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Hi Ralph

I just got back from a Warrington reunion in San Diego 1-3 May where I was given your article that appeared in the April-May-June 2009 "Tin Can Sailor"; nice write-up! Pete Regnier (Comm) and I have been to past reunions in New Orleans, Washington DC and St. Louis. I went solo to the one in San Diego that was smaller than previous reunions, no doubt because of the economy and fewer "W" sailors on the West Coast. Captain Zirps also attended this one. Both Captain Zirps and Captain Petree were at the Washington DC reunion in 2007. Ed O'Neil (Weps) and Gordon Stofer (Navigator) joined us in St. Louis, 2008.

Next year the reunion is going to be in Newport, RI and will probably be in September. Pete and I have been in touch with other Wardroom members including Steve Sheppard (ASW), Dave Condon (CICO), Ray Onyx (former CICO) and Julian Coles (former WEPS) who I have CC'd.

Keep September 2009 in mind and I will let you know when plans have been made. It would be fun to see more wardroom members at the 2010 reunion in Newport besides being a great place to visit.

Annual reunions are planned by a very capable Nick DiSalvo (radioman on the "W" in the mid-50's) who has a passion for the ship and does a really nice job of getting people together.

Regards,

"Otto" Honigschmidt
LT (OPS) in 1972