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MILITARY REUNION INFORMATION JUMPS INTO THE ELECTRONIC AGE

A unique new Electronic Age information center for the listing and accessing of Armed Forces reunions is now available to all active duty personnel and veterans. All that is required is a computer, a modem and a telephone line.

Originally started by Herbert W. Reith to list U.S. Coast Guard reunions it has been expanded to cover all the Uniformed Services including the U.S. Public Health Service's Commissioned Officer Corps. The sponsor is the USS Merrill (DE 392) Reunion Association, a group of Coast Guardsmen who had served on the Merrill in both the Atlantic and Pacific during WWII.

To access the data base, which is online 24 hours a day, a caller should dial Area Code . The baud rate can be any rate between 300 and 1200.

Modem settings are: no parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit and full duplex.

First time users may scan the various service branches to see if their outfit is having or has had a reunion. The listings contain information on who to contact for further information. A first time user may not leave reunion information directly but can leave what is known as E-Mail at time of sign-off and Reith will add any reunion information to the appropriate reunion category. Callers will be validated after the first call if they wish and will then be able to post reunion notices directly on the EBBS (Electronic Bulletin Board Service.) Reunion Coordinators not having access to a computer may mail reunion information to USS Merrill Reunion Association.

If a reply is requested a stamped, self addressed envelope should be sent with the notice.

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