

# 2017 Reunion Special

**Now station the Special Sea and Anchor  
Detail**

**Make all preparations for getting underway**

**The 2017 Sterett Reunion is here!!!**

You're receiving this newsletter because you are registered to attend the 2017 reunion in Nashville.

## **Hospitality Room:**

Our **Hospitality Rroom** for Thursday and Friday will be located on the second floor of the hotel. For Saturday and Sunday mornings, we will move to a first floor ballroom which will better accommodate our follow on events.

## **Reunion Check In**

As soon as possible after arriving and checking in at the hotel, stop by the hospitality room to check in.

Upon check in, you will be given name tags for you and your guests, a hat pin for your ball cap/lapel (one per shipmate/member).

There will be a dinner entrée card behind your name tag. Please check that it is the correct entrée.

Be sure to bring the card with you to dinner Saturday and place it on the table.

The hospitality room will be stocked with complimentary beer, soda, water and snacks. Kick back, have a beer or a soft drink and look around for that shipmate you've been anxious to catch up with. The hospitality room serves as a place to hang out when you're not doing other things.

There will be two rooms for our hospitality room. One will serve as check-in and ships store.

## Ship's Store Sales

Duffy Groener, our outstanding ship's store custodian, will have Sterett "stuff" available for sale in the hospitality room. These items include ball caps, lighters, windbreakers, challenge coins, coffee mugs, window stickers and sew on patches. Be sure to check it out. We'll have a new item available on a limited basis.



## Golfers:

A golf outing is planned for Friday morning.

Friday, June 23 at 7 AM

Two Rivers Golf Course

3140 McGavock Pike, Nashville, Tennessee 37214

**If you're interested, contact Burton Dietz ASAP**

(615) 310-4682 or [Burton@BKPhoto.com](mailto:Burton@BKPhoto.com)

## Off Limits

The Sterett reunion is a time to reunite with shipmates and friends. It is a time to reflect back on the people who helped to make us who we are today. It is a time to remember the good times we shared in days past. It is a time to laugh at the crazy things we did when we were young and reckless.

It is not a time for airing our political differences, arguing about the state of the world today or taking up personal causes.

Please keep it civil and light hearted.

## Dress Code

Casual attire throughout the weekend – wear what's comfortable

Saturday banquet – Dressy casual:

Slacks

Dress shirt, casual button-down shirt, open-collar or polo shirt

Optional tie

## **Business Meeting**

We will conduct our business meeting on Saturday morning at 0900

This meeting is **restricted to members in good standing** (dues current).

You may catch up with dues at the reunion if you are not current.

The meeting will be conducted generally following Robert's Rules of Order.

The following items are covered at the business meeting:

### **Treasurer's Report**

#### **General Discussions**

Seasonal Timing of reunions

Web Management

Open

#### **Election of new officers:**

**The Sterett Association needs you to step up.**

If our organization is to survive, we have to have the active support of our younger shipmates. With a few exceptions, the Association administration has been manned exclusively by the early DLG crew.

DLG/CG 31 was in service for 27 years. If you enjoy the reunions and other aspects of the Sterett Association, then get active.

We need shipmates who served across the years of Sterett's service life to step up and take a position.

Sterett Association officers are elected for a two year period.

The following positions will be elected:

President

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer

3 Officer At Large positions

(Ships Storekeeper is a voluntary position)

## **2019 Reunion**

The location for the 2019 Sterett reunion will be decided at the business meeting.

A few things to consider:

Sterett shipmates live from one end of the Country to the other.

The reunion location has been moved around the country to accommodate shipmates that live in various places.

We've been to the Rockies, the mid Atlantic, the southwest coast, the gulf coast, the northeast, the northwest and sort of in the middle.

Perhaps it's time to pay those who reside in the southeast part of the US a visit.

The location decision is up to the members but please give consideration to places like Jacksonville or Pensacola, FL or Charleston, SC as possible locations.

We would all like the next reunion to be in our own back yard but please give some thought to other shipmates who weren't able to make the trip to Nashville.

For a successful reunion, we must have a Sterett shipmate in the selected area who is willing to take on the duties of Reunion Coordinator.

Got a location?? Be prepared to sell your location to the members and be willing to stand up and act as area coordinator for it (it's not a cake walk - ask Burton Dietz)

## **Plan of the Day**

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## **Thursday, June 22:**

Early Arrivals, Meet and Greet, Free Time, Local Sightseeing

Hospitality Room opens at 1400 (Second Floor)

Check In

Refreshments Available

Elbow Rubbing

Sea Stories

## Friday, June 23:

1000 Hospitality Room opens (Second Floor)

Check In

Meet and Greet

Refreshments Available

Ship's Store Opens

Local Attractions

1730 Cash Bar Opens (in the Hospitality Room)

## Saturday, June 24

Hospitality Room opens at 0800 (in Ballroom)

Coffee, Breakfast rolls available

Refreshments Available

0900 - 1045 - Association Business Meeting (**Members Only**)

1100 - Bus Departs for Jack Daniels Distillery Tour

Local Sightseeing/Shopping

1745 Cash Bar Opens

1800 - Assemble for Dinner

1805 - Color Guard Presents the Colors

1810 - Opening Remarks/ Introductions

1820 - Invocation

1830 - Dinner

1945 - Guest Speaker (Capt. Chris Martin, CO NAS Pensacola)

2010 - Introduction of Elected Association Officers; Remarks

2020 - Dancing, Social Time

## **Sunday**

Hospitality Room opens at 0800 (in Ballroom)

Coffee, Breakfast rolls available

Refreshments Available

0900 - Memorial Service

Bell Tolling Ceremony for DD 407 Crewmen Killed in Battle

Closing Remarks

1200 - Checkout and Departure

**The 2017 Nashville reunion is shaping up to be a great one because you'll be there.**

**Travel safe.**