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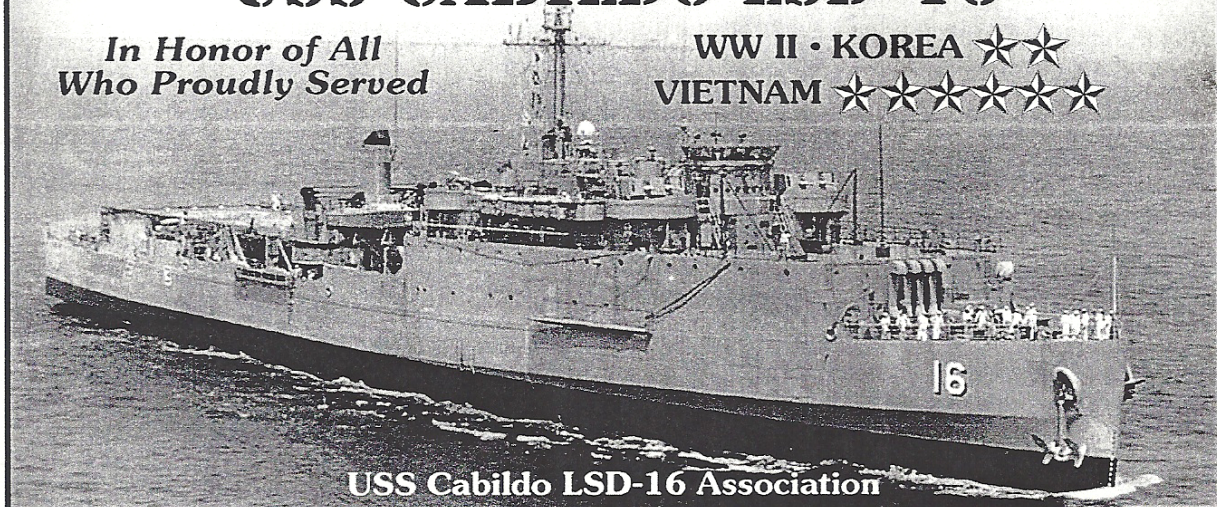
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USS Cabildo LSD-16 Association

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DRYDOCK DRIBBLE

HERE WE ARE AT NEWS LETTER #2 from BILL.

My first letter I wrote a little of our last meeting and the minutes were in the letter. I neglected to mention that I had my personal secretary do the minutes for me, all I had to do was copy & paste and you read them. That was easy but at this time I would like my good friend Kathleen Bredehoeft. Without her we wouldn't have had a good reading of the minutes. Thank you Kathleen.

Next I would like to take the time to thank Maureen & Dale Bittle for another great reunion. If you weren't in Branson last September you missed out on a fun time. My wife Audrey and I were told about the Cabildo having an association and they had reunions. I said that I would like to go to one; she said she didn't want to go. She said that all that would be there is a bunch of drunken sailors. We do enjoy a drink or two, but no one gets unruly. That was in 2002 in 2003 it was in California I told her it wasn't that far from Oregon and if she wasn't comfortable we could leave. WE STAYED. We have been to every one but the one that was in Tennessee. The reason for all this DRIBBLE about the reunion is to get those of you that haven't attended to come to this next one. You will enjoy it! I was on board from 1950 to 1953 I would love to see some of my OLD ship mates.

On of the fun thing we do is the DRAWING, we all bring a gift from home and they sell tickets and draw for the gifts. There are some very nice things. Everyone has some thing to say and we just have fun. The dress code is come in what you are comfortable in, with the exception of the Banquet, and that is dress up night. No DRESS WHITES OR BLUES.

Our next reunion is in New Orleans. Ken and Kathleen will be our host and hostess and it looks like they have a fun outing for us. Audrey just came to me with her I-Pad and she went on line and looked up THE BRENT HOUSE HOTEL, the rooms look great.

Website Update by Warren Gammeter

All the pages of our Branson 2010 reunion are now up. We could use a few more pictures from our hospitality room. If you have some you wish me to add please e-mail them to me as ".jpg" images at gammeter@sbcglobal.net.

The schedule for New Orleans is on our website. I just linked to the reunion page two registration information forms with all the details you need to register. www.usscabildo.org.

2011 USS CABILDO LSD-16 REUNION

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

September 29-October 3, 2011

Reunion Activity Package: \$245.67 per person

\$491.34 per couple

Activity package includes: Welcome reception, Tour of Cabildo Museum, Steamboat Natchez Dinner Jazz Cruise, Tour of WWII Museum, 4D Movie Experience, Sunday Brunch, USO Show in Stage Door Canteen-"Let Freedom Swing," and all event transportation (taxes and gratuities included).

Checks should be made out to: Bonnie Boyd & Company

Envelope should be addressed:

BBC Destination Management

c/o Lyndi Smith

832 Baronne Street, 2nd Floor

New Orleans, LA 70113

Please include along with your check: Full Name, Guest Name (if applicable), Home Address, Phone Number, and Email (if available)

Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee. An email notification confirming your registration will be sent once it is received.

Please send registrations in by: **July 1, 2011**

Should you need to cancel after July 1, 2011, a 10% Cancellation Fee will be assessed. Cancellations will only be taken Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Eastern Time (excluding Holidays). Should you have any questions or need to cancel reunion activities, please call (504) 523-9700 and reference: USS Cabildo Program.

USS CABILDO LSD-16 2011 REUNION

REUNION DATES: Sept. 29-Oct. 3, 2011

BRENT HOUSE HOTEL/NEW ORLEANS, LA

The Brent House Hotel is located at 1512 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans, LA 70121. The hotel is located midway from Louis Armstrong International Airport and New Orleans' Central Business District. The famed French Quarter, Louisiana Superdome, Audubon Zoo, the New Orleans Museum of Art are all easily accessible by taxi or public transportation and within a 5-mile radius. The hotel's 143 guest rooms and suites surround a six-story Atrium, featuring tropical foliage, fountains, gazebos, and comfortable seating areas. A gift shop, barber shop and beauty salon, and health club are on site. The rooms feature an in-room refrigerator, hair dryer, irons and ironing board, and satellite TV. There is a covered parking garage. Parking is free and there is also free motor coach parking available. There is a complimentary shuttle TO the airport.

Rate: \$99 per room per night. This rate includes all taxes and up to two breakfast vouchers per room per night. Guests will be asked to provide a valid credit card at time of reservation. (Rates honored 3 days before/after reunion.) Banquet buffet meal charge of \$24.95 will be paid separately at time of check-out. Your reservations must be made no later than September 27, 2011. Any cancellations after that date will result in a charge of 1 room night plus tax.

For reservations and questions call:

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