Think Fall, Think September
Think September 16th-20th, Fall
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 2015
With your Shipmates, Sea stories
(Some vague, some clear)
Woo Hoo! (Ooh Rah! for our Marine buddies)

New memories to be made old ones
to remember and share.

In Milwaukee !!!

Property Location
With a stay at Crowne Plaza Milwau-
kee Airport in South Milwaukee, you'll be convenient to Mitchell Gal-
ley of Flight. This hotel is within the
vicinity of Alverno College Pitman
Theatre and Rock Snow Park.

Milwaukee Art Museum
Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group Enters U.S. 5th Fleet

The Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group (TRCSG) arrived in the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations (AOO) following a routine transit of the Suez Canal, April 6.
Dear Shipmate,

With much effort and a whole lot of patience on his part, Reunion Chairman, Dave Long, has put the final touches on this year’s reunion, scheduled for Wednesday, 16 September to Sunday, 20 September in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Reunion Registration Form and detailed information about reunion activities are included in this issue of The Masthead. Also included is the hotel reservation information for the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the Airport. As always, it is important that you make reservations early in order to obtain the guaranteed reduced room rate. If you plan to fly to Milwaukee, please know that there will be convenient free shuttle service to and from the hotel, which is only a couple miles down the road from the airport.

It's important to point out, in an effort to save you money, your officers and directors voted to keep the registration fee the same as last year with the Association subsidizing all operating expenses over that fee amount!! We hope this action offers you a more comfortable decision to be with us in Milwaukee.

From previous communications through both The Masthead and our website e-mail, you’ve been made aware of your officers’ and directors’ search to fill Association positions, namely, vice president and membership secretary. After a frustratingly long and unsuccessful search, our current membership secretary and reunion chairman, Dave Long, volunteered to fill the VP position. To give him relief from his other duties, we then sought to locate a new membership secretary. Our treasurer, Sam Saverine, recommended and volunteered to combine both his treasurer responsibilities with those of membership secretary. Since these two positions (finances and members) work so closely together, it is a merge with which I agree and strongly support. A primary benefit of this merger is providing a single destination for member dues payments and maintenance of those membership records. Therefore, as soon as Dave’s work on a new roster is completed, he will transfer membership files and data to treasurer Sam Saverine. The new position will be identified as Membership Secretary/Treasurer. I sincerely thank both these officers for their spirit of volunteerism and cooperation for the benefit of you, our member, and for the Association as a whole.

Also announced in previous communications as well as at last year’s reunion, the Association is transitioning The Masthead publication from hard copy printing and USPS mailing to computer availability on our website. This is being initiated in an effort to save Association financial resources. Please understand, if you are among the few members who do not have a computer, The Masthead will continue to be mailed to you!! All other members will be able to simply pull up The Masthead from our website. And if you’re like me, and want to hold it in your hands, just print it out. Nothing lost….and a lot of money saved for your Association!

Elsewhere in The Masthead, you will find a separate letter from me addressing two critical issues: Dues Payment and E-mail Address. I ask you to please read that letter and promptly act on both of those matters. See you in Milwaukee!!

Yours in service,

Ray Zall
This Newsletter is dedicated to all the men who served aboard these extraordinary ships in service to their country whether in times of war or peace.

Milwaukee

The largest city in the State of Wisconsin, the 31st most populous city in the United States, and 39th most populous region in the United States. It is the county seat of Milwaukee County and is located on the southwestern shore of Lake Michigan. According to 2010 census data, the City of Milwaukee has a population of 594,833. Milwaukee is the main cultural and economic center of the Milwaukee–Racine–Waukesha Metropolitan Area with a population of 2,040,498 as of an official 2013 estimate. This ranks the region as the 29th most populous Combined Statistical Area of the United States. In 2012, Milwaukee was listed as a gamma global city by the Globalization and World Cities Research Network.

Tour #1: Milwaukee Beer Barons Thursday - 9:30am-1:30pm

Milwaukee is known as "Brew City" and on this tour we’ll give you a taste of how the beer barons influenced the city. Big names such as Pabst, Blatz, Schlitz and Miller are the beers that made Milwaukee famous. You'll see Miller Park, home of the Milwaukee Brewers, and Miller Valley where Miller/Coors is still producing 10 million barrels of beer a year. We'll see some of the homes of the Beer Barons and find out what has become of the former breweries, stopping at Best Place at the Historic Pabst Brewery for a look at the old brewery and a toast to the beloved beer baron, Captain Frederick Pabst. We'll have a German Sampler lunch at Mader's German Restaurant, offering great hospitality in Milwaukee since 1901. Cheers! $45 per person - includes lunch.

Tour #2: Milwaukee Overview – Friday - 2 hours - 9am-11am

This tour will give you a good overview of Milwaukee learning about the history as well as the current progress. You'll see how Milwaukee got its name from the Potawatomi meaning "Gathering Place by the Water" as we cross the rivers and see the Port of Milwaukee. We'll drive through the many different ethnic neighborhoods noting the influence the European immigrants had on the city as well as notable architecture such as Milwaukee City Hall and the many historic churches. We'll stop at the Milwaukee County War Memorial Center on the shoreline of Lake Michigan. Memorials include the Honor Roll and Eternal Flame honoring soldiers of WWII, and the Korean and Vietnam Wars. From the deck of the War Memorial we’ll have a great viewing area of the Milwaukee Art Museum to watch the brise soleil (moveable sunscreen) open at 10am. The building goes through a stunning transformation as 90 tons of steel open to the same wingspan of a 747 to resemble a bird in flight over Lake Michigan. We'll then continue along the shoreline of Lake Michigan seeing the beautiful parks and lakefront mansions. Milwaukee is a beautiful city sure to impress you! $35 per person - includes a snack.
Dear Shipmate,

On the cover label of this Masthead, there is an indicator about dues payment. On the chance that you have overlooked the beginning year notice that it is time to pay your Association dues….actually, it is now past due….we ask you to promptly write a check and send it to our Treasurer. If you believe you have received this past-due notice in error; that you have paid your dues, please contact our Treasurer in order to correct our records. If you don’t see a dues payment indicator, our records show you have already paid your dues.

As you might imagine, any organization requires a steady flow of funds in order to operate and serve in a professional manner. Your USS Mount McKinley Association is no different. We must remain solvent if we are to continue as a patriotic and social organization, and as an information conduit to all our members and associate members. And that includes being able to conduct our Annual Reunions – this year being held in Milwaukee, WI from 16 September through 20 September. Additionally, for you to be an Active Member of the Association, it’s important your dues are paid when called for and in a timely manner.

Please do us a big favor….do your shipmates a big favor….mail your dues check today! Whether it’s the one year $12 check or two year $24 check, please get it in the mail today.

Mail to:   SAM SAVERINE, Treasurer 30 Westleigh Drive Harwinton, CT 06791

We look forward to you remaining an ACTIVE MEMBER of the USS Mount McKinley Association, and being with us in Milwaukee at our 27th Annual Reunion!

For all the Officers and Directors of the USS Mount McKinley Association, thank you.

Sincerely, Ray Zall, President

P.S. If you have an E-mail address, please ensure that Membership Secretary, Dave Long, has it. It helps with better communications with you.

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Punography

I tried to catch some fog. I mist.
When chemists die, they barium.
Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
I know a guy who’s addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop anytime.
How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.
I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Than it dawned on me.
This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I’d never met herbivore.
I’m reading a book about anti-gravity. I can’t put it down.
I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.
They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type O.
A dyslexic man walks into a bra.

PMS jokes aren’t funny. Period.
Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there’s no pop quiz.
Energizer Bunny arrested: Charged with battery.
I didn’t like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
How do you make holy water? Boil the hell out of it!
What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.
When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
What does a clock do when it’s hungry? It goes back four seconds.
I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!
Broken pencils are pointless.
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Members and Non Members reported deceased since 12/31/2014

Don Burnette #893 '66-69 RMC C Div.
Ronal Cushing non-member
Jack Trogden non-member
Jack Whitaker #173 '50-'51 QM2 N div
Helen Yobuck #335A Associate Member

Farewell Shipmates.

New Members since 12/31/15

#1210 Doyle (Ozzie) Osborne EN1 A Div.
#1211 Dan Moffett LCPL MCD Div.
#1212 Hugh Eagleton ENS Comm.
#1213 Dick Verkenderen RDSN OI Div.
#1214 Ken Hazelett RD2 OI Div.
#1215 Billy Reck FN M Div.

WELCOME ABOARD!

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**USS Mount McKinley Financial Statement March 31st 2015**

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| Income          |               |           |              |               |
| SS Sales        | $ 17.00       |           | $ 17.00      | $ 17.00       |
| Annual Dues     | $ 120.00      |           | $ 120.00     | $ 120.00      |
| Life Dues       | $             |           |              | $             |
| Donations       | $             |           |              | $             |
| 2015 Reunion    | $             |           |              | $             |
| TD Interest     | $ 3.50        |           |              | $ 3.50        |
| Refund          | $             |           |              | $             |
| Total Income    | $ 140.50      |           |              | $ 140.50      |

| Expense         |               |           |              |               |
| Office Supplies | $             |           |              | $             |
| Masthead        | $             |           | $ 769.68     | 7 69.68       |
| SS(Ship Store)  | $             |           |              | $             |
| Postage         | $             |           |              | $             |
| SS Shipping     | $             |           |              | $             |
| Webb            | $             |           |              | $             |
| Bank Charges    | $             |           |              | $             |
| Reunion 2015    | $             |           | $ 300.00     | 300.00        |
| Change SS Inv.  | $             |           |              | $             |
| Total Expense   | $             |           | $ 1,069.68   | 1,069.68      |

Net 2014: (929.18)

2013 Adjust: 27,768.44
Current Assets: 26,839.26
Reunion Registration 2015

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

September 16th– 20th

Crown Plaza Hotel (Airport)

(Hotel Registrations made separately call (414)764-5300)

Return this form with your payment on or before August 15th, 2015

Register the following for the 2015 Reunion. Print your name(s) Residing in.. City & State as you wish them to appear on the name badges.

______________________________________________________________________________________
Name                                   City, State of residence
______________________________________________________________________________________
Name                                   City, State of residence
______________________________________________________________________________________
Name                                   City, State of Residence

If you wish your Name badge to include the Ship you served on, your rate/rank and actual years served aboard that ship (ex. 59-62) Please complete the following:

Ship name or Flag staff_________________    Rate/Rank_______    Yrs. Served_____ (ex. 59-62)
Division_____  (ex OI, A, 1st)

Total # of persons Registered ____@ $80.00 Each......................................................total $______

Tours are optional

Thur. September 17th Tour #1 _____Tickets@ $45.00 Each..........................total $________

Friday September 18th Tour #2 _____Tickets@$35.00 Each..........................total $_____

Total amount enclosed (reunion+ tours).................................................................Total $______

Banquet meal choices

Prime Rib # requested___    Chicken Marsala # requested___   Tilapia # Requested____

Vegetarian Selection # requested____

Mail To: USS Mt. McKinley Association Attn: Sam Saverine Treasurer

30 Westleigh Dr. Harwinton, CT 06791
USS Mt McKinley Association Our Purpose:
To Promote Patriotism and Camaraderie among those who served on board the USS Mt McKinley during that ship’s 25 years and 10 months active service to the U.S. Navy from May 1st 1944

Milwaukee, Wisconsin September 16-20
Airport Crown Plaza Hotel
Put it on your calendar!