

## The President's Corner

Final Week to Register for San Diego

Time is rapidly running out to get in your registration for our Reunion in San Diego 4-7 May. One week from today – 24 April, is the last day to send your registration in!

With nearly 200 Shipmates already signed up to attend, this will be our largest Reunion yet and promises to be one you won't soon forget. Folks coming from all parts of the country and from the DLG years, the CG years and the 104 years, plank owners to recent additions to the 104 crew, with lots of people you know and lots of new friends to make!

If you got one of our new name badges in San Antonio, please bring it with you. If you have not yet received one, we will have one for you in San Diego!

Many of you have expressed an interest in touring the Midway on Thursday, 4 May and while I could not arrange group tickets, veterans do get a discount and if 10 or more want me to, I will arrange for van service to get you to and from. Thursday night we are having our gathering at The Nolen Rooftop in the Gaslamp District of downtown. Perched high atop a hotel, The Nolen provides dynamic views of the skyline and Petco Park,



and the harbor as well. We will gather from 1800-2000 for appetizers, drinks and dinner at a cost of only \$70 per person. You can pay with cash or check on your arrival and with a credit card through PayPal or Venmo



Friday will be a day of golfing, just let me know so I can book tee times, a time to welcome the 104 back to San Diego after an extended deployment/maneuvers with her battle group and a night at the ballpark watching the San Diego Padres take on the Loss Angeles Dodgers. The stadium is sold out, but I have purchased 50 tickets where we can sit together, watch some baseball, sip some beer and share sea stories! Cost is only \$74, but are going fast so please contact me via email, <u>bdietz49@gmail.com</u>, if you would like to attend.

Business meeting Saturday for Members in Good Standing, you can sign up or renew your membership at the registration desk, with our banquet Saturday evening. CDR Chris Descovich, Commanding Officer of the DDG-104 will be our guest speaker. It will be a great night with several presentations and recognitions.

Our Hospitality Suite and Ship's Store will be open from 3 May until end of the day on Saturday and the hotel lounge will be open every evening for continued conversations and socializing (we kept it open until nearly 0200 a couple of nights in San Antonio)!

Great times, with great people in a great city! What more could you ask for right?



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