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A Day With Ed Holt

At long last, the day came. It was Saturday, October the 19th. I had to go to Florida on a business trip, so I went down the weekend before to spend some time with Oscar and Helen Cress. What gracious hosts. Helen and I had a wonderful morning going to yard sales.

Saturday afternoon we arranged to have lunch with Ed Holt. Me and Oscar were both excited to meet Ed. As it turned out, I bumped into Ed on my way to the ladies room. He immediately knew it was me.

Joining Ed was his wife, Gussie, and Gussie's son, Paul. It didn't take long for Oscar and Ed to pull out their pictures and begin laughing and telling us stories.

I was excited to hear Ed's stories about my Dad. He said the two of them had many laughs together.

And of course, the entire restaurant quickly figured out there were two World War II buddies who had not seen each other in over 50 years.

There was a lot of love and laughter and picture snapping going on. In the picture below, Ed is signaling goodbye to me as Oscar and Paul look on.

All in all, it was a wonderful day—one I will never forget.

Let's all hope Ed and Gussie Holt and Paul can make it to the reunion in Dallas.

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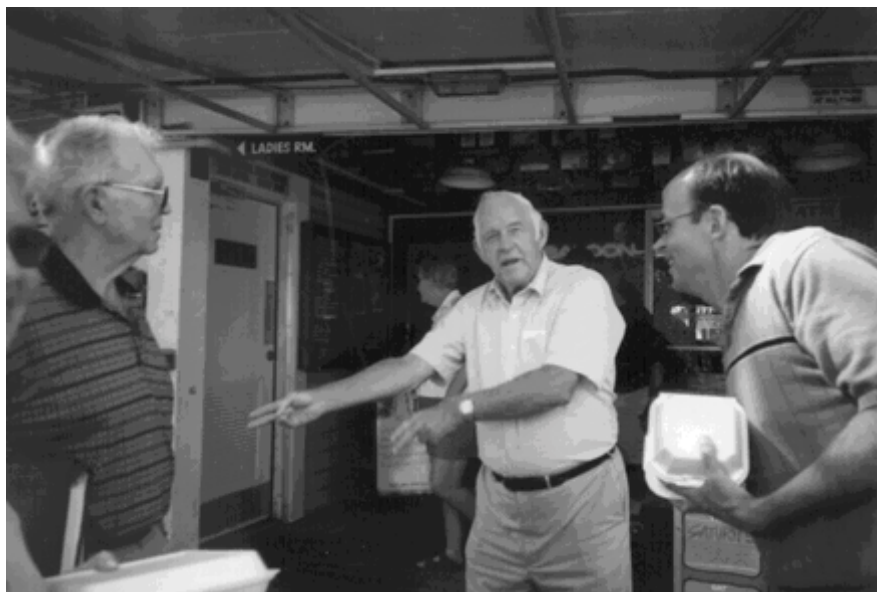
REUNION 2003

The 2003 reunion of the US LST Association will be held in

Dallas, Texas. The Association reunion is from August 27th to September 1st.

Our LST 534 reunion will take place during the Association meeting. Our suite will be open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. We will go in to Dallas on Thursday, August 28th. During the late afternoon we will meet to decorate our room. Our official opening will be Friday and we will shut down on Sunday.

This year we are going to enjoy the food the Association provides with your registration.



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Did You Know??

Abe Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846.

John F. Kennedy was elected to Congress in 1946.

Lincoln was elected President in 1860.

Kennedy was elected President in 1960.

The names Lincoln and Kennedy each contain seven letters.

Both were particularly concerned with civil rights.

Both wives lost children while living in the White House.

Both Presidents were shot on a Friday.

Both were shot in the head.

Lincoln's secretary was named Kennedy.

Kennedy's secretary was named Lincoln.

Both were assassinated by Southerners.

Both were succeeded by Southerners.

Both successors were named Johnson.

Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, was born in 1808.

Linden Johnson, who succeeded Kennedy, was born in 1908.

John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Lincoln, was born in 1839.

Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated Kennedy, was born in 1939.

Both assassins were known by their three names.

Both names comprise fifteen letters.

Lincoln was shot in a theater named Ford.

Kennedy was shot in a Lincoln made by Ford.

Booth ran from the theater and was caught in a warehouse.

Oswald ran from a warehouse and was caught in a theater.

Booth and Oswald were both assassinated before their trials.

And the Kicker:

A week before Lincoln was shot he was in Monroe, Maryland.

A week before Kennedy was shot he was with Marilyn Monroe.



BIRTHDAYS:

January 4

Ed Overstake
2440 World Parkway Blvd. E
#38
Clearwater, FL 33763

January 14

Frank Frame
PO Box 1017
Jal, NM 88252

January 30

Stephen G. St. Laurent
10054 Hayward Road
Spring Hill, FL 34608-6426

February 3

William Dox
443 South Main Street
PO Box 756
Massena, NY 13662

February 13

Captain's son, George Olson, Jr.
786 Seely Avenue
Aromas, CA 95004

March 14

Salvatore Logano
101 High Street
PO Box 144
Portland, CT 06480-1656

March 26

Willie Gunn
105 Bull Street
Swainsboro, GA 30401

April 1

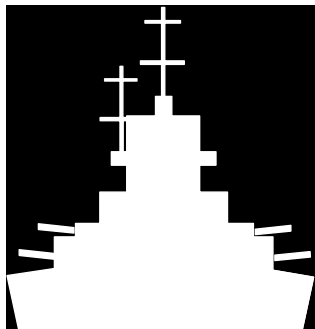
Angelo Cumella
11 Freeport Court
Toms River, NJ 08757

April 14

Alex Fielder
5950 Ambassador Drive
Fairfield, OH 45014

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☆ "If you don't risk anything, ☆
☆ you risk even more." ☆
☆ Erica Long, author ☆
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Just for Fun

Just for Fun
is a column
meaning just
that – FUN.

Jim Sarres has
graciously
volunteered to
keep this
column going.

We all know
how Judge
Sarres can
keep us
laughing!

Thanks Jim.

A flight attendant was stationed at the departure gate to check tickets. As a man approached, she extended her hand for the ticket, and he opened his trench coat and flashed her.

Without missing a beat she said, “Sir, I need to see you ticket, not your stub.”

Man #1: “My wife drives like lightning.”

Man #2: “She drives fast?”

Man #1: “No, she hits trees!”

Nautical Terms:

*In memory of James Richard Drew who
contributed to this column until his passing.
Contributed by Willie Gunn.*

Piping the Side—Bos’n blows whistle to accompany appropriate side honors, such as officer coming on board.

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