

PIEDMONT NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2016

Piedmont Shipmates and Friends - Here are some details on our Savannah Georgia reunion October 05 - 09, 2016. Our host hotel is Best Western Plus 115 O'Leary Road, Port Wentworth, GA. Call hotel at # 912-964-0840 and ask for USS Piedmont rate of \$78.00 per night, \$93.14 per night with tax. The rate is good for 3 days prior and 3 days after the reunion dates. Reunion hotel provides free hot breakfast daily and we will offer alcohol and non alcohol drinks as well as assorted snacks in our hospitality room. Dinner will be served nightly for those who choose to partake.

Transportation from airport to hotel is your responsibility, about \$25.00 each way by taxi but it is felt that you might agree you will save money if hotel staying near airport is \$125.00 - \$149.00 plus tax nightly. Hotel check in is 3:00 pm and check out is 11:00 am. You have a choice of double or king size beds. As always don't forget to bring a small gift to raffle to help defray hospitality room expenses. Gift cards are always a hit.

Please complete registration form as quickly as possible. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Savannah October 5 - 9, 2016. Any additional questions contact Willie at 757-479-2733 or e-mail griswold5@verizon.net

MENU

WEDNESDAY DINNER - Blackened Chicken and Pulled BBQ Pork, 4 Cheese Macaroni, Butter Beans, Garden Salad with Toppings & Dressing, Dinner Rolls. Dessert Banana Pudding. Beverage Station, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, all hospitality room drinks available.

THURSDAY DINNER - Chicken Marsala, Meat Lasagna, Parmesan Rice, Zucchini Provencal , Garden Salad with Toppings &

Dressing, Dinner Rolls. Dessert Espresso Mocha Trifle. Beverage Station, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, all hospitality room drinks available.

FRIDAY DINNER - Tilapia in Lemon Butter, Herbed Pork Loin in Gravy, Buttered Green Beans, Buttery Mashed Potatoes. Garden Salad with Toppings & Dressing, Dinner Rolls. Dessert Assorted Cookie & Cake Platter. Beverage Station, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, all hospitality room drinks available. Beverage Station, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, all hospitality room drinks available.

SATURDAY BANQUET - Carved Beef Shoulder Tender with Au Jus & Horseradish - Dijon Aioli, Oven Roasted Chicken, Shrimp & Grits with Toppings, Shredded Cheese, Bacon Crumbles & Scallions, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Mixed Vegetables, Garden Salad with Toppings & Dressing, Dinner Rolls. Beverage Station, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, all hospitality room drinks available.

TOURS

We have concentrated on three tours

THURSDAY - 0900 Pickup and tour Mighty Eighty Eighth Air Force Museum with lunch at museum after tour. After lunch we will tour Botanical Garden and from there return to hotel

FRIDAY - 0900 Pickup and tour of Historic Savannah to include veteran's monument tour of many town squares. Lunch at Old Country Thyme at 1200. After Lunch continue tour as we head back to hotel. We can fresh up and conduct our annual business meeting, electing new officers, and selecting a location to host 2017 reunion (Scheduled for somewhere on West Coast)

SATURDAY - Tour of Charleston South Carolina. Tour of CSS Hunley a Civil War Confederate Submarine being reclaimed. After Hunley tour we will have a box lunch as we tour historical areas of Charleston. Returning about 4 pm in time for our final banquet.

SUNDAY - END OF REUNION.

SAVANNAH GA REUNION REGISTRATION OCTOBER 5 - 9, 2016

**Complete entire form with payment and send to Kent Thomas
7800 W 158th St, Overland Park KS 66223 by 15 September 2016.
Make check payable to Piedmont Reunion Phone # 913-381-8934.
email kthomas82@kc.rr.com
Shipmates Name**

Guests Name

Enclosed is \$15.00 Annual Association Dues

\$ _____

Enclosed is \$253.00 Per Person Attending 2016 Reunion.

No of people _____ x \$253.00 =

This cost includes three bus tours, Thurs, Fri, and Sat., Lunches and Dinners, including Wednesday Welcome Dinner.

If you cannot attend all functions then individual events may be purchased at the following rates.

Thursday Tour of 88th Air Force Museum & Garden \$55.00

Friday Tour of Savannah Historical Area \$ 55.00

Saturday Tour of Charleston SC, and CSS Hunley \$60.00

Wednesday Evening Best Western Plus Buffet Dinner \$17.00

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Saturday Evening Final Banquet \$32.00.

Total Enclosed \$_____

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Sailor news you would like to share with your shipmates.
