



CLEVER BOY

THE USS SABALO NEWSLETTER

OpEd—

IT'S WAR — Let's hope it's not WW 3.

I leave the reporting of events and implications to the news pundits and economic gurus, but I am making a few of my own comments.

Did a little research. **Putin is b.s.**** when he says it's about proximity to a NATO country, or protecting Russian separatists within Ukraine borders.

** <https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/115204.htm>

"Only 6% of Russia's land borders touch NATO countries. Russia has land borders with 14 countries. Only five are NATO members." Any actual border problems have historically been with China.

Using the now cliché phrase to solve political mystery, "Follow the Money" - This is what it really is:

Natural Resources - <https://ukraineinvest.gov.ua/industries/mining/> a map: <https://www.pngwing.com/en/free-png-nzvf> & This is a really detailed site: <http://wdc.org.ua/atlas/en/4040100.html> with a quote: "Ukraine is a rare-metal province: **the recoverable rare-metal resources are**

the biggest in Europe. The most important is Ukrainian shield with its 22 rare-metal formations. The most unique and large are such deposits: "... Beryllium; Zirconium and other of the rare-earth series; also Lithium; Tantalum, & Niobium ores...."

Outcomes of the Ukraine invasion involve many complex economic relationships. In just the energy sector from one source, for instance, Europe gets 40% of its natural gas and 25% of its oil from Russia. Germany, which seems the most reluctant of NATO to harshly condemn Russia, has one of the more dependent positions. Only 5% of German NatGas consumption is domestically produced, and although there are numerous other sources, prices in most of Europe have increased 30-40% recently.

One can only hope Putin's actions have no parallel to Hitler's movement into Poland in 1939 for oil. Not familiar with the start of World War II? Here's a brief: <https://weaponsandwarfare.com/2016/06/22/oil-in-wwii/>



NEW NAVY UNIFORM IN TESTING for E1-9

In the photo, the two-piece, khaki outfit, similar in structure to the current Type III Navy Working Uniform, or NWU, but without the distinctive green and black digital camouflage pattern is worn by the MCPO of the Navy.

This new uniform was part of the development of a garment aimed at offering an alternative to the Improved Flame Resistant Variant Coveralls.

In 2012, uniforms were not flame retardant, and danger-

ously flammable. Testing noted the uniforms "burn robustly until completely consumed" when subjected to a flame and "melt and drip" as it burns. If this sticky molten material came in contact with skin it would contribute to increased burn injury, the test report noted.

After that discovery, the original NWUs were banned at sea and the Navy rushed to put out flame-resistant coveralls for sailors who didn't already wear flight suits or engineering coveralls, both of which are flame-resistant. Today's coveralls sailors wear improved on these garments.

Over the intervening time, sailors have juggled different uniforms both at sea and ashore as the Navy moved from the Type I to the Type III NWUs in 2017 despite the latter initially being intended only as "tactical uniforms for our expeditionary Sailors." Read more: <https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/02/01/whats-uniform-navys-top-enlisted-sailor-wearing.html> [Seems like they are going back to the civilian 'oil burner repairman' style uniform tried in the past. Also cannot understand [green camo](#) for sailors afloat.—ed]

SHIPMATE PICS

Top l-r:

Repro patch now made by vendor, 2 links: [Original](#) and the [story of it](#);

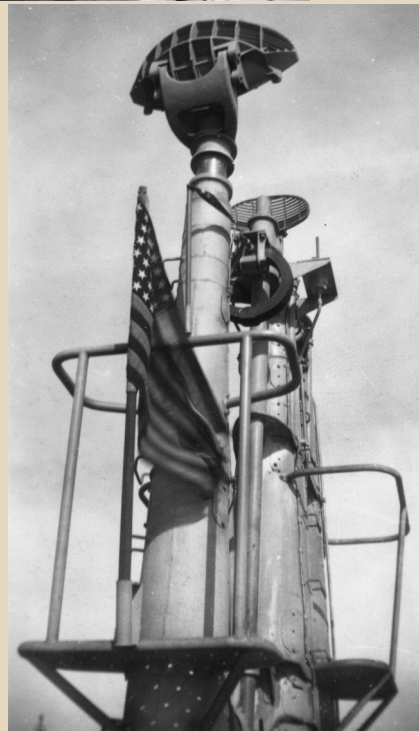
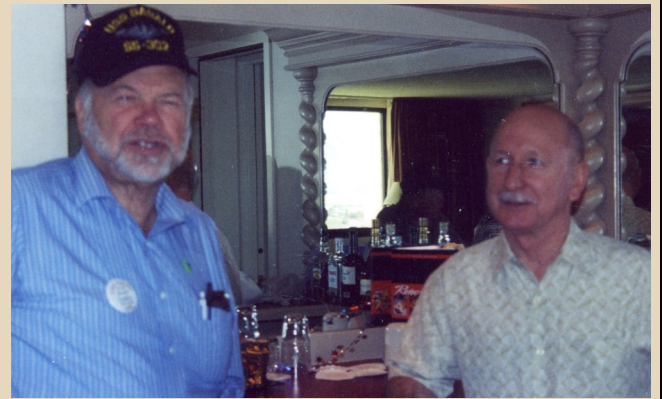
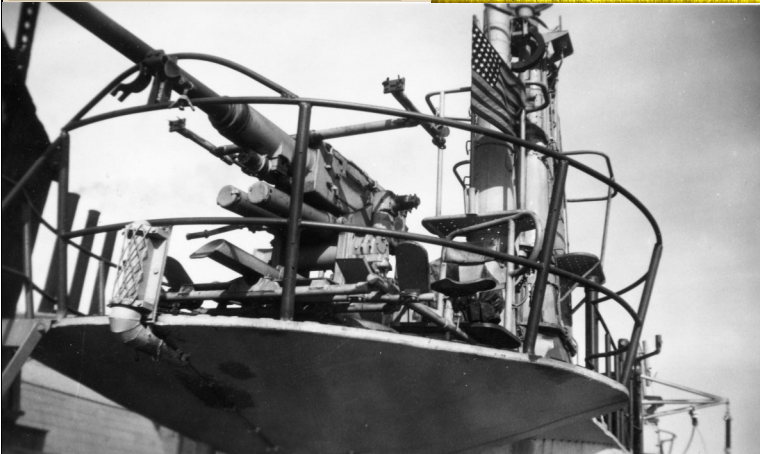
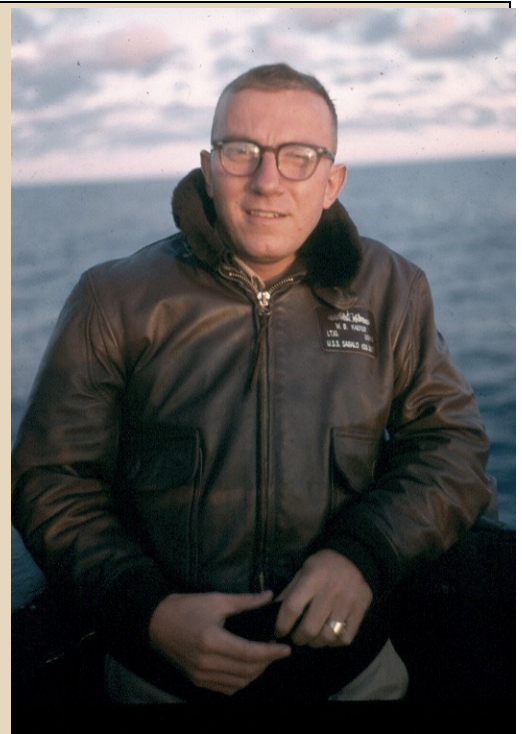
Will Kaefer LT underway '68

Mid l-r:

302's rear gun 40mm 1945;
Harold Losby ENC(SS) & **'Augie' Heisterman EN3(SS)** @ Reno reunion 2003

Bot l-r:

Jim Wallace, TM3(SS) on 302 '64—mem USSVI-Stryker Base; Sabalo mast—pre-snorkel 1945;
Glenn Farmer MoMM3(SS) on 302, WWII Vet, (1923-1983)



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For more information about the men who served in her, the ship's details and exploits, and copies of past *Clever Boy* newsletters beginning from 2009

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RECENT DONORS (with rank/rate & dates while aboard 302)

Burtner, Ken YN1(SS) Nov61-Aug63

Huckfeldt, Larry YN3(SS) Aug60-Aug61

Losby, Harold ENC(SS) Dec65-Feb70

McPolin, Paul SK3(SS) Aug60-Sep61

Sanborn, Chris EN3(SS/DV) Jan67-Nov68

Trinidad, Enrile EM2(SS) Jan64-Nov66



2022 USSVI National Convention

August 22-27, 2022

Buffalo, NY at the Hyatt Regency Buffalo

Details: <http://ussviconvention.org/2022/>

*You can't erase what you know.
You can't forget who you are.*

...Sandra Cisneros, poet, writer, artist

➡ **FIELD DAY-** (US military term, specifically US Navy and US Marine Corps) 1. A day on which there is top-to-bottom all-hands cleaning. 2. A time of great pleasure, activity, or opportunity. 3. A parade day. Originally: A day for maneuvers and tactical exercises in "the field". A day for military units to practice field tactics and marching. A time when all personnel participate. One source gives this slang definition: Field Day: All hands clean-up. usually lasts on a good day only about 3-4 hours. (30 min of cleaning and 2-4 hours of fucking off.)

HEADLINE NEWS

Follow links for full story

FEEDBACK NEEDED—Your editor searches far and wide for topical info to pass along. ***If you see some cool stuff, send it in for inclusion.***

Metallurgist pleads guilty to fraud after falsifying steel-test results for Navy submarines—9 Nov 2021

A metallurgist in Washington state pleaded guilty to fraud Monday after she spent decades faking the results of strength tests on steel that was being used to make U.S. Navy submarines.

“She suggested that in some cases she changed the tests to passing grades because she thought it was “stupid” that the Navy required the tests to be conducted at negative-100 degrees Fahrenheit.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/us/metallurgist-pleads-guilty-fraud-falsifying-steel-test-results-navy-submarines>

◆{Fred Holcomb had this comment: “I’m not a metallurgist, but it does seem out of sorts to test steel at 100 degrees below zero. She went about her job all wrong. She should have sought a waiver using her scientific knowledge of metallurgy. It’s a scary story until you read her explanation.”

▲Maybe her actions pose no threat in reality. It does seem odd that such a spec would be applied to sub steel where any temps would be moderated to nothing that severe by the surrounding water, and encountering even polar zone air temps wouldn’t be that low.—ed.}

The Morrison government is ‘sinking’ the AUKUS submarine deal— Australia 9 Nov 2021

News media reports that the submarines will not be ready “in a relevant timeframe” if the government tries to have them built in Adelaide. “This is a science fiction commitment from the Morrison government,” he said. “And the awkward and disobliging comments of the Biden administration look to me as though the Morrison government hasn’t got all its ducks in a row. “The Morrison government has absolutely no communication strategy on this. The only information any of us can get are titbits which come out of Senate Estimates. “So, the government’s communication strategy is that occasionally a cornered admiral in an Estimates committee will admit that we’re not going to get a nuclear sub before 2040 at the earliest.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s0xvRrpkJVU>

Navy Engineer Who Tried to Sell Sub Secrets Pleads Guilty- 14 Feb 2022 - ...faces about 12 to 17 years in prison for trying to sell, "militarily sensitive design elements, operating parameters, and performance characteristics of [Virginia-class](#) submarine reactors.”

[Navy Engineer Who Tried to Sell Sub Secrets Pleads Guilty](https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/02/14/navy-engineer-who-tried-sell-sub-secrets-pleads-guilty.html)
<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/02/14/navy-engineer-who-tried-sell-sub-secrets-pleads-guilty.html>

Nautilus Gets Underway 15 Oct 2021 She "got underway" for scheduled preservation maintenance at Sub Base.Conn. for an estimated \$36 million preservation project that is expected to be completed in six to eight months. Video: <https://www.military.com/video/historic-ship-nautilus-gets-underway>

Navy Fires 2 Top Officers of Submarine Damaged in Collision - 4 Nov 2021 As a result of the collision suffered by The Connecticut SSN-22, 3 men were relieved: The CO, XO, and the COB, a Master Chief Sonar Tech, “due to loss of confidence.”
<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2021/11/04/navy-fires-2-top-officers-of-submarine-damaged-collision.html>

Early July Tornado Struck Kings Bay Sub Base 7 Jul 2021-
<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2021/07/08/significant-120-mph-tornado-carves-through-georgia-submarine-base.html>

VA NEWS

VA Tests New Automated System that Could Speed Up Claims Decisions— 18 Jan 2022 VA plan to address 260,000 current disability claims, including 59,000 that are older than 125 days. <https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/01/18/va-tests-new-automated-system-could-speed-claims-decisions.html>

[ed. Note: My claim was filed in Oct 2019. I wonder if I will be deceased when they finally get to it.]

At Least 1 Million Vets Could Get VA Health Care Under Scaled-Back Exposures Bill- 1Feb22 With cost imperiling a \$282 billion bill that would help those exposed to burn pits, as well as Vietnam veterans with hypertension, two senators are proposing a much less expensive compromise that could still help more than 1 million veterans get VA health care. The new proposals would expand benefits to millions, including Vietnam vets with hypertension, and anyone who has served since 1990 in the Persian Gulf region and elsewhere and has exposure-related illnesses.
<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/02/01/least-1-million-vets-could-get-va-health-care-under-scaled-back-exposures-bill.html>

STATE VETERANS BENEFITS— Each state offers their own benefits. Some are quite lucrative including zero income tax on military retirement income, and many other monetary programs. For a state-by-state listing check this web site: <https://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/state-veterans-benefits-directory.html>

FROM OUT OF THE TOMATO BOX

By Editor Jeff Owens

Not a day goes by, in which my mind doesn't slip away to those days on the Sabalo.

NAVY SLANG—"GIVE-A-SHIT"

While not particularly a Navy term, it is frequently applied to a situation when one has no interest in participation or outcome.

Help me out—on the bottom of page 7 is a note about mustering in. Many men are 'AWOL'. For some it likely means you don't **give-a-shit** about the Sabalo newsletter.

I can understand that many may have little memory or maybe a bad memory of being a Sabalo vet.

Take a few seconds to let me know so I can determine how long this newsletter will last. Should I consider you a reader or not? If you don't care and don't read Clever Boy it is obvious to me when I don't hear from you.

If you do read CB, please reply and take your name off the AWOL list. See pg 15

➡ Remember if you have trouble reading *CB* online, then request to be added to the hard copy mailing list.



DID YOU WEAR GOLD STRIPES ?

On the www.DeckLog.com web site, where I record all data of Sabalo service, there is provision to record whether gold stripes were earned for 12 years 'good conduct'. Many of you are due this addition to the record.

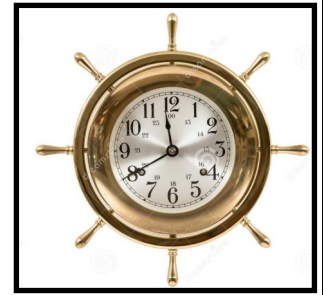
Take a few seconds and communicate, and I will update your listing

Sabalo Sailing List Stats - 27 Feb 2022	
Total shipmates listed	1461
Current Address or Email / Receives CB	350/ 284
Known Deceased	840
Not located/ lost contact	271

Marking Time

And just like that 1969 was 52 years ago.

[I was released from active duty 18 Aug 69]



I think people my age are much older than me.

*The good news is I've made it to my golden years.
The bad news is there ain't no gold.*

Today is the first day of the rest of your life, and if that doesn't work out for you, tomorrow is the first day of the rest of your life. Bob Saget, Comedian, Actor, TV Host 1956-2022

THANKS !

Some of the stuff in this issue came from readers. Thanks guys, and keep it coming. If you see something you like or find informative, probably shipmates will too.

CORRECTIONS: *Bad link in OCT issue*

Wally Wahlstrom TMC(SS), Ret. 1969 - (was on Sabalo Feb-Oct'68) sent a copy of partial dialog he recounted for a local neighborhood newsletter where he lives in Oregon. It is about a time when he was washed overboard from the Caiman SS-323 in 1955. It is a bit lengthy, so it is posted on the Sabalo web site.

Link: <https://ussabalo.org/T-Wahlstrom%20Tale.html>

A Man and a Woman-

Wife: Will you stop yawning when I'm trying to talk to you.

Husband: I wasn't yawning, I was trying to talk to you and waiting for the opportunity.

In January* it's so nice, while slipping and sliding on the ice, to sip hot chicken soup with rice. ... Maurice Sednak - illustrator, writer
[*or February or March, April—your choice—ed.] See pg 16

THE OLD BOATS:

___Featuring WWII Craft & Exploits

13th October 1939 German U Boat Commander Gunther Prien penetrated the British Navy's main anchorage at Scapa Flow and sank HMS Royal Oak. 833 men lost
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NpTQaf-5IxY>

The only US sub to sink an enemy battleship during WWII made recordings of the attack that you can still listen to-

November 21, 1944, the US submarine USS Sealion came up a group of Japanese warships in the Taiwan Strait. In the action, the Sealion sank the Jap Battleship Kongo and the destroyer Urakaze. <https://www.yahoo.com/news/only-us-sub-sink-enemy-231900698.html>

[The actual sound recording you can listen to is very poor, but the narrative with the article includes the chronology of the battle and the high points of the Sealion's career which ended in 1970. -ed.]

[History: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Sealion_%28SS-315%29 SS-315, also referred to as Sealion II ,was the 2nd sub to carry that name. The first was SS-195 which was sunk in a Japanese air attack on 10 Dec 1941 while at the Cavite shipyard in the Philippines. -ed.]

Anti-Sub Warfare in WW1 - From Hammers to

Hunter-Killers (25+ min) A thorough run down on all the tactics, but the hammer thing almost sounds like a Monty Python routine: "I say, seems there's a periscope over there." - "Should we take action stations, sir?"

"No no, let's not disturb the captain's tea. Just send out a boat with a petty officer and a pair of midshipmen to give it a good knock." - "Aye aye, sir."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lxV9fQ0401U>

The USN Pacific Submarine Campaign -

The Dark Year (Dec'41 - Dec'42) Time: 39:37
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=m1SvYtM4dgv>

How Allied Submarines Crippled Japan in WW2

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=m5e0Tor2kMg>
 Time: 16:58

WWII - The Mark 14 Torpedo - Failure is Like Onions

...what happens when you mix the Bureau of Ordnance with a cost-cutting Congress and a few people pathologically incapable of admitting to making a mistake, then try and get a working torpedo out of them. Time:33:26

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=eQ5Ru7Zu_1I

WE DID WHAT WE DID.

WE SPENT ALL OUR MONEY

**ON FAST CARS AND WOMEN
 ... AND WHISKEY.**

THE REST WE JUST WASTED.

NAVY LORE

WHY US NAVY SUBMARINES MIGHT RETURN HOME 'FLYING' A BROOM

During the 1652 Battle of Dungeness, English and Dutch naval forces met off the coast of England. The Dutch ships not only won the battle but gained control of the English Channel. Legend has it that the Dutch admiral in command of his fleet returned home flying a broom on his mast, boasting that he'd swept the seas clean of his enemies.

Whether the story is true is debatable, but what is definitely true is that American sailors began returning to home ports during World War II with brooms fixed to their submarines. They had made a clean sweep of their own. [The first-known U.S. sub to adopt the tradition](https://www.military.com/history/why-us-navy-submarines-might-return-home-flying-broom.html) was the USS Wahoo in 1942.

<https://www.military.com/history/why-us-navy-submarines-might-return-home-flying-broom.html>

WHY SOME SUBMARINES RETURN TO PORT FLYING PIRATE FLAGS

When the USS Jimmy Carter SSN-23 sailed into its home port in Washington state in September 2017, it was flying an unusual flag: the distinctive skull and crossbones of a Jolly Roger.



The boat's missions are probably among the most closely guarded secrets in the U.S. Navy, but submarines fly those pirate flags when they return from a mission after some kind of "operational action." While no one outside of the crew can tell you what that "operational action" entailed and good luck finding out what that means.

The history of Western submarines flying the Jolly Roger upon a successful return is a funny bit of history. This article tells the history of the practice going back to the early boats of WW I.

<https://www.military.com/history/why-some-submarines-return-port-flying-pirate-flags.html>

Life is Simple 
 ...either you're qualified or you're not!

WHO'S STILL OUT THERE ? (By editor)

On a recent news brief here on a local TV in Northeast Pennsylvania, the statistic given was that more than 390 Vietnam Era vets are dying each day. This factoid prompted me to check online for more stats on who's still with us. At first I wanted to put together a profile of the Sabalo vets with respect to their status by sorting my Excel database, but setting that up proved a more daunting task to get the data extraction than I could handle.

From online searching i checked for some gross statistics. I didn't try for complete accuracy on all classes of vets, but some of the best data I could find is included.

•**ALL VETS LIVING TODAY** - The total number of military veterans from all branches and periods currently living is between 16.5 & 18.8 million depending on the source and specific date of data reference.

•**SABALO VETS FROM WWII** - I don't have positive proof any are still alive. Three with previously known whereabouts have not been heard from in some time, and multiple attempts to locate and establish contact have been unsuccessful. Four men's status or whereabouts were never found.

•**KOREA** - There are 500,000 Korean War veterans still living, but about 600 of those die every day, according to the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation. The median age of the living is 88. Total who served in all Armed Forces: 5,720,000. Today, about 8.7% are still living

•**SABALO VETS FROM KOREAN WAR PERIOD** - 21 men are listed with known address. 25 men are listed that were never located with a few in that number which have been lost after previously knowing their whereabouts.

•**VIETNAM ERA** -- [Google searching does not yield either a definitive or up-to-date chart for the stats.]

•[Two different time spans are used by various sources]

•Over 8.7 million Americans served in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam era from 1964 to 1973. More than 3.4 million deployed to Southeast Asia , and approximately 2.7 million of those served "in country" in the Republic of Vietnam.

•VA's Veteran Population Projection Model estimates the number of living Vietnam War-era Veterans at the end of 2019 to be 6.1 million. In 2019, approximately 3.4 million Vietnam War Veterans were enrolled for Veterans Health Administration services. [and from another source] As of November 2020 the number was nearly 1.6 million were being served by VA. [A big difference that doesn't seem to be explained by either death losses or those no longer using the VA for medical services. -ed.]

•[A different source stated:] "Of the 2,709,918 Americans who served 'in country' Vietnam, Less than 850,000 are estimated to be alive today [roughly 31%], with the youngest American Vietnam veteran's age approximated to be 60 years old." [This age doesn't calculate. If someone was an 18 year old in 1973 (48+ years ago), then they would be 66 now.]

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN UNIFORM AND IN COUNTRY VIETNAM VETERANS:

◆9,087,000 military personnel served on active duty during the Vietnam Era (August 5, 1964 - May 7, 1975).

◆ [or using a different time period] 8,744,000 GIs were on active duty during the war (Aug 5, 1964-March 28, 1973).

2,709,918 Americans served in Vietnam, this number represents 9.7% of their generation.

◆3,403,100 (Including 514,300 offshore) personnel served in the broader Southeast Asia Theater (Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, flight crews based in Thailand, and sailors in adjacent South China Sea waters). [OK, Sabalo vets would be part of the 514 thousand.]

◆2,594,000 personnel served within the borders of South Vietnam (Jan. 1, 1965 - March 28 1973)

◆Of the 2.6 million, between 1-1.6 million (40-60%) either fought in combat, provided close support or were at least fairly regularly exposed to enemy attack. 7,484 women (6,250 or 83.5% were nurses) served in Vietnam.

◆Another 50,000 men served in Vietnam between 1960 and 1964.

◆25% (648,500) of total forces in country were draftees. (66% of U.S. armed forces members were drafted during WWII).

◆97% of Vietnam-era veterans were honorably discharged. 91% of actual Vietnam War veterans and 90% of those who saw combat are proud to have served their country. 74% say they would

◆serve again, even knowing the outcome. 87% of the public now holds Vietnam veterans in high esteem.

◆2021- According to the VA model estimate, approximately 5.9 million Vietnam Era vets are living today.



So, if you're alive and reading this, how does it feel to be among the remaining 65 % of all the U.S. Vets who served in Vietnam, or the 8.7% from Korea?

Remember that mustering in from time to time is the way shipmates can know you're still out there.

The last Sabalo muster in July 2021 was poorly responded to. 88 men with known address were not heard from. The previous muster request was in 2018. The number not heard from precludes making a repeat search for all the missing.

See page 15

Your only excuse is that there is no phone or internet in the cemetery.

MEET YOUR SHIPMATE

[On 14 Feb I received an email from **Joe Eugene** <joeeugene@calcentral.com> asking about more specific information about his father who was YN1(SS) on Sabalo May57-May58. Joe only had a few details about his father's duty from about 1955 until he retired from the Navy in 1963.

I began a complete search of possibilities using my common search methods and found that Harry L. Eugene had enlisted just prior to WWII. Below are the pertinent details I could find. After forwarding Joe the info, he replied with a pic. —ed.]

Harry Lester Eugene "Barney"

b. 21 May 1923 — d. 27 Oct 1992, last res. Pacific Grove, CA
 28 Feb 1941 Enlisted USN at San Francisco NSN : 376-27-33
 14 Oct 1941 Recd on board USS Lexington CV-2 as S2c (E2) from RecSta San Diego for transport FFT ComPatWing 2 [Combat Patrol Wing] ForDU (I think this was for transport from mainland to P.H.)

for history of ComPatWing 2: [CPRW-2 Disestablishes After 80 Years](#)

19 Oct 1941 left Lexington

20 Oct 1941 retd aboard USS McFarland AVD-14 ForDu F3c (E3)

8 Feb 1942 xfrd to USN Hosp. P.H.

31 Mar 1942 xfrd fm USNMobileBaseHosp#2 to USS McFarlandAVD-14

30 Apr 1942 Was passenger on USS Henderson AP-1 FFT to SubScol New London— (probably fm P.H. back to mainland)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Henderson_%28AP-1%29

[Intervening time was probably at Sub school]

19 Sep 1942 xfrd fm RecSta S.F. to USS Mount Vernon AP-22 (troop transport ship)

12 Oct 1942 left Mount Vernon xfrd to ComSub SoW for assignment (This was in Australia)

15 Apr 1943 Recd on USS Tambor SS-198 as F2c (= E2)

[While checking data on the USS Tambor I happened across the name of another Sabalo vet —**Richard Fackler**, EM who was on board Tambor during the same time frame as Eugene. —ed.]

[Qualified submarines (SS) on ?sub - date ?]

19 May 45 recd on Bashaw fm CSD-182 (Flag & Relief Crew) ForDu

30 Jun 1945 xfrd from USS Bashaw SS-241 to ComSubPacAdmin (was Y3c-Yeoman 3rd class=E5)

22 Oct 1945 xfrd to CSD 71 and assigned to Ronquil SS-396

9 Jan 1947 xfrd from USS Ronquil to USS Coucal ASR-8

20 Feb 1947 xfrd fm Coucal to CO SubBase Midway Is. as Y3c

Above *Source: U.S., World War II Navy Muster Rolls, 1938-1949 on Ancestry.com*

[47-55 data not found]

6 Sep 1955 Recd on Sterlet as YN2 fm GENRAD COMSUBAD MARE ISLAND CA

16 Apr 1956 Promoted to YN1

20 May 1957 Recd as YN1(SS) for duty on Sabalo fm Sterlet

31 May 58 Xfrd to COMNAVFORJAP for duty (was in Legal Services dept.)

1961 Assigned to the Point Sur Naval Base in California and retired after two years there.

Above *Source: U.S., Navy Muster Rolls, 1949-1971 on Ancestry.com*



—**Richard Fackler**, EM

Personal remembrances of Richard "Dick" Barker FN-EN2(SS) on 302 Aug56-Nov59

(dated 18 July 2019) [minor editing]



I joined the Navy 28 December 1955; was released from active duty in November 1959, and put on the reserve list for 2 more years & eventually discharged. I was sent to the Sabalo in the summer of 1956 and sailed to Japan, and then on patrol checking shipping in and out of Russia. We did 3 patrols there and also were checking Korean radar stations.

Once a Russian sub fired a torpedo at us. It went down our port side – scared the hell out of us! The torpedo screws were very loud. Then the Koreans discovered our position and came out and held depth charge practice, but they were too far away to hurt us.

One time in the Sea of Japan we started to surface near several sampans and they shot our superstructure full of holes. [Went the official report of damage was made] Our cover story was we hit an iceberg. Just between us, bullet holes don't look like damage from hitting an iceberg.

Anyway we were awarded the China Service Medal. We asked about the Korean Service Medal, but were told it was too long after the war. Although, I hear they still haven't signed a treaty that the war is over.

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Personal remembrances of Richard “Dick” Barker (cont.) Because this service was between official war periods I was not eligible to join the American Legion or VFW. Because my wife was a member due to her father’s service in WWII I was able to go in with her. Finally, because of the China Service Ribbon, I was allowed to join the Legion and VFW. I also tried to use the G.I. Bill to go to college and was not eligible.

I have no contact with anyone I served with except Dale Janke. We were both FN’s in the After Engine Room. Which reminds me of one more incident. When preparing for our first patrol, we went out to a little brown bay and fired a live torpedo at a large rock on shore. My battle station was phone talker in the After Torpedo Room. We entered the bay and headed out on a quick 180. The shot from the aft tube went erratic. The shot was being monitored from an aircraft. I heard two transmissions on the headphones. ‘Erratic torpedo heading 180, abandon after torpedo room and manning the headphones. – “My pucker factor has never been the same.”

[Dick now lives in Seymour Indiana and will be 85 this year. He reports he and his wife are ‘not in great health’.]

VA LINKS

These are shown as clickable links in the online issue. If you need the URL, send me an eml. –ed.

- ⇒ [2020 VA Agent Orange Newsletter](#)
- ⇒ [Check the status of a disability claim you have filed](#)
- ⇒ [VietNam-era deck logs](#)
- ⇒ [Blue Water Navy Association](#)

VETERAN’S DISCOUNTS

Here’s a list:

<https://blogs.va.gov/VAntage/85765/veteran-discounts-available-year-round/>

More links: [North Face](#); [Outback](#); [HomeDepot](#)



Reader’s Puka* - Book recommendations and reviews—

Who’s read a good book lately? - Send in the details.

“The Bomber Mafia: A Dream, A Temptation, and the Longest Night of the Second World War”

by Malcolm Gladwell – [“A very, very good read.” as highly recommend by my cousin—ed.] This 206-page book was published in 2021 and has been on the bestseller lists. In short, it’s “how a strategy to reduce bloodshed with precision bombing in World War II was thwarted by military leaders.” Also, it’s “an exploration of how technology and best intentions collide in the heat of war.” Available as: hardcover; softcover; Kindle; audiobook

“Shinano”—The account of the WWII sinking, on her first night at sea, of this Japanese Battleship secretly converted to a carrier. By Capt. Joseph F. Enright, CO of the Archerfish who was awarded the Navy Cross for this action. Publ. 1987. ISBN:0-312-00186-X

SPECIAL — David W. Brower, RM2(SS) on 302 Ocxt68-Dec 70 has written a memoir, *Love Ya Ma*

“...a scintillating tribute to his mother, Madeline Chinn Nass. It contains stories of his life with her, their relationship with family and friends, and the impact of those relationships.”

“...good fit for younger and older audiences interested in a memoir that promotes family values. “

Complete review: <https://forums.onlinebookclub.org/viewtopic.php?t=193044>

Movie Night in the After Battery



In Enemy Hands

– At the height of the U-boat war in 1943, the crew of the USS Swordfish were heading home after months at sea. They never made it. Swordfish is torpedoed and the survivors are picked up by a passing German U-boat, but an outbreak of meningitis threatens all aboard. Now POW’s aboard U-429, a small group of American survivors will find their loyalties put to the ultimate test when they’re forced to join their German captors to fight for their very lives.- 2004, Fiction, Time-1 hr 34 min, Available on: Amazon Prime Video | YouTube- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A0q6EQPYHp0> | Buy DVD @Walmart, Target, Amazon & others. Trailer- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aH8nPl4-ZzU>

Note: After Battery eagle-eyes will have a productive time picking out anachronisms of dialog, technical goofs, and technological aspects of the action that didn’t exist in WWII.



➔ **What the foreign Navies are doing**

After 76 Years, Japan Has Aircraft Carriers Again 5Nov2021— A U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Joint Strike Fighter landed last month on the Japanese aircraft carrier *Izumo*. The event marked 76 years since the last time Japan operated an aircraft carrier. Japan will operate at least two carriers by 2030, all with American help.

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/technology/after-76-years-japan-has-aircraft-carriers-again/ar-AAQmj12?ocid=msedgntp>

Russian Admiral: Kursk Disaster Caused by NATO Sub 22Nov2021- Retired Adm. Vyacheslav Popov, who was the commander of Russia's Northern Fleet when the Kursk exploded and sank during naval maneuvers in the Barents Sea, charged in an interview released Monday that the NATO submarine inadvertently bumped into the Kursk while shadowing it at close distance.

<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2021/11/22/russian-admiral-kursk-disaster-caused-nato-sub.html>

China's Sub Force Is Growing More Powerful. This Is What the US Navy Needs to Do to Stay Ahead 8Nov2021 - "China already has more than 40 submarines capable of firing long-range and supersonic ASCMs."

"To credibly defend a carrier strike group against ASCMs, the Navy needs platforms that can get there quickly enough to threaten a submarine. ...No single emerging technology or novel tactic can solve the challenge of long-range, submarine-launched antiship cruise missiles. ASW platforms will have to not only detect launches but also get to them in time to prosecute them." Read more: <https://www.military.com/daily-news/opinions/2021/11/08/chinas-sub-force-growing-more-powerful-what-us-navy-needs-do-stay-ahead.html>

Emerging Technology For ASW—Oct 2021—According to a Department of Defense report, several Chinese submarine classes, including the Shang class, will be outfitted with China's new long-range anti-ship cruise missile, meaning the U.S. needs to up its long-range anti-submarine warfare game with new and innovative antisubmarine warfare platforms to defend against China's stealthy and potent long-range threat.

<https://www.usni.org/magazines/proceedings/2021/october/use-emerging-technology-asw>

Why US won't sell to India 12Oct2021- The video presents some of the politics behind nuclear submarines; basics of how a nuclear submarine works; what are the challenges behind building a nuclear submarine; why the Big 5 countries don't sell them to anyone; why privatization of the defence sector is needed, and more regarding the politics around nuclear submarine. Vid time-17:51 <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=6nH3uyA2RYw>

Venezuelan Navy's Submarine Force celebrated 60 years of operations on May 4 2020. The submarine arm was established with an ex-U.S. Navy Balao Class fleet submarine in 1960. Two more American boats followed in the 1970s. Today it lists two German built Type-209 submarines, **Sábalo (S-31)** and Caribe (S-32). The Type-209s are relatively dated designs (delivered 1976 and 1978. respectively) and are overdue for replacement, although they have received some upgrades during their service, including an improved weapons system, they have reached the end of their service life. Read more:

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/hisutton/2020/05/08/the-mystery-of-the-venezuelan-navys-submarines/>

Norway Tells Conscripts to Return Underwear After Service—'Talk about a tight budget'

<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2022/01/10/norway-tells-conscripts-return-underwear-after-service.html>

Reminds me of the tale about submarine life I told to my high school classmates at my 50 yr reunion -ed.

* "People always ask me what it was like in a submarine. On the old diesel boats fresh water was in short supply for every need. There were no washing machines like today's big nuke subs. With limited storage spaces making having many changes of clothes impossible, work clothes were worn for many days, even weeks on a long cruise."

"One day the Captain said to the Chief-of-the Boat, the enlisted man that was head of the crew, "Chief, the men are developing a terrible odor. I want you to order them to change their clothes, especially their underwear."

"Shortly afterward, the Captain again detecting a bad odor, went to the Chief and somewhat sternly said, "Chief, I thought I told you to order the men to change clothes."

"I did Sir, but having no new or clean clothes, Jones had to change with Callahan, and Nelson with Owens, and more or less the same with the rest of the crew."

.....A few laughed, and I left it up to my classmates to figure it out that this was a 'sea story'. However, For any 'landlubbers' reading this, the part about wearing clothes for long stretches is true.

**MAILBAG**

9Jan22 eml recd fm **Art Clement TCMC (SS-DV) USN Ret.**
 ..."Just received info last night that my old friend, **Warren Kratz TCMC(SS), Ret**, has been given about 3 weeks to live. Cancer. Warren started on Sabalo as a TM striker in 1960 " [Kratz died only 4 days later—see EP Notices]

8Nov21 eml recd fm **Joe Bruzzo, RM1(SS) on 302 '57-58**
 Hi Jeff: Great Newsletter! So many interesting links. I guess I may have told you my Sabalo experience before but maybe not, so here goes

When I graduated from sub school after serving on a destroyer in the atlantic fleet I picked the Sabalo as my next duty station. Well, this was sometime late '56 or early'57 and she was in Japan at the time. They flew me from the east coast to the west coast on commercial air, then to Japan on M.A.T.S after three days I finally arrived at the boat docked in Yokosuka. Went up the gangway and handed my papers to the o.o.d. and he said "where the hell were you, we are leaving for Pearl Harbor tomorrow morning. Holy S--T.

When we got back to San Diego we went into the yards for maintenance. I did all the stuff required from the Radiomen, scraping, painting, changing antennas etc. Then we went out on daily maneuvers with the ASW tin cans — BORING!!!

One day the USS Rasher SSR-269 came to Pearl to refuel etc. At that time I was RM2 and was only waiting for time in rate to get my third stripe. I was really hot to get back to the land of the rising sun again, so I went over to the Rasher and asked if any of the radiomen on board would like to swap with me. One young 2nd class (don't remember his name) had just recently been married and was not to anxious to leave his new bride back San Diego so we swapped and I was on my way back to Japan. Did the 6 month deployment and had some great times. Finished my 4 year stint on Rasher and was discharged January 15, 1959.

6Nov21 eml fm **Tom Teters-(on 302 in '61)** I just read your latest Sabalo Newsletter. In response to The Seadragon Mystery section, I was one of the 22 who were TAD to Sabalo during that period in order to draw sub pay while we waited for Seadragon to return to Pearl. I was a SOSN at the time. The majority of the group were 9901's who were sent to submarines to get qualified before attending NUC school. I made a career of the Navy serving on Seadragon, Thomas A Edison, Fleet Sonar School instructor and a 10 year stint as an ACINT (Acoustic Intelligence) Specialist Rider out of DC and Pearl. I retired an as an STCM(SS) in 1980. Best Regards, Tom

10Nov21- eml fm **Fred Holcomb (ET1(SS) on 302 Oct66-Oct69)** -"Submarine Habits" The habits picked up by submariners varied, some good, some bad. One I still have is being a generous tipper. It was not unusual for a slightly (or otherwise) inebriated last drink payment to include a generous gratuity, whether from a good heart or guilt for all the chaos. The bad part of carrying this into civilian life is the irate wife that follows. All she remembers is counting pennies while we were at

sea. But as time passed and financial security developed, we now bless as many as we can with joy. Fred [Matthew 6:20]

24Dec21 Xmas card and ltr fm Sharon Kay (**Otto Husak (TM1(SS) on 302 Jun 60-Jun66)** Otto's memorial status is pending at the Anatomical Society for Research for med students, per his wishes. Whenever his cremains are provided arrangements will be made and I'll advise everyone. I am grateful to all friends, neighbors, teammates and relatives for your support.

19Nov21 note fm **Rees Madsen (EN2(SS) on 302 Aug60-Aug63)** I am embarrassed to have not answered your request for reply any sooner.

My wife, Cynthia and I moved to the small mining town, Silver City in the SW corner of New Mexico about 2000. She passed away in 2012 and was buried in the Ft, Bayard Nat'l Cemetery in Santa Clara, NM due to my veteran's status. I still live in Silver City and expect to be here until the end.

I am still asked daily about my Navy/submarine experiences. I try to be truthful and not dwell on only funny events.

12Nov21 note recd from **Carl Sharpe** (edited) [In a previous communication, Carl asked if I could find one of his old buddies, Ray F. Painter, EN1(SS), Ret. (served on ten boats, but not 302), and I sent him some information. Unfortunately Painter died in Jan 2019, so that was the end of any possibility of connecting.

[Don't let this hap-pen to you. If you want to contact someone - DO IT NOW ! I will try to help you find someone if you can't locate your old shipmate]

Hey Jeff, You don't know what getting the info on Painter means to me. Ray and our wives were close. I served with Ray on my 2nd boat, the SeaLion & later at Key West while I was on Archerfish and Ray on Bluefish. I served in 6 different boats.

I was able to contact Ray's wife Julie with the info you sent. She is still alive but very sick.

God, Jeff how time flies. I spent 23 years in the Navy & retired.

Thank you very much for the news on Ray & Julie. I tried for years to locate them.

Carl P.S. My wife Alberta died Nov 2012

BINNACLE LIST *Send your health reports so shipmates can know how you're doing.*

6Nov2021 eml fm **James Robertson, 'Robbie', CS2(SS)** - I have found that the older we get the tougher it is to just get through the day. As for me, I have been diagnosed with MS and that makes it really hard. Enjoyed my cruise on the Sabalo and was discharged from the Navy after our WesPac in 1970.

MAILBAG (cont.)

24Mar21 Letter fm **Bobby Hudson EN2(SS)** on 302 Feb70-Mar71 ..."Really enjoyed talking with you about Sabalo, and the 'good old times'. Thanks for the info on Chief McClure. I will try to get in touch with him ASAP. I have talked to Drost RM2. We had a good, long talk and he has emailed me several times since." [Bobby provided a synopsis of his Navy career which can be reviewed on the [Sabalo web site](#)



We must trust to nothing but facts: These are presented to us by Nature, and cannot deceive. We ought, in every instance, to submit our reasoning to the test of experiment, and never to search for truth but by the natural road of experiment and observation.
...Antoine Lavoisier



SHIP'S STORE — https://ussabalo.org/Ship's_Store.html



See web site for current items available. If you are looking for something specific, not on the web site, please contact me.

Sabalo Patch—\$10 each - which includes mail cost for regular 1st Class Mail

Battle Flag Posters now available—\$32

(16 1/2" x 21" fits std 16x20 frame) - price includes shipping * Sorry for ↑price, but the printing, postage & mailing tube cost is expensive. These look great on the wall of any man cave !



WUHAN VIRUS NEWS - How the health experts lied? They said a mask and gloves was enough to go to the grocery store. When I got there, everyone else had clothes on.

Lesson learned from the pandemic: I stopped hugging people. Please- don't make me start again.

in the past, you would cough to cover up a fart. Now, with COVID-19, you fart to cover up a cough.





☸ Surfin' Submariner

Online *CB* viewers can use these clickable links, or others can find these sites online using the URL

Repeating this site from last issue. So much to see I doubt if anyone checked even half of the good stuff there: [Covert Shores](#) containing: Open Source Intelligence & Defense Analysis on Sea Bed Warfare; Submarines; SDV's; Special Forces. <http://www.hisutton.com/> This web site now has 70+links to late news and technical topics arranged in reverse chronological order of posting.

52 Kamikazes Attack Single Destroyer USS Laffey DD-724, 15 April 1945—

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Us-AvuSg9Fc>

In past issues the service of Sabalo vet **Otto Husak TM1(SS) on 302 Jun 60-Jun66** (1927-2020) was profiled. Otto was on the Zellers DD-777 when she was providing gun fire support for battles on Okinawa and suffered severe casualties and damage from kamikazes on 1 Apr 45. On 15 Apr the Laffey suffered an even more intense attack. This animated video gives some idea of that day. The Laffey was sent back to the U.S. for repairs and eventually decommissioned in June 1947. She was re-commissioned in Jan 1951 for the Korean War and had duties there.

In an irony, TM1 Husak was assigned to the Laffey in December 1950 during her refit and left her in September 1952.

[This information was discovered while checking various references about the Laffey and remembering details about Otto's record. -ed.]

USS Samuel B. Roberts FFG-58 Hits a mine in 1988—...["an Iranian mine detonated](#), lifting and shaking the ship like a rag doll. The explosion created a 20-foot hole along the bottom of the ship's hull under the Alpha main engine."

<https://www.military.com/daily-news/opinions/2021/09/27/hold-something-moment-shifted-fate-of-uss-samuel-b-roberts-crew.html>

Read More: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Samuel_B._Roberts_%28FFG-58%29

Sabalo Chow was Good, but maybe today's Navy has it even better—

Inside US \$2 Billion Nuclear Submarine Kitchen—

Highlights of sub and carrier food service; Also how nukes can be replenished at sea. For old diesel boat sailors it's a laugh when these nukes are referred to as "cramped." <https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=dxc4uiOTnak> Time 10:28

Why Are Subs Called Boats? — "The term "boat" goes back to the earliest days of submarine history, when submarines were literally launched from tenders. A "boat" is launched from a ship - therefore, the earliest submarines were termed "boats" since they were launched and retrieved from ships. " Read more: <https://www.facebook.com/GreyFunnelLine/posts/why-are-submarines-called-boats-the-navy-considers-all-vessels-ships-however-subm/540036099348861/>



DISTRESSED LIQUIDATION



TRUCK FOR SALE-
RUNS GREAT!
LOOKS GOOD!



I asked Santa to bring me this for Xmas, but now my wife won't let me park it anywhere on the property, even up in the woods out of sight.

SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY

I can't believe we don't have world peace since we changed the name on pancake boxes and syrup bottles.

On Eternal Patrol



SAILORS REST YOUR OAR



Franks, Clifford Irwin, d. 7 Nov 2021 Tucson, AZ, ag 86, was QM3(SS) on 302 May '56-Sep '58, later LCDR, Ret, 1978. His other service record is not known. Obits w/pic <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/23136431/clifford-irwin-franks> & <https://desertsunsetfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/46033/Clifford-Franks/obituary.html>

Kratz, Warren Sherrill "Johnny" d. 13 Jan 2022 Summerville, SC, ag 79, was TM2(SS) on 302 Jul '60-May '64; later TCMC(SS). Ret. '83; also in 525, 274, 682, 660.

Meyer, John Joseph, d. 27 Apr 2021 Aguila, AZ, ag 96, WWII & Korean War Vet, was TM1(SS) on 302 Jul-Nov '52, later TMC(SS); also served in 218, 228 (USS Drum 4 war patrols), 301, 337, 396, 397, 391.

Naturale, Angelo Adrian, d. 24 Oct 2021 Coral Springs, FL, ag 94, was CSG2(SS) on 302 May '51-Aug '52
Obit: <https://www.allcounty.com/obituaries/Angelo-Adrian-Natural?obId=22895704#/celebrationWall>

Schultze, Richard George "Dick" d. 29 Nov 2021 Wilsonville, OR, ag 82, was LTJG on 302 Dec '61– Oct '63; later LT; also in 616 & ?.
Obit: <https://obits.oregonlive.com/us/obituaries/oregon/name/richard-schultze-obituary?id=31743029>

Sedor, Gerald (n), d. 24 Oct 2021 Durham, NH, ag 86, was LTJG on 302 Aug '59– Aug '60, Later CAPT, Ret. 1983 w/26 yrs serv.; also in 603 & 1 other nuke; was also an engineering officer at 3 shipyards.
Obit w/pic: <https://www.kentandpelczarfh.com/obituary/captain-gerald-sedor-usn-ret>

Villa, Dante B., d. 18 Nov 2018 San Diego, CA, ag 83, was SD3(SS) on 302 Nov 63-Jan 67; later chgd rating & was HMC(SS), Ret. 1983, other service not known.

Whitaker, Francis X., d. 8 May 2019 Ormond Beach, FL, ag 89, was FN(SS) on 302 Jun-Jul '51; also in 345, 482, & 410. Obit w/pic: <https://obituaries.neptunesociety.com/obituaries/jacksonville-fl/francis-whitaker-8306237>



MEMORIAL SERVICE 31 March 2022 — Jess Lee Cariker, Jr.—CAPT, Ret., CO Sabalo Dec 1962- Jan 1965

On Thursday 31 March, family and friends will take the *Reel Champion* (a charter boat operating from H&M Landing in San Diego) to the proximate position of where Sabalo rests on the bottom of the Pacific at 32.7112N - 117.442400W, which is estimated at 14-15 miles about due west of Point Loma, for services and scattering of his ashes.

"My siblings and I are flying in the day before (30 Mar) staying at the nearby Holiday Inn and flying out on Friday."
Paul Cariker (son) [contact Paul if you are considering attending <pjcariker@comcast.net>]

How to live up to your true potential: Whatever it is that you are good at, the world needs you. It needs you to provide value of any kind. You may or may not be on the cover of every or any glorious magazine, but life and the human beings whose road you've crossed will appreciate the value you provided them.

,,,Hasan Surtiwala, Danish Venture Consultant

HERDING CATS - *Are you AWOL?* —LOOK FOR YOUR NAME

I try to record the date and nature of each communication received using a one line note in one of the cells in the Sabalo db. *Sometimes this slips by and I miss recording.*

The main reason is, of course, is to know if you're still kicking. Sabalo men are fast going to Davy Jones' Locker or where ever submariners end up. And secondly, I try to make sure that addresses and emails are correct for receiving the Clever Boy.

In July 2018 & July 2021, I sent out communication asking for verification. The below list of 85 men are indicated as not communicating recently. I may have missed recording a couple, but **if you see your name please take the little time to communicate.** One day there won't be enough readership to keep up the newsletter.

I believe many on this list are getting the CB okay. I need to hear from you. If these 85 men are not reading the CB, then that currently leaves only 199 who have communicated maybe over the past 44 months or so since the 2018 muster.

Abbott, Ernest Lee, Jr.	Forsman, Ronald Sidney	Ruest, Robert L.
Adams, James Richard, Jr.	Fuhrer, Terrence Lee	Ryan, Gerald Thomas
Ashworth, John T., Jr.	Garrison, Gary G.	Schliffe, Jerome Martin
Bates, James E.	Gersna, Robert Emmett	Sette, Carl Joseph
Beach ,Roger Allan	Giacomelli, Andre Louis	Sneeden, Samuel Benjamin, Jr.
Beatty, John Daniel 'Clyde'	Gilson, Charles Thomas	Stafford, Edward Marvin, Jr.
Beauchamp, Donald Wayne	Gonzales, Pastor Bravo	Stone, Stanley Hall, Jr.
Blackburn, Bruce McClaren	Greco, Vito Louis	Sturgess, Daniel W.
Bolen, Roger Dale	Gregorio, Rogelio Pusugac	Towery, William Clyde
Bowlby, Carl Albert	Hidde, Rodney A.	Tulk, Thomas Charles
Bracey, Douglas Allen	Houck, Michael James	Van Nest, Ronald Lawrence
Bryant, Gregory James	Huskey, John Robert	Vignola, Bruce Norman
Buchanan, John Leslie	Hutterman, William R.	Wallace, James William, Jr.
Camper, Richard John	Jacob, Ulrich Peter	Wessner, Peter H.
Capouch, Stanley Lawrence	Janke, Dale Alfred	Wetzler, John Garth
Cataldo, Salvatore James	Klug, James Allen	Wheeler, James R.
Chesser, Phillip Jerome	Kreuzer, James Henry	Wieczorek, Stephen G.
Clark, Loren Lee	Manning, David Houston	Williams, William (n)
Colby, Frank Crosby	McCormick, David P. 'Mac'	Wisswell, Robert Clark
Collier, Richard Walter	McLane, A. L. 'Al'	Wood, Verne E.
Contrady, Eugene Thomas	Meliota, Greg Lee	Woodhead, David Arthur
Crawford, Donald Rex	Mengden, Joseph David	Yarbrough, Ernest Ray
Douglass, John Charles, Jr.	Newton, Raymond Neff	
Eddins, Hollis B.	Porter, George	
Elger, Al B.	Power, Stacy B.	
Espana, Francisco Javier	Pratt, Gerald L	
Fedor, Charles William	Robisch, Herbert Eugene	
Ferguson, Gary Alan	Rosenboom, Roger Dale	
Flanagan, Patrick John	Ruden, Peter Mapes	

CHICKEN RICE SOUP (from USN Cook Book 1945)			
Portion = 1 cup (approx. 8 oz.)	NAVY RECIPE – Yield: Approx. 6 gallons 100 Portions		HOME RECIPE – 10 Portions
Ingredients	By Weight- lb+oz	By Volume	By Volume
Onions, chopped	2 lb 12 oz	½ gallon	2 cups
Water to make Chicken Stock*		7 gallons for 6 ½ gal	~ 2 ½ qts -See di- rections
Celery, diced	2 lb	½ gallon	4 cups
Rice, uncooked, washed	1 lb 8oz	1½ pints	¾ cup
			See directions
Chicken Fat, melted	1 lb 8 oz	1½ pints	Substitute optional ¼-½ stick butter
Flour	12 oz	1½ pints	Optional to thicken
Salt	4 oz	½ cup	1 tsp
Pepper	¼ oz	¾ tbsp	½ tsp
Chicken, cooked, diced	2 lb 8 oz	½ gallon	See directions

The Navy recipe is simple. The main ingredients are limited to chicken and rice, that's it. Added vegetables, common in many recipes are limited to onions & celery. An adaptation with a quantity more suited to normal home consumption is also included for a similar end product.

NAVY INSTRUCTIONS

[Slightly modified from original.]

- ◇ Stir onions into enough water to cover; let soak 60 minutes.
- ◇ Heat to boiling temperature. Let simmer 15 to 20 minutes or until tender. Drain and reserve liquid.
- ◇ Heat fat to frying temperature. Slowly add drained onions and cook until onions are lightly browned. Stir frequently.
- ◇ Add flour gradually to fried onions and stir until flour is well distributed.
- ◇ Add onions, celery and rice to *stock.
- ◇ Heat to boiling temperature. Let simmer 20 to 80 minutes or until rice is cooked.
- ◇ Blend together fat and flour. Stir into soup.
- ◇ Add salt, pepper and chicken.
- ◇ Cook 15 minutes - or until thickened.

*Note: original recipe calls for making stock using bouillon cubes



HOME INSTRUCTIONS USING A WHOLE CHICKEN

Using a 4-5 lb whole chicken. Wash the chicken thoroughly. Be sure to remove the giblets. (Some prefer to use these. After boiling, the deboned neck meat,, and the liver and gizzard, properly diced, add flavor and food value.)

1. Using a 10 quart (6 qt might be big enough) stock pot, Put in whole, unskinned chicken and some of the water to cover.
2. Add the chopped onions and celery
3. Add a little salt and bring to a boil.
4. Once it comes to a good rolling boil for a few minutes, lower the heat to between LOW and MEDIUM. Cover and cook for about 2 hours. Check progress a few times. Add water to keep covered.
5. When the meat JUST STARTS to come freely off the bone, Remove the chicken onto on a cookie sheet or large plate.
6. While the chicken cools, skim off some of the fat if desired. (This may be easier if the liquid is cooled first.) If the chicken is particularly lean, add some or all of the ½ stick of butter.
7. First remove all the skin, and then remove meat from the bones. and return meat to the pot. For country style,, do not cut the meat into chunks – let the meat naturally come apart as it continues the cooking process. Add the leg bones back to the pot along with the meat.
8. Add uncooked rice.

9. Add any remaining water to the pot until all are covered or more to preference.
10. Bring to a rolling boil again and Lower heat, cover and let it cook for 30 more minutes.
11. Stir the soup a couple times while it cooks. Check taste and add a little more salt and pepper or other seasonings to taste.
12. At the end of cooking, remove the leg bones.

Added Tips for a Perfect Old Fashioned Chicken Soup from Scratch

◇ Pro chef's super tip: The most important thing to remember to make a proper and amazing homemade chicken soup from scratch is to put those chicken leg bones back into your stock pot as you cook the soup.

How do you make chicken soup more flavorful?

Add some more salt – add a little, give it a stir, then give it a taste. Repeat as necessary, according to taste.

- Add more pepper (and/or other seasonings)
- Some chefs may wish to experiment or use spices they are familiar with for their soups, some of the possibilities:
- parsley flakes, chives, paprika, smoked or regular, marjoram, rosemary, oregano, garlic powder, bay leaves, basil, thyme & ?

carrots also add a lot of flavor to the broth.

Adjusting volume

- Add premade broth/stock, or some chicken bullion.
- To thicken-Mix a couple tablespoons of flour with a small amount of cold water and slowly add to hot mixture while stirring, or Let it reduce down longer – that will also give more time so the flavors can become more concentrated and excess liquid boils away.