

# Fall 2017 Newsletter

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## THE DRYDOCK DRIBBLE

The USS Cabildo (LSD-16) Crewmembers Association Newsletter

### Presidents Message

Marshall Kendrick

Greetings Shipmates,

Here we are looking at another holiday season. Time sure flies when you're having fun. I want to take this time to again thank Henry and Alyce for a great reunion and for all their hard work.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our next reunion in Kansas City Sept 10, 11, 12 and 13. Dale and Maureen have put together great one. Looking forward to seeing everybody there. Enjoy your holidays and happy sailing.

Marshall.

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**November 3, 2017**

**2018 Reunion Update by Dale Bittle**

**Things have been moving along very well regarding our Reunion next year in Kansas City, Missouri. I have been in contact with Gatherings Plus and Brandon Costales, who is our reunion planner with them, and most of the details have been worked out. I expect to sign the contract within the next couple of weeks, and then we will be formally ready to go.**

**The dates for next year's reunion are Monday September 10 through Thursday September 13 with checkout on Friday morning September 14.**

**The Hotel for the reunion is the Stony Creek Hotel and Convention Center located at 18011 Bass Pro Drive Independence, MO 64055. The room rate for our reunion is \$119.00 per night plus tax and this price includes a full hot breakfast each day and will be good for a couple of days before and after the reunion.**

**This not the hotel we discussed at our business meeting and the reason for the change is it is much closer to downtown Kansas City and the room rates are much lower than the first hotel we discussed.**

**The itinerary for the reunion is full but**

[Cabildo Website](#)

**Stoney Creek Hotel**



**National WW I Muesum**



**Kansas City**



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still leaves us ample time every evening to spend quality time in the hospitality room to visit with each other. The general itinerary includes a Welcome Reception the first night, a Kansas City, City Tour, The Steam Boat Arabia Museum & Tour, The World War I National Memorial Museum and Tour, our Annual Business Meeting and Memorial Service, a half- day to visit the city on your own, if desired and the Finally the Banquet and Raffle. A unique feature of this year's itinerary is that all meals, with the exception of lunch on the last day, are included in the Registration Package.

The registration package for our 2018 Reunion is \$398.00 per person and includes the Hospitality Room, All Tours and Meals, less the one lunch and Bus Transportation to all events.

Maureen and I feel that we have a excellent reunion planned and look forward to seeing each of you next September so Mark Your Calendar now.

The Gatherings Plus website page for our reunion is at this [Link](#). You may be asked for a password; if so use "2018usscabildo". You will be able to register for the reunion on this page.

## 2019 Reunion Sacramento, CA

VP Ozzie Osborn

Not having received any direct response from Gatherings plus... but



heard in a "round-a-bout way" that they couldn't come up with a hotel for our reunion.

So now I am researching for a hotel that will:

1. Provide free shuttle from the airport.
2. Have free parking.
3. Have a free breakfast each morning.
4. Provide a meeting/hospitality room.
5. Be capable of banquet service
- 6 Have a conciere that can help me coordinate tours and transportation.

Some of the perspective sites that I am looking into are:

1. Sacramento City tour
2. Railroad museum
3. Sutter's fort
4. J H Bean foundry
5. Empire Gold mine and museum in Grass Valley
6. Gold trader flat and museum in Forbestown

## **Sad News**

Warren Gammeter

We sadly report the recent passing of both plankowner Franz Brill and Bob Bowman this Fall. The website over the bar menu is at this [link](#).

## **2018 Dues**

Bob Gwin

**Your 2018 dues are due the first of the year, please send your check for \$25 to Bob Gwin, 33496 Hickory Ave., Sioux City, IA 51108.**

**Check out the new sweatshirts in our ships store at this [link](#).**

## **Website/Newsletter**

**Warren Gammeter**

**At our Rapid City reunion Dennis Whitten asked me if I knew the origin of our ships crest. I must admit I don't and will relate what little I do understand. If anyone knows more about it, please let me know and I'll include it here in our next newsletter.**

**The image is half Lion and half Seahorse holding a sword, which has always sort of looked to me like a large nail. The image represents amphibious seapower.**

**I believe the crests were cast in aluminum aboard the ship and then hand painted and mounted on a wood plaque. Jim Lyon found the one I bought for me on E-Bay while we were at the Portland reunion in 2006. I have seen a few others on E-Bay including an unpainted casting without a wooden plaque.**

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