



THOMAS C. HART LINE

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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Hello shipmates,

I hope all is well with all of the TCHVA members and families, considering the difficult past two years we have all endured. As most of you know, the planning for the upcoming 2022 reunion in Washington D. C. is complete, and everyone should now have a copy of the reunion brochure. All the information you need to register and make hotel reservations is in the brochure. Information is also available on the TCHVA website, www.thomaschart.org at the "2022 TCHVA Reunion" tab. If you have any questions, you can email Garry Collins at garrysea@gmail.com or you may go direct to our planner's website, <https://www.acomplete reunion.com/contact-us> .

As per previous reunions, Homeport is the Hospitality Room in the hotel, which will open by 3 pm on Tuesday, June 21. This is the place to meet returning and new attendees. A place to rekindle old friendships and remember the good times on the ship. When not on reunion tours, this is where most of the action will take place, and to get information on the days and weekly activities.

One of the highlights of this year's reunion will be the dedication ceremony for the USS TC Hart commemorative plaque. A lot of effort and donations by many members made this possible.

So first, make your hotel reservation, then send in your completed registration form in accordance with the instructions in the reunion brochure. Also, if you have the time, add a few days to your time in D. C., as there is plenty to see in the D. C. area above and beyond what we will be visiting during the reunion. Remember, the discounted hotel rate is good for 3-days before and 3-days after the reunion.

Looking forward to seeing everybody in D. C. this June.

Sincerely,

Philip Leblanc

Philip Leblanc (HT2 1973-1976)
President TCHVA

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VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year Shipmates,

Did you make a RESOLUTION this year? If not, I have a great one for you. "Become a New TCHVA Member. Be sure to register and make your reservations to attend our upcoming Reunion in the Washington DC area!

At the Church I attend, we have a Mission Statement "Bringing Relationships To Life". This is basically, our GOAL. Seeing our Shipmates is so much more rewarding FACE to FACE than over social media.

My Wife and I had the pleasure to host a "Mini Reunion" in our home this month. Shipmates "Bruce Mikolaitis" and "Rick Shenton" and their Wives visited us here in Virginia Beach. As always, it was great to reunite and share our memories of long ago and make new ones.

The time has come to get busy and make your reservations, as we are just months out from a very special Reunion. The TC Hart Reunion Brochure is out and ready to download/print/complete and mail. Don't delay on making the hotel reservations and receive their special rate. Be sure to let them know that you are with the USS Thomas C. Hart to receive the discounted rate of \$119 per nite.

In closing, I hope you and your families are well and getting through this pandemic. Hopefully, we will be back to some sense of normalcy when June 21st rolls around and we are finally enjoying a long-awaited Reunion of Shipmates and Families.

All the best,
Steve Holliday (DC1(SW) 1985-90)
Vice President TCHVA

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Financial Report **THOMAS C HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION**

Treasury report as of February 1:
Balance 4076.63
Payouts 251.24 reimbursement to Dan for website set up
Web.com 10.67 x 3

Take care and God Bless

Dennis Paul
Treasurer, TCHVA

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Final Farewells

Posted on facebook by Tony Stout Dec. 7 2021: Would like to remember two of our shipmates who have passed on to a better place! On this day 6 years ago our friend PN3 John (Rusty) Pinson passed away. I miss our phone calls. Our other shipmate is SM2 Cameron Glenn. This song (knock, knock, knocking on heaven's door) is very fitting for these two! Hope that when God calls the rest of us, we will all be knocking on Heaven's Door!

Capt. Robert "Bob" Moser passed away on Dec. 17, 2021. He served as Weapons Officer on Hart in 1975-1976.

Go to the Hart website, eternal deployment section, for updates and listing of additional shipmates who have passed away. Additional information on rate/rank and time on board for those who have passed would be appreciated.

REUNION 2022

Place: The Westin Washington Dulles Airport, 2520 Wasser Terrace, Herndon, VA 20171, (703) 793-3366.

Dates: Tuesday 21 June – Sunday 28 June 2022

General itinerary as follows: Note: subject to change

- **Tues - Early Bird Check-in/Hospitality Suite open ~1500.**
- **Weds – Tours of the Mall, downtown Washington DC**
- **Thurs – Tours of Arlington Cemetery and Mount Vernon**
- **Fri – Dedication of plaque at Navy Memorial, self-guided tour of memorials, museums, and other attractions on the national mall**
- **Sat - Business Meeting (AM)/Free Time/Banquet (PM)**
- **Sun - Check-out (AM)**

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In addition to monuments and museums, Washington DC is often known as the American Mecca for genealogy, due to the National Archives, Library of Congress, Daughters of the American Revolution Library, and other sources of genealogical material. I worked as a genealogist in DC for over a dozen years. If you are interested in spending some time researching your ancestors while in the DC area, please let me know if you'd like any tips or suggestions. – Dave Neimeyer dave@neimeyer.org

CRUISE BOOKS

We now have scans of 76 familygrams/TCHVA newsletters; several precommissioning, commissioning, Change of Command and Welcome aboard booklets; and 7 cruise books. Electronic copies will be provided at the next reunion to anyone who wants them. (Best if you could bring along a memory stick/flash drive). If you have any familygrams, newsletters, cruisebooks, photos, or other paper memorabilia you would like to share, please contact Dave Neimeyer 484-378-2725 dave@neimeyer.org. He can scan them and return the original to you.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Comments, and items for the newsletter can be sent to
Dave Neimeyer at dave@neimeyer.org or 9026 Haaf Road, Fogelsville PA 18051-1717

If you are on facebook, consider joining the USS Thomas C. Hart FF 1092 group, with its 541 members and hundreds of photos and posts.

THOMAS C. HART DE/FF 1092 VETERANS ASSOCIATION



TCHVA relies on your continued support to help build the Association and keep the great memories of T C Hart alive! You can continue to help by referring other shipmates to us and letting us know when you have an email address, phone number or some other bit of info that may help us locate our shipmates. The success of the Association depends on the active support of our members!

You can stay up to date with current events and happenings by visiting our website at www.thomaschart.org

THOMAS C. HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Check your membership status: <http://www.thomaschart.org/id100.html>

USS THOMAS C. HART (DE/FF-1092) VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

*Please print the form, complete, and mail to address listed on the form
If you have trouble printing out this form, just provide the same info on a short note,
mail it in, and we'll muster you in.*



If a shipmate told you about the TCHVA, please tell us his name: _____

Tell us about you and your TCH service:

First Name _____ *M.I.* _____ *Last Name* _____

Rate/ Rank on TCH _____ *Division* _____

Year Reported Aboard _____ *Year Detached* _____

Current Street Address: _____

City _____ *State* _____ *Zip* _____

Home Phone _____ *Cell/Work Phone* _____

Current Email Address: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Dues are only \$10 per year. We have chosen to collect for two years (\$20) at a time to reduce the administrative burden on our all volunteer staff. Thanks for your understanding and support. You may join for any additional years if you desire.

I am sending in \$_____. Please begin/renew my membership!

**Please mail check/M.O. to: USS THOMAS C. HART VETERANS ASSOCIATION
c/o Dennis Paul
10195 S. Houghton Rd #67
Tucson, AZ 85747**

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