



# THE HELM

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## Reunion plans for this year

By Stan Barnes, President

**A**s you all should know by now, The USCGC Duane Association will be holding two reunions this year. The first is May 12 – 15 in Las Vegas at Arizona Charlie's. You should have received your information packets by now. If not, please let me know.

I have wanted to have a reunion out west for many years so as to have all of you who live out west together as only a few of you seem to be able to make it to the east. Now that I have found a hotel that will give us a very good deal it is time to proceed. I hope that all of you who can take advantage of this opportunity will do so. I would like to book 40 rooms before April 1. Please don't wait, call Arizona Charlie's at 1-800-342-2695 (TODAY) to book your reservation. Tell them that you will be attending the USCGC Duane reunion. We will have many tours & shows to decide on, a banquet and all the normal reunion activities plus more. If you would like more information, contact me at 603-496-2679 or [sbarnes49@yahoo.com](mailto:sbarnes49@yahoo.com).

The annual USCGC Duane reunion will be held at the Holiday Inn Hyanis on Cape Cod October 15 -18. As always, tours are being formulated, tuna fishing trips (9 slots, first come first serve) banquet, etc.

Please call the Holiday Inn at 1-508-815-2146 to make your reserva-



tions. Tell them that you will be attending the USCGC Duane reunion.

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I hope that all of you had a wonderful holiday season and for those of you who live up north, hope you have kept your shovel greased and have stayed warm.; Have faith, spring is just around the corner, and warmer days are coming.



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## Some Parker Selby Photos



## Duane Tire Cover



*By George Chioran*

I had the Duane insignia tire cover made and gave it to my son for his Jeep Wrangler. The picture is attached above, and he was very happy with how it turned out. I had it made through this company [www.tirecovercentral.com](http://www.tirecovercentral.com), and it cost about \$150 if any one else is interested in getting one.

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# Crossed the Bar

James Entwistle 1920-2014



## 2014 USCGC DUANE ASSOCIATION REUNION BLUEFIN TUNA FISHING TRIP

**WHEN: OCTOBER 15, 16, AND 17 IF NEEDED**

**WHERE: STAGE HARBOR, CHATHAM**

**PARTY: UP TO FIVE MEMBERS PER TRIP- THE FIRST NINE CREW MEMBERS TO CONTACT ME, (14 IF WE**

**HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE SIGN UP FOR A THIRD DAY) WILL BE LISTED. I AM GOING ON THE WEDNESDAY TRIP. TELL ME WHICH DAY YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO.**

**TIME: LEAVE THE PIER AT 0500, RETURN BETWEEN 1500 + 1600**

**LEAVE THE HOTEL AT 0420. SNOOZ YOU LOSE!**

**CLOTHING: WARM CLOTHS AND FOUL WEATHER GEAR**

**FOOD/DRINK: YOU MAY BRING ANY FOOD, ONLY BEER (NO LIQUIRE)**

**COST: FULL DAY: \$150.00 PER PERSON + TIP - FISHING OFF OF MONOMOY ISLAND**

**HALF DAY: \$100.00 PER PERSON + TIP**

**HIS NORMAL COST IS \$1100.00 PER FULL DAY AND \$700.00 FOR A HALF DAY OF FISHING**

**WEB SITE: [WWW.FISHCHATHEM.COM](http://WWW.FISHCHATHEM.COM) CHECK IT OUT!!!!!!**

**SIGN UP: DAY 1 OCTOBER 15 SIGN UP: DAY 2 OCTOBER 16 SIGN UP: DAY 3 OCTOBER 17 (IF NEEDED)**

Day 1		Day 2		Day 3	
1.	Stan Barnes	1.		1.	
2.		2.		2.	
3.		3.		3.	
4.		4.		4.	
5.		5.		5.	

**PAYMENT DUE DAY OF TRIP**

**YOU MUST CONTACT ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED BEFORE MAY 1, 2014**

**SBARNES49@YAHOO.COM**

**603-496-2679**

YOU KNOW YOU'RE AN OLD COASTIE...

Purloined From Fred's Place  
Authored By Some Old, Older, and "Older Than Dirt" Coasties  
Names Withheld To Protect The Guilty

You still call it the Commandant's Bulletin.

You remember how to use a Rapidraft.

You remember arguing which was tougher, Cape May or Alameda.

You had a service number.

You didn't pay Social Security taxes .

You ever made a Ocean Station Able

When anyone with a "shield" on their sleeve could drive a boat! (as long as you had your Chief's blessing...well not always...)

40' UTB (not the ones in some maritime museum)

Stationary said UNITED STATES TREASURY

GV's were gray with a stenciled UNITED STATES COAST GUARD on the door.

When you stood an inspection...you STOOD an inspection. Not an informal "gathering".

PT was done in ranks...not at the gym.

A"45" was not a malt beverage.

Lighthouses were not automated

RDF. Not ADF.

13 Buttons and Dixie Cup.

When we sent messages using a Teletype When we monitored 2182Khz Liberty Cards Dog Tags Front and REAR vehicle stickers Chambray shirts and "dixie cups" Belt buckles with units or ratings on them TICWANS Mobile Dental Units Wool CG Ensigns Orders in the Navy Times

Your really an Old Coastie if you used to use carbon paper with typewriters that didn't need electricity.

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**USCGC DUANE  
SHIP'S STORE  
ORDER FORM**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>PRICE</b>	<b>SIZE</b>
TEE SHIRTS	\$24.00	S M L XL 2X
POLO SHIRTS	\$28.00	S M L XL 2X
SWEATSHIRTS	\$28.00	S M L XL 2X
WINDBREAKERS	\$45.00	S M L XL 2X
HATS	\$16.00	
PATCHES	\$8.00	
SHIPPING:	\$10.00	
TOTAL:	\$ _____	

**NAME:**  
**ADDRESS:**  
**PHONE NUMBER:**  
**E MAIL ADDRESS:**  
**RATE/RANK:**  
**YEARS ONBOARD:**

***ALL ORDERS LARGER THAN 2X WILL HAVE AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE***

**SEND YOUR ORDER TO: USCGC DUANE ASSOCIATION C/O STAN BARNES 381 STAGE ROAD, SANBORNTON, NH 03269**

# Not a member? Join the USCGC Duane Association

2014 Membership and Renewal Application USCGC Duane Association

Membership runs from January to December. Dues are \$35 year.

Name

Spouse name

Your nickname (first name)

Street

City

State

Zip

Telephone

Email (required for download notification)

Years served on Duane: 19\_\_ to 19\_\_

Rank/rate while on board

Highest Rank/rate

USCG year retired

**2014 Membership**

Renewal

New Member

I wish to receive the newsletter:  Via mail (black & white)  Download (full color) from our site

Please send a check for \$35 made out to "USCGC Duane Association" to:

Tom Grabowski, 705 Meadowbrook Road, Trafford, PA 15085

Please cut along lines before mailing

*Old Coastie story continued from page 4*

If you used to smoke at your desk

You were required to have a liquid lunch at least once a week and maybe more.

You wore a Donald Duck hat to the base

Your Chief dressed in Khakis.

One of your buddies was an MM, BT, EN or CS.

When the letters USCG are so blurred on your tattoo they are no longer legible.

There was no racing stripe on ships.

You wore your uniform on liberty.

When you wore your uniform you could hitchhike and be assured of a ride.

Getting drunk was not something that hindered your advancement.

You attended "A" school in Rotten Groton by the Sea.