

NEWSLETTER

VP 40 Reunion Group

The 14th bi-annual reunion will be held in San Diego, CA on Oct 3-7, 2012. There is info in this letter for you to book your room etc. Hope to see you ALL there.

One of my goals is to increase the active membership and also increase attendance in reunions. We have picked up a few folks and sadly lost a few. I ask for your help. We all need to participate. Let's make this the largest reunion ever this year. I thank you in advance for this effort.

VP 40 ROSTER

Presently I have 295 Active members on the list. Attached is the list of active members. I have **22** members who have NOT paid dues for 6 years. I am proposing that either they pay the current dues OR be removed from the mailing list. In addition there are 124 members who have NOT paid their 2010-2012 dues yet (\$20 bi-annually). They are due at this time for the 2010-2012 time period. It is also time to pay your 2012-2014 dues. You will have a notice in your package if this is the case, please send it to me and make the check payable to **VP40 Reunion Committee**. Thank you.

I am requesting that you review the roster attached and let me know of any changes, additions, deaths, etc. If you know of anyone who is eligible to join our group, get in touch with them or let me know and I will do it. Some of us are getting a little long in the tooth !!! So we need to keep this group alive and kicking.

I received returned envelopes from the following people from the last mailed newsletter 1/2012. If anyone can update me on their current address/status please send it to me.

Richard Sumner, Joe Rodgers, David Brown, Clifford Counter, Bill Cassidy, Tom Hottman, Marvin Weaver, Morgan Randall, Ken Jackson

New Arrivals

Richard Boyer	1961-1963	LTJG
Fred Malick	1964-1967	AT3
Jack Mason	1961-1963	ATN3
Joseph Harmon	1964-1967	LT
Richard Magnuson	1961-1963	AT2
Harmon Neatfield	1965-1968	AME2
Howard Stephens	1947-1949	AL3
Roland Edmunds	1953-1957	AD2

WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS***TAPS***

Rayford Carter	8/2010	1957-1958	AK3
Hugh Longino	8/2010	1964-1967	CDR XO/CO
Larry Kugler	8/2010	1964-1966	CDR
David Wilson	8/2010	1956-1959	AEC
Ted Hergenrader	12/2007	1963-1965	LTJG
Gene Haun	1/2012	1952-1955	AD2
John DeSantis	2/2012	1965-1967	AN
John Malcik	6/2010	1956-1957	AN
Calvin Kammeyer	8/2010	1967-1970	LT

Widows & family of deceased members are very welcome to join us at reunions and continue their free membership with this very special group of people.

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It is my intention to publish the newsletter on our web site. www.vp40.com, as well as mailing them out. Anyone who would rather receive their newsletters via the web site or via email, email me, so I will not send them to you via snailmail. The mailing costs are expensive and we can save some cost using the internet.

VP40 WEBSITE

WE NOW HAVE A WEB SITE for the VP40 seaplane era group. I hope you will visit it. There are a lot of pictures, video, some cruise books (more to come), archive of past newsletters, web links, information, and some interesting reading. It will be updated at least every week.

It has the current roster posted on it. I will provide a password to each of you in the next newsletter so that you can access the roster section. There is also a Ships Store where you can purchase caps, mugs, etc. with VP40 markings.

This web site belongs to our group so the more we use it the better it will become. Any comments and suggestions are welcome. You can leave comments for others to enjoy and it is a great way for other members to communicate with you. If you need an email address, I can provide one for you from VP40 (i. e. your name@vp40.com). I hope you will use and enjoy the site. So please if you have a current email address send it to me. If you **do not** want to receive a hard copy of the newsletters let me know, as they will be posted on the website. In addition if anyone has pictures, video, stories, information, etc. they would like to share please send it to me, either digital or hard copy and I will post them in the web site. I will return your originals if needed.

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