



SAVE THE DATE

USS Hollister DD-788

2021 Reunion

October 6-10, 2021

Ramada Plaza by Wyndham

Albuquerque, New Mexico

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U.S.S. Hollister

JANUARY 2021 NEWS AND REVIEWS



THIRTY SECOND USS HOLLISTER REUNION Albuquerque, New Mexico

Wednesday October 6 to
Sunday October 10, 2021

Hosts: Bear and Deb Cannon
Tom and Toshiko Bowers

Ahoy Shipmates!

The reunion is being planned for this
October in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Join us for some fun and fellowship!

Balloon Festival: Celebrating 50 years this year, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is a world-renowned attraction and destination for kids of all ages. For five decades, the first week in October brings the smells of roasting chiles and the beautiful, magical moving picture show of hot air balloons sailing silently through the crisp fall air. Guests from all over the world come to Albuquerque to celebrate ballooning. Literally hundreds of balloons will be taking flight from the Balloon Fiesta Park this year. You won't want to miss this city-wide celebration!

Experience the Attractions: Gorgeous mountains, natural hot springs, kayaking and paddle boarding, hundreds of miles of bike trails and hot air adventures, all within minutes of each other means exhilaration as far as you can see. Be floored by the natural beauty this city 5,312 ft. above sea level has to offer, and elevate your love of the outdoors.

With this much adventure, you'll need to wind down at some point. Albuquerque's local beer and wine choices put this high-altitude city a level above the ordinary. There are dozens of craft breweries and unique wineries that dot the Albuquerque landscape.

A Note: Hello to all! We know last year was crazy with COVID and hope everyone has remained healthy. Because we didn't have an election of officers with the cancellation of last years reunion, the officers will serve a second term.

The Cannons and Bowers are working on the next reunion this October and we will have to be flexible. But... we hope you can put the reunion on your calendar and come to New Mexico for a great time!

A final farewell to our friends

Nick James EN3: On board 60-61 Passed December 26, 2020
Gene Shumate FT3: On board 56-57 Passed September 8, 2020
Claire Shumate: Wife of Gene Passed September 15, 2020
Robert Carlson Lt. Jg: On board 53-56 Passed November 22, 2020
Ray O'Mary: On board 58-60 Passed February 10, 2020
William Kersting Capt.: On board 71-72 Passed April 1, 2018
Gerald Golsch EM2: On board 51-54 Passed July 3, 2019
Robert Van Druff FTC: On board 50-53 Passed July 3, 2017
Larry Rosenfelt MC: On board 57-58 Passed March 21, 2020
Elaine Nissen: Wife of Dean Passed March 25, 2020
Alberta Hammond: Wife of Maurice Passed September 23, 2019

Check it Out. There is a lot of information about the Hollister.

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In the 2019 annual meeting it was voted on to donate \$250 to the Tin Can Sailors. We received the following note from the Tin Can Sailors.

Tin Can Sailors, INC

The National Association of Destroyer Veterans

January 20, 2020 USS Hollister Reunion Association
ATTN Mr. Casey Orr, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Orr:

Thank you for your letter and generous \$250 check from the USS Hollister Reunion Association. Contributions such as these help to carry out the three-part mission of our association:

- To promote comradery among our members through our many events, our quarterly 44 page newspaper and the facilitating reunions of former shipmates;
- To promote the preservation of destroyer history and work to broaden the public's understanding of the contributions made by destroyers and those who served aboard them;
- And to support today's Navy and encourage understanding of its importance and mission.

Additional funds allow us to make an impact on the lives of sailors from yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

On behalf of Tin Can Sailors, I once again thank the USS Hollister Reunion Association for their generous contribution.

Sincerely,

James V. Jones
President



Ramada Plaza By Wyndham Albuquerque, NM



Reservations:

Ramada Plaza by Wyndham
2020 Manual Blvd.
Albuquerque, NM, 87107
Phone: 505-884-2511

When Calling, ask for the
USS Hollister Reunion block

Features and Amenities

- Free Airport Shuttle
- Pet friendly
- Complimentary hot breakfast
- Rates offered 3 days pre and post reunion
- Hospitality Room
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Complimentary Parking

Reservations no later than August 5,
2021 to insure the reunion rate.

USS Hollister General Membership Meeting September 21,2019

President, Bear Cannon called the meeting to order at 10:02AM.

Opened the “All Hands” Business Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: of the last meeting 9/20/2018 was read by Carol Coyne and was approved.

Treasurer: Balance on hand is \$16865 excluding hospitality and the banquet. The auction raised \$2600. This year’s anchor pool brought in \$600. Well done to Al Moudry, Tom Bowers and Orval Mills and of course “Vanna “ (me) for running all the fund raisers. Thanks to all who contributed and participated. It is also a fun event with lots of laughs.

The 1099E was sent to the IRS as required..

We now have 119 paid members.

Donation: A motion was made and seconded to donate \$250 to the Tin Sailors organization. The motion was approved.

President	Tom Bowers	<u>Trustees</u>	
1st VP	Dave Hall	Past President	Bear Cannon
2nd VP	Joe Namie	First Trustee	Orval Mills
Secretary	Carol Coyne	Second Trustee	Ed Gundersen
Treasurer	Casey Orr	Host 2019	Casey Orr/ Mike Wolber
Chaplain	Peter Rustigian	Current Host	Dale Whitlock David Hall
Communications	Chris Orr	Historian	Bear Cannon

A motion to accept the slate of officers was made and passed.

New Business:

Chaplain's report – no marriages this year.

Communication:

Ask for help finding new people. Rusty reported sending out 255 emails and only 4 bounced back. The Hollister web site is up to date and Rusty gets his information from there.

Mike suggested that we put dates on board instead of the years.

Cards were passed out to sign for Howard Shepherd, Carson Black , Joe Veriellotti.

The newsletters consist of January, April and July.

Asking for stories on the ship to share and put in the newsletter. Remember when??

2020 was supposed to be in Lake Charles, Louisiana .

When Orval and Bear went to visit, they decided that it would not be a good fit for the reunion. A few of the reasons were the prices as well as all the fees for the hospitality room.

Dale Whitlock and Dave Hall volunteered to organize the 2020 reunion in Branson, Missouri. Possibly having it where they have had it in the past.

Tom and Bear are planning on going on a fan tour in Albuquerque, New Mexico for a possibility for the 2021 reunion.

Meeting adjourned at 18:48 AM

Respectfully submitted by Carol Coyne