



LATE SPRING 2016

USS WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

The 2016 USS West Virginia Reunion is in Seattle, Washington—October 6-8

THE HOTEL: We'll be staying at the Seattle Airport Marriott, 3201 S 176th Street, Seattle WA 98188. A Marriot Airport shuttle (\$4.00 billed to your room) takes you from the airport to the hotel, a 5-minute ride. We have a block of rooms available at the group rate of \$119.00/day + tax, October 6 – 8, 2016. (Thursday – Saturday). A limited number of rooms are available the day before and the day after the reunion. This full service hotel features an atrium pool and hot tub, a state of the art fitness center, cocktail lounge, coffee shop and restaurants. The light rail station is 1 block away for a short ride into downtown Seattle.

To reserve your room please call: 1-800-228-9290. In order to receive our special rate you must mention that you will be attending the USS West Virginia Reunion. Please consider registering early. The group rate registration cut-off date is September 1, 2016. If you have ANY questions or problems reserving your room please call your reunion coordinator - Tom Reiter - 612-670-1539.

AGENDA

Thursday 10/06. Pizza party reception sponsored by Tony Reiter's family.

Friday 10/07. Ride a luxury motor coach to historic Bremerton WA, home of the Puget Sound Navy Yard. We will tour the Puget Sound Navy Museum. The museum collects, preserves and interprets naval heritage of the Pacific Northwest. The included catered lunch will be in the picturesque Fountain Room attached to the museum overlooking the Sinclair Inlet Harbor. Retired Navy Chief Marion Hersey, a local authority on veterans memorials, will speak to our group about how several of the USS West Virginia ship's guns still stand watch around the area. After lunch we will take a short bus ride to see those guns! Afterwards the bus will drive onto the ferry for an unforgettable journey across Puget Sound into Seattle.

Saturday 10/08. Late morning we will take a short bus ride to the USO – SeaTac Airport for a coffee and cake reception. The USO is a busy place. Each month it serves more than 8000 service members and their families, reservists and retired military. The USO proudly showcases a ship's bell from the USS West Virginia's Captain's gig in addition to the teakwood decks from the USS Colorado. We'll hear from Kelly Tortorice, a USO volunteer whose grandfather was part of the team that scrapped the USS West Virginia and passed the bell on to her.

Saturday afternoon we will hold the traditional memorial service honoring those USS West Virginia veterans who have passed on during the past year. This will be followed by the social hour – open bar – prior to the evening's banquet.

And, of course, the hospitality room will be open in the morning for coffee and rolls and throughout the reunion to gather with your friends for snacks and beverages.

2016 Reunion Activity Registration Form

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and the total amount. Send that amount payable to **USS West Virginia Association** in the form of a **check or money order** (no credit cards or phone reservations) to: USS West Virginia Association, c/o Mike Mullins, 21397 Springwell Drive, Ashburn, VA 20148. All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before **September 1, 2016**.

DATE	PRICE (\$/PP)	NUMBER	TOTAL (\$)
10/6/2016 Thursday Welcome Aboard! Pizza Party in the Hospitality Room at 6:00PM	\$ FREE		
10/7/2016 Friday Bus trip to Bremerton, Museum Tour with Lunch Included Hospitality Room open on return	\$ 30.00 pp		
10/8/2016 Saturday Bus to the USO Reception Hospitality Room open on return	\$10.00 pp		
10/8/2016 Saturday Banquet Dinner at 6:00PM Hospitality Room open following the banquet	\$39.00 pp	Pork / Salmon /	
Registration	\$25.00 pp		
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For hotel reservations at the Seattle Airport Marriott, call (800) 228-9290 . The special group rate is \$119 per night. In order to obtain your special group rate, guests need to ask for the USS WEST VIRGINIA REUNION RATE .

ATTENDEES (For name tags)

NAME _____

DIVISION _____ YEARS ABOARD 19 ____ to 19 ____

GUEST NAME(S) _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME & PHONE _____

INDEMNITY CLAUSE (Must be signed regardless of payment method)

I, the undersigned, hereby assume liability for and shall indemnify, defend, protect, save and hold harmless the USS West Virginia Association and the Seattle Airport Marriott, its parent, subsidiaries and affiliates, and their officers, agents, subcontractors, and employees, from and against any and all liabilities, claims, judgments, damages, losses, including all costs, fees, and expenses incidental there to caused by or arising out of the gross negligence or willful misconduct on my behalf and which are in any way related to the services or goods contemplated by this agreement.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PRINTED NAME _____ PHONE _____