

# THE MAGOFFIN MESSENGER

The Newsletter of the USS MAGOFFIN (APA-199)  
Veterans Association

## Special Reunion Update Issue

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### A Letter From the Editor

Dear Shipmates,

In the classic movie *“Away All Boats”* there is a scene where the boat crews are trying to form assembly circles for the first time. Very predictably, the whole event is a series of mistakes and misadventures.

After publishing my first edition of the *“Magoffin Messenger”* I can empathize with the crew of the imaginary “USS Belinda”. Issue 24 contained enough mistakes to fill a “Mike” boat and should probably go down in the annals of association newsletters as the least accurate ever printed.

Without going in to the “Whys and Wherefores” of how things got so fubar, let me just apologize to all of you and ask that you toss out everything about the reunion in the last newsletter and replace it with this revised edition. I promise that this publication contains “The genuine scuttlebutt” about the upcoming reunion.

Thank you,

Terry Little  
Editor/webmaster



**11th. USS MAGOFFIN REUNION  
EVENT SCHEDULE, TOURS, INFORMATION  
September 15 –18, 2004  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

**Wednesday, September 15th**

**Registration and Welcome** — Hotel Lobby

**Thursday, September 16th**

**Crew Meeting**—9:00 am until noon

**Ladies Tour**— 8:00 am until 12.30 pm

Start the day with a visit to Boerner Botanical Gardens - an internationally recognized 50-acre formal botanical garden. Take in the colors and scents of a variety of collections, as well as enjoy the beautiful new Visitor Center and gift shop.

A visit to Greendale is our next stop. Historic Greendale is a Greenbelt Community created by the FDR Administration. In addition it is home to Reiman Publications Visitor Center and Country Store Outlet. Reiman Publications publishes popular magazines such as Taste of Home, Reminisce, Country Woman and Birds & Blooms. Learn about the company, see the test kitchen and visit the quaint specialty shops in Greendale.

Departs the hotel at 8:00am- return to the hotel by 12:30pm.

\$15 per person - Lunch on your own at Greendale Community.

**Afternoon Tour** — 1:00 pm until 9:00 pm

You are in for a treat this afternoon! See the renaissance that the city of Milwaukee is experiencing in with a local guide. Once a city known for manufacturing & beer, Milwaukee will surprise you. Your tour includes a view of Milwaukee's two new architectural marvels - Miller Park and the incredible expansion of the Milwaukee Art Museum, where a moveable 100-ton "brise-soleil" resembles a bird over Lake Michigan. You'll spend time along the beautiful Lake Michigan shoreline, where you will see Wisconsin's Tall Ship - the S/V Denis Sullivan, the War Memorial, Villa Terrace's Villa Gardens as well as the beautiful mansions along the lake. We'll make stops for a few of Milwaukee's most beloved products - Kopp's Custard and Sprecher Beer.

A great way to experience Milwaukee is aboard the Edelweiss. This euro-style vessel meanders through downtown via the Milwaukee River and out into the harbor of Lake Michigan for great skyline views. Complimentary glass of wine and hors d'oeuvres. Cash Bar available.

After the cruise, the Safe House awaits you with a unique dining experience. The Safe House is a Milwaukee favorite - it's full of surprises!

Depart the hotel at 1:00pm - Return by 9:00pm

**\$55 per person - Dinner Included**

**Friday, September 17th**

**Great Lakes Naval Base Tour** - 6:00 am until 3:00 pm

Early morning departure to visit the Great Lakes Naval Base in Illinois. Attend Graduation and tour the base. Returning to Milwaukee, stops will include a tour of the Jelly Belly Center, lunch on your own at the "World Famous" Brat Stop in Kenosha and a stop at Mars Cheese Castle to stock up on Wisconsin's most famous product!

Departs hotel at 6:00am - Returns to the hotel by 3pm

***Note: A valid picture ID, (Driver's License, State ID, Military ID, Passport etc.) is required to enter the base.***

\$15 per person

**Saturday, September 18th**

**Milwaukee City Tour**—9:30 am until 3:30 pm

This tour takes you to some of Milwaukee's most treasured architectural attractions. The day begins with a tour of the magnificent home of beer baron Captain Frederick Pabst. Next stop is Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory - also known as "The Domes" - each of the three 7-story tall glass domes contains plantlife of a different climate. Lunch will be served at Mader's German Restaurant - a Milwaukee tradition. After lunch, you'll visit the Basilica of St Josaphat, designed after St. Peter's in Rome. On the way home, we'll get a view of Miller Park - the incredible new baseball stadium!

Departs the hotel at 9:30am - returns to the hotel by 3:30pm

\$45 per person - Includes Lunch

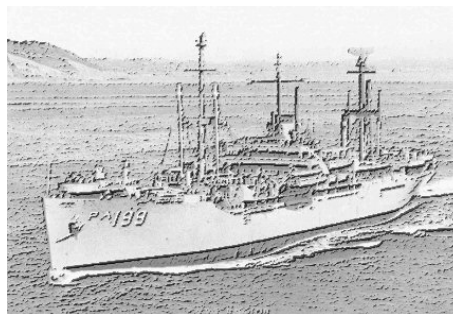
**Reunion Banquet** 6:00 pm until ????

A highlight of any reunion. Cocktails at 6, dinner at 7. Great food, combined with camaraderie, short speeches and the drawings for the Education Fund raffles. (see next page for menus and selections)

**Sunday, September 19th**

**Breakfast, Farewells and Departure.**

The wrap-up to a great week.



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**Menu Especially Prepared  
For  
USS MAGOFFIN (APA 199) Association**

**Prime Rib**

*An 8-Ounce prime rib of beef slowly roasted to retain  
It's Natural Juices Served with Au Jus*

**Chicken Cordon Bleu**

*An 8-ounce Chicken Breast Stuffed with  
Ham & Swiss Cheese, browned to perfection  
Enhanced with a Mushroom Sauce*

**Orange Roughy**

*Fresh Baked Orange Roughy  
Laced with a Lemon Buerre Blanc Sauce*

**All entrees are served with**

*Tossed Garden Salad with Peppercorn & French  
Dressings*

*French Beans with Baby Carrots & Tops*

*Roasted Rosemary Potatoes*

*Fresh Baked Rolls & Butter*

*Sheraton's Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated  
Coffee,*

*Herbal Teas, Iced Tea or Milk*

*Dutch Apple Pie*

**\$32.00 Per Person — All Inclusive**

*Cocktails at 6:00 pm—Dinner at 7:00 pm*

*Cash Bar available*

**Hotel Reservations**

**Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel**  
**375South Moorland Rd.**  
**Brookfield , WI 53005**  
**Phone: 800 325 3535**

If you haven't made your hotel reservations yet, please do so. Rooms will fill up fast and you don't want to be left out.

- Reservations must be made no later than August 15, 2004.
- Be sure to tell them that you are with the Magoffin Association to receive the special price of \$79.00 per night (plus tax)
- A third person can stay in the room for an additional \$15.00 per night.
- Children under 18, stay for free.
- There are a variety of other rooms available , including a King Size Suite at \$175.00 per night plus tax.

This Sheraton has just been totally renovated and has many amenities for guests. Make your plans soon.

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All of this updated information is available on the Magoffin website as well as additional information about the hotel, Milwaukee, etc.

If you have an e-mail address and didn't recently receive a message from me, please send me an e-mail so that I can keep you up to date about the reunion and other important association news.

E-mail me at [webguy@ussmagoffin.org](mailto:webguy@ussmagoffin.org) or [Traveltj@mchsi.com](mailto:Traveltj@mchsi.com)

## 11th. Reunion Registration Form—Please Print

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday Morning Ladies Tour**  
 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday afternoon tour**  
 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$55.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Great Lakes Naval Base tour**  
 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Milwaukee City Tour**  
 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$45.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday night Banquet**  
 Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$32.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Make menu selections in box to the right)

**Registration Fee Per Association Member**      \$30.00=      \$30.00

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check Number** \_\_\_\_\_      **Amount enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Menu Selection Saturday Night Banquet</b>	
Prime Rib	_____
Chicken Cordon Bleu	_____
Orange Roughy	_____

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