

John C. Butler Arizona Destroyer Escort Sailors Association

Regular meetings: the second Monday each month except JUL & AUG at HomeTown Buffet 1312 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, Arizona beginning at 1100.

NEXT MEET: 8 SEP 08, 1100

1100: Call to order 9 JUN 08

Welcome aboard new member BMC (SW) Albert Denofre USN Ret. USS Chevalier DD 805: and, welcome back from Florida past members Hank & Carol Trieckel DE 448 who will be rejoining us this year.

Introduced guest speaker CWO2 J.T. O'Brien USMC Ret. 27 years including service during Korean and Vietnam Wars who presented us with a very interesting dissertation on naval aviation recon as he knew it and flew it. He is the author of several novels based on true military histories and co-authored a book on crash investigations.

Larry Smith DD 497 won the 50/50 draw and donated his half, \$31.00, back to the treasury. Thanks Larry we appreciate your generosity.

Closing prayer; Chaplain Al Guier DDE 719

After chow our working party boxed up 17 care packages for shipment to Chief Rockwell in Afghanistan for distribution among the troops serving at PRT Sharana. We have received several letters and Emails of thanks from the chief and other soldiers.

We may have been in "dry-dock" during JUL & AUG but we weren't "dead-in-the-water." Marti & Harry Stanton DE 148 boxed up five care packages; Torn Roell DD 779 brought in enough to fill three boxes donated by his neighbor Nan Hausner all containing various health and comfort items for the troops. Del Krause has four boxes ready to go soon. The expenditure list is nearby, but doesn't include the eight boxes From Stanton and Roell. Those are deducted from 31 JUL 08 balance \$775.90 per Lloyd Brown DL 365.

A few of our members met with Joanna Burglan and her father, Jack Burglan USS Doyle DD 493, a sister ship of Larry Smith's DD 497. Jack was a gun capt. on mount 52 whose ship escorted Brit minesweepers then along with other sister DDs shelled German gun emplacements at Omaha Beach on D-Day. We offer Joanna, USAF Ret., membership with us

sailors if she's agreeable to do so.

The skipper took the liberty of donating two boxes of magazines in the name of the association to the VA Hospital and received two letters of thanks from the Assistant Administrator of Voluntary Service. The magazines were American Legion, VFW, DL Sailors newsletters, American Heritage, Science and Invention and The Weekly Standard.

If you have magazines and books lying about bring them to the next meet and they'll get delivered to the VA Hospital in timely fashion. The kindly lady said, upon receiving the mags, "They love it when you love them."

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Funds Collected at 9 JUN meet

50/50 draw	\$62.00
Fines	2.00
<u>Individual donations:</u>	
Al Guier	40.00
Henry Hight	15.00
Bob Kessler	20.00
Tom Roell	20.00
Ron Tullgren	10.00
Tom Alexander	<u>20.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$189.00

Expenditures:

Postage, (Receipt to treas)	185.00
Misc, stamps, (Receipt to treas)	<u>4.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$18900

This is a true account of the income and expenditures fir the month of JUN 2008 as submitted to Lloyd Brown XO/Treas 17 JUL 08.

Tom Alexander. "Skipper"