USS SCHOFIELD (DEG/FFG-3) September 10-13 2015 Reunion Holiday Inn Gurnee Convention Center, Gurnee, IL



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gave their lives on the high seas in WWI and WWII. A few of the other exhibits include the Silver Streak Pioneer, The Coal Mine, Colleen Moore's Fairy Castle, Earth

Revealed, Farm Technology, Ships through the Ages, and dozens of others. After leaving the Museum for the Navy Pier the guide pointed out some more of Chicago's sites and sights. The Navy Pier originally opened as a shipping and recreational facility in 1916. Located on Lake Michigan, it has served many purposes throughout its rich history and currently encompasses more than fifty acres of parks, gardens, shops, restaurants, family attractions and exhibition facilities and is the top leisure destination



in the Midwest, drawing nearly nine million visitors annually. Lunch was on one's own upon arrival at the Navy Pier.

Upon returning to the hotel, the business meeting was held. Mark Fletcher announced that he and his wife Carol would be stepping down as coordinator and secretary respectfully after the 2015-16 year. David Milligan was chosen to be the new coordinator beginning September 2016. The 2016 reunion will be held in Bremerton, WA on September 22-25. Future reunion locations will be Atlanta (2017) and New Orleans (2018) with dates to be determined later.

At 6:00 pm the cocktail hour and photo session kicked off the festivities of the final evening. At 7:00 pm the USS Schofield (DEG/FFG-3) banquet commenced with Mark Fletcher's welcoming remarks. Everyone again introduced themselves another new attendee joined us for the evening Fred Klaussegger and his wife. Then the prime rib dinner was served. The Memorial service to remember all USS Schofield sailors who have died, especially those since the last reunion, was held during the banquet. Robert Cichowski served as Chaplain with David Dedon as bell ringer and Gregory Yale lighting the candles. Those honored at the Memorial Service were Donald Ward, George Mocaby and David Bouchard.

On Sunday morning those who could take the time from a busy departure morning met for the buffet breakfast for one final chance to see one another before traveling home. Plans were confirmed for next year in Bremerton, and good byes were said and the 2015 reunion of the USS Schofield (DEG/FFG-3) was over. Everyone hopes for a good turnout in 2016.





Banks, Randy and D'Angelo, Angela



Cichowski, Robert, James, Particia and an Robert



Dedon, David



DerPlanno, Diene und Withermitte



Dickens, Charles



Statute, Wignelde



Feldman, Robert and Britt



Fletcher, Mark and Carol



Gruber, Dorothy



Kearney, Richard and Mila



Kelbowski, John and Caroline



Klausegger, Fred and Nancy



Milligan, David



Minnis, Douglas and Mary



Morrow, David, Laura and Jacob



Seidler, Mark



Strohmeier, Gary and Rosenthal, Lynda



Tysko, Donald and Glennda



Walters, John and Harriett



Williams, Eric and Carol





Wilson, Ken

Wischmeyer, Richard and Sharon



Wright, Bill and Diane



Yale, Gregory



After Thursday's Reception most of the attendees enjoyed a meal in the hotel's restaurant.













Charles Dickens and Phyllis Adams (On-Site Manager)



Food, friends and folly after the Reception



Mark Fletcher working hard at the Registration Table











Welcome Reception





The men solving the world's problems



Attentive Audience



Robert Feldman



Don & Rhonda DePiero







Welcome Reception



The Members are ready to get going on the tour.



Our Yellow "Limo" got us safely to and from the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.





David Dedon and Gregory Yale

Randy Banks and Angela D'Angelo



Catching up









John and Caroline Kelbowski



Having fun



▲ Charles Dickens with Patricia James and Robert Cichowski David Dedon photobombing Richard Kearney, Carol Fletcher and Mila Kearney



Angela D'Angelo, Bill and Diane Wright



Carol Fletcher enjoying a laugh with John and Harriet Walters

Donald and Glenda Tysko



Caroline Kelbowski, David Milligan





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Fun times with Richard & Sharon Wischmeyer, Robert & Britt Feldman, and Gregory Yale





That look.....



David Dedon Richard and Sharon Wischmeyer







Bill and Diane Wright

Dorothy Gruber, Harriett Walters



Dorothy Gruber, Fred Klausegger, David Dedon



Mark Fletcher



Laura Morrow and Mila Kearney



David Milligan and John Walters



Carol Fletcher raising a glass with Eric & Carol Williams





Douglas & Mary Minnis, John & Caroline Kelbowski



Lynda Rosenthal and Gary Strohmeier



Don and Rhonda DePiero





Ready to roll out on the Discover Chicago Tour.

Banquet /Memorial Service













Banquet /Memorial Service











Signing the "Last Two Sailors Standing" bottle of wine.

Banquet /Memorial Service



Richard and Mila Kearney, David Morrow David Milligan →







The Morrow family—David, Jacob and Laura

David Dedon with John and Caroline Kelbowski

USS SCHOFIELD (DEG/FFG-3) 2015 Honor Roll



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Donald Ward

George Mocaby

David Bouchard Died 2/28/2015



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Sonar Techs Robert Cichowski, Eric Williams, David Mulligan, John Walters, David Dedon



Engineers Gregory Yale, Don DePiero, Richard Wischmeyer, Donald Tysko, Robert Feldman, Richard Kearney, Bill Wright, Randy Banks Front Row: Douglas Minnis, David Morrow, John Kelbowski