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## 15th Anniversary of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Celebration

Submitted by Gloria Wix

I was honored and pleased to attend the 15th Anniversary of the Women In Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial Celebration held 19-20 October 2012 in Washington DC/Arlington VA. The Women' Memorial is located near the entrance to Arlington National Cemetery.

Jo Adamson, our new WN president, asked me to distribute information and represent WAVES National at the memorial service. On Friday 19 October I traveled by train and metro to the memorial for the day long open house. Tables had been set up and covered with cloths for each of the 25 groups in attendance.

I attached a WAVES National flag to the front of the table. From 1000 to 1500, I spoke to all who stopped at our table. I had made many copies of "Sea" What We Are All About pamphlets, a large stack of White Caps, and handed out pens that were



Gloria Wix at the WAVES National Table

donated by the Nashville Stand Down organization. It was a treat to meet and greet so many women vets. All services were represented and all eras too. I gave out almost all of the information I had brought. What little was left over I put on the front counter for anyone to take.

Many times that day, when speaking with these women, I realized how little most of them knew about our organization. They were surprised to learn that WAVES National was

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Greetings:

Another Convention is behind us and a great time was had by all. Even though the name "WAVES National - Women of the Sea Services" stayed the same we did vote on raising our National dues to \$25.00. Since our membership has dropped due to the loss of our WWII women veterans we voted to discontinue new "Life Membership" as of April 1st except for age 90 and over which will remain at \$30.00. We voted to drop the Ronald McDonald Tab Chairman because in discussing the subject with many of our members they stated they turn the tabs into the locally Ronald McDonald to get credit. Thank you Peggy Hansen for being our Chairman for so many years. Lynne Pine was made chairman of the committee to update the "Procedures Manual". For the present we are hoping that new officers of the Units will have a passdown of all records

however, if one is needed please contact Barbara Turner our Executive Secretary.

We are gradually recruiting new members as many of our members are representing WAVES National (WN) by attending "Women Veterans Luncheons" and the "All Women Veterans" celebrations. These functions are helping with the recruitment of new members. Gloria Wix, our Chaplain, attended the Women In Military Service for America's (WIMSA) 15th Anniversary and set up a table with WN information. Thank you Gloria! Betsy Waddell, WN 1st Vice, and I represented WN at an "All Women Veterans Luncheon" held by WN Unit #75 and a Women Marine Association Unit" in Melbourne, FL. There were over 75 shipmates in attendance and we all enjoyed the entertainment, food, camaraderie and the many sea stories.

A list of our Regional Representatives was in the October issue of White Caps. However, Region VI and IX were vacant, but now Region VI Regional Representative is Kristen Gancarz, 2301 Washington

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### 15th Anniversary WIMSA Celebration ... (Continued from page 1)

not an exclusive organization for Navy WAVES and that all women of the sea services were welcomed to be members and that we include associates from the other services. Many of the women I spoke to were Navy and Marine Corps and no matter what age group they were, they had never heard of us.

The next day was Saturday 20 October. The days' activities were held outside around the reflecting pool. They included: The U.S. Army Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, 1st Class Musician Dennys Moura, USN Navy Band. Others gave the invocation, remarks, musical presentations, and rang the bell.

Voices of the Women remarks were given by a military spokeswoman from each of the services. Representing the Coast Guard was our own WN member, Maggie Cobb. Brigadier General Wilma L. Vaught, USAF (Ret.) gave the welcome and closing remarks. Addresses were given by Allison A. Hickey, Under Secretary for Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs, Jessica L. Wright, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs and Jon James, Acting Superintendent, George Washington Parkway. In addition Ms Connie Stevens, an actress and supporter of military women and the memorial, read a poem.

At 1830 in the evening, we assembled at the entrance to the Memorial Bridge on the DC side of the Potomac next to the Lincoln Memorial. The police had closed the bridge for this event. Everyone was lined up behind signs showing military service affiliation (USN, USMC, USCG, USA, USAF) for the Candlelight March and Service of Remembrance. Every person was given battery powered "candles". It was near dark and the lighted candles created a beautiful sight. We were lead back across the



WIMSA Memorial Celebration

bridge to WIMSA by Virginia Women's Institute of Leadership Corps of Cadets, Mary Baldwin College. The memorial was lit up with red, white, and blue lights and hung with bunting. From the crest of the bridge you could see the memorial and reflecting pool. What an amazing sight that was at the very end of the road. The pace was leisurely and enabled us to talk and enjoy each other and the night. When we reached the memorial we all took our seats around the reflecting pool. Several distinguished guests spoke, read poems, and sang songs. The keynote address was by Major General Angela Salinas, USMC, Director, Manpower Management Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, HQMC.

Following the address, the "Rose Petal Ceremony" Roll Call was begun. 53

From the memorial roll call pamphlet: "Honoring Our Fallen Sisters in the Global War on Terror"

"Since the onset of the global war on terror, 152 servicewomen have died serving our country. At the 10th Anniversary, rose petals were placed in the reflecting pool in memory of the first 99 service women to lose their lives in Afghanistan and Iraq. Tonight, as we

pay tribute to all of our fallen sisters, the names of the last 53 to perish will be read and rose petals placed in the pool.

The Women's Memorial Foundation presents the following In-Memoriam Honor Roll in tribute to the service and sacrifice of the 152 women who have died in defense of our nation in the Global War on Terror."

The list of names with the rank and service followed. As each name was read the reader sprinkled a handful of red rose petals out over the water.

Closing remarks were made by Brigadier General Wilma L. Vaught, USAF (Ret.)

### The President's Message ... (Continued from page 1)

Ave, Racine, WI 53405, email [Kgancarz@yahoo.com](mailto:Kgancarz@yahoo.com) or call 262-632-2443 and Region IX Regional Representative is Jeanne M. LeMaster, 1723 S. Bancroft St., Philadelphia, PA 19145-2204, 215-582-3340. Thank you shipmates for stepping up to the plate.

I would give thanks to Cheryl Adams Region VI and Kayann Taylor Region IX RR for a job well done.

As you will note there is an envelope in every MAL's WC with the return address of the treasurer, Monica O'Hara which will make it convenient for our MAL members to send in their dues renewal.

I'm sorry to say but we seem to have injuries at every Convention. This time we want to say "Hoping you Get Well Soon" from your accidents to Margaret Thorngate, from Oregon and

Bonnie Selb, from New Jersey. I also would like to express a big "Get Well Soon" to Linda Fulkerson who ended up in the hospital upon returning from the Convention and also to our treasurer Monica O'Hara.

I would like to express a big thanks to Dassa Carvey, Past President, Patty Jo Parks, as Ship Stores Chairman, and Denise Duke, Historian for your many years of service. It was greatly appreciated by all and was a job well done.

Many veterans showed their thanks and appreciation to all our veterans while participating in parades and ceremonies on Veterans Day. Have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

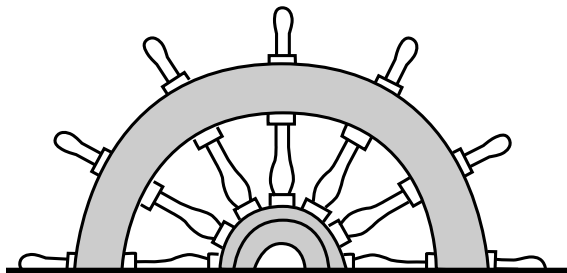
**GOD BLESS ALL OUR VETERANS AND KEEP THEM SAFE.**

## Veterans' Scam Warning

*from Barb Sebring*

According to the Salisbury NC Post newspaper, veterans need to be aware of scams involving companies that require payments for processing pension and benefits forms. According to the report, the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs has become aware of 'pension poachers' targeting veterans through seminars and outreach events.

It is important for all veterans to know that there **is no reason for qualified veterans to pay anyone to process their claims.** The VA and several veterans service organizations, like the American Legion, VFW, DAV and AMVETS offer these services at no cost to the veteran through accredited veteran service officers. VSOs are available nationwide to assist veterans with necessary paperwork.



## FROM THE BRIDGE

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### FIRST VICE PRESIDENT



*Betsy Waddell*

And a great day it is... Ladies do you feel that little draft??? Yep, it's those fewer members we have that are letting in the air. We all have to reach out to ALL service women and find members. We must remember that we do not and cannot stand alone. To do so will ensure our downfall. We need to reach out to all ages of women... we need to remember to schedule our meetings so working women can attend. We need to reach out past our service/ generation/perceptions and welcome all who will or want to join us. As long as they can prove they served in the Military and did so without a bad conduct discharge... welcome them in.

Another note... COMMUNICATION is a great and wonderful thing. Works both ways – UP and DOWN the chain... and even side to side... shall we all remember this?!? Yes, I know I am pointing to myself also when I point this out.

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### SECOND VICE PRESIDENT



*Cheryl Adams*

Kudos to everyone who worked so hard to make our convention a success. The hotel was so good to us. When my husband, several other convention attendees and I arrived on the shuttle bus, we were greeted very warmly by several hotel staff and thanked for our service. I am pleased to welcome Montana's new unit but disappointed that I can't make it out there to attend the Plank Owners Ceremony.

My husband, as President of the Madison Veterans Council, is in charge of hosting the Wisconsin State Veterans Day Ceremony in Madison on the 11th and I need to be his executive assistant, then my unit meets on the 17th and we have family coming from Maryland for Thanksgiving. I attended the Wisconsin All Women Veterans luncheon this past Saturday, hosted by our Women Marines. A fun time was had by all. Wishing everyone a nice Thanksgiving with good

food, family and friends. Say a prayer for all of our people serving so far from home and those spending the holidays in a hospital.

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### RECORDING SECRETARY



*Gail Bonham*

It was such a pleasure to meet everyone at the convention. I had a great time in Orlando and I hope you did too. Special thanks to all the Florida Units for hosting the convention. If you were not able to attend, I certainly hope you come on the Caribbean cruise in 2014. Women of the sea services back at sea - en masse. I hope that Royal Caribbean is ready for us!

My family and I are moving to Asheville, NC the week after Thanksgiving. My new address will be: Gail Ann Bonham, 414 Oconeechee Ave, Black Mountain, NC 28711. I will have all of my mail forwarded, but please use this address starting December 1st.

With the New Year coming, I leave you with a traditional Irish toast: In the New Year, may your right hand always be stretched out in friendship but never in want.

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### SHIP'S STORE



*Linda Coffield*

There's a chill in the air and Christmas is just around the corner.

Don't forget, WN Coins, Medallions and Key rings make lovely gifts and "quantity discounts" are STILL available for ANY COMBINATION: 5 for \$45; 10 for \$90 or 20 for \$180.

Alas! The post office has promised a rate increase in the upcoming months, so let's stick with our traditional end-of-the year FINE PRINT SPECIAL:

- FREE Shipping in December 2012!
- Write "Happy Holidays" on your order form and leave the shipping to me!
- Orders MUST specify "Happy Holidays" AND MUST be received by Dec 31, 2012.

Happy Holidays to you and your family!

*Linda*

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### VAVS REPRESENTATIVE



*Harriett L. Howard*

This article has been missing for some time... but... now is the time to remind all of WAVES National VAVS Representatives (REPS) & VAVS Deputy Representatives (DEPS) at all of our 31 VA Medical Centers.

Some of you have been very neglectful of your duty to attend at least (03) of the local meetings. I am not going to list these in this article... you know who you are! I am asking those of you ladies who have missed (03) to write me a note... advising a plausible reason why you missed (03)... then I may re-certify you. If you wish not to serve indefinitely... then write to me and say so. If so, I ask that you recommend another member of your Unit who would faithfully serve. REMEMBER... YOU Only meet QUARTERLY... once every 03 months about 02 hours... but you get "great" information to take back to your Unit Members about women's healthcare the hospital is providing!

Just remember, I am waiting for a note from you who have been delinquent in your attendance. Please don't let the Holiday Season add to your delinquency!

I look forward to reading the Minutes from your VAVS Quarterly Meetings and checking your attendance.

BRAVO-ZULU to ALL who have had 100% attendance in 2012. Let's ALL have 100% in 2013! This will make for a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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### VA MEDICAL/HEALTH



*Ruth Storck*

Many of you have seen the POW/MIA table that is set up for the Navy birthday ball. Are you aware of what this table represents besides that it is the table for remembrance of a POW or MIA? I saw this article in the Navy Times and realized how little I knew about the representation. I



thought I would share this with you. Each piece represents so much more meaning than I was aware. Each piece is a reminder that some of our sailors have never returned. The table cloth is white to show the purity of a sailor's intent to serve. A single red rose is placed in a vase on the table to represent the blood shed by those defending our country. A yellow ribbon is tied around the vase, like the yellow ribbon worn on lapels to remember sailors not yet home. The plate on the table contains a single slice of lemon and some salt. The lemon represents the POW/MIA's bitter fate. The salt is for the tears shed by their families. The glass on the table is inverted because the sailor is not their to raise the toast. The chair is empty to represent the missing sailor. Finally, a single candle is placed on the table to represent the hope that the missing POW/MIA will someday return.

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## VOLUNTEER HOURS



*Dulcie Davis*

Hello Shipmates! I hope those that attended WAVES Convention had as much fun as I did. Those that weren't able to attend you missed a good one.

We've made a few changes for reporting volunteer hours. The reporting period is the same, 1 June - 30 May. Your report must be in by 1 July. You will submit your report to me, and send a copy to the Regional Director. You may either use the form in Aug 2011 Whitecaps or just use a plain 8 x 10 sheet of paper. I only need what the member did and the hours. I do not need the names. Members at Large must send their hours directly to me. I will need your name and your membership number. You also may use the form or an 8.5 x 10 sheet of paper. Report all community service hours and VA hours. Please Do Not Use on a small piece of paper as they tend to get lost.

Remember, if you belong to another veteran's organization and you report volunteer hours to them, you may not give those hours to us. Volunteer hours may only be reported to one veteran's organization. If you have family members or friends that do volunteer work and they don't report hours to anyone else you may include those hours in your report. We should have lots of hours from those attending convention. Include travel and convention time. You may not count the days you came early or stayed after. There will be more about what you can report in the next White Caps. I hope all members are keeping track of their hours on a Calendar. We need those volunteer hours to keep our organization tax exempt.

Hope everyone will have a Blessed and Happy Holliday Season.

*Dulcie*

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## PUBLIC RELATIONS



*Barb Sebring*

October again brought us Fleet Week in San Francisco. I just love seeing the Navy and Coast Guard ships come in under the Golden Gate Bridge and the Blue Angels flying over the Bay and City. Fleet week lets us remember the sacrifices & heroic acts demonstrated every day by the men & women in the military. It also reminds us that our naval services consistently provide humanitarian relief around the world, saving thousands of lives in natural disasters.

As I have mentioned in the past, if you are not getting emails from me on a regular basis please contact me at [bsebring62@msn.com](mailto:bsebring62@msn.com). I only use your address for legitimate WAVES National business. Also please check out our page on facebook. It is a great way to stay up on what is happening with our members across the country. Log in and let us know what is new with you or your unit.

I wish you all a healthy, safe and Holiday season.

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## EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



*Barb Turner*

During the WAVES National (WN) Convention in Orlando, FL in September, I reported that we have 2,448 members with 1,316 of our members assigned to 62 units and 1,132 members-at-large. We voted to do away with life membership for all members except those 90 and older, effective 1 April 2013, and it was also approved to raise WN dues to \$25. Please pay your 2013 WN dues now and if you are assigned to a unit, get those dues in to your unit treasurer ASAP.

If you are a member-at-large, look for the self-addressed envelope (SASE) in this issue as a "reminder" to get your dues in. Mail your check and renewal form in the envelope provided to Monica O'Hara at the address listed in this issue.

I congratulate Meridith Cox and the Big Sky Women Veterans Unit 156 of Montana as our newest WAVES National unit. Meridith was sworn in as the Region II Representative and is doing an excellent job in recruiting new members.

Do you have a computer? Do you have an e-mail address? Would you like to be able to receive and read the White Caps well before the printed copy hits your snail mailbox? If the answer to any of these questions is "yes" then I have a deal for you. Please send your e-mail address to Monica O'Hara, WN Treasurer and she will make sure that it is added to the WN database. We can then make sure that the WC is delivered to you via e-mail. Will this stop the paper copy? No, not at first, but it is our hope that those of us who have e-mail addresses will do what we call an "opt out" of receiving the paper copy of the White Caps and thereby reduce the cost of printing the WC, etc.

Please keep our veterans in your prayers as the massive clean-up continues after Hurricane Sandy!

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## WHITE CAPS EDITOR



*Judy Faries*

Well the Holidays are upon us! This year has really flown by. I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and has a great Christmas and New Year.

I am so pleased with all of the wonderful input from everyone this month. At the convention in Orlando I met so many wonderful people and have encouraged the units to provide input and boy did I get input this month. The units have really responded and I love it!

There are a couple of things I would like to emphasize when you send articles to me for the White Caps. It would be a great help if you would single space, no space between paragraphs, one space between sentences and two spaces at the beginning of the paragraphs. Also, I have to put everything in Arial, 10 pitch and it would really help if your submission was in that format.

When you submit pictures, please either send them as a jmp or copied on a word document. It is really difficult, if not impossible, to copy the picture from some of the programs people are using. I love getting the pictures and want to be able to include every one of them. You can also mail them to me and I can scan them in. That is not a problem.

Again, Thank you all so much for all of your inputs.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a blessed New Years. Please keep everyone in the path of Sandy in your prayers as they continue to rebuild.


**SILVER TAPS**


Please send all WN member Silver Taps information to Executive Secretary, Barb Turner (address on page 14)

**WN MEMBERS**

Catherine M. Baltes . . . . . USN . . . . 021/OH	Janet B. Cooper (Greenwood) . . . . . USN . . . . 113/VT
Rosetta L. McMahon (Elliott) . . . . . USN . . . . 055/FL	Mary E. Wanninger (Merrett) . . . . . USN . . . . MAL/AL
Jean F. Bates (Fillion) . . . . . USN . . . . 081/MA	Gwendolyn M. Johnson* (Volz) . . . . . USN . . . . MAL/GA
Irene C. Livingstone-Mann (Coulson) . . . . . USN . . . . 081/MA	Ruby A. Sjoberg (Smith) . . . . . USN . . . . MAL/ME
Mary E. Rotenberry . . . . . USN . . . . 094/TN	Barbara Ann Lasso (Litzinger) . . . . . USN . . . . MAL/OH

**WN FORMER MEMBERS**

Mary E. Mark (Lowrey) . . . . . USN . . . . 003/CA	Ruth M. Cannon (Eggleston) . . . . . USN . . . . 057/WVA
Pauline R. Dixon (DuBois) . . . . . USN . . . . 033/NH	Carol F. Voreis (McGaffee) . . . . . USN . . . . 070/OR
Mary Margaret Lavette . . . . . USN . . . . 055/FL	Benedetta McTague . . . . . USN . . . . 074/AZ
V. Jacqueline "Jackie" Carroll (Schelling) . . . . . USN . . . . 057/WVA	Kathryn (Kay) E. Bechtel (Gabelmann, Moss) . . . . . USN . . . . 064/FL

\* Indicates Charter Member

*Gone, but not forgotten!*

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**ATTA - WAVE AWARDS**



**LCDR Anne K. Thompson, USN, Ret.**, of Haslett (Brook Thompson) was appointed chair of the Michigan Women’s Commission by Governor Rick Snyder on July 5, 2012. The 15 member Michigan Women’s Commission (MWC) was statutorily created in 1968 with the mission of improving the lives of Michigan women. Throughout its 44 year history, the MWC has worked on many issues, and its current priorities are women in business, women Veterans and human trafficking.

Chair Thompson is an administrative supervisor and program manager with Michigan State University’s College of Education, Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education Department. She served in the Navy from the Vietnam and Desert Storm era. She has served on the Ingham County Veteran Affairs Committee, as treasurer of Michigan Unit #32, and as Commander of NUWARINE Post 535 of the American Legion, the only all-female post in Michigan.

***OUR VERY OWN GLADYS HUGHES PLACES SECOND IN THE MS. VETERAN AMERICAN PAGEANT.***



Gladys Hughes with her trophies.

Gladys on "Fox and Friends"

Gladys Hughes from Mississippi Mates, Unit 150, is home in Picayune, MS. after a whirl wind trip to Washington D.C. There she was whisked off for a quick trip to appear on Fox and Friends in New York, and then back to the Ritz Carlton in Pentagon City, VA. to participate in the Ms. Veteran American pageant. Hughes placed first in the Show Stopper Talent Competition and 2nd Runner Up over all. She also was the 4th place finisher in money raised for her platform of helping the many homeless women veterans.

Some of the highlights included Gladys’ performance of her talent in the WIMSA auditorium where the preliminary activities were held. At the VIP party, she had a nice visit with Helen Patton, General George Patton’s granddaughter. Ms. Patton was a judge and was highly complementary of Gladys and is sending her an autographed copy of her book. Hughes enjoyed meeting the 39 other contestants and loved learning about the young girls and their many experiences in the service. She states, “It was a wonderful experience.”

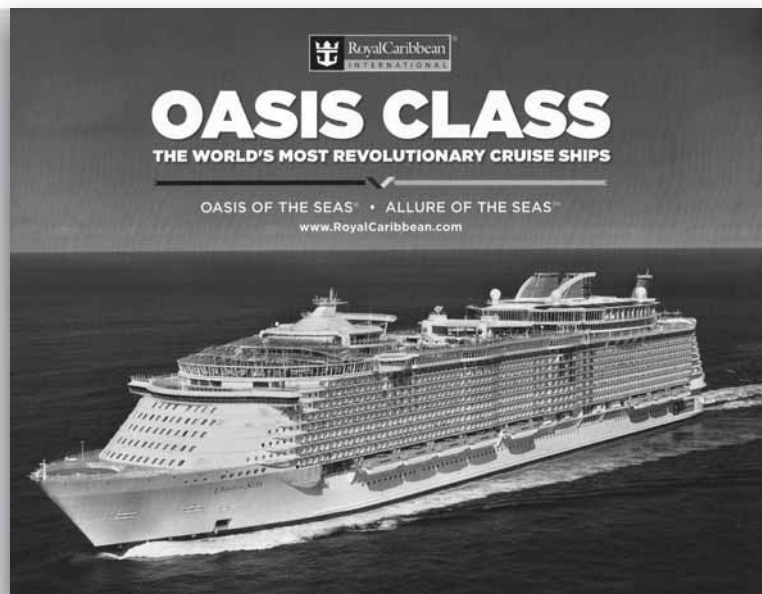
Since Hughes was the oldest and only WWII Veteran in the competition, she was treated royally and received four standing ovations during the finals. She returned home and was given a city-wide reception and received a key to the city.

# NATIONAL CONVENTION 2014

**35th Anniversary**

**7 Day Cruise, Aboard Royal Caribbean's  
"Allure of the Seas"  
To the Eastern Caribbean  
From the Port of Fort Lauderdale, FL  
August 3, 2014 to August 10, 2014**

HOST: CACTUS WAVES UNIT 114, MESA, ARIZONA  
Convention Chairmen: Linda Fulkerson, LouAnn  
Huskisson, and Sharon Woods



## RATES FOR AUGUST 3rd, 2014

Category	Price Per Person Double Occupancy
D4 – Ocean View Balcony	\$1,699.00
D6 – Ocean View Balcony	\$1,629.00
D7 – Ocean View Balcony	\$1,589.00
H – Ocean View Staterooms	\$1,339.00
I – Oceanview Staterooms/Deck 3	\$1,299.00
L – Interior	\$1,239.00
N – Interior	\$1,189.00
3rd or 4th Person in room	\$824.00

- + Taxes per person of: \$119.71, Gratuity \$81.55 per person pre-paid.
- There is a \$50.00 Deposit When You Make Your Reservations, Then MAKE MONTHLY PAYMENTS until cruise is paid
- CRUISE MUST BE PAID IN FULL (Final Payment) BY MAY 30, 2014.
- Travel Insurance is recommended and information will be sent to you when you make your reservations.

Day #	Day of Week	Date	Port Location	Arrival Time	Departure Time
1	Sun.	Aug. 3, 2014	Fort Lauderdale, Florida		5:00 PM
2	Mon.	Aug. 4, 2014	Nassau, Bahamas	7:00 AM	3:00 PM
3	Tue.	Aug. 5, 2014	At Sea – NEC & BOD Meetings		
4	Wed.	Aug. 6, 2014	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	9:00 AM	6:00 PM
5	Thurs.	Aug. 7, 2014	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
6	Fri.	Aug. 8, 2014	At Sea – Convention Meeting		
7	Sat.	Aug. 9, 2014	At Sea – NEC & BOD Meetings		
8	Sun.	Aug. 10, 2014	Fort Lauderdale, Florida	6:15 AM	

- Accommodations – All staterooms have luxurious bedding, flat screen TV's with satellite programming, telephone, safe, private bathroom, shower, vanity and hair dryer.
- Meals Included in Cruise Cost – Starting with fine dining in the Adagio Dining Room, casual dining at Windjammer Cafe, Sorrento's Pizza, Ice Cream Parlor, Broadway Dogs and Broadway Donuts. There are 25 dining options for you to choose from. Several restaurants have additional charges including "Starbucks".
- Cocktail Party for members on board the "Allure of the Sea" will be sponsored by your Arizona Sisters, the Cactus WAVES.

**Make your reservations for the cruise by calling LynnDee King, at Cruise Specialist, 1-800-544-2469; we are listed under "WAVES Convention Cruise". Payments can be made by email: [lking@cruisespecialists.com](mailto:lking@cruisespecialists.com) after your initial deposit.**





# WAVES National

WOMEN OF THE SEA SERVICES

## 2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Maiden Last

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit No. or MAL \_\_\_\_\_

Serial/Service Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

State date of service time – From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Rank/Rate Held: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

OCS/Boot Camp: \_\_\_\_\_

Training schools: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary duty station: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest formal education and special talents: \_\_\_\_\_

(If more space needed use back of application)

WAVES National ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Not to be filled in by applicant) (Recruiter)

### ANNUAL DUES \$25.00 FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31

New members joining after August 1 shall pay \$12.50 as pro rata dues. Regular membership shall be limited to women who have served in the US Navy, US Naval Reserve, US Navy Nurse Corps, Yeoman (F), US Coast Guard, US Coast Guard Reserve, US Marine Corps, US Marine Corps Reserve or the Merchant Marines and can show proof of honorable service (i.e., copy of discharge papers) including dates.

New members joining through a local unit, make check for local and national dues payable to the local unit. Unit Treasurer will mail to the WAVES National Treasurer with proof of service and application form. **Members-at-Large make check payable to "WAVES National" and mail with this application and copy of proof of honorable service (i.e., copy of discharge papers) including dates to the WAVES National Treasurer:**

Monica O'Hara  
6383 Kimmy Ct.  
San Diego, CA 92114-5631

(Dues include subscription to the WHITE CAPS newsletter, published six times per year)

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP TABLE - 90/over years (only) \$30

I certify that I meet the eligibility requirements of WAVES National and that I can produce a copy of my military identification, DD 214, or Statement of Service upon request. \_\_\_\_\_ Application Signature & Date

Donations to WAVES National are tax deductible. A donation in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is included in addition to dues.

PLEASE MAKE COPIES FOR YOURSELF AND/OR YOUR UNIT



# WAVES NATIONAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This year's scholarship is named for **YN1 Diana Parkison**, the past recording secretary of WAVES National. Diana passed away 13 February 2012.



One \$1,500 scholarship will be available to a relative, male or female, of a sea service woman. The essay topic is **"How My Service Changed the Lives of Others"**.

### PLEASE FOLLOW THE RULES.

In the past, several entrants have been disqualified because they did not follow the rules.

1. Eligibility is open to any female or male relative of a SEA SERVICE WOMAN who has served or is currently serving in the Navy, Coast Guard or Marine Corps or their reserve components. The relative may be by birth, legal adoption or marriage. Documented proof of eligibility of the sea service woman's honorable discharge OR her present status in the military must be included with the application. Documented Proof of Eligibility is a legible copy of her form DD214 discharge certificate or a copy of her current military ID card. Applications will not be considered if this PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY is not submitted.
2. Applicants. **Mark out** all references to **social security or service numbers** on DD214 and high school or college transcripts.

3. The essay competitions are open to high school seniors or college students.
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## GATEWAY WAVES

**Unit # 5 (MO)** - Happy Holidays to all! Yolanda Redington attended the convention and had a great time. Many of our members have attended the veteran events during the month of November in our area. Marines/ Coast Guard/and Navy will enjoy the annual Holiday Party. **For meeting information please contact: Shirley Walz 314-882-4249 or [sjwalz2002@yahoo.com](mailto:sjwalz2002@yahoo.com)**

## KEYSTONE WAVES

**Unit #6 (PA)** - Eight members attended the National Convention in Orlando. The luau was a tremendous event and we all dressed in our Hawaiian outfits.



Pictured left to right: Jo Larson, Gladys Martin, Gladys Felice, Harriet Caesare, Ruthie Severino, Jeanne Lemaster, Marie Cush, Billie Taddie, Eleanor & Elizabeth Robinson.

Jeanne Lemasters attended the Navy Ball at Caesars Hotel in New Jersey, where she was the oldest veteran in uniform for the second year in a row. Jeanne also attended the 15th anniversary celebration of WIMSA in Washington DC on Oct. 20th. She was honored to get tickets for a White House Garden Tour, and stated that it was filled with beautiful mums and fall foliage. She participated in the Candlelight March from Lincoln Memorial, over Arlington National Bridge, to the WIMSA Memorial. A Service of Remembrance was held around the fountain and reflecting pool to recognize and pay tribute to the 149 women who have given their lives in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Gladys Felice and Elizabeth Robinson have both been in the hospital recently. Gladys arrived home just in time to greet Sandy, our hurricane. Elizabeth had a "sleep over" at Gladys Martin's during the height of the storm and local black out (25 hrs). **For meeting information please contact Ruthie Severino @ 610-356-8956.**

## NORTH COAST WAVES

**Unit #21 (OH)** – The ladies of North Coast WAVES are working hard to get the word out about Women of the Sea Services and bring more veterans to the group. Our own Unit President even did a morning Veteran radio show to bring attention to the group and discuss women veterans. We do have new members in the unit, a couple of members joined after meeting us at the Ohio Women's Veterans Conference and we were able to acquire a member referred to us from the Tidewater Tidal WAVES (shout out). We even pulled in an associate member from the Canfield Fair. This is just the beginning. We expect as we continue to get the word out, more women will want to be a part of what we are doing.

We just ended a successful fundraiser with Handel's Ice Cream. Of course it would be successful...who doesn't like ice cream, especially the hometown favorite. More than one of us ended up on both ends of the equation for this fundraiser. Not a bad place to be, since everyone made out on the deal.

It was disappointing that we were not able to pull off the group bus tour planned for the 15th Anniversary WIMSA event, but at least a couple of our members went. And, our own Arlene Kern went to DC with the Akron Canton Honor flight on September 26th. When asked about her day, Arlene said it was "an experience I won't ever forget." She even had the opportunity to see Senator Bob Dole who met the group at the memorial.

Many of our members participated in Veterans Day events throughout the area. Of course, the women of North Coast WAVES were also treated to a special event at their November meeting. Unit Challenge coins were created and distributed as part of a ceremony to all in attendance. After the ceremony, a musical tribute was provided by the local women's singing group Ocho-Synch-O, who has an Air Force veteran among them.

**For meeting information please contact Jennifer Baun 330-788-8488 or e-mail [Jennifer.baun@att.net](mailto:Jennifer.baun@att.net)** (please note this is my personal e-mail and that the previous version had my work one listed).

## MICHIGAN

**Unit #32 (MI)** – It was decided that we will hold one more meeting this year on December 8th at Spagnuolo's in Okeemos, MI. As usual, if you wish to bring a gift to exchange, we will do that again, as well as taking up an offering

for a veteran-related cause to be decided at the meeting.

The USS Edson is finally berthed in Bay City and is already welcoming visitors aboard. The 15 year effort to make this happen finally resulted in arrival in Michigan. We plan to have a meeting in Bay City in the spring so we can all go aboard. While Jan Roy was in Bay City for her annual "antiquing" Mike Kegley took Jan Roy, Dolores Maillette, and Mary Kegley on a private tour.



Pictured left to right, Mary Kegley, Dolores Maillette and Jan Roy

The destroyer is now permanently berthed in Bay City, Michigan as a National Historic Museum. Decommissioned in 1988, she served for many years as part of the Intrepid Sea-Air Space Museum in New York City. The Philadelphia Navy Shipyard was her last home before being turned over to the Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum in May 2012, and she was towed to Bay City in August, 2012. For more information visit: [www.ussedson.org/](http://www.ussedson.org/).

Congratulations to Brook Thompson for the appointment as Chair of the Michigan Women's Commission by Governor Snyder!

Also congratulations to Jan Roy for being awarded the Kent County Veteran of the Year Award.

**For meeting information please contact Jan Roy at 616-530-0412 or email [Jroy4743@comcast.net](mailto:Jroy4743@comcast.net).**

## STARS AND STRIPES WAVES

**Unit #36 (CA)** - Unit 36 held their Oct meeting at the 7 Seas restaurant. Arriving members worked on stuffing and sewing shut neck pillows. The meeting following lunch covered the convention business, Luau and awards. Those who went also told of the side trips taken to Universal Studios, Kennedy Space Center, Epcot and Disney World.

Installation of the Board was conducted by Peg Boyce; all members were present.

All were reminded of the Annual Military Women's Luncheon on 2 November at Miramar.

A list was sent around to sign up for the Annual Veteran's Day Parade to be held on 12 November.

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Next meeting is the Holiday Event on 1 December at the Point Loma Holiday Inn. Point of contact for the unit is First Vice President Roxanne Jones at [rjones@score.com](mailto:rjones@score.com) or 619-545-6546.

## BADGER

**Unit #39 (WI)** – On October 5th, eight members traveled to Great Lakes for the graduation of Recruit Training Division 317. This is the all female division that our Unit sponsored by visiting and encouraging them throughout their training. We presented them with a WAVES NATIONAL Flag, t-shirts and coins embossed with WAVES NATIONAL logo. From recruits to sailors they're off to begin their careers in the Navy.

Kris Gancarz, our Unit president, was made Regional Rep of Region VI while at the convention in Orlando. She replaces Cheryl Adams who is now 2nd VP of WN. Congratulations to both!

Happy Holidays to all and may the New Year be filled with good health and happiness.

We do not meet during the winter months, next meeting March 16th.

**For more information about time and place please contact: Claire Krolick at 262-782-6215 or [peach@ww.rr.com](mailto:peach@ww.rr.com).**

## CONNECTICUT YANKEES

**Unit #42 (CT)** – Unit #42 celebrated their 25th anniversary Saturday Oct. 6th at the Manchester Country Club. Flo Morkus brought her family and friends to continue the celebration of her 90th birthday which was the day before. We also honored Shirley Noel and Mary Kelley who have both turned 90 and Myrtle Reese who turned 91 this year. Mary Ann Goodell is the new CT State Representative. She, Kris Couture, Jean Chittenden and Clara Firnstahl told us all about the 2012 Convention they attended. We are back at the Rocky Hill VA Facility for our November 3rd meeting and then we are at the Manchester County Club again on Sunday Dec. 2nd for our Christmas Party. We will take January and February off so that members can go south to get warm then we'll meet again the first Saturday in March at Rocky Hill. Meetings are held at the CTVA facility in Rocky Hill unless otherwise noted. **For meeting information please contact Marie Walsh at 860-647-7753 or Barbara Crede at 860-665-8082.**

## SPACE COAST WAVES

**Unit #75 (FL)** – In October, Space Coast WAVES, Unit #75 and the local Women's Veterans Marine Corp unit sponsored the Women's Veterans Annual Luncheon. Women veterans from all services attended this event, which was lauded as a huge success. We were honored by the presence of the Waves National President, Jo Adamson, and the First Vice President Betsy Waddell. Many thanks go out to these busy ladies who took the time to attend this luncheon. The entertainment, meal service, and prize activities was a real boon to the attendees. Several coveted prizes were bid on and won, including a money tree, gift baskets, and gift certificates. Each veteran and their guest also received a gift.



Wynne Seitz and Samantha McRoy work the Registration Desk.



Joyce Batti and Bridgett Kennedy selling tickets for gifts to be bid upon.

Next on our agenda was the Massing of the Colors held on Veterans Day, where our colors were paraded into the facility by a local Navy ROTC unit.

**For meeting information, please contact Pamela McRoy at (321) 626-4546.**

## REDWOOD EMPIRE WAVES

**Unit #77 (CA)** – On September 13th, several unit members went to Yountville Veterans Home to participate as Color Guard at the monthly memorial service in the chapel. After posting the colors, members also lit candles, led the Pledge of Allegiance, read a roll-call of the eight deceased, gave a short speech, and presented flags to the families.

At our October meeting we heard an interesting report on the WAVES National Convention from President Barb Sebring.

There was no regular meeting in November because of the Petaluma parade on Veterans Day, at which a few members were marching.

We're sending everyone greetings and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

**For meeting information please call Bettie Crandall at 707-838-4035.**

## GREEN MOUNTAIN GIRLS

**Unit #113 (VT)** - August 25th marked the Green Mountain Girls, Unit #113's 21st anniversary with Bobbie Surott-Kimberly, the VA's Women Veterans Program Manager as guest speaker. She had been working for years to provide a separate women veteran's clinic at the VA in White River Junction, VT. With help from many veterans and civilians, she announced the grand opening of the clinic on October 13th. It is officially called the "Women's Comprehensive Care Center" and is all about treating their mind, body and spirit. All types of medical and mental services will be provided for women veterans from all the branches of service. Veronica Sujek and Anna Crider attended the ribbon cutting ceremony. Veronica (Ronnie) attended the Orlando, FL convention and was sworn in as New England's Regional Representative (Region 8). Plans are in the works for the 2013 Regional Conference.

**For meeting information please contact Veronica Sujek at 802-476-3392 or [ronniev@myfairpoint.net](mailto:ronniev@myfairpoint.net).**

## CACTUS WAVES

**Unit #114 (AZ)** – We are so proud of our Cactus WAVES member Linda Fulkerson. She was installed in the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame on October 26, 2012. She received a medallion and a plaque. Several members of the Cactus WAVES attended the ceremony.



Installation of Linda Fulkerson into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame.

First two meetings of the year have been excellent. In November several



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members were in two veterans' parades, one in Mesa, AZ and the other in Phoenix, AZ.

Our Christmas Party will be on December 8th at the Pier D Orleans. All members are looking forward to having a really good time. **For meeting information please contact Sharon Woods at 480-202-0984.**

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## OCEAN STATE

**Unit #118 (RI)** – It is getting harder and harder for some of our members to get about and to find transportation. In September we only had five members present. Over all we have 24 members above the age of 80. This is half of our membership and determines how much and what we can do as a unit. However, we do have two new members, Christie View and Mary Jane Smith. Welcome Christie and Mary Jane!!!

The WAVES Convention was great. Luisa and Ginny had a wonderful time seeing all the New England ladies. Yet we had some empty moments too, because some ladies are no longer with us.

Luisa White, Unit 118's Secretary, will be on a women veterans' panel at the University of Rhode Island. She has also been elected as the United Veterans Council's (UVC) Vice President and Secretary. Congratulations Luisa!!

Ginamarie Doherty was appointed as Unit #118 Treasurer by the Executive Committee. She recently retired from the U.S. Navy on September 26th.

**For meeting information please contact Shirley Hill at 401-848-5122, or email [s.hill8@cox.net](mailto:s.hill8@cox.net)**

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## LAKE ERIE

**Unit #128 (OH)** - Our unit continues to meet every other month with about 10 of our 23 members making it to each meeting.

Marian Elfring and her husband Tony, Dorothy Jones, Jeanette Fleischman, Frances Wainio, Dolores Weichel and Toni Marmar have all participated in "Honor Flights" over the past several months. All of the members reported having a wonderful time and were amazed and appreciative of the large crowds of people at the departure and returning ceremonies.

**For meeting information please contact Sara Feldbauer, 419-330-4084 or [sfeldbauer@roadrunner.com](mailto:sfeldbauer@roadrunner.com).**

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## BLUE GRASS

**Unit #129** - Our last meeting was hosted by the Oxmoor Lodge in Louisville, KY. Bereavement gifts of a shawl and an inspirational book were given to the family of Fran Hardt, a member of our unit who passed away recently.

Julie Ashbaugh, our liaison with the VA Hospital, is collecting new white socks donated by our members to be distributed to the patients there along with holiday cards written by us with notes of encouragement and support.

Julie also took the initiative to call a local nursing home looking for a woman veteran resident who would like to have a visitor from time to time. The nursing home introduced her to a woman vet in her nineties and this has turned into a happy friendship for them both. Julie's concern for veterans is an inspiration to all of us.

**For meeting information, please contact: Kathy Ruble at 502-661-1898 or email [kattev8@aol.com](mailto:kattev8@aol.com).**

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## CASCADE SEAFARERS

**Unit #138 (OR)** - After a summer hiatus, the unit is going strong again with monthly meetings and special activities. Because members come from various places in the Willamette Valley, the meeting places vary to make it easier.

The special occasion in October was when Barbara Wright, unit treasurer, WW2 Coast Guard veteran, went on the largest Oregon Honor Flight to Washington D.C. President, Carrol Donahue was her "guardian". Of the 105 people who went on the flight there were three women veterans in the Navy among the 59 male veterans. Because Oregon is so far away, they had to spend three nights in hotels, two days flying and one full day seeing the sights. Barbara said the whole trip was fantastic. Everywhere, they went, people were lined up to pay tribute to them, an occasion she will never forget. The World War II Memorial brought tears to her eyes as did the Korean War Memorial. It was an exhausting trip but one she was proud to have taken.

November is known as Veterans month as November 11th is the day of parades and remembrances. The members of #138 rode in the Veterans Day parade in Albany again, along with dozens of other veterans, in the state's largest parade.

Our Christmas party this year will be a High Tea at an English Tea Room in Junction City.

**For meeting information please contact Carol Donahue at 541-689-1463.**

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## MISSISSIPPI MATES

**Unit #150 (MS)** – At our October 27 meeting the Mississippi Mates, Unit 150 (MS) enjoyed an account of Gladys Hughes' experiences at the WAVES National Convention and the MS Veterans America Contest. Gladys was our president for several years following Hurricane Katrina, and inspired our unit to continue meeting at various venues until the Armed Forces Retirement Home (former Navy Home) was rebuilt and reopened in 2010. Gladys beat 39 contestants for first place in the Show Stoppers Talent Contest, and was second runner-up for the Ms Veterans America title, despite the fact that at 89 she was the eldest contestant. Most of the other veterans were less than half her age, and could have been her daughter or granddaughter. Gladys told us about the exciting experience of appearing on national television's Fox and Friends and the warm treatment she received everywhere she went.

Our unit will invite all women veterans living in AFRH-Gulfport to our December 1st, 11:30 A.M. meeting in the AFRH chapel, which will feature a performance by Gladys and her daughter, Bonnie Hughes, a catered luncheon, and a collection of Toys For Tots. In January we will return to our regular meeting schedule the fourth Saturday of each month at 10:30 A.M., in the Armed Forces Retirement Home, 1800 Beach Drive, Gulfport. **For information, interested members may contact our unit president Bettylu Dennis at 228-265-7695.**

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## MEMPHIS BELLES

**Unit #151 (TN)** - Some of the ladies got together at Barb's house on a Saturday in September with their raw cookie dough and their "game face" on to bake cookies and play BUNKO. While Becky taught everyone how to play Bunko, Donna was our head baker and made sure we did not burn any of the cookies. We did manage to make over 22 dozen cookies for the Coffee Cart at the VA. Everyone wanted Charlotte's recipe for her molasses cookies because they are soooo good. Twice a month a group of ladies head down to the VA Hospital with smiles on their faces to pass out homemade cookies, coffee, and lemonade to the veterans in various waiting areas. The Veterans are always excited to see the Memphis Belles come through.

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Cookie Baking and BUNKO Party - Pictured left to right: Barbara Booth, Linda Coffield, Becky Dickinson, Donna Childre, Charlotte Larson, and a Special Helper Collin.

Barbara Booth, Becky Dickinson, and Linda Coffield attended the 2012 National Convention in Orlando on 19-23 Sep and they had a great time and had plenty of stories to share.

At October's business meeting at Old Timers Restaurant in Millington, TN we had a guest speaker, Dr. Meghan W. Cody from the University of Memphis Trauma Research and Recover Lab, who spoke in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. During this meeting we also had four new members sign up to be part of our WAVES family.

For meeting information please contact Marie Bates at [marie.bates@navy.mil](mailto:marie.bates@navy.mil).

### TIDEWATER TIDAL WAVES

**Unit #152 (VA)** – Two of our members, Maggie Cobb and Laura Livingston, were invited to speak at WIMSA's 15th Anniversary Celebration, 27 October. Maggie represented all women in the Coast Guard, past, present and future, when she talked about her days serving in the USCG. Laura represented Navy women, telling attendees why she entered the Navy, of a memorable experience, and what her service has meant to her.



Maggie Cobb thought, at the age of 32, she was too old to join the military. However, she did join and told attendees at WIMSA's 15th Anniversary Celebration, her years with the Coast Guard were the best years of her life. She continues her service to her country working for the Department of Homeland Security. Laura Livingston, another unit member, is seated, center.

The unit participated in the Veterans' Day Parade in VA Beach and as well as the Stand Down for Homeless Veterans on 17 Nov. We laid approximately 4,000 wreaths in the Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony at the A.G. Horton, Jr., State Veterans Cemetery, Suffolk, on 15 Dec. We help raise funds every year to place a wreath on every grave in the cemetery.

We will be celebrating our 11th anniversary in January at the home of member Martha Kastler.

For meeting information, contact Judy Perry, [Perrywave@aol.com](mailto:Perrywave@aol.com) or call 757-545-1988.

### SALT RIVER WAVES

**Unit #155 (AZ)** – The Salt River WAVES drink a toast to our second anniversary celebrating our achievements and happy times together.



Pictured back row: Kathy Laurier, Beth Anne Whiting, Barbara Klinedinst, Lynne Engels, Margaret Waldron, Martha Alderman, Vee Flayter, Diana Green, and Lori Elander. Seated: Bea Langston and Guest Lillian Shiver.

We've been very active with our charities. They include Veterans First (Mary Ellen's Place and Sally's Place both for homeless women veterans and children). We send boxes to troops with hygiene products and treats.

We will go dark for the first time when our November meeting falls the day before Thanksgiving. Our December meeting will be a gift exchange, not for ourselves, but a Kitchen Shower for Sally's Place. Some of us also join our Cactus WAVES sisters at their holiday party.

We'd be delighted to have you join us on the third Wednesday of every month for lunch, business and entertainment. For meeting information please call Vee Flayter, President of Salt River WAVES at 623-362-9040.

### BIG SKY WOMEN VETERANS

**Unit #156 (MT)** - Members were looking forward to a Plank Owners Ceremony on November 17th, when our keynote speaker, cancelled out at the last minute. So the Unit is making it into a recruiting meeting, with members and potential

members coming together to discuss our upcoming July 2013 Region II Conference here in Billings, Montana, as well as various veterans events that we will be participating in. We have gained new members since Convention, and continue to bring in new members. And these members are younger members who are on active duty, in the reserves as well as those who have served recently.

Three of us went up to greet our Honor Flight on its return. There were four women (three Navy and one Army) on the flight and they all came over to greet us as we welcomed them with our Unit banner. The Army veteran said, "We are all in this together, and we girls have to stick together!"

In December, we will have a social at our Secretary/Treasurer's house and each bring a toy for Toys for Tots, as well as an item for our Homeless Women Veterans project. We have decided to meet one Saturday a month as many of our members work.

For meeting information email Meridith Cox at [meridith.com@bigsky-womenveterans.org](mailto:meridith.com@bigsky-womenveterans.org) or Diane Stockton at (406) 794-1721.

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