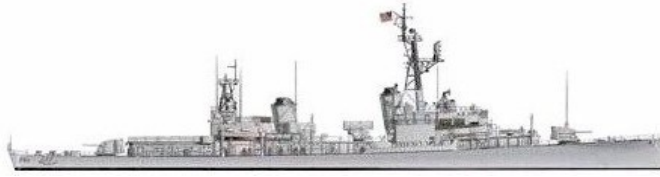


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SAN ANTONIO HERE WE COME!



added if we have a good turn-out however any additional rooms will be made available on a first-come basis.

We will be staying at the Holiday Inn—San Antonio Riverwalk. You can tell by the hotel's name it is located directly on the world famous riverwalk which will allow all of us to move about the area easily.

The special negotiated room rate is \$99/night plus taxes. The same rate is available 3 days before and after the reunion. If you drive, there is a discounted parking fee of \$15/night for self-parking.

Please call (210) 224-2500 and ask for the **USS Johnston Reunion group** to receive the special pricing. We cannot emphasize enough how important making your reservation early is!

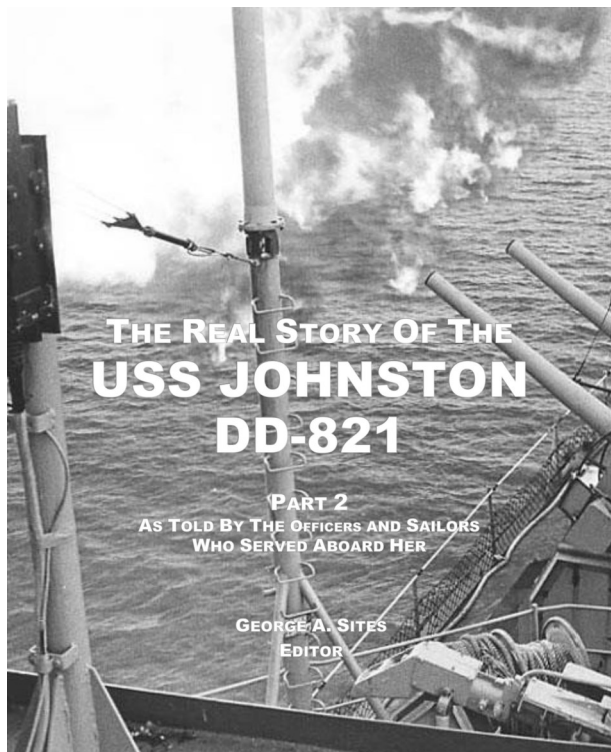
Check out the hotel at www.holidayinn.com/sat-riverwalk to see what you are in-store for!

Events and tours are still being worked on and will be announced soon!



The 2014 USS JOHNSTON DD-821 Association reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas. The dates are Monday, May 19 through Thursday, May 22, 2014. Most will leave on Friday morning. Bob Nava the Johnston Association President has done an excellent job of negotiating a wonderful price for the hotel and meals. Please note that a convention is taking place in San Antonio the same week as our reunion so your hotel reservations **MUST** be made as soon as possible. There are a limited number of rooms available so don't delay! More will be

Finally Available!



Since May, 2011 I have spent hundreds of hours laboring over my computer putting together the latest and final installment of the USS Johnston story— ***"The Real Story Of The USS Johnston DD-821 Part 2"***. Like the first book it was simply a labor of love to complete it.

After months and countless pleas to all of our shipmates, I finally had enough to complete the book. It is finally ready. It includes more than 70 stories and bio's from over 40 Johnston sailors, officers and other authors including dozens of pictures - many of which have never been seen before.

Included in this book is a complete (we believe) listing of all the ports the "Jolly J" visited over the years. The listings also include information about each of the ports.

If you enjoyed the first book, then I'm sure you will enjoy "Part 2" so add it to your collection as soon as possible. The Johnston books make nice gifts to your children and grandchildren. They also make wonderful keepsake gifts.

I would like to personally thank all of the "Contributing Authors" who have spent their time writing their Johnston stories and rounding up pictures for inclusion in the book and for putting up with me pestering them. Thank you so very much! George A. Sites, RD2—USS Johnston, 1969 to 1971, Editor and Contributing Author

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Details on the book are as follows:

Perfect Bound, Soft Cover, Black & White Front Cover, Full Color Back and Spine

Size: 9.25" H x 7.5" W x 1.125" D, Weight = 2.2 pounds

Number of Pages: 498

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Number of Stories: Over 70

Number of Pictures: Dozens

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THE PURPOSE OF THE USS JOHNSTON DD-821 ASSOCIATION IS TO PERPETUATE THE BONDS THAT WERE FORMED AMONG THE PERSONNEL WHO EXPERIENCED THE "TRADITION OF THE SEA" WHILE SERVING ABOARD THE USS JOHNSTON DD-821, IN PERPETUITY.

WE DO THIS BY PROVIDING SHIPMATES A WEBSITE SECOND TO NONE THAT WAS BUILT BY AND IS OPERATED BY FORMER SHIPMATE DUANE MALLAST, AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE USS JOHNSTON ASSOCIATION AS A MEANS TO MEMORIALIZE AND SHARE THE EXPERIENCES WE ALL HAD WHILE SERVING ABOARD THE U.S.S. JOHNSTON. IN ADDITION, THE ANNUAL JOHNSTON RE-UNION REINFORCES THESE BONDS AND BRINGS US ALL TOGETHER AGAIN.

THE ASSOCIATION IS A "NOT FOR PROFIT" ORGANIZATION FORMED BY AND OPERATED BY USS JOHNSTON DD-821 SHIPMATES.

In Color?

If you want to see the newsletter in color? Then visit the Johnston webpage at: www.ussjohnston.org and see your newsletter in full color.

USS Johnston DD-821 Newsletter

The Association Board hopes you are enjoying the USS Johnston DD-821 Newsletters. Over the past couple of years we have expanded the content, improved its format and increased the number of newsletters from one to three per year. We would like to make it a quarterly newsletter, expand its content even more and make it available to all of our known shipmates. However to do that, we need help from you our fellow shipmates in two ways.

First and foremost to keep the newsletter interesting, we need your help writing articles such as "my favorite Johnston port", "my scariest moment of the Johnston" or your biography. Basically any short story you feel our fellow shipmates will enjoy reading. Your photographs make the stories even more interesting. I don't know about you, but I really enjoy reading about all our shipmates. I'm sure you would especially enjoy reading about that favorite officer and/or sailor you served with. I find it interesting to know what my favorites have been doing in their lives all these years since I served on the Jolly J. Your story can be a few paragraphs to a page or more. The best length is one type written page. Please email them to George Sites at "george.sites@gmail.com". You can also mail them to: USS Johnston DD-821 Association, 2204 Ravinia Circle, Venice, FL 34292.

Secondly we would appreciate payment of the yearly dues (\$15/year) if at all possible. We do understand that not all can afford to pay and that is OK. At the time of this writing, we have only 120 paying members for 2013 or beyond out of the 420 (28.5%) that are currently listed on our roster. All shipmates on the roster have been sent a dues payment form. The dues basically keep the Association afloat by not only paying for the printing of the newsletters but the cost of mailing them also. Dues also help to defray the costs of maintaining the USS Johnston website (www.ussjohnston.org). Now I don't know about you, but in my opinion, our website is second to none. Contact George Sites via email if you don't know your dues status.

We are including the **2013** dues payment forms with this newsletter in case you have misplaced yours.