

Although the official Spring Work Week this year is April 2nd through the 9<sup>th</sup>  
There will be a work party led by John Engstrom to replace the deck (tile floor) in Crew's starboard shower;  
Weather permitting John plans this project for the first week of March;

- there will be no berthing on the ship for this detail so John is looking for members within driving distance to the ship:

The last week of March 26<sup>th</sup> to 2ed of April - a work party led Brian Kolb to re-insulate, install an A.C. unit, new duct work in the starboard Crews compartment;

- Berthing during this detail will be in officer's country and aft crews compartment
- Only the heads and showers in officers country will be used;

Work Week – The focus this week will be on 5 Ballast tanks; Coast Guard required items  
Work parties will be led by Bob Chick, Jim Tuefel, Georg / John Collins, Tom Price, and Bud Link;

- All Berthing, heads, and the galley should be back on line;
- The tanks will be pressure washed, silt removed, and prep the tanks for paint
- Weather you can run a washer, lift a bucket of mud, man a water lift pump, move a hose, the ship needs you;
- It takes several people just to keep ventilation fans operating for the workers and other people to be on hand for backup;
- There are 3 high pressure washers available so people trading off job to job will be the plan;

Just a NOTE -- 2 of the above tanks need repaired below water line {water gaskets / welded lids} from the inside; the ship will be listed for short periods of time from port to starboard at 15 to 20 degree;  
Special attention will be given to safety during this exercise and deck hands will be needed for line handling;

The week following work week April 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> will be led by Ken Frank with plans to chip and paint the tank deck overhead;

The Memorial Board has also approved in this years budget the replacement of two new Tank Deck Ventilation fans located at the rear of the tank deck;

- It is hoped that a work party can assist Harry Manor and Dave Schrader with the removal and storage of the 2 old fans, located forward of # 4 generator, the cleaning and painting of existing fan housing down through the tank deck should be done, the rewiring needed, the installation of the new fan units;
- Note – each new fan weight is 305 lb. -- we would estimate the existing fan to be removed to weigh 500 lb. – there will be a fare amount of rigging for this transfer;

For those who will make this your first visit as a Volunteer to work on the ship, don't be shy, bring you old clothing (coveralls, gloves, boots, etc) for work and something to wear if you go out with the crew for a meal in the evening; The ship has a navy bunks – most have a mattress and some have a ply wood support under the mattress: any thing else you need to over night – bring it; pillow / sleeping bag;

There is usually a cook or some one who looks like a cook on board – could be Army, Navy, or Marine - some or most have been good; Pan-Cakes, and eggs in A.M. with a soup and cold cuts at noon;

No one gets board on the ship; Volunteers obtain Crew Member status on completion of 80 hours volunteer time. This enables the men to apply as Crew for upcoming river trips. The ship can only sail with 40 men during voyages and there are spaces for engineman, cooks, and deck hands in needed proportions.

For planning purposes we ask that you call the ship at 812-435-8678 if you have not filled out a volunteer information form; If you have questions about work week you can e-mail the ship at [325office@lstmemorial.org](mailto:325office@lstmemorial.org) or feel free to call Kenny at 937-418-7000