

**USS Donner Memorial Association**  
**2014 Reunion**  
**May 1 - 4, 2014 Norfolk, Virginia**

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

The **Quality Suites Lake Wright Hotel** is a true two room suite and is the hotel we have contracted for our reunion stay. **Included in your stay is a complimentary full hot breakfast buffet each morning for overnight guests.**

The **Quality Suites Lake Wright** features 127 suites offering a separate bedroom with either two queen size beds or one king bed, microwave, coffeemaker, refrigerator, iron & full-sized ironing board, hairdryer, sitting area with sofa and work desk, two remote controlled 25" color televisions with cable & complimentary HBO, free local calls, as well as complimentary wireless and high speed internet access.

**Quality Suites Lake Wright** special group rate of **\$89.00** (plus tax) per room, per night.

**HOTEL AMMENITIES**

- ✓ mini convenience store
- ✓ fitness center
- ✓ business center
- ✓ indoor/outdoor swimming pool
- ✓ guest laundry facility
- ✓ electronic door locks
- ✓ Interior corridors
- ✓ ample free parking (including RVs)
- ✓ pet accommodation
- ✓ 18-hole championship golf course located on the premises.
- ✓ The Lake Wright lobby bar and restaurant "Que" is open daily
- ✓ AAA rated and winner of Choice Hotels Gold Award for hospitality!
- ✓ For additional information, visit the Quality Suites website  
[www.qualityinn.com/hotel/VA055](http://www.qualityinn.com/hotel/VA055)

**HOSPITALITY AND BANQUET FACILITIES**

Hospitality space (snacks and beverages allowed) will be available throughout your stay.

**LOCATION & TRANSPORTATION**

The Hotel is conveniently located just off I-64 at the Northampton Boulevard/Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel exit on Route 13.

Located just 3 miles from Norfolk International Airport, the Lake Wright provides *complimentary airport shuttle service daily* to and from 24 hours per day. The courtesy telephone is located at the baggage claim area.

**ROOM RESERVATION**

You must CALL THE HOTEL DIRECT and mention the USS Donner Reunion and specify if you want a room with two queen size beds or one king bed when making your reservations. Toll-free reservations: (800) 228-5157 or local phone number (757) 461-6251. Room rates are \$89.00 plus tax and include a FULL HOT BREAKFAST BUFFET from 6:00am-9:30am (Mon-Fri) and from 7:00am-10:00am (Sat & Sun). Rate is based on single/double occupancy - \$10 per additional adult fee applies. Cut-off date for reservations is April 1, 2014 at which time unreserved rooms will be released from group block and reservations will be accepted upon availability. Individuals make own reservations and are responsible for all own expenses. Individual changes and/or cancellations can be made up to 24 hours prior to the date of arrival to avoid a one night room and tax penalty. Check-in is 3:00pm; Check-out is 11:00am. Early check in/late check-out based on hotel availability.

## LOCAL TOURS

Event A: **Friday, May 2, 2014 – 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

### RIDING VIRGINIA BEACH TOUR

- Board the coach with your guide to enjoy beautiful views of the Atlantic Ocean and the Chesapeake Bay as you learn about the history of Virginia's largest city and get the pulse on current day Virginia Beach.
- See the First Landing Cross at Cape Henry where the English colonists first came ashore in 1607 prior to settling at nearby Jamestown. Walk out on the overlook to see where the bay and the ocean meet, and where the famous Battle of the Capes took place during the Revolutionary War.
- Enjoy a stop at the Old Cape Henry Lighthouse, built in 1792, this lighthouse was active until the late 1800's and is currently a Virginia Historic Landmark. Guests may choose to climb to the top of the Lighthouse (small admission fee, pay on own) or shop in the gift shop for all things Lighthouse related.
- Ride down the resort strip, see the historic Cavalier Hotel as well as the Tidewater Veterans Memorial, a unique structure which pays homage to veterans everywhere.

### JOINT EXPEDITIONARY BASE WEST (LITTLE CREEK) WITH LUNCH ON BASE

- Next, visit Joint Expeditionary Base West (Little Creek), formerly The Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek, major operating base for the Amphibious Forces in the United States Atlantic Fleet and home to 27 ships of the Atlantic Fleet's amphibious.
- Enjoy a windshield tour of the base, and view an amphibious training film and simulator (scale model of an amphibious assault).
- Lunch will be included on base at the CPO Club.

**Package Price: \$52.00 per person, inclusive. LUNCH INCLUDED.**

Event B: **Saturday, May 3, 2014, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

### RIDING NORFOLK CITY TOUR

- Board the motor coach with your tour guide to learn about Norfolk's colorful 335 year history as you ride through the lovely historic district and restored areas. View the stately homes along The Hague, Old St. Paul's Church, the Moses Myers House, the Chrysler Museum of Art, MacArthur Memorial, the historic Freemason District, Nauticus: The National Maritime Center, The Battleship Wisconsin, the restored waterfront area, as well as many other points of interest.
- Downtown Norfolk has undergone a complete transformation in the last decade and features the beautifully renovated Town Point Park with the Armed Forces memorial, brand new \$34million cruise terminal, waterfront condos and state of the art shopping area.

### LONE SAILOR MEMORIAL FOR MEMORIAL SERVICE

- Stop at the Lone Sailor Memorial in Wisconsin Square for a memorial service. An exact replica of the original memorial in Washington, DC located in front of the United States Navy Memorial. The Lone Sailor represents all people who have ever served, are serving now, or who are yet to serve in the United States Navy. As part of the casting process, the bronze for the statue was mixed with artifacts from eight U.S. Navy ships, provided by the curator for the Navy. The stone pillars with bronze plaques near the Lone Sailor Memorial honor Naval personnel killed in non-combatant events some of which are the USS Cole, USS Iowa, USS Forrestal, USS Newport News, USS Scorpion, Pentagon 9-11 attacks.

## VICTORY ROVER HARBOR CRUISE

Board the Victory Rover for a two hour cruise through the bustling Hampton Roads Harbor, one of the largest in the world. Enjoy fascinating and entertaining commentary along the way aboard this naval themed vessel. You will thrill to the

sight of aircraft carriers, nuclear submarines, guided cruisers and all of the other ships that form the most powerful armada. Light snacks will be available on board.

**Package price: \$49.00 per person, inclusive. LUNCH ON OWN**

### THE TOUR PACKAGE PRICE INCLUDES

- Motor coach transportation, tour guide service, admissions as listed, meals as listed, taxes and meal gratuities.
- Gratuities for guide and driver are not included, and are at the discretion of the individual.
- Prices are based on a minimum of **35** people per tour.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Participants who do not show for their tour will not be refunded their money.
- All itineraries are subject to change. Every attempt will be made to include all sites mentioned within this itinerary.
- Boarding times will be fifteen minutes prior to listed departure times in front of the Quality Suites Lake Wright.
- PLEASE NOTE:** Any guests requiring special arrangements (dietary, physically disabled) must make us aware of their needs in advance, otherwise, we will not be able to guarantee that they will be accommodated. Those guests with physical disabilities should have someone traveling with them to assist physically. Staff and motor coach drivers cannot accept responsibility for lifting guests in and out of coaches.

### Important Reunion Notes

- Tour cancellation insurance is not available through the Donner Association. Requests for refunds for banquet dinners and tour events can be made in writing and post marked before the reservation due date of April 1, 2014 for a full refund less a \$10.00 penalty fee. Emergency cancellations after that date through April 25, 2014 will be partially refunded as funds are available. No refunds will be given for cancellations made after April 25, 2014.
- Tours may be cancelled if a minimum of 35 people per bus is not met. In that case full refunds will be given.
- We have tried to plan the facilities, activities and tours so that you can enjoy each day with the amount of walking that you choose to do. There will be places to sit and rest a bit, so come and enjoy each event to your satisfaction.
- Be sure to bring a photo identification (preferably government issued) on all events.
- All event times are subject to change. Updates will be available to you as necessary.
- If any problems arise please let the Reunion Host John Keeter be aware of them.
- Late registration fee after April 1, 2014 - \$10.00

USS Donner Memorial Association  
 2014 Reunion Registration Form  
 May 1 - 4, 2014 Norfolk, Virginia

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Name (as you want it to appear on name badge) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse, Significant other or guest \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Years served on Donner: 19\_\_\_\_ to 19\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations are due by April 1, 2014. Late reservations are accepted based on space available. Call John or Jan Keeter for more information. Phone 757-558-0922 or Cell 757-287-2930.

**Reunion Registration Fee**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Cost P/P</u>	<u># People</u>	<u>\$Total</u>
Registration Fee: Each person please pay: Includes Banquet Dinner, all taxes and gratuities associated with group meals, entertainment, snacks and Hospitality Room.	\$110.00	_____	_____

**TOURS**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Cost P/P</u>	<u># People</u>	<u>\$Total</u>
Event A: Friday Riding Virginia Beach Tour	\$ 52.00	_____	_____
Event B: Saturday Riding Norfolk City Tour	\$ 49.00	_____	_____

**Banquet Dinner**

Banquet Dinner included in registration fee Saturday 5/3 at 7:00 p.m. at hotel	<u>Cost P/P</u>	<u># People</u>	<u>\$Total</u>
If only attending banquet dinner	\$40.00	_____	_____

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## BANQUET DINNER

Banquet Dinner included in registration fee  
Saturday 5/3 at 7:00 p.m. at hotel

Choice of one entrée per person:

- **Prime Rib** Roasted to Perfection with Au Jus # \_\_\_\_\_
- **Chicken Cordon Bleu** – # \_\_\_\_\_  
Boneless Breast of Chicken Stuffed with Savory Ham  
and Melted Swiss Cheese with a Hollandaise Sauce
- **Sesame Encrusted Salmon** – # \_\_\_\_\_  
Fresh Salmon Encrusted with Sesame Seeds  
Drizzled with Teryaki Glaze

All Hot Plated Dinner Entrees Include a Caesar Salad, Chef's Selection of Starch & Vegetable,  
Dinner Rolls, Dessert, Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee and Iced Tea

**If only attending banquet dinner – cost is \$40.00**

Complete and mail the [Registration Form](#) with a [check](#) payable to USS Donner  
Memorial Association, Inc. for the Total Amount Due to:

Donner Reunion  
c/o John Keeter  
704 Meta Pointe Drive  
Chesapeake, VA 23323

**For use by Reunion Planner:**

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amt \_\_\_\_\_