

USS Aeolus Newsletter

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IN MEMORIAM

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of the following:

Kenneth Beal DC3, passed away 4/23/16 in Haverville MA. He served aboard the Aeolus from 1959-1960. He was a frequent attendee of the Aeolus Reunions.

Anthony J, "Tony" DiSarcina LT, passed away 5/5/2016 in Winchester MA. He served aboard as Chief Engineer from 1962-1964.

William Lawrence "Bill" Vinzant MM1, passed away in Schererville, IN. He served aboard the Aeolus from 1955-1957 and was a Plank Owner. He also attended many Aeolus Reunions.

If you know of the passing of a member of the crew that we have not previously noted in the newsletter, please let us know. Send an email to either Mike Jarvis (jarvis@nandc.com) or Tom Starling (starlingtn@gmail.com).

Anybody Looking for a Job

Now hiring: Navy captain, cyber warfare expert, no previous military experience necessary. Military branches the Navy want to hire talented individuals and bring them in at senior ranks to lead specialized teams and operations. Need for them to work their way up the ranks; these direct commissions and enlistments like the doctors, and musicians service brings in at more senior ranks, and the Navy wants expanded authority from Congress for new specialties, like the murky and evolving of cyber war. "We're seeking the authority to bring somebody in at the E-7 level or up to the O-6 level," said Rear Adm. Robert Burke, head of the chief of naval operations' personnel plans and policy office.

Sorry We Missed it.

BOSTON — The USS Constitution Museum is planning to celebrate its 40th anniversary, just in time for the Fourth of July holiday. The celebration, called "A 40 Year Journey," is scheduled for Thursday in the of Boston's Charlestown neighborhood. Festivities will include a ribbon-cutting for "Forest to Frigate," the museum's new, interactive exhibit exploring President George Washington's decision to create protect the growing American merchant fleet. afloat. The exhibit traces the journey of the USS Constitution, known as "Old Ironsides," from the forest where her timber grew to her launch as a fully formed frigate. Built in 1797, the Constitution is the world's oldest commissioned warship still afloat.

2nd Zumwalt Class Stealth Destroyer Completed at Maine's Bath Iron Works

Standing before a crowd of nearly 2,000 in Bath, Maine, Sally Monsoor, the mother of fallen Navy SEAL Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Monsoor, honored her son Saturday by christening the ship that will bear his name.

The 610-foot, 15,000-ton USS Michael Monsoor is the U.S. Navy's second Zumwalt-class guided-missile destroyer, named in tribute of Monsoor, who was killed in 2006 during the Battle for Ramadi when he leaped on a grenade to protect his comrades.

President George W. Bush posthumously awarded Monsoor the Medal of Honor in 2008, making him the first SEAL to receive the award for actions in Iraq. The christening served as another tribute to Monsoor, whose "legacy will live on as this great ship conducts its mission in defense of our nation," said Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, who spoke during the ceremony.

"Michael Monsoor made the ultimate sacrifice, and he did it for love. But he was not a hero. He is a hero. Because the inspiration he provided to all of us -- the guidance he provided to us -- as to how we should live our lives is still alive. And it's going to live as long as this ship sails the seas of the world," Sen. Angus King, (I-Maine), said during his remarks.

Construction on the Monsoor began in 2010. It is the U.S.'s largest and most technologically sophisticated destroyer, touting stealth capabilities and two advanced gun systems that fire

"long-range, land-attack projectiles that reach up to 63 nautical miles," according to the Navy. This "is an extremely capable and versatile ship with an incredible namesake," Janine Davidson, undersecretary of the Navy, said in a news release. "I have every confidence that the ship and crew will both live up to and honor Petty Officer Monsoor's legacy as the ship's motto implies -- You Never Quit," she said. Collins called the ship "the most advanced naval destroyer the world has ever seen."

Plans for USS Aeolus (ARC-3)

2016 Aeolus Reunion

OK Gang, just a gentle reminder. If you have not sent in your registration for the 2016 USS Aeolus Association reunion, you need to get it in to Mike Jarvis ASAP. You don't want to miss out on this reunion as it could well be our last. In case you have been under a rock or someplace else, the reunion is scheduled to take place September 8th through the 12th, 2016 at the Hyatt Deerfield hotel in Deerfield Illinois. Registration and pizza will be in the meeting room from 4PM to 10PM.

We will be reliving our days at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. While it is certain to have undergone some minor changes in the last 50 years or so, it will be fun to see where it all started for many of us. You can be pretty sure that there won't be any marching this time. We will be attending a graduation ceremony at the Training Center on the 9th of September as well as taking a tour of the base, having lunch at the Port of Call restaurant which is the former officers' club (with a view of Lake Michigan). We won't make you stand in long lines with silver trays in the Mess Hall. We will also visit the Navy Base Exchange and explore the Great Lakes museum.

The following day on September 10th, will be highlighted by a tour of the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry (including German U-Boat 505, captured on the high seas by the US Navy in 1944). We will be taking a floating architecture tour along with a driving tour of Chicago that will include highlights such as Board of Trade, Calder's Flamingo, Picasso's Sculpture at the Daley Center, Miro's Lady, and more. Pretty sure it will not include a tour of Rush Street bars which many of us are sure to remember.

Sunday September 11th will be a free day to explore whatever we missed. (Maybe that Rush Street thing).

So, rather than continue to nag you to get your registrations in, we will simply wish you well and hope to see you all at the reunion. It is certain to be a time to remember. The registration form is attached to this newsletter

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**Announcing USS Aeolus
Reunion 2016**

Chicago/Great Lakes NTC

Hyatt Deerfield Hotel

Deerfield, Illinois

September 8-12, 2016

Room Rate: \$79.00 +Tax

Reserve on line at:

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/USSAeolusARC3Reunion>

or call

Reservation hotline at (888) 421-1442

**Use the web if at all possible. If you call,
make sure you specify the USS Aeolus
Reunion**

DUE TO THE SHRINKING NUMBER OF OUR SHIPMATES, THIS WILL MOST LIKELY BE OUR LAST REUNION. WE NEED FIFTY PARTICIPANTS TO MEET THE MINIMUMS REQUIRED BY THE HOTELS AND TOUR COMPANIES. LET'S MAKE THIS NOT JUST OUR LAST BUT OUR BEST REUNION!

REGISTRATION FORM USS AEOLUS REUNION
September 8-12, 2016
Hyatt Deerfield, Deerfield, IL

NAME _____

SPOUSE/COMPANION _____

RATE/RANK (WHEN ABOARD) _____

DATES ABOARD_(MONTH/YEAR)_____to_____

SHIRT SIZES (S, M, L, XL, XXL, 3X, 4X) MEMBER_____COMPANION_____

Registration fee includes two full day tours, dinner three nights and the hospitality suite.

\$300.00 6/1/16-7/31/16

\$325 after 8/01/16

PAY WITH A CREDIT CARD USING PAYPAL
GO TO <https://www.paypal.com> REGISTER THEN
SEND YOUR PAYMENT TO: USSAEOLUS@COMCAST.NET

OR

Send Form and check to:
USS Aeolus Association
Michael Jarvis, Treasurer
28800 Mound Road
Warren, MI 48092

If you pay with paypal you still need to send or e-mail the registration form. (mjarvis@nandc.com)

Tentative Agenda

Sept. 8: 4pm – 10pm

Registration and Pizza in meeting room

Sept. 9:

VISIT Great Lakes Naval Station for their weekly Commencement Exercises. (We have a reservation but it will not be confirmed until 14 days prior)

“Windshield tour” of Great Lakes Naval Boot Camp & Main Base w/ a Navy docent. This is the only training camp for the Navy in the country. \$740MM has been put into this state of the art training base.

Lunch at the Port of Call Restaurant. The restaurant is the former officers’ club with a beautiful view of Lake Michigan.

VISIT the Navy Base Exchange for the souvenir caps and t-shirts that you never knew you needed and now can’t live without!

EXPLORE the Great Lakes Museum. Learn the fascinating history of this base where they’ve been training sailors since 1911.

The education center features greenhouses, seasonal displays, and gift shop. **Magnificent colors in September are sure to take your breath away!!**

Dinner: Bob Chinn’s

Sept. 10:

“CHICAGO ODYSSEY”

A guided tour of **Millennium Park** with its stunning outdoor art and philanthropic spirit.

“Wonderful Town” tour, highlighting Chicago’s history, architecture, culture, and magnificent skyline as you traverse the city. Some of the driving highlights will include the Board of Trade, Calder’s Flamingo, Picasso’s Sculpture at the Daley Center, Miro’s Lady, Oldenburg’s Bat column, and Chagall’s Mosaic Wall, and the State of the Art State of Illinois Center_

VISIT the Museum of Science & Industry, (this beautiful building still remains from the World’s fair), where you’ll learn about the innovations of modern science through hands on exhibits that bring the greatest discoveries of the past and present to life. Explore the **German U-Boat U505)**

Enjoy the Memorial Waterfall at Soldier field. This 280-foot long wall of polished green granite honors the different branches of the armed services. A veil of water flows over the sculpted memorial.

CRUISE and view world famous buildings from the unique vantage point of an **Architectural Highlights Tour** on the Chicago River & Lake Michigan. Learn about Chicago’s role in the history of the modern skyscraper and see the variety of building styles that make the Chicago skyline so admired.

Dinner: Biaggi’s

Sept. 11:

FREE DAY ON YOUR OWN

Dinner: Banquet at Hyatt

Sept. 12: Check out and depart