



# Suncoast Chapter USCG CWOA

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The May social meeting of the Suncoast Chapter of the U.S. Coast Guard Chief Warrant Officers Association was held on Wednesday May 14, 2010 at the Spring Hill Diner in Spring Hill Florida.

The following were present:

Jim Patton Stan and Peg Porter Bill, Carol and Jenny Reetz  
Carl and Sue Seale Joe and Peggy Whalen

Being a social meeting no minutes reports etc were made.

Bill Reetz made an announcement that he had received the package from the Director of the Veterans Cemetery in Bushnell. Looks like we have a lot of “hoops” to jump through before we can get into the fundraising portion of our project to put a USCG monument at the cemetery. Also he is still waiting on a response from the monument company for an estimate of the cost.

There will be a no host social meeting on Wednesday June 9, 2010 at 1:00 PM at The Ranch House Grill, 4426 W. Gandy Blvd, Tampa, FL. Phone (813) 831-9759. It's about a mile from the East end of the Gandy Bridge between the 1<sup>st</sup> traffic light (Westshore) and the 2<sup>nd</sup> (Manhattan) on the South side of the street (right next to Hooters). NOTE: All CWO's in the area, active, reserve and retired are invited including any guests.

Our next business meeting will be at 1000 in the dining facility at CGAS Clearwater on Wednesday July 7, 2010, we will discuss the annual meeting and the progress on our latest project the USCG Memorial at Bushnell National Cemetery. All CWO's in the area, active, reserve and retired are invited.

Bill Reetz

President

This month's joke:

Siamese twins walk into a pub in Ontario and park themselves on a bar stool.

One of them says to the bartender, "Don't mind us, we're joined at the hip. I'm John, he's Jim. Two Molson Canadian beers, draft please".

The bartender, feeling slightly awkward, tries to make polite conversation while pouring the beers. "Been on holiday yet, lads?"

"Off to England next month," says John. "We go to England every year and hire a car and drive for miles, don't we, Jim?"

Jim agrees.

"Ah, England!" says the bartender. "Wonderful country... the history, the beer, the culture"

"Nah, we don't like that British crap," says John "Hamburgers & Molsons beer, that's us, eh Jim? And we can't stand the English - they're so arrogant and rude."

"So why keep going to England?" asks the bartender.

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"It's the only chance Jim gets to drive."