



NAVY NUCLEAR WEAPONS ASSOCIATION

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WINTER ISSUE

"KEEPERS of the DRAGON"

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From the President: Jim; Your Comments go here. Paragraph or two??? Typically thank the outgoing board and set you agenda for the next two years. Anything else you want to address to the membership. Remember that only about 1/4 of our members ever attend a reunion. The newsletter is their only information about the NNWA. I would also recommend that you have Ella Mae attach a "New" updated NNWA roster to each newsletter for each member.

From the Vice President: Sid; Any comments you may have go here. If no Comments, then delete this section.

From the Secretary/Treasurer: Ella Mae, Jim --You can add; subtract or delete any of this that you do not want in the newsletter. Another successful reunion has passed with the attending members thoroughly enjoying the action of Myrtle Beach. I would like to announce that our NNWA membership has now increased to over 431 members, thanks to the excellent recruiting efforts of our membership. If you know of a former Nuclear Weapons shipmate, please take the time to pass them the attached NNWA Membership application. Again please check your mailing address label on this newsletter. If the date behind you name is 2001 or less; then you are in arrears in your membership dues. Please help us keep this association solvent and send in your annual dues of \$10.00 per year. It is a cheap price to be able to keep in touch with your shipmates. We would hate to drop you from our membership because of delinquent dues. I have received many questions concerning the ability of our membership to purchase "Life" membership in the NNWA. Our Constitution does not address lifetime memberships for our members. The only life membership that is addressed is that "LIFE" membership we bestow on "Surviving Spouses" of our membership. I would recommend that if you (the members) feel that you would like to see a "Life Membership" available to our members, you need to address this and your recommendations for "Life Members" to the NNWA Board of Governors. They in turn will consider those proposals at the next NNWA membership meeting in Las Cruces. Better yet, come to the reunion and voice your recommendations to the board at the annual membership meeting. We have a couple shipmates trying to locate former shipmates: Mike Seitz and Bill Grizzard are trying to locate "Jim Kortum". Jack O'silka is trying to locate "Bill Shepherd". If you know of these shipmates, please contact Mike, Bill, Jack or me. George Lenz is trying to find any NW who was stationed with his father George Lenz Jr. onboard the Uss Bennington. He never knew his father but lost his father onboard the Bennington and would like to talk to some of his father shipmates to better know his father. Contact George at: **George W. Lenz III Janney Montgomery Scott 26 Broadway 8th Floor New York, NY. 10004**

Please ensure all NNWA membership renewals or correspondence is addressed to the new Secretary/Treasurer. As you know Mrs. Ella Mae Weaver has relieved Tom Best as the Secretary/Treasurer. Tom & Kathy would like to thank all the NNWA members for the opportunity to be able to serve this fine organization over the past 10 years. "We had a BALL during our tenure and wish the "Best" to Ella Mae." Ella Mae Weaver 170 Saint Andrews Loop, Kerrville, TX. 78018-6441 (803) 257-3744

Reunion 2002: Get Bill Grizzard to give you a short run down on the reunion and put it in here. We will have our usual Hospitality and Artifacts Rooms set up. Sometime in the May/June time frame we will send out a complete information mailing to all members that will include tours; golf; itineraries; and reservation #. Bill & Nina Grizzard and Mike & Joyce Seitz will be our host for this reunion and as soon as all the necessary contracts in order, we will send out the information package. Till then, let your shipmates that are not members know of the reunion and get them to sign up for membership. I have included a NNWA membership form in this newsletter. Please feel free to duplicate it and use it to sign up your shipmates. **This Years reunion must be pre-paid!**

Lost Shipmates: Ella Mae; Jim ___ You can modify this as you see fit. A lot of this is in the attached Minutes??

It is again my sad duty to inform you of the loss of several shipmates this last year (See the attached Business Meeting Minutes for names). They dedicated their lives to defending this great country and now have paid the supreme sacrifice defending their country and bringing us out of the "Cold War". They truly are "**Keepers Of The Dragon**". Our NNWA members names will be forever etched into our NNWA Plaque and we welcome their spouses into our ranks as Life Members of the NNWA. Thank you Shipmates from all of us. May you rest in peace knowing that we will keep your charge.

Service Officer: Run all of this by Chuck Weber before completing the newsletter. Chuck Weber has included information in this newsletter concerning benefits and health issues. He also reports that the government is recognizing and improving the lot for those exposed to radiation. If you have any questions as to your Veterans benefits contact Chuck at (215) 822-4329 or e-mail charlesj.weber@fmcti.com. **Medical Benefits for Military Retirees:** Congress has enacted legislation to provide continuing health care benefits for military retirees past the age of 65. It was recently formally named "Tricare for Life". Tricare is the successor medical benefit program to the formerly well-known Champus. Military retirees will not now have to rely solely on Medicare treatment and pharmacy programs after they reach the age of 65. Tricare for Life will be an option for them. Enrollment will be required and the DEERS system continues to be the vehicle for doing that. Some words of caution. **DO NOT** cancel your Medicare supplemental insurance policies yet. **DO NOT** cancel your employer-provided private insurance policies yet. The legislation passed does not start Tricare for Life coverage until October 1, 2001. So keep your current coverage in place until at least then. More information will be available as the program start up date nears. **DIABETES - AGENT ORANGE LINK CONFIRMED BY VA.** In a recent VA decision, it is now conceded that, for purposes of veterans disability compensation, any veteran who has adult-onset type II diabetes and Agent Orange exposure has a service connected disability. A couple of years ago it was also conceded that any veteran who served in Vietnam, flew over it or served in its contiguous waters was exposed to agent orange. If you are a Vietnam veteran with diabetes contact the VA immediately and file for disability compensation.

Jim ___ Recommend you use Sid in the capacity of membership chairman. Too much for Ella Mae to try and keep up with. Sid Hart (Vice President) will be sending out NNWA Dues Delinquency notification to all delinquent members soon after the reunion. Renewals are \$10.00 per year. Those members delinquent for more than two years are required to be reinstated into the NNWA at the cost of a new member \$20.00. If any members desire to prepay their membership, it is an additional \$10.00 per year that your desire to prepay.

Historian: Contact Mike for his input into this section . Please contact Mike Snyder at home: 17618 Sir Galahad Way, Ashton, MD 20861 (310) 570-0242 or work (703) 416-5716; or email michael.d.snyder@lmco.com.

Minutes/Financial: Minutes of the Myrtle Beach business meeting are attached as part of this newsletter. Also the annual financial report has been filed as official documentation for the association and is attached for your information. **Jim ___ You can us the front part of this or the last part of this, which ever you would like to provide to the members.** I will include a rough status of the current financial report for your information. Income at end of 1999 : **\$8518.00**. Income from new members; renewals; reinstatements and reunion income: **\$12,581.00**. Annual Expenses including reunion: **\$9351.75**. End of year 2000 balance: **\$11,747.25**.

Income at the end of 2000: \$11747.25. Income from new members, renewals, reinstatements and reunion income \$12709.44. Annual Expenses: \$15500.97. End of 2001 Balance: \$ 12087.22

Annual Dues: Please look at your mailing address on the front of this newsletter. At the bottom is a two figure date (95-96-97-98-99-2000, 2001). That date is your expiration of association dues. The cost of reinstatement for those whose dues expired in 1995;96;97;98,99,2000 is \$20.00. The cost of those expiring in 2001 is \$10.00. Take a look at your mailing label and see where you stand. Then get out your check book **and send us a check**. Mail all dues, (renewals, reinstatement or new members) to Ella Mae Weaver 170 Saint Andrews Loop Kerrville, TX. 78018-6441 . If you are not sure where you stand, call Ella Mae (803) 257-3744 or e-mail at rlwesw@kctc.com Come on shipmates; **let's get on the ball**.

Information Needed: One of our members needs some information concerning the old "Q" clearances issued by the old AEC ; now DOE to service members who worked on Nuclear Weapons. He knows that they were issued at the Secret and Top Secret level; and that they were issued to those working directly on Nuclear Weapons, however he has contacted DOE and queried them concerning this type clearance and they will not acknowledge that they were issued to military members working on NW. He also cannot find any reference to the "Q" or "L" clearances on his DD-214. He is trying to get information to include in a Newsletter to the "Association of Atomic Veterans" so that they may use that information on claims of radiation exposure to the VA. He is also looking for information on the DD-1141 form which was supposed to document your entry into radiation exposures and what those level were.

info from them. Appreciate your assistance. He has also forwarded a letter to me from a surviving spouse (Suzanne Charlton) of one of our shipmates who was stationed at Lake Mead. Her husband; Peter D. Charlton was a "Technical Operations Officer" at Lake Mead from September 1955 to March 1957. The CO at the time was Captain Langston and the XO was Commander McInnis. She would like to talk to any shipmates who served with her husband to gain insight into the causes of his death. Suzanna Charlton can be reached at 1-858-454-3626.

More Useful Information: I have recently found a website for an "Association of Gunners-Mates". This is a nation wide group of former and present Gunners-Mates from all facets of the rating. The old NW rate, GMT rate and the past WT rating are all eligible for membership. The idea behind passing this information on to you is that you may be able to find some old shipmates who are members of this association, but have not heard of the NNWA.. If you desire more information on this organization, contact their Secretary/Treasurer **Jack Photenhauer at PO Box 247, Hammond, IN 46325** or by e-mail JPGUNSED@aol.com Their website can be view at [www:geocities.com/Pentagon/5397/](http://www.geocities.com/Pentagon/5397/). He is also interested in any old Gun Type photo's you may have. **Check them out.**

NNWA Logo's: We now have a limited supply of both the original NNWA logo and the newer Keeper of the Dragon logo. These are embroidered patches in full color and can easily be sewn onto Ball Caps, Shirts, Jackets or Vests. They are being sold for \$5.00 each plus \$1.50 shipping and handling for up to 5 logo's. They are expected to go fast, so get your order in today. Contact Tom Best at (803) 257-3744 or email rlwesw@ktc.com We also have a few commemorative coffee cups left from the Las Vegas reunion. These are standard white mugs with both the NNWA and Dragon logo on them and words commemorating the 15th NNWA reunion in Las Vegas NV. These are also \$5.00 each, but \$1.50 shipping and handling for up to 2 cups. Again these are in limited supply, so order yours early. Contact me at the above phone or e-mail address.

NNWA Roster: The newest NNWA membership roster is available through Ella Mae Weaver. We now have over 431 members in our association and hopefully will grow to more than that. As each new member joins, part of his welcome package includes a new member roster. Also NNWA members rosters are always made available at each reunion, however because all members do not receive rosters, we will make them available to you. Contact Ella Mae Weaver, preferably by mail. Please include your complete name, address, phone number and e-mail address (if you have one) so that I may ensure that your membership information is correct. Also we request that you include a SASE 5x6 manila envelope with 55 cents postage. These membership rosters are constantly updated as new members join or due to address, phone information changes to existing members. I would recommend that you request a new roster at least once per year, or better yet, come to the reunions and get them as part of your registration package.

The following web pages might be of some assistance or provide so needed information to those of you who are on the Internet:

Association of Gunners-Mates: www.geocities.com/pentagon/5397 **Military Funerals:** www.militaryfuneralhonors.com
Military Travel: www.militarytravelguide.com **Tricare:** www.tricare.mil
Navy memorial: www.lonesailor.org **Social Security:** www.ssa.gov/mystatement
Navy Retires Pay: www.emss.dfas.mil/emss.htm **Nuclear Weapons Archives:** www.nuketesting.enviroweb.org
Retiree Benefits: www.military.com/resources/resourcesfileview **Armed Forces Vacation Club:** www.afvclub.com
Nuclear Radiation Survivors: www.radiationsurvivors.org **Vets Roll Call:** www.vetsrollcall.com/home.shtml
Off Duty Travelers: www.offdutytravelersadvantage.com/default.asp

Points to Ponder: *Add a favorite saying in here*

Thought of the Day: *Same thing here.*

In Passing: Sea Fever: *This was last years information. Put in something new and interesting* .I must go down to the sea again, to the lonely sea and blue skies. All I ask is a tall ship and a star to steer by with the wheels kick, the winds song with the white sails shaking. Give me a gray mist on the sea's face and a red sun in dawns breaking. I must go down to the sea again, for the call of the running tide is a wild and a clear call that cannot be denied. All I ask is for a windy day with the white clouds flying; the flung sea spray and the blown spume with the seagulls crying. I must go down to the sea again, to the vagrant gypsy life, to the gulls and whales ways, where the wind is like a whetted knife. All I ask for is a merry yard and the laughter of a fellow rover; and a quiet sleep and sweet dream when my journey is over.

Last Thoughts: *This also was last year thoughts. See if you can put in anther new one.* Did you know that there is a special significance to each movement when our flag is folded?? The first fold of the flag is a symbol of life. The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life. Fold to the left in the shape of a triangle, where our hearts lie. With our hearts we pledge allegiance to the flag. Fold to the right as a tribute to our armed forces who protect our country and flag from all enemies, foreign and domestic. Fold again to the right as a tribute to our country. In the words of Stephen Decatur "Our country, may she always be right, but it is still our country; right or wrong". Fold to the left as a tribute to those who have entered the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day. Fold again to the left as tribute to womanhood, for it is their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that have molded the characters of the men and women who have served this great country. Fold to the right as a tribute to our fathers, for they have given their sons and daughters to the defense of this country since it was born. Fold the stripes toward the stars, for whereas the stripes represent the original 13 colonies that founded our republic. They are now embodied in the fifty sovereign states represented by the stars. Fold to the left in a

glorifies in their eyes the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Fold again to the left in the shape of a triangle, for in the eyes of a Christian citizen, this represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies in their eyes, the Father, God the Son and the Holy Spirit. When our flag is completely folded the stars are uppermost, which reminds us of our National Motto: "In God We Trust". After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a three cornered hat; reminding us of the soldiers who served under General Washington and the Sailors and Marines who served under John Paul Jones; followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States. For it is they who have preserved for us the rights, privileges and freedom we experience today.

From the Board of Governors; Navy Nuclear Weapons Association, we appreciate your dedication to duty and your unselfish devotion to this country during your Naval service and as citizens of this beloved country. If you have any questions concerning the NNWA, feel free to contact any of the Board of Governors. Their phone numbers are listed at the top of this newsletter.

Note:

When the Newsletter is in it's final state and ready for reproduction, try and formulate your pages so that you have even pages that can be reproduced back to back on the copier. Also I normally use the NNWA Application as the last page of the newsletter so that the back of that application is left blank. That way if you want to fold over the newsletter and staple it together, you will have a blank page to use as the send to address. Also if you want to take the last pages and "Mail Merge" them using the NNWA Roster, it saves you the time and trouble of making out stick on labels and putting them on. One advantage to using the application as the last page is that when you get an application form someone, it has the mailing address of the member who provided it on the back of the application. SLICK HUH??

**Navy Nuclear Weapons Association
17th Reunion Myrtle Beach, SC.
2-6 October, 2001**

Minutes of the General Business Meeting:

The annual General Business Meeting of Navy Nuclear Weapons Association was held in the Ballroom of the Ocean Creek Resort, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on 6 October, 2001. 56 members of the attending 62 members were present. Six of the nine Board of Governors were present. The President Dee Rochester called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

The opening prayer was provided by Board Member Chuck Weber standing in for Chaplain Henry Stephens; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to this wonderful country. The "Two-Bell Ceremony" was conducted by Shipmates Mike Snyder and Chuck Weber to acknowledge the dedication to service by our shipmates and members who have passed to their last duty station with the Supreme Commander. These including; **Nilo Baldasari; Charles Buxton; Harold E. Dunn; Benjamin Earp; Don W. (Bill) Fenstermacher; William T. Gray; Cecil Green; Al Lowe; Frank Lowe; James C. McGifford; John H. Obert; Gordon Polson; William Pratt.** *We as a community and as a Nation thank them for their unique contribution to world peace.* All NNWA members who have departed on their final tour will have their names inscribed on the NNWA Plaque commemorating their outstanding duty to God and Country. If you, as an NNWA member become aware of the passing of one of our shipmates (Member or Non-Member) please notify one of our Board of Governors so that we may notify the rest of the membership and also acknowledge and thank them for their dedicated service.

President Dee Rochester asked all new members to stand and introduce themselves to all the membership. After all the new members were complete, Dee asked all the rest of the members to stand and introduce themselves. It was noted that the new Nametags provided this year were extremely helpful to all the new and old members. It is recommended that this be continued for all future reunions. Dee also noted that Life Member Lavon Dyer has attended every reunion of the NNWA and has missed her first reunion this year. We all hope to see her at the Las Cruces reunion next year. Good Luck Lavon.

President Dee Rochester acknowledged the efforts of Frank and Linda Kelly, this years reunion hosts; for the excellent efforts they accomplished for this years reunion. Again one of the best reunions this association has hosted. The members present stood and applauded their efforts.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tom Best read a NNWA history summary he had put together from information provided by some of our long term members. Past Secretary Danny Rider was a large contributor to this effort.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary, and the Members present accepted them by voice vote.

The Treasurer presented an "Interim" Financial report from 1 November, 2000 to 25 September, 2001. The Members present accepted the Interim Financial report by a voice vote. The final Financial report will be completed after the reunion when all bills have been presented and paid. It will be provided as part of the next newsletter.

Tom Best reminded all members to check the date of their dues expiration and to ensure that they are paid up members. He also proudly noted that our NNWA membership continues to grow and we are now at 431 members.

The President discussed the Great American Cook-out that was held this year on Wednesday. It was a great success and attended by 62 persons. He recommends that future Board of Governors consider such a "ICEBREAKER" event early on at every reunion.

The President announced that for the first time, the NNWA Board purchased "Liability Insurance" to cover the Reunion. This was at a minimal cost of \$245.00 and he recommended that future Board of Governors consider liability insurance at all future reunions.

The President brought the members up to date on the effort to update the NNWA constitution. He further recommends that the new Board of Governors continue this effort by looking at all historical NNWA documents; Newsletters, Minutes of Meetings, and other NNWA Correspondence to ensure that all past recommendations and approvals by voice vote are included into the new Constitution. It should be presented to the membership for review and voted on at the next business meeting. (See the item below on Staggering of the Board).

Last year the Board of Governors designed and approved a NNWA Sympathy Card to be sent to all surviving spouses of our members. He recommends that this practice continue.

The NNWA Historian, Mike Snyder discussed the continuing efforts of updating the Navy Nuclear Weapons history as applicable to the NNWA. He acknowledged the early efforts of Shipmate Henry B. Smith who developed a history from the earliest stages of the navy program (1949) to the 1959 era. He is attempting to bring this history up to date. He also acknowledged the treasure trove of information; documents; photo's and equipment provided by Shipmates Roy Norman; O.B. McRenyolds, Jack Hayes, Doug Weaver and Jack Summers. He would also ask that all members of the NNWA contact him with your memories, shipmates stationed with and funny anecdotes from your days in the Nuclear Weapons program. Mike can be contacted by e-mail at michael.d.snyder@lmco.com or at his address:

Michael D. Snyder 17618 Sir Galahad Way, Ashton, MD. 20861-0750 or by phone at (301) 570-0242.

There being no other Old Business, the President open the floor to new business.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board of Governors "Service Officer" Chuck Weber provided a in-depth look into the new **Tricare For Life (TFL)** program that the government instituted for military retirees age 65 or greater, commencing 1 October, 2001. If you need further information on this program, Chuck recommends you contact your local county Service Officer, the Veterans Administration offices near you or on the Internet at www.tricare.osd.mil . Chuck also recommends that you contact "The Retired Officers Association" (TROA) as they have a very good book covering the TFL program either by mail of at www.troa.org . You can also contact Chuck at: Chuck Weber P.O. Box 157 Albrightsville, PA. 18210; Phone: (570) 722-0212 (H); (215) 822-4329 (W). e-mail address: chuchj.weber@fmcti.com

Chuck also noted that the government will soon be offering Retired Military members a low cost "Long Term Care" insurance

A motion was made from the floor to consider rotating terms for the Board of Governors so that the board did not completely change every two years. The motion was seconded and discussion took place. After the discussion, a voice vote was called and the motion was passed. The Board of Governors will resolve this issue for future revision of the Constitution.

President Dee Rochester mentioned that the Board of Governors authorized the expenditure of association funds to:

1. Offset the cost of the Great American Cook-out
2. Offset the Dinner costs for the Saturday Night Dinner
3. Offset the cost of hosting the Hospitality Room.

He also noted that the association has made a \$500.00 donation to the **Federal Employee Emergency Account (FEEA)** in the name of the Navy Nuclear Weapons Association. This account is intended to assist Military and Federal employees who have suffered losses due to the 11 September "**Attack of America**". He also noted that the **Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)** has instituted a **Pentagon Aid Fund** and is accepting donations through local FRA Branches and is intended to directly help members who had losses during the Pentagon "**Attack on America**".

The hosts for the 2002 reunion in Las Cruces, NM. are Bill & Nina Grizzard and Mike & Joyce Seitz. Bill Grizzard provided a short overview of the reunion. The dates will be 24 September through 29 September, 2002. The hotel will be the Hilton in Las Cruces at approximately \$60.00 per night room rates. The reunion will also coincide with the Southern New Mexico State Fair in Las Cruces, so there will be many activities to be able to choose from. He had also negotiated a tour

to "Trinity Site" for the NNWA members at the reunion through the Public Affairs Officer at Trinity. Bill will provide additional information in the next NNWA Newsletter.

President Dee Rochester and NNWA member Ray Margeson discussed the possibility of providing members with a NNWA Business card to carry with them. The card would identify the NNWA on the front and contain a small NNWA application on the back. This would allow members to provide interested prospective members an instant application for membership. It was agreed to look into this.

There was a discussion from the floor concerning the NNWA developing an Internet WEBSITE. It was agreed that members Ray Margeson and Dave Shiffman would look into the development of this website and provide information concerning the development and cost maintenance to the Board of Governors for approval.

The 1999/2000 NNWA Board of Governors terms have expired. The President Dee Rochester opened the floor to nominations to serve the 2001/2003 Board of Governors. Nominations from the floor included: **Mike Snyder; Frank Cantrell; Ray Margeson; Jim Hambley; Chuck Weber; Bill Grizzard; Ella Mae Weaver; Sid Hart; Henry Stephens.** (Henry indicated earlier that he would serve as the Chaplain again). There being no other nominations, The floor was closed and discussions were opened. After discussion, a voice vote was called and the membership approved the new Board.

You new NNWA Board of Governors for the 2001-2003 term of office are:

Jim Hambley	President
Sid Hart	Vice President
Ella Mae Weaver	Secretary/Treasurer
Frank Cantrell	Master-at-Arms
Chuck Weber	Service Officer
Henry Stephens	Chaplain
Mike Snyder	Historian
Ray Margeson	Member at large
Bill Grizzard	Member at Large

There being no other business offered from the floor, the President accepted a motion to adjourn. That motion was seconded and approved by voice vote. Past president Dee Rochester adjourned the meeting at 12:07 PM.

Meeting Minutes provided by: T.H. Best Sr. Past Secretary/Treasurer NNWA 15 October, 2001

Navy Nuclear Weapons Association Financial Report From 1 November 2000 to 15 October, 2001

Submitted: T. H. Best Sr. Secretary/ Treasurer

INCOME

Income at end of last financial report ending 30 October, 2000

New Membership (25 to date)

\$11747.25

Renew Memberships (130 to date)

535.00

Reinstated Members (28 to date)

2230.00

Logo/Coffee Cup Sales

710.00

286.50

Sub-Total: \$15222.25

Reunion Receipts:

Registration fees	\$ 1330.00	
Broadway. Legends Concert	1119.00	
Conway Tour	918.00	
Dinner Dance	2975.00	
All American Cookout		360.00
Carolina Opry	1400.00	
Blues Train	2747.00	
50/50 Raffles	434.00	
Grand Prize Drawing (Picture)	273.00	
Hospitality Room Donations	<u>523.44</u>	

Sub-total \$12079.44

Total Income \$27588.19

ANNUAL EXPENSES

Office Supplies, Postage, New Member Mailing & Newsletters	\$1221.10
Ocean Creek Resort Dinner Dance/Cookout	4472.75
Final Payment VIA Coach Transportation	1425.00
Final Payment Broadway/Legends Concert	760.00
Conway Tour	594.00
Carolina Opry	924.00
Dinner Dance Entertainment	1000.00
Blues Train Dinner/Show.	2226.98
Liability Insurance	245.00
Hospitality Room Set-up/Booze	1533.14
Grand Prize Gift (Picture)	233.00
New Logo Pins	116.00
Las Cruces Hotel Deposit (18 th reunion)	250.00
Donation to FEEA Pentagon/WTC Fund	<u>500.00</u>

Sub-total \$ 15500.97

Total Expenses <15500.97>

Annual Balance \$12087.22

Annual Treasury increase from last years total is <+\$339.97>

NOTE: 1: Note that the raffle sales were not as well supported as in the past. Also the hospitality room Kitty Jar suffered serious humiliation again this year. For those of you who did support both the Kitty and raffles; we appreciate your support as you again made the reunion successful for all to enjoy!

2: The bottom line annual balance is consistent with the balanced bank account. **Treasury increased by \$339.97**

Secretary/Treasurer Comments: Thanks to the efforts of a few of our current members, we have had a very active year in new memberships. I am very happy to report that we now have **431 members** of the NNWA. That breaks down to: 33 LIFE members (up from 27 last year); 8 Associate Members and 390 full members. Of the Associate members, 4 whose dues expire in 2001. Of our Full members; 5 are in arrears from 1995; 15 in arrears from 1996; 13 in arrears from 1997; 8 in arrears from 1998; 15 in arrears from 1999, 27 in arrears from 2000 and another 113 whose dues expire in 2001. Past policy has been to drop members who are three years or more in arrears (1995 thru 1999). This is an effective policy mostly due to the expenses of mailing newsletter and reunion information, however with the military close down of our program, and no new prospective membership on the horizon; we as an association need to make a collective effort to ensure that those members who are in arrears are afforded every opportunity to upgrade their membership dues. **Please assist us in doing so.** Annual dues are CHEAP! \$10.00 annually. Renewals are CHEAP! \$ 10.00 for renewal and \$10.00 for current annual memberships. At these costs, if all members in arrears would catch up their membership to year 2002, we would bring in an additional \$1420.00 to the association bank account. The same applies to our Associate members. Additionally; if each member renewed their membership annually that would provide us with approximately \$1130.00 in operating expenses. That would increase our treasury by \$2720.00. Although as an association we are financial stable this year; in the near term future, with the lost of members from non-payment or death, and the lack of new membership due to the demise of the nuclear weapons program; in the out years we will be financially strapped. Reunions are basically self supporting, but not without a tremendous amount of volunteer efforts from our on-site Chairperson and his volunteer staff. The Hospitality room is normally the major expense provided by the association, but the registration fees and the collection jar at the bar helps offset this cost. **(Don't Forget To Drop a couple Dollars in the Jar).** Thanks to Frank & Linda Kelly, plus all the others who assisted in this years reunion we were not financially hurt. But unless we, as an association and as individual members do not actively seek and enlist new memberships constantly, this



NAVY NUCLEAR WEAPONS ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE PASS THIS ON TO A SHIPMATE

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Navy; Marine Corps; Civil Service and Support Contractors for the Department of the Navy who have either:

- * Been attached to the Navy Administrative Units;
- Been attached to the Navy Special Weapons Units # 471; #802 or #1233;
- Received basic or advanced training in Nuclear Weapons operational use; assembly; disassembly; repair; maintenance; calibration of specialized test equipment; inspection; loading or delivery from the following U.S. Navy activities:
 - Armed Forces Special Weapons Project (AFSWP)
 - Defense Atomic Support Activity (DASA)
 - Nuclear Weapons Training Command, Pacific (NWTCP) or Nuclear Weapons Training Command, Atlantic (NWTCL)
 - Nuclear Weapons Training Group, Pacific (NWTGPAC) or Nuclear Weapons Training Group, Atlantic (NWTGLANT)
 - Weapons Training Group, Pacific (WTGPAC) or Weapons Training Group, Atlantic (WTGLANT)
- Attached to a naval command with primary responsibility for Nuclear Weapons capability to include:
 - Depot level Maintenance, Repair and Storage
 - Intermediate Level Maintenance, Repair and Storage
 - Nuclear Safety
 - Nuclear Security
 - Personnel Reliability Program Management

NOTE: Membership is available to surviving spouses of personnel with the above qualifications.

Associate membership is that person who does not qualify under the above eligibility requirements, but desires to associate with those members that have helped shape this free world of ours, "The Keepers of the Dragons"

_____ Enroll me as a member. \$10.00 entry fee plus \$10.00 annual membership fee (\$20.00 total) and \$10.00 annually.

_____ Enroll me as an Associate member. \$15.00 entry fee plus \$10.00 annual membership fee (\$25.00 total) and \$10.00 annually.

_____ Please reinstate my past due membership which expired in _____. \$10.00 reinstatement fee plus \$10.00 annually.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	////	Spouse First Name
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Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	Area Code	Phone Number	<u>e-mail address</u>	<u>fax number</u>
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ORGANIZATIONS ATTACHED TO

Please list those US Navy organizations you have been attached to for the above qualification requirements:

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