

**USS PERRY REUNION ASSOCIATION**  
LONG AFTER THEY ARE GONE THEIR CREWS REMEMBER



**PERRY SCUTTLEBUTT**

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## Exciting News Mates!

You guessed it, the dates for our next reunion have been set for April 20 - April 25, 2006 at the Marriott Hotel located just a skip, hop and jump outside of Washington, DC. Joe has arranged for an optional extra day for anyone interested in extending their vacation to enjoy all that DC has to offer. As soon as Joe finalizes our event program we will get that information to you.

Anyone wishing to tour the White House should contact their Senator and or Representative to get passes for that day (4/24/06).

### USS Perry 5<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Joe Malmendier, Chairman

April 20, – April 24, 2006

Marriott Fairview Park  
3111 Fairview Park Drive  
Falls Church, VA, 22042  
(703) 849-9400

Room Rate \$93 (single/double)  
(includes full hot breakfast)

An email or phone call indicating your intention to join your shipmates in DC is much appreciated

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### Dues – (2<sup>nd</sup> request)

Your voluntary dues contribution is requested on 18 month reunion to reunion cycles. A payment of \$10 or any amount you are comfortable making will be greatly appreciated. Contributions of \$25 or more will get you prominently listed in our Hall of Fame roster.

Please make check payable to USS Perry R.A. and mail to:

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## PERRY GET-TOGETHERS

In between reunions, I'm pleased to report that a fair number of our shipmates have been getting together at 'Bull Sessions' & BBQ's. Isn't it wonderful to see how many good friendships our reunions have fostered.

Don't miss the boat! Stay well and plan to join us in DC for our 5th reunion.

### January 5 - BBQ

Five hungry sailors held a mini Perry reunion at the home of Marty Bushman in Port Charlotte FL. Dan Zabo, myself and our wives stayed overnight. The next day, we were joined by Ray Raposo and Art Garafolo and their wives for some good BBQ, interesting sea stories and as usual, various medical problems. A good time was had by all and by the way, Marty is feeling a lot better.

Lou Guariniello

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## **March 7<sup>th</sup>, Jacksonville Tin Can Sailor Bull Session**

Sid Brown HTC/USN/RET 69-72, Joseph Blasko RD3 64-67, Lou Guariniello IC3 55-56, Jeffery Hesser RD2 64-67 and Jim Schultz, ENS 64-66 of the USS Perry gathered for the annual TCS "Bull Session". In total there were 55 sailors representing 82 ships sharing sea stories and memorabilia from bygone but not forgotten days. This two day 'bull session' was hosted by Roland Chase of the local TCS chapter.

Roland gave everyone a special treat by taking the group aboard the USS 'THE SULLIVANS' DDG-68. During our tour, the XO retold the famous story of the five Sullivan brothers who lost their lives aboard the USS JUNEAU CL-52 when it was sunk in the battle of Guadalcanal on November 13, 1942. See web site [www.sullivans.navy.mil/home.html](http://www.sullivans.navy.mil/home.html). Did you know, our own Ken Chapman, Perry XO was Skipper of the 'The Sullivan's' DD-537 now anchored at the Naval & Military Park, Buffalo NY?

The event ended with a fine banquet dinner and interesting talk by Channing Zucker, DDG-23, National TCS Association newly elected president.

Sid Brown

## **APRIL 2ND - NEW JERSEY TCS BULL SESSION**

This event gave our Perry mates another reason for getting together. By far we represented the largest and best-looking bunch of swabbies at the 'Bull Session'. Unlike prior Bull Sessions, the usual guest speaker was replaced with the singing entertainment of the Glory Girls. These beautiful girls were a facsimile of the Andrew Sisters who were very popular during the USO Canteen days of the 40's. Without question, their musical magic had us feeling like kids again.

Proudly displaying our new Perry model ship were Sid Brown, Martin Deeney, Bill Janulin, Bob Noroski, Andy Marchese, David James, Walt Hartman, Claude Guillemain, Tom

LoBue, Steve Silk and several wife's / companions.

The event ended with a raffle, with the winners selecting their prize of choice. Could you believe I was the holder of the last raffle ticket and the prize was a Perry photo contributed by Walt Hartman of the Perry. Honest, this is no sea story and winning was purely circumstantial.



TCS Raffle Prize

Shortly, photos taken at the event will be posted to our website.

Stay well and we'll see you in DC.

Steve Silk