

USS LAWRENCE ~ 2011 REUNION EVENTS

WELCOME RECEPTION

Tuesday, June 21st (7:00pm at the Hotel)

Join your friends for an informal Welcome Reception pool side at the Hotel. This is a wonderful setting and a great chance to see everyone. Be sure to bring your swim suit if you want to take a dip in the pool. Don't miss this first opportunity to reconnect with your friends.

EVENT A: MAYPORT TOUR, LUNCH & ANHUESER BUSCH BREWERY

Wednesday, June 22nd (9:00am-5:00pm)

Welcome aboard *U. S. Naval Station, Mayport*, this is the second largest naval base on the East Coast which serves over 20 ships and several helicopter squadrons. The Aegis class destroyers, stationed here were built at a cost of over \$1 billion each. A ships tour has been requested (security conditions permitting). Following the base tour, visit the Jacksonville *Anheuser-Busch* brewery, one of Anheuser-Busch's twelve U.S and two overseas breweries. This tour is a wonderful chance to learn about the companies' rich brewing heritage and discover how the *Busch* beers are carefully crafted. The tour includes a visit to the *Brew House, Beechwood Aging Cellars* and the state-of-the-art packaging facilities. At the end of the tour, there will be samples for all (you must be at least 21 years of age in order to sample the beers). Relax in the hospitality room and enjoy your favorite brew or browse the unique *Anheuser-Busch* gift shop.

Important tour notes: You must have a government issued picture ID (like a Drivers License) to get on base. There is considerable walking and/or climbing at Mayport, the Anheuser Busch tour is a walking tour. Lunch on base is included in the tour price.

EVENT B: HISTORIC ST. AUGUSTINE TOUR

Thursday, June 23rd (9:00am-4:00pm)

You will learn about the incredible history of St. Augustine and Florida; how they grew and prospered under Spanish, British, French and American rule. Your professional guide will show you the sites and regale you with captivating historical accounts of the Native Indians, Spanish Galleons, Pirates and the Revolutionary War. You will ride through the *Fountain of Youth* property and hear the fable of the Fountain, Ponce de Leon's discovery of *La Florida*, and his encounter with the native Indians. Regarded as the oldest city in the United States, you will find Florida's history a fascinating story. Following the guided tour, there will be time for exploring, shopping, and lunch on your own in this quaint little town. St George's Street, which is a reconstruction of Old World Florida, is lined with stone houses with overhanging balconies and walled garden patios. St George's and its neighboring side streets is where you will find many historical spots, boutiques, gift shops, restaurants and cafes. This will be a wonderful day in Old Florida.

EVENT C: AMELIA ISLAND AND FERNANDINA BEACH TOUR

Friday, June 24th (10:00am-3:00pm)

Amelia Island is known as Florida's Golden Isle. One of a chain of barrier islands stretching from South Carolina, Amelia Island is a charming place - 13 miles long and two miles wide. Settled by the French, developed by the Spanish, named by the English and tamed by the Americans, Amelia is the only location in the United States to have been under eight different flags. Today, Amelia Island is a quaint, unique and upscale destination of many visitors. Your day begins with a guided tour which will highlight some of the Island's most historical attractions including the "Silk Stocking District" which boasts some of Florida's most elegant Victorian homes, Fort Clinch, built in 1847 to protect Fernandina's deep water port, and American Beach, the only beach open to African Americans until the 1960's. The afternoon will be spent at Fernandina Beach which is the birthplace of the modern shrimping industry, the shrimp boats depart the docks on most days. The 50 block historic district with classic Victorian architecture makes a stroll through the city a delight. You will have time to explore the boutiques, shop, watch the boats, and have lunch on your own by the water. This is a nice relaxing day in Old Florida.

FREE DAY
Saturday, June 25th

There is so much to do and see in the Jacksonville area, we are leaving Saturday & Sunday open for you to visit the attractions that interest you the most.

BANQUET DINNER
Saturday, June 25th (7:00pm at the Hotel)

Join all of your friends for your Banquet Dinner at the Hotel. Cocktails will be available from the cash bar at 6:00pm; dinner will be served at 7:00pm. Entrée choices for the banquet are Chicken Marsala or Roast Sirloin of Beef. Please make your entrée selection on the reservation form.

TOUR CANCELLATION INSURANCE

Protect yourself from unforeseen expenses caused by sickness, injury or any other causes that impact your travel plans. This insurance enables a refund of Tour & Banquet expenses up until three (3) days before the start of your reunion. If you need to cancel – please call our office immediately (817-251-3551) for a cancellation number. If you have not purchased cancellation insurance all tour and meal money is non-refundable 6 weeks prior to the reunion.

Important Reunion Notes:

- ~ Tours may be cancelled if a minimum of 30 people per bus is not met. In this case, full refunds will be given.
- ~ Please understand that a certain amount of walking is necessary from the bus to attractions and in some instances, to also see the attractions. Please consider your abilities before purchasing tours.
- ~ Be sure to bring photo identification (like a driver's license) on all events.
- ~ All tour times are subject to change. A final itinerary is available at registration.

Reservations are due by May 13th, 2011. Late reservations accepted on a space available basis with a non-refundable \$10 per person, late fee. You should make a copy of this form for your records. For information call weekdays: 817-251-3551 or Email: info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com. Requests for refunds must be made in writing and postmarked before due date above. No refunds will be made after this date, unless you have purchased *Tour Cancellation Insurance*. There is a non-refundable \$10 per person refund processing fee. Sorry, no refunds will be given starting 3 days before the reunion for any reason. Your cancelled check is your receipt and proof of purchase. There is a \$25 return check fee for NSF. For a written confirmation please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. MRP will not be held liable for failure of vendors to provide contracted services or any injuries/accidents that may occur during the reunion. Tours require a minimum of 30 people in order to operate. Full refunds given for any cancelled Event.