USS Daniel Boone
SSBN 629
The USS DANIEL BOONE (SSBN 629) is the first ship to be so named in the United States Navy. She is the 22nd Polaris submarine authorized and the fourth Mare Island built ship of this type.

Her sleek hull, carrying sixteen Polaris A-3 missiles with a range of 2500 nautical miles, is propelled by the S5W nuclear reactor at speeds in excess of twenty knots submerged and depths in excess of 400 feet.
The keel of the USS DANIEL BOONE was laid 6 February 1962 and she was launched on 22 June 1963. Her sponsor was Mrs. James Wakelin, wife of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development.

The crew's normal complement is thirteen officers and 124 enlisted men. The atmosphere control and messing facilities make possible extended periods of submergence in excess of ninety days.

THE MAN

The namesake of USS DANIEL BOONE was born on the Pennsylvania frontier on November 2, 1734. The son of English immigrant parents, he too became a wandering adventurer, ever curious about what lay ahead on the other side of the hill.

His family moved to the Yadkin Valley in North Carolina in 1751, and it was there that he met his future wife, Rebecca.

Daniel Boone served for a short time on the British side in the French and Indian War, but after his marriage in 1756 he settled into the life of farmer, hunter, and explorer.

People who drifted west returned to the Yadkin Valley with tales of magnificent hunting and beautiful lands in Kentucky. Despite knowledge of warlike Indians in that area, Boone became fired with the idea of settling the new lands to the west. This led ultimately to his greatest endeavors, leading settlers through the Cumberland Gap, and the building of the Wilderness Road through eastern Kentucky in 1775.

In 1778, while serving the Colonial Army, Daniel Boone became a captive of the Shawnee tribe, but his experience as a woodsman and his knowledge of Indians enabled him to avoid the worst of their tortures and escape after six months.

Throughout his life he continued to travel westward, always looking for new lands to settle. He traveled through Ohio, Illinois and Missouri, eventually settling in the latter territory. He died on September 26, 1820, at the age of 85.
The Commanding Officer (Blue) was graduated from the United States Naval Academy on June 7, 1944. In April 1945 he joined the USS BECUNA (SS-319) in which he made two war patrols in the Pacific Ocean, during the latter months of World War II. In 1957 after two years as Commanding Officer of USS HARDHEAD (SS-568) he was assigned to the Division of Reactor Development of the Atomic Energy Commission, serving as a special assistant to Rear Admiral H. G. Rickover, and under instruction in nuclear power.

In 1959 he became the Commanding Officer of USS SEADRAGON (SSN-584) and under his command, SEADRAGON became the first submarine to go under icebergs, and the first ship of any kind to go through the Northwest Passage via Parry Channel, which she did running submerged under ice. She also visited the North Pole. For this voyage Commander Steele received the Legion of Merit and his ship was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation.

After serving as Tactical Training Officer on the Staff of the Deputy Commander, Submarine Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, he reported at Mare Island 20 June 1963 as Prospective Commanding Officer (Blue) USS DANIEL BOONE SSBN 629.

Commander Steele is married to the former Elizabeth Yates Fahnion of Raleigh, North Carolina and has two children, Jane Yates Steele and James Fahnion Steele.

The Commanding Officer (Gold) began his Naval Career in 1943 when he enlisted as an apprentice seaman. He was selected for the Navy V-12 program later that year and assigned to Yale University, from which he graduated in February 1946 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

After periods of duty in the active reserve and during the Korean conflict, Commander Crabtree accepted a commission in the regular navy in 1955 and was assigned as Executive Officer of the submarine rescue vessel USS KITTIWAKE (ASR-13) and of the submarines TIGRONE (SS-419), TORO (SS-422) and PIPER (SS-409). He subsequently was assigned as Commanding Officer of USS SUNBIRD (ASR-15) in September 1959. In this capacity he directed numerous salvage and underwater repair efforts and developed a method of recovery of Polaris Missile launch test vehicles.

In January 1961 he directed salvage operations on collapsed Texas Tower #4 for which he was awarded the Legion of Merit. After a tour of duty as Commanding Officer USS TUSK (SS-426) he attended Nuclear Power School at Bainbridge, Maryland and was assigned to the Division of Reactor Development of the Atomic Energy Commission, under instruction at the Bureau of Ships. In December 1963 he reported aboard as the Prospective Commanding Officer (Gold).

Commander Crabtree is married to the former Shirley M. Sargent of Ellsworth, Maine and has two children, Robin Jean and Jeffrey Parker.
PROGRAM

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by Commander G. P. Steele, U. S. Navy

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Rear Admiral E. E. Yeomans, U. S. Navy
by Commander G. P. Steele, U. S. Navy

INVOCATION
by Chaplain J. D. O'Leary

PLACING OF SHIP IN COMMISSION
by Rear Admiral E. E. Yeomans, U. S. Navy

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ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND
by Commander G. P. Steele, U. S. Navy

BREAKING OF PERSONAL FLAG
of the Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND OF THE GOLD CREW
by Commander A. B. Crabtree, U. S. Navy

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Captain R. C. Giffen, U. S. Navy
by Commander G. P. Steele, U. S. Navy

REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF
Assistant Secretary of the Navy
The Honorable James Wakelin
by Captain R. C. Giffen, U. S. Navy

REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER
by The Honorable James Wakelin

COMMISSIONING ADDRESS
by the Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet
Admiral U. S. Grant Sharp, U. S. Navy

UNVEILING OF PORTRAIT OF DANIEL BOONE
by Mrs. James Wakelin, Sponsor

Benediction
by Chaplain C. H. Swift

DEPARTURE OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY

THE SPEAKER

Admiral U. S. Grant Sharp was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1927. He subsequently advanced to the rank of Admiral upon assuming command of the Pacific Fleet in September 1963.

During early World War II Admiral Sharp commanded USS HOGAN (DMS-6). In 1943 he was assigned as Commanding Officer of the destroyer USS BOYD. Under his command USS BOYD was hit and severely damaged by enemy shore batteries while on a rescue mission searching for a downed aviator. However she was able to continue in action and return to port under her own power. For this action Admiral Sharp received the Silver Star.

Since World War II Admiral Sharp has had command of Fleet Sonar School, San Diego; Destroyer Squadron Five; USS MACON; Cruiser Division Three; Cruiser-Destroyer Force, Pacific; and has served as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Plans and Policy.

On 28 February 1964, Admiral Sharp was appointed to be the next Commander in Chief, Pacific.
Rear Admiral E. E. Yeomans, Commander Western Sea Frontier and Twelfth Naval District was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy Class of 1924. A distinguished Submariner, he has had command of USS S-17, USS S-20, and USS SARGO (SS-188) as well as the cruiser USS ROANOKE (CL-145). During World War II Rear Admiral Yeomans commanded Submarine Division Fifty-Three and later served as planning officer for the Commander Submarine Force Pacific Fleet.

Since World War II Rear Admiral Yeomans has served as Chief of Staff for Commander Submarine Force, Atlantic Fleet and for Commander Submarine Force, Pacific Fleet, Commander of Cruiser Division Four, Superintendent of the U. S. Naval Post Graduate School and Commander Naval Forces, Japan.

Rear Admiral Yeomans was awarded the Legion of Merit for his service while performing duties as Strategic Planning Officer on the Staff of Commander Submarine Force Pacific Fleet from May 1944 to Sept. 1945 and the Bronze Star Medal for his service while performing duties as operations officer of Task Force Forty Two from May 1942 to November 1942 and additional duty as Commander Submarine Division Fifty Three from June 1942 to February 1943.

ADMINISTRATION

The Executive Officer is second in command and responsible to the Commanding Officer for the training and administration of the ship's personnel and implementation of the Commanding Officer's policies. All department heads report to the Executive Officer for the resolution of administrative and personnel problems. The ship's office is charged with maintaining all the ship's official records, reports, and personnel service records.

ENGINEERING

The Engineering Department under the direction of the Engineer Officer is charged with the responsibility for all propulsion equipment, major piping associated with hull, and damage control equipment. As assistants to the Engineer Officer, the Main Propulsion, Electrical, Reactor Control and Auxiliary Division Officers perform vital duties. The Engineer Officer is responsible to the Commanding Officer for all aspects of operation of the ship's nuclear reactor and propulsion plant.

NAVIGATION — OPERATIONS

The Navigator is responsible to the Commanding Officer for the safe navigation of the ship and for precision navigation data used in the weapons sub-systems. He is also responsible for the operation, care and maintenance of the extremely complex ship's navigation equipment including the ship's inertial navigation system. The Operations Officer is responsible for the ship's operational planning and the conduct of operations. The Communications Officer, Sonar Officer and Electronics Material Officer report to the Operations Officer.

WEAPONS

The Weapons Officer is responsible to the Commanding Officer for the operation, care, maintenance and inspection of all weapons systems, fire control systems, missile launcher systems, missiles and torpedoes. The First Lieutenant reports to the Weapons Officer and is responsible for the preservation and cleanliness of the exterior of the ship and the operation, care and maintenance of ground tackle, mooring lines and related equipment.

MEDICAL

The Medical Officer is responsible to the Commanding Officer for the health and welfare of the crew. As consultant he advises the Commanding Officer and the Engineer Officer on radiological health and hazards and atmosphere control.

SUPPLY

The Supply Officer is responsible to the Commanding Officer for requisitioning and stowage of all spare parts and replacement items and for the preparation and service of food.
USS DANIEL BOONE (SSBN 629)
BLUE CREW ROSTER

OFFICERS

CDR. G. P. STEELE
Commanding Officer

LCDR. J. R. LEWIS
Executive Officer

LT. D. E.FIELDS
LT. J. R. DAVIS
LT. J. M. MOOREFIELD, MC
LT. W. E. MCKINNEY

CREW

POWELL, Samuel L., FTOCA
PRECEE, Edward L., SA
RAMEZEE, Daniel, SOCA
RANSDELL, D., EMCS
REDICK, Joseph M., ETN4
REEF, George E., FTM
REPHOLZ, William K., ETR3
REYNOLDS, Jerome F., ETNG
RICHARDSON, Bruce L., MT3N
ROGERS, Charles L., Jr., ET3
SCHAFER, Raymond W., YN2
SCHULZT, Allen E., MM2
SCOTT, Gordon L., ETR8
SORENSEN, Ophir H., FTM
SHERLOCK, Martin H., TM2
SHIREHOUSE, James D., SN
SIDES, William A., EM1
SIMMONS, Terry L., EM2
SMITH, Bela, R., IC3
STAGGS, Joel E., Jr., MQ3
STANLEY, John P., ETR2
STEGE, Lawrence H., Jr., FTM
STICKINGER, Paul M., ETN2
STRAFFON, Byron D., QM2
TEA, Ray E., SN
TENPLER, Richard E., MTOA
THOMPSON, Carl R., EM2
VANUREN, Clark K., SOS2
VANWYK, Daniel R., ETR2
WATSON, Gary R., TM3
WALGEMACH, Alvin W., FN
WALTERS, Timothy J., FN
WASHINGTON, Clay J., ET1
WEBB, Robert H., ENC
WEBER, Robert R., MM2
WILLIAMS, Nelson, SK2
WISE, Richard K., SO2
WOHL, Paul A., EM2
WOODHOUSE, Russell J., RMCA
WRIGHT, Wayne V., SS2

USS DANIEL BOONE (SSBN 629)
GOLD CREW ROSTER

OFFICERS

CDR. A. B. CRABTREE
Commanding Officer

LCDR. E. T. SCOTT
Executive Officer

LT. W. E. RALIFF
LT. B. M. EPPLE
LT. B. R. BROWN, JR

CREW

EBY, Melvin D., ET1
ECHIVERRI, Piedad V., SD1
EHREMMANN, Adolph, MM3
ENCINAS, Fred, RM3N
EPPEBERG, Franklin M., FTG3
FELTON, Bobbie J., ETN2
FERRIS, John A., TM3
FIGUEREDO, Anthony D., SN
FINCH, Daniel T., ENP3
FORD, Ted J., SN
FUSTINI, Donald A., FTM2
FUTCH, Howard E., Jr., ETR2
GALLOWAY, Joe R., Jr., EN
GREENE, John P., SOCA
GROVE, Donald L., TM3
HALL, Hutley E., Jr., ETC3
HICKS, Stephen J., FN
HINSHACK, Larry G., IC3
HURD, William D., ET1
HUSER, Jon H., RM3N
JONES, Melvin H., EN2
JONES, Ronald D., MM2
JONES, Thomas, H., SA
JUZWIK, C., ETR3
KNUTT, George T., EN2
KABLE, Allen M., III, MT3
KERR, John R., OSN
KINDEY, Donald M., EM2
KNIGHT, Richard D., EN2
LECLERC, Richard J., FTMSN
LEIFERING, Edward, HMSA
LEROY, Farley T., FTM3
MAFORT, Carmen A., Jr., CS5
MALONEY, Martin J., SN
MANOOGIAN, Robert P., ET1
MANDATO, Michael R., RCM
MARSHALL, John H., QM1
MARTENS, Ray H., TMCA
MARTIN, Charles H., ETR2
MACCARTNEY, Jay L., Jr., ENCA
MCMONNISFLY, John H., QM2
MCDANIEL, Van P., QM3
MCDONOUGH, James G., ENCA
MCGINNIS, John W., FA

MILAZZO, Joseph H., MT3
MOLINSKI, John Jr., ETR3
MOORE, Freddie G., EN1
MOREA, Richard F., FN
MUELLER, Larry L., FTM2
MUEHLBRECHT, Robert F., ETR
MUNGUA, Daniel A., EN3
MURPHY, Thomas A., ETR3
MURRAY, Stephen F., MT3
NELSON, Donald E., SOSN
PASQUANTINO, Augustine, J., DS3
PEHNFREY, Richard H., ETR3
PHELPS, Edward M., SD1
POWELL, Robert L., MM2
PRAVER, Alan W., SN
FRYOR, Carl F., MM2
PURDY, Gordon R., EN1
RICHARDS, Richard E., MT3
RIVERS, Willis D5
ROBERTS, Jaminic H., MM2
ROWAN, Patrick L., MM2
RUMBAUGH, Frank W., TM1
SANCHEZ, Parrillo, YN2
SANDBERG, Robert E., SOCA
SCHICKERL, Jacob B., Jr., EN3
SCHULTZ, Wilbur D., RMCS
SEXTON, John T., EMCA
SLUTZ, B., ET4
SLYDER, James L., EM1
SOTO, Samuel, MT3
STOUT, Elmer E., Jr., RCM
SWAGLER, Lee J., Jr., YN1
TUCKER, Daniel R., RM2
TURNER, Billy A., EN1
WAHOO, QMCA
WEEMS, Arness D., SOSR
WESTON, James W., ETR2
WOOD, Vernon E., FN
WRIGHT, Wilbur Jr., J. MT3
ZINN, William W., ET1
NEW TRAILS TO BLAZE
DANIEL BOONE