

## Newsletter of the USS BAINBRIDGE Association

Norfolk, VA May 18-22, 2024, Reunion Recap

### **Message from your President**

Hello shipmates. I hope everyone had a safe trip home after the reunion.

Those of us who attended the Norfolk, Virginia reunion had a great time. Our tour of the USS Bainbridge DDG-96 was informative and most of us still had our sea legs. LCDR Tyler saved the day and showed us around the ship. His knowledge and expertise were evident in his description of various radars and weapon systems. Some of us visited the Nauticus Museum and toured the USS Wisconsin BB-64. Some took a harbor tour which included a waterside view of the Naval Base. Most of us gathered for dinner at the Free Mason Abbey restaurant.

We had 8 new shipmates come to this reunion and joined us in our venues and banquet dinner. We elected a new Vice-President (HM1 Chuck Fugate). I was retained as president for another term. Dick Holloway is still our Treasurer. Richard Goerner is still our secretary.

### **USS BAINBRIDGE DLGN/CGN-25**

First nuclear-powered destroyer—Fourth ship to bear the name Bainbridge

Commissioned Quincy MA, Oct 1962—Decommissioned Norfolk VA, Oct 1995

In Honor and Remembrance of All Who Served

Our newsletter will be published at least three (3) times a year. It will be sent by E-mail to those who have an E-mail address on file. It will be mailed to those who don't have an E-mail. I would encourage our membership to verify with our secretary (Richard Goerner) their information on file. We need you to send us any updates to your information such as E-mail or address changes and phone number changes. Our ship's store is ready to fulfill your requests. Polo shirts, ball caps and travel mugs make great gifts. Contact us with your requests. Annual dues are payable to Dick Holloway. If you are unsure of your dues status, contact Richard Goerner for your status update.

Future reunions suggested are Fort Worth, TX., San Antonio, TX., El Paso, TX., Little Rock, AK., Bloomington, MO., Branson, MO. We will select a site this next year and inform every one of our decisions. The next reunion will be in 2025.

Respectfully.

Charles Gilbert