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MARCH 2022

# Changes to VA Caregiver Programs Being Reconsidered Amid Complaints

Copied article from Navy Times by [Leo Shane III](#)

Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough said top officials will re-evaluate ongoing changes to the department’s caregiver support program which could take away stipends from thousands of families over the next year.

“I am worried about the feedback we’re getting,” McDonough told reporters at his monthly press conference on VA issues. “We work for caregivers, we work for the veterans. We want to make sure that they’re getting the information they need and clarity about why we’re making the decisions we’re making.”

Earlier this month, a coalition of 15 veterans service organizations presented formal objections to planned department changes in the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers, which provides stipends to family members who provide home care to elderly or infirm veterans.

Among the complaints were that the new rules “drastically changed the program’s eligibility criteria” resulting in “harsh impacts” for families.

About 33,000 individuals are currently enrolled in the program, which provides support services and monthly stipends to caregivers of veterans unable to perform basic self-care activities.

The stipend is set to expand in October to include families of veterans who served between the Vietnam War and the Afghanistan War, prompting the department work to ensure that existing program participants are being treated equitably.

VA officials announced last fall that they expected around 6,700 families would be dropped from the program under the changes, but

that no families would see any financial payouts decreased or ended before October.

The idea was to ensure that individuals would have time to prepare for the financial impact of losing the stipends, which can total more than \$3,000 a month. But advocates objecting to the changes have nonetheless called them too restrictive and unforgiving, aimed more at culling families from the program than balancing veterans’ medical and emotional needs.

McDonough said that in coming weeks, Deputy Secretary Donald Remy will head up a review on the work so far “to make sure that we’re learning everything we can from and that we’re making best

use of investments Congress has made in this program.”

On the criticism the department has received, McDonough said he is unsure if it represents widespread communication problems with staff and participants, or simply a small minority unhappy with the personal impact on their families.

The secretary said officials do not have authority under the law to include veterans with non-service injuries (individuals must have a VA disability rating of 70 percent or more to qualify) but do have more flexibility in how they evaluate whether full-time caregiver services are needed to improve a veteran’s quality of life.

He expects Remy’s review to take several weeks, and look both at changes to the program and how

they are being communicated to the families involved.

“[Caregivers] will be a bigger part of the backbone as our aging veterans demonstrate that they, like the rest of the country, want to age in place,” he said. “And so we want to get this right.”

### About Leo Shane III

Leo covers Congress, Veterans Affairs and the White House for Military Times. He has covered Washington, D.C. since 2004, focusing on military personnel and veterans policies. His work has earned numerous honors, including a 2009 Polk award, a 2010 National Headliner Award, the IAVA Leadership in Journalism award and the VFW News Media award.



Veterans Affairs' Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers provides stipends to

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***A Note from Lance...***

If you know someone who served on the LEX, let me know and I'll send them information about our group. If you move, please send me your new address.

***Office of the Treasurer...***

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Make checks payable to: USS Lexington Association.

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***A Note from the Editor:***

Have you read an interesting article or story recently? Or maybe have some memorabilia from your time on the LEX? Share it with your shipmates! Just send them to me and I'll print them in the Sunrise Press, including a byline to credit you with the submission.

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Greg Plante, Editor of the Sunrise Press

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**2022 Reunion**

**USS Lexington Association**

**September 26th - 30th**

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**Hoeniges, Martin Jr**

12/03/2021 - Bloomington, IL

Onboard: 1956 - 1959

<https://www.carmodyflynn.com/obituaries/Martin--J-Hoeniges-Jr?obId=23302209#/celebrationWall>

**Planichek, Frankie D**

10/15/2018 - RedLodge, MT

Onboard: 1942 - 1946

<https://www.carboncountynews.com/content/frankie-d-planichek>

**Ozarowsky, Zigmunt J**

12/05/2020 - Rochester, NY

Onboard: WWII

<https://farrell-ryan.com/tribute/details/1089/Zigmunt-Ozarowsky/obituary.html>

**Help us keep our "TAPS" records up to date...**

We need your help. Our only way of knowing our members have passed, is if someone tells us. We ask that you please notify us of any members who are no longer with us so we can update our records and honor our deceased shipmates in the Sunrise Press.

Email notifications to: [editor@usslexingtoncv16.org](mailto:editor@usslexingtoncv16.org)

Snail Mail to: Greg Plante, 23428 College Ave, Robertsdale, AL 36567

 **WELCOME ABOARD: NEW MEMBERS**

**Smith, Thomas L**

Onboard: 1977– 1980

VA204

**USS Lexington CV16 Association: MEMBERSHIP**

The Association welcomes all shipmates, navy, marines, Ships Company, air group personnel who served at some time on a USS Lexington CV 16 (all her designations) or on the USS Lexington CV 2.

Dues are \$20/year, and due at the end of each year. Dues can be paid online at: [www.usslexingtoncv16.org](http://www.usslexingtoncv16.org)

Dues paid by mail: **Make checks payable to :USS Lexington Association**

**Send your dues to:** Lance Wagner, 71-21 73rd Place , Glendale, NY 11385

 **SHIPMATES LOOKING FOR...** 

**Looking for an old shipmate? Looking for a cruise book from a particular cruise? Maybe filling in the gaps of memory while writing some memoirs? Let us know what you're looking for and we'll include it in the newsletter.**

**NAME:** Bob Melegh **EMAIL:** [bmelegh@hotmail.com](mailto:bmelegh@hotmail.com)

**Subject:** Looking WWII Photos

My Stepfather was an airman on the Lexington in WWII. He had a photo of him standing on the wing of an airplane nicknamed "Duck Butt" in his flight gear. The picture was lost 45 years ago after his death. Are there any surviving airman that may have a copy of that picture?

To place a notice in the "Looking For" section of the newsletter, go to the website and click on "Contact CV 16" and fill out the form. Or send an email to [editor@usslexingtoncv16.org](mailto:editor@usslexingtoncv16.org)

Written submissions can be sent to: Greg Plante, 23428 College Ave, Robertsdale, Alabama 36567

## OUR ASSOCIATION



Gary Shorrel, President  
USS LEXINGTON CV 16 ASSOCIATION

Fellow USS Lexington CV 16 association and shipmates. As I write this Presidents letter I look back on 2021 and am glad we have moved on to 2022. I am hopeful that 2022 will bring good news toward reducing or eliminating COVID so we can get on with our lives.

As you know, the 2020 reunion was canceled due to COVID and the 2021 reunion was canceled due to lack of members signing up. The dictionary defines an association as "an organization of people with a common purpose and having a formal structure". We demonstrate this by holding an annual reunion. The association cannot survive without sufficient attendance. If

you are considering or thinking about attending the Gettysburg reunion, think hard and long and plan to attend. I have been to Gettysburg and it is an amazing place rich in history. I do NOT want to cancel the reunion for a third in a row. Without your attendance and participation I fear for the future of the association. We cannot let the association cease to exist. Have a great summer and see you in Gettysburg.

### Change of Command

**Our Association President, Gary Shorrel, citing current health concerns impeding his ability to perform the duties of his office, has asked to be relieved of his position, thus making our current Vice-President, Chris Hagger our interim President until our next business meeting, where new elections will be held.**

## CHAPLAINS CORNER



Chris Hagger, Chaplain  
USS LEXINGTON CV 16 ASSOCIATION

### WHEN I AM DISCOURAGED, WHO COULD I TALK TO?

Being men and women that have served in the military sometimes we feel that when we are going through something we just need to see it through. Even if we feel really discouraged about the situation. We tend to skip church and stay away from other believers or just those in our sphere of relations. Maybe you

know someone who has done this. Maybe you've even done it yourself at that time in your life when you really felt depressed. Depressed by the news you got from your doctor; or your lawyer, or your spouse.

Don't let embarrassment or discouragement keep you away from those you love or those who love you. You need their strength; you need their story to help you finish your story in victory. You need to hear someone say to you "you are going to be alright; you can make it."

In the book of Hebrews 10.25 it says, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is. The word forsaking is taken from the Greek word

egkataleipontes. It's a compound of three different Greek words: **eg**, **kata**, and **leipo**. The first word, **eg** means out. **Kata**, the second part of the word, means down. The third word, **leipo**, means behind. These three words compounded together simply mean out; down, and behind.

These words describe someone who is extremely discouraged, defeated, and depressed. Again, maybe this person could be feeling depressed because it seems like everything is falling apart. This is the time when you need someone to stand by your side and fortify you. Gird you up, hold you while you go through this hiccup in your life.

Life is like this: either you are coming out of a storm; you are getting ready to go in a storm; or you are in the storm now. That is life. Nevertheless, this is the time to call that friend; call that loved one and just share. We don't have to bear this alone.

Blessings my brothers and sisters,

Chris

Chaplain Hagger pastors All People Worship Center in Odessa, Texas .

He also oversees the operation at All People Hospice and Healthcare.

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*Chaplain Hagger can be reached anytime.....no matter what the time.*

# Vets' Disability Benefits for Tinnitus, Mental Health Issues May Change

*Copied from NavyTimes article by [Leo Shane III](#)*

Proposed changes to the Department of Veterans Affairs disability ratings system will mean lower payouts for veterans with sleep apnea and tinnitus in the future but higher payouts for veterans facing mental health challenges like post-traumatic stress disorder and depression.

The changes are part of a months-long review of the department's Schedule for Rating Disabilities, which governs how VA staffers evaluate and compensate veterans with service-connected injuries.

In a statement, Thomas Murphy, acting VA undersecretary for benefits, said the goal of the work was not to reduce or increase the number of veterans receiving disability benefits but instead to ensure that "veterans receive decisions based on the most current medical knowledge relating to their condition."

For veterans currently receiving those payouts, the changes will not take away any existing benefits or lower their disability rating. They could see their ratings increased based on the changes, if the new rules end up more advantageous to their health situation.

But veterans who apply for benefits in the future will see a different set of standards applied to their cases than their older peers, and that could have significant financial ramifications for those individuals.

Under VA rules, a disability rating of at least 10 percent can mean monthly payouts of more than \$140 for a veteran. One who receives a disability rating of 100 percent — either from a single service-related condition or a combination of injuries and illnesses — can get about \$3,100 a month in disability compensation.

VA did not provide any information on how the changes will affect its budget.

Outside critics have lamented that the current ratings system too frequently compensates veterans

for conditions that are treatable and do not prevent them from maintaining a full-time job.

But veterans advocates have said the system is still cumbersome and difficult to navigate, often forcing veterans to wait for months or years to get compensation for disabling conditions that are obvious to even those without a medical degree.

The number of veterans receiving compensation for sleep apnea — interrupted breathing during sleep — has risen sharply in recent years, from less than 1 million individuals in fiscal 2015 to more than 1.3 million in fiscal 2019, according to the department's inspector general.

Under proposed changes outlined in the Federal Register on Tuesday, VA officials for the first time could offer a "0 percent evaluation" for asymptomatic sleep apnea, allowing the department to formally acknowledge a veteran's condition without requiring any compensation if the condition is easily controlled with treatment.

Veterans would receive ratings of 10 percent or more for sleep apnea "only when treatment is either ineffective or the veteran is unable to use the prescribed treatment due to comorbid conditions." Currently, veterans can receive a rating of 10 percent or more for the condition even if treatments are effective at dealing with the condition.

Similarly, veterans diagnosed with tinnitus — a high-pitched ringing caused by damage to the ears — would face a higher bar for higher levels of disability compensation. More than 1.5 million veterans are currently receiving disability benefits for the condition.

Officials said those changes would likely reduce the number of veterans qualifying for disability ratings of 10 percent or more, although they noted the number of veterans who have the condition entered into their case files for future reference would not change.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

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Well, in the spirit of what's needed after the last two years, let's first address the topic of change.

We've had some members wonder if they forgot to pay their dues, and others wondering if there is something wrong with our ability to put out the newsletter or just what. Well, neither.

The newsletter was never officially a quarterly, but since before I even became a member over 25 years ago, it has been put out pretty regularly in a quarterly fashion. Since I became editor, I maintained that regularity with only a little difficulty. Most specifically, content.

In October, it was a mad dash to try and get the recap information assembled from the just concluded reunion, and in January, there was insufficient information about the upcoming reunions. So, it was finally decided that to delay the first issue of the year and delay the last issue, it would work best to change to a frequency of 3 times a year. So, you can now expect to receive your Sunrise Press in March, July, and November. This will enable us to have as much information as possible on the upcoming reunions, including the necessary registration information. In November, we'll have had the time to assemble all of the data, business meeting minutes, etc to recap the latest reunion. Lastly, we are adding 4 pages to the newsletter to not lose overall content that you can enjoy. We feel that overall, this should provide a much better product for our members to enjoy. This will also enable the Association to save over \$600 a year by eliminating just one issue of the newsletter. So it's a win for all.

Secondly, our reunions were mentioned here, and so that is what I wish to address next.

Have you never attended a reunion? Are you a regular attendee? Maybe after these last two years, you aren't sure which you are. I want to attempt to generate some interest and excitement for the upcoming reunion this year in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Our shipmate, Bob DiMonte has organized a real winner for us.

Why should you try to make this one an attendance success? Well, frankly, I share our Association President's concern that with two consecutive cancellations due to Covid concerns, our Association needs to generate interest as a matter of survival. If you've been to a reunion, you already know the great time to be had, and you are encouraged to commit to attending again.

For those members who have yet to attend? Let me encourage you to do so. Why? Well frankly, you aren't enjoying to the fullest all that our association has to offer. When I first joined, I didn't know any of our members, and feeling awkward around strangers, I was hard pressed to bring myself to attend. But when there was one being held nearby, I was able to get off from work to attend one day's events, and was so welcomed by everybody, I felt like I'd known them for years. I was hooked, plain and simple, and I believe you will be too. The fellowship and friendships developed have been a blessing to my wife and me, and I look forward to meeting *you* as well. The comradery you remembered that caused you to join our association, is still there waiting for you, to make many new memories to enjoy.

We feel it is crucial to our survival as an association to have good turnouts for the reunions, and after two years of having to cancel them, we have an opportunity to set a record. With a tour of Gettysburg's battlefields, shopping and dining opportunities, raffles, and ton's of wonderful fellowship to be had, I don't think any of us will be disappointed.

See you in Gettysburg!!

Greg Plante



## Let's Get Together in Gettysburg

The USS Lexington Association will have its 2022 reunion in the small town of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. We will be staying at the Windham Hotel, which is next to the battlefield. Our tour will take us to the site of the Union Army's positions. We will tour Little Round Top and look down on the field that cost Lee's forces a total defeat. We will also go to the site of Lee's army and see the open field and the challenges that they faced. We will visit the Seminary Ridge Museum and the National Visitors Center and the site where President Lincoln gave the Famous Gettysburg Address. We will have lunch at the Historic Dobbin House Restaurant & Tavern - one of the oldest restaurants in the country. This reunion will give us a sense of what these men endured and bring history alive. You do not want to miss this opportunity to relive one of the greatest battles in American history.



### **HOTEL INFORMATION - WYNDHAM GETTYSBURG**

**Address: 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA 17328**

**Phone: 717-339-0020**

**September 26th - 30th, 2022 (\$128/Night)**



# GETTYSBURG

## Things to Do

<https://destinationgettysburg.com/>



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<https://destinationgettysburg.com/places-to-eat/gettysburg-dining/>



<https://destinationgettysburg.com/things-to-do/gettysburg-shopping/>

**For your information:**  
*The Hospitality Room (located in Salon B) is open during specific times throughout each day (see Itinerary for times) , This is a great place to gather with your fellow shipmates, reminisce with old friends, meet new friends, and just enjoy some time to relax. Snacks and Drinks are provided*





## **2022 REUNION - SEPTEMBER 26TH - SEPTEMBER 30TH**

### **USS LEXINGTON CV16 43RD ANNUAL REUNION, GETTYSBURGE, PA**

#### **ITINERARY**

#### **September 26th – Monday: Hotel Check-in ....Welcome!**

**1200** Hospitality Room opens, Registration Begins - **Salon B**

**1800** Hospitality Suite Closes

**1800** Opening Reception: Heavy Hors D'oeuvres, Cash Bar - **Salon A**

#### **September 27th – Tuesday: Battlefield Tour, Lunch, Memorial Service**

**0830** Meet in Hotel Lobby for Battlefield Tour

**0845** Bus departs for Battlefield Tour, Lunch, Memorial Service

**TBA** Bus returns to Hotel, Hospitality Room opens

#### **September 28th – Wednesday: Free day for Sight Seeing & Socializing**

**1000** Hospitality Room opens

#### **September 29th – Thursday: Business Meeting and Banquet**

**1000** Business Meeting - All members and guest welcome. - **Salon A**

**1200** Hospitality Room opens (will close at 1800)

**1845** Gather in Banquet Room for Group Pictures (outside Salon A&B)

**1900** Invocation and Presentation of the Colors

Opening Remarks by Association President

Dinner and Entertainment - Cash Bar

#### **September 30th - Friday: Check Out**

Have a safe trip home! - See you in Corpus Christi - 2023

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

2022 REUNION OF THE USS LEXINGTON CV-16 ASSOCIATION, Gettysburg, PA

**Please Note: This form does not include your hotel reservation. Hotel reservations must be done separately by you.  
Wyndham Gettysburg - Address: 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA 17328 - Phone: 717-339-0020  
Mention the Lexington Association - Group Rate (\$128/per night)  
September 26th - September 30th**

The Registration Form is also available on our website, with the ability to pay using your Debit or Credit Card.  
[www.usslexingtoncv16.org](http://www.usslexingtoncv16.org)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Additional guests - please list below and include in the final numbers below.)*

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

DATES ON BOARD \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Register me for the following:**

Reunion Registration Fee (not optional).....Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday, September 27th  
Battlefield Tour/Lunch/Memorial Service.....Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_ x \$65 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, September 29th  
Farewell Banquet.....Number of attendees \_\_\_\_\_ x \$60 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of Entrée:

A.) Pan Seared Filet of Salmon with Provencal Vegetables Ratatouille, Rice, Basil Blanc \_\_\_\_\_

B.) Sautéed Breast of Chicken with Sauce Puttanesca, Goat Cheese, Baby Spinach \_\_\_\_\_

C.) Hand Carved whole Roast Prime Rib of Beef with Garlic Potatoes, Vegetable Medley \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Mail Registration form and check payable to: **USS Lexington CV 16 Association**  
**Lance Wagner**  
**71-21 73 Place, Glendale, New York 11385**

**Cut-off Date: August 31, 2022**



## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

### **Scholarship Award Program:** *USS Lexington CV-16 Association Sponsored*

The Association Scholarship Award is a one-time award to a graduating high school senior or a college / technical school student in their first two years of post-secondary education up to the age of 25. The winning award is in the amount of \$1000 and two awards of \$500 will be granted to the first and second runners up to assist them in furthering their education at a college or technical school of their choice. The award program is open to any high school seniors or college/technical school underclassmen who are family members (son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, niece, nephew, etc.) of a USS Lexington Association member.

### **SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:**

Applicants can submit an application for our scholarships online.

Go to our WEB site, [usslexingtoncv16.org](http://usslexingtoncv16.org) and press the "Scholarship Program" button on the first page of the WEB site. This link will take the applicant to a page describing the program, eligibility and a form to complete and email to our scholarship program review committee.

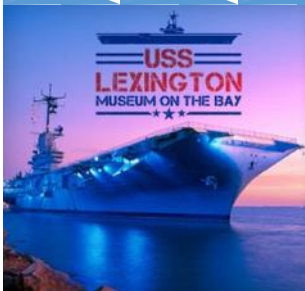
The USS Lexington CV 16 Association is proud to make these scholarships available to relatives of the Association. Good luck to all who apply.

### **ESSAY REQUIREMENT:**

In the space provided on the application write an essay of 500 words or less concerning the United States Navy of a historical nature or more topical with respect to the current US Naval fleet. The essay should also include one paragraph about your educational or personal goals and any other pertinent information you wish to share with the award committee.

### **SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JULY 1ST, 2022**

**It is our desire as an Association to support continuing education for our high school seniors, college underclassmen and technical school attendees. Additionally if returning veterans meeting the family criteria continues their education we want to support those efforts as well.**



Just a quick note.....

While the Association has been forced to cancel our last two Reunions, your officers deem it important to continue to support the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay. We recently made a monetary donation to the Museum to help with the ships expenses.

*Best Regards, Gary Shorrel*

*President, USS Lexington CV 16 Association*

Submitted by: Shipmate Bob Dimonte

In 2022, veterans who receive Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) disability compensation will see a sizable increase in their VA compensation checks. VA disability compensation is a monthly tax-free monetary benefit paid to veterans due to their service-connected disabilities; it compensates veterans for their decreased quality of life or adverse effects on their ability to work.

Disability Rating	Amount
10%	<b>\$152.64</b>
20%	<b>\$301.74</b>

Dependent Status	30%	40%	50%	60%
Veteran Alone	<b>\$467.39</b>	<b>\$673.28</b>	<b>\$958.44</b>	<b>\$1,214.03</b>
Veteran with Spouse Only	<b>\$522.46</b>	<b>\$747.41</b>	<b>\$1,050.57</b>	<b>\$1,325.22</b>
Veteran with Spouse & One Parent	<b>\$566.94</b>	<b>\$806.71</b>	<b>\$1,124.70</b>	<b>\$1,414.18</b>
Veteran with Spouse and Two Parents	<b>\$611.41</b>	<b>\$866.02</b>	<b>\$1,198.83</b>	<b>\$1,503.13</b>
Veteran with One Parent	<b>\$511.87</b>	<b>\$732.58</b>	<b>\$1,032.57</b>	<b>\$1,302.98</b>
Veteran with Two Parents	<b>\$556.35</b>	<b>\$791.89</b>	<b>\$1,106.70</b>	<b>\$1,391.94</b>
Additional for A/A spouse	<b>\$50.83</b>	<b>\$ 67.78</b>	<b>\$85.78</b>	<b>\$101.66</b>

Dependent Status	70%	80%	90%	100%
Veteran Alone	<b>\$1,529.95</b>	<b>\$1,778.43</b>	<b>\$1,998.52</b>	<b>\$3,332.06</b>
Veteran with Spouse Only	<b>\$1,659.15</b>	<b>\$1,926.69</b>	<b>\$2,164.79</b>	<b>\$3,517.84</b>
Veteran with Spouse & One Parent	<b>\$1,762.93</b>	<b>\$2,045.30</b>	<b>\$2,298.22</b>	<b>\$3,666.94</b>
Veteran with Spouse and Two Parents	<b>\$1,866.71</b>	<b>\$2,164.01</b>	<b>\$2,431.65</b>	<b>\$3,816.03</b>
Veteran with One Parent	<b>\$1,633.73</b>	<b>\$1,897.04</b>	<b>\$2,131.96</b>	<b>\$3,481.16</b>
Veteran with Two Parents	<b>\$1,737.51</b>	<b>\$2,015.65</b>	<b>\$2,265.39</b>	<b>\$3,630.25</b>
Additional for A/A spouse	<b>\$119.67</b>	<b>\$136.61</b>	<b>\$153.56</b>	<b>\$170.38</b>

Go to the website for more Information

<http://www.veteranprograms.com/compensation-rates.html>

Submitted by: Shipmate John McCarthy  
 Subject: Neurological Disorders  
 Message: Anyone who suffers neurological disorders and was onboard for the refurbishment 1964 - 1965, please let me know.  
 Email: [Jmminnt@aol.com](mailto:Jmminnt@aol.com)

**ASSOCIATION...**  
 An organization  
 of persons having  
 a common interest

Let's Get  
 together in  
**Gettysburg**

2022 Reunion

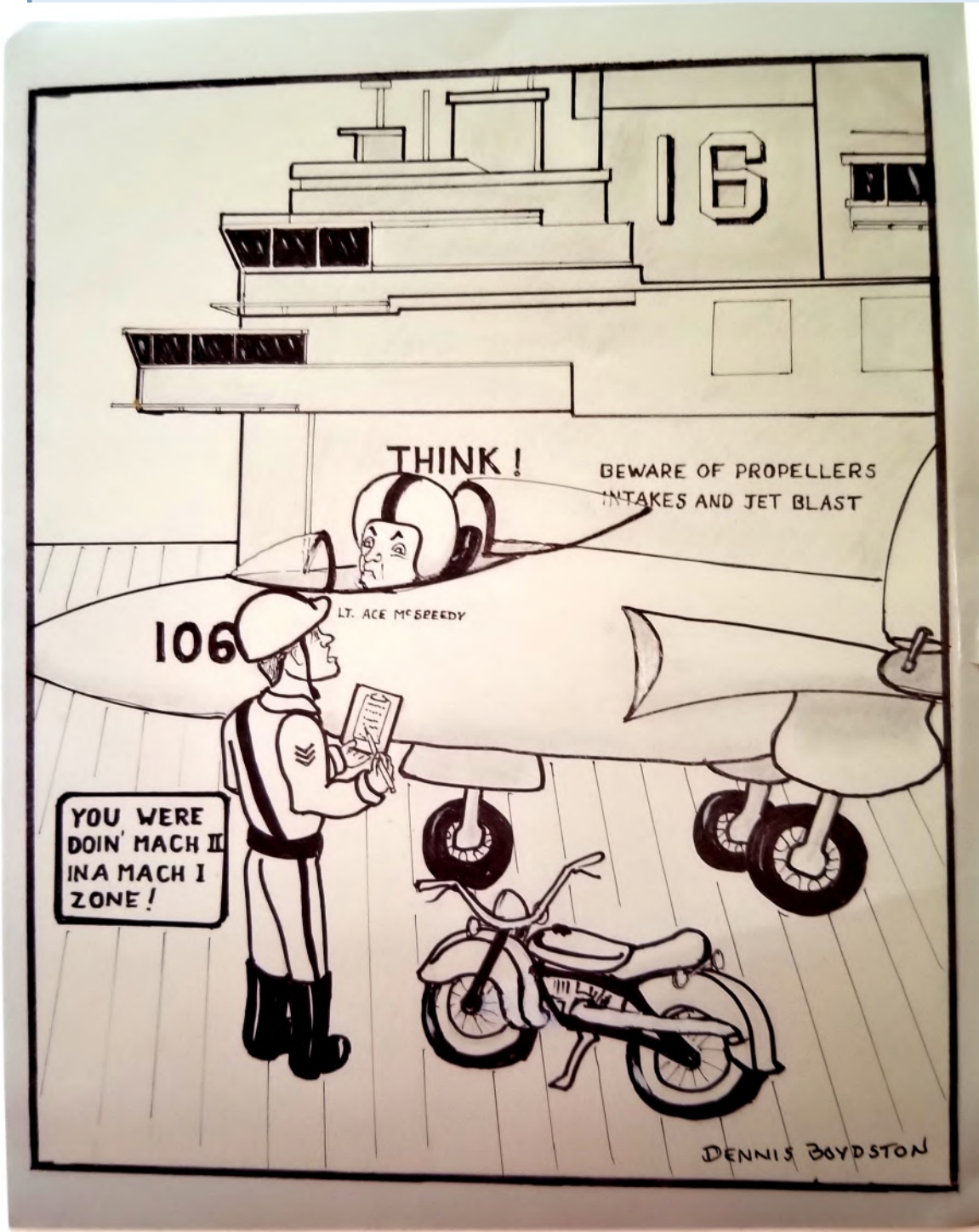
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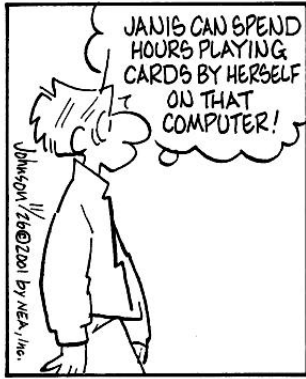


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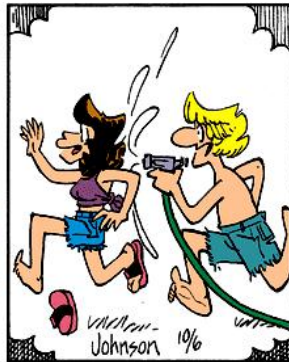
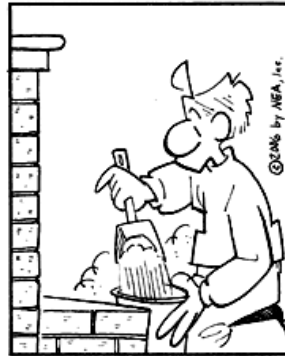
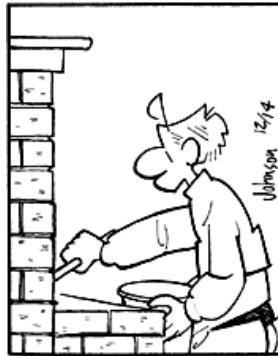
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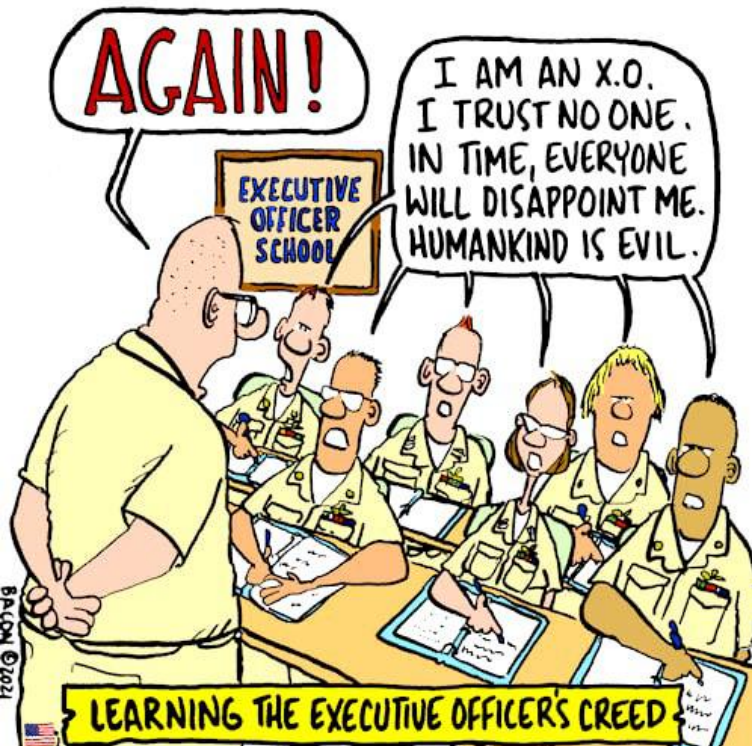
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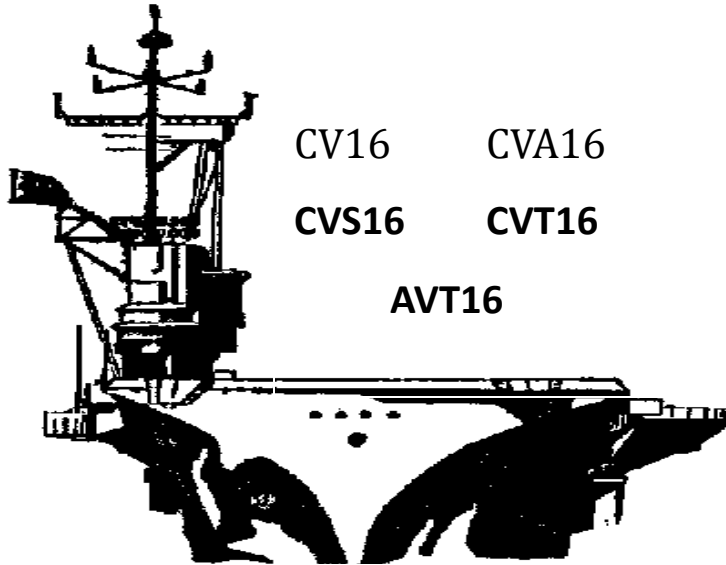


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