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NEWSLETTER

Hello Shipmates:

Our reunion in Dayton, Ohio is fast approaching. It is not too late if you would like to attend. We can get you in, but you need to get your registration form in pretty quick. If you do not have one, please let me know and I will be more than glad to send you one.

I received a letter back from one of our shipmates that when he attended a reunion, he felt left out. If any of our shipmates feel this way I am sorry. We try our best to make all fit into the family of the USS Wilhote.

If you would like to see something changed in how we handle the reunions/newsletters, please let us know. We can't change anything if we don't know the feelings. All suggestions/comments are welcome no matter if criticism or like them. I try hard to make things enjoyable for all, but sometimes that is hard to do.

If you know of someone that is ill, please let me know, I do send out cards when I know of them.

I surely hope that all shipmates and wives are doing well and hopefully we will see some of you at Dayton. Don't forget to put on your calendar October 9-12, 2018 for Albuquerque, New Mexico.

I hope some of you that reside in California, Washington and Oregon can plan on coming to this one. I still would like to see one on West Coast somewhere.

"Smooth Sailing"

Elisabeth Kimball

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Carlisle Martha
Compton Ed
Cramer Peter
Cusato Paul
Dougher, Jr. Gerald
Dougher Chris
Dutchuk John
Endter Bill
Ercek Ron
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Gray Clarence
Hackenberg Richard
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Heller Richard
Hill Less
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Huff Ron
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Parker David
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Worden Charles
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thanks so much

To the following shipmates for joining our Association either for the first time or ones coming back after a while. We really want to keep the USS Wilhoite's name alive since all of you have served on her. Listed are the following that has joined us or has renewed.

Anderson Henry
Berry Dave
Burriss Gary
Cusato Paul
Dougher, Jr. Gerald
Dougher Chris
Farber Mike
French Bill
Hackenberg Richard
Huckenberg Harry
Hydro John

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Layton Geoffrey
Leger Charles
Majerle Ed
Markley Ray
Mason William
McKenna Gene
Morlock Fred
Mullen James
Papenfus Bill
Payton John

Rice Robert
Riggs Arthur
Ringel Richard
Ruel Don
Smith Ray
Tencer Chuck
Torrighia Paul
Worden Charles
Wurtz Stephen
Yess Lou

For our shipmates that has so faithfully kept our Association going thank you so very much.

Our Association donations run from August 2017 until September 2018. This year there will be a letter sent out reminding everyone that donations are due. They are now \$25.00 a year.

At the reunion there will be a box set up so you can put your donations there.

Thanks shipmates for your service and looking forward to seeing some of you at the reunion.

PARADE OF SHIPS KICKS OFF 2017 FLEET WEEK



170524-N-UN744-125 NEW YORK (May 24, 2017) Sailors and Marines man the rails of the amphibious assault ship USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) as it passes the Statue of Liberty during the 29th annual Fleet Week New York's Parade of Ships. Fleet Week New York is an unparalleled opportunity for the citizens of New York and the surrounding tri-state area to meet Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen, as well as witness first hand the latest capabilities of today's military. (U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication)

New York - U.S. Army Garrison Fort Hamilton held a salute to the participating ships of 2017 Fleet Week New York (FWNY) during the official Parade of Ships kickoff May 24.

Amphibious assault ship USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) rendered a seven-gun salute with U.S. Army Garrison Fort Hamilton, with Fort Hamilton providing a 15-gun salute in return.

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"Fleet Week New York is a way for the general public to view and experience the maritime sea services while allowing us to show our appreciation for our Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen," said U.S. Army Spc. Tanner Butler, currently assigned to U.S. Army Garrison Fort Hamilton. "I feel, that since 9/11, it is really important for the people of New York to experience these things and to remember that our fellow Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen are there for us."

FWNY, now in its 29th year, is the city's time-honored celebration of the sea services. It is an unparalleled opportunity for the citizens of New York and the surrounding tri-state area to meet Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen, as well as witness firsthand the latest capabilities of today's maritime services. The weeklong celebration has been held nearly every year since 1984.

NEW VA FORM DETERMINES NATIONAL CEMETERY ELIGIBILITY

The VA now provide eligibility determinations for interment in a VA National Cemetery prior to the time of need.

Through the Pre-Need Determination of Eligibility Program, upon- request, individuals can learn if they are eligible for burial or memorialization in a "VA National Cemetery."

Interested individuals may submit VA Form 40-10007, the Application for Pre-Need Determination of Eligibility for Burial in a VA National Cemetery and supporting documentation such as a DD-214, to the VA National Cemetery Scheduling Office.

To obtain a copy of the form, visit www.cem.va.gov.

Once the form is completed, it can be submitted to the VA in one of three ways:

- * Toll-free fax: 1-855-840-8299
- * Email: eligibility.preneed@va.gov
- * Mail:
National Cemetery Scheduling Office
P.O. Box 510543
St. Louis, MO 63151

NEW VA FORM DETERMINES NATIONAL CEMETERY ELIGIBILITY (cont)

The VA will review applications and provide written notice of eligibility. The VA will save determinations and supporting documentation electronically to expedite burial arrangements at the time of need.

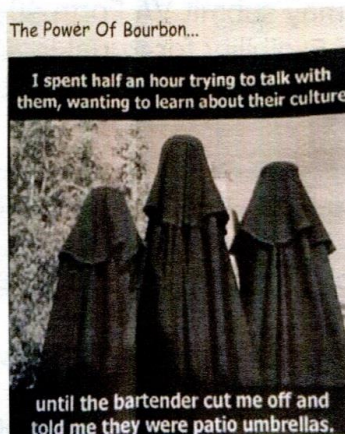
This form does not reserve space in a national cemetery, so even though you might be eligible, space limitations could hinder burial in the future. This new process will help alleviate some of the stress families encounter when trying to find paperwork to verify that a veteran was appropriately discharged so they can be interred in a VA National Cemetery.

Planning ahead and getting paperwork in order is nothing new for VFW. The organization has been a strong supporter of members making funeral arrangements in advance. Many families preplan funeral services to have their loved one's final wishes honored.

The increasing trend toward funeral pre-planning-when people make funeral arrangements in advance-suggests that many consumers want to compare prices and services so that, ultimately, the funeral reflects a wise and well-informed purchasing decision, as well as a meaningful one," advises the Federal Trade Commission."

Pre-Planning might also reduce some of the stress that the family experiences upon a loved one's death. If his or her wishes are known, emotional overspending often is avoided. Planning ahead enables comparison shopping without time constraints, facilitates family discussion of important final arrangement decisions and removes burden from loved ones.

For more information, visit www.vfw.org/join/member-benefits/end-of-life-services or call the VFW member benefits department at 1-800-821-2606.



WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT ASPARAGUS

When I was in the USN I was stationed in Key West, FL. I worked at the clinic at Naval Air Station on Big Coppiutt Key just a few miles north of Key West. The hospital at Key West was for out patient only for retired armed forces personnel that lived in the area and if you needed to be hospitalized you were sent to Homestead AFB Florida. I had the day off and just went inside the hospital (Corpsman barracks next to hospital). There was a retired navy man that worked in the lab and he was very interesting gentleman to talk with. He was a retired biochemist from the USN. He asked me what was going on that day and I said I had the day off.

I wish I was working on the crew today, but was taking a sailor to Homestead as he had a very bad kidney infection. Now this elderly gent told me the man should have eaten more asparagus and he wouldn't have that problem. I asked why? I'll never forget him saying do you eat asparagus and I said yes, I love them. He replied you notice how your urine stinks after eating asparagus? I said well I never thought it was what I ate but yes it does have a pungent odor. It is because it is detoxifying your body of harmful chemicals!!! This was back in 1986 when I was stationed there and to read this email again I had to share this story...Eat more asparagus my friends.

Asparagus -- Who knew? My Mom had been taking the full-stalk canned style asparagus, pureed it and took 4 tablespoons in the morning and 4 tablespoons later in the day. She did this for over a month. She is on chemo pills for Stage 3 lung cancer in the pleural area and her cancer cell count went from 386 down to 125 as of this past week. Her oncologist said she will not need to see him for 3 months.

THE ARTICLE: Several years ago I met a man seeking asparagus for a friend who had cancer. He gave me a copy of an article, entitled "Asparagus For Cancer" printed in the Cancer News Journal, December 1979. I will share it here, just as it was shared with me: I am a biochemist, and have specialized in the relation of diet to health or over 50 years. Several years ago, I learned of the discovery of Richard R. Vensal, D.D.S. that asparagus might cure cancer. Since then, I have worked with him on his project. We have accumulated a number of favorable case histories. Here are a few examples:

Case No. 1, A man with an almost hopeless case of Hodgkin's disease (cancer of the lymph glands) who was completely incapacitated. Within 1 year of starting the asparagus therapy, his doctors were unable to detect any signs of cancer, and he was back on a schedule of strenuous exercise.

Case No. 2, A successful businessman, 68 years old, suffered from cancer of the bladder for 16 years. After years of medical treatments, including radiation without improvement, he began taking asparagus. Within 3 months, examinations revealed that his bladder tumor had disappeared and that his kidneys were normal.

WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT ASPARAGUS (cont)

Case No. 3, On March 5th 1971, a man who had lung cancer was put on the operating table where they found lung cancer so widely spread that it was inoperable. The surgeon sewed him up and declared his case hopeless. On April 5th he heard about the Asparagus therapy and immediately started taking it. By August, x-ray pictures revealed that all signs of the cancer had disappeared. He is now back at his regular business routine.

Case No. 4, A woman had been troubled for a number of years with skin cancer. She developed different skin cancers which were diagnosed by the acting specialist as advanced. Within 3 months after beginning asparagus therapy, the skin specialist said her skin looked fine with no more skin lesions. This woman reported that the asparagus therapy also cured her kidney disease, which had started in 1949. She had over 10 operations for kidney stones, and was receiving government disability payments for an inoperable, terminal, kidney condition. She attributes the cure of this kidney trouble entirely to the asparagus treatment.

I was not surprised at this result as the elements of material medical edited in 1854 by a Professor at the University of Pennsylvania, stated that Asparagus was used as a popular remedy for kidney stones. He even referred to experiments in 1739, on the power of asparagus in dissolving stones. Note the dates! We would have other case histories but the medical establishment has interfered with our obtaining some of the records. I am therefore appealing to readers to spread this good news and help us to gather a large number of case histories that will overwhelm the medical skeptics about this unbelievably simple and natural remedy.

For the treatment, asparagus should be cooked before using. Fresh or canned asparagus can be used. I have corresponded with the two leading canners of asparagus, Giant and Stokely, and I am satisfied that these brands contain no pesticides or preservatives. Place the cooked asparagus in a blender and liquefy to make a puree. Store in the refrigerator. Give the patient 4 full tablespoons twice daily, morning and evening. Patients usually show some improvement in 2-4 weeks. It can be diluted with water and used as a cold or hot drink. This suggested dosage is based on present experience, but certainly larger amounts can do no harm and may be needed in some cases.

As a biochemist I am convinced of the old saying that what cures can prevent. Based on this theory, my wife and I have been using asparagus puree as a beverage with our meals. We take 2 tablespoons dilute in water to suit our taste with breakfast and with dinner. I take my hot and my wife prefers hers cold.

Navy

Request Online	National Archives
Where to write for medals	National Personnel Record Center 1 Archives Drive St. Louis, MO 63138 Navy Personnel Command PERS 312
Where medals are mailed from	5751 Honor Drive Building 769 Room 158 Millington, TN 38055-3120 Department of the Navy
Where to write in case of a problem or an appeal	Chief of Naval Operations (DNS-35) 2000 Navy Pentagon Washington, DC 20350-2000

Have you lost military service medals, decorations, or awards that you or a family member earned and need to replace them? Find out how to request for replacements and what forms you will need to fill out.

Medals awarded while in active service will be issued by the appropriate service if requested by veterans or, if deceased, their next of kin.

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For the Veteran: in general, the military services will work replacement medal requests for the veteran at no cost. This includes family members with the signed authorization of the veteran.

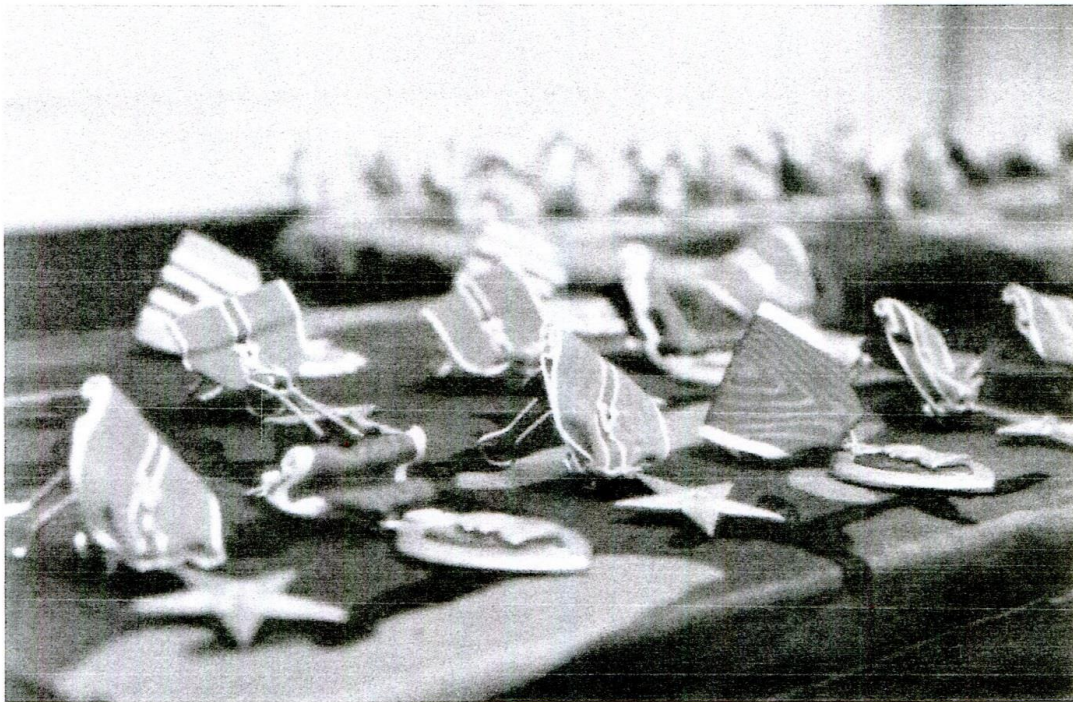
For the Next-of-Kin: the process (and cost) for replacement medals requests differs among the service branches and is dependent upon who is requesting the medal, particularly if the request involves an archival record.

For the General Public: if the service member separated from military service **before 1954**, the public may purchase a copy of the veteran's Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) to determine the awards due and obtain the medals from a commercial source. If the service member separated **after 1953**, the public may request such information from the OMPF via the Freedom of Information Act.

Requesting Replacement Awards and Medals

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The [eVetRecs](#) is preferred for requesting medals and awards. Provide as much information as possible in the comments field. Should you prefer to submit your request using a [SF180](#) then provide as much information as possible and send the form to the appropriate address from the following tables:



WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT ASPARAGUS (cont)

For years we have made it a practice to have blood surveys taken as part of our regular checkups. The last blood survey, taken by a medical doctor who specializes in the nutritional approach to health, showed substantial improvements in all categories over the last one and we can attribute these improvements to nothing but the asparagus drink.

As a biochemist, I have made an extensive study of all aspects of cancer, and all of the proposed cures. As a result I am convinced that asparagus fits in better with the latest theories about cancer. Asparagus contains a good supply of protein called histones, which are believed to be active in controlling cell growth. For that reason, I believe asparagus can be said to contain a substance that I call cell growth normalizer. That accounts for its action on cancer and in acting as a general body tonic. In any event, regardless of theory, asparagus as we suggest, is a harmless substance. The FDA cannot prevent you from using it and it may do you much good. It has been reported by the US National Cancer Institute, that asparagus is the highest tested food containing glutathione which is considered one of the body's most potent anticarcinogens and antioxidants.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER

I did a favor yesterday
a kindly little deed
and then I called to all the world,
to stop and look and heed.
They all stopped and looked and flattered me
in words I could not trust
and when the world had gone away,
My good deed turned to dust.

A very tiny courtesy
I found to do today;
Twas quickly done, with none to see,
and then I ran away....
but someone must have witnessed it,
for truly I declare -
As I sped back the stony path
roses were blooming there!

About the Navy's New Pirate Catcher

Here are some recent photos of the LCS-2 (to be named the USS Independence). Here she is at sea trials running at only HALF- power at 43 knots! NOTE the absence of a bow wave.



Also turns tightly. Allegedly this turn was also done at 43 knots...and from the look of the small bow wave, she's still in the turn. Note the absence of any sign of her 'heeling over' even at that speed.



And then there's the massive helo deck big enough for a CH-53. Last time I talked the SURFPAC guys years ago THIS was the LCS they wanted because of the huge storage capacity under that flight deck and the size of the flight deck.



ABOUT THE NAVY'S NEW PIRATE CATCHER (cont)

Note that there is very little spreading wake. In fact, it does not look like A wake at all, just foamy water from the water jets. Somehow, At 43 knots, you'd think there'd be more of a wake.

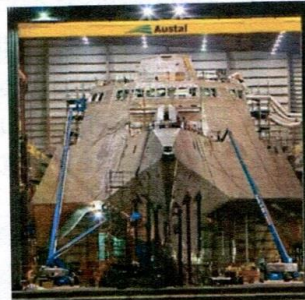


She's aerodynamically designed and kind of strange looking. Is this the beginning of a new design in ships? Here's some more pics of the U.S. Navy's new pirate catchers!



WOW!

A couple of these should be able to clean up the pirates off the coasts Of Africa This is the U.S.S. Independence (LCS-2) It is a Triple Hulled, Weapon-Laden Monster. Here she is under construction....



ABOUT THE NAVY'S NEW PIRATE CATCHER (cont)

There have been rumors about the U.S. Navy's speedy new triple hulled ships, But now they're for real. The U.S.S Independence was built by General Dynamics. It's called a "littoral combat ship" (LCS), and the Tri-maran can move its weapons around faster than any other ship in the Navy. (Ironic that with all that high tech, the ship reminds me of the Merrimac ironclad from Civil War days).

'Littoral' means Close-to-shore, and that's where these very ships will operate. They're tailor-made for launching helicopters and lightly-armored Vehicles, sweeping mines and firing all manner of torpedoes, missiles and machine guns. These ships are also relatively inexpensive. This one is a bargain at \$208 million, and the Navy plans to build 55 of them.

This tri-maran is the first of a new fire breathing breed, ready to scoot out of dry dock at a rumored 60 knots top speed.. It's Like a speedy and heavily armed aircraft carrier for helicopters. Pirates Beware!!!

NOTE:

If anyone tries to call me (Elisabeth Kimball) and I don't answer, please leave a message as I get so many telemarketing calls I don't know when to answer. I do check my messages all the time so I would call you back very soon. You can reach me at 479-280-2776

The national budget must be balanced. The public debt must be reduced; the arrogance of the authorities must be moderated and controlled. Payments to foreign governments must be reduced, if the nation doesn't want to go bankrupt. People must again learn to work, instead of living on public assistance.

America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves. Abraham Lincoln

BAGPIPE STORY

You may have seen or heard this before, but I think it is a good story:

Time is like a river. You cannot touch the water twice, because the flow that has passed will never pass again. Enjoy every moment of life. As a bagpiper, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be a pauper's cemetery in the Nova Scotia back country. As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost and, being a typical man, I didn't stop for directions.

I finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men for being late.

I went to the side of the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place. I didn't know what else to do, so I started to play.

The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around. I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. I played like I've never played before for this homeless man. And as I played "Amazing Grace", the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together. When I finished I packed up my bagpipes and started for my car. Though my head was hung low, my heart was full."

As I opened the door to my car, I heard one of the workers say, "I never seen anything like that before, and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years.

PRICELESS....CAR KEYS

They weren't in my pockets. Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically I headed for the parking lot. My husband has scolded me many times for leaving my keys in the car's ignition. He is afraid that the car could be stolen. As I looked around the parking lot, I realized he was right. The parking lot was empty. I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all to my husband: "I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen."

There was a moment of silence. I thought the call had been disconnected, but then I heard his voice. "Are you kidding me? "he barked", "I dropped you off?" Now it was my turn to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me." He retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this cop that I didn't steal your car!"

Things That Will Disappear In Our Lifetime

1. The Post Office.....Get ready to imagine a world without the post office. They are so deeply in financial trouble that there is probably no way to sustain it long term. Email, Fed Ex, and UPS have just about wiped out the minimum revenue needed to keep the post office alive. Most of your mail every day is junk mail and bills.

2. The Check.....Britain is already laying the groundwork to do away with check by 2018. It costs the financial system billions of dollars a year to process checks. Plastic cards and online transactions will lead to the eventual demise of the check. This plays right into the death of the post office. If you never paid your bills by mail and never received them by mail, the post office would absolutely go out of business.

3. The Newspaper.....The younger generation simply doesn't read the newspaper. They certainly don't subscribe to a daily delivered print edition. That may go the way of the milkman and the laundry man. As for reading the paper online, get ready to pay for it. The rise in mobile Internet devices and e-readers has caused all the newspaper and magazine publishers to form an alliance. They have met with Apple, Amazon, and the major cell phone companies to develop a model for paid subscription services.

4. The Book.....~~You say you will never give up the physical book that you hold in your hand and turn the literal pages I said the same thing about downloading music from iTunes. I wanted my hard copy CD. But I quickly changed my mind when I discovered that I could get albums for half the price without ever leaving home to get the latest music. The same thing will happen with books. You can browse a bookstore online and even read a preview chapter before you buy. And the price is less than half that of a real book. And think of the convenience! Once you start flicking your fingers on the screen instead of the book, you find that you are lost in the story, can't wait to see what happens next, and you forget that you're holding a gadget instead of a book.~~

THINGS THAT WILL PASS AWAY (cont)

5. The Land Line Telephone.....Unless you have a large family and make a lot of local calls, you don't need it anymore. Most people keep it simply because they've always had it. But you are paying double charges for that extra service. All the cell phone companies will let you call customers using the same cell provider for no charge against your minutes.

6. Music.....This is one of the saddest parts of the change story. The music industry is dying a slow death. Not just because of illegal downloading. It's the lack of innovative new music being given a chance to get to the people who would like to hear it. Greed, packaging, and corruption are the problem. The record labels and the radio conglomerates are simply self-destructing. Over 40% of the music purchased today is "catalogue items," meaning traditional music that the public is familiar with. Older established artists. Music you can sing along with. This is also true on the live concert circuit. To explore this fascinating and disturbing topic further, check out the book, "Appetite for Self-Destruction" by Steve Knopper, and the video documentary, "Before the Music Dies."

7. Television Revenues.....To the networks are down dramatically. Not just because of the economy. People are watching TV and movies streamed from their computers. And they're playing games and doing lots of other things that take up the time that used to be spent watching TV. Prime time shows have degenerated down to lower than the lowest common denominator. Cable rates are skyrocketing and commercials run about every 4 minutes and 30 seconds. I say good riddance to most of it. It's time for the cable companies to be put out of our misery. Let the people choose what they want to watch on line and through Netflix.

As One of our great Presidents said, "I believe with all my heart that standing up for America means standing up for the God who has so blessed our land. We need God's help to guide our nation through stormy seas, but we can't expect Him to protect America in a crisis if we just leave Him over on the shelf in our day-to-day living."

Ronald Reagan

THINGS THAT WILL PASS AWAY (cont)

8. The "Things" That You Own.....Many of the very possessions that we used to own are still in our lives, but we may not actually own them in the future. They may simply reside in "the cloud." Today your computer has a hard drive and you store your pictures, music, movies, and documents. Your software is on a CD or DVD, and you can always re-install it if need be. But all of that is changing. Apple, Microsoft, and Google are all finishing up their latest "cloud services." That means that when you turn on a computer, the Internet will be built into the operating system. So, Windows, Google, and the Mac OS will be tied straight into the Internet. If you click an icon, it will open something in the Internet cloud. If you save something, it will be saved to the cloud. And you may pay a monthly subscription fee to the cloud provider. In this virtual world, you can access your music or your books, or your whatever from any laptop or handheld device. That's the good news. But, will you actually own any of this "stuff" or will it all be able to disappear at any moment in a big "Poof?" Will most of the things in our lives be disposable and whimsical? It makes you want to run to the closet and pull out that photo album, grab a book from the shelf, or open up a CD case and pull out the insert.

9. Joined Handwriting (Cursive Writing).....Already gone in some schools who no longer teach "joined handwriting" because nearly everything is done now on computers or keyboards of some type (pun not intended).

10. Privacy.....If there ever was a concept that we can look back on nostalgically, it would be privacy. That's gone. It's been gone for a long time anyway.. There are cameras on the street, in most of the buildings, and even built into your computer and cell phone. But you can be sure that 24/7, "They" know who you are and where you are, right down to the GPS coordinates, and the Google Street View. If you buy something, your habit is put into a zillion profiles, and your ads will change to reflect those habits.. "They" will try to get you to buy something else. Again and again and again.

All we will have left that which can't be changed.....are our
"Memories". Logic is dead.....Excellence is punished.
Mediocrity is rewarded.....And dependency is to be revered.
This is present-day North America.....When crooks rob banks they go to
prison.
When they rob the taxpayer they get re-elected