# Summer 2019 Newsletter



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### The USS Cabildo (LSD-16) Crewmembers Association Newsletter

#### President's Message Darrel Osborn

Our reunions are getting more difficult. We are wearing out, getting less mobile, and the expense is going up. But unlike the appliances and vehicles that we are replacing again, we are not replaceable. How else can so many friends gather so far from home in one place for three or four days and experience so many places and sights and activities. How else can we, as a common crew, memorialize the passing and memories of those who cannot gather again.

Let's be there and enjoy the moment, while we can.



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Vice President's Message 2019 Charleston Reunion

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Vice President's Message Leo A. Waltsak

**Greetings Shipmates & Friends,** 

As I write this, families all over our Nation are celebrating our Country's founding and Birthday, 4 July 1776. This evening, Claire & I are going to the Boardwalk at Asbury Park, NJ to celebrate the way founding father, John Adam's, suggested in a letter to his wife, to see the fireworks. When our children were still at home, we always had something going on during the day, and always finished with the fireworks. As we got older, we didn't always go to see them. We would watch a concert on TV from Washington, DC or Boston which always featured a patriotic ending with a fabulous fireworks display. One of the nicest times we had was when we took a boat out of Atlantic Highlands, NJ, traveled across Raritan Bay, under the Verrazano Bridge, passed the Statue of Liberty and up the East River of New York City to see the Macy's fireworks display. As much as this is a patriotic celebration in loving our country, I am reminded, it's a day to share with the ones you love; family and friends who are there when you need them and vice versa. So, have a cold drink, enjoy your day, and don't be selfish with your hugs to those who love you.

Speaking of those we love & care about, it's unfortunate that some of our ship mates and friends won't be able to join us in Charleston, SC come September. Two of our favorite attendees, Walt & Deb Fulps will be sorely missed this year. We wish each of them well, with an extra wish for Walt, and look forward to seeing them next year. Also, we were saddened by the death of our friend and Widow of fellow shipmate, Paul Tsompanas, his dear wife, Mary Ann. You know, a thought can be a prayer, so every now and then, think of Phil Shirey, Paul & Mary Ann, and Walt & Deb. Maybe a thought to all the shipmates you've known and who are now over the bar.

Now, remember there is a deadline to register for this year's reunion. Reunion Activities Package fee is due by 9 August 2019; and the Hampton Inn reservation must be booked by 10 August 2019 to receive the special USS Cabildo rate. I know that Becky Lyon is putting together a wonderful agenda for us. My wife and I are looking forward to all that Charleston has to offer. So,



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Charleston Dinner Cruise

USS Cabildo (LSD-16) Website Links until we meet again, give and thought now and then to your shipmates, and I wish you always, fair winds and following seas.

#### **Charleston Reunion 2019**

**By: Becky Lyon** 

I have been looking forward in seeing everyone again this year and hope they will enjoy their stay in Charleston. Claire has given me some great ideas for reunion things we have never done before. Kathleen is not sure what she will bring but I am sure it will be special as always.

Here's again is the outline of our planned reunion events.

#### Monday Sept. 9

Hospitality room will open and a reception buffet dinner will be held there.

#### **Tuesday Sept. 10**

Morning bus tour of Charleston with lunch on your own and we will return to our hotel about 2:30 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m. we will depart for an evening dinner cruise boarding the Carolina Queen at 7:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday Sept. 11

10:00 a.m. Board our bus for a visit to Boone Hall, an active producing plantation which grows vegetables, peaches and pecans. We will get back to our hotel about 11:30 a.m. Lunch at the Hotel. Afternoon and evening free.

#### Thursday Sept. 12

9:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting and Memorial Service.

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remainder of the day will be free time. 6:00 p.m. No host bar will open



**7:00 p.m. Banquet dinner followed by our Cabildo Association Raffle** 

Friday Sept 13 Breakfast and farewells.

Following are Links to both the 2019 Reunion registration form and the reunion schedule"

2019 Reunion Registration Form

2019 Reunion Schedule

Notes:

We will be staying at the Hampton Inn and Suites Charleston Airport. Daily breakfast and the airport shuttle are complementary and the shuttle will take us anywhere within 5 miles.

The hotel also said they had a medical supply place with scooters and so on, Herbert's Mobility, 1930 Ashley River Road #B, Charleston, SC 29407. 844-571-1515, or

The hotel told me are good people, they will deliver to hotel and pick up from hotel also.

Website/Newsletter

Warren Gammeter

We have not had any malware issues this year and I believe I have removed all the old pages that created the vulnerability. Please do contact me ASAP if you ever see anything that does not look right on our website.

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### Registration Form USS Cabildo



#### Charleston, SC September 9th - 13th, 2019

Planner: Becky Lyons Email: mommalyon@aol.com

Veteran:	Spouse:
Rank: Years aboard ('0-0):	Guest:
Guest:	Email:
Address:	City, State, Zip:
Phone:	Phone:
Please list dietary restrictions here:	Are you able to do steps up into a motor coach?
Do you use any of the following? (Circle) Wheelchair Scooter Walker Cane Other	Notes:

Be sure to call the **Hampton Inn & Suites 846-990-5100** and reserve your rooms by **August 10th**! Mention you're with the USS Cabildo reunion for a special group rate of \$129 per night plus tax. Breakfast each morning included!

Group rate will be honored for 3 days before and after the reunion dates.

Please call our office at **417-334-5678** with any questions, cancellations, or good news.

Registrations and full payments are required for attendance, and are **due by August 9th, 2019.** As we will be making final payments to venues at this time, registrations received after **August 9th, 2019** will not be processed and Military Reunions Plus will not be responsible for booking activities for registrations received after this date. Refunds of up to 70% are available **until August 9th, 2019 at 5pm.** There will be **NO REFUNDS after August 9th, 2019.** Thank you for agreeing to these terms.

Reunion activity packages include all activities, transportation, taxes, and gratuities. Reunion activity packages are \$400 per person. Indicate in the box how many you

wish to purchase \_\_\_\_\_\_>

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Security Code

OR PAY WITH CHECK:

Make payable and mail to:

Check #	Amount	Date

Military Reunions Plus 155 Industrial Park Dr. Hollister, MO 65672

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Initial to accept a credit card charge for the full amount \_\_\_\_\_

OR initial here \_\_\_\_\_\_ and write your deposit amount (50% or more) : \_\_\_\_\_



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