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### Presidents Corner

*The 4th. Of July is now behind us, the flag waving and patriotism shown over this holiday period has been heart-warming. More so than any for a long time with the recognition of veterans of all wars, Vietnam in particular.*

*Our membership continues to grow due mainly to our web site. It seems that every week brings us one or two inquiries. We have a new member that lives in New Zealand by the name of Riley who visited the web a couple of weeks ago and I have already sent him a ball cap and lapel pin. If you haven't visited our site you are missing out because Jerry Lopez did a great job.*

*I'm sad to announce three more of our members have passed away, see Taps.*

*Our reunion effort has been proceeding very well. Tom and MaryPaul Haglage have been working very hard to put together an outstanding visit to Lexington, Ky. and Magoffin County. Arrangements have been made with the High School to present the scholarship award to the selected student at a full auditorium of students and guests.*

*Fair winds and following seas.*

*Sam Rubin*

### That Ragged Old Flag

I walked through a county courthouse square.  
On a park bench, an old man was sittin there.  
I said, "Your court house in kinda run down",  
He said, "No, it will do for our little town".  
I said "Your old flag pole kinda leaned a little bit ,  
And that's a ragged old flag you got hanging on it".  
He said, "have a seat", and so I sat down.  
He said, "is this your first visit to our little town",  
I said, "I think it is".  
He said, "I don't like to brag, but we're kinda proud of  
"That Ragged Old Flag"  
You see, we got a little hole in that flag there,  
When Washington took it across the Delaware.  
It got powder burned the night Francis Scott Key sat watching it, Writing  
"Oh Say Can You See".  
It got a rip in New Orleans, with Packingham and Jackson  
Tugging at it's seams.  
It almost fell at the Alamo beside the Texas flag,  
But she waved on tho.  
It got cut with a sword in Chancellorsville,  
Got cut again at Shiloh Hill.  
There was Robert E. Lee and Beauregard and Bragg,  
And the south wind blew hard on  
"That Ragged Old Flag".  
On Flanders Field in World War I,  
She took a bad hit from a Bertha Gun,  
She turned blood red in World War II  
She hung limp and low by the time that one was through,  
She was in Korea, Vietnam, she went where she was sent  
By her Uncle Sam.  
The Native Americans, The Black, Yellow and White  
All shed red blood for the Stars and Stripes.  
And her in her own good land,  
She's been abused, burned, dishonored, denied and refused,  
And the very government for which she stands  
Has been scandalized throughout the land.  
And she's getting thread bare, and she's wearing kinda thin,  
But she's in pretty good shape , for the shape she's in.  
Cause she's been through the fire before  
And she can take a whole lot more.  
So we raise her up every morning  
And bring her down slow every night.  
We don't let her touch the ground,  
And we fold her up right.  
On second thought,  
I do like to brag  
Cause I'm mighty proud of  
"That Ragged Old Flag".

*Written by Johnny Cash*

### Magoffin Web Page

<http://home.att.net/~jlopez-auburndale/GUESTBK.HTM>

[jlopez-auburndale@worldnet.att.net](mailto:jlopez-auburndale@worldnet.att.net)

Or

Just use your search engine and enter

USS Magoffin

### NOW READ THIS

**Check your mailing label for the year listed.  
If your dues are not paid for 2002, please send  
check to our Treasurer.**

If there is a discrepancy or a hardship exists, contact the Treasurer. All inquiries are kept confidential.



June 2, 2002

Dear USS MAGOFFIN,

I would like to extend my deepest thanks for choosing me to receive the JSS Magoffin Scholarship. It was an honor for me to accept the award on graduation night.

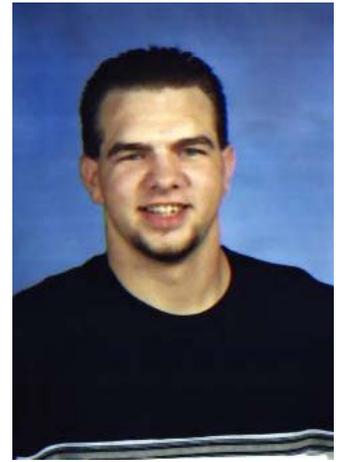
This scholarship will help me greatly with school expenses. I plan to attend Prestonsburg Community College, where I would like to excel in the area of Technology or Computers, because I have a great interest in computers and lately developed one with the video camera. When I finish, I should say Graduate College I will hope to find a career in the programs I decide to study.

I am the 18-year son of Lonnie & Loretta Cole. I have one younger sister, Jessica, who is 13. My dad works for Gray Hawk, a company that resides in Lexington. He has been an employee there for 10 years or more. My mom is a normal stay at home mom. My sister will be an 8th grader at Herald Whitaker Middle School when school begins.

As for me, I wasn't involved in alot of activities while attending High School, but I had my share. I was a 4 year Varsity starter on the baseball team and was chosen by teammates to be Co-captian this year. I also was a member of the school Year Book Staff for the past 2 years and was the editor of the yearbook this year. I was a member of the Beta Club my junior year. Just this past year I was a very busy student. I video taped grade school basketball games for a fund-raiser, video taped Girls' High School Basketball games for the coach, and done all I could that was asked of me.

Again I greatly appreciate being chosen to receive this Scholarship. I will use it to further my education.

Sincerely,  
Nathan Cole



Nathan Cole



The Cole Family



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April 4, 2002

Mr. Thomas O. Haglage  
108 Mallard Dr.  
Richmond, KY 40475

Dear Mr. Haglage:

I would like to thank you for inviting Governor Patton to attend the ceremony honoring veterans and presenting the scholarship check on **May 8, 2003**. Please except our appreciation for your kind offer.

We are unable to confirm at this time due to the event date. We will list the event on the Governor's schedule as an option and confirm or regret to you at a later date.

On behalf of the Governor, thank you again for your generous offer. Please contact our office if we can provide you with any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Trudi K. Johnson  
Director of Scheduling

## Reunion News

I mentioned in our last newsletter that I had met with the President and Vice President of the USS Menafee Veterans Association, also named after a Kentucky County. They held a reunion in KY. visited their county and met with the Governor when they presented a bronze plaque to the County Court House.

I suggested that Tom Haglage contact the Governor's Office and their reply is alongside. Hopefully they will be able to work it into their schedule to attend and participate in the ceremony at Magoffin County High School.

## Reunion 2004

If you live in the Central Time Zone and are interested in having the 2004 reunion in your area , it is not to early to contact your Convention or Tourist Center to gather information. We would like you to make a report at the Crew 's Meeting in May about the selections you are considering. This would include the Hotel, room rates and the points of interest available. The hotel should have a hospitality room to fit at least 75 people, a crew meeting room (set up as a classroom for 75 members) and a banquet room capable of seating 125-150 people. Please contact me for further information. I would need to know how many cities will be available.

Sam Rubin



Capt. W. R. Moore - 1951  
U. S. S. Magoffin

### Korean Cruise 1951

The next two pages show some of the activities that the Magoffin participated in and some of the ship functions.

These photos were taken by RM2 Robert Graves who passed away in 1967. His wife Cheryl sent them to me. If you recognize any of our shipmates, let me know who they are. Sam



Embarkation at San Francisco, California - 1951

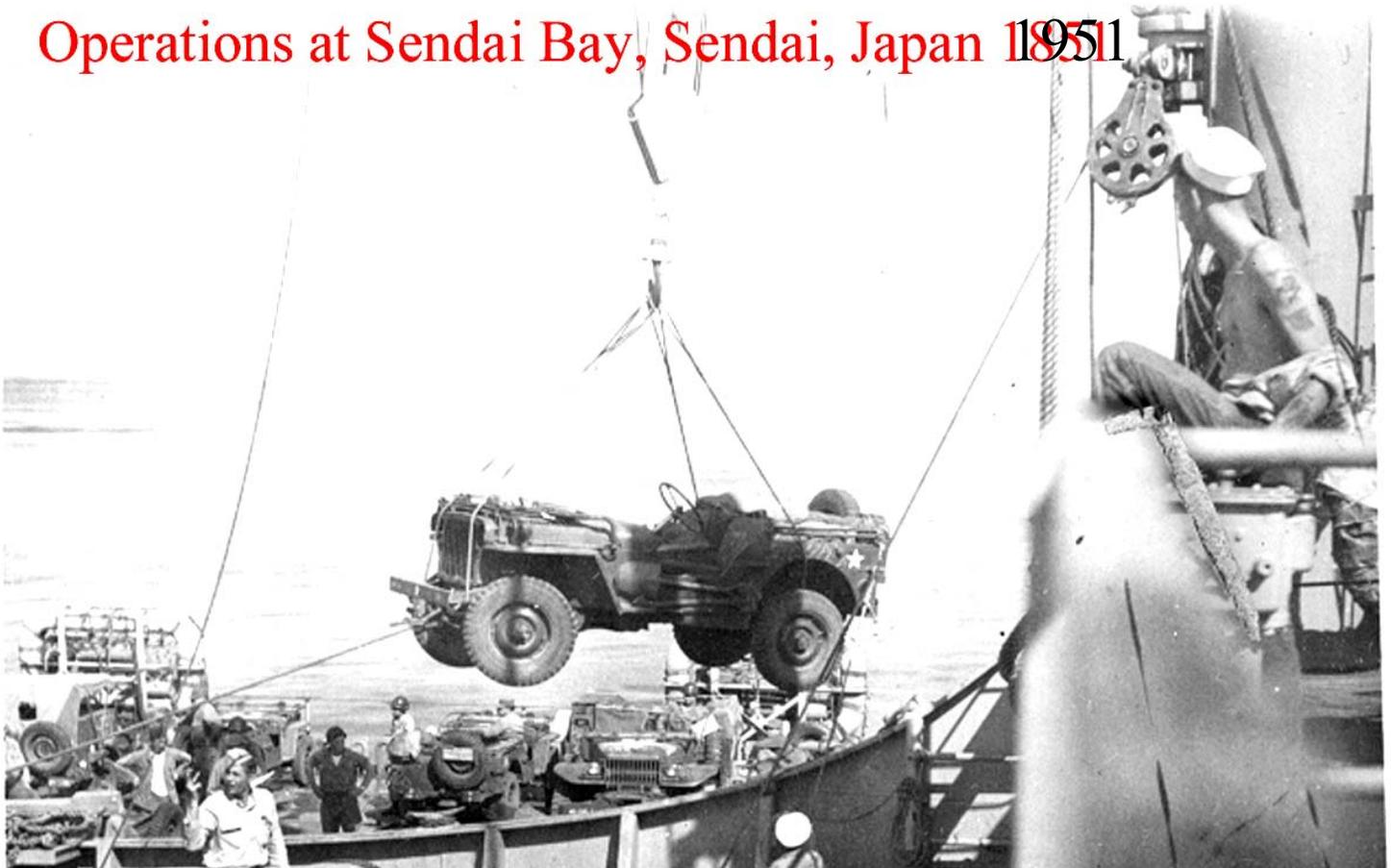


Aboard the U. S. S. Magoffin  
1951



Operations at Kunsan, Korea  
1951

## Operations at Sendai Bay, Sendai, Japan 1951



U. S. S. Magoffin - APA 199  
1951 - Port unknown



This article was in the San Diego  
Union in September 1951.

## Four 'Amphib' Ships<sup>1951</sup> Return Tomorrow

Four Pacific Fleet Amphibious Force ships will receive a rousing reception tomorrow when they re-

turn from several months in Korean waters. The high speed transport Begor and the PCEC 882, patrol craft, will tie up at Navy Pier at 10 a.m. The attack transports Calvert and Magoffin will arrive at 11 a.m. The Magoffin will dock at Naval Air Station and the Calvert at Navy Pier.

Besides hundreds of friends and relatives, the welcoming crowd will include units of the American Legion, here for their state convention, and bands from the Pacific Fleet Cruiser-Destroyer Force and the Navy Amphibious Base.

Returning aboard the Calvert and Magoffin will be Underwater Demolition Team Three, Landing Ship Squadron Three staff, and crews of three utility landing ships.

The Begor is commanded by Lt. Comdr. Archie C. Kuntze, the Calvert by Capt. G. W. Legwen Jr., the Magoffin by Capt. W. B. Moore and the PCEC 882 by Lt. R. J. Waidzunus. Lt. Comdr. J. F. Chace commands UDT 3 and Comdr. S. A. Lief, Landing Ship Squadron Three.

### Email from Mac Christy

Sam

We are not getting any younger!

That fact brought to us each day as we see our ears get longer and our hair whiter.

Every year we lose more shipmates—transferred to the staff of our supreme commander.

We welcome those shipmates widows to our reunions. We hope they can come and help us celebrate our lives and their husbands lives on the “Moaning Maggie”.

But as time passes, another group of people are finding an interest in our lives and our ship. The sons, daughters, grandson, and granddaughters of our shipmates.

Our association confers membership status upon the widow of a member upon request. I would suggest that we address the status of the sons, daughters, grandsons and granddaughters of our members. Some of them are now requesting to be included in our reunions so they might find out the history of their fathers or grandfathers and our ship.

Given the length of time between our reunions, I would suggest that these descendants be invited to take part in our next reunion in a “guest” status at their request. At our next reunion we can then deal with descendant status in our constitution, as needed.

Please let me know your thoughts regarding this.

Mac Christy 52-55.

*I favor Mac's suggestions and as I look at the inquiries on the Web site, I have wondered if I should take it upon myself to do so. I have sent out Newsletters to those that were interested but took no further action on my own. I will henceforth, unless I receive objections via phone, email or letter.*

*Sam Rubin*

### Kentucky Explorer

Tom Haglage sent me this magazine for a very interesting two page article that was in it about our ship. The headline says “Counties Namesake's motto was “No Beach Beyond Our Reach”. Apparently Jerry Lopez and Willis Anson shared the information with their correspondent via email.

It gives a condensed version of the ships history and a great picture of the ship docked at Subic Bay. Two other pictures are shown, one of Maggie steaming off a headland somewhere and another of an AKA passing stores by hylene.

I will have the Magazine on the memorabilia table in Lexington.

## Active Membership

As of July 1, 2002 the following members have paid their dues for 2002:

Aguilar, Address\*, Alexander\*, Anson\*\*, Arnold\*\*, Ayers, Barrick, Beals\*, Berglin\*, Bellin\*, Betz\*\*\*\*, Bidinger\*, Blomgren\*, Brady, Bryant, Burnam, Calvert\*, Carey\*, Carper\*, Cassidy, Cheely\*\*, Christy\*, Church\*, Clayton, Clifton\*, Dejarnette\*, Dickenson\*, Drugan, Durham\*, Dutterer\*, Eagon, Earven\*, Engleman\*, Flanagan\*, Ford, Frank\*, French\*, Furlow\*, Gehrlich\*\*\*\*, Gideon\*, Gillivan\*, Griffith\*, Guido\*, Hagg\*, Haglage\*, Hancock\*, Heiken\*, Hellman\*\*, Hogard\*, Housley, Hummel\*, Jennings, Guy Johnson, JL Johnson\*, Jones Joe, Jones Roy\*, Joslin\*, Kennon\*, Krebs, Kuklinski, Kyle\*\*, Langlo\*, Little\*\*, Lowther\* , Luken-sow\*, Lutz\*\*, Macioce\*, Marcus, Maroney\*\*, Malloy, Masters\*, Maxwell, McCann, McCants\*\*, Melsha\*, Mhlbach\*, Mozis, Montgomery\*\*, Nass\*\*, Noll, O'Brien, Olivera, Olson, Paquette, Patterson, Pearce, Peterson, Phares\*\*, Phipps\*, Reece\*Riley\*, Renfro\*, Ring\*\*, Roth, Rubin, Saeugling\*, Sakers\*\*\*\*, Savage\*, Scadlock, Savage\*\*, Schaefer, Schirmer\*, Sharp, Shropshire, Shultz\*, Simpson, Skow\*, Sluka\*\*, Small, Snodgrass\*\*, Spiese\*, Spinks, Stein\*\*, Stutzman\*, Swanson\*\*, Swary, Tellefsen, Tessar, Transou, Tull\*, Unertl\*. VandeWouwer, Vernoy\*, Walker, Ward\*, Whiteley\*\*, Wilhelm, Williamson, Wilson\* and Wood.

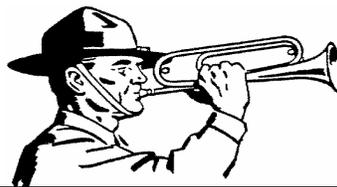
Paid 2002 dues.

130 have paid 2002 dues.

\* Paid 2003 dues.

\*\*Paid 2004 dues.

(If I accidentally missed you or made a mistake, let me know and it will be in the next newsletter.)



## TAPS

John H. Johnson	52-54	Jan. 2002
Charles Unertl	55-58	Mar. 2002
Harold Reece	52-55	June 2002

### Comfort

*There is a tower of strength  
For you and me-  
'Tis that which we call faith  
And as the sea  
Off dashes on the rocks  
To no avail  
So storms may come to us  
But in the gale  
We lean upon that faith  
And soon once more  
We see a beacon of light-  
It is the shore.*

Franklin Lee Stevenson

**Just a reminder that I will be stepping down as President. Consider a replacement and have names available for the crew to vote on at our Crew's Meeting.**

Sam Rubin

### Funny

Boudreaux and two men were sitting naked in a sauna. Suddenly there is a beeping sound.

The first man presses his forearm and the beeping stops. Boudreaux looks astonished. "Oh" he says "I have a microchip under the skin of my arm and that's my pager".

A moment later there is a ringing sound. The second man lifts his arm to his ear and starts talking. When he is done he explains " I have a microchip in my arm and that's my mobile phone".

Boudreaux feeling somewhat left out, steps out of the sauna . After a few minutes he returns with a piece of toilet paper sticking out from between his buttocks. The other two men look astonished. "oh" he explains, "I'm just getting a fax".

Top that one Harlan.

## Financial Statement

### Bank Reconciliation

#### Year to Date

Beginning Cash Balance 1/1/02	\$ 8521.82
Cash Receipts	1,135.50
Check Disbursements	(1,257.20)
Deposits in Transit	
<b>Ending Bank Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ 8,400.12</u></b>
<b>Checking Account Balance 06/27/02</b>	<b>8,400.12</b>
Deposits in Transit	
Less outstanding Checks	
<b>Total Ending Checkbook Balance</b>	<b>8,400.12</b>
(Broken down as follows)	
<b>Education Fund Beginning Balance</b>	\$1,572.11
Disbursement	(500.00)
Receipts	<u>2,000.00</u>
<b>Education Ending Balance YTD</b>	<b><u>3,072.11</u></b>
<b>Net Operating Account Balance 06/27/02</b>	<b><u>\$5,328.01</u></b>

Respectfully submitted by;  
Joe Beninato, Treasurer

**DUES POLICY:** A notice to pay dues is not sent because of the cost involved. There are four (4) issues of the *Magoffin Newsletter* published each year. After we have mailed an individual two (2) issues, we determine if he has paid dues for the current year. If NOT, one more issue will be mailed. If dues have not been received by this time, we assume that the individual is not interested in the Association. The name will be eliminated from the mailing list.

### Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Nr \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Item name	Quantity	Subtotal
Magoffin ball caps \$13.00 ea		
Lapel Pins \$ 4.50 ea		

Prices include shipping costs                      Total

Send checks to: USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION  
SHIP'S STORE  
104 214TH. N.E.  
SAMMAMISH, WA 98074

### REGISTRATION FORM USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SERVED ABOARD MO/YR. \_\_\_\_\_ TO MO/R. \_\_\_\_\_

BATTLE STATION \_\_\_\_\_

RATING/RANK \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

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MY 2002 DUES (\$10.00) ARE ENCLOSED ( )

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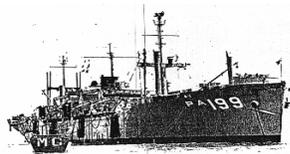
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