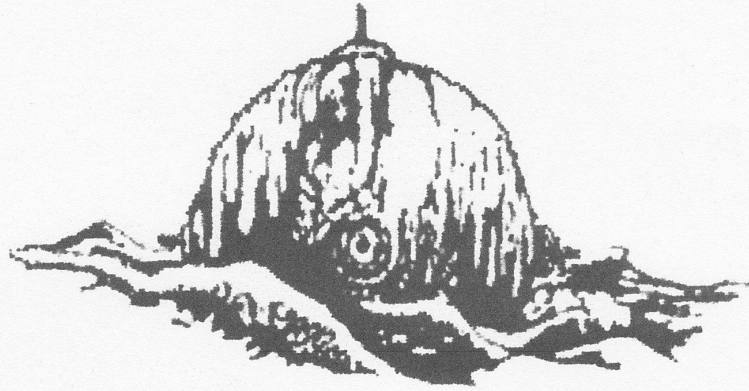


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41st Annual Reunion

Reno, Nevada

6 - 9 October 2015

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Lake Tahoe



AOM President and Past Presidents Forrest "Foxy" Fisher, Jack Smoot, Lyal Stryker, Dick Schommer, Jim Coffman, Toby Horn, Warren Savage, Jose Balderrama, G Paul Santa Maria, Bill Johnson, Robert Hart, Bob Wilson, Gary Clerland, Tracey Hays



AOM Presidents at the reunion

President Tracey Hays and Past Presidents Bill Johnson, Warren Savage, Jack Smoot and Gary Clerland

Early Bird



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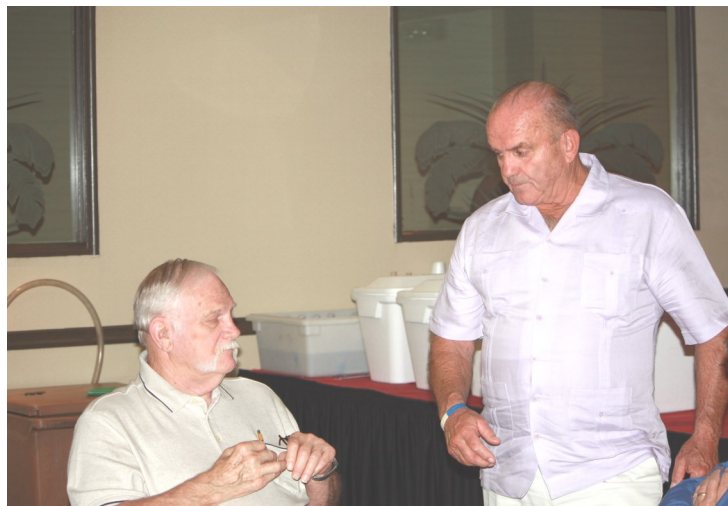


Board Meeting



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Business Meeting



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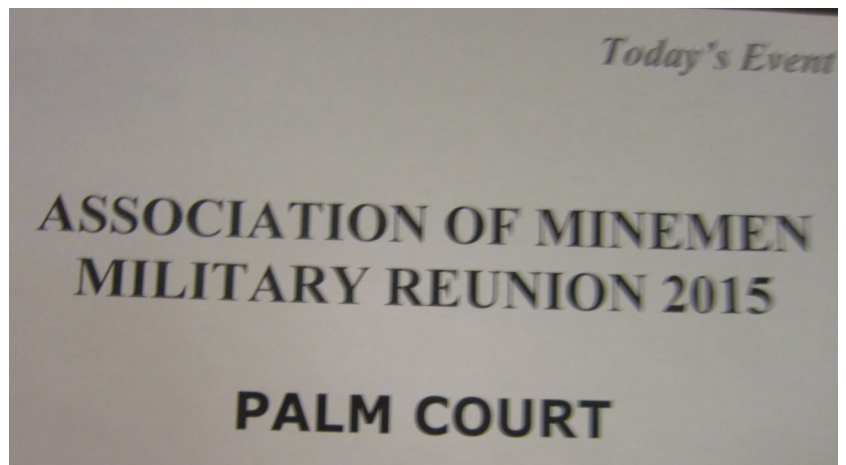
Dinner Meeting



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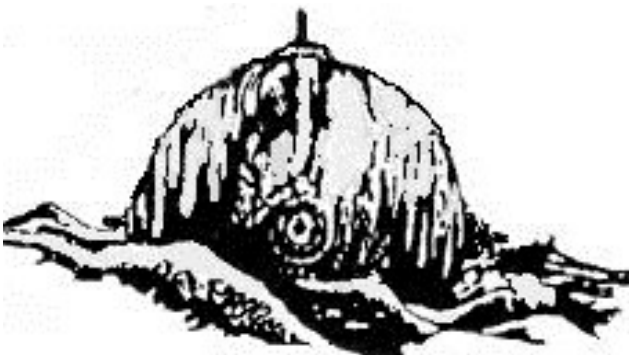
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Mike Brookman, Jack Smoot, Jim Temple, Danny Epperly and Eddie Atkins



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MN A School Class 4/57 and their Flag Streamer

Bob Stancik, Ron Glasen, Phil DeChene, Curtis Christian, Tom Hoffman Missing Bo Bellamy



Fasron 117 Barbers Point Flag Streamer

Bob Stancik, Phil DeChene, Ross Maddocks and Tom Hoffman

AOM Flag Streamers

Naval Schools Mine Warfare Yorktown and Flag by Toby Horn Started at Reunion 40 at Charleston

USS Enterprise CVAN '71-'72 Honor of team from MOMAUPAC, Long Beach MN1 W. Kibe, MN2 Gary Cleland, MN3 S Bauer, MN3 D. Lentz by Gary Cleland

MDAU 0302 Fasron 117 Barbers Point, HI to honor members who served together T Hoffman, P DeChene, R Stancik, R Maddocks

Mine Project Four In honor of christening crew of the only CNO originated Mine Unit by Toby Horn, Ray Cobis and Bill Carlsen

Subic Bay Magazine Minemen manned by (?)

Mineman A Class 9-57 by Bo Bellamy, Curtis Christian, Phil DeChene, Ron Glasen, Tom Hoffman, Bob Stancik

MOMAG Det 7 Lualualei, HI by Phil DeChene



Phil DeChene attaches the MOMAG Det 7 Streamer

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Picnic at the Sands



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USS Chief MCM-14

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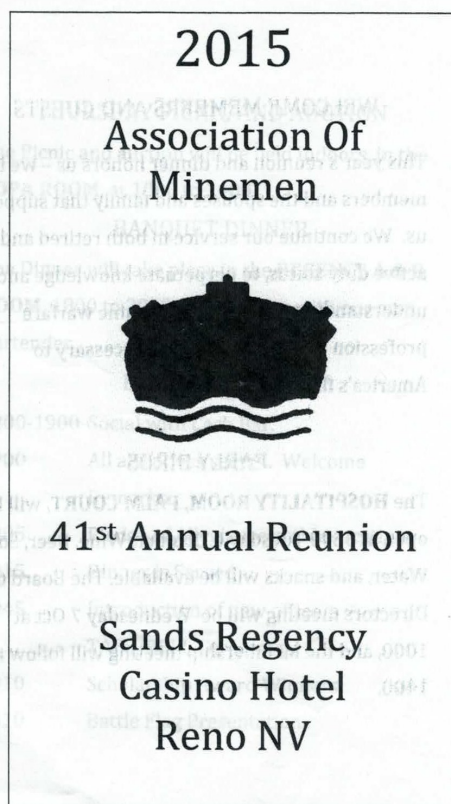
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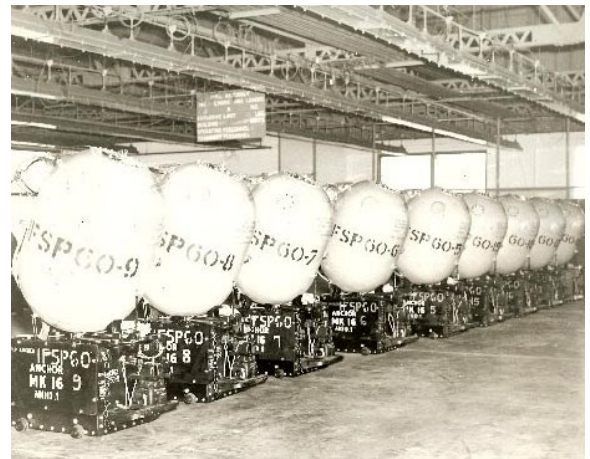
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Two LDO's up the creek and now have their paddles



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Exercise MK 16



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MN Lowers Mine Neutralization Vehicle

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AOM Shore Mineman of the Year 2015

Mineman 1st Class Keith D Roellinghoff

Navy Munitions Command Unit Charleston, SC

Minemen Petty Officer First Class Keith D Roellinghoff was born December 30th 1983 in Philadelphia Pennsylvania. He graduated from Northeast Philadelphia High School in 2007 and enlisted in the U S Navy in November 2007.

In January 2008 he successfully completed Recruit Training and began his Electronic Apprentice Technical Training (ATT) at Great Lakes, Illinois. Upon completion of ATT in May 2008, he transferred to Mine Warfare Training Center (MWTC) Ingleside, Texas. MN2 Roellinghoff completed Mineman "A" school in September 2008 and received orders to MCM CREW REAPER embarked on the USS SENTRY (MCM3) in Ingleside, Texas. Upon checking on board as an MNSA he was assigned to the Deck Department.

In January 2009, he deployed with CREW REAPER on his first deployment to 5th Fleet AOR. Following that, his crew embarked on board the USS GLADIATOR (MCM 11) for seven months. In 2009, during a five month TAD to MCMRON THREE, he completed Magazine Sprinkler Gauge Calibration, BM Apprentice and AN/SLQ 48 operator schools and was advanced to 3rd Class. In 2010, he returned to CREW REAPER onboard USS CHAMPION (MCM 4) in San Diego, CA and was assigned to Deck Department. In June 2010, his crew embarked on board the USS DEVASTATOR (MCM 6) and participated in RIMPAC where he attained the coveted ESWS qualification. In September 2010, his crew deployed back to the USS GLADIATOR (MCM 11) during which time he was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his efforts during a successful ship's COSR.

After their second deployment, CREW REAPER returned to the USS DEVASTATOR where PO Roellinghoff was assigned as the Amory RPPO and WCS. In September 2011, CREW REAPER embarked on their 3rd deployment to the USS GLADIATOR. In November 2011, he was advanced to 2nd Class, and promoted to Armory LPO. As Armory LPO he led his Sailors through 5 inspection cycles on board the USS GLADIATOR, USS DEVASTATOR and the USS CHIEF (MCM 14) with zero failures. In 2012 he received his 2nd Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his leadership. Prior to departing CREW REAPER he was TAD to Naval Station San Diego Training Support Group (TSC) and completed Ammo Supply Admin.

In 2012 Petty Officer Roellinghoff transferred to MWTC in San Diego, California and completed Test Set Repair/Calibration School. In 2013, he reported to Naval Munitions Command Unit Charleston, South Carolina where he was assigned as the Exercise and Training (ET) division Work Center Supervisor. He took over the Commands Weight Handling Equipment Coordinator and Lockout/Tagout Manager, Command DAPA, Watch Bill Coordinator and became a Qual/Cert Board Member. During his time with NMC Unit Charleston Petty Officer Roellinghoff has advanced to First Class Officer and was assigned the Planning, Supply and Quality Assurance LPO where he leads 7 sailors. He has obtained all available qualifications to include: CDO, QA/SO, and "Red Hat" Mine Assembly Team Leader. He was awarded NMC Unit Charleston Junior Sailor of the Quarter 3rd Q FY13, 1st Q FY14, Jr. Sailor of the Year FY 14 and his 4th Navy and Marine Corps Medal.



AOM Sea Mineman of the Year 2015

**2nd Class Petty Officer
(SURFACE WARFARE)
Bryan K. Ashley
UNITED STATES NAVY**

Petty Officer Ashley was born in Kansas City, Missouri, he enlisted in the United States Navy in June 2011. Following completion of basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL, he reported to Naval Mine Warfare Training Center in San Diego, California where he completed Mineman "A" School.

Upon graduating, he reported TDA to MCM CREW SWERVE onboard USS DEVASTATOR in San Diego CA for four months before reporting back to Navy Mine Warfare Training Center for AN/SLQ-48 "C" School. After graduating he returned to MCM CREW SWERVE.

Petty Officer Ashley is currently serving as CIC LPO and CMAA, on USS DEVASTATOR in Manama, Bahrain. In addition, he has earned his Enlisted Surface Warfare designation.

His decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various unit and campaign awards.

Petty Officer Ashley is married to Natasha Riggins of St. Louis Missouri.

AOM Reserve MN of the Year 2015



Mineman First Class (Seabee Combat Warfare) Nicholas M. Paci
Lead Petty Officer
Mobile Mine Assembly Unit SIX, NMC Charleston, SC

Mineman First Class Nicholas Michael Paci was born in New York City. He entered the Navy Reserve on Active duty via the National Call to Service Program as non-prior service in June 2006.

His first assignment was serving as an Equipment Operator with Navy Mobile Construction Battalion Seven Four at Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, MS. Upon attaching to the battalion, he was immediately deployed to Camp Covington, Guam. As Equipment Operator Constructionman, he became one of a select few under his program to earn a two year extension and conversion to Active duty. During this extension, he deployed to Kuwait and earned his Seabee Combat Warfare qualification. He then went on his third deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Upon early return from deployment in Afghanistan, he separated from Active duty and joined the Navy Reserve as Mineman Third Class under the Rescore- R program for prior service members. Here he attached to NR MOMAU THREE in Leonardo, NJ. He was selected as one of the first Reserve members to align with the active duty rate training pipeline for Minemen. He went through Apprentice Technical Training at Great Lakes, IL. Upon completion, he returned to MOMAU THREE and was sent on Annual Training to NMC Unit Charleston to assist in the Mine Readiness Certification Inspection, 2010. He then was sent to Mineman A-School at Point Loma, CA.

MN1 Paci moved to South Carolina in 2013 and attached to NR MOMAU SIX. Here, he was promoted to Mineman First Class and immediately assigned as Lead Petty Officer. He entered Active duty service in 2015 under ADSW orders to attach to NMC Unit Charleston. He was assigned as the Lead Petty Officer of the Test Set Repair Division and earned his Quality Assurance/ Safety Observer qualification. Upon completion of ADSW, he returned as Lead Petty Officer of NR MOMAU SIX, Charleston S.C.

In his civilian career, MN1 Paci started as an installer at Pep Boys in Howell, NJ. where he worked for 6 years before enlisting in the Navy. After his return from Mineman A-school, he became a Department of the Navy, Civilian Material Handler at NWS Earle NJ in 2011. He moved to South Carolina in 2013 and worked as a Trade Specialist 3 for D.O.T. and then took a job as a Cargo Handler at South Carolina Ports Authority. Upon completion of ADSW in 2015, he returned to Department of the Navy Civilian as a Material Handler Inspector for NMC Unit Charleston. He has Associate Degree coursework completed in a Bachelor Degree program at American Intercontinental University online.

Mineman First Class Paci's personal awards include the Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal and various unit and service awards.

He is married and resides in Ladson, SC with his wife and son.

Eddie Atkins

Al Boreen (Cancelled)

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MCM at work

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April 7, 2014
Saint Cloud, WI**

**REID, Millicent S.
Wife of MNCM Fredrick A. Reid
April 4, 2015
Louisville, KY**

**MASON, Tommie Sue,
Wife of MNCS Garry Mason
June 14, 2014
Bonneau, SC**

**SPOON, Joe E, MNC
May 14, 2015
Charleston, SC**

**HANSON-SMITH, T. J., CWO4
former C.O., NR-MOMAG 2419,
November 4, 2014
El Dorado Hills, CA**

**CAFFREY, Lorrain C.
Wife of MN1 Edward D. CAF-
FREY
June 9, 2015
Goose Creek, SC**

**PARKS, Donald "Don" R., MN1
January 15, 2015
Summerville, SC**

**COSTA, Donald, MNCM
June 11, 2015
Panama City Beach, FL**

**GENTRY, Ronald Earl 'Dragon',
LCDR
February 3, 2015
DeBary, FL**

**VILLWOCK, Henry "Hank", MN3
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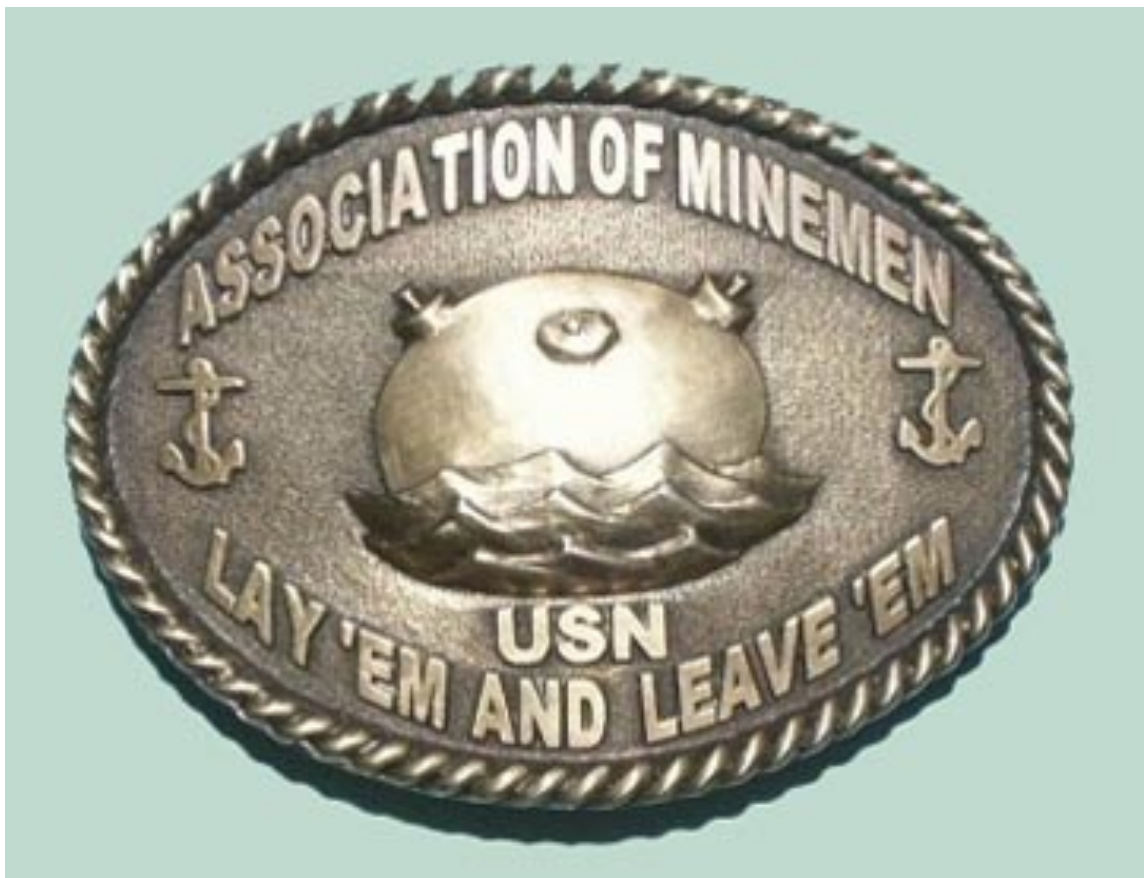
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Surry, VA

**CATES, Ronald "Ronnie" H., MN/
BMCS**

July 19, 2015

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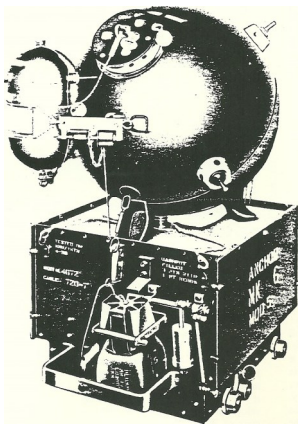
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