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## PRESIDENTS CORNER



Gene Maresca

A lot of stuff coming up now!

We have located crew lists for 1/1/46, 12/31/46/ 1/1/48 and 1/1/49. We'll have those up on the web site for you as soon as we can.

We also are looking into a trip to see the Larson in Korea. It won't be cheap, but if we have enough people we can at least do it. I may still have stuff hidden from customs in there: I couldn't remember where I put it when they left! Check out the separate article about it in this newsletter for details.

Ray Sena and Gene Hayhurst could use a call or a card. No update on Edith and Bob's status, but I understand they are coming to the reunion, so we can ask them in person!

The BIG story of course is the Reunion at Great Lakes. I have been assured that whatever you guys did there is long forgotten and it's safe to go back. I have a feeling that the sight of all those young men and women who choose to serve their country will be pretty inspiring. Tom and Peggy always host a great reunion and I'm sure this will be no exception. It will be great to see you all again.

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One more thing: For those of you who were there when the Frank E. Evans went down. We have been invited to their reunion in Waterloo, IA that will take place September 15th and 16th. This is not their regular ship reunion. This is a reunion of the survivors and those who helped rescue them. Please let me know if you plan to go. I can get contact info for you and we may need someone to represent the Larson and read a greeting. I understand that we came mighty close to the same thing only a couple of nights before.

See you at Great Lakes – Gene

### Want to Visit the Larson?

There has been some interest in a special trip to visit the Larson (not to take the place of the annual reunion) in 2012. As most of you know, it is now a Museum in Reunification Park in Korea. There are pictures of it on the web site.

We have a bid from the group that put together the Korean War Veterans series of trips.

To visit the Larson for a day with sight-seeing and shopping at Seoul, Panmunjeon, and other sites for a total of 7 days and 8 nights, including hotels and air fare from LAX,SFO,ATL,DFW,ORD,IAD,JFK or SEA is estimated to run \$ 2,950 per person.

If you are interested in going, I need to hear from you within two weeks of your receipt of this letter.

We need 25 people to qualify for even this rate.

If we get enough interest, we'll see if we can get some subsidy on the rates, but we need to be prepared to spend the whole amount if we commit.

– Gene Maresca (Contact info is on Page 1)



Chaplain Francis E. Juntunen

## In Memoriam

Departed Shipmates (since last newsletter)

Roy E Pattillo, S2c, 1945–46, passed away on 4/25/2011

Robert M Shelton, RD2, 1960–62, passed away 6/13/2011

Larry E. Torgersen, 1960–63, passed away 6/10/2011



### From the Vice-President

Shipmates and Friends: Donna-Rae and I are looking forward to seeing most of you at the reunion in Chicago. We have many activities/adventures unfolding this Summer and Fall but we have reserved the time to attend the reunion in between a reunion of my US Naval Academy Class in Annapolis and all of my brothers and sisters, 6 brothers and 4 sisters, and their spouses coming to Annandale, VA for a family reunion. We were blessed with our second grandchild in June. A daughter born to our youngest daughter. With the grandson born to our oldest daughter 5 years ago, we now have one of each. We are all well and looking forward to spending time with all of you and boring you to death with pictures. Have a safe trip to Chicago.



### From the Treasurer

The Larson Association checking account is maintained at the Mercantile Bank of Michigan. The East Lansing, MI branch is the closest full service financial institution to my residence. Our bank balance as of 5/31/11 is \$15,108.56. Over the years we have received in excess of \$8,000.00 from shipmates who elected Lifetime Memberships.

An audit was conducted at the Portland reunion and the next audit should take place in 2012. It is a privilege to serve and I look forward to meeting many of you at the Great Lakes Reunion

### WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR SHIPMATES!



Engineering Division Venice Italy 1948

## Mail Call

Judith Warren-Wright would like to hear from anybody who knew her dad, Leslie Warren, who served aboard in 1946.

Please contact her at: [gaurdnangel@yahoo.com](mailto:gaurdnangel@yahoo.com)

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My name is Don Fullbright GMTC USN RET. I am a life member of the USS Larson Reunion Association.

I would like to know if I may be the youngest Blue Jacket to serve on the Larson? I turned sixteen years old on March 25th 1947. I enlisted in the Navy at Dubuque, Iowa on March 28, 1947. I reported aboard the Larson at Boston for duty on Nov. of 1947. I had my 17th birthday while the ship was visiting a Greek island in the Med.

In June of 1952 I was transferred to the US NAVY SPECIAL WEAPONS UNIT 471 at Sandia Base (Army) New Mexico. At the time of my transfer I was a GM3. In 1958 I was advanced to Nuclear Weaponsman's first class.

In 1960 after much debate from the Japanese, all Nuclear Weaponsman became Gunnersmate Technicians. After serving on many aircraft carriers and weapons shore stations in Oct 1970 I retired from the navy as a Chief Gunners Mate Technician at of all places, Sandia Base, where I was serving as an instructor at the navy nuclear weapons school. In 1990 all GMTS became WT'S (Weapon Technicians). As of 1999 the WT Rate was dropped from the US Navy rating structure. Most of the WT'S that were on active duty became AO'S or GM'S. Oh Yes Doug, I did not FORGE my birth certificate, I only Altered it! Thanks for hearing me out Doug. I look forward to meeting you at next year's reunion in the Great Lakes area, I went through boot camp at Great Lakes.

Take Care Shipmate,  
Don Fullbright

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Hi Gene.

I am an 83 yr. old survivor of a lot of years eventually retiring as a College Professor but remember my time in 1945 and 46 on the Larson in Japan. (over a year).

We got on in Sasebo I think or maybe Tokyo, relieving many of the plank members after the war was just over. We patrolled all around the Islands to many ports with lots of interesting and some exciting times..

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I was an LCVP coxswain (S1c), getting supplies or taking liberty parties ashore or Officers and sometimes the Captains Gig when the "Flag" was aboard and occasionally an LCM getting stores from shore etc.

I was in Div #1 over the anchor locker and sometimes in charge of the Paint and Stores Locker when in port. I never kept a log or sent much home so have lost so many details of those days and those sorties and would cherish any data available to help my failing memory.

A big guy named Haptenstall was the Chief Boats and probably saved my life once when the captain started backing down after we hooked to a buoy with the hawser and I was still on the buoy. The hawser reduced to about half it's size and I was hanging on it. The Chief ran to the Bridge and took over. We heard later that the Cap may have been drinking. I never knew. Anyway they got me off in the whaleboat before the line broke.

Was kept pretty busy most of the time - too much to get into much trouble. I saw myself in one of the pictures of Div. #1 on the web-site.

- Phil MacMichael

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Hi Gene , thanks for getting back to me so quick this is so great what your doing for me! I attached a picture of my father, Frederick Arthur Bailey, SN, 1951-55, 1955-57, in uniform, when you have your next meeting or run into any of his friends or shipmates, you can give them my email [davidbaileya@yahoo.com](mailto:davidbaileya@yahoo.com) I would love to find out everything I can about him, so many memories I can imagine,

- Your Friend David Bailey



*Frederick Arthur Bailey, SN, 1951-55, 1955-57*

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It is a real pleasure to receive our publication showing the various stories and experiences of our shipments together.

I have been a member of the Larson Assoc. for over 20 years and was it's president in 1991. I had expedited our first reunion in Norfolk, VA in June of 1991, which was a beautiful success.

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It is unfortunate that for medical reasons I could not continue to be more active in our fine association. It does my heart good to see how it has grown and with good men to keep it efficient.

I have enclosed a short story (The Big Sleep) which I have extracted from a book I recently had published. The book is called "the Kid From Brooklyn". I hope you would publish this vignette, as I believe our members may enjoy it and also possible I could reach some of my old shipmates. This incident occurred in May 1947. I hope some of my shipmates would call me at 772-343-8477 (a.m.) - Domenick "Nick" Scarlato

#### **THE BIG SLEEP**

Domenick served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He was sent to Normandy, France with the Underwater Demolition Team (U.D.T.) to clear underwater obstacles such as horned mines. The Germans had saturated the entire French coast from Cherburg and LeHave. During one of his missions he and his team mate Jim Locksey were blown out of the water. The explosion was caused by a mine, which was located 150 yards from them and was being worked on by two of Domenick's team mates. They were blown to bits. After Domenick and Jim were released from the Bethesda Naval Hospital in Virginia, they were sent to the Anacostia Receiving Station in Washington, D.C. Jim managed to get a job striking for a Cook's rate, and Domenick was assigned to the Seaman Honor Guard. He stood his watch at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, participated in parades and did the burial detail assignments at the Arlington Cemetery. He was later transferred, by his request, to the E.F. Larson DD830 destroyer. Details of this are cited in Chapter 2 entitled U. S. Navy.

While on the Larson, Domenick managed to get assigned to the Engineering Division. He stood his watches in the engine rooms and his work day with the "A" Repair Gang. His battle station was the Damage Control Party. The ship conducting war time maneuvers in the Caribbean Sea. The crew worked 4 hours on and 4 hours off around the clock. This was a war time scheduling and General Quarters (Battle Stations) were called all hours of the day and night. Even though a crew member, who may have worked and been on alert all night, was off duty during the day he could not go to his rack (bed) to sleep. The crews Quarters were closed for clean-up during the day. Many of the crew tried to make up their sleep by sleeping under gun turrets, in the whale boats or whatever.

Domenick had a good buddy named John Krell. Krell was a former submariner who had screwed up and was transferred to the destroyer. Whatever his past problem was it didn't matter as he was a good tough sailor. In Chapter 2 entitled U.S. Navy the story of Krell is given in greater detail, but here the story is about Krell and Dominick's Big Sleep. In fact some of the crew even passed out from exhaustion from the heat of the engine rooms.

Domenick and Krell were relieved of their watch and both men were dead tired. They could not get in the crew's Quarters to get some sleep, so they looked elsewhere to "crap out" as the sailors used to say. They saw an opportunity to sleep under a table in the crew's Mess Hall. This table was up against the bulkhead and kept them partially obscured from sight. The squadron of destroyers were scheduled to tie-up alongside each other in what they called a "nest formation". The destroyers in the formation were the Goodrich, Thomas, Larson and the Hanson. Each took a turn coming along side each other and anchoring and tying together. The sequence was the Goodrich anchored first. Then the Thomas came along side and anchored then tied to the Goodrich. The Larson anchored and tied to the Thomas. It was the Hanson's turn to tie up alongside the Larson. As the Hanson came along side of the Larson, she came in too fast and collided with the Larson. The collision was so violent that it damaged the guard rails and part of the superstructure. The entire crew of the Larson turned out as it was felt the ship was in jeopardy. A Damage Control Party ran down into the Mess Hall to check for damage. They saw Domenick and Krell lying under the mess hall table. Since the Hanson had hit that side of the ship where the two men were lying, they thought they were dead or badly injured. They quickly called for the medical Corpsmen.

When they approached the two men lying there and touched them, both men jumped up. Everyone was startled. They couldn't believe their eyes. How could two men have slept through that violent collision, especially the ship was hit on the side where they were sleeping. The Captain gave an order to the Corpsmen to give a special examination of each man to make sure they were alright. The two men were found to be alright but fatigued. A positive thing came out of this incident. The squadron came off its four hour on and four hour off plus a work day to the normal four on and eight off plus a work day. Domenick and Krell were very embarrassed over this incident. It was hard to live down. Although they probably got credit for the changing of the scheduling, wherever they went on the ship they were called the Big Sleep.

- Domenick "Nick" Scarlato, Ed.D 1946-47

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#### **Christmas Week 1967 The Untold Story**

While serving on USS E.F. Larson (DD-830) during the 1967-68 WestPac cruise, I was assigned a collateral duty of Ship's Welfare and Rec Officer. This normally consisted of planning and arranging crew functions while the ship was in port including ship parties.

When the ship spent time in Sasebo, Japan during the week of Christmas 1967, Cdr. Palmer asked me if I could find a musical combo from the ship that was willing to perform at Sasebo's Seifnen Orphanage. The Captain also wanted to get as many of the crew as possible to go to the orphanage to share cake and ice cream with the kids, in sharing the Christmas spirit. A total of 26 members of the Larson crew including the Captain went to the orphanage shortly after lunch on Christmas Eve.

I don't know how Cdr. Palmer found out about this particular orphanage. It had the nickname of being the "Round Eye" orphanage because most of the children were the off-springs of American servicemen. The orphanage was an embarrassment to the city of Sasebo, therefore, it received little support from the city.

About 3 o'clock that afternoon, while at the orphanage, one of the gunners mate strikers was standing outside the front door of the orphanage taking a smoke break. He happened to be watching a Japanese worker, across the road, digging into the hillside with a tractor. The hillside suddenly collapsed on the worker burying him and the tractor. The Larson sailor ran into the orphanage to "spread the word".



The crew responded immediately, running up the dirt hill in dress uniforms to dig the worker out of the hillside using their bare hands. The thing that I thought was most impressive was the sailors from the ship's crew that ripped through the fiber canopy of the tractor, with bare hands, so that the worker could be pulled up to safety. Those 3 crew members were rightly awarded letters of commendation.

Due to all the excitement of the accident, the orphanage became a second thought. So, after the accident I went into the orphanage to talk with the "Mama-San". I told her we were going to be in Sasebo for a few days and asked her if there was something else we could do for the orphanage, like painting or cleaning up. She told me that the kids really needed jackets. She said they didn't have a stove and that the babies were very cold. It was cold in Sasebo at that time of year. I asked her to make a list of the sizes and I would return to the orphanage to pick it up.

It was shortly after payday so I made an informal collection on the ship. I thought the crew was very generous in giving. The timing was right, it was Christmas week. I went to talk to "Mama-San" and she gave me an overwhelming list of 39 sizes. I told her that I would see what I could do and that I would be back soon.

I found the largest department store in town and priced the jackets. I figured that I had less than half of the money that I needed for the purchase. I left the store downtrodden. Returning the money to the crew was not a viable alternative, so I thought that the only thing that I could do was to convert it to yen and bring it to "Mama-San" and tell her that it was the best I could do. Then, I thought that there must be another way worth trying, so I went back into the store and asked to speak with the individual in charge. He spoke pretty good English so I explained my situation. I told him if his store donated the jackets for the orphanage I would give him all of the money that I had and would take no credit for it. He could inform the Newspapers that his store did it and I would inform the orphanage of the same. He then asked me if my ship was 830. When I replied, yes, he said "We get jackets, my store and your ship, OK?" I said OK. I realized that he knew the ship because it was front page in the local newspaper the previous day due to the Japanese worker incident.

I met him at the orphanage later that day. The jackets were there heaped in a pile on the floor. The press was there and I allowed them to take pictures of me putting the jackets on the children who were lined up in a long straight line. I left the orphanage thinking that I pulled off a pretty good deal. However, the next day, the Captain wanted to talk to me. He asked me "To please not do anything like that again without consulting him first". He also said that I shouldn't use the ship's name to bargain without getting his permission. The Captain told me that he attended a party with the town fathers on the previous evening and the conversation was upsetting. I had aired the City of Sasebo's "dirty Laundry" and caused great embarrassment to the City Fathers.

I tried to put this incident behind me and get busy doing other things that had to be accomplished like setting up the ship's New Year's party at one of the local hotels. Everything seemed to be going fine, at the party, until the Captain encouraged the crew to smash their drinking glasses on the floor after toasting the New Year in. Things kind of went downhill after that and the hotel suffered some damage. It was probably for good reason that the party didn't make it into the Cruise Book.

On January 2nd, the day before we departed Sasebo, the Town Fathers were on the Ship making presentations of large Japanese encased dolls to the Captain and crew. I was asked to be there, however, I had to go back to the hotel to square up things because of the damage. Handling things at the hotel was easy, however, as I was heading back to the ship I couldn't get the orphanage out of my mind. This was a 'roller coaster' week emotionally and I figured I owed "Mama-San" an apology for getting her into deeper trouble with the City of Sasebo.

I went to the orphanage, told her what happened and that I was very sorry things worked out that way. Her response was "O No Papa-San come see". The City of Sasebo had opened up to the needs of the orphanage. She showed me their new stove, blankets, toys and many other things that they had received, even the newspaper people had brought them a floor sweeper. I told her that I was very happy for them and then told her that my ship was leaving in the morning. She then paid me the highest compliment that she could. She said "O No, we want to adopt you".

I never had any further discussion on this matter with Cdr. Palmer or with any of the crew. Shortly after the ship returned to Long Beach, I was promoted to Senior Chief and no longer had a Billet on the Larson. I was transferred to an Admiral's Staff in San Diego, Six years later after leaving the Larson, almost to the day, I retired from the U.S. Navy as a Master Chief Petty Officer.

An Encore to this Story – Move the clock ahead about 30 years, to the late 90's, I was remarried and my wife, Pam was a Middle School teacher at David A Brown Middle School in Southern California. Part of the school's cultural program was an exchange student program. The school that was selected for the student exchange was a high school located in Sasebo, Japan. When the first group of Japanese students arrived in the United States, we were host to one of their chaperones, their English teacher names Yumi. One of the students on that trip was named Rie. When the David A. Brown students visited Japan, my wife Pam was one of the chaperones that made the trip. Rie volunteered her family to be host family for Pam's stay in Japan. Pam has been corresponding with her host family ever since.

Rie made a second trip to the United States and stayed with us for a 3 week period. Japanese people love to give gifts, so Rie walked into our house with 2 large shopping bags from a Japanese department store, I recognized the store name as being the same as the department store that I dealt with in Sasebo. After conversing with her she confirmed that it was the same store. She told me she knew that story well and that I was more likely dealing with the store owner, on the jackets, and not a manager.

After you contacted me telling me about the Larson re-union in Portland, I wrote to this Japanese family and asked if they could locate the 1967 Christmas Newspaper Clippings and send them to me with the English translations. I now have them and plan on bringing them to the reunion. You may want to add them to the Larson Scrapbook if someone maintains it.

– Sincerely, Don Erskine

## Attention on Deck!

Dues...You know the drill!

Please send your 2011 Dues. Fill out this form, send it and your check made payable to: USS **Everett F. Larson DD-830** with a self addressed envelope to:

Frank Wyzywany, Treasurer  
12 Ashleigh Court  
Lansing, MI 48906

Name: _____
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<b>Please Check One:</b>
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<input type="checkbox"/> \$5.00 per year Associate Membership (no voting rights at meeting)
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Are you current? Take a moment to check to see if you need to update information.

\*Send in the changes to Doug so you will receive your copy of the Larson Newsletter in a timely and cost efficient fashion.

Doug Rice  
83 Stonehedge Lane South  
Guilford, CT 06437

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Spouse's Name: _____

## THIS IS NOT A DRILL

Its still important to get dues paid and to get new members. We need to do both!

- Gene Maresca

## DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

### Get Your Larson Association Newsletter Via Email

With every edition, your Association mails out 383 Newsletters and Emails 170 Newsletters to members.

**Please let Doug Rice (drice@ctslabs.com) know if we can just provide you with the email version.** With the rising costs of stamps, envelopes and printing, we would appreciate your help in cutting our costs.

Thank you for your help.

### \*\*CURRENT EVENTS\*\*

We have received some very interesting and personal emails and letters from those who served on the Larson, that you will find under the "Mail Call" heading.

There have to be hundreds of these stories. We would ask you to think back to those years on the Larson and email it or write it down and send it to drice@ctslabs.com or Doug Rice, 83 Stonehedge Lane South, Guilford, CT 06437. Give us as much detail as possible, with dates, names and we will share it with the Larson crew in our next newsletter!

Larson hats, shirts and jackets will be available from EMBROIDERY CREATIONS, 5050 Nebraska Avenue, Ste. 8, HUBER HEIGHTS, OHIO. Phone: 937-235-0441. Fax: 937-235-0487. Contact Chuck Hertzman Website: www.embroiderycreations.com or info@embroiderycreations.com

LARSON PATCHES AVAILABLE - Vern Smith, 1855 E. Oakmont Ave., Fresno, CA 93720, (e-mail: yttim2@dslextreame.com) has Larson Patches available and the cost is \$4.00 which includes mailing cost.

## Great Lakes, Illinois Reunion October 5-9, 2011



Plans have been completed for our 2011 Reunion. Tom & Peggy Nordquist will be our Hosts.

We have made arrangements to stay at the EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL, 1445 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield, Illinois 60015. Phone # 847-945-4500.

Reservations can be made directly with the Embassy Hotel by calling 1-800-EMBASSY (1-800-362-2779), please reference USS Everett F. Larson DD/DDR 830 2011 Reunion with the operator and the dates that you will be attending. Room rates are \$95.00 per night plus a current room tax of 12%. (Reservations can also be made via the Embassy Suites website at [www.embassysuites.com](http://www.embassysuites.com), using the Group ID code 361378 for the special rate). ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY SEPTEMBER 7, 2011. Any room cancellation will be required by 4:00 PM, Tuesday, October 4, 2011 to not receive penalty charges.

Our room rates include Complimentary made to order hot breakfast and cereal bar every morning and evening cocktail hour from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

On our arrival date October 5, a hospitality room is available with refreshments and evening pizza and salad buffet, hosted by your reunion association.

Thursday, October 6 activities will be Chicago Town Tour including Chicago History, Architectural, Culture Highlights and the Museum of Science and Industry. Lunch will be on your own. We think each of you will really enjoy the day's activities.

Friday, October 7 activities will be the Great lakes Naval Station attending their Weekly Commencement Exercise, Lunch included on base at the Port of Call Restaurant (on Lake Michigan) and Great Lakes Naval Museum.

Please note that all reservations made for Thursday & Friday activities cannot be canceled after September 1, 2011 to receive a refund.

Saturday, October 8 includes Larson Business Meeting, Memorial Program, Banquet at the Hotel and activities on your own.

Sunday, October 9 Breakfast and Departure Date.

Enclosed with your newsletter is a Registration Form to be returned by Thursday, August 25, 2011 to:

Thomas Nordquist  
11608 Channel View Drive  
Lakeview, OH 43331  
Checks are to be made out to: Thomas Nordquist

If you plan to fly to Chicago, IL and not rent a car, please contact Tom Nordquist, Telephone # 937-633-0040 to get information on reduced Taxi fares from Chicago O'Hare Airport to the Embassy Suite Hotel.



**USS EVERETT F. LARSON DD/DDR 830 REUNION SCHEDULE  
OCTOBER 5-9, 2011**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011**

1200-2200 Hospitality Suite Open & Registration  
1730-1930 Larson Pizza & Salad Buffet in Hospitality Suite  
2200 Hospitality Suite Closed

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011**

0600-0800 Complimentary Full Breakfast in Hotel Lobby  
0700-0745 Hospitality Suite Open  
0745-0800 Board Buses for Chicago Tour & Museum of Science & Industry  
Wonderful Town Tour  
Navy Pier & Shopping  
Memorial Waterfall at Soldier Field  
1200 Arrive Museum of Science & Industry  
Lunch available in Museum Cafeteria  
1500 Depart for Embassy Hotel  
1600 Arrive Embassy Hotel  
1600-2200 Hospitality Suite Open  
1800-2200 Dinner on your own  
2200 Hospitality Suite Closed

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2011**

0600-0800 Complimentary Full Breakfast in Hotel Lobby  
0715-0730 Board Buses for Great Lakes Naval Station  
800 Arrive Great Lakes Naval Station & Commencement Exercise  
1130-1230 Lunch at Port of Call Restaurant (Include with Tour)  
1300 Great Lakes Museum  
1500 Depart for Embassy Hotel  
1530 Arrive at Embassy Hotel  
1500-2200 Hospitality Suite Open  
1630-1830 **REUNION RAFFLE IN HOSPITALITY ROOM**  
1900-2200 Dinner on your own  
2200 Hospitality Suite Closed

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011**

0600-0800 Complimentary Full Breakfast in Hotel Lobby  
0700-0830 Hospitality Suite Open  
0830-1000 **USS Everett F. Larson Association Business Meeting in Hospitality Suite**  
1000 Memorial Ceremony recognizing recent Departed Shipmates  
1030-1630 Hospitality Suite Open after Business Meeting  
1730-1830 Banquet Room Open. Cash Bar Available  
1845-2000 Buffet Dinner  
2000-2200 Entertainment and Music

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2011**

0600-0800 Complimentary Full Breakfast in Hotel Lobby  
Departure Have a safe Return to your Home. See you next year on the East Coast.

# U.S.S. Everett F. Larson Reunion

October 5-9, 2011

Great Lakes Reunion Reservation Request

A. **Pizza & Salad Buffet (before the tour)**    Number of persons: \_\_\_\_\_ **No Charge**

**Chicago Tour & Museum of Science & Industry W/ Transportation...**

Number of Persons:                    X \$55.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

B. **Great Lakes Commencement & Base Tour W/ Transportation & Lunch....**

Number of Persons:                    X \$53.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

C. **Reunion Banquet Buffet: Chicken Marcela, Tilapia, Penne Pasta, and London broil...**

Number of Persons:                    X \$48.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations required by 8/28/2011

**Make Checks payable to: Thomas G. Nordquist**

## Name Tag Information:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Years aboard the Larson: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM AND YOUR CHECK TO:**

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