



Report from Secretary Stephen (Moose) Kolb

Reunion – Reunion – Reunion ~~2020~~ ~~2021~~ 2022!!!
***Third Time's The Charm, Right?
Let's Get This Party Started!!***

Good Day Shipmates, Families and Friends,

We are really looking forward to seeing you all in **Jacksonville, Florida, November 3 through 6, 2022**. It's a beautiful hotel and we've got some fun stuff planned.

DoubleTree by Hilton Jacksonville Riverfront will be our Headquarters for this year's reunion. You will be making your room reservations directly with the hotel by calling:

DoubleTree by Hilton Worldwide Reservations: 800.222.8733

Be sure to ask for "USS Threadfin" and use group code THF

Online Booking: <http://group.doubletree.com/hd7xz>

Cut-Off Date: **Reservations must be made before midnight on 10/04/2022**

Check out their website: www.DoubleTreeJax.com

Please note: There is another DoubleTree at the airport, so be sure you are dealing with "Riverfront" when making your reservations. Our hotel sits parallel to the St Johns River with Standard Rooms (city view) at \$115, Riverfront Rooms at \$125, and Junior Suites at \$145 (plus applicable taxes). This rate is good 3 days before & after.

Continental Breakfast for two is included per room with an upcharge of \$10 for full breakfast buffet.

We have complimentary self-parking (normally \$16 per night) and they have RV parking at \$25 per day + tax (normally \$50).

We will have a Hospitality Room where we can bring in our own snacks and beverages.

Dining Options at the Hotel:

St. Johns Provision Co.

Enjoy casual Jacksonville dining and fast, friendly service morning, noon and night in the St. Johns Provision Co. restaurant. You can enjoy a fabulous southern breakfast buffet as well as seasonal lunch and dinner menus, which include eclectic selections and fresh seafood infused with regional inspiration.

Ruth's Chris Steak House

Enjoy steak, lobster, or fish while taking in the view of the St. John's River at our downtown Jacksonville restaurant. Ruth's Chris Steak House is always a memorable dining experience. And, there are quite a few other dining options that are in walking range of the hotel and across the river via water taxi (\$12 p/p for all day; Seniors 65+ \$10 for all day – www.jaxrivertaxi.com) and there is a water taxi stop right at the hotel. **AND**, the River Taxi has sunset and sightseeing cruises as well!

Or you can cross the river via the Skyway Express, Jacksonville's elevated monorail – it transports guests around downtown complimentary, Monday – Friday.

Reunion Registration Forms will be out soon as we finalize costs. Stay tuned!



This reunion, the main event will be a bus trip to Kings Bay Submarine Base in Georgia to attend the WWII Submarine Veterans Memorial Ceremony on Friday, November 4, 2022. The Submarine Museum will be sending out registration packages for the event in July or August and I'll make sure everybody gets one. The package is how you sign up to attend the memorial ceremony (usually a \$20 per person cost) and this is separate from the Reunion Registration Form and payment. When you have completed your Memorial Ceremony package, mail it and your payment to me at:

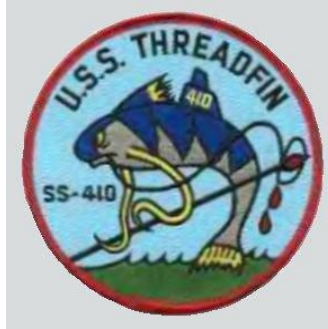
USS Threadfin Association
12619 Country Charm Ln N
Jacksonville, Florida 32225-5545

IT'S IMPORTANT that you send your package to me when complete in order to get a head count for the bus. Security is **VERY** strict and close attention to detail in the Memorial registration process is **VERY** important.

Then, on Saturday, attendees can sign up to return to the Sub Base for a tour of one of the subs there **OR** go with a group to St Augustine for a guided, narrated tour on an “elephant train” – think Conch Train. The St Augustine tour touches on over 100 interesting and historic points. We have attendees that have been on the boat tour before, or just don't feel up to climbing ladders, etc.

SPECIAL NOTE: Due to Covid-19 and increased ops tempo due to Russia/Ukraine conflict, Boat Tours **may not** be allowed. So, sign up for St Augustine & if Boat Tours go, we'll make transportation adjustments.





**USS THREADFIN (SS-410)
2022 REUNION
November 3 to 6, 2022
DoubleTree by Hilton Jacksonville Riverfront
Jacksonville, Florida**

NOTE: Check in time at the hotel is 4 pm but the front desk and Bellmen will be happy to provide luggage storage in the event rooms are not available.

- Thurs 11/3 0630 – Continental breakfast for those that arrived Wednesday.
1000 – Begin Reunion Check In & Registration; Hospitality Room opens.
Free Time.
- Fri 11/4 0630 – Continental breakfast
0800 -- Bus to Sub Base Kings Bay, Georgia
1000 – WWII Submarine Veterans Memorial Ceremony
1145 – Bus to McGarvey's Wee Pub in St Marys for Lunch (on your own)
1300 – Bus to St Marys Submarine Museum
1430 – USS Threadfin Memorial Service
1530 – Bus back to DoubleTree
- Sat 11/5 0630 – Continental breakfast
0900 – Business Meeting in the Hospitality Room.
1100 – Sub Tour & St Augustine Parties depart
1800 – Happy Hour, Cash Bar in the Hotel Banquet Room
1900 – Banquet
- Sun 11/6 0630 – Continental breakfast
1100 – Check Out and Goodbyes until next time!

In addition to the reunion planned activities, there is a ton of stuff to see and do during your free time before, during, or after the reunion in Jacksonville.

Use Beach Buggy from the hotel to the San Marco area with its dining and fun night spots.

These are electric cars that will pick you up at the hotel, take you to places in San Marco, and return you to the hotel later.

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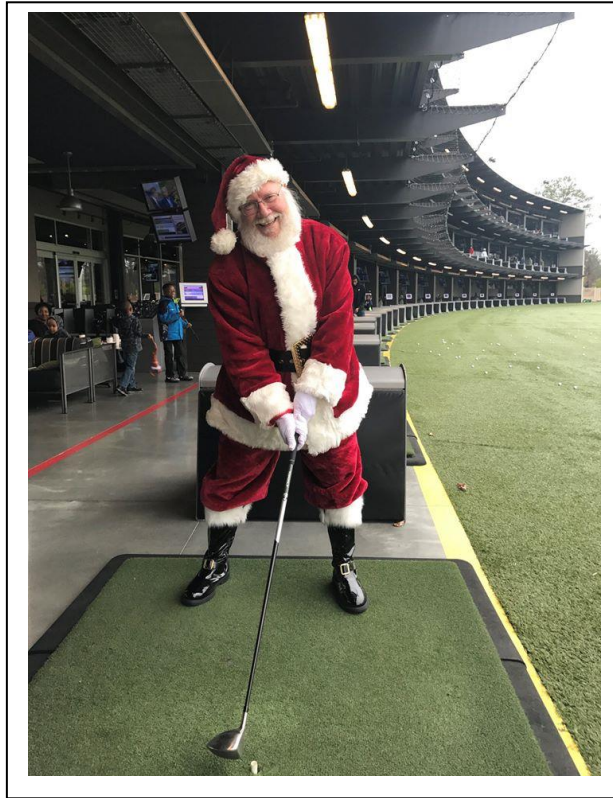
Beach BUGGY

Check out Beach Buggy website:
<http://www.beachbuggyapp.com/>

Hey Golfers??? Check out Topgolf, the ultimate in golf, games, and food! This is a three story driving range & golf game thingy with food and beverage venues . . . way cool! No transportation? Take an Uber!

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<https://topgolf.com/us/jacksonville/>



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