

# THE SHIPMATE

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## ANNUAL FISH FRY

It's that time of year we all look forward to - the annual fish fry at the Cahoons. It's a little earlier this year but Lynear and Roy are going on vacation in October. It will be so good to see everyone and catch up on things. Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert and a lawn chair. Time is 4:00 p.m. *Sept 28th*

The address is 409 Harper Court, Chesapeake. If you need directions the phone number is 757-485-3903.

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The Christmas Luncheon will be at Juanita and Woody's this year on December 14th at 12:30 p.m. This will also be a covered dish so please bring your specialty and/or dessert. Fried Chicken will be furnished by the Class. I mention the luncheon now because I know how your holiday calendar fills up.

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Come Home to Cradock will be October 19th. The banner Mary Knaggs Annarino and her late

husband, Charlie, designed for the Cradock Admirals Retired has been donated to the committee for display in the celebration this year and for years to come. It will be used in the parade on October 19th.

The committee wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to Mary for her generous gift.

We have also donated our Admiral Sir Christopher Cradock who for several years resided at the Childrens Library at Cradock Baptist Church. He has been in several Cradock parades and spent time with many classmates.

Anyone with Cradock memorabilia who would like to donate for the museum please contact Pauline Sitterson, (Ruth Buck's daughter-in-law). Pauline is currently storing donated items until there is a permanent place to keep them.

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Mary Annarino send cards to the following classmates:

Sympathy card to the family of Chris Upton who passed away July 26,

2013. He was the husband of Mary Lee F. Upton. Chris was very active with our group until a few years ago when his health failed. He was a member and deacon emeritus of Cradock Baptist Church.

Sympathy card to Shirley Fagg Boneau who lost her sister, Barbara Fagg Eberts, Class of '50, on June 25, 2013.

Sympathy card to the family of Ruth Smith Pryor, Class of '49, who passed away August 8, 2013.

Sympathy card to Frances Robinson Copper on the lost of her sister, Virginia Pearl Robinson Gunnin, Class of '50, on March 13, 2013.

Thinking of You cards to Herbert Harlow and Billy Redmon.

Get Well card to Phil Latham who is very sick and has been in hospital for several weeks. Lillie, his wife, has been keeping Phyllis Sykes up-to-date. Please keep Phil in your prayers.

Get Will card to Nina Lou Simons. Hopefully she and Joe will be at the

Fish Fry.

Hi cards were sent to Dr. Yarborough and Mrs. Metzler.

A Memory of Virginia Robinson Gunnin submitted by Mary Annarino

Back in high school we were excused to go on the ships on Armed Forces Day. Mom said I could go only I forgot my permission slip. Virginia knew my mom so she wrote my note and signed it.

That was the day Virginia met her future husband, Lester. I know they are back together now forever.

A Thought to Remember: Awareness is your armor, knowledge is your strength and curiosity is your driving force.

A Date to Remember: September <sup>28th</sup> ~~24th~~, Fish Fry at the Cahoons. Covered dish. See you there!

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Please send news for the Shipmate. I do have letters from Reggie Sweat and Phil Latham for the next edition. My address is 4200 Summerset Dr., Portsmouth, VA 23703 or you may e-mail me at maerthompson @ cox.net.