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July 28, 1975

Mr. Robert T. Hartmann Counsellor to the President c/o The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C.

Dear Bob:

I was pleasantly surprised to receive the autographed picture of President Ford reading the coverage of the Monterey reunion which appeared in the Rutherford, (N.J.) News Leader.

I am extremely grateful to President Ford and yourself for arranging for the taking of the picture.

Don't forget that we have a dinner date at Quo Vadis when you get to New York.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

William V. Breslin

WVB/rs

BRESLIN, William V.

July 21, 1975

Dear Bill:

The President was delighted at the coverage of the Monterey reunion which appeared in the Rutherford (N.J.) News Leader which was sent him by Mr. Guy Savino, giving you credit for the project.

I arranged for the White House Photographer to take this picture of the President reading the paper and an happy to send you this autographed copy with the President's warm personal good wishes. We have sent a similarly autographed picture to Mr. Savino.

Please accept my best personal regards.

Sincerely,

ROBERT T. HARTMANN Counsellor to the President

Mr. William V. Breslin Breelin and Schepisi 640 Palisade Avenue Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632

RTH: nm

(correspondence sent to Central Files; 1 glossy picture and the newspaper sent to George Willis for the President's scrapbook)

HARTMANN - OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

SAVINO, Guy

(re. USS Monterey reunion-5/24/75)

August 6, 1975

Dear Mr. Savino:

Thank you for your August 1st letter and for the enclosed copies of your four newspapers with the picture of the President reading the account of the USS Monterey reunion which was published in your Rutherford paper a few weeks ago.

The President asked that I extend to you his appreciation and best wishes.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

ROBERT T. HARTMANN Counsellor to the President

Mr. Guy Savino
President
The Leader Newspapers
251 Ridge Road
Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071

RTH: nm

(Correspondence to Central Files; Newspapers to George Willis for President's Scrapbook)



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THE NORTH ARLINGTON LEADER
THE LEADER FREE PRESS
THE NEWS LEADER

August 1, 1975

Mr. Robert Hartmann, Counsellor President of the United States White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hartmann:

Thank you so much for the courtesy and kindness extended to us of the Leader Newspapers.

You made us proud, indeed.

Enclosed is a copy of each of our four newspapers, showing how we handled the event.

Again thanks very much. Our warnest regards to our most kind and humane president. He is a GOOD GUY !

Very truly yours,

Guy Savino President

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Vol. 101, No. 37

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Our President

Good Guy!

By Guy Savino

families to participate in a reunion in our country's by Richard Celano of Herald Publications, printer

SAVINO, Guy

July 21, 1975

Dear Hr. Savinot

The President was delighted with the coverage of the USS Monterey reunion published in your Rutherford paper and would like you to have the enclosed autographed picture as a token of his appreciation.

We are sending an autographed copy of the picture to Bill Breslin as well.

I am also enclosing a couple of extra prints in case you want them for publication.

Kind personal regards.

Sincerely,

ROBERT T. HARTMANN Counsellor to the President

Mr. Guy Savino President The Leader Newspapers 251 Ridge Roed Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071

RTH: nm

(correspondence sent to Central Files; 1 glossy picture and the newspaper sent to George Willis for the President's scrapbook)

Dave Kennerly is to deliver to us a couple of glossy of the President looking at the newspaper 8x10 pictures/for use by the newspaper and a couple of blow-ups mounted suitable for autographing.

- Please ask the President to autograph one copy to his friend Bill Breslin, who was one of the shipmates on the Monterey.
- 2. Other picture should be autographed by the President to Guy Savino, President of The Leader Newspapers.

On picture for Bill Breslin:

"To my very good friend, Bill Breslin, in appreciation and with best wishes."

Jerry Ford

On picture for Guy Savino:

"To Guy Savino, in appreciation and with warmest best wishes."

Jerry Ford

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July 2, 1975

Mr. Robert Hartman Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hartman:

William V. (Bill) Breslin has advised me that the best way to see that the enclosed newspaper gets to the President would be by sending it to you.

Bill and I are friends of long standing. When I heard about the Monterey reunion I got Bill to go through his files for some interesting things about the President. Then Bill Powers of the White House press staff provided me with some pictures.

The enclosed paper is the result. I hope the president and you find it interesting.

Very truly yours,

Guy Sävino PRESIDENT

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July 2, 1975

President Gerald Ford The White House Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. President:

I am happy to present a copy of one of our weekly newspapers, The News Leader of Rutherford, which contains a page of pictures which should recall for you the recent reunion you held with the officers and men of the USS Monterey as well as of the war days themselves.

The pictures were obtained from a former shipmate, William V. Breslin, an old friend of mine, and from the White House photographic bureau.

The lay-out of pictures was designed by our makeup supervisor, Richard Celano.

I hope that you enjoy the page as much as we did in arranging it.

Very truly yours,

Guy Savino President

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WASHINGTON

May 27, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

VIA:

BOB HARTMANN

FROM:

BOB ORBEN .3.

In answer to your questions, the history of the U.S.S. Monterey that came from Bruce Young is yours to keep.

I have thanked Bruce Young personally and will write him a thank you letter in your name.

cc: Jerry Jones Don Rumsfeld

May 27, 1975

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Don Rumsfeld



WASHINGTON

May 23, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

BOB ORBEN

FROM:

JERRY H. J

The following notation was returned in the President's outbox to you:

-- Thanks for history of U.S.S. Monterey.

Should I write Bruce Young? Or, has he been thanked?

Is it for me?

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

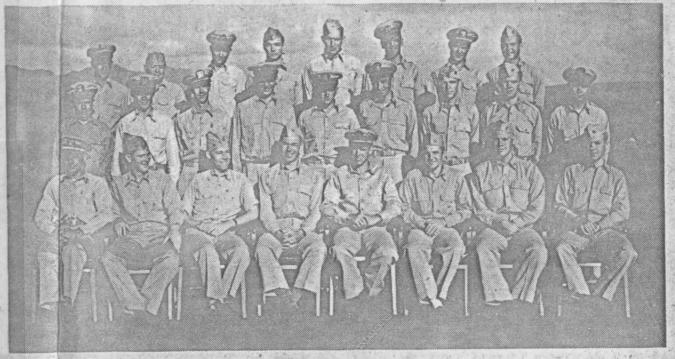


President Ford Hosts His

Monterey

Shall

Shipmates



STORING UP MEMORIES. President Ford, as a gunnery lieutenant aboard the U.S.S. Monterey, is shown here second from right in first row in a picture taken at Pearl Harbor in October of 1944. William V. Breslin, formerly of Lyndhurst, is on extreme left in second row.





WASHINGTON

THE USS MONTEREY REUNION RECEPTION

L'Enfant Plaza Hotel

Saturday - May 24, 1975

Departure: 7:00 p.m.

Attire: Business Suit

From: Terry O'Donnell

BACKGROUND

The Officers of the USS MONTEREY have held a reunion every two years in the past. This year, however, they have made an effort to include in their reunion all those shipmates that could be contacted. Part of the group will tour the White House Saturday morning; the remainder are scheduled for a tour on Monday.

You will drop by the reception at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, receive a painting of the USS MONTEREY, and make brief remarks. The guests will remain for dinner after your departure.

Attached at TAB A is a copy of the guest list. At TAB B is a fact sheet on the MONTEREY published by the Press Office.

SEQUENCE

7:00 p.m.

Board motorcade on South Grounds and depart en route L'Enfant Plaza Hotel.

7:05 p.m.

Arrive L'Enfant Plaza Hotel where you will be met by Rear Admiral Roger W. Mehle, Reunion Co-Chairman; Charles Webb, Reunion Co-Chairman; and Herbert Pianin, L'Enfant Plaza Hotel Executive Assistant Manager.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

Escorted by RADM Mehle	and Charles	Webb,
proceed to Grand Ballroom	1.	

7:10 p.m. Arrive Grand Ballroom and informally greet Reception guests.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 150

7:30 p.m. Escorted by RADM Mehle and Charles Webb, proceed to platform.

7:30 p.m. Charles Webb introduces RADM Mehle.

7:31 p.m. Remarks by RADM Mehle.

7:32 p.m. Allie Kleinpeter, shipmate, presents you with an oil painting.

7:33 p.m. Remarks by Charles Webb and introduction of you.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE.

7:38 p.m. Remarks conclude. Mingle with guests.

7:49 p.m. Depart reception en route motorcade, board, and depart en route South Grounds.

7:55 p.m. Arrive South Grounds.

7:35 p.m.

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U.S.S. MONTEREY ATTENDEES

- Adams, James E. (Wife) 5800 Granby Street Norfolk, Va. 23505
- Bennett, Damon P. (Wife) 6022 Prince Ave. Norfolk, Va. 23502
- Berg, Howard G. (Wife) S76 - W14875 Velva Dr. Muskego, Wis. 53150
- Bohn, Maj. Gen. Robert D. (Wife) 1313 N. Pickett St. Alexandria, Va. 22304
- Bowman, Charles F., Jr. (Wife) 43 Smallwood Dr. Pittsford, N.Y. 14534
- Breslin, William (Wife & 2 children, Julian & Nina) 268 Oakwood Rd. Englewood, N.J. 07631
- Brightman, Bob (Wife?) 118 Cooper Ave. Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043
- Byrne, Philip P. (Wife & 4 guests) 27 Jeffrey Rd. Arlington, Mass. 02174
- Cadwalader, Capt. John (Wife) 120 Norristown Rd. Blue Bell, Pa. 19422
- Camera, Joseph (Wife)
 7 Adelaide Ave.
 Bristol, R.I. 08221
- Coffey, William J., Jr. (Wife) 29 West Edgewood Ave. Linwood, N.J. 08221

- Condon, Raymond T. (Wife)
 43 Newell Drive
 Cumberland, R.I. 02864
- Converse, Rob Roy McGregor (Wife) 6390 Becky Cove Memphis, Tenn. 38138
- Cosby, John C. (Wife) 6507 Eastshore Rd. Columbia, S.C. 29206
- Coulter, Ervin P. 1008 Romine Kirkwood, Mo. 63122
- Davenport, John B. (Wife)
 58 Roosevelt Rd.
 Hyde Park, New York 12538
- Deppe, Dr. Charles (Wife) 301 East Jefferson St. Franklin, Ind. 46131
- Dowell, Sid (Wife) 108 Garfield Pl. Totowa, N.J. 07512
- Edelen, William B. (Wife) 305 York Road Towson, Md. 21204
- Edwards, Eugene R., Jr. (Wife) 2305 Deal Place Greenville, N.C. 27834
- Elder, Robert W.
 68 Lovejoy Rd.
 Andover, Mass. 01810
- Fettinger, George C., Jr. (Wife) 259 Cushing Ave. Williston Park, N.Y. 11596

- Gates, Thomas S. (Wife)
 23 Wall Street
 New York, New York 10005
- George, William C. (Wife)
 12 Franklin Ave.
 Maplewood, N.J. 07040
- Gerson, Nate (Wife) 185 Pinewood Dr. Elyria, Ohio 44035
- Gill, Harry R. (Wife) 208 N. Countryside Dr. Ashland, Ohio 44805
- Gommer, Thurwald (Wife) 2307 LaSalle Dr. Reading, Pa. 19609
- Greenlee, James Earl 1011 West Brockett Sherman, Tex. 75090
- Greer, James Lee (Wife) 1920 Sussex Ave. Cherry Hill, N.J. 08003
- Griffith, Roger (Wife) 14414 Glorietta Dr. Sherman Oaks, Calif. 91423
- Haasarud, Rolf 136 Carlsbad Circle Vacaville, Calif. 95688
- Hacker, William H. (Wife) 2015 Hamilton St. Allentown, Pa. 18104
- Hinton, Bynum E., Jr. (Wife) 5810 Hillburne Way Chevy Chase, Md. 20015

- Ingersoll, VADM. Stuart H. (Wife)
 740 Park Ave.
 New York, New York 10021
- Jackson, William E., Jr. (Wife) 65 Florin Street Warwick, R.I. 02889
- Jaeger, Durwood C. 13102 S.E. Salmon Portland, Ore. 97233
- Keskey, Charles H. 226 East Yale Ave. Orlando, Fla. 32804
- King, Dr. J. Cash (Wife & grandson, J. Cash III)
 Methodist Hospital
 1265 Union Ave.
 Memphis, Tenn. 38104
- King, Maurice H.
 5127 N. Marvine
 Philadelphia, Pa. 19141
- Kleinpeter, Allie C., Jr. (Wife & 2 guests)
 P.O. Box 2871
 Baton Rouge, La. 70821
- Lethbridge, Francis D. (Wife) 4605 Drummond Ave. Chevy Chase, Md. 20015
- List, William J. (Wife & daughter, Cindy) 88 Helena Drive Struthers, Ohio 44471
- Lybrand, E. E. (Wife & daughter Jan) 3903 Lincoln Green Pine Bluff, Ark. 71601
- MacKenzie, George (Wife) 110 Pine Tree Rd. Lock Haven, Pa. 17745

- Maselli, Nicholas J. (Wife) 9 Chambly Ave. Warwick, R.I. 02888
- Mattei, Andrew E. (Wife) 4785 N. Palm Ave. Fresno, Calif. 93704
- McDermott, Michael 5300 Post Road East Greenwich, R.I. 02818
- Mehle, RADM. Roger W. (Wife) 2217 Leeward Shore Dr. Virginia Beach, Va. 23451
- Murray, Elliston (Wife) 1095 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10028
- Nicholson, Col. D. D., Jr. (Wife) The Citadel Charleston, S.C. 29409
- Nota, Manlio (Wife)
 Gallery of World Art
 745 Beacon St.
 Newton Centre, Mass. 02159
- Olwell, Robert F. (Wife) 33 Sunshine Ave. Sausalito, Calif. 94965
- Payton, David F. (Wife) 38 Weston St. Brockton, Mass. 02401
- Rains, Rev. Dr. Calvin E. (Wife)
 P.O. Box 36
 Collinsville, Va. 24078
- ReDavid, Louis F. (Wife) 685 Thalia Pt. Rd. Virginia Beach, Va. 23452

- Riise, H. Norman (Wife) 4280 Mesa Vista Dr. LaCanada, Calif. 91011
- Rogers, J. C. (Wife) 1701 Rainbow Dr. Waycross, Ga. 31501
- Rogers, Robert B. 4562 Woodland Circle Roswell, Ga. 30075
- Scott, William J. (Wife) 1529 Dahlia Ct. McLean, Va. 22101
- Seefried, John C. (Wife) 20 Big Tree Street Livonia, N.Y. 14487
- Senkier, Robert J. (Wife) 6 Amherst Ct. Glen Rock, N.J. 07452
- Starr, William J. (Wife)
 95 Market St.
 Manchester, N.H. 03101
- Stowell, CDR. M. D. (Wife) 2363 Foothill Blvd. Oroville, Calif. 95965
- Sullivan, Dr. Daniel J. (2 guests) 23 Scott Ave. Nashua, N.H. 03060
- Swanberg, Carl R. 2171 Minerva Westland, Mich. 48185
- Tilford, Henry (Wife)
 Box 707
 Shelbyville, Tenn. 37160

- Tincher, Marvin (Wife) 6440 Bresslyn Rd. Nashville, Tenn. 37205
- Urquhart, CDR. John (Wife) 117 Hesketh St. Chevy Chase, Md. 20015
- Warnecke, Dr. Richard J. (2 guests) 12 Middagh St. Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201
- Webb, Charles A. (Wife) 1001 Wilson Blvd. Arlington, Va. 22209
- Welling, Truman Scarlett Thicket Farm Kennett Square, Pa. 19348
- Young, Bruce (Wife) 2140 N. Fremont St. Chicago, Ill. 60614
- Zimmer, Conrad (Wife) 715 Orchard Rd. Kinnelon, N.J. 07405

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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

Information on the USS Monterey

The President's service on the Monterey began in May 1943 prior to the ship's being commissioned. He served as a Navigator until December 1944 when the ship had to undergo extensive repairs because of a typhoon. The President was discharged in December 1944 as a Lt. Cmdr.

The President served on the organizing committee to establish the Monterey reunion. He attended the first reunion held in 1965 at the Columbia University Club in New York City.

In 1967 he attended the reunion which was held in Philadelphia. (The Monterey was in mothballs there and those attending the reunion went aboard the ship.)

Subsequent meetings attended:

1969	Washington D.C.
1971	Philadelphia
1973	Annapolis

The 1975 reunion will be the first combined with enlisted men.

Vital statistics of the USS Monterey:

Designation: CBL-26 (Light Carrier)

Displacement: 11,000 tons
Length of Flight Deck: 622 feet
Width of Flight Deck: 109 Feet

Draft: 26 feet
Maximum speed published: 31 knots

Complement: people 1,569; Aircraît 45

Fossil-fueled propelled (estimate refueling every ten days under

operative conditions -- every two weeks would be down to 25% to 30% of their fuel -- under transient conditions -- every 2 weeks

refueling)

Firepower Twenty 45 millimeter (size of shell)

Twenty 20 millimeters

Brief History of the USS Monterey:

Ships of the Monterey class came into being as a result of the disasterous initial phases of the war in the Pacific when the Lexington, the Hornet, the Yorktown and the Wasp were sunk. As a result, the Navy needed carriers in a hurry. Cruisers of the Cleveland class were converted to carriers. Among the ships in this group were the Independence, the Princeton, the Belleau Wood, the Monterey and others.

The Monterey was commissioned at the Philadelphia Navy Yard on June 17, 1943.

Following the usual shakedown cruise, the Monterey left Philadelphia on September 20, 1943 for the Pacific. After being outfitted with planes and additional personnel the Monterey departed San Diego on October 5 for Pearl Harbor which it reached on October 9. Training exercises followed and the Monterey was engaged in the Pacific War. Specifically, it was involved in numerous strikes against Makin Atoll, the Gilbert Islands, the Tarawa Atolls, Kwajalein and Ebeye Islands, Eniewetok Atoll, the Marshall Islands, Truk Atoll, the Marianas Islands, Wake Island, Iwo Jima, Manilla and Luzon (P.I), Panay Island, etc.

On December 18, 1944 a typhoon severely damaged the Monterey and it was drydocked eventually at Bremerton, Washington where it underwent extensive repairs. On April 5, 1945, the Monterey returned to Pearl Harbor and was engaged in the final battles in the Pacific.

On June 1, 1970 the Monterey was "declared in excess of Navy needs" and was stripped and sold to Boston Metals, a Maryland firm, for \$226,000.

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