

# THE MAGOFFIN MESSENGER

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## President's Message

Greeting from San Diego. I hope this newsletter finds all of you in good health. We are down to a short four months before we all convene at "Maggies" last home port for the 2006 reunion.

A reminder that the special Magoffin rate (\$99) reservation must be made no later that Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. That rate is also good three days prior to the start of the reunion and three days after the reunion ends on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The big news at our house is that Doris has retired after 38 years of teaching. We are both looking forward to completing the remaining work on the reunion and look forward to hosting all of you when you arrive in San Diego.

I would like to thank those members who have been able to make a contribution this year to the Magoffin Scholarship Fund at Morehead State University. We really need to work as hard as possible to reach our goal of \$25,000 so that the scholarship will continue on in memory of the "Maggie" and the Magoffin Veteran's Association.

I would also like to thank the Association Officers for all of their support over the year. The success of the organization is due to their efforts and needs to be recognized by all of the shipmates.

With best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Great New Year!

Mike Stein  
President

## Shipmate and Wife Honored at Reception

Twenty-five years and four sheriffs later, Merble and Carol Bellin are retiring from being active members of the Grant County Sheriff's Reserve. They are the last of the original twenty some members which first formed the Grant County Sheriff's Reserve, which was the Chapter One Reserve Unit in the State of Oklahoma.

Merble and Carol first joined the Oklahoma Reserve Law Officer's Association in 1977 as inactive reserves and in 1979 they became active members of the Grant County Sheriff's Reserve, having taken their training in Enid and Tonkawa.

Carol has the honor of being the first woman in Oklahoma to have become a member of the trained Reserve Group. Merble has the rank of Lt. and has acted as the unit's Secretary and Treasurer for several years and has served on the Oklahoma Reserve Law Officer's Association Board and upon retirement was serving as their Second Vice-President.

In 1998, in a first time unprecedented action, Merble and Carol, as husband and wife, were awarded the Reserve Law Officer of the Year Award at the Oklahoma Reserve Law Officers Association's annual conference. While serving under Sheriffs Smetana, Yearick, Arthurs and Hula, they assisted the Grant County Sheriffs Reserve in raising funds for a Jaws of Life, Second Chance Vests, radio equipment and automatic weapons, along with their duties of county patrol, crowd control and other assigned duties.

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*The Magoffin Messenger is a quarterly publication for and by the members of the USS Magoffin Veterans Association. This newsletter as well as a wealth of other USS Magoffin information and history can be found at: [www.ussmagoffin.org](http://www.ussmagoffin.org)*

**USS Magoffin Veteran's Association  
12<sup>th</sup> Reunion**

Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2006

Sheraton San Diego Hotel

**Mission Valley  
1433 Camino Del Rio South,  
San Diego, Ca.92108**

**Phone 619-260-0111**

**www.sheraton.com/sandiegomv**

Special Room Rate \$99.00 Single or Double per night (plus 10.5% TOT)

*(This rate is available three days prior and three days after the conclusion of our reunion. )*

Parking Fee of \$5.00 per night

Check in 3:00 PM - Check out 12 Noon

**The hotel provides free transportation to and from the airport.**

Individual reservations must be made by calling 866-837-4201 no later than Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 2006. Be sure to identify yourself as a member of the USS Magoffin Group.

**Please note: Any guest leaving before the original departure date, without furnishing a 24 hours advance notice of their revised departure date will be charge an early departure fee of \$50.00**

**Reunion Schedule**

**Wed. 4-19-06:** Registration 1200 hours until 1800 hours, \$30.00 registration fee for members only.

**Thursday 4-20-06**

0900 Ships Crew meeting 0900 - 1200  
Ladies La Jolla Tour. 0900 - 1600  
1200 - 1600 lunch and tour of San Diego Old Town  
*All inclusive price for the ladies \$59.00  
Men's all inclusive price \$34.00*

**Friday 4-21-06**

Midway/Coronado/RTC Tour 0930 - 1530  
*Priced at \$49 per person.*  
Harbor Dinner Cruise.  
Depart hotel @1830 hours. - 2230  
*All-inclusive price is \$64 per person.*

**Saturday 4-22-06**

Depart hotel at 0900- 1400hrs  
City Tour  
*All-inclusive price of \$44 per person*

Shipmates Banquet at the Sheraton - Mission Valley  
Cocktails at 1800  
Banquet at 1900

Entrée Selections to include: Choice of Starter, Fresh Seasoned Vegetables, Chef's Potato or Rice Pilaf, Rolls & Butter, Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaf- feinated Coffee, Herbal Teas, Iced Tea & Desert

*Choice of entree's*

*Grilled Halibut*

Grilled Halibut served with a Delicate Cilantro-Lime Butter Sauce

*Mixed-Grill*

Sautéed Breast of Chicken with Whole Grain Mustard Tarragon Sauce & London Broil Served with a Wild Mushroom Sauce

*Vegetarian Pasta Primavera*

All Inclusive Price Per meal \$39

1. Make your hotel reservations directly with the Sheraton Mission Valley.
2. Complete the reunion registration form on page 3
3. Mail the form and a check to the Association Treasurer, Joe Beninato.
4. Prepare to have a great time!

**A Little Commentary**

I want to wish all of the members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope that 2006 is a great year for all.

There's an excellent website that helps folks to help our troops deployed in Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan. If you want to sent needed and wanted supplies to the troops, visit [www.anysailor.com](http://www.anysailor.com) (You can also go to [anysoldier](http://anysoldier.com), [anymarine](http://anymarine.com), [anyairman](http://anyairman.com) or [anycoastguardsman](http://anycoastguardsman.com)) Many of the sailors who are asking for things are corpsmen who are trying to provide for their Marines.

One of my nieces is a 2nd class spook who is stationed at Langley, Virginia. My other niece (her sister) deployed in Iraq with the Army 101st Airborne. Since her deployment, I have become much more aware of how we can help the troops.

## 12th USS Magoffin Veteran's Association Registration Form

**Please Print -**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

(Thursday)

Ladies LaJolla Tour with luncheon \_\_\_\_\_@ \$59.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

Mens luncheon \_\_\_\_\_@ \$34.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

(Friday)

Midway/Coronado/RTC Tour \_\_\_\_\_@ \$49.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

Harbor Dinner Cruise \_\_\_\_\_@ \$64.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

Select an entrée for each person - \_\_\_\_\_Steak - \_\_\_\_\_Chicken - \_\_\_\_\_Salmon - \_\_\_\_\_Pasta

(Saturday)

City Tour \_\_\_\_\_@ \$44.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet \_\_\_\_\_@ \$39.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

Select an entrée for each person - \_\_\_\_\_Mixed Grill - \_\_\_\_\_Halibut - \_\_\_\_\_Veg. Pasta

Registration Fee for members only \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: USS Magoffin Association and mail to  
 USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION,  
 Joe Beninato, Treasurer,  
 61 Sunrise Drive, Edison, NJ 08817

### Bellins Honored

For nearly 60 years, they have tilled the Oklahoma soil on a farm northwest of Deer Creek and for 25 years they have served Grant County - For this we salute you!

The Grant County Sheriffs Reserve Deputy organization hosted a reception in honor of the retirement of Merble and Carol Bellin on Wednesday, April 6, 2005.

In May, Carol Bellin was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award. She was the first female member of by the Oklahoma Reserve Law Officer's Association and a founding member of the Grant County Sheriff's Reserve. "She obviously was a role model for women who followed her in to ORLOA "

Carol was recognized for her leadership, her contributions to the chapters many projects and endeavors, her public service and her interpersonal skills as well as the esteem and respect of her peers.



Our congratulations to the Bellins. Merble served aboard the Magoffin in 1944 through 1946. He was in the 3rd division.

**USS Magoffin Veteran's  
Association Membership**

John D. Adams Life Mem, Pete Agostini Life Mem, Alonzo Aguilar 07, Clyde Alexander 05, Craig Anderson 06, Paul Andress 07, Willis Anson 06, Charles Arnold 07, Leo Ayers 05, Clifford Barrick 06, John Barry 06, Terry Barta 05, D. A. Beals 06, Richard Bee 07, Merble Bellin 06, Joseph Beninato 04, Bill Berglin 05, Bill Betz Jr. 06, Vernon Bidinger 07, Stanely Borenstein 06, Earl Bryant 04, Eddie Bryant Life Mem, William Calvert 05, Junior Carey 06, Floyd Carper Jr. 07, Charles Cassidy 06, Jimmy D. Charlton 05, Raymond Cheely 06, Mac Christy 05, F.E. Bud Church 05, Pettis O. Clayton 06, August Cooper 05, Arthur Corral 06, Thomas Cota 09, John Crowley 05, Don Culpepper 08, Bernard L. Curry 04, Michael Dejarnette 07, Dick Dickenson 09, Robert Dixon Life Mem, Harold Drugan 06, L.G. Duncan 05, Kenneth Duttarer 06, Jeff Eagon 07, James Earven 07, Daryl Elliff 05, Dave Engelman 06, Francis J. Fitzpatrick 06, Joe E. Flanagan 07, James Ford 05, Robert Foster 05, M. Allan Frank 05, Ray Furlow 06, Al Gaskill 05, Richard Gehrich 06, Lester Gideon 06, Jim Gillivan 06, Paul H. Goguen 09, James W. Graves Life Mem, Marvin P. Gray 06, Hugh Griffith Jr. 05, Phillip Gronvold Life Mem, Pasquale Guido 07, Jack W. Hagg 07, Thomas Haglage 07, David W. Hammond 07, William Hancock 06, Jack Heiken Life Mem, Don Hellmann 07, Robert Henderson 05, Phillip Hearn 06, William Hess 05, Joseph Hogard 08, Paul Houze 07, Don Hummel 05, Charles Jardine Life Mem, Carl E. Jennings 07, David C. Johnson 04, Eddie Johnson Life Mem, Guy Johnson 05, Jack L. Johnson 07, Roy Jones 06, Sid Jordon 05, Frank Kennon 05, William Kershner 05, Terry Key 06, James King 04, Robert King 06, Ed Kopczynski 05, Charles Krebs 05, Robert S. Kuklenski Life Mem, Keith Kyle 06, Wendell Lackner 07, Erwin Langlo 05, George Latham 04, Laurus Lehwalder 06, Terrence Little 09, John B Little Jr. 09, Billy Joe Logson Life Mem, Thomas Lovett 06, Herald Lowther 07, Dan Lukenson 05, William Lutz Jr. 07, David W. MacConnell 07, George Macioce 06, Terry Mackey 07, Robert Marcus 06, Derrell Maroney 07, John Masters 06, Carl McCann Life Mem, Thomas McCants 06, Richard McDonald 06, Harold McElroy 05, William McIntyre 07, Jerry Miihlbach 07, Gary Miller 07, Dennis Molloy 04, Jerry Montgomery Life Mem, James Mozis 06, Daniel Mullen 04, Bill Munger 05, Gordon Nass Life Mem, Kenneth Nelson 04, Louis Noll 05, Robert O'Brien 06, Donald D. Ogburn 06, Albert Oliveria 06, Robert Olson 05, Robert Paquette 05, Rodney Patterson MD 05, Donald E Pavey 07, John J. Pearce 06, Charles Peterson 06, Joseph Petruzzi Life Mem, Richard Phares Life Mem, Charles Phipps 06, Al Poortvliet 07, John Pope Life Mem, Larry Porter 05, Luke Raich Life Mem, Ralph D. (Tex) Raily 07, Albert Rech 06, Harold Reece Life Mem, EE Renfro 06, Merval Rhodes 05, Mike Riley 06, William Ring 05, Emmon Rogers 05, Ellis Roth 06, Claude Rubeling 05, Sam Rubin 05, James Saeugling 07, Ross C. Sakers Jr. 07, Pat Savage 10, Wallace Schaeffer 07, Wilton Schanzenbach Life Mem, William Schulz 06, Don Schirmer 06, Gerald Schultz 05, John G. Sharp 04, Bill Showler 05, Ronald Shreffler 05, Wallace Shropshire 05, Harry Simpson 07, Kent L. Skluka 04, Harold Skow 05, Fred Small 06, Richard Snodgrass 04, Earl D. Sons 07, John G. Spiese 07, Ralph Springer 07, Michael P. Stein 06, Michael G Stevens 07, Mark Strohman 05, Bill Stutzman 05, Gerald Swanson 07, Wayne Swary 05, Jim Taylor 05, Karl Tellefsen 04, Thomas Tessar Life Mem, Jim Transou 06, William C. Tracy, 06, Harlan Truxillo 05, John Tull 05, Jack Tyson 09, Charles Unetl Life Mem, Marinus VanDeWouwer 04, Ted Vonasek 05, Eugene Walker 06, Bill Wall 07, Thomas A Ward 06, Gilbert Wayson 04, Charles Whiteley 07, Wallace Wilhelm 07, Jesse Wilkinson 05, Thomas Williamson 05, James Wilson 07, Leslie Wilson 05, Howard Wood 05, Robert Youngs 07,

**Welcome Aboard**

**Thomas R. Cota** of Sacramento California. Tom was a BM/SN who was aboard in 1960 through 1962.

**Phillip F. Hearn** of Gridley, Georgia. Phil was in the boat group and was aboard in 1963 through 1966.

**William C. Tracy** of Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Bill was an Ensign in the communications division from October 1945 until August 1946.

**USS MAGOFFIN ASSOCIATION  
BANK RECONCILIATION  
Year To Date**

BEGINNING BANK BALANCE 01/01/05 \$14,420.38

CASH RECEIPTS

Dues	\$1,650.00
Ship Store	169.00
Reunion	1,967.00
Scholarship Fund	<u>270.00</u>

Total Receipts \$4,056.00

CHECK DISBURSEMENTS

Postage	(31.87)
Telephone (800)	(44.54)
Plague for School	(350.19)
Flag for School	(159.62)
Reunion Expenses	(633.00)
Newsletter	(512.67)
Scholarship	<u>(1,000.00)</u>

Total Disbursements (2,731.89)

ENDING BALANCE \$15,744.49

(Broken Down as Follows)

Education Fund Beginning 01/01/05 \$5,023.11

Disbursement (May 2005) (1,000.00)

Receipts - Reunion

Donations Jan-Dec 2005 270.00

Education Ending Balance \$4,293.11

General Operating Fund \$11,451.38

## Important Scholarship Update

**From: Tom Haglage, Secretary**

**To: All donors of \$1000.00 or more to our scholarship fund.**

**Shipmates,**

***This is the agreement from Morehead State University which I received. I have forwarded a copy to Mike Stein for approval by the board of directors. Thanks to all of you for your generosity. Now, let's get the job finished!***

### **Endowment Agreement Between USS Magoffin Veterans Association and the Morehead State University Foundation, Inc.**

The following sets forth the agreement between Tom Haglage on behalf of the USS Magoffin Veterans Association, (hereinafter "Donor") and the Morehead State University Foundation, Inc. (hereinafter "Foundation"), with regard to (I) Purpose, (II) Schedule and Form of Contributions, (III) Recognition and (IV) Administration of Gift.

#### **I. Purpose**

The purpose of the endowment is to establish the USS Magoffin Veterans Memorial Scholarship Endowment, a fund to benefit Morehead State University students. The fund will be invested with the proceeds used to provide one annual \$1,000 scholarship for a graduating senior from Magoffin County High School each May. This is a non-renewable award and a new recipient will be chosen each spring.

Recipients will be selected by a committee made up of Magoffin County High School faculty, staff and counselors.

#### **II. Form of Contributions**

The amount of the endowment, when fully funded, is expected to be at least \$25,000. The fund will be made up of monies provided by contributions from members of the USS Magoffin Veterans Association. No expenditures shall be made from the account until the full \$25,000 goal is reached.

#### **III. Recognition**

The gift and subsequent gifts to this endowment fund shall be recognized in a manner consistent with the University's recognition program. The gift will be announced in the appropriate media, subject to the approval of the Donor.

#### **IV. Administration**

The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization in accordance with Title 26, Chapter 42, of the Internal Revenue code. For investment purposes, the funds resulting from this gift may be merged with any of the general investment assets of the Foundation.

The Foundation has set forth policies related to endowment income spending and management fees, same being subject to change upon annual review. Normal fees associated with the administration of the gift and gift income will be assessed.

The Foundation will establish an account according to the terms of this agreement and distribute income from this endowment to support the purposes as set forth above in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the By-Laws and Policies of the Morehead State University Foundation.

The parties acknowledge that this document constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with regard to the endowment being created herein.

**Please note. If you have questions or comments about the proposed agreement or if you would like to find out more about how you can make a donation to the USS Magoffin Veteran's Association Scholarship fund, please contact our President, Mike Stein at (800) 621-5950 or Tom Haglage at 859-625-5523.**

Edison, NJ 08817

61 Sunrise Drive

And mail it to – Mr. Joe Beninato, Treasurer

Please make out your check to USS Magoffin Veteran's Association

Enclosed are my dues for 2007 \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed are my dues for 2006 \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed are my dues for 2005 \_\_\_\_\_

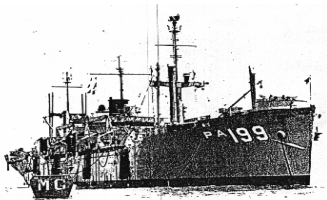
Association dues are only \$10.00 per year –

Are You Up to Date with Your Dues?

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