



USS Piper (SS409)

PIPER REPORT

March 2020



Dear Shipmates:

In the past, we've held a reunion every two to three years. Well, the second year has just about passed since Cleveland in 2017, and due to Tom Kucharski deciding it was about damned time for another reunion, one has been scheduled. Tom is taking the lead on this one and as always, shipmate Mike Hubbard is all-in on the endeavor.

The reunion is scheduled for Groton the weekend of July 17-18-19. So far we're sure of a few items. We will have a catered Welcome Aboard party Friday evening. Saturday afternoon Flanders will be serving the traditional Lobster/Steak clambake at the club on 40 School St. This worked out great since we've aged way beyond Horseshoes and Softball at Adm. Fyfe Park.

There will be other events on Saturday but that is on Kucharski's To-Do list. You'll be hearing more on that later. We may, of course, have a catered meal as usual on Saturday night, but I'll leave that detail up to Ski. He may surprise us.

Sunday morning we will have our traditional farewell breakfast at the club, which I believe will be served by the class of Enlisted Sub School students.

Mike Hubbard has an inventory of Piper gear that will be deeply discounted. He's tired of storing and lugging it all to our not-so-frequent reunions, so you can expect some great pricing.

That said, we will be having a custom designed, limited edition run of 2020 Piper Reunion T-shirts and/or Sweatshirts made up, but it will be on a pre-order basis only. See the information on the pre-registration form attached.

NOTE: The Registration Form upper and lower section. The Upper Section needs to be sent back to Mike Hubbard as soon as possible. This is very important as deposits for the club and the clambake have already been sent out. Our crew is dwindling as time goes by, and we never know when “this one” might be our last one. As to the Lower Section, whenever prior to 1 May, you are able to return that, please do.

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Sadly, I'm sure we have lost, or you may have heard about, Piper shipmates gone on eternal patrol since our last Piper Report. The only one I have information about is: Karl W. Krull passed on 4 February 2018. Served on Piper during WWII. Was also very active in Cod Base USSVI in Cleveland.

Should you know of other shipmates who have passed, please let me know so that we can acknowledge them at our reunion.



Flanders Serving their Famous Lobster/Steak Clambake at 40 School St Groton 2017

Finally, please send any news or thoughts you'd like to see in the next report, which, I promise, will be after I hear back from Ski and Mike Hubbard.

Regards,

Frank

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2020 Piper Reunion
U.S. Subvets 40 School St. Groton, CT
Whitty409@aol.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ **Email address:** _____

Guest Name(s):

Registration fee: (#) _____ @ \$15 = \$ _____

(Includes door prize ticket)

2020 Piper Reunion T-Shirt (#) _____ Size(s) _____ @ \$15 = \$ _____

2020 Piper Reunion Sweatshirt (#) _____ Size(s) _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____

Raffles: 50/50 Cash Saturday (#) _____ @ \$5 ea. or 3 for \$10 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please Remit Above Items NOW for Planning and Ordering

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SECTION 2

Reunion Schedule and Pricing: Please Remit No Later Than 1 May 2020

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Guest Name(s):

Friday 7-17-20:

Welcome Aboard Party (#) _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____

Saturday 7-18-20:

Clambake at 40 School St. (#) _____ @ \$ 56= \$ _____

Lobster ___ Steak _____

Saturday 7-18-20:

TO BE DETERMINED--PAYABLE ON ARRIVAL

Sunday 7-19-20:

Breakfast/Brunch (#) _____ @ \$20 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please respond as soon as possible as the number attending is critical to planning

Please make checks payable to: USS Piper Association Send to:

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