

**U.S.S. Saratoga Association  
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Greetings Sara Shipmates, our Ladies, and our Association Friends. I hope and pray that all my shipmates had a healthy and happy holiday season. Our last reunion in Saratoga Springs, hosted by Bill Phelps was an enormous success as we had many new members attend for the first time. All the correspondences I received about the reunion were in the affirmative.

Our General Membership meeting was also a success. The meeting started off with a donation of a New York newspaper with all the pictures and text about the launching of the Sara in Brooklyn New York. We were fortunate to have with us Mark Kikta who took the last cat and last trap ever aboard Sara, along with some of the last crew who were aboard in 2012.

During the meeting we introduced a new scholarship committee chaired by Steve Katz, who worked very hard with his committee to bring us two scholarships a year; one for academic studies and the other for an accredited trade school training. In addition, we set up another committee chaired by Steve Medina to persuade the Sec Nav to have another ship named Saratoga.

John Lipscomb was put in charge of the Sara Steel collection and he was able to retrieve the ship's name from the fantail. John is having a good relationship with the shipyard and assures us that he will be getting additional steel from Sara.

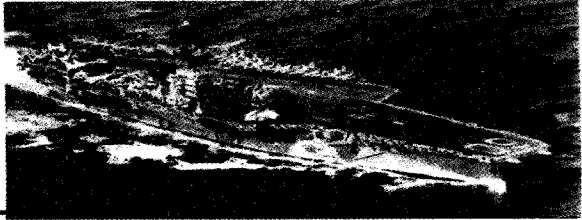
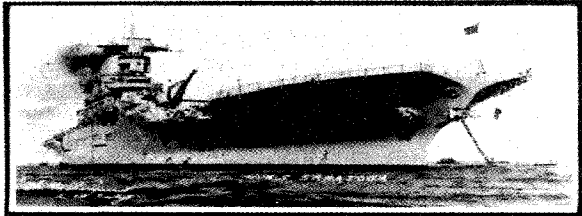
During the General Membership meeting it was voted that our 2018 reunion will be in San Antonia Texas with Brad Setter setting things up for 9th to the 14th of October, and our hotel will be the Holiday Inn Riverwalk, which should provide us with the opportunity to fully enjoy downtown San Antonio and the beautiful Riverwalk. Then in 2019 we'll be in Charleston SC with Ed McCready organizing that reunion.

I'd like each shipmate to contact a squadron that served with them while they were on Sara and see if they would like to join our Association or reunion.

Lastly, I want to thank all the Board Members, the Committee Chairmen, the Committee Members and all the volunteers that helped out at the reunion for the demanding work they contributed to the USS Saratoga Association, for without them, I would not have been able to carry out my obligations as your President.

Fair Winds & Following Seas,

Chip Hayes, your President



### Message from Secretary Ed McCready

With this January 2018 newsletter, you will notice the insert explaining that the 2018 annual dues are now due. Please remember if you are a LIFE MEMBER, HONORARY MEMBER or have already paid your dues at the Saratoga Springs reunion, there are no additional dues required. Please look at the mailing address on the envelope this newsletter came in, there should be a code above your name. If it says "LM" or "HM" that means you're a LIFE MEMBER or HONORARY MEMBER and do not need to pay. If it says "2018" that means you paid your dues at the reunion (or thereafter) and do not have to pay again. If it says any other year: like 2015 or 2016 or 2017, you do need to send in dues.

The Saratoga Springs reunion was well done with MANY new 1<sup>st</sup> timers in attendance. We sincerely hope they all will become "regulars" and attend year after year. Hand salute to the Scholarship Committee for developing what may be a first for our type organization and please join me in thanking the Membership Committee for their work which resulted in over 40 new members added to our ranks.

**Ed McCready**

### Message from Liaison Officer, John Lipscomb

2017 has been a busy and fulfilling year for me and my committees.

The **Membership Growth and Development Committee** continue to see fruits of their labor with new members joining our Association. We are continuing with our membership drive. New Association members receive many benefits, a Saratoga Directory, the Association Bylaws, information about past reunions, history of the Saratoga, and a directory of members.

Also, for a limited-time only, new members receive a free official USS SARATOGA challenge coin. For more information, please visit our USS SARATOGA webpage at [www.uss-saratoga.com](http://www.uss-saratoga.com) and download a membership application or you can contact us at 804-589-1170 or email [Emc0853@yahoo.com](mailto:Emc0853@yahoo.com). Please help by passing this info on to all your friends and shipmates that should but may not be members.

After 3 years of negotiation with Esco marine and now with the new company **SteelCoast marine** we have some good news, on Nov 29, 2017 I drove to Brownsville, Texas and brought back approximately 4000 pounds of steel from the USS Saratoga, including a small piece of flight deck for the museum, two pallets of steel and the steel nameplate from the fantail of the ship. Special thanks to TC Chastain for riding with me to Brownsville.

The steel will be used to make tokens for **members of the Association** first and then to any shipmate that wants a token piece of Sara. They will be sold by the ships store. The Nameplate is being fully restored and will hopefully be displayed at Naval Station Mayport, Florida. We will have tokens available in January. **You will be contacted** as soon as anything is available.

For the good of the Association,

**John W Lipscomb**

## USS SARATOGA ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

On behalf of the Association's Scholarship Committee, we are pleased to announce that the USS Saratoga Association Scholarship Program application forms are now available on our website at

[www.uss-saratoga.com](http://www.uss-saratoga.com)

As you will read on the application, the scholarship is open to all students in their senior year of High School who are one of the following:

A son or a daughter, or a grandson or granddaughter, or a great-grandson or a great-granddaughter of a USS Saratoga Association Member (Sponsor) who has served aboard the Saratoga, and has been an Association member in good standing for a minimum of the past 12 months. In good standing infers the member is current with their dues payments.

**Two scholarships will be awarded.** Each one is valued at \$1,000.00 and each one will be awarded on a one-time, non-renewable basis as follows;

- (1) One scholarship will be awarded to a student attending a 4-year or a 2-year College Program.
- (2) One scholarship will be awarded to a student attending a Technical, Trade, Medical or a Dental school, or an Administrative Support school.

Please go to our website, click on the Scholarship link to download and complete the application should you be interested in applying. More details about the program are on the application form.

At this time the program is funded, however, we are most excited about accepting donations to the fund. If you would like to make a **tax-deductible donation**, please make your check payable to:

### USS Saratoga Reunion Association Inc. Scholarship Fund

This fund is a separate operating account dedicated to the Scholarship Program. Should you wish to make your donation in the name of a loved one who has served aboard The USS Saratoga, or in memory of anyone, kindly indicate the name of that person should you wish to do so.

**Please mail to Mr. Ed McCready, Secretary, at the address at the top of the Newsletter.**

We look forward to a very exciting future for this program. My sincere thanks to the committee for their great contributions in developing this program and for their continuing support.

**Captain Steven Medina, representing the CV-3**

**John Bolton, representing the CV-60**

**Stephen Katz, representing the CVA-60 and Chairman, USS Saratoga Scholarship Committee**

## USS SARATOGA DUES NOTICE & DONATION FORM

Mail form to : Ed McCready, USS Saratoga Association, 447 Land 'Or Drive, Ruther Glen, VA 22546

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **DUES FOR 2018** Make Check or Money Order payable to USS Saratoga Association

Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Donation FOR 2018** (Donations are tax deductible) Apply to Scholarship Fund \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Membership Fee: \$25.00 per year**

### Life Membership Section:

| Age      | Fee       |                          | Age       | Fee       |                          | Age   | Fee      |                          |
|----------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|----------|--------------------------|
| Up to 49 | \$ 350.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 50-55     | \$ 300.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 56-60 | \$250.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 61-65    | \$ 200.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 66-70     | \$ 150.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 71-75 | \$100.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 76-80    | \$ 50.00  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 81 and up | \$ 15.00  | <input type="checkbox"/> |       |          |                          |

**OPTIONAL: Spouses/Children have a 1 time Lifetime Membership Fee: \$25.00 ea.**

# Ship's Store

| Item # | Description                         | Price  |
|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| 190    | Shot Glass (\$4 each or 4 for \$14) | \$4.00 |

## Stickers

| Item # | Description                                   | Price  |
|--------|---|--------|
| 214    | USS Saratoga CVA60 and CV60 Ships Crest Decal | \$6.00 |

## Books

| Item # | Description | Price               |
|--------|-------------|---------------------|
| 010    | Cruise Book | \$125.00 - \$175.00 |

## Caps (Call for Availability)

| Item # | Description   | Price   |
|--------|---|---------|
| 023    | Gamecock Embroidered on front CV3, CV60, CVA 60 Made in USA         | \$18.00 |
| 024    | Mesh with Silhouette of ship on front CV3, CV60, CVA 60 Made in USA | \$18.00 |
| 025    | Marine Red, Silhouette of ship & USMC embroidered on front          | \$18.00 |
| 026    | Silhouette of ship on front CV3, CV60, CVA 60 Made in USA           | \$18.00 |
| 031    | Embroidered Hats  | \$18.00 |
| 032    | Embroidered Gamecock Hats   | \$18.00 |

## Coffee Mugs

| Item # | Description   | Price   |
|--------|---|---------|
| 100    | Coffee Mugs   | \$7.00  |
| 101    | Port Hole Beer Mugs lined in 22K gold (\$22 each or 2 for \$40) | \$22.00 |

## Coin

| Item # | Description                | Price   |
|--------|----------------------------|---------|
| 030    | Challenge Coin Saratoga 2" | \$10.00 |
| 033    | 1 1/2" Challenge Coin      | \$10.00 |

## DVD

| Item # | Description   | Price   |
|--------|---|---------|
| 040    | USS Saratoga Decommissioning DVD Limited Quantities | \$10.00 |

## Jackets

| Item # | Description  | Price   |
|--------|--|---------|
| 060    | (Call for Size!) Windbreaker CV3, CVA60, CV60 Silhouette of Ship Left Chest Limited Quantities | \$45.00 |
| 061    | (Call for Size!) Marine - Red M - XXL Limited Quantities                                       | \$45.00 |
| 175    | Navy Blue Jacket (Mesh Lined Body, Fleece Lined Collar, Detachable Hood)                       | \$55.00 |
| 177    | White Jacket   | \$45.00 |

## License Plates

| Item # | Description              | Price   |
|--------|--------------------------|---------|
| 080    | License Plate - Metal    | \$10.00 |
| 081    | License Plate Frames     | \$13.00 |
| 082    | Motorcycle License Plate | \$5.00  |

## Mouse Pads

| Item # | Description             | Price  |
|--------|-------------------------|--------|
| 090    | Mouse Pads USS Saratoga | \$8.00 |

## Patches

| Item # | Description                                | Price   |
|--------|--|---------|
| 110    | 6th Fleet                                  | \$8.00  |
| 112    | CVA 60 Crest                               | \$10.00 |
| 113    | CVA/CV-60 Gone But Not Forgotten 5"        | \$8.00  |
| 114    | Original Reproduced CVA-60 Ship's Patch 5" | \$10.00 |
| 115    | Rocker USS Saratoga 3.5x6"                 | \$5.00  |
| 116    | US Flag 2' x 3'                            | \$5.00  |
| 119    | USS Saratoga with Gamecock 9"              | \$10.00 |

## Pens

| Item # | Description                   | Price  |
|--------|-------------------------------|--------|
| 120    | Ballpoint Pen (3 for \$10.00) | \$4.00 |

## Pins

| Item # | Description   | Price  |
|--------|---|--------|
| 140    | Ball Cap Pins   | \$8.00 |
| 141    | Hat Pin - 3rd Class through 1st Class Chevrons Large Shiny Silver Metal | \$9.00 |
| 143    | Ships Silhouette - CV60, CVA-60   | \$5.00 |
| 144    | Text Only USS Saratoga, Ships Crest - CV3, CV60, CVA 60                 | \$5.00 |
| 146    | USS Saratoga with Ribbon  | \$7.00 |
| 148    | Plank Owner Pin   | \$7.00 |
| 240    | USS Saratoga Navy Veteran Pin (New Larger pin)                          | \$7.00 |
| 242    | Petty Office Collar Devices   | \$5.00 |
| 243    | U. S. Flag Pin  | \$5.00 |
| 244    | Ship Crest Key Ring for the CVA/CV-60                                   | \$7.00 |
| 245    | USS Saratoga Flight Deck Pin (New larger pin)                           | \$7.00 |

## Shirts

| Item # | Description                                    | Price             |
|--------|--|-------------------|
| 154    | Dress Shirts                                   | \$35.00           |
| 156    | Freedom Polo Shirt                             | \$36.00           |
| 157    | Freedom T Shirt                                | \$27.00           |
| 158    | Freedom T Shirt - Youth sizes                  | \$21.00           |
| 159    | Red T-Shirt - USS Saratoga Marine Detachment   | \$27.00           |
| 160    | Lady's Freedom Pique Polo                      | \$35.00           |
| 161    | Red Marine Detachment Men's Freedom Pique Polo | \$36.00           |
| 165    | Sweat Shirt - Hoodie                           | \$35.00           |
| 170    | T-Shirts Short Sleeve Angle Deck Carrier       | \$26.00           |
| 171    | USS Saratoga Association Logo T-Shirt          | \$22.00           |
| 173    | USMC Logo T-Shirt                              | \$22.00           |
| 174    | Dark Blue Denim Work Shirts                    | \$36.00           |
| 176    | Khaki Shirt                                    | \$40.00 - \$48.00 |
| 178    | Denim Blue Shirt                               | \$40.00 - \$48.00 |
| 179    | USS Saratoga Association Dress Shirts          | \$35.00           |
| 266    | Hoodie   | \$40.00           |

## Photographs (Call Before Ordering)

| Item # | Description  | 8x10 Photos                    |                               | 4x6 Photos                    |                               |
|--------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|        |  | Color                          | Black & White                 | Color                         | Black & White                 |
| 130    | Photos<br>Assorted Photos Available<br>See Ship Store on Webstie | 1 for \$10.00<br>3 for \$25.00 | 1 for \$8.00<br>3 for \$20.00 | 1 for \$6.00<br>3 for \$15.00 | 1 for \$5.00<br>3 for \$12.00 |

**Closeout Items (Call for Availability - Items Will Not Be Reordered)**

| Item # | Description   | Price             |
|--------|---|-------------------|
| 001    | Belt Buckle - US Navy Belt Buckle (Pewter & Enamel 3 1/8" x 2 1/2") "Made in the USA" | \$12.00           |
| 013    | Navy Days by Eddie Jon Spear  | \$15.00           |
| 020    | Extreme Embroidery Ship on Bill of hat CVA60 or CV60 on back                          | \$18.00           |
| 021    | Extreme Embroidery "We Own The Seas" CVA60 or CV60                                    | \$18.00           |
| 022    | Extreme Embroidery "We Own The Seas" (Call For Availability)                          | \$18.00           |
| 027    | Sold Out!   | \$18.00           |
| 028    | U.S.S. Saratoga: Lady and Youth   | \$15.00           |
| 029    | USS Saratoga Association Logo Hat   | \$18.00           |
| 050    | Led Flashlight Keyring (3 for \$10)   | \$10.00           |
| 070    | Cambridge 5-Function Pocket Knife (\$5 each or 3 for \$12)                            | \$5.00            |
| 102    | Travel Mugs Wood grain with handle CV3/CVA60/CV60 (Close out special)                 | \$5.00            |
| 111    | Crows for 3rd Class through 1st Class Petty Officers                                  | \$8.00            |
| 117    | US Flag 2" x 3" (Waving)  | \$5.00            |
| 118    | USS Saratoga Association CV3, CVA 60/CV60   | \$8.00            |
| 121    | Clarion Flightlight Pen and Stylus (3 for \$10.00)                                    | \$10.00           |
| 122    | 5" Radioman and Communication Yeoman Patch  | \$8.00            |
| 123    | 3" Radioman and Communication Yeoman Patch  | \$5.00            |
| 142    | Lapel Pins  | \$5.00 - \$7.00   |
| 145    | USS Saratoga Logo Medallion, or USS Saratoga Gamecock                                 | \$5.00            |
| 147    | SEABEE Pin  | \$5.00            |
| 149    | USS Saratoga Pin  | \$5.00            |
| 150    | Denim Light Blue faded or stone washed light blue work - Long Sleeve                  | \$35.00           |
| 151    | Denim Light Blue faded or stone washed light blue work - Short Sleeve - CVA/CV60      | \$35.00           |
| 152    | Denim Long Sleeve   | \$35.00           |
| 153    | Denim Short Sleeve  | \$35.00           |
| 155    | Gildan Ultra Cotton Lt. Wt. Sweatshirt/Long Sleeve Tee's                              | \$24.00           |
| 162    | Polo - Men's White, Navy or Gray USS Saratoga   | \$35.00           |
| 163    | Polo - LIMITED TIME AKWA (Few Left)   | \$26.00           |
| 164    | Sweat Shirts - Heavy Duty   | \$35.00           |
| 166    | Sweat Shirts - Light Weight Gildan Heavy Cotton                                       | \$26.00           |
| 167    | Sweat Shirts - Crewneck   | \$26.00           |
| 168    | T-Shirts Gamecock   | \$22.00 - \$28.00 |
| 169    | T-Shirts - Long Sleeve Angle Deck Carrier   | \$26.00           |
| 172    | Denim Long Sleeve USS Saratoga Association Logo (Call for sizes 1st...)               | \$35.00           |
| 180    | 9" Frisbee (3 for \$10)   | \$10.00           |
| 201    | USS Saratoga Dog Tags   | \$5.00            |
| 210    | USS Saratoga Combat Vietnam Vet Sticker   | \$6.00            |
| 211    | Proud SeaBee 5.5" Sticker   | \$6.00            |
| 212    | SeaBee Sticker  | \$6.00            |
| 213    | USN Shellback King  | \$6.00            |
| 241    | US Navy Pin (Sold out)  | \$5.00            |
| 502    | Outer Banks Nylon Golf Vest (Call for Colors/Sizes)                                   | \$15.00           |
| 503    | CV3 Ship's Crest Key Ring   | \$7.00            |
| 504    | Kamp Shirt (Call for Sizes)   | \$20.00           |
| 505    | CV3 Polo Shirt - Only 1 Left!   | \$25.00           |
| 506    | 6 Pack Cooler with Side Pocket and Hand Strap   | \$5.00            |



**USS SARATOGA ASSOCIATION  
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