

# LAFAYETTE NAVIGATOR

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Marquis de Lafayette

## Spring is here! Summer is Just around the Corner, and so is Our Reunion!

USS Lafayette mooring to Tender in Holy Loch Scotland. Photo taken 1977

*A note from the Editor; Monty Wynn.*

I hope you approved of the first issue, I'm learning this on the "FLY". The look is basically the same, but a little more has been done to cleaned it up! Over the next issues I hope to get it to, the best looking Newsletter I can do! I did get a "Bravo Zulu"! From my sister, Tris Wynn. She's a former journalist and has been doing corporate and civic newsletters for years.  
Monty Wynn Editor.

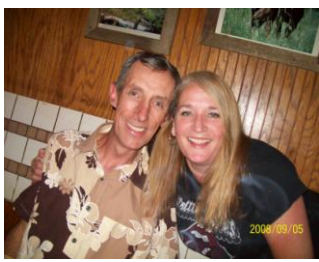
## Don McBride says Hello!

*The President's message.*



The reunion planning has Made great progress in the Last month. The registration Form is included in this Newsletter and on the web site. Please fill it out and send in your form as soon as you able, as it will help with the reunion planning. We have not listed specific tours. As yet, we are working on details but we will supply you with details as soon as they firm up. I can guarantee you will not be disappointed with the final selections. This is a great opportunity, if you have never been to the great Northwest to see it at the best time of year. If you are an old Puget Sound veteran this will be a great time to see the major changes to the area that have occurred since the Submarine Force moved into Bangor. In conjunction with the reunion we have had a few people express a desire to take an Alaskan cruise while they were in the area and so I have included that contact on the registration form. (Continued on page 2)

(Registration Form and Alaskan cruise information Last Page. Attachment).



Darla and me, we are very good friends. Photo taken this past September (2008).

Monty

If you, have any Comments, or items to submit, please contact me at these addresses! I need your help with this newsletter!  
<mailto:montywynn55@gmail.com> or 5148, W. Clinton St., Boise ID., 83706-1530, Telephone (208) 322-6001

Or other E-mail:  
<mailto:mbwynn55@hotmail.com>

(208) 322-6001

## “The Mountain is Out!”

Part two of Silverdale WA. And Surrounding areas by Monty.



When you hear the “Mountain is Out” it’s The Locals referring to Mt. Rainier and it will be A Sunny Day! And yes it DOES look that large in the background! Seattle is worth a short 30 minute Ferry ride from the Winslow Ferry Dock (Bainbridge Island) 15 miles East of Silverdale or a 45min to 1 Hr Ferry trip from Bremerton. Each one gives you a great view of the Mountain and the Skyline of Seattle. If only taking a quick round trip or plan to spend some time in Seattle, areas around downtown are great. Pike’s Market, Seattle Underground. The Aquarium, Space Needle, and the Pacific Science Center. Further out is University Of Washington, and the Woodland Park Zoo. During the week of the convention The Chicago White Sox and New York Yankees are in town to face the Seattle Mariners at SAFECO Field. I’m planning to attend the Monday game September 1<sup>ST</sup> to watch the Mariners play the Yankees. The Seattle Seahawks play next door at the Seattle Stadium I do not know if they play that Sunday weekend of the Reunion. The trip is still great and Seattle is easy to get around with public transport.

What does John Wayne have to do with Silverdale, or the area?

See page 5 for the Answer!



## REUNION UPDATE!



**President’s message cont.**

The Reunion plans.....

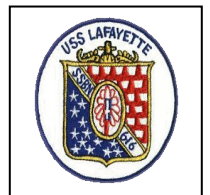
The hotel is taking reservations and I urge you to make them as soon as possible. Remember if circumstances change you can cancel your reservation without penalty. I am eager to get people to sign up soon as possible, as I did cut back the number of reserved rooms and may need to reserve more if we generate a bigger turnout. I don’t want anyone to get left out of the opportunity to stay in the host Hotel. The toll free number for the Silverdale Beach Resort is 800-544-9799. Please tell them you are booking for the USS Lafayette reunion. We will be monitoring the number of reserved rooms, and if it starts to fill up we will renegotiate with the hotel to expand the number of blocked out rooms.

The business meeting, at the reunion, will include the election of new officers, proposed changes to the bylaws, and selection of the next reunion site.

Now is the time to start thinking about these items so you can be prepared to present your choices.  
Don McBride

### **Our Web Site needs some help!**

To help complete the history of The USS Lafayette, we are Needing assistance compiling Those who served as COB. On Both Crews. Please visit: [ssbn616.homestead.com/cobs.html](http://ssbn616.homestead.com/cobs.html) to view the Years in question. If you know who was the COB in the periods missing. Please E-mail Bill Fraser at [wf7718@yahoo.com](mailto:wf7718@yahoo.com) or phone him at: (651-686-0536) Thank you! Bill Fraser Webmaster.



## NAVY HYMN;

Eternal father, Strong to save,  
Whose arm hath bound the restless waves?  
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep;  
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,  
For those in peril on the sea!

Bless those who serve beneath the deep.  
Through lonely hours their vigil keeps.  
May peace their mission ever be.  
Protect each one we ask of Thee.  
Bless those at home, who wait and pray,  
For their return by night and day.

O Trinity of love and power!  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe.  
Protect them whereso'er they go.  
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee,  
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Amen.

First and Last Verse written by William Whiting of Winchester England, in 1860. It Was originally intended as a poem for a student of his, who was about to travel to the United States. In 1861, John B. Dykes, an Anglican clergyman, composed the tune "Melita" for this hymn. "Melita" is an archaic term for Malta, an ancient seafaring nation and the site of a shipwreck involving the Apostle Paul mentioned in Acts of the Apostles (chapters 27-28).

The Second verse is known as the Submarine Verse, written by Reverend Gale R. Williamson (1976).

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eternal\\_Father,\\_Strong\\_to\\_Save](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eternal_Father,_Strong_to_Save)



May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 is Memorial Day, please take a few moments and remember our shipmates who are now on "Eternal Patrol".

**WE WISH YOU GOD SPEED.  
IN MEMORY OF THOSE  
ON ETERNAL PATROL**



**OFFICER CREWMEMBERS  
ON ETERNAL PATROL**

LT Edward Blackwood, Annapolis, MD  
XO Bruce L. Bullough  
LCDR Joseph Fitzpatrick  
LCDR Peter F. H. Hughes  
LT Paul Johnson Heathsville VA  
LCDR Henning Josephson  
CAPT. CO Arland W. Kuester  
LT George T. Long  
LCDR Michael McQuowen  
LT David Mullins Kansas City, KS  
LT G. Lindsay Perkins Bremerton, WA  
LCDR Robert R. Savage  
LT Harry F. Specht Southaven, MS  
CAPT. Ernest A. Till Corpus Christi, TX  
LT Frank F. Zechlin

The Enlisted Roll Call is continued on page 4.



## ENLISTED CREWMEMBERS ON INTERNAL PATROL

ET Pat Arnold, Louisiana  
 Robert W. Barron Gerber, CA  
 ENCS William F. Bauer  
 ET Lloyd "Ham" Berger Newark OH  
 FT Cecil B Bishop Joanna, SC  
 FTM Richard F. Brown  
 RMCS Ralph Buell  
 Tm Walter C. Cardigan  
 FT Mike Cana Hollywood, FL  
 ETN Donald F. Depart  
 ET Richard Donahue, Pittsburgh, PA  
 TMC Joseph P. Dooley Fountain Springs, PA  
 Timothy Drain  
 Meril E. Draper  
 ST Scott Eversole, Summerville, SC  
 MM Michael Finn  
 FT Jim Freeman Washington, DC  
 EMCS Waylan Gant Oklahoma City, OK  
 EM Robert J. Geary  
 CSC Raymond J. Grunt Berea, OH  
 EM Sam J. Hamick, Russellville, AR  
 ETC Roy A. Hilt Uncasville, CT  
 ET Raymond L. Hughey, Portland, OR  
 FTG David S. Jerdeman  
 ETC Ernest M. Jones  
 STS Harold Jumper  
 MT James R. Kennish, Essex, CT  
 RM Larry Kirsch  
 MMC Don Kopp Charleston, SC

TM Robert L. Kotzke, Summerville, SC  
 EN Hershel B. Lane Jacksonville, FL  
 MTC Charles Leppla, Jensen Beach, FL  
 Roy Lofgren Casper, WY  
 QMC Jeffrey J. Lookhoff; Covington, LA  
 RMC Gene R. Lull  
 EN Phillip Mortimer Delaware  
 MMCS Ronald Mumford  
 TM William A. Nevedal, Eastpointe, MI  
 MT Clyde C. Norris Utah  
 MM Todd Pearo  
 QMC Maynard W. Perry  
 EMCM Marshall H. Poole Alma, GA  
 ET Raymond A. Potter Cedar Rapids, IA  
 TMC Cletus Qualls Navarre, FL  
 CS Paul N. Qualls Summerville, SC  
 EM Leslie P. Schlagel, New York  
 MM Joseph L. Schmitt Newport News, VA  
 ST Aubrey L. Sightler, Greenville, SC  
 QMC Allan E. Sitter New London, CT  
 MT Don Sizemore Texas  
 IC Willie E. Walls Detroit, MI  
 YNC Bill Wise North Carolina  
 TM Lawson S. Yow  
 Severino Zapatos, Florida

This roll was compiled from the Lafayette Association's web site.

<http://ssbn616.homestead.com/CrewList>

I do not wish to publish an obituary article each issue, but will every May issue in honor of Memorial Day. If you know of a passing crewmember, please contact the person or persons who will update the crew list on our web site. [ssbn616.homestead.com/Crew List](http://ssbn616.homestead.com/CrewList).  
 Monty

**If the name of those are in Blue, they served on the Blue Crew, if Gold, the color denotes the Gold Crew. If Black, they either served on both crews, or unknown which crew they were on board.**



If you have items to be included in the next issue, please submit before September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The fall issue will cover the Reunion. I will be attending the reunion and you can submit your features then also if attending.

<mailto:montywynn55@gmail.com>

## SINK OR SEQUIM?

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2)

So what do John Wayne and the Silverdale area have in common? To discover the answer take a day trip from Silverdale, across the Hood Canal Floating Bridge to the Olympic Peninsula. Travel on Highway 101 and take time to visit these interesting points. The first place I suggest to you is to visit the County Seat of Jefferson County, Port Townsend WA. This town is full of Victorian Homes, a lighthouse, and a restored downtown.

After spending time in Port Townsend, continue West on 101, to Sequim WA. This village is on Dungeness



Bay, yes an area where you can find the famous crabs and the hideaway for John Wayne to get away from Hollywood and LA.

LA. LA. Land. So you won't be thought of an tourist who didn't research how to correctly pronounce the city's name. Sequim WA. Is pronounced like swim only with a q sound like squirm or squirrel.



Other areas on the Olympic Peninsula to explore are Port Angeles WA. If you have the time you can take a ferry to Victoria BC, a beautiful city and Providential Capital of British Columbia, Canada. It takes just a little over an hour by ferry to Victoria.

If not wanting to deal with customs, pass-ports traveling to Canada, maybe visiting a National Park, might be the



Better alternative. Travel West on Highway 101 from Port Angeles and take in the beauty of Olympic National Park. This park has it all! Rain Forests, The Pacific Ocean, and spectacular Mountain Scenery.

Such as Duckabush Pictured to the right.



(Continued next column)



The rain forest is very lush as the photo to the left. This is the Hall of Mosses. On the Western Edge of Park is the Pacific Ocean.

This photo is Ruby Beach in The National Park.



Hopefully this two part article helps you plan things to do when spending your extra time during the Lafayette Reunion in September.

Remember to make your reservations soon. The reunion is September 16th through the 20th, 2009. To make your reservations on line:

[Silverdalebeachhotel.com](http://Silverdalebeachhotel.com)

Toll Free at **1-800-544-9799**

Mailing address 3073 Bucklin Hill, Silverdale WA. 98383

Remember when booking your room, state that you are attending The Lafayette Reunion. They are placing us in the same Wing of the Resort, and I believe the rooms are discounted for those attending the Reunion. Monty



Silverdale Beach Hotel and Resort

**1-800-544-9799**

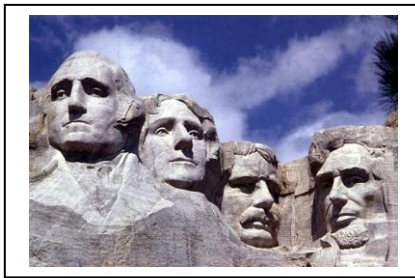


# L A F F - A - L O T !

JOKES, PUZZLES AND MORE!



When I was in Junior High School I read "My Side of the Mountain" By Jean Craighead George. It was a great book about Mountains and Nature. Now that I'm in my early fifties. I asked what's on the other side of the Mountain.

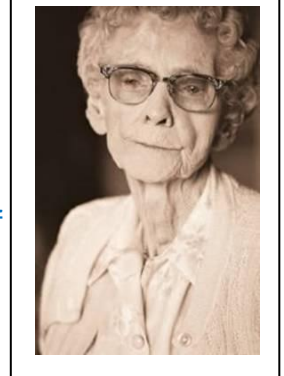


See Photo Gallery page11,  
For the Discovery, of a Life Time!

A very touching Story...

It brought tears to my Eyes.

All women should live so Long as to be this kind of Person! What a sweet Old Lady!



One Sunday at Church, The Minister asked us, towards the end of the service, "How many of you have forgiven your enemies?"

80% raised their hands. (Including me!) The Minister then repeated the question, "How many of you have forgiven your enemies?" Everyone in the pews raised their hands, except her. (Picture featured above).

The Minister asked her "Emily, Why are you not willing to forgive your enemies?"

She responded, "I don't have any!"

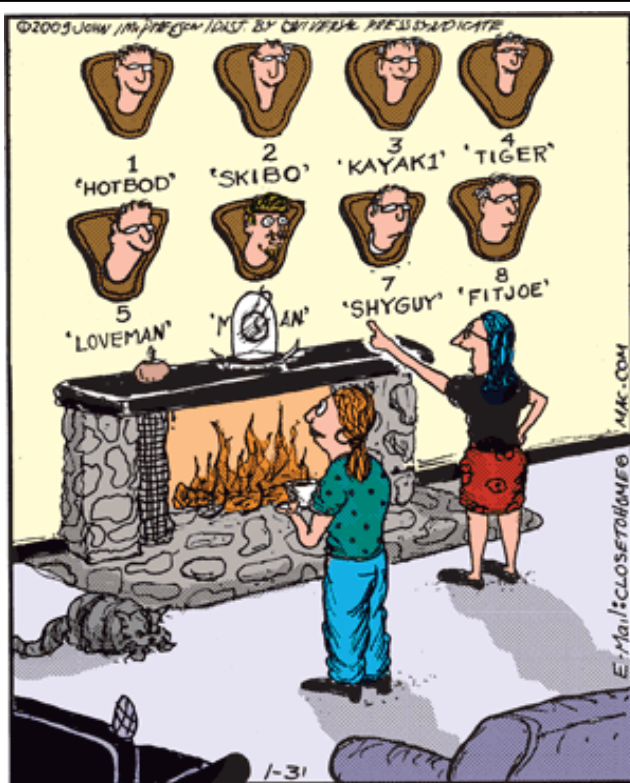
The Minister then responded. "That's unusual. How old are you?"

She said "98 years old!"

"Oh Emily, would you please come down in front and tell us all how a person can live ninety-eight years and not have an enemy in the world?"

Emily ever so slowly, left her pew, took very careful steps to the Altar. Turned and faced the congregation. In a very frail voice she replied....

**"I Out Lived the Bitches!"**



"And number five said in his profile that he was 6'2" and he turned out to be 5'7"."

**WARNING!  
DO-NOT TRUST  
ON-LINE  
DATING  
SERVICES!**

A public announcement from the "ODD Council", And "Get A Life!"

Answer to the Last's issue puzzle!

Draw a five pointed star; you will notice five rows/lines. Where the lines intersect, place a dot representing a tree. There will be 10 individual dots. If you count the number of dots in each row will be 4!



**VS**



## SHIP'S STORE!

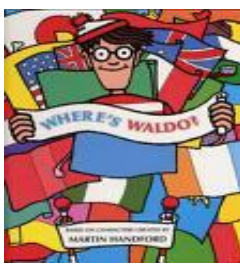
Why shop at that "Blue Light" Specialty Shop's that KEEP all profits? You can purchase the same products, such as Ship Ball Caps, totes, and more at "THE RED ZONE", a portion of the sales help out the Lafayette Association. Please Support Us! A Blue Light Special is not Special, But John's Cap Shack is! **He's in the Zone!**



**OR ?**



Buy from John's Cap Shack, help us out! OR those **Specialty Stores such as (Gotcha!)**, it's your choice!<mailto:SubSlr16@aol.com>



## WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THESE CREWMEMBERS?

This will be a new item, for members to locate other crewmembers which may have been omitted from our Shipmates roster.

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## Whatever Happened To?

*Continued story from last column*

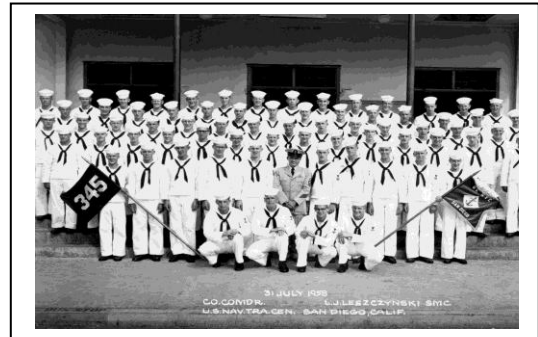
ET-2 (SS) Czarnecki Blue Crew, NAV ET.  
ET-2(SS) Williamson, Blue Crew, NAV ET.  
ETC (SS) Rodgers, Blue Crew, NAV ET.  
MSC (SS) Jones, Blue Crew, MS LCPO  
ETC (SS) Kenyon, Blue Crew, NAV ET.  
Midshipman Hilton, USN or USMC,  
Midshipman rider summer of 77 or 78.

The above shipmates are "AWOL", "MISSING SHIP'S MOVEMENT" or "FLY-AWAY!" If you know of former accidentally omitted from the Lafayette Association's Crewmember List let me know so we locate them or "Whatever Happened To?"

Please contact me about the crewmembers listed above, or others who served with you, who are "Skipping Out on Store Loads!" Field Day! or they might of missed "FLY-AWAY!"

## SUBMARINE VETERANS REUNION! SAN DEIGO CALIFORNIA!

### BOOT CAMP!



SEPTEMBER 2009 10<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>



## **THE SUBMARINE FORCE IN IDAHO**

Idaho has only one port, with access to the Pacific Ocean via the Columbia River. This Port would be Lewiston Idaho. So what the Hell does the State of Idaho have to do with the Submarine Force or the U.S. Navy, with the exception of Submariners, and Sailors' calling Idaho home? This is a short History Lesson of the ties of the Navy and Submarine Force.

This excerpt is from [Bubbleheads.blogspot.com](http://Bubbleheads.blogspot.com), Joel Kennedy, of Meridian, Idaho. Retired Submarine Officer. Reprinted by permission.

Friday, August 26, 2005

### **“A Landlocked Navy”**

I got forwarded a press release from Senator Larry Craig (R-ID) that's so new it's not even on his press release page yet. In it, he talks about two Idaho Navy installations that are (or were) of great importance to submarines – the Navy Acoustic Research Department at Lake Pend Oreille (pronounced “pond-o-ray”) and the Naval Reactors Facility near Arco Idaho. Here's some excerpts what Senator Larry Craig (Former Senator from Idaho) had to say:

“Idaho is quite the seafaring state. Yes, it's safe to say that history of the United States Navy, and quite possibly the history of our nation would be much different without the contributions of our state. I realize that some of you may wonder what the heck I'm talking About, so let me explain.

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**WORLD'S EASIEST QUIZ:  
(PASSING REQUIRES ONLY 4  
CORRECT ANSWERS!) THE CORRECT  
ANSWERS WILL BE PROVIDED ON PAGE 10.**

## **ARE YOU SMARTER THAN THE OTHER CREW?**

- 1.) How long did the Hundred Year's War last?**
- 2.) Which country makes Panama Hats?**
- 3.) From which animal do we get Cat Gut?**
- 4.) In which month do Russians Celebrate the October Revolution?**
- 5.) What is a Camel's hair brush? Made of?**
- 6.) The Canary Islands in the Pacific Are named after what animal?**
- 7.) What was King George VI'S first Name?**
- 8.) What color is the Purple Finch?**
- 9.) Where are Chinese Gooseberries? From?**
- 10.) What is the color of the Black? Box?**

**ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A  
BLUE CREW MEMBER?  
See how A Blue Crewmember  
scored!**

**SK'S view of the Human  
World! On (HAM AND EGGS)**

**“A day's work for a chicken, a  
Lifetime commitment for a pig.”**



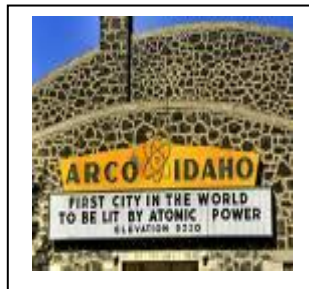




Lake Pend Oreille Idaho.  
NSB Groton CT., NSB  
Charleston SC., NSB St. Mary's  
GA., NSB San Diego CA., NSB  
Bangor WA. NSB Pearl Harbor  
HI. And NSB Hope Idaho?  
Maybe there is No Hope for Hope  
but it does play an important role  
with the Submarine Force!  
(Continued article from page 8 **The  
Submarine Force in Idaho**)

Since World War II, Idaho has played an important role in preparing the Navy's sailors for their roles at sea. In 1942, tasked with waging a war in the farthest reaches of the globe, the War Department recognized the need for a large facility to train more sailors. That year, the Navy built Farragut Naval Training Station on the shores of Lake Pend Oreille. At the time, it was the second largest naval training center in the world. In the short 30 months it was operational, more than 290,000 sailors from 19 states received basic training at Farragut. The last class graduated in March, 1945, but that would not be the end of Idaho's contribution to naval training.

In 1950, the Naval Reactors Facility was Established near Arco Idaho to support the Development of naval nuclear propulsion. Throughout the Cold War, thousands of Officers and sailors were trained in the Intricacies of the operation and maintenance Of nuclear reactors. You may be interested to Know that research at the Idaho National Laboratory's Advanced Test Reactor and Naval Reactor Facility have contributed to the extension Of the life of nuclear fuel on Navy vessels, so that some nuclear-powered ships never have to be refueled. While the Navy has consolidated most of its nuclear research and training programs in South Carolina, Idaho's involvement in research and development of submarines and warships continues today.



Stretching back several decades, the Navy's Acoustic Research Detachment (ARD) at Bayview, Idaho, has been conducting research and development on Lake Pend Oreille. Scale models of the most advance submarines in the world were, and continue to be extensively tested in the quiet, deep waters of the lake. Oceans are full of background noise, such as waves, animal's earthquakes and volcanoes, which make it difficult to effectively test just how quiet a ship is. On top of that, salt water takes its toll on things. Testing in Pend Oreille eliminates many of the noise and maintenance problems, quarter-scale and third-scale models, that are much easier and cheaper to operate or modify. This is a mean to cut costs saving the taxpayers money.

The men and women of the Acoustic Research Detachment have played vital roles in developing the Sea wolf and Virginia class submarines, making our subs more silent. Underwater, silence can be the difference between life and death for American Submariners."

Senator Larry Craig (R-ID) (Ret.)

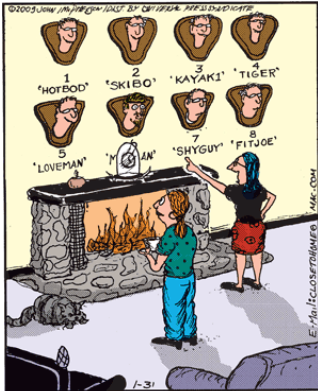
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Photo of a Sweet Elderly Lady at Church  
From internet Joke.



USS LAFAYETTE SSBN 616 at Sea at Sunset.  
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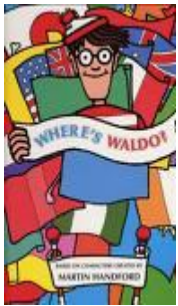


"And number five said in his profile that he was 6'2" and he turned out to be 5'7"."

**"CLOSE TO HOME"**  
**DRAWN BY**  
**John McPherson**  
Comic from Internet.



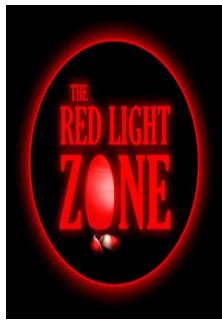
Saw Tooth Mountains, Stanley Idaho  
Photo from Google images



**Where in the world is Waldo?**  
Photo from Google images



**BLUE LIGHT SPECIAL!**  
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The Red Light Zone  
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**PLEASE CONTACT OUR SHIP'S STORE!**



**SK MY Dog**

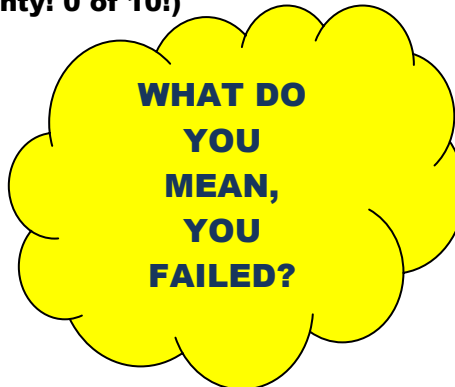
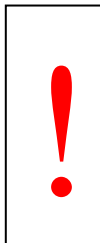


San Diego CA  
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## QUIZ FORM THE AN INTERNET FRIEND!

**ARE YOU SMARTER THAN A BLUE CREW MEMBER? ANSWERS:**

1. 116 YEARS. (By the way I failed! Monty! 0 of 10!)
2. ECUADOR (Blue Crew member!)
3. SHEEP AND HORSES
4. NOVEMBER
5. SQUIRREL FUR
6. DOGS
7. ALBERT
8. CRIMSON
9. NEW ZEALAND
10. ORANGE



**"OH THEY ARE BLOGGING UP THE PLAN OF THE DAY AGAIN!" CHECK THESE BLOG SITES OUT!**

**W.T.F.?**

1. [Bubbleheads.blogspot.com](http://Bubbleheads.blogspot.com)
2. [makeyourdepth.blogspot.com](http://makeyourdepth.blogspot.com)

**"Other Blog Sites"**

**Submarine Wives Club**

**USS Retired**

**Crazy Submarine Lady**

**Quartermaster**

**WTFO**

**The Cook Shack**

**Submarines Forever**

**Midnight Cowboy**

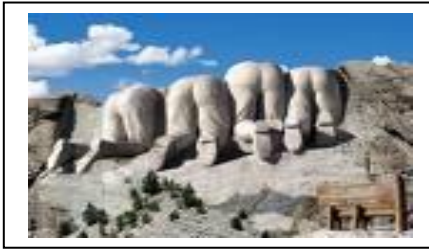
**Blowing San # 1**

**Boomer Rider**

**Decks Awash**

**No Slack, Fast Attack**

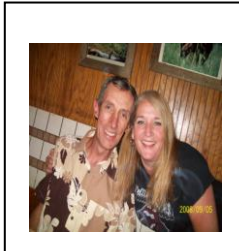
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**THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN!**  
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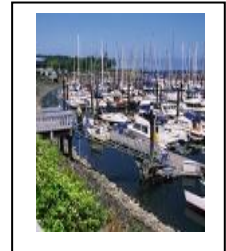
Portrait of Marquis de Lafayette  
Similar to the Portrait on board the USS Lafayette  
Submitted by Rill Fraser



Darla and me,  
Photo private collection Sept. 2008.



Jefferson County Court House,  
Port Townsend WA  
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John Wayne Marina,  
Sequim WA.  
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Skyline of Seattle WA. And MT. Rainer

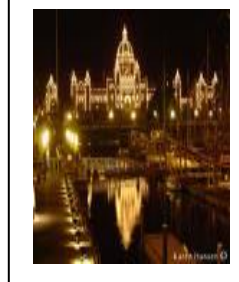
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John Wayne photo from Google images



Flag at Half Staff  
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Legislative Buildings, Victoria BC. Photo from Google images



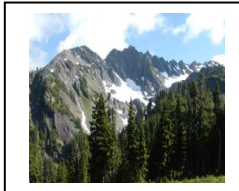
Ruby Beach, Olympic National Park  
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Hall of Mosses, Olympic National Park  
Photo from Google images



Looney Tunes. Warner Brothers  
Clip Art from Google images



Duckabush, Olympic National Park  
Photo from Google images

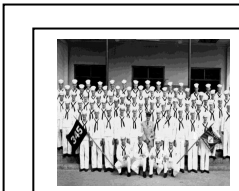


Photo of a Boot Camp graduating company at NRTC San Diego CA. in the 1950's  
Photo, from Google Images



Arco's First Reactor,  
Photo from Google Images



Lake Pend Oreille, Idaho  
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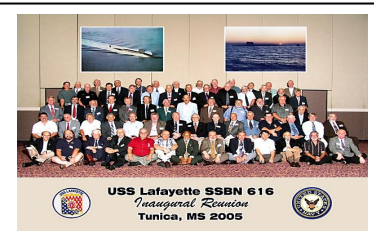


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