

# Winter 2016 Newsletter



## THE DRYDOCK DRIBBLE

The USS Cabildo (LSD-16) Crewmembers Association Newsletter

### Presidents Message

#### Dale Bittle

Well we have made it through the holiday season and spring is just around the corner. I'm sure that most of you are aware that we lost Paul Fleming in December after a very courageous fight with cancer. Paul provided our reunions with a tremendous amount of energy and joy. Paul really enjoyed our reunion and his absence at next year's reunion will be felt by all of us. On behalf of the Cabildo Association I want to extend our sympathy's to Linda, Patty, Scotti and all of Paul's family and I hope they continue to represent Paul at our reunions.

Please mark your calendars for our reunion in October as Leo and Claire have put together a wonderful itinerary for us.

If any of you have anything you would like to see in the next newsletter please get it to me or Warren and we will see that it gets in the newsletter.

I hope each of you has a wonderful spring



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2106 Reunion  
Pensacola, Florida

and as always if I can be of assistance please don't hesitate to let me know.

Dale

## 2016 Pensacola, FL Reunion

Leo Waltsak

2016 USS Cabildo Association  
Reunion

Crown Plaza Pensacola Grand Hotel  
Pensacola, FL

Check-in: Thursday 13 Oct 2016

Check-out: Monday, 17 Oct 2016

The Itinerary and Registration Form for our upcoming reunion has been posted to our Website. We hope the trips and tours that Gatherings Plus has put together for us are of interest to everyone. Hopefully the weather will cooperate and give us clear sailing while we are there. In case anyone forgets, Claire will bring extra sunscreen and mosquito repellent.

## Membership & Ship's Store

Bob Gwin

So far this year we have 62 members paid through 2016 including 3 paid through 2017. We still have 15 members who paid in 2015 who have not yet paid their 2016 dues. Mail your \$25.00 to me at:

33496 Hickory Ave.  
Souix City, Iowa 51108

### NAS Museum



Corsair



F4 Phantom

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### Warren Gammeter



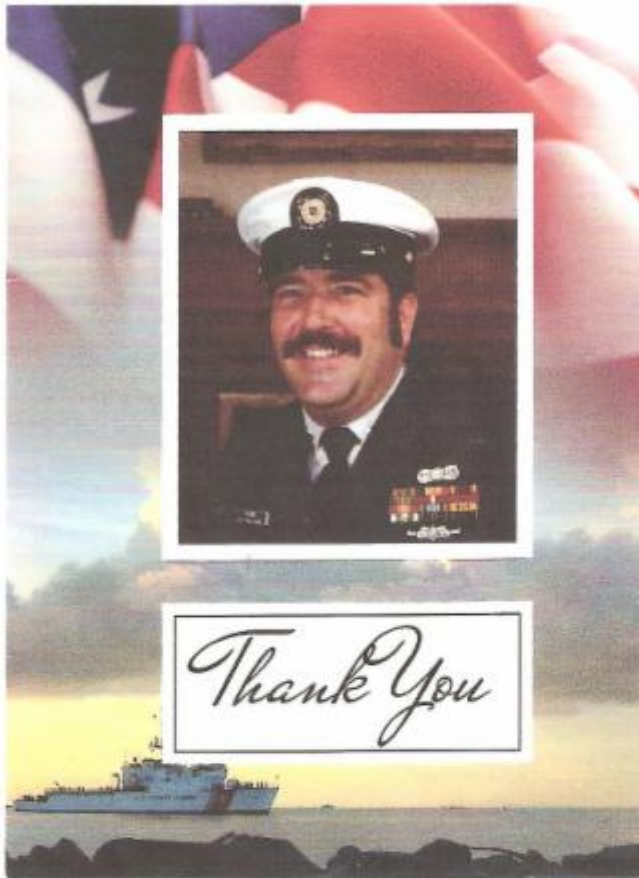
Some of you may know who Stan Ellsworth is and noticed his film crew was filming at the Alamo the same morning we were there. Stan is the host of "American Ride", a super history teacher who takes his Harley motorcycle around the country visiting important historical sites and telling their story on his cable TV show which is on the BYU TV network.

I have enjoyed his programs for several years and was able to meet him and thank him for his excellent history venue. I have been fortunate to visit many of the sites he has featured. He often has an interview with the most knowledgeable person about each location which adds to my enjoyment of reliving my visit. At this time his Alamo visit is scheduled to view on TV this coming April.

**Paul Fleming we will all miss**

you.

Linda sent this nice thank you note to our association. Do rest assured we enjoyed Paul as much as he enjoyed our reunions.



*Dear All,*

*In moments of sorrow,  
it's family and friends  
who bring  
love and peace*

*Thank you sincerely.  
Thank you for your donation  
to the Cancer Center in memory  
of my best friend Paul. I am  
so grateful for the years Paul got  
to go to the reunions. He really  
enjoys every minute he was there.  
Linda & family*

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