom, Italy and the rest of the Med, and Coast. A separate photo of the Senior Postal Clerk at the reunion (John Peters) was taken and finally one with all the ladies. The cost of the reunion/memory book is \$30.00 and will be mailed to all shortly. It can still be ordered by contacting the following:

Photomemorybooks.com
The Dunning Company
P.O. Box 759
Theodore, AL 36590

Phone: (251) 653-7486
Toll Free: 1-(800) 846-6335

The benediction was given by Jack Spellman and Shipmates Forever was read by Mike Dwyer. **Abel Quinones played taps on his bugle; He is a highly accomplished musician!** The banquet was held at 1800 hours and was scrumptious. It was arranged and paid for by our Association. Thanks Mike for the great job of arranging all the details for us.

A panel of experts gathered to select three members who attended the reunion with special recognition. Remember that what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas:

Driver of the Year: Michael Bertalan.

Mr. Congeniality: Bernie Kauffman.

Quietest and most shy: Gil Hough.

Friday May 7, 2010: Check out and return home. See you in Branson in 2012.

Hotel Charges: Cost per room +\$9.90 for services such as transportation, WIFI, Exercise room, pool & free local calls. All hotels that our President contacted wanted from \$7-\$16 a day for services. Additionally, there was a 12% tax imposed which goes to the City & Country for updated infrastructure etc. This is known as transit accommodation tax. All these charges are becoming normal everywhere.

NEW MEMBERS CORNER

PC2 Richard (Rick) Smalley, 61 years old. Retired from BNSF railroad, with 35 years. Navy service from 5 Aug 1968 to 5 Aug, 1972. After basic training, I was assigned to Helicopter Combat Squadron One (HC-1), next I was assigned to Naval Station Sangley Point, P.I. ; next I was assigned to FPO San Francisco. When I was at Sangley Point I worked with PC1 Johnny Lummus, PCC Warren C. Ellison, PC2 Charlie Ramsey, PC2 C. D. Vanlandingham, PC2 Tom Davis, SN Richard Gilbert, SN Terry Gillespie. During my tour at FPO San Francisco I was with LT. George Maddsen, CWO Sam Nixon, PCCM Sherman, PCCS Bertrand, PCC Eugene Connely, PC1 Bob Brokaw, PC1 Phil Haack, PC1 Bill Wicker, PC1 Dick Mroz, YN1 Byrd, PC2 Bill Bauer, and PC2 Topliff. My Address is 431 Majors St. (Box 244) Butte, NE. 68722; phone # (402) 340-1228; email: rdsmalley@hotmail.com

TE3 Joseph "Red" Marron. He served from 1951-1955 and lives at the following address: Post Office Box 537 Mimbres, New Mexico 88049; (505) 536-2937. He served in Morocco; Naples; USS Black (DD-666) and one other destroyer.

PC3 John Kaperka, served aboard the USS Stormes (DD-780) in Norfolk from 1965-1967, he left the Navy and was in the hospitality industry from 1967-2006. He ran restaurants at O'hare field, Chicago, Illinois and was a hotel general manager for hotels at Day's Inn, Comfort Inns, Best Western, Sheraton, Howard Johnsons & Holiday Inn. Hotels ranged from 68 to 350 rooms in full service facilities, He lives in Tucson, Arizona for six months and Indiana for six months. He can be reached at: (520) 323-0047; email: kaparka@kaanca.com

YNSN Theophil "Bud" Schaffer, as a mail clerk in the Navy, I was with FAETUPAC, located on North Island, San Diego. It was in a small 6 by 8 room, I sorted and delivered mail to the different offices, I sold stamps, handled packages. I remember having to get a Security Check for it. When I wasn't a mail clerk, my other job was as a clerk or yeoman in the Legal Office. After the Navy I worked on guard rail installation in Oregon, and also installing wire fencing around a Game Preserve in Eastern Oregon. Then I went back to South Dakota and became a Police Officer for the City of Aberdeen, SD for 25 years. My last job was a retirement home manager and then retirement! He served on active duty from June 1959-June 1963. He can be reached at: (605) 225-4111 in Aberdeen, South Dakota or at his email: bischaf@nvc.net

PCCS Melvin (Mel) Deweese, he served on nine different ships, ten years of which were in Hawaii (lucky you), and GITMO and Subic. A real sailor's sailor He now is a truck driver in Virginia Beach, Virginia. His dates of service were from June 1968-June 1994. He can be contacted at: (757) 471-3279; cell: (757) 343-9588 or doloresdeweese@verizon.net

I was asked by several members to include the current dues status in the newsletter at least once each

year.: Our Treasurer is LNCM Steve Hill, USN, (Ret). Send dues to him as follows:

"Annual membership dues are \$20 for two years" Send dues to him at: NPCA, 32265 Via Arias, Temecula, CA 92592. Phone: (951) 303-0412.

Steven.Hill@med.navy.mil

PC1... Doug Aamond 30 Nov 11	PCC... Joe Martin due
PC3... David Abram due	PCCM Jim Masters 30 Nov 11
PC1... Stephon Adamik 31Jan 14	PCC... Jack McCullough 31 May 13
PCCM George Andrada 30 Jun 08	PC1... Hugh McDougall 31 Jan 08 due
PC2. Michael Arkuszewski 31 Jan 10	PC1... Ronald I.McEntee 30 Jun 10
PCC... Terrell Baardsgarrd 30 Apr 12	PCCS. Ervin L. McIntyre 30 Jul 10
PC1... Macon Barham 31 May 11	PCC... Grover C. McLaughlin 31 Jan 10
PC2... David Battiste 31 Jan 08 due	PCC... Barbara McNabb 31 Mar 13
Mr...Van Bean Honorary	PC1... Marilyn Miyazima due
PCC... Bob Begarly 30 Jun 14	PCCM Carl Montoya 31 Aug 11
PC3... Michael Bell due	PCC James Munn 31 May 09
PCCM Michael Bertalan 31 Jan 12	PC3... Louis Munoz 31 Jul 12
TEM2. John Blakesley due	CIV...Henry Negishi (Honorary)
CWO Vincent Blank due	PCCS Russell Nichols 31 Dec 11
PCCM Craig Boehringer due	PCC Harold Nida 28 Feb 12
PC1... Tommy Briggs 30 Jun 12	PCC... Virgil Noe 31 Mar 09
YNC(SS) John P. Brough 30 Jun 10	PC2... Kathy O'Dell due
PCCS George Burke 30 Jan 12	PCC. F. A. Palkovic 30 Jun 08
PCC... Ed Carter 31 Mar 10	PCCM Michael Patras 28 Feb 14
PCCM John Clark 31 Jan 12	PCCM William Pederson 31 May 11
PCC Jim Clay 31 May 10	PCCM George Perkins Sr.31 Mar 10
CMDCM (SW) James A. Collins 30 Jun 10	PCCM John Peters 31 Jan 12
PC1... Joyce Cook 30 Jun 10	PCCS. George Piette 28 Feb 10
PC1... Robert Cochran, Sr.due	PCC Gerald Piper 31 Mar 10
PC2... Michael W. Davis due	PC1... Harvey A. Pitcher 31 Oct 13
PCCM John Devlin 31 Aug 17	PC1... Robert Polanowski due
PCCS Melvin DeWeese 30 Apr 12	PC1... Joel Porter 30 Sep 09
PC1... Robert Diehl 31 Jul 11	PCCM William Powers 30 Apr 10
PCCM Roland Dorman 30 Apr 12	CDR... Ron Prestidge 31 Mar 12
PCCM Michael P Dwyer 28 Feb 10	PC3.... K.C. Priest 30 Sep 10
PCC Leon Edwards 31 Aug 11	PCCM Abel Quinones (Honorary)
PC2.... Richard Egger 30 Nov 09	PCCM Joe Raun 31 May 11
PCC... Gene Fanton 31 Mar 11	PCC Frank Rhodes 30 Jun 12
PCCM Wallace Faulkner 31 Jul 14	PC1 . H.R. Richards 31 May 10
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PCCM William Fults 31 Jan 12	MaM1. Edward Rickgauer 28 Feb 12
PC1... Jerry Gayre 31 Jul 08	PCC. Charles Rigby 31 Aug 2012
PCC Russell Goodwin 31 Aug 11	PC3.. Greg Riojas 31 Jul 11
PCCS Argel Greene 28 Feb 18	PCCM Jeff Rogers 30 Aug 10
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PC1 Samantha Hall 30 Apr 10	YNSN. Theophil Schaffer 30 Apr 2012
PC1... Ghery Hauldren 31 Mar 11	PC1-- Richard Schulke 30 Nov 11
LNCM Steven Hill 30 Nov 11	PC2... Dave Schwabenbauer 31 May 12
PC2 Dean Hoe 30 June 2011	PCCS Clyde Seabury 31 Jan 12
PC1 Mike Hogan 30 Nov 10	PC3... Richard B.Silbert 31 Jul 09
PCCM Gil Hough 31 Aug 11	PC1... Dale Sloan due
PC1... Maynard Howard 31 Jan 08 due	PC2.... Richard Smalley 31 Jan 12
PC1... Patrick Huston 31 Jan 12	PCCM Lloyd Smethers 30 Sep 09
PC1... Theodore Johnson 31 Aug 12	MACS Larry Smith 30 Jun 12
PC3...John Karperka 30 Apr 2012	PCCS John Spellman 30 APR 12
PCCM Paul Kauffman 30 Sep 11	PCCM Lou Sprinkle 31 Jan 12
PCCS Bernie Kaufman 28 Feb 11	PCCS Charlie Stancil 31 Jul 10
PCCM Marlin Kirby 31 Dec 11	PC1..Ronald Stevens 31 Aug 11
PCC... Harlan Kirkendal 31 Jan 12	PC1..Dennis Stockwell due
PC1... Allen Krohn 31 May 12	PC1... Larry Stout due
PCCM Ron Kyle 31 Mar 12	PC1...Monty Stover 31 Jul 12
PCCM Doyt Ladd 31 Mar 14	LCDR Robert Strath 30 Nov 09
PCCM C "Red" D Lail 31 Jan 08 dueDouglas Sylvester 30 Sep 10
PCCS Ed Larson 30 Apr 08	PCCM Howard W. (Butch) Thornrose Jr.30 Jun 10
PCC... John Lilja due	PCCS Linda Toledo 31 Aug 15
PCCM Fritz Loeffler 31 Jul 08	PCCS Vern Uhl due
PCC.. Gary Lybarger 31 Jul 12	PC1... Bill Vanderslice 31 Dec 11
PC3... Arthur Mager, Jr.31 Jan 12	PCC. Phil Watson 30 Apr 10
PC2... Mindy Maner due	PC2... D. Williams 31 May 11
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PCC James Marsh 31 May 11	PCCS..Pete Woodley 30 Apr 10

