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RTC ORLANDO REUNION 2020

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COMPANY PAVERS



DID YOU KNOW?

The RTC Orlando Reunion is held every even year in Orlando, FL. Liberty Calls are held every odd year & are fun trips to explore other bases and ports of call in between reunions.

If You want your company number inscribed on a paver at the Lone 'Sailor/Blue Jacket Navy Recruit Memorial on the site of the of the former RTC Orlando in Florida, then visit this page to see if a spot is available for your year. Spots are \$20 and it's first come first served. The old signup sheet is gone, so if you signed up way back and don't see your company number on the list, then please sign up again here and pay when you submit the form. I'm putting an order together now so hopefully they can be installed by the reunion so don't delay.

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Company Pavers-RTC Orlando Reunion

Land Reunion Schedule

Reunion Schedule 2020

Thu 10/8/20

Welcome Dinner, 1800

Join us as we welcome new and returning attendees to the 3rd RTC Orlando Reunion. Prizes plus something new added but you have to attend to find out! Chicken and steak fajitas buffet. Event is at the hotel, so no transportation required.

Fri 10/9/20

Florida & Navy History Tour, 8 hours, tour departs at 0800 and a second tour (if needed) departing at 0900.

We are going to spend a fun day exploring Florida and its Navy history with stops at the Navy History Wall & Lone Sailor Memorial/ Blue Jacket Recruit statues on the site of the former RTC Orlando, a relaxing and scenic boat tour, a visit to an artisan food, gifts & crafts market, and the award-winning Orange County Regional History Center.

Sat 10/10/20

Boot Camp Challenge III & Pizza 1030-1300

Our boot camp challenge is always a surprise and it is always guaranteed laughs and a lot of fun. We'll follow this with a pizza lunch for participants.

Formal Portraits 1500-1700

Join us for formal portraits before the Birthday Ball with our official photographer and shipmate Lee Browndorf.

Our formal event: CFNL Navy Birthday Ball 1730

Join us all for the spectacular Navy Birthday Ball hosted by the Central Florida Navy League. Outstanding company, food, and entertainment makes this an unforgettable evening with the local Navy community and your RTC shipmates. Complimentary transportation will be provided departing at 1730.

Sun 10/11/20

Service of Remembrance & Gratitude with Shipmate Rev Carol Christianson 1000

Join us for a moving non-denominational service by shipmate Rev. Carol Christianson dedicated to our shared history. This event is free, but we would like you to register so the hotel can know how many are attending.

Blue Jacket Banquet 1600

This year because so many are leaving for the cruise or for home the next morning, we have selected a more casual theme and we are combining our fun night with our banquet. Prizes, speaker, karaoke and DJ entertainment. Please dress in Navy or RTC Orlando gear for our group pictures.



The 3rd RTC Orlando Reunion is scheduled for Oct 8-12, 2020 at the Ramada Gateway Kissimmee, 7470 West Irlo Bronson Mem Hwy, Kissimmee, FL 34747.

[Click here to make hotel reservations online.](#) Use group code RTCREUNION in order to get our group rates.\

You can also call the hotel directly at 800-327-9170 during daytime business hours to make your reservation. *** You must state that you are with the RTC NAVY REUNION to get these rates.*** If you require accessible rooms, we encourage you to book early.

Rates are as follows:

Tower Rooms (interior corridors)
\$75 per night double occupancy.

Inn Rooms (exterior corridors)
\$62 per night double occupancy
specify courtyard patio or courtyard pool when booking

Suites \$105 per night double occupancy
Hotel, city, state taxes/ fees are additional

Click here on [registration page](#) to register. The ticket information is available in the [command store](#).

You must be signed in in order to purchase tickets and options.



**Rate
Registration
code is RTC
NAVY
REUNION**

Orlando Navy Base Is The Winner

By CHARLES STAFFORD

Times Bureau



GOV. CLAUDE KIRK
... did he talk too much?



REP. MENDEL RIVERS
... did he get even?

WASHINGTON — His point made, the chairman of the House Armed Service Committee relented this week and permitted restoration of \$10-million to the military construction authorization bill for the Naval Training Center at Orlando. The question is whether Gov. Claude Kirk got the point. Kirk nettled the committee chairman, Rep. L. Mendel Rivers, D-S.C., last February with a charge, on national television, that a helicopter plant was being located in South Carolina instead of Florida because of Rivers' influence.

Rivers said little at the time. But when his committee put together the fiscal 1970 military construction authorization bill the request for the Orlando base was chopped from a recommended \$12.9-million to \$2.6-million. Rumor had it that Rivers took the action as a lesson to the Florida governor. A committee staff member said he didn't

know if that was the case, but that Kirk's February remarks certainly hadn't helped any.

When the Senate Armed Services Committee received the House bill, it restored the cut in funds for the Orlando boot camp.

The bill was passed in the Senate and referred to a House-Senate conference committee. Last Wednesday, the House conferees accepted the higher figure for the Orlando camp.

Sen. Edward J. Gurney, R-Fla., told an Orlando newsman he had prevailed on his good friend Rivers to restore the cut funds. Rep. William C. Cramer, R-Fla., also was reported to have sought Rivers' acquiescence.

The finished bill contained \$8.2-million for a recruit barracks at the Orlando installation, \$2-million for a recruit mess hall, \$1.5-million for a recruit training building and \$1.4-million for a production shop at the naval training devices center adjacent to the recruit center.



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RESERVE YOUR CABIN BY FOLLOWING PROVIDED LINK OR BY CALLING SHIPMATE **ROBIN LORD-HAAS (SEAWORTHY TRAVEL) AT (813) 857-4261**
SPACES ARE LIMITED. HOLD YOUR CABIN TODAY!
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PRICE INCLUDES TAXES & PORT CHARGES. GRATUITIES & OPTIONAL INSURANCE NOT INCLUDED. RATES BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY.
DEPOSIT IS \$25/PERSON IN A GROUP (OR \$50/PERSON FOR SINGLE).
ADDITIONAL \$150.00 DUE BY APRIL 15, 2020. BALANCE DUE BY AUGUST 10, 2020.

Deadlines for registrations and payments

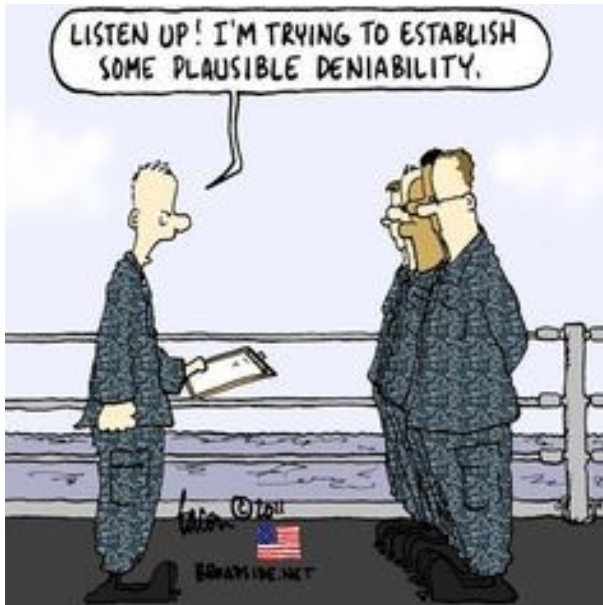
- April 15th Cruise deposit
- Contact Robin Lord-Haas
- August 10th Cruise final payment
- Contact robin Lord-Haas
- Sept 20th Registration for Land Reunion events and Hotel reservations , See pg. 2 for Hotel reservation information.
- Go to command store and log in to register for events

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WE WILL BE HAVING ANOTHER FUNDRAISER IN THE SUMMER FOR SHIRTS AND HOODIES. KEEP AN EYE OUT ON FACEBOOK FOR DETAILS.



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THERE IS a new hit show in town, one that guaranteed to make you proud once again that you are American.

The Women in the Navy (formerly known as WAVES) graduated their first recruit group last Friday at the Orlando Naval Training Center.

And their performance left the audience shouting with both pride and laughter.

The group of 30 young women marched smartly in formation and halted before the reviewing officers when their petty officer issued the command "Attention, Confusion, March!"

The girls took off in every direction. Things really got confused until seconds later they returned smartly to their unconfused formation. The admiral (Adm. Charles F. Rauch Jr.) who was startled at the outset, laughed longest and loudest when it was over. The girls received a standing ovation, by the way.

EXPERIENCE
Kissimmee
FLORIDA



Registration is open for our 11th Annual [CFNL Wounded Warfighter Lone Sailor 5K/10k](http://cfnl5k.org). The event is on Sat April 11th but don't worry if you aren't able to be there, we have a virtual option again this year. We have a new medal and shirt design this year without any price increase.

<http://cfnl5k.org>

We would like this to be our annual fitness challenge for “RTCOR fitness challenge

CENTRAL FLORIDA NAVY LEAGUE

11TH ANNUAL CENTRAL FLORIDA NAVY LEAGUE'S

WOUNDED WARFIGHTER LONE SAILOR
5K • 10K RUN
WALK
ROLL

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2020

Blue Jacket Park in Baldwin Park, 2501 General Rees Avenue, Orlando
Opening Ceremony 7:30am • 10K Start 7:45am • 5K Start 7:55am*
*Start times are estimated

Live Music, Vendors, Prizes, Food and Beverages
PLUS Activities for the Kids and Pets are Welcome!

Register for LIVE or VIRTUAL race at: www.cfnl5k.org

Questions? Info@CFNavyLeague.org or Call 407-288-8028

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Camaraderie Foundation


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CENTRAL FLORIDA NAVY LEAGUE
WOUNDED WARFIGHTER LONE SAILOR 5K/10K

The Navy League of the United States, Central Florida Chapter is a tax-exempt organization (Tax ID # 59-2994198), duly qualified under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, contributions to which are tax deductible in accordance with Federal Law. 100% of net proceeds will be divided between these three causes.

FOR SALE \$99



Blue Jacket Recruit

Sold out

Tax included.

SOLD OUT

BUY IT NOW

A beautiful replica of the famous *Blue Jacket Recruit* bronze statue honoring our enlisted women of the US Navy. The original statue was dedicated in 2016 at the site of the former Recruit Training Center Orlando, the first co-ed boot camp in the Navy. This is an authentically scaled, detailed solid resin-cast statue, 8" tall on the pedestal, and approved by artist J. Don Reynolds. She stands on graduation day at boot camp in Service Dress Blue, and carries the Navy Cutlass sword. The statue is carefully hand-finished with a bronze patina and an authentic blue-green verdigris showing a weathered look. 100 % of the proceeds from these sales go to our charitable missions at the Central Florida Council of the US Navy League (501 c 3). 100% made in America, cast by Serra Designs in Henderson, KY.



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 TWEET

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Honor and preserve our Nation's Naval history by purchasing one of our Blue Jacket Recruit mini statues. This replica of original art represents the more than 188,000 woman sailors that graduated at Recruit Training Command in Orlando, Florida. Proceeds support the Central Florida Navy League operations.

Blue Jacket Recruit

- World's first and only woman sailor statue
- Bronze-like finish based on original art by Central Florida Navy veteran Don Reynolds
- Features a female sailor in typical mid-late 1980s 'dress blues' in a RCPO (Recruit Chief Petty Officer) leadership role, coming to attention
- Original statue was designed, funded and forged totally in Central Florida
- Available ONLY through the Central Florida Navy League

