



U.S.S. GEARING (DD-710) ASSOCIATION, Inc.



REUNION NOTICE 2009

MAY 14 to MAY 17, 2009

Holiday Inn Select Orlando International Airport

5750 T.G. Lee Boulevard

Orlando, Florida 32822

1-866-253-2182

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A full-service hotel well-suited for today's business and leisure traveler. This 7-floor, 288-room Orlando vacation hotel provides the finest in comfort and convenience in your richly-appointed room and throughout the facility. Upgraded television package including premium cable channels, pay-per-view movies and *Nintendo* video game rentals; Well-lit work stations with ergonomic chairs, complimentary Internet access and 2 telephones with voice mail and speakerphone. Thoughtful conveniences continue outside your room, making your time in Orlando pleasant and relaxing. Enjoy delectable on-site dining, unwind with numerous recreation options, Bristol Café, a full-service restaurant serving delicious American cuisine for breakfast, lunch, dinner and room service; Heated outdoor pool and whirlpool; Internet Café serving a full menu and providing free computers with Internet; State-of-the-art fitness center and complimentary access to Bally's Total Fitness; Complimentary Parking for hotel guests, tennis & basketball courts & sand volleyball

A **\$85.00 rate/per night + tax**, has been negotiated. The rate is good from May 11 to May 19.

CUT OFF DATE – April 23, 2009.

When making reservations indicate it is for the USS Gearing Association Reunion.

PLEASE ADVISE THE HOTEL WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS.

If you have any questions or desire further information, please contact Reunion Chairman, Ken Baker. He can be reached at 352-243-9451. E-Mail - kbaker4640@aol.com

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Thursday May 14

1500-????
1900-2330

Lobby Registration - Check in
Hospitality Room open

Friday May 15

0815
0930
0945
1000
1200

1500

1600
1800
???? - 2200

Depart for Kennedy Space Center
Memorial Service
Board bus for NASA Up Close Tour
Bus Departs for NASA Tour
View exhibits, displays, and IMAX
Presentations along with self guided tour of Space Center
Lunch on your own
Board bus for a visit to U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame
Board bus for return to hotel
Board of Directors Meeting – Conference Room
Hospitality Room open

Saturday May 16

0900
1000-1200
1200-1700
1600
1900-????

Business Meeting
Ladies Auction
Free Time – Hospitality Room open
Group Pictures and cash bar
Banquet/entertainment

Sunday May 17

For those persons **NOT** going on cruise,
Check out at your leisure and safe trip home God Speed and Smooth Sailing
Those taking cruise will meet at buses.

Complete and return to U.S.S. Gearing (DD-710) Association, Inc.

Scheduled activities at the reunion are listed below with the cost of each activity. Please select the activities you wish to participate in, fill in the number, and carry forward the total. *Also provide names you would like on name badges.* Make your checks payable to the U.S.S. Gearing Association and return to Treasurer, Dan Donohue.

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY April 27, 2009

ITALIAN BANQUET BUFFET
COST - \$44.00 per person Dress: Casual

Registration Fee (for shipmates only)			\$10.00	
Banquet Buffet	_____	@ \$44.00 each	_____	Total
Kennedy Space Center Tour	_____	@ \$75.00 each	_____	Total

Badge Names: _____
Last Name : _____
Address : _____

TOTAL OF CHECK ENCLOSED _____
Send Checks & Response to Treasurer
Daniel S. Donohue
30 Downer Avenue
Scarsdale, NY 10583-4945

..... TEAR HERE

TOURS

Friday May 15 – Kennedy Space Center. (\$75.00 per person)

Directions.

From Interstate 4:

Exit onto Beachline Expressway (State Road 528) and head east. Take State Road 436 (Semoran Blvd.) north to Orlando. Turn right at the first traffic light onto T.G. Lee Boulevard. The hotel is the first entrance on the right.

From Interstate 95:

Exit onto Beachline Expressway (State Road 528) and head west. Take State Road 436 (Semoran Blvd.) north to Orlando. Turn right at first traffic light onto T.G. Lee Boulevard. The hotel is the first entrance on the right.

From the Florida Turnpike:

Exit onto Beachline Expressway (State Road 528) and head east. Take State Road 436 (Semoran Blvd.) north to Orlando. Turn right at first traffic light onto T.G. Lee Boulevard. The hotel is the first entrance on the right.

ROOM RESERVATIONS

Room reservations must be made by **April 23, 2009** by calling the Holiday Inn Select Orlando International Airport at 1-866-253-2182 and advise them that you are with the USS Gearing Reunion.

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR ITEMS FOR THE LADIES AUCTION

At the 2005 Annual Business meeting, it was voted on to charge a registration fee of \$10.00 for each shipmate attending the reunion to help defray some of the costs in setting up the reunion.

REUNION CHAIRMAN

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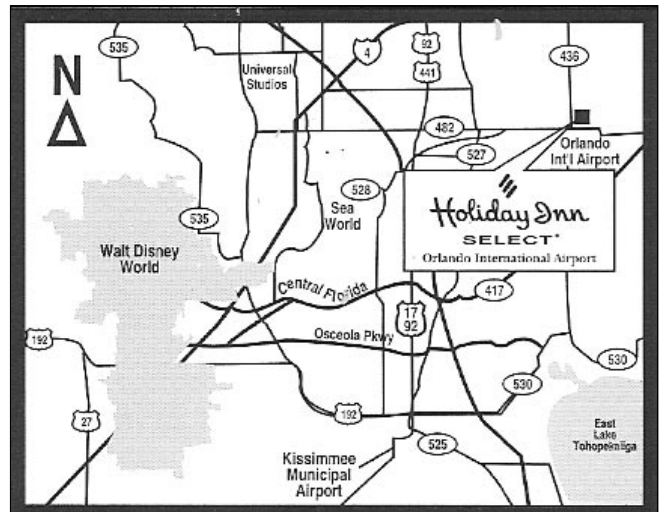
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The hotel has set up a web site with reunion information. The link is:

<http://events.ichotelsgroup.com/DPRD-7EMPJS/MCOAP>

AFTER THE REUNION: A 4-day cruise to the Bahamas on the Carnival Cruise Ship "Sensation" is planned for all sea going salts and their mates. The cruise departs from Port Canaveral, Florida. Contact Cindy Campbell at Campbell Travel Service 386-574-2379 or email at campbelltravel@cfl.rr.com for price information and reservations for this cruise.



KENNEDY SPACE CENTER TOUR

Admission Ticket

This day at Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex includes the Kennedy Space Center Tour of NASA's Launch Headquarters, both IMAX films, all shows and exhibits and a visit to the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame®. The tour includes stops at the four story LC-39 observation gantry where guests get a bird's eye view of the Space Shuttle launch pads and parts of the world's busiest space launch facility. The second tour stop is the acclaimed Apollo/Saturn V Center, where guests walk beneath a massive Saturn V rocket, relive Neil Armstrong's first steps on the moon and experience the thunderous rumble of a Saturn V moon rocket lift off. Later, guests can take a trip to the International Space Station Center where they'll see real parts of the space station being readied for Launch!

Their day continues with IMAX® movie screenings of the new "Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon 3-D" where they explore the moon in full 3-D, and "Space Station 3-D," which takes them on a virtual trip to the International Space Station in a fully immersive big-screen environment. Guests also enjoy the many other shows and exhibits at the Visitor Complex including a chance to meet an actual astronaut at the Astronaut Encounter show and enjoy the zany live-action show "Mad Mission to Mars 2025."

The day is topped off with a visit to the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame®, located at the entrance to Kennedy Space Center and a short 5-minute drive from the Visitor Complex. This attraction features the world's largest collection of personal astronaut mementos, plus historic spacecraft, one-of-a-kind space legacies and hands on activities. Guests can sit in a mission control console, take a virtual moonwalk, feel the pull of 4 Gs in the G-Force Simulator and land the Space Shuttle.

Opened in May of 2007 and included with admission is the new Shuttle Launch Experience. Shuttle Launch Experience replicates the sights, sounds and feelings of a shuttle launch, an incredible journey of launching into space and orbiting Earth aboard a Space Shuttle. Guest crewmembers strap in and go vertical for launch in a one-of-a-kind motion-based simulator, the only realistic simulation of a launch ever created. The five-minute experience sequence culminates with a breath-taking view of Earth from space.

This ticket allows your guests to do everything in one day or return for a second day within a seven-day period.

NASA Up Close Tour

Led by a trained space expert, this tour gives visitors an insider's view of the space program from launch preparation to liftoff. The tour includes up-close views of Space Shuttle launch pads, the Vehicle Assembly Building (VAB), massive Crawler-Transporters, which move the Shuttle from the VAB to its launch pad, and Shuttle Landing Facility. The tour stops in between the Shuttle launch pads for a close-up photo opportunity and the NASA Causeway where guests are surrounded by myriad rocket launch pads, offering a view of the solid rocket booster recovery ships and native wildlife.

CRUISE INFO

Sail 4 days from Port Canaveral on Carnivals
funship Sensation
Visit the beautiful Bahama towns of Nassau, and
Freeport

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BACK TO OUR NAUTICAL ROOTS CRUISE

(DUTIES WILL INCLUDE EATING, DRINKING, HAVING FUN, & TIME PERMITTING-
SLEEPING)

MAY 17- 21, 2009

Interior Stateroom \$389.00* p/p

Oceanview Stateroom \$429.00* p/p

*All rates are p/p based on double occupancy and ***include port, Federal taxes and fees. Triples and quads are available upon request*** with full deposit.

******* Deposit of \$275 p/p to reserve cabin *******

www.campbelltravelservices.com

Final payment due by 3/11/09.

To confirm your cabin please contact:

Cindy Campbell

Campbell Travel Service

(386) 574-2379 or campbelltravel@cfl.rr.com

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If you are attending the 2009 USS Gearing Reunion in Orlando, Florida, you can get some info about the hotel by clicking on the link below:

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