

2013 REUNION - A GREAT SUCCESS - SEE INSIDE

LAFFEY NEWS

THE USS LAFFEY DD-724 – THE SHIP THAT WOULD NOT DIE



Dedicated to those who served in Battle...and those that Preserved in Peace

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“I’LL NEVER ABANDON SHIP AS LONG AS A GUN WILL FIRE”: CO F. JULIAN BECTON

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE - WINTER 2013

The Holidays are creeping up on us quickly, almost as fast as our birthdays!

Our October 2013 work party was a great success. We had 14 members attending.

We had a special treat during this work party because Gary Barylski and Mike Pereira brought their sons. Gary’s Son, Chris Barylski, spent 6 years in the Navy and was never aboard a ship. He was an Airedale. He learned what it was like to hit one’s head on the hatches and climb ladders for everything. Chris did a great job and is looking forward to coming back. Young Mike Pereira must have got his work ethics **from his mother!** He really “busted his butt” painting.

Seriously, the addition of these two guys was a blessing to our work party. We old guys really needed the help!

We need to thank our cooks, “Nevada” John Nettle, “Too Much Milk” John Kapusta and “Mess Cook” Steve Papp. These guys forced us to eat raw clams, clams casino, clams with pasta and sauce, and a lot more stuff like that! It was terrible....I only gained 5 pounds. We are not allowed to use our grill due to fire laws so the guys did it all in the micro-wave. They did a great job. Thanks boys!

Steve Papp and John Kapusta belong to a group, Catholic Veterans Association, and brought us a check for \$1,200.00 as a donation. These guys were in the reserves with John Nettle. They are now official Laffey Crewmen. Thanks for the hard work and the donation guys. John Nettle brought a check from his poker club for \$50.00. These guys are just great.

Our work party did a lot of work on the main deck where rust was popping through near the gunwales and the 01 deck under MT52 and some of the superstructure. We had a rain day so we couldn’t do any work outside. Don Watson, John Miller, David Tillinghast, Homer Doster, Gary and Chris Barylski, Barry Shugarts, Mike and Mike Pereira, Richard McKinney, Tom Heidecker and our 3 cooks really did a bang up job.

Patriots Point installed a new exhibit on the Laffey: Mount 53 now has a video/light and sound effects exhibit. (I can’t call it a show because it is too intense). I had the privilege to experience this with Lee Hunt. You all know that Lee was in the handling room below MT 53 during the battle at Okinawa. It was really intense. Lee told me afterward that it was “Super”. I asked him if it was accurate and he told me “It is as close to the real thing as you can get.” We stayed there and watched people come out and some were crying, some were just amazed and others just said

“WOW”. Great job Patriots Point! Heck, they even got me to do a radio commercial for Patriots Point!

Great news: The 250 gallon bladder that we installed at our last work party worked just great. We called Access Portable Toilets to come and pump out the bladder. After a few tries, we figured out how to get it to pump and it worked perfectly. So at least now we can use a urinal and a sink without having to climb all the way up to the Yorktown when nature calls.

Our next work party is scheduled for April 13-20, 2014. Let me know if you plan to attend the work party. Also, there will be a day to remember June 6, D-Day and Patriots Point would like as many Laffey shipmates present as we can muster. We have berthing on the Yorktown June 1-7, 2014. Please let me know if you would like to attend. Sorry girls, only men are allowed on the Yorktown!

We can actually incorporate a work party along with the celebrations. Mac Burdette told us it is believed that Laffey is one of only two ships left afloat that was present at Normandy. It would be great to have as many WWII guys there to answer questions and give interviews.

I want to take this time to thank Fred Nardei for his fantastic job as Membership Chairman. Fred did me a favor and took over as chairman as a temporary job. Well, his temporary job lasted for years!!!! Mike Pereira has agreed to take over as Membership Chairman. Please notify Mike of any changes in your address, phone number, etc. Good luck to Mike and many thanks to Fred.

Please keep our shipmates in your prayers. We have a lot of them in Sick Bay and we need to pray for them.

Dave Harhager’s cancer is in remission because of prayer: Keep up the good work by answering our prayer requests

Our reunion will be held in Charleston in 2014. Jill is checking out dates and places and will have them soon.

I hope to see you in Charleston for the work party events in April and in June and later at the reunion.

Geez, it would be cheaper to move to South Carolina!!!!!!

Sonny Walker, President

Editor’s Comment: Moving to South Carolina is a genuine way to avoid the ice, snow, dreary days and freezing rain of typical “Yankee Winters”!

THIS JUST IN.....PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES!

**THE 2014 REUNION DATES ARE
CONFIRMED**

Our 2014 reunion will be located in Charleston/Patriots Point. The reunion dates are Sunday September 28, 2014 (Arrival Date) through Wednesday October 1, 2014 with an AM departure on Thursday October 2, 2014. Planned events will conclude on Wednesday evening.

Watch for event itinerary details and hotel information in future editions of the Laffey News.

NOW HEAR THIS.....NOW HEAR THIS!

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

It’s that time of the year again: For those members who are not life members and instead pay their dues on an annual basis, the USS Laffey DD-724 Association several years ago established January first as the due date for annual membership dues (for 2014).

The annual fee for membership in the USS Laffey DD-724 Association is \$25.00/year. Your check should be made out to the USS Laffey Association and mailed to our new Membership Chairman Mr. Mike Pereira, 92 Elmdale Avenue, Warwick, RI 02889. The check should indicate it is for 2014 membership.

If you are uncertain concerning your membership status, please contact Mike Pereira at 401-787-3014. Mike will gladly look into our membership roster and inform you of your current status.

2013 REUNION ADDRESS NEW ORLEANS, LA

(EDITOR’S COMMENT: THIS ADDRESS WAS INTENDED FOR THE LAST EVENING OF THE

REUNION BUT SONNY WAS UNABLE TO DELIVER IT DUE TO UNEXPECTED CIRCUMSTANCES)

“Good evening to everyone and thanks for making this reunion a big success. I hope y’all enjoyed our visit to The Big Easy. I know I did.

I really have to give Jill a HUGE thank you for setting this one up. We both agreed that this was the hardest one of all. But it all worked out at the end: Give her a big hand and a warm thank you!

I went back in our records to check on the model raffle. Since Pete Lacore suggested this as a good way to make some money for the ship and work parties. Here is what I found:

Our first year, 2004 we sold \$4215 worth of tickets.
2005 - \$3915
2006 - \$3835
2007 - \$3950
2008 - \$3895
2009 - \$4805
2010 - \$4850
2011 - \$4515
2012 – a record year... \$5620.
This year we sold just about \$5000.

That totals \$44,600 in sales. Even if our costs were half the total we would still net \$22,300 profit and that cash has been well used to maintain the ship. I think we can be proud of our group. You guys are just fantastic. Give yourselves a hand.

Another person that is really giving everything they have to the “cause” is our Vice President Bob Wampler. There is a lot of work being done behind the scenes and Bob is right there working hard. Thanks Bob and especially Joanie as I know who really does 99% of the work!

Bob Wampler has been working with Fred Nardei for years trying to get our roster updated and correct. When Fred e-mailed one copy to me, I forwarded it to the e-mail list that I have for members. We got some changes back from y’all and hopefully the roster is getting closer to being correct.

Speaking of Fred Nardei, he is stepping down as our membership chairman and one of our newer members has stepped up and offered his services. Mike Pereira will be our new membership chairman after the exchange is made by the first of the year, (2014). We are hoping we can get Mike to speak

English by then so we will not have to hire an interpreter! Thanks Mikey and good luck.

I have been in contact with Mac Burdette and the video project for MT 53 is almost up and running. He seemed a little bothered because we could not be there for the grand opening. I explained to him that our reunion was booked long before we were notified about the MT 53 project opening. It should really be cool. We can’t wait to see it in operation when we have our next work party next month. (Oct 19-26). If you are interested in coming to work, let me know.

As always, we must thank George Kessler for taking care of the money. Of course, he just got back from another cruise.....**he always has a great vacation after I send him the money from the raffles???** Hmmm! But, there is always money in the till and it comes out right. So I guess we can trust him. After all, he used to work for the IRS? Seriously, George, we can’t run this association without folks like you.

Well, I guess we are all anxious for the drawing for the model. Without further ado, let’s get at it. Oh, before I forget, there were only two people that sent back the wrong end of the tickets this year. After 10 years, we are almost getting it right. Of course that doesn’t count the couple of people who sent the tickets with no check... Duh! But, be assured that the stubs didn’t go into the barrel until I get the ‘moolah’!

Now for the drawing:

And the Winner is: Dorothy Walker. She is 92 and happens to be my Mom!

Next year we will be in Charleston again. Jill assures me that she has come up with something new. **NO WATER GUNS THIS YEAR!!** If you weren’t there last year you missed your illustrious president getting sprayed by a couple of soreheads who haven’t forgiven him for sending them out to chip ice off the ship’s antennas in 1963. Do you think the statute of limitations has run out on that? 50 years??? Come ON!!! **(EDITOR’S COMMENT ON THIS “QUESTION” – NOPE!!)**

OK it’s time to enjoy ourselves some more. See you guys in Charleston next month (Work Party) and all of you in Charleston next year at the reunion

Sonny Walker – President

SC MEDAL OF HONOR MUSEUM GETS LEASE

The following article/information appeared in the Savannah Morning News several months ago: The state of South Carolina has approved a 99-year, \$1-a-year lease for property for a new \$100 million Medal of Honor Museum. The Budget and Control Board approved the arrangement.

“The Medal of Honor Museum Foundation will lease seven acres at Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum Property on Charleston Harbor.

Last year the foundation announced plans for the museum on high ground at Patriots Point where the World War II aircraft carrier USS Yorktown is moored. The museum will honor the recipients of the nation’s highest award for valor.

Plans announced last summer envision a uniform collection, a theater with multiple video screens, and a hall honoring medal recipients”.

USS LAFFEY DD-724 ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND STAFF

Current Officers

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DONATIONS ANNOUNCED

We have received numerous work party donations, in memory of donations and non-designated donations over the past several months and we would like to acknowledge and thank those who have made recent generous contributions to see

that the USS Laffey remains ‘ship-shape” and the “purtiest darn ship” at Patriots Point. Those making donations include the following individuals:

WORK PARTY DONATIONS

Robert Lucey	\$100.00
Anna Hall	\$25.00
Stephen L. Papp	\$50.00
Ken Schlee	\$75.00
Pat Striplin	\$100.00

(See the President’s Message for more donations)

NON-DESIGNATED GENERAL DONATIONS

Harold Borton	\$25.00
Robert Burnett	\$20.00
Charles Cook	\$25.00
James Hart	\$100.00
R D Hill	\$25.00
Gerald Hoagland	\$100.00
Ed Pochatek	\$50.00
Larry Smith	\$25.00
John Strand	\$25.00
Norman Ward	\$25.00

IN MEMORY OF DONATIONS

Rosemary Gomez	\$50.00
In Memory of Danny Essig	
Constance Kraker	\$500.00
In Memory of Danny Essig	
Lareine Kurtz	\$500.00
In Memory of Ira Kurtz	
Rita Schmidt	\$50.00
In Memory of William Schmidt	

Helen Van Horne
In Memory of Alfred Van Horne

\$75.00

WE HAVE SOME NEW "STUFF" FROM DAVE'S LOCKER ROOM

The USS Laffey DD-724 Association extends our sincerest thanks to all of the above shown donors for their generous contributions: We'll see that your donations are well used to preserve our ship!

CAPTAIN ROGERS' FUNERAL

President Sonny Walker attended the funeral of Captain Harry M. Rogers last May at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. As the USS Laffey DD724 Association Representative he had this observation of that solemn event:

Captain Rogers' final resting place is in a beautiful spot at the Naval Academy just down the hill from Admiral Arleigh Burke's grave site. It seems this is a very appropriate location for Captain Rogers to be buried! Rest in Peace, Captain.

The Admiral's tombstone is beautiful. It has a picture of an Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer on it and has the following statement: "Arleigh Burke, A Sailor". Under his name is his wife's name with the following statement: "A Sailor's Wife".

EDITOR'S COMMENT: At the end of the day of Captain Rogers' funeral, Sonny emailed me with this comment: "Man, it sure **"ain't gettin"** any easier, is it?" Death is a part of our lives but the grief we feel has a way of draining our energies.

FROM CAPTAIN ROGERS' GRANDDAUGHTER

"What a joy it is hearing from those who served under my grandfather. It was known that he loved the Laffey as another child. It was always posted on his hat, his wall, or in stories told sitting on the sun porch with visitors. I will continue to pass along your words to my family"



Bartlett Laffey, Medal of Honor Recipient – The Civil War - For his heroic actions at the battle of Yazoo City, MS on March 5th, 1864



Magnet: For Car, Fridge, freezer, wherever! The Center Laffey patch is removable. \$5.00 each



Sew on or iron on patches. Price \$5.00 each

Dave Bossard, owner of "The Locker Room" and member of the USS Laffey DD-724 Association has recently announced the availability of the above shown items. Shipping is included. Purchase any 4 of the above items and get one magnet free.

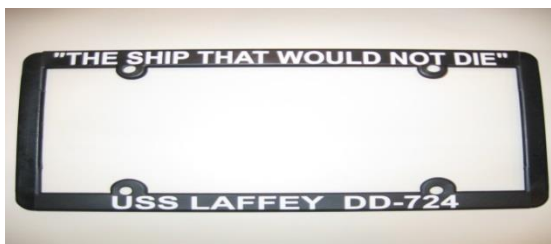
Give Dave a call at cell # 610-698-4653, or fax him at # 610-488-5012 to discuss pricing details or for assistance on your selections.

WORDS OF WISDOM

"A slip of the foot you may soon recover, but a slip of the tongue you may never get over."

Benjamin Franklin

WOW! TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PLATE FRAME!



Let's make certain that you (**procrastinators and the many new members**) do your part in making everyone know that the Laffey still lives! Install these plate frames around your auto tags and be noticed!! Remember, \$1.00 of each frame price goes to help fund the Junior Laffey Sailor Program.

The price for each custom frame is \$10.00 with shipping and handling included. Decide how many frames you might want, write a check made out to the USS Laffey DD-724 Association and send it to:

Bob Wampler, Editor Laffey News
USS Laffey DD-724 Association
100 Landing Lane
Bluffton, SC 29909-6060

We'll do the rest: Your car, truck, golf cart, boat etc. will be proud of your decision to purchase their very own plate frame!! Be noticed-It's a nice feeling!! We're getting closer to the holidays and a Laffey plate frame would be appreciated by any gift recipient!

SOME HISTORICAL INFORMATION ABOUT BARTLETT LAFFEY AND HIS SHIP

Bartlett Laffey, born in Ireland in 1841, enlisted in the Navy 17 March 1862 and was assigned to stern wheel gunboat *Marmora*. On 5 March 1864, the Confederates launched a heavy attack on Union positions at Yazoo City, Miss. In the midst of heated battle Laffey landed a 12-pound howitzer and her crew. Despite enemy rifle fire which cut up the gun carriage and severed the rammer, Laffey bravely stood by his gun and contributed greatly to turning back the fierce Confederate assault. Seaman Laffey was awarded the Medal of Honor for his courageous stand. He died at Chelsea, Mass., 22 March 1901. Two of his shipmates, Seaman [James Stoddard](#) and Seaman [William J. Franks](#), were also awarded the medal for being on the gun crew.



SEAMAN BARTLETT LAFFEY



SEAMAN LAFFEY'S GRAVE MARKER



THE USS MARMORA

Yazoo River Operations

In February 1863, *Marmora* joined four other ships in preparations for the Yazoo River Expedition, departing Helena on 27 March. The joint Army-Navy Expedition captured CSS *Fairplay* and destroyed newly constructed Confederate batteries 20 miles up the Yazoo.

For the next few months, *Marmora* concentrated on patrol duty and supply runs. Guerrilla activities caused *Marmora* to stop at Gaines' Landing on 13 through 15 June to burn houses. Steaming up the White and Little Red Rivers on 8 August, the ships sought information on the location of General Sterling Price's army, the ships found St. Charles, Arkansas, deserted as Union forces had taken it on 16 June and had control of White River. Cavalry from the ships did encounter Confederate resistance on landing at Devall's Bluff on 17 August. In November *Marmora* worked at the mouth of the Yazoo to prevent Confederate blockade of the river.

Although Union forces had taken Yazoo City, their position was not secure. Confederates attacked the city en masse on 8 March 1864, causing *Marmora* and other rams to steam to the rescue. *Marmora* remained off this point with the other ships for several months, as Union forces mounted the campaign in Red River. Three of her sailors were awarded the Medal of Honor for going ashore with a howitzer and assisting in the fight at Yazoo City on 5 March. These men were Seaman William J. Franks, Seaman Bartlett Laffey, and Seaman James Stoddard.

Marmora next returned to Mound City and was placed in reserve while still in commission. After fighting stopped, she decommissioned on 7 July 1865 and was sold at Mound City, Illinois to D. D. Barr on 17 August 1865.

Career	
Name:	USS <i>Marmora</i>
Laid down:	1862
Acquired:	17 September 1862

Commissioned: 21 October 1862

Decommissioned: 7 July 1865

Fate: Sold, 17 August 1865

General characteristics

Displacement: 207 long tons (210 t)

Length: 155 ft (47 m)

Beam: 33 ft 5 in (10.19 m)

Draft: 4 ft 6 in (1.37 m)

Speed: 6.9 [knots](#) (12.8 km/h; 7.9 mph)

Armament:

- 8 × 24-pounder guns
- 2 × 12-pounder guns
- 6 × 14-pounder guns

QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

I never think of the future – It comes soon enough
Albert Einstein

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Please be reminded that the Board of Directors of the USS Laffey Association voted earlier to have all dues payable on the 1st of January of each year. This will help to eliminate the confusion surrounding when to send your membership dues. For those who have not yet paid their 2014 annual dues, please remit \$25.00 in a check made out to the USS Laffey Association and **send it to Mr. Mike Pereira, Membership Chairman: His address is as follows: Mr. Mike Pereira, 92 Elmdale Avenue, Warwick, RI 02889. Indicate that the check is for 2014 membership.**

A DAUGHTER'S MESSAGE

My dad, Gerald Bowman (Laffey Veteran) was in the VA hospital (Charleston) on Labor Day. We took him outside to see the awesome flags. Thought I would share with you. Please share as you would like. He is still hanging on. Love to all, Kim



HELP WANTED FROM THE JUNIOR LAFFEY SAILORS

The Laffey News is interested in having the involvement of Junior Laffey Sailors with the newsletter....Yes, we are looking for a “few good young men and/or a few good young women”!

You will be able to develop your own stories with or without pictures concerning the Laffey. The stories could be about the Okinawa battle, Bartlett Laffey, a visit you had on the Laffey, the historical significance of the Laffey, etc.

If you are even remotely creative and want to get involved with our association, this is your chance to do so. Yes for those too young to be “super creative” alone, you can get help from Moms, Dads, Grand-parents, great-grandparents, etc. Please contact me (Bob Wampler) at the address shown on the back page of this Laffey News, send an email to rdwjcw@hargray.com....Or call me at 843-705-2296.

SOMETHING OVERLOOKED

A good while ago, our member Gemma McLuckie had informed me of some information about CDR

Becton. She advised that in April of 2011 Surface SITREP, a newsletter distributed by the Surface Navy Association, announced that CDR F. Julian Becton was a 2011 inductee into the Surface Navy Association Hall of Fame.

I extend an apology to Gemma: I had filed your email incorrectly and just discovered it in the wrong location. And now, we all know “the rest of the story”!

TAPS LIST

Robert L. Archibald
Served Aboard Laffey During Korean War
Commissioned as Ensign in 1964
Also Served on USS Rich
Passed Away on August 17, 2013

Donna Belsito
Wife of Member Sal Belsito
Passed Away on October 31, 2013

Francis A. Hoffmann
Served Aboard Laffey 1956-60
Passed Away October 2013

Paul R. Rosania, SN1/C
Served Aboard Laffey During WWII
Plank Owner, Okinawa Battle Survivor
Passed Away September 24, 2013

Richard Reuss, Associate Member
Admiral Becton's Brother-in-Law
Passed Away on September 7, 2013

May the souls of our departed rest in peace and may those family members left behind be given the strength to cope with the grief that accompanies the loss of a loved one.

SHIPMATE RON MATHEWS

We have some bad news and some good news: Shipmate Ron Matthews had a stroke a few months ago. Ron is recovering and doing well.

He is no longer capable of driving but he is a tough old bird and I am sure brother Jack will keep him moving around.

Please say a prayer for Ron and we all hope his recovery keeps progressing. Hang in there Jack, we love ya man. – Sonny

THE 2013 REUNION

This year's reunion in New Orleans was once again a tremendous success: Jill Michel continues to do an excellent job of planning these annual affairs and we all owe her a debt of gratitude for her efforts on our behalf....Good job, Jill, and thanks for making our reunions such wonderful experiences.

Our reunion combined scheduled activities with just enough free time to enjoy the "flavor of 'N'awlins". We arrived on Sunday September 8th, 2013 and enjoyed the evening in the Laffey's Hospitality Room while re-kindling friendships with all of those attending.

On Monday morning we all boarded buses for a "Super City Tour" which was very informative. Lunch was not included and this gave us an opportunity to experience some food and attractions that New Orleans provides.

A number of us headed for the Acme Oyster House where we enjoyed variations of their "Po-Boy" Sandwiches stuffed with as much as could fit into their home-made rolls. The Acme Oyster House is the originator of the New Orleans "Po-Boys".

With the afternoon off schedule, many opted to visit the Harrah's New Orleans Casino on Canal Street just a few blocks from our hotel. Most of us made cash deposits to the casino with only a few of us making our visit an "earnings" event!!

Monday evening was another great "Jill effort"! We had a "Taste of N'Awlin's" with typical New Orleans flavors. Yes indeed.....Included were those Original New Orleans Muffuletta Sandwiches and their world famous Beignets (French Style donuts covered with enough powdered sugar to make everything we wore turn white!!). We concluded our day with some really fun-filled games created and discovered by our Reunion Coordinator, Ms. Jill Michel. I never realized there are so many ways to simply enjoy group fun games!!

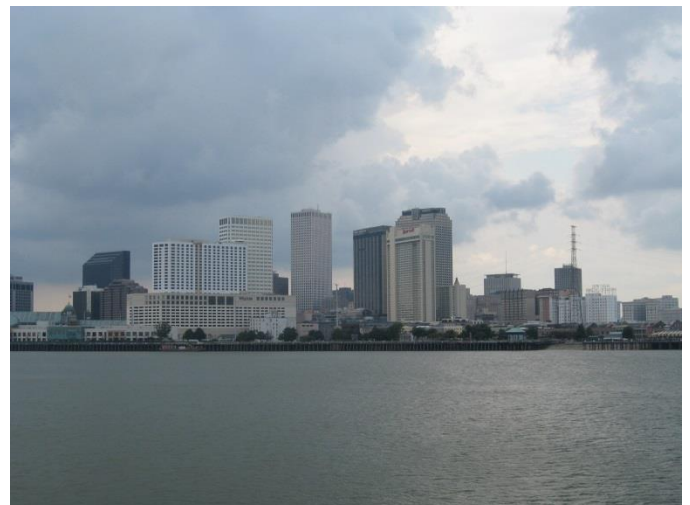
(A message on life: It is one of the great secrets of life that those things which are most worth doing we do for others. Lewis Carroll)

On Tuesday morning we were aboard the Steamboat Natchez taking a river tour of our host city. The lunch that the Natchez provided was really, really tasty! After the "boat ride" we had an opportunity to enjoy our own walking tour of historic downtown New Orleans with an additional stroll down Bourbon Street in the French Quarter....Bourbon Street is everything one would expect it to be!!

The Board Meeting and the General Membership Meeting took place on Wednesday morning. After the "Official Stuff" of the reunion was over, many of us boarded a trolley for a ride to the National World War II Museum. For us seniors, the trolley fare was only 40 cents!! We spent the afternoon enjoying this most expansive representation of the events of World War II. If you ever have an opportunity to visit this "National World War II Museum", plan on a minimum of two days to take in this wonderful tribute to our Greatest Generation's actions to "save the world"!

The final scheduled event of this year's reunion was another "Jill Michel Production"...A Mardi Gras Party in the Gallery Room located on the first floor of our Sheraton Hotel. We had our very own parade out on the street from our hotel while being led by our own Jazz Band (A N'Awlin's Tradition), and they stayed and played after we returned to the Gallery. The meal Jill arranged was great and they didn't run out of food!! I'm beginning to think Jill is related to Cecil B. De Mille...One truly great effort after another. Well done Lass, well done!

AND NOW..... OUR 2013 REUNION



Host City of New Orleans from deck of Natchez



Bourbon Street by day...Not the same at Night!!



Dining Aboard the Steamboat Natchez



Our "cruise ship"...The Riverboat Natchez



We filled the deck with "Laffey Diners"



Sonny and Cher Enjoy a Lighter Moment



Just taking the puppy dog for a walk!



Who are these guys and what are they doing?



Listen up – I'm the official Laffey photographer!



The Essig Family enjoys our reunion...again!



The great puzzle contest victors – Well done!



The reunion's really hard workers at rest



Lariene Kurtz – With the Association's Flag

EDITOR'S NOTE: Many more pictures are available and will be included in the next quarterly issue of the Laffey News. Space was unfortunately limited in this issue.

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