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# Newsletter

#### May 2020

# President's Message

I hope this newsletter finds you healthy and that we will see hopeful signs that the virus pandemic is under control. Unfortunately because of the virus we've canceled our May 2020 luncheon. I will miss seeing you this spring, but look forward to enjoying our September luncheon with all of you.

We were planning on having Dave Kavanagh the founder and President of the Sun Ship Historical Society back again to tell us more fascinating stories from the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of his Sun ship presentation. We will postpone this to a future luncheon. See page 2 of this newsletter for some Sun Ship history!

Our December luncheon had 133 registered attendees. It was nice to see so many of us at the Luncheon. I want to thank Joseph McGinn for his Sunoco presentation "Who we are and where we are going". It was great!

We are happy to say that our organization is still strong and provides its members with a great way to stay in touch with Sunoco friends and our Sunoco history.

Fred Schmauk 2020 DVSA President **Donations -** As always we ask you, our members, to submit food pantries for us to consider donating to. Our food cupboard recommendation form is at the end of this newsletter. And even though we aren't having a May luncheon, you can still donate to food cupboards. Checks can be sent to "Del Valley Sun Alumni" PO Box 174 Paoli,Pa 19301 or if you logon to our website donations can be made online. (<u>www.DVSA.co</u> or a more secure https://dvsa.wildapricot.org )

## **Donations in 2020**

Food Cupboards (member Recommendation)	
Mainline Meals on Wheels (Eileen Fox)	\$750
Buck County Housing Group (Fred Schmauk)	\$750
Caring for Friends (Cathy Rossi)	\$750
Keystone Opportunity Center (Roy Kershaw)	\$750
City Team Chester (Norman Sumner)	\$750
	\$3,750

Spring Luncheon Date: CANCELED

Dates for later luncheons: Tuesday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Tuesday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Because we can't have our Sun Ship 2nd half presentation at our canceled May luncheon we thought we would give you a preview of some ships built there. We hope to have Dave Kavanagh back sometime in the future.

Sun Ship certainly built some interesting ships. How about the *GLOMAR EXPLORER*??!! Ostensibly a mining ship, built under a contract for Howard Hughes's sea mining venture. All work was secret, under lock and key-- *because* Hughes was actually a front, and the vessel was built *for the CIA*!! They were after a Soviet nuclear submarine that had sunk off the California coast. Actually had it, but something went wrong with the lift arm and it broke away. Another is the *Manhattan*, an icebreaker that actually finally navigated the legendary "Northwest Passage" from the Atlantic to the Pacific through the straits and waterways of northern, Arctic Canada. There were also Sun Ships at the attack on Pearl Harbor on 12/7/1941. They were the *Widgeon* our Hull-022 and *Mormacyork*, renamed: *Pelias* our Hull-183. Both of these ships were used for divers salvaging ships after the attack. This is only a small sample of the storied history of Sun Ship.



**Donation form tip:** The easiest way to return this form is to cut and paste it into your email and then fill it out and send it to Ken Hill. Thanks

# **Food Cupboard Donation Recommendation Form**

#### **Donation Guidelines:**

- The organization must be charitable and non-profit.
- The organization must be actively involved in feeding the needy.
- It must be active in the Delaware Valley.
- Submitter of recommendation must be a dues-paying member of DVSA.
- Submitter must be personally involved in or have knowledge of the organization and its activities.

#### Name of Organization:

**Address of Organization:** 

Name and Title of primary contact within Organization:

#### Describe the Organization and its activity in feeding the needy:

#### **Recommended by:**

(Member Name/Address/Phone/E-mail and Date of recommendation)

## **Return form**(or E-mail information) to: Ken Hill

Email: k\_d\_hill@hotmail.com