



USS CANOPUS ASSOCIATION

2012 Branson Reunion

When: September 6 - 9, 2012

Where: Clarion Hotel at the Palace
2820 W. Highway 76
Branson, MO 65616

August 5th is the hotel deadline for the group room rate. For reservations, call 800-725-2236 and be sure to tell them you are with the USS Canopus reunion.

Kings or Doubles are \$85 and rate is good for 3 days before and after our reunion dates. Continental breakfast is included!

Plan of the Day — Thursday — 6 September

Arrival Day - Muster in our meeting room - the usual snacks and drinks will be available

Plan of the Day — Friday — 7 September

- 1100 Mid-day meal (lunch) in our meeting room.
Make your own deli sandwiches (beef, ham & turkey) with assorted salads.
 - 1230 Board bus for our first stop: Veteran's Museum.
 - 1430 Bus will board and continue on to the Titanic Museum.
No standing on the bow and waving your arms!
 - 1615 Return to hotel.
Dinner on-your-own.
 - 1830 Board bus for the Pierce Arrow show: top rated musical and comedy show.
- Cost: \$100 per person for all Friday activities.

Plan of the Day — Saturday — 8 September

- 0900 Business meeting in our meeting room.
Be sure to have your 50-50 raffle tickets with you.
 - 1045 Board bus for the Showboat Branson Belle for lake cruise, lunch and live entertainment show. Group and couple photos will be available for purchase.
 - 1430 Bus returns to hotel.
Dinner on-your-own.
 - 1830 Board bus for The Haygoods: amazing family singing group in their 20th year.
- Cost: \$100 per person for all Saturday activities.

Plan of the Day — Sunday — 9 September

Departure — See you next year in Baltimore!

August 20th is the deadline for reunion registration.

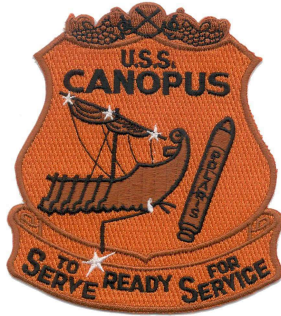
We need to prepay for the lake cruise and evening shows,
So PLEASE mail your registration form so I get it by the 20th.

For more information contact: Richard Retin - 503-689-1712 - retinr@mail.com

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2245 Wintercreek Way SE
Salem, OR 97306

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WWW.USSCANOPUS.ORG**

Flying into the Branson area and getting to the hotel

There are two airports in the area. Major carriers currently have regular flights into the Springfield Airport (SGF), which is 55 miles and about a hour drive from the Clarion. The hotel can arrange a shuttle bus that will cost \$75. The alternative is to just rent a car.

Southwest Airlines is in the process of completing a merger with AirTrans Airlines, which is currently the only carrier into the Branson Airport (BKG). Be aware that Southwest does not appear on any of the travel search sites, so your need to call them at 800-435-9792 or go to their website www.southwest.com. The shuttle bus to the hotel is just \$10.

To make arrangements for either shuttle bus, you will need to call the Clarion at least 2 days in advance.

Golfers: Bill Downs, Association Golf Coordinator, needs your input on the day to schedule Canopus Golf Outing. Email him at bmcswh@hotmail.com or 715-346-0063 with suggestions on the day you'd like to get together for the outing. Due to the lack of input last year in Buffalo and the fact that most golf courses need at least a week notice on outings to reserve tee times, the deadline for notifying Bill is August 27th. This will allow for time to plan the golf outing and arrange for tee times.

USS Canopus Association Shipmate & Reunion Registration Form

To ensure we have your current and complete information, **please** fill out this form and send it to me, even if you are unable to neither attend the reunion nor formally join the Association. We want to be your resource for Canopus shipmates to hook up.

This information is strictly for the sole use of the USS Canopus Association and will never be used for commercial purposes.

Mail to: USS Canopus Association
c/o Richard Retin
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Call me at 503-689-1712 if you need more information or have questions.

PLEASE PRINT

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone number:

Email address:

Years served: to
(19xx – 19xx)

Rate/Rank:

Ship's Division/Shop:

Nickname aboard ship, if you had one:

For those shipmates that had more than one tour of duty aboard the *Canopus*:

Tour 2

Tour 3

Years served: to

Years served: to

Rate/Rank:

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Ship's division/shop:

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Dues

AS-9 and Widow/Widower Honorary Members Free

If you wish to support the USS Canopus Association, please include the following dues.

- Lifetime membership \$100 (A *Canopus Lifer* card will be sent to you) \$ _____
- New member \$20 \$ _____
- Renewing for 2011 \$10 \$ _____
- Renewing for 2012 \$10 \$ _____
- Renewing for 2013 \$10 \$ _____

In return for paying any of the above dues, you will be sent one free challenge coin or keychain. Circle the style you prefer: **coin** **keychain**

I will be attending the 2012 Branson Reunion

I will be attending with: _____
Name(s) for Name Tag

If staying at the Clarion: from _____ to _____

If not staying at the Clarion, where are you staying?: _____

Friday: Lunch, Veteran’s Museum, Titanic Museum, Pierce Arrow show

Cost per person \$100 or \$200 for two \$ _____

Saturday: Showboat cruise with lunch, Haygoods show

Cost per person \$100 or \$200 for two \$ _____

A donation in any amount to help with the expenses of holding the reunion would be appreciated.

\$ _____

Total \$ _____



Do you or your guests have any disability or dietary needs that require special attention? _____

Please return this form **by August 20, 2012** with your check made payable to the *USS Canopus Association* to:

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Remember: The Clarion Hotel room reservations deadline is August 5th.