

# YANCEY MEMORIES

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## A Word from Your Coordinator

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I am still working with the USS Rankin on a joint reunion but unfortunately I have nothing conclusive to report at this time. Although the hope to have the reunion in Washington, DC sometime in October 2013, several other cities are being considered by the USS Rankin. They include Baltimore, Tampa, Florida and San Antonio. Once the city is chosen and a firm date is decided upon, I will update those on the email list. Otherwise the April Newsletter will have the 2013 reunion information. Speaking of the newsletter, we can always use additional funds to support it so if you haven't already sent a check please consider it. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns by email or phone.

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## Story Contributors Needed



Do you have a knack for writing? Are you a good storyteller? Premier Reunion Services would love to have you become a regular or semi-regular contributor to the newsletter. Some people are just not comfortable sending in their stories, but still have good tales to tell. We need someone who would not only send in their own stories, but could also help others get theirs on paper and sent to us. Maybe you have heard great stories at a reunion or are still in contact with old buddies from your ship and know their stories. Write them up

and send them in! Also, you could be on the lookout for items that would be of interest to everyone and send them in. We also love copies of memorabilia from the ship such as Familygrams, photos, etc. The newsletter needs input from as many shipmates as possible, so please consider becoming a contributing correspondent. I hope to hear from many of you soon. You may contact me, Karen Hoyle, in the following ways:

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## WELCOME MAT

The following shipmate has been located since the last newsletter. Welcome Aboard! We hope to see you at the next reunion. You are invited to become an active member of the association.

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance after 01/13	<b>\$42.93</b>
Funds received since 10/12	<b>\$85.00</b>
Funds available for 01/13	<b>\$127.93</b>
Funds expended for 01/13	<b>\$133.90</b>
Balance for 04/13	<b>--\$5.97</b>

The newsletter is mailed only to those who returned the coupon for USPS service. All others can access the newsletter on line at [www.mlrsinc.com/yancey](http://www.mlrsinc.com/yancey).

**Funds will needed for the next newsletter.** Send your contributions to Premier Reunion Services using **the pre-addressed envelope that is enclosed.** Make checks to Premier Reunion Services and be sure to note that is for Yancey Memories.

## Looking For

**Frank Patti**, USS Yancey 1951-55, is trying to locate a man from Hickory, NC whose last name is **Ledford** and who served on Yancey at the same time. (Mr. Patti can't recall his first name.) If you know this man, please contact Mr. Patti at PO Box 271 Pensacola, FL 32592 or call 904-432-3561.

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**U.S.S. YANCEY (AKA-93)**  
**Bay of Whales**  
**Antarctica**  
**21 January 1947**

### M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M

To: ALL PERSONNEL ON ICE SHELF.

Subject: Safety precautions while riding sleds or vehicles.

1. The attention of all hands is invited to the recent accidental death of a man from the U.S.S. YANCEY, caused by slipping or falling from a moving vehicle on the ice shelf.
2. It is directed that all passengers riding sleds, disembark and walk over both bridges on the bay ice and when coming down the steep slope from the barrier to the bay ice. Do not under any circumstances ride in such a location that a sudden jerk may cause you to fall in front of a sled or get caught by a tractor tread.
3. All tractor drivers must be alert at all times to prevent accidents to personnel working near the vehicle.
4. Weasels are being abused to such an extent that several have broken down beyond reasonable repairs. It is directed that all weasels be driven at a speed not exceeding six miles per hour, and that not more than four people including the driver ride at any time.

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Commander, Base Camp (C.T.G. 68.5)

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The newsletter is intended to be a vehicle for the members to express opinions, make suggestions and especially share experiences.

Unless otherwise stated, the views and opinions printed in the newsletter are those of the article's writer, and do not necessarily represent the opinion of the Association leadership or the Editor of the Newsletter.

All letters and stories submitted will be considered for publication, except unsigned letters will not be published. Letters requesting the writer's name be withheld will be honored, but published on a space available basis. Signed letters with no restrictions will be given priority.

Letters demeaning to another shipmate will not be printed; letters espousing a political position will not be printed.

ML&RS, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of article submitted for publication. It would be a monumental task to check each story. Therefore, we rely on the submitter to research each article.

The editor reserves the right to edit letters to conform to space and grammar limitations.

You are encouraged to actively participate in the newsletter family, by submitting your stories and suggestions.



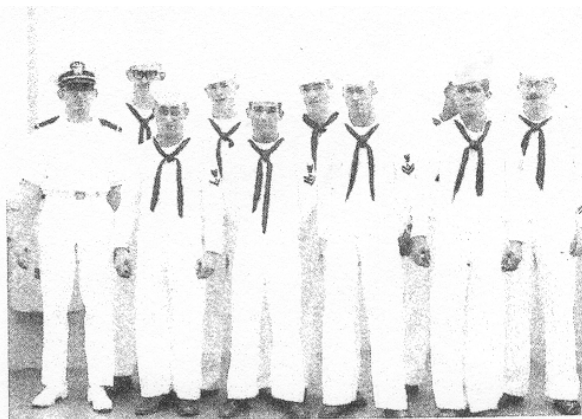
## FROM THE USS YANCEY AKA 93 MED CRUISE 1962

Submitted by Phil Messer EN2 Then, Retired 1979 as ENCM

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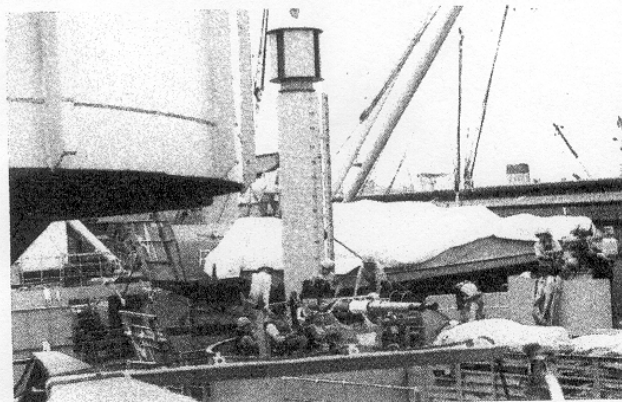
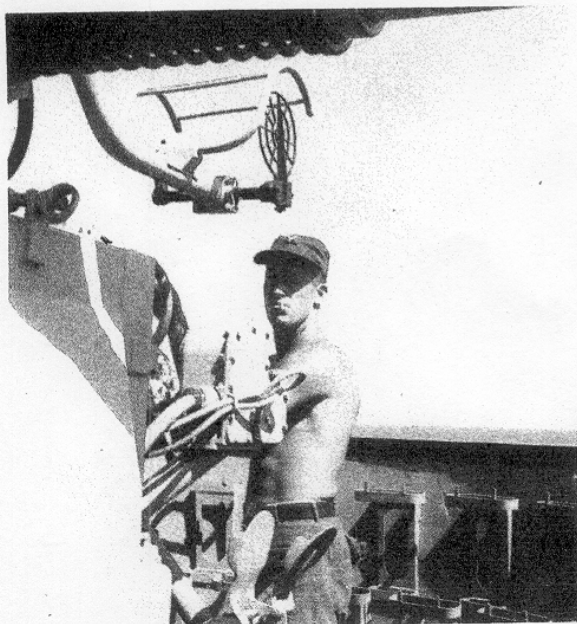
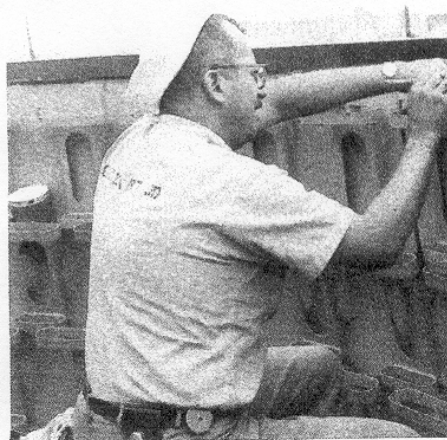
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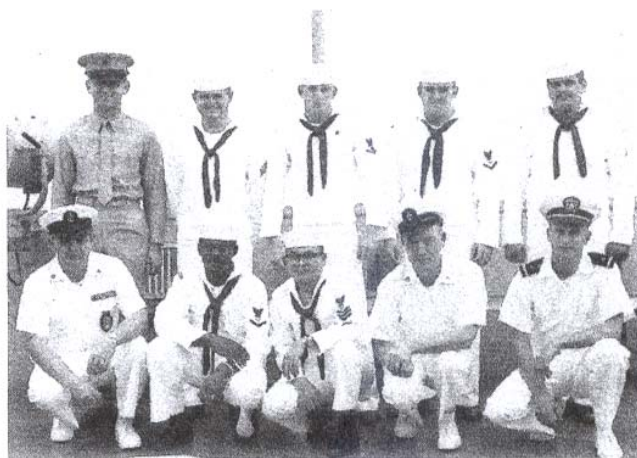
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