

President's Letter to Membership

Dear Shipmates,

After experiencing terrible times by all from the onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic for over a year, a long-awaited indication that a period of hardship is nearing an end.

As of April 6th, Mayor of Louisville, Jefferson County, Ky., and City Public Health Department announced the downward trend of COVID-19 cases and deaths steadily continues. Masked mandate will expire and lifted in the very the near future. We hope this downward trend at Louisville continues to a normal level, that we can enjoy our 2021 Annual Reunion.

Finally, we are seeing a light at the end of the tunnel.

We will continue to move forward!

Official Update of 2021 Annual Reunion, Louisville, Ky.:

Pursuant to my recent telecon on April 7th with Mr. Ray Casey, Military Reunion Planners-MRP, Ray has confirmed rebooking our annual reunion with the Sheraton Louisville, Kentucky Riverside Hotel.

MRP has negotiated for Complimentary Breakfast daily.

Several members have registered and signed up, and I hope registrations will continue to increase.

Reunion commences Monday 25 October 2021 for registration and Hotel check-in, followed with a *Welcome Reception in Hospitality Room*, and reunion ending Saturday 30 October 2021.

Other items on the agenda are as follows:

1. General Assembly meeting.
2. Election of Officers and Committees.
3. Necrology and POW/MIA Ceremonials.
4. Banquet night auction.

Please note dates on your calendar and check our website www.ussconstellation.org for registration, hotel information, airport transportation and parking, *reunion itinerary-tours/sightseeing* and check newsletters for additional details.

At your pleasure, we look forward to your attendance and participation at this much anticipated reunion.

All future events, items of interest, and a copy of quarterly newsletters will be posted on our website for your information. If you have an article of interest pertaining to U.S. Navy history or the "Connie" and want your article posted on our website to share with the association, please submit copy to Shipmate Richard Swain, "Connie's Webmaster at e-mail address; rswain@basket-cat.com.

I encourage the membership to use our website more often.

May calmer seas continue to prevail,

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