





THE BANG GANG NEWSLETTER

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Stuart 'Stu' Savage, Jr. 1922 - 2015



This page is dedicated to informing you of any additions, deletions, or corrections to our active roster. It has been brought to our attention that the following shipmates have passed away and will be placed on Eternal Patrol.

Richard J. Morgana, CS (62-64) Stuart Savage, Jr., CO (56-59)

SHIPMATES, REST YOUR OARS!

The following shipmate is a new (found) addition to our roster. Your committee is thankful for all who helped in locating her and we will continue our search until we have attempted to locate everyone. LASTNAME FIRSTNAME ADDRESS CITY ST ZIPCODE PHONE Y-O-B Tardiff Donna 8 Fayette Dr Ocean Ridge FL 33435-7015 (561) 734-8221

The following shipmates have changed their mailing address.

Please let us know when your address has changed or you may not receive the next Newsletter.

LASTNAME	FIRSTNAME	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIPCODE	PHONE	Y-O-B
Buckmaster	Larry	51573 Westbarry Trl	South Bend	IN	46628-8441	(574) 272-9437	58-61
O'Neil	Owen B	33 Coach Ln	Hampton Falls	NH	03844-2319		59-61
Vogel	Robert	2498 S Hwy 97 Ste F #303	Redmond	OR	97756-8698		70-72
vogei	Kobert	2498 S Hwy 97 Ste F #303	Redmond	OR	9//36-8698		70-72





Since our last publication, the following shipmates have generously donated to our slush fund.



Bruce Barham Conyal Cody Willie Creel

Dick Flanagan

Ray Moore Lou Ulrich

Charlie Heater





THE INTERNET CONNECTION CHANGES SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

Bill Fenton ...ss385@ussbang.com









This column is dedicated to all the letters we receive from you. Any info about yourself or others you want to share with your shipmates will be published here. Think of this as a combination of the bulletin board in the Crew's Mess and the 1MC.

Editor's Notes and Ramble: Hi Shipmates!

Eric Ericson, TM (67-68) sends this 'heads up' to all who plan to attend this year's Reunion. <u>Your are now required to have a valid passport</u> to visit Canada.

Bill Fenton has posted some info on how to apply for or renew a passport on our Website.

http://www.ussbang.com/2015events.shtml

Owen O'Neil, ET (59-61) sent me an email on 4/19 notifying me that he had to sell his home in FL and move into his son's home in NH due to his wife first developing Alzheimer's and then he coming down with multiple myeloma cancer. His daughter was taking him to his weekly chemo and everything was "working out great!"

On 5/29 I received this follow-up email from Owen: "Thought that I'd let all my shipmates know that it's just about time for me to rest my oars. Cancer finally won so I'm now in hospice to make the transition easier for me and the family. How long? 2 weeks, maybe 3.

On a happier note, I'm a ham radio operator, a hobby I love. When I moved back north I wanted a required number in my call sign to have a "1" in which is the number for New England. My new call sign? N1KAM. Take out the number 1 and you've got NKAM ... Bang's very own old call sign.

Best wishes to all ..."

As you read this Owen may or may not be on Eternal Patrol. Just in case he is still with us, please send him a card to cheer him in his hour of need or, better yet, if you happen to be a ham operator also - call him!

Owen O'Neil 33 Coach Ln Hampton Falls, NH 03844-2319

Dick Morgana, CS (62-64) came to BANG from Sealion (APSS315) in June 62 and transferred to Tusk (SS426) in August 64. Dick also was a member of the crew that made the successful North Atlantic cruise with **Captain Alex Sinclair**. Richard J. Morgana, CSC, USN, retired, 79, of



Vernon, beloved husband of Gertrude "Trudy," entered into eternity Wednesday, March 11, 2015.

Born Dec. 8, 1935, in Rochester, New York, son of the late Frank and Elizabeth Morgana, he proudly served his country for 20 years in the U.S. Navy Submarine Service. He was a master chef on the first nuclear submarine.

Nautilus. He was given many commendations for his expertise.

After retiring, he owned and operated several restaurants in the local area.

Richard is survived by his wife and soul mate, Trudy; his children, David Morgana, Ed Morgana and his wife, Susan, Linda Rizy and her husband, Richard, Lisa Morgana and her longtime partner, Tom. He was blessed to have many grandchildren, David Jr., Eddie Jr., Crystal, Ben, Ashley, Steven, and Anthony. He is also survived by his loving sisters, Shirley Morgana and Mary Morgana-Kessler and was predeceased by his brothers, Frankie and Bobby. He will be missed by many friends that he made along the way on this earth.

A funeral service and burial took place March 20, at The Connecticut State Veterans Chapel and Cemetery, 317 Bow Lane, Middletown, CT 06457. The family requests memorial donations in Richard's name be made to The Department of Veteran Affairs, 287 West St., Rocky Hill, CT 06067.

Anyone wishing to express their condolences to Trudy and family may send them to his son.

Ed Morgana 146 Witches Rock Road Bristol, Ct 06010-7192



Stu Savage, CO (56-59) came aboard BANG



between Christmas and New Years 56 and served as her Skipper until May 59 making him the longest serving amongst Bang's Commanding Officers. He may have also been the lowest in rank because he didn't make LtCdr until 8

months into his command.

During those 28+ months, from the day we welcomed him aboard to the day we 'piped' him ashore, our relationship was professional - he giving me commands and me obeying them with the respect he deserved. Though, I do recall an incident when things weren't so professional.

During the Holidays the Boat went on four section watch leaving a skeleton crew on board while the rest went "home for the Holidays". Since the official Change of Command ceremony (**Ellis to Savage**) wasn't scheduled until after the Holidays, Stu decided to make an unofficial trip to State Pier to look over his new command. The topside watch, never seeing Stu before, didn't give the usual warning (Bang Bang) to the crew below. And, after Stu told him who he was, the warning still was delayed because Stu took the Conning Tower access instead of the usual FTR hatch.

Meanwhile, below in the Control Room was a couple of bored 18 year olds burning off some energy playing a game of Grabass. One chased the other up the CT ladder and then waited for him to come down. Within the next 30 seconds down the ladder comes Stu, the lurking predator without looking hollers "Gotcha" and simultaneously reaches out and grabs a handful of Stu's butt, and the 1MC blares "BANG BANG".

Without a word being said, Stu continues his descent, nods to the rest of us in the CR and hastens to the Forward Battery hatch. The grabber hastened as well to the After Battery hatch. Probably to clean his skivvies out.

And that's Stu's unofficial welcome aboard. In today's Navy, the outcome probably would have been different.

Fast forward 34 years and Stu and I cross paths again at BANG's 50th Reunion. This time the playing field is more level and allows a friendship to grow as each Reunion thereafter comes about.

BANG and her crew under Stu's command accomplished many good things for our Country but, for some reason Stu chose not to bring them up during our conversations with other crew members - even the Op that he received an accommodation for.

Probably, the greatest thing accomplished during this time was getting me to call him Stu instead of Captain.

And now he is gone again and I'll have to wait for my Eternal Patrol to see if our friendship will continue. Who knows, maybe I'll get to call him Captain again....



Stuart Savage Jr. was born on November 9, 1922. He graduated from Lawrence Memorial High School, Lawrence, KS in 1940 and attended Kansas University and the University of New Mexico prior to entering the United States Naval Academy in 1942.

Upon graduation from the Naval Academy in June 1945 he was ordered to duty

in the submarine service and reported to submarine school in New London, CT. After completing submarine school in December 1945 he reported aboard the USS Catfish (SS-339) stationed in San Diego, CA.

After leaving Catfish he served in the submarines Ronquil and Greenfish and as instructor in the Department of marine Engineering, US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD. LCDR Savage assumed command of the USS BANG (SS-385) on January 4, 1957.

After being releaved in May 1959, CDR Savage reported to the Atlantic Antisubmarine Defense Force Commander's staff in Norfolk. He later served as Naval Liaison to the Soviet Union in Moscow. He retired from the navy as a Captain.

Captain Stuart Savage Jr. died at the age of 92 on March 22, 2015 in Falls Church, VA..

There is no obit available at this time. Captain Savage will be cremated and await interment at Arlington National Cemetery sometime in the Fall.

If you wish to relay your condolences to Stu's family please send them to the following address:

Suzanne Savage 6445 Eppard St Falls Church, VA 22042-3123



Benito Chereguini, first CO of Cosme Garcia (72-74), "As an old CO of Spanish S-34 (USS Bang) we send our condolences to Stu's family. Cordiales saludos CdeN Benito Chereguini

Len Sciuto, QM (69-71), "You know, that when I started interviewing guys, I asked Stu. He looked at me and gave an emphatic no!! He told me he was afraid I would ask him about the northern run that was classified. He didn't want it even mentioned. I found it kind of unusual because that mission has long since been declassified. And I was able to get most of the details about it.

When interviewing J T Murray, he talked about it to some degree with no prompting from me. Most vets will not talk about a specific event because there was some loss of life of one or more of their friends/shipmates/ comrades. I have not found anything to indicate loss of life on that mission.

The Captain and I had a few conversations over the last few years. I found him, even at his advanced age, to be very alert most of the time, funny, conversant and quite smart. He told me that he felt kind of lost after Sydney passed away. I knew what he was talking about because that's exactly how I felt after my wife's death.

Those I interviewed who had him as a skipper held him in high esteem and said they would follow him anywhere. He was a good man, Captain and shipmate. He was content and at ease with what he accomplished in his time in the Navy. I am sorry he is gone.

Paull Anderson, FTM (62-63), "Sorry to learn Stu is on eternal patrol, but with his Sweet Sidney awaiting to greet him when he docks - as she did while they both were with us and cherished members of our Bang Gang. They both were the best of the best in every way and beloved by all of us - bless their dear hearts. I will get off condolences to Suzanne.

Lord these departed Shipmates with Dolphins on their chest, Are part of an outfit known to be the best. Please welcome them and offer them your hand, As you no doubt know they're the best in the land. And also heavenly Father add their name to the roll Of our departed shipmates who serve on Final Patrol. Assure them all that we, who still survive Will always keep their memory alive.

Gary Dannenbaum, RM (58-59) recently extended his acting career by auditioning for a part in a proposed movie - "My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2". After viewing his audition tape I'd say he aced it and not only should he get the part but an Oscar nomination in the Supporting

Actor role also.

Our President and Web Master, **Bill Fenton**, has changed his email address. Please note his new email address is listed on the front page and also on the Lost and Found page.

I had a very nice phone conversation a few weeks back with **Willie Creel**, ElectriciansMate (56-59). He stated that he was sorry he stopped attending the Reunions but he is unable to travel any great distances anymore due to health reasons. He also doesn't have a computer so he is very pleased with receiving the hard copy of our Newsletter in the mail to help keep him updated on his shipmates.

Anyone interested in contacting Willie to say "Hi" may do so by phone or US mail:

Willie B. Creel 1625 Sanford Rd Charleston, SC 29407-6935 (843) 556-7091

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Ray Moore, ElectriciansMate (59-60), "The letter in the Winter/Spring issue from **Roe Granger** brought back some memories. Roe was the best man at my wedding on December 31, 1960. That was my last week on board BANG. I started Nuc School on January 2nd.

Also, a prior issue had a letter from **Conyal Cody**. If I remember correctly, I worked for **Raymond Ball** but I still remember Conyal as well and, I'm glad to hear he is doing well.

I will miss this year's Reunion in Detroit but am looking forward to 2016."... *Thanks for writing Ray and thanks for your Slush Fund donation. See you in 2016.*

Bruce Barham, IC Electrician (68-71), "I would like to get 2 BANG ball caps and use the rest of the money for the Slush Fund."... *Thanks Bruce for your Small Stores order and Slush Fund donation. Hope all is well with you.*

Charlie Heater, TorpedoMan (52-55), "I want to thank all of the Shipmates who sent me cards expressing their sympathy on Marge's passing." ...Charlie, I hope by now that the pain of your loss has eased enough for you to go on with your life. Though it may never go away completely, rest assured that your shipmates are here for you if needed. Enjoy the rest of your life and please keep in touch. If my future travels ever take me near Urbanna I'll give you a call.

Dick Flanagan, RadioMan (56-58), "Sorry to hear about **Stu Savage** passing. I will send my condolences to the family. I was also saddened to hear about **Jim Maney**.

I was all set to come to the Pensacola reunion, but I was having too many medical problems. I'm still bothered by the Guillaim-Barre Syndrome that I have and I also have 7 herniated disc's in my spine. I get epidural shot's for them and they generally last about 6 months. Of course I generally do something stupid and injure one or more. Other than that I'm fairly healthy.

I'm still playing golf about 3 days a week and shooting about 80. I shot my age twice this year 77 and I also had a 76.

I still own the same State Farm Agency for the past 50 years. I've only kept it going so the people that work for me have a job and I pay their Insurance and pension. However I do plan to retire the end of 2016 so that I can spend a little more time with my 6 married kids, 15 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

I hope you, **Regish, Christenson, Kosloski** and all the rest of the crew from the mid to late 50's are doing well.

I hope to make the next Reunion and many more after that. I am going to send a check to the slush fund today." ... Dick, I received your check - Thank You! Sorry to hear about your disc problem. Epidural shots don't sound like too much fun but, since they are only twice a year, I think it is a better choice than operating. Glad to hear you plan on attending more Reunions. Looking forward to seeing you again.

Conyal Cody, ElectriciansMate Chief (58-61), "I am so very grateful for your on going "hard copy" of the Newsletter. Thank you!." ... Conyal, we are equally as grateful for your continuing donation to our Slush Fund which keeps this Newsletter afloat. Stay well Shipmate.

Donna Tardiff, widow of **Henry Tardiff**, ElectriciansMate Chief (66-68), "It was like Christmas getting the Bang Gang newsletter. I can't thank you enough. I feel like I found so many of my lost family again.

I immediately wrote to my found again friend Jeanne Cromie. What's strange is the issue I happened to get had her address in it. We haven't been in touch for so many years. I've been able to re-unite now with a few of Henry's crew mates, and it brings back a lot of great memories.

Thank you Andy and Barry for finding me." ... Donna, I sometimes forget that not only BANG shipmates, but their wives as well are part of the Bang Gang. I am glad to hear that this Newsletter has brought back recollection of some happier times in your life.

Rita Dixon, widow of **Dallas Dixon**, MachinistMate (62-65), "Thank you so very much for the beautiful card. Dallas was so proud of his service to our country and especially serving on the USS BANG. He loved all 3 BANG reunions that we were able to attend.

My daughters and I are so proud of all he accomplished in his lifetime. He has left an

amazing legacy." ... Thank you for writing, Rita. We hope that Dallas' legacy will help console you in times of sorrow.

Marv Christenson, ElectronicsTech (56-58), sends us an update on the well being of **John Monroe**, CommiSsaryman (68-72). "The greeting John voiced during a recent phone call was terrific. He sounded the same as he did when I first talked to him 5 years ago.

John persevered during an extremely difficult period preceding and subsequently recovering from a liver transplant. He is now the same John I first met. He is spirited, articulate, and knowledgeable. We discussed a large variety of subjects which included serious topics and a few sea stories.

He recalls with joy his time aboard Bang. But, missing Bang reunions is disappointing to him.

His current situation precludes attending reunions at this time. Never-the-less he looks forward to attending again in the future.

John's recovery is continuing on its prescribed course. He pays close attention to his doctor's instructions and is able to perform almost fully.

He is at home most of the time and would enjoy hearing from shipmates.

I enjoyed every minute of our 2 hour conversation."

John can be contacted at the following:

1029 Bush St Apt-B Red Wing, MN 55066-3470 (651) 380-5358





The Chaplain's Corner Len Sciuto QMC(SS), USNR CDR, USCG, retired



We have all heard the phrase: "When a door closes, another opens". Maybe you have thought it or even said it when something good or bad, pleasurable or distasteful has happened to you. How many times in your life have you used the phrase or even referenced it?

Each and every one of us has experienced "the doors" as we have interacted with family, friends and even people we have just met. Sometimes

it's good and sometimes it's not. Why did it happen? What caused it to begin? How will I react? All of these questions are easily answered. The answer is by how we were raised, our norms, morals and values, and of course, by our experiences.

As I have traveled life's road, I have found, in my own life, that as I have aged I seem to be more able to easily handle the "doors" events. Maybe because I try to be better prepared for the unexpected. Or maybe because I have accepted these things and events as just normal everyday occurrences. Maybe because I believe that life is way too short, even at our age, to get upset or overly emotional.

I have found, over the years, that when I am in a quandary from the "doors", I tend to seek out family and friends for their advice and opinions. It's not that I can't solve it or deal with it myself. It's because I value their thoughts and opinions. I am sure you probably do the same. That's because it allows us to possibly gain an insight or a solution that we have not thought of or considered.

I am sure you know and realize that there are your family and friends who will always be there for you. Part of that group, are your shipmates. Those of whom you sailed with so many years ago. Those of whom you enjoy seeing and meeting at the reunions. I have been attending these reunions for a few years now and have come to the conclusion that we are all one. It doesn't matter what years we sailed on the BANG. What matters is that we all can get the help and support from each other, when we need it.

You don't have to deal with the "doors" or life's problems yourself. Each and every one of us can and will be there for you. All you have to do is ask, shipmate.

Len

Cold War Medal Update 05 ? H.R.2067 Recognition Overdue

As Americans, we have a long and storied tradition of honoring the millions of men and women who have served our country throughout generations of armed conflict. We have built memorials and museums, issued medals, and designated national holidays to commemorate our veterans' service and ensure that their legacy will live on for generations to come. There also lie heroes that time has forgotten whose names and actions are not written in the text of history books or etched into the walls of memorials. Millions of brave service members whose commitment to our nation ended the Cold War, after more than forty years. They worked quietly, or behind the scenes but prevented the world from dovetailing into nuclear war.

While the world was focused on wars raging in places like Korea and Vietnam, these men and women worked tirelessly to ensure that the tens of thousands of nuclear missiles the United States and the Soviet Union had aimed at each other's shores were never launched. Thev served on remote B-52 bomber bases. maintained missile silos, defended checkpoints and gathered intelligence in order to save our nation, and the world, from the devastating consequences of a nuclear catastrophe. The Cold War ended on December 26, 1991, but our heroes received no parades, celebrations or even so much as a public thank you. Although there were no major battles or combat over the forty-four year span of the Cold War, it is what these men and women prevented from happening that deserves our highest honor and appreciation.

It is long past time that our Cold War veterans receive the proper recognition that they deserve. While Democrats and Republicans rarely agree on much in Washington these days, honoring our veterans is an issue that transcends party lines. That is why Reps. Steve Israel (D-NY) and David Jolly (R-FL) reached across the aisle to introduce legislation that will award a military service medal to members of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Cold War. The Cold War Service Medal Act of 2015 (H.R. 2067) authorizes the Secretary of Defense to issue medals to members of the U.S. Armed Forces who were honorably discharged after having served on active duty for at least 24 consecutive months during the Cold War, deployed outside the continental United States for at least 30 days during those years, or performed other Cold War service as the Secretary of Defense may prescribe.

The bill's sponsors are urging their colleagues to bring this legislation to the floor of the House for a vote. They owe it to Cold War veterans and their families to show them the respect and appreciation for their valor and the silent sacrifices they made to protect our country and our freedom. It is never too late to right a wrong, and presenting these men and women with the medal they have earned is the least we can do to honor their courage and their sacrifice. Without them, the war that never was, could have been the war to end all wars. [Source: The Hill | Reps. Steve Israel and David Jolly | May 25, 2015 ++]

Hazardous Duty Pay?

A couple of years ago I posted an article about a court ruling that stated "The Board finds that the criteria for service connection for bladder cancer, as due to Agent Orange exposure and/ or **diesel fuel exposure**, is granted" thus easing the burden of proof that Bladder Cancer was service related. Especially for Smoke Boat sailors who lived in such confined quarters with diesel fumes.

Now, there is findings that the Nuke Boat service is equally as hazardous with exposure to **2190 TEP hydraulic oil with a DBNP additive** which can be responsible for colon cancer / gall bladder / kidney / liver / ulcers / diabetes / pneumonia and other cancers. The tell-tale sign is the yellowing of skin and everything else in the environment and was initially - probably incorrectly - blamed on cigarette smoke. Some information on the additive follows:

"Yellowing of the interiors in the US submarine fleet and possible exposure of Navy personnel to this unknown substance was first reported to the Navy In 1992."

"General Dynamics determined the yellowing was related to presence of DBNP, an intensely yellow crystalline material."

"Provisions have been made to remove DBP from the manufacturing specifications of 2190 oils, but the stockpile is large enough for Navy personnel to be exposed to DBNP for several more years."

"There have been numerous reports of retired personnel dying at an early age but, no military person has reported illness associated with exposure to DBP or DBNP. However, submariners represent the extreme of a "healthy worker" population, and exposure may not be detected till after months or years of exposure." Diesel Boats also carried this hydraulic oil aboard.

THE BANG (SS-385)

HERE IT IS ON A WARM DREARY NIGHT THE BANG IS STEAMING WITH ALL OF ITS MIGHT THE DIESELS ARE RUNNING, MAIN MOTORS HUMMING BECAUSE OF THIS IT IS ALL RATHER NUMBING

WE ARE IN ONE OF THE SEAS NO ONE KNOWS WHERE BECAUSE THERE ARE NO STARS IN THE AIR BUT WHEN WE SEE LAND WE WILL KNOW EXACTLY WHERE TO GO

WE HAVE THREE ENGINES ABOARD THAT WILL SNORKLE ABOUT LIKE A KITE OH, THEY SOUND LIKE HELL, BUT THEY ALL RUN WELL AS LONG AS WE PRAY EVERY NIGHT

WHEN WE SUBMERGE WE GLIDE LIKE A BIRD WITH 10'S, 20'S, AND 30'S BUT THIS IS ALL WELL AS WE ANSWER THE BELLS WE ARE GETTING

WHEN THEY BLOW SAFETY IT ALWAYS UPSETS US, BUT WE KNOW THIS GETS US UP QUICKLY WE LOOK THROUGH THE SCOPES WITHOUT ANY HOPES OF SEEING ANYTHING BUT THE SICKLY

YES THE BANG IS SO DEAR WHEN WE ARE DRINKING BEER, THEY SAY IF WE SHIP OVER THE BOAT WILL BE LIKE CLOVER IN THE HAY FIELDS OF IOWA

WHEN WE ARE MAKING WATER I THINK IT IS HARDER THEN POUNDING AND PAINTING THE CARS AND THEN ON NEW YEARS DAY ITS HAPPY NEW YEAR CREW, TURN TO WITHOUT DELAY

THIS WAS ALRIGHT BUT I WAS UP ALL NIGHT WORKING ON NUMBER THREE ENGINE WE HAD THE PUMPS AND GOD IT WAS TOUGH ESPECIALLY ON NEW YEARS EVE

AFTER THREE YEARS I THINK I'LL GIVE UP AND LET THE YOUNG GUYS TAKE OVER ME AND CORNELL WILL WORK IN THE CLOVER AND BREAM OF OUR FREE NIGHTS, SOBER This poem was sent to us by Dallas Dixon's daughter, Trisia. She came across it while she and her mom were going through Dallas' things.

WRITTEN BY: DIXON MM2(SS)



Welcome Shipmates, Guests, and Spouses of our departed brothers.

We feel our reunion plans are proceeding at their usual pace but that pace is getting our Headquarters personnel a little concerned with the speed our room reservation block is filling up. They have informed us that as of this writing only five room reservations have been made for USS Bang Reunion and they are thinking of reducing the size of the block reserved for us until August 30th.

To help ease their doubts that the rooms we asked for will be filled, we have sweetened the pot by adding <u>something extra</u> to the "welcome envelope" of all attendees who call the Embassy Hotel and make their room reservation before July 1st.

Please take advantage of our offer and call today. If needed, you can always cancel out at a later date with **no penalty** so, you have nothing to lose and a little Lagniappe in your welcome envelope.

Our Headquarters will be the all SMOKE-FREE Embassy Suites Hotel. (248)-879-7500. Each two room unit consists of (Bedroom with 2 double beds or king bed, Bath with shower or tub, and Sitting Room with sofa bed and refrigerator) **OR** (two Bedrooms and two Baths). All suites are Bang Reunion priced at \$139.00 plus tax. To receive this special rate, be sure to mention "USS Bang Reunion" when you call. (Rate is good for three days before and after Reunion.) The cutoff date for this guaranteed August reservation rate is 30. 2015. Reservations made after this date will be offered at the group rate on a space available basis.

HOTEL AMENITIES:

*Accessibility Friendly

*Complimentary breakfast buffet.

- *Manager's evening cocktail reception.
- *Indoor Pool, Spa, Fitness Center.

*Wireless WiFi and Business Center.

*Three Casinos within short driving distance.

If you are arriving by vehicle, the Hotel affords free parking to not only cars but, trucks, RVs. If you plan on arriving by plane (Detroit DTW) or Amtrak (Troy TRM), take advantage of **Jim's**

free 'Red Cap' shuttle service (Tips Accepted) by including your Arrival / Departure Days & Times on the Registration Form and either fill in your Airline and Flight Number or check the Amtrak box.

Monday, 14th - Acclimation Day. Time to get acclimated to the new surroundings.

Tuesday, 15th - "The Henry Ford Tours". If you intend to go, please tally which **two** choices.

1.) **ASSEMBLY LINE TOUR** - is a self-guided five-part experience.

2.) **THE MUSEUM TOUR** - twelve acres of the finest collection of its kind ever assembled.

3.) **THE VILLAGE TOUR** - is a living museum with the actual homes of Edison & Ford.

Wednesday, 16th - "The River Cruise and Motown Tours".

Diamond Jack's River Tour takes us on the beautiful Detroit River.

Hitsville U.S.A. **Tour**, the birthplace of the Motown Sound.

Thursday, 17th - The morning agenda includes the Annual Business Meeting and Ladies Bingo. In the evening is our Banquet.

Don't forget!!! If you plan on visiting Canada you now need a passport.

Please feel free to contact either Jennifer or Paul with any Reunion questions.

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HOSTS COORDINATORS Volanda & Jim Volanda & Jim Paul Server Dr, Troy, MI, 48098 (248) 879-7500 COORTE \$139 + tax Musis mention USS BANG REUNION FREE BREAKFAST BUFFET 06:30 - 09:30 plus COCKTAILS & HORS D'OEUVRES 17:30 - 19:30 EVERYDAY!!! MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14th - Check-in - Get "Welcome" envelope - Hospitality Room opens 10:00 a.m. TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15th - 08:30 a.m Bus departs for Henry Ford Tours. WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16th - 11:45 a.m Bus departs for River Boat Cruise and Motown Tours. THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17th - 09:00 a.m Business Meeting - Ladies Bingo. 05:30 p.m Photos, Cocktails & Banquet - Live Entertainment. Sec	U. S. S. BANG (SS - 385) 72nd Anniversary Reunion Troy (Detroit), MI Monday - September 14th 2014 <u>through</u> Thursday - September 17th 2014		E M B A S S Y SUITES			
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