



Sun Ship Historical Society's Yard's History Page

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Note 1: While due diligence has been applied in the research of this information, responsibility for any errors is the ultimate responsibility of the end-user.

Note 2: Information has been obtained from various sources to enhance the history of Sun Ship and where possible, sources have been identified

Note 3: Text added by SSHS to the review will be bordered with paratheses

Note 4: A series of three 'periods', before or after transcribed text indicates that not all the text was transcribed to the review.

"Any work of history is necessarily a joint venture"
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1. Artifacts's Record:

1.1: This 'Service and Loyalty' article was published in 'Our Yard's' first magazine issue of September 1941. This was also the first article SSHS has in it's archives pertaining to service awards.

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"Early last year the Board of Directors of our Company authorized the presentation of a service and loyalty emblem to all employees who have had accumulated service of ten or more years and are still in the service of the Company. These emblems are small gold pins, with blue lettering showing the length of service of the employee to whom it is awarded, in accordance with the following schedule:

- 10 Years-plain gold emblem
- 15 Years-plain gold emblem
- 20 years-gold emblem- 1 sapphire
- 25 years-gold emblem- 2 sapphires
- 30 years-gold emblem- 3 sapphires
- 35 years-gold emblem- 4 sapphires
- 40 years-gold emblem- 5 sapphires
- 45 years-gold emblem- 4 diamonds
- 50 years-gold emblem- 5 diamonds"

1.2: Published article from Our Yard Magazine's February 1945 issue.

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'A Word of Appreciation' by: Richard L. Burke, President.

"On behalf of the Company, I want to express my appreciation to you men for the long and faithful service you have rendered Sun Ship.

You people who have been with us for so many years represent the real backbone of our organization.

I hope you will want to stay with us at Sun Ship as long as there is work here. And I hope you'll never see the day when there won't be work here."

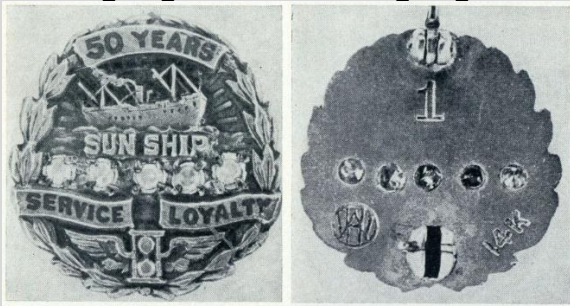
1.3: Published article from 'Our Yard' Magazine's November 1960 issue.

" First 50-Year Pin went to Pete Esrey..."

Sun Ship records show that David R. 'Pete' Esrey started at the Wetherill plant in 1886. Sun Ship came into being in 1916 and acquired the Wetherill Plant in the same year. Employees that transitioned to Sun Ship maintained their seniority... 'Pete' Esrey was awarded his 50 Year Service Award in 1936 and his last day working at the Wetherill plant was Jan. 20, 1940. He passed away 4 days later with 64 years of service.

Photos of 'Pete' Esery's 50-Year Service Award.
 Note the No. 1 on the back, indicating it was the first
 50-Year Service Award issued.

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"The new award, which is used to recognize and honor the shipyard's many long-term employees, will have its initial distribution in July 1978. Years of service are indicated by a variety of combinations of sapphires and diamonds."

Sample of new '78 Award Pin' configuration
 SSHS: 46_05_06_15-1a



**1.4: 'Our Yard' May 1962:
 'Company Revises Service Awards'**

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2. Service and Loyalty Award Artifacts

2.1: Service Awards-Tie Clasps

2.1.1: Service Awards -Tie Clasps c.1940

- 25yr, Circular, Polished Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_01_25-1r



2.1.2: Service Awards -Tie Clasps / Heptagon 1. May, 1962

- 10yr, Polished Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_02_10-1r



- 20yr, Polished Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_02_20-1r

**1.5: 'Sun Ship Log' July 1978:
 'Service Award Sparkles'**

"Jeweling for the shipyard's new service award runs as follows:

- 10 Years None
- 15 Years One Golden Sapphire
- 20 Years Two Golden Sapphires
- 25 Years Three Golden Sapphires
- 30 Years One 6-Point Diamond
- Two Blue Sapphires
- 35 Years Two 6-Point Diamonds
- One Blue Sapphire
- 40 Years Three 6-Point Diamonds"

2.1.3 : Service Awards -Tie Clasps / Heptagon 2. c.19YY?

- 10yr, Brushed Finish.
 Courtesy Joel Chanitz 91-20
 SSHS: 46_05_03_10-1r



- 15yr, Brushed Finish
 Courtesy Richard Sipps 34M-814
 SSHS: 46_05_03_15-1r



- 20yr, Brushed Finish
 Courtesy Richard Sipps 34M-814
 SSHS: 46_05_03_20-1r



- 25yr, Brushed Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_03_25-1r



- 30yr, Brushed Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_03_30-1r



- 35 yr, Brushed Finish
 SSHS: 46_05_03_35-1r



2.2: Service Awards-Lapel Pins

2.2.1: Service Awards-Lapel Pins c.1940

-10Yr, Circular, Polished -15Yr. Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_10-2a SSHS: 46_05_04_15-1



-20Yr, Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_20-1a



-25Yr. Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_25-6r



-30Yr, Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_30-1r



-35Yr. Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_35-6r



-40Yr, Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 46_05_04_00-1r



-50Yr. Circular, Polished
 SSHS: 705 6011 013-2r



2.2.2 : Service Award -Lapel Pins / Heptagon 2. c.1962

-10Yr, Brushed
 SSHS: 46_05_05_10-2r



-15Yr. Brushed
 SSHS: 46_05_04_15-1



-40Yr, Brushed-Ladies Award
 SSHS: 46_05_05_30-2r



-40Yr, Brushed
 SSHS: 46_05_05_40-2r



2.2.3 : Service Award -Lapel Pins / Heptagon 3 c.1978

-10Yr, Brushed

-15Yr. Brushed

SSHS: 46_05_06_10-2r

SSHS: 46_05_06_15-1



-40Yr, Brushed, Ladies Award, 3 Point Diamonds

From: Service Award Booklet c.1978

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