PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
2014 NATIONAL REUNION

It looks like everything is finally set up for our 2014 reunion in spite of how hard I tried to mess things up. One would think that the more times we do this, the easier it would become. Perhaps it's my old age that is creating the problems, but it seems the faster I go the behinder I get. This year actually started out with Boston as our hosting city, then changed to Providence since I wasn't able to find anything. Our next stop, Providence, shows promise of finding a decent package in Providence.

The 2014 Patrol Gunboat Association Reunion will be held at:
Sheraton Providence Airport Hotel
1850 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
Reservations: (800) 325-3535

The primary dates for the 2014 Patrol Gunboat Association Reunion are from Wednesday, August 6 through Sunday, August 10, 2014. Our special group rate is $105.00 per night for single, double, triple quad. The rate includes a hot buffet breakfast for up to two persons per room. This rate is good for up to three days before and three days after our reunion.

The Sheraton Providence Airport Hotel is located near T.F. Green Airport (PVD) and minutes from downtown Providence. When you touch down, the hotel is located less than one mile from the airport terminal. Once you reach the lower baggage claim level, locate the telephone bank to the left of baggage claim. Please locate Sheraton Providence Airport hotel telephone and we will be over to pick you up.

Our special group rate for all standard rooms is $105.00 for single, double, triple quad. These rates are also good for three days prior and three days after the reunion. To book your room contact the hotel at (800) 325-3535 and let them know you are with the Patrol Gunboat Association. Your room rate also includes breakfast for registered guests. You will receive breakfast coupons for each day you are staying when you check in at the front desk.

We will open the hospitality room at noon on Wednesday with check in starting around 3:00. Hospitality will be open continuously until the end of the reunion on Sunday. Wednesday is a check-in day with no planned events. Thursday we will start out early by boarding the bus at 7:45. We hope to be on the road by 8:00 enroute to the USS Constitution. The ship's tour will be on our own. Those who wish to can also visit the USS Constitution museum. We depart the Constitution at noon and head to Salem for lunch on our own followed by free time to visit the many attractions in the area. We depart Salem at 3:30 and head back to the hotel. Thursday evening will be free time with dinner on your own.

Friday we again leave early for our tour of Battleship Cove and Providence. While at Battleship Cove you can visit the USS Massachusetts, the Destroyer Joseph P. Kennedy and the Submarine USS Lionfish. You can also see other sights such as PT-617 and PT-796 as well as many other exhibits. We will then have lunch on our own at Federal Hill followed by a guided tour of Providence, ending the day at the State House. We expect to return to the hotel around 5:00.

Friday night is our casual buffet dinner followed by comments and remarks. The evening will end with most of us enjoying a cold drink and snacks in the Hospitality room.

Saturday morning we will gather for our annual business meeting. Comments, suggestions will be taken from the members as well as a review of our finances and the status of our membership. This year it also might be a good idea to discuss someone getting familiar with how we run things just in case there is a need for someone to take over the leadership of the association. While I am probably one of the younger members of the Association, it is a good idea to have another member learn what all is involved in setting up the reunions as well as someone who can assume control of the finances in the event it is necessary.

Saturday night is the Banquet dinner. I am still working on the entertainment for Saturday night, so bring along comfortable shoes for dancing just in case.

EVENT ATTIRE FOR THE BUFFET AND BANQUET DINNER

One question that frequently comes up before the reunion is "What is the appropriate attire". Appropriate attire for the buffet dinner will be whatever is comfortable; slacks and a shirt for guys, shorts if the weather is warm. Ladies, for the Friday night buffet dinner, slacks or shorts, is the appropriate attire. Appropriate attire for the buffet dinner will be whatever you feel is comfortable casual attire. Appropriate attire for the Banquet dinner. A suit, some coat and tie or simply a nice shirt and pants would be fine. I trust the ladies know what is right for them, lets face it, they always look good anyway, it's the guys who need to be told what to wear.
50/50 Drawing

As most of you know, we hold a 50-50 drawing each year to help cover reunion expenses. Let's get a good start on the 2014 50-50 Drawing by sending in your checks as soon as possible. We sold a total of $1370.00 for the 2013 reunion.

Everyone received tickets for the 50-50 drawing with the last newsletter. This is a great way for you to help support the Association even if you cannot attend the reunion. We continue to sell tickets until just after the business meeting on Saturday morning. If you wish to purchase additional tickets, just drop a check in the mail to me for $10.00 for each set of 12 tickets. I will complete the stubs for you.

Each year we use the proceeds to help with reunion expenses. Our biggest expense is the newsletter and the cost of postage. We are also able to use the money we make on hats, mugs, 50-50 and registration fees to pay expenses directly related to our reunions. Money for newsletters, membership cards and directories and the cost to mail these items comes primarily from membership dues. Our biggest expense is the newsletter and the cost of postage. We are no longer able to use a bulk permit so the cost of the newsletter has increased.

Even if you can't attend the reunion, your participation in the 50-50 drawing helps cover these expenses. Additionally, you stand a chance of cashing in if your ticket is one of the winning tickets drawn. Remember, you need not be present to win.

MASS EMAIL PROGRAM

A while back I believe I told everyone that I had to change our web hosting service. The new service, Just Host has a bulk email program like the old one did. The only major difference is that the new service will only let me have 100 email addresses per list. In the past there were three lists, gunboato4rider1, gunboato4rider2 and gunboato4rider3.

In the future prior to me sending out a mass email, you will get a subscription notice for the list you are on. Soon after that you will receive a notice that you have been removed from the list so that I can delete it until I need to use it again. While I am on the subject of Email, when I sent the mass email out this week, about 60 of them were returned. If you change your email address, please let me know.

NEW MEMBERS IN FILE

Following is a list of new members who have been located since the last newsletter was published.

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HOSPITALITY ROOM

For those of you who are attending your first Patrol Gunboat Reunion, I want to mention the Hospitality Room. Once you are settled in to your room, the Hospitality Room is the next place you should go. When you get there you will receive your registration package, a schedule of tours and other events and meal and tour tickets for those events you signed up for when you registered. You will also receive your free 2014 Patrol Gunboat Association Reunion coffee mug. As always, we will be selling tickets for the Saturday night raffle table and 50-50 drawing. Remember, with the purchase of $20.00 in raffle table tickets, you receive a "Free" Ballcap. The hospitality room will open at noon on Wednesday and remain open until noon Sunday. Actual registration should start around 3:00. There will be free snacks, soft drinks and beer available in the hospitality room throughout the reunion.

2014 DUES STATUS

Our goal is to use the money we make on hats, mugs, 50-50 and registration fees to pay expenses directly related to our reunions. Money for newsletters, membership cards and directories and the cost to mail these items comes primarily from membership dues. Our biggest expense is the newsletter and the cost of postage. We are no longer able to use a bulk permit so the cost of the newsletter has increased.

We currently have mailing addresses on 1039 people. We have 101 members who have already paid their 2014 dues. Membership dues are $20.00 per year. Dues paying members receive all copies of Gunboat Riders newsletters. Members who do not pay dues will receive the pre-reunion newsletter with registration forms only.

Your dues status is printed on the mailing label sent with this newsletter. To determine your dues status, check the label on the envelope that this newsletter came in.

Name and address information is on the left side of the label. On the top right side of the label is your member status for 2014. If there is an "RP" next to "Status", then your 2014 dues are paid. If there is an "RP" or "RNPL", then your 2014 dues are not paid.

Please note that I am not perfect. I believe that I have updated the membership status for everyone who has paid their dues in advance, but if you feel that there is an error in my data base, be sure to let me know.

If you have decided not to pay Association dues, then this will be the last edition of Gunboat Riders you will receive until the next special edition. Honorary and Associate members are exempt from paying dues and do not receive the Membership Directory. Families of deceased members can receive a copy of the Membership Directory upon request. If you have any questions, please call or send me an email at mcmanues1@cox.net.
2014 Patrol Gunboat Association Reunion Itinerary

Wednesday, August 6, 2014

12:00 Hospitality Room opens and remains open until noon, Sunday.
3:00 Arrival and Registration, 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM, dinner and evening on your own. Today would be a great time to visit some of the local attractions or just relax and visit in the hospitality room.

Thursday, August 7, 2014

7:15 Arrival and registration until 7:30 AM.
7:45 Board bus for USS Constitution and Salem Tour.
8:00 Bus departs.
9:00 Arrive at USS Constitution
12:00 Depart for Salem
Lunch on your own.
Tour of Salem, MA.
3:30 Depart and return to Hotel.
Tour Price $44.00 per person, includes transportation, guide, admissions and taxes. Lunch will be available "on your own" during the tour.
Registration schedule will be posted in the Hospitality Room.
Return to hotel.

Friday, August 8, 2014

7:15 Arrival and registration until 7:30 AM.
7:45 Board bus for Battleship Cove and Providence Tour.
8:00 Bus departs.
9:00 Arrive Battleship Cove.
11:30 Depart for Providence Tour
12:15 Lunch on your own at Federal Hill.
2:30 Meet guide at DePasquale Plaza
3:30 Return to Hotel
Tour Price $42.00 per person, includes transportation, guide, reservations, admissions and taxes. Lunch will be available "on your own" during the tour.
6:00 Registration schedule will be posted in the Hospitality Room.
7:00 Attitude Adjustment Hour, Cash Bar
Friday Night Buffet Dinner. Following dinner, enjoy some quiet time with your shipmates in a casual atmosphere.

Saturday, August 9, 2014

7:30 Registration Schedule will be posted in Hospitality Room.
9:00 Business Meeting until 11:00.
6:00 Attitude Adjustment Hour, Cash Bar
7:00 Patrol Gunboat Association 2014 Banquet Dinner, followed by raffle drawing and 50-50 ticket drawing, entertainment and dancing.

Sunday, August 10, 2014

Farewells and Departures.
12:00 Hospitality Room closes.
2014 PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND REUNION

Following is this year's registration information for Providence, Rhode Island

Place: Sheraton Providence Airport Hotel
1850 Post Road
Providence, RI 02886
Phone: (800) 325-3535

Date: Wednesday, August 6, 2014
To: Sunday, August 10, 2014
(check-in time is 3:00 PM, checkout time is 11:00 AM.)

Bell Captain can arrange to check baggage for guests arriving early.

Patrol Gunboat Association Guest Room Rates are $105.00 per night for all Standard Rooms.

Note: Association Rate must be requested at the time reservations are made.

Rates are subject to all current local taxes. Breakfast is complimentary for all registered guests. Contact the hotel for information on motor home parking for registered guests.

ALL HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE SHERATON HOTEL BY JULY 6, 2014 TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY AT THE GROUP RATE. RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE HOTEL AND CONFIRMING THE FIRST NIGHT WITH A MAJOR CREDIT CARD.

All Meal Reservations and Tour Reservations must be made with the enclosed Registration Form and forwarded to: Patrol Gunboat Association, c/o Terry W. McManuels, 1673 Kilt Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23464 by no later than July 6, 2014.

FRIDAY BUFFET DINNER
Chef's Seasonal Soup
Grand Salad Bar

New York Strip Steak
Char Broiled Chicken Breast
Boston Baked Cod
Seasonal Vegetable Medley
Rice Paif
Roasted Red Potatoes
Fresh Baked Breads and Butter
Assorted Deserts
Coffee, Decaffinated Coffee, Tea

Total Price including Tax: $37.00
Children's Buffet: $17.00

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET
Menu 2:
New England Clam Chowder
Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings
London Broil with Choice of Sauces
Penne with Marinara Sauce
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Assorted Rolls and Butter
Chef's Selection of Deserts
Coffee, Decaffinated Coffee, Tea

Total Price including Tax: $39.00

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET
Menu 1:
New England Clam Chowder
Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings
Grilled Chicken with Garlic Cream Sauce
Penne with Marinara Sauce
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Assorted Rolls and Butter
Chef's Selection of Deserts
Coffee, Decaffinated Coffee, Tea

Total Price including Tax: $39.00

SATURDAY BANQUET
Children's Menu (4 - 12)
Chicken Tenders
French Fries, Cole Slaw
Desert
Milk, Iced Tea or Lemonade

Total Price including Tax: $17.00

MEALS FOR SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.
Listed below you will find all of the Dinner and Tour costs as well as Registration Fees for our 2014 Reunion. Please enter the number of people that will be participating in each event, and total that amount. All Reservations and Payments must be received on or before July 6, 2014. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. At the bottom, add up the TOTAL AMOUNT DUE for all events, including Registration Fees and send this form and a check made payable to PATROL GUNBOAT ASSOCIATION to:

Patrol Gunboat Association
Terry W. McManuells
1673 Kilt Street
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Previous Reunions Attended (check all that apply)
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TOUR SELECTIONS
(Please see newsletter for description of Tours)

TOUR #1 - THURSDAY - USS Constitution, Salem Tour (lunch "on your own")
Price: $44.00
No. of People: X
Total Amount: $_____

TOUR #2 - FRIDAY - Battleship Cove, Providence Tour (lunch "on your own")
Price: $42.00
No. of People: X
Total Amount: $_____

Registration, Crewmember: $15.00
Registration, Each Additional Guest: $10.00

Registration Fee covers administrative costs and hospitality room expenses. Registration Fee is $15.00 for crewmembers, $10.00 for each additional guest.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE TO "PATROL GUNBOAT ASSOCIATION" ENCLOSED: $_________

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU COMPLETE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.
IT WILL BE USED FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES AND NAME TAGS.

Member Name: __________________________________________________________________ (as you want it shown on your Name Tag)
First: __________________________ (Ml): __________________________ Last: __________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________
City: ____________________________ Zip Code: __________ Telephone: (_____)(____)____-__________
Emergency contact: __________________________ Telephone: (_____)(____)____-__________
Ship or Squadron Name: __________________________ Ship's Hull Number: __________________________
Arrival Date: _______ Departure Date: _______ Are you staying at the Sheraton Hotel? Yes □ No □
Are you Flying? □ Driving? □ RV? □ Email Address: __________________________
Is this your first PG Association Reunion? Yes □ No □
Special Limitations or Requirements?
Please list First and Last Names of Spouse and all Guests (excluding yourself) so that we can make Name Tags.
1. ______________________________________________________________________
2. ______________________________________________________________________
3. ______________________________________________________________________

FULL REFUNDS WILL BE SENT FOR THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES IF CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED BY JULY 6th. AFTER THAT DATE, REFUND AMOUNT WILL DEPEND ON VENDOR POLICIES. PLEASE CALL ME AT (757) 479-2261 (Monday - Thursday). YOUR CANCELLED CHECK WILL SERVE AS YOUR CONFIRMATION. REGISTRATION FEE COVERS ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND HOSPITALITY ROOM EXPENSES. REGISTRATION FEE IS $15.00 FOR CREWMEMBERS, $10.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GUEST.