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## CHATTANOOGA NLUS TO HOST LOCAL NAVY BALL

### JOIN US SEPTEMBER 8th FOR OUR DINNER SOCIAL AT THE CHOO-CHOO



Ron Galante

Dear Navy League Members & Supporters:

Our visit to the USS Tennessee on June 18, 2016 was a tremendous success. Please see the various articles that are included in this issue of *Compass Points* about our visit.

We are busy working on setting up a September 8 submarine themed dinner meeting at the Choo-Choo that will be very interesting. At that dinner meeting we will have our new Greater Chattanooga Council challenge coin available for purchase. Be sure to read the article regarding the challenge coin and other articles of interest in this issue of *Compass Points*.

Please remember to continue to ask others to join the Navy League and bring them to a meeting so they can get a taste of what the Chattanooga Navy League has to offer.

In Your Service,

Ron Galante



### NAVY LEAGUE DINNER SET FOR SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

**Mark your calendars for the next two months: The 8<sup>th</sup> will be the most important day.** September 8 is the date set for our next US Navy League dinner at the Choo-Choo. And, as you will see elsewhere, our first hosting of the local Navy Ball is scheduled for October 8th. (Now, if you were in China or, especially, Hong Kong, these would be tremendously desirable dates. If you want an 8 or 88 on your license plate in Hong Kong, be ready to bid well north of \$100,000! There is nothing better than 8 for bringing luck and wealth).

But, for just \$30, you can join fellow Navy Leaguers on September 8<sup>th</sup>, have a fine dinner, catch up on summer doings, and be treated to a special presentation on the submarine service. *Hint:* a group of us just had a great experience visiting the USS Tennessee, fleet missile sub.

On the last page of this issue is information on making a reservation for the dinner.

### NAVY BALL SET FOR OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

Please join us October 8th as we celebrate the 241st Birthday of the United States Navy. Please see article on page 5 for specific details and advance reservation information.





On Friday and Saturday, June 17-18, an enthusiastic group of Chattanooga Navy Leaguers, together with other naval fans from the Chattanooga area, were treated to the thrilling and, perhaps, once-in-a-life-time experience of visiting an operational US Navy fleet ballistic missile submarine, the USS Tennessee SSBN 734—Thrilling in the fact that our entire group was treated like royal guests with personal attention by the sub's crews from the (dual) captains on down. Going aboard an active duty fleet nuclear ballistic missile sub, especially while in dry dock, is a rare opportunity.

All thanks for making the submarine visit happen go to President Ron Galante who contacted the Kings Bay Navy authorities to get the invitation and then arranged every possible detail of the trip with perfection. There is something in an ex-submariner that is never “ex” when it comes to planning a trip into the unknown – whether a 6 month undersea deployment or a bus trip through Georgia.

The highlight of the welcome we received from the USS Tennessee's officers and crew was their presentation to our Navy League council of a special, personalized ceremonial paddle. We were “Up the Creek (the St. Mary's River) but WITH a Paddle!”



*(L/R): CDR Chris Bohner Captain - Gold Crew - USS Tennessee SSBN-734 presenting Ron Galante, Chattanooga Navy League President, with a commemorative paddle.*

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## Special Navy League Challenge Coin

A challenge coin is a small coin or medallion (usually military), bearing an organization's insignia or emblem and carried by the organization's members. Traditionally, they are given to prove membership when challenged and to enhance morale. In addition, they are also collected by service members.

Unfortunately, the Navy League national office no longer produces challenge coins. **But to the rescue** and to insure that our council members have the opportunity to have their own Navy League challenge coin, our board approved the design and production of the Chattanooga Council Navy League Challenge Coin! About the size and heft of an old silver dollar, this coin has been beautifully manufactured with precise detail. Something any member would be proud to have as a keepsake.

The coin identifies our Chattanooga council on the front border surrounding the Navy League anchor symbol. On the other side, our primary mission of “Citizens in Support of the Sea Services” surrounds the crests of the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine sea services.

This 1 3/4” coin will be available at our regular Navy League dinner meetings for a cost of \$10.

### *Chattanooga Navy League Council Challenge Coin (Shown Actual Size)*



*1-3/4” Diameter*

## UP THE CREEK ...

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For those Navy Leaguers who didn't go on the trip, you are invited to read elsewhere in this issue two accounts of the trip—in keeping with the **"Blue & Gold Crew"** structure of the missile submarine force.

The **Blue crew view** is the perspective of veteran submariner Ron Galante and the **Gold crew view** from "civilian" Linda Rice. Just in case you are not sure, they were on the same trip!

Setting the stage for the Saturday visit to the submarine, Chattanooga Navy League President Ron Galante welcomed key members of the USS Tennessee crew at our group dinner the evening before we went aboard. The text of his welcoming speech is on page 4.



*USS Tennessee SSBN-734 Blue and Gold Sub crews. Featured (l/r): Tracy Cihfield - COB Gold Crew; Dan McNab - XO Gold; Chris Bohner - CO Gold; Ron Galante - President, Chattanooga Navy League; Charles McLenithan - CO Blue; Joe Pisoni - XO Blue; and Stacy Hamman - COB Blue. Kings Bay, GA on June 17, 2016.*



*Ceremonial Paddle*

*Featured above is the ceremonial paddle presented by CDR Chris Bohner Captain - Gold Crew - USS Tennessee SSBN-734 to Ron Galante, Chattanooga Navy League President.*



Which two nations, constitutionally barred from military actions, sent money to support the Allied coalition against Iraq in 1991?

Answer will be in next issue of *Compass Points*, space permitting.



## President's Remarks to The USS Tennessee Sub Crew

By: Ron Galante

*"The Navy League and the others who are here would like to thank the officers and crew for inviting us to personally visit with them at this dinner and for their efforts in providing a guided tour of the boat and visit to the Trident training facility tomorrow.*

*Picture this. The USS Tennessee is on patrol. Its mission: to remain undetected at all costs. Silently gliding in the murky ocean depths, for endless weeks and months if necessary. Never feeling the warmth of the sun or seeing azure blue skies. Listening for any surface or submerged contact and then slipping silently away in the other direction. No one knows where you are and you must remain the phantom ghost of the deep. Yes the ocean is big and is an endless companion in being the ghost you have become but it is not as simple as it sounds, since the boat displaces 18,750 tons, which is 50% larger than the largest WWII German pocket battle ship (Graf Spee) or 60% the size of the USS Tennessee battleship.*

*And while you are monotonously performing your silent mission, you train, test, study and learn over and over again until this crew of elite sailors becomes experts in their job. They want to be ready to perform their jobs when it counts the most. So they can fulfill their mission as the most powerful warship in the world when they receive the one message they never want to receive. They are ready with missiles that can hit their targets with pin point accuracy, with enough nuclear warheads to destroy the biggest cities, countries and even a small continent. To do so is Armageddon; it's the movie 'On the Beach' in real life.*

*A very scary scenario but this is what keeps the peace. No one can execute a first strike against the U.S. that is not retaliated against. However, the knowledge by all sides that the only winning move in this game is not to play. This has been going on since the 1960s throughout the cold war to the present.*

*Tomorrow, the officers and crew of the USS Tennessee will provide us with a fantastic guided tour of the boat and even answer some questions so that we better understand how they do what they do. Questions like: Where do you get the air and water you need? How do you keep the noise from all these machines from giving away your position?*

*However, we have many attendees that have very little knowledge of submarines and they may ask 'How many liberty ports does the boat visit while on patrol', 'How do you work the head?', 'You mean you sleep in that coffin looking thing' or 'Where is the elevator?'*

*Perhaps tomorrow's interchange will go something like that but in any event we will learn more about one another and help to lessen the generation and technology gap that may exist today.*

*We hope that in the near future we can reciprocate the hospitality shown to us by the officers and crew of the USS Tennessee by hosting their visit to one of our Chattanooga Navy League functions.*

*So once again we would like to thank the officers and crew for allowing us to experience the USS Tennessee like few other people in the world have done. In fact, to show how grateful we are we have some tokens of appreciation we would now like to present."*

President Galante then presented each captain with a copy of the *Trident Deception* and the executive officers with copies of the *Empire Rising*. The books had been signed by the author, Rick Campbell. Both COBs (Chief of the Boat) were given copies of the Navy League of the United States coffee table books and each of the USS Tennessee guests received our new Chattanooga Council challenge coin -- so a special bit of Chattanooga and the Navy League will surely be travelling the world undersea in the years ahead.

## Special FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Lt. Cmdr. Timothy R. White, NOSC Chattanooga commanding officer requested that the Chattanooga Navy League host the Navy Ball this year. Our board accepted this responsibility and has formed a committee, co-chaired by board members Mickey McCamish and Billy Hewitt, to work along with members of the NOSC team, led by America Henry.

America Henry needs volunteers to raise funds for the Navy Ball. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact America directly at [americahenry82@yahoo.com](mailto:americahenry82@yahoo.com), or by phone at [423-650-0274](tel:423-650-0274). Ms. Henry can provide specific information on the fundraising dates and locations.



# Chattanooga Navy Ball

## Save the Date

**The U. S. NAVY BALL- October 8<sup>th</sup> – Here in Chattanooga!**

**LCDR Tim White, CO of the Navy Operations Support Center, to be welcoming speaker.**

Our local Navy League Council is proud to serve as the host of the U. S. Navy's 241<sup>st</sup> Birthday Ball in the Chattanooga Area. The Ball will be held at the Marriott Chattanooga Downtown (2 Carter Plaza) on Saturday, October 8, 2016, 6:00 pm.

For the past twelve years, a Chattanooga U. S. Navy Birthday Ball has been held to show appreciation to our Navy heritage and to display pride and professionalism in the naval service. Dinner, music and dancing will make this evening a delight for all. Suggested attire is U. S. Navy Service Dress Blues or coat and tie for men and evening gowns for ladies. Dinner tickets are \$45 per person for U. S. Navy Officers and civilians, U. S. Navy Petty Officers (E 7-E9)/Sea Cadet Leadership and Parents are \$35 per person and U. S. Navy E1-E6 are \$25 per person. Please mail reservations to Mark Parks, 6920 Sawtooth Drive, Ooltewah, TN 37363-6894. (Checks should be made out to "Navy League US-Chattanooga").

Please join us as we celebrate 241 years of Honor, Courage and Commitment.



# Honor, Courage & Commitment



### “THE BLUE VIEW ...”

#### **EVEN THE FIRE TRUCKS ADDED TO OUR EXPERIENCE**

Those who attended the trip to Kings Bay, Georgia to tour the USS Tennessee experienced a very unique event. Following is a summary of our trip.

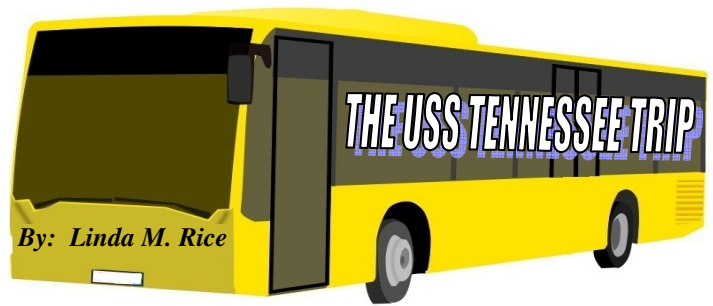
On Friday June 17, 36 passengers left the McCallie School parking lot on a 56 passenger bus, so there was plenty of room to be comfortable. 371 snacks and 70 bottles of water were provided for the trip to and from Kings Bay. Most people felt that I went overboard in providing so many snacks but there were only 10 left at the end of the trip.

On the trip to Kings Bay, we watched 3 submarine movies: *Crimson Tide*, *Operation Petticoat* and *The Hunt for Red October*. We surfaced from movie watching just long enough to stop at a Cracker Barrel for lunch. We arrived at the Sleep Inn in Kingsland, GA at 1700 and were promptly checked in, thanks to everyone registering with the Sleep Inn prior to the trip.

That evening we ate dinner in a private dining room at the Millhouse Restaurant with several members of BOTH the Gold and Blue crews. Since the USS Tennessee was in dry dock, both crews were in port and representatives from both crews were able to attend the dinner. The CO's, XO's, COB's and enlisted men of both crews, many with their wives, were our guests for dinner.

During this meet and greet dinner, both groups had the opportunity to get to know one another. I gave a short speech to express our gratitude to the officers and crew

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### “THE GOLD VIEW ...”

#### **AND, THE CIVILIAN REPORT ...**

The luxury tour bus was loaded and ready to roll by 8 AM on Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>. Actually we left a bit early in keeping with Vince Lombardi time (ask Ron!). We sped along on I-75 with a brunch stop at the Cracker Barrel near Macon. After only one pit stop on I-95 and some slow moving traffic, we arrived at the Kings Bay Sleep Inn by 4:45, to be greeted by a blast of 100 degree South Georgia heat.

All cleaned up we gathered for dinner at the Millhouse Restaurant, where we met the representatives of the USS Tennessee who would be dining with us. The captain, XO and COB (chief of the boat) of both Blue and Gold crews were in the group along with a few wives. At our table, the Navy guest was the Gold crew COB, Chief Tracy Crihfield. He was full of information and loved to talk about his “boys,” who are like family. They work, eat, sleep and play together when at sea for 3 to 4 months at a stretch (mostly work). And they are entirely dependent on each one doing their jobs proficiently. Each has a rigorous preparation and training before joining the crew.

Next morning at 7:15 we boarded the bus for the short ride to the Naval Station. There was a bit of a kerfuffle when we learned that our driver would not be able to accompany the tour of the base as he was “over” his driving hours and would need to rest before starting back to TN. Ever resourceful, the Navy and Ron managed to snare five vans for us to use for transport on the base. The base is huge, so there is no chance of going on foot to the sub basin.

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*The cheerful arrival in Kings Bay.*

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for extending this unique opportunity to meet with them personally and tour the boat in the yards and the Trident Training facility the next day. A copy of this speech can be found on page 4.

The CO of the Gold crew then gave a speech about the special relationship that existed between the Gold and Blue crews and the elite nature of the crews who serve on the USS Tennessee. He also presented us with an embossed wooden paddle that was decorated with gold and blue piping and had the following inscribed on the paddle below the USS Tennessee crest: "Presented to the Chattanooga Navy League from USS Tennessee (SSBN 734). In appreciation of your continuous dedication and support of our sailors and military families."

The next morning, we boarded the bus again to be transported to the lower base where the USS Tennessee was located. Security was very high. When we reached the main gate, we debarked from the bus while a military dog and handler checked the bus for explosives. When we got back on the bus and reached another check point, we were all required to show our ID. When we reached the lower base gate to gain access to the boat, we were individually checked at the gate by machine gun armed marines and our IDs were checked against the background checks they had performed. Lurking about 100 yards away was a vehicle called a Bearcat that contained a highly armed quick response team that was there in the event of an incident at the gate. Fortunately, due to our experience at airport checkpoints, none of our group said anything like "I have a bomb" or failed to leave their cell phones or any other picture taking device on the bus that would cause any of our group to be detained, stripped searched or whatever.

After we were passed through this check point, we were taken in 4 groups in vans to the covered dry dock where the USS Tennessee was being overhauled to have its serviceable life extended another 12 to 14 years, which is a direct result of the sequestered military budget reductions. This is one reason why the Navy League spends so much time with our congress to state our case why more money needs to be budgeted.

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Since the bus would drop us at the sub before departing, it had to pass a security inspection ... including a bomb sniffer dog. The dog must have been sleeping in on Saturday morning. But after a long wait for the dog and its handler to appear, we got off the bus like immigrants being smuggled at the border crossing, standing around while the dog sniffed. After passing the test we all re-boarded and went through several more checkpoints, produced our IDs and were finally dropped near the water.

The sub was not in the water, however. It was in a covered dry dock, where an enormous roof protects the sub from prying eyes. The sub is gigantic and, being in dry dock, is visible from end-to-end and top-to-bottom. It is a treat to see the whole creature, not just the tower that usually sticks up above the water.

We divided into small groups and met our group's guide, Yeoman Bethune. He was enthusiastic and knowledgeable throughout the tour. After being wanded and emptying our pockets for inspection we headed for the boat, supplied with hard hats and badges. A large sign indicated that "DEADLY FORCE IS AUTHORIZED"...by them, I assumed, not us. Men stood around in flack jackets, helmets and with machine guns slung over their shoulders. They were very impressive.

We were not deterred and were soon looking down a hole in the top of the sub which is actually its front door. A very narrow and well-worn 20 foot steel ladder stood between us and the interior...the moment of truth. There were bars on the sides so you could slide down more quickly. Ha-ha. Not all of us were nimble, but most made it. At the bottom you realize that in order to LEAVE the ship, one must go UP the ladder at the end of the tour.

Imagine miles of wires and tubes and ducts and other gizmos overhead (no attractive dropped ceiling, all is open) with walls lined with lockers and emergency equipment, all important, as space is dear on a sub. We visited the sonar room (lots of screens and guys with earphones who would be listening for pings if not in dry dock), then on to navigation where we saw more electronic equipment and a big table for charts...actual paper

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When we reached the covered dry dock to board the USS Tennessee, it became apparent just how big was the 18,750 ton USS Tennessee. This was the first time I had ever seen an SSBN out of the water. After walking the 560 feet from the stern to the bow and observing the highly classified propeller that does not cavitate (creation of tiny vapor bubbles that when they burst make noise), periscopes being lowered down the sail to the control room and covered areas where old paint was blasted off and replaced with a new type of paint, we were again taken to another check point at the head of the gangway. This check point was like a tank, with 6" bullet proof glass in a tank like structure that contained armed marines. One marine ran a metal detecting wand over each of us, after we had emptied our pockets of metal. Also lurking in the near background was another Bearcat and probably more security that we did not see.

Then and only after we had passed through 4 separate check points and seen several Bearcats and armed marines on foot patrol were we allowed entry to the submarine. All this security was highly warranted, since the USS Tennessee is an Ohio-class sub, the world's most powerful warship class.

Each of the 4 Navy League groups was then escorted aboard and descended down a very long ladder into the boat. The groups were taken to various compartments that were manned by crew members who explained the nature of their job and equipment or our tour guide provided similar information. We were encouraged to ask questions and received answers to most. My group was led by the blue crew COB (who is the head enlisted man on the boat) and we toured the sonar room and received a very complete description of its operation since the COB was a sonar man by training. We stopped at the control room, where it was explained how the crew maintain depth and speed control while submerged, by seamen manning the rudder, stern plains, and sail planes and how water was shifted at very high rates from one part of the boat to another to achieve the speed, depth and attitude the officer of the watch and diving officer wanted. Typically, one of the first assignments a new junior crew member receives is to be a planesman or to control the rudder. In

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charts...yea! The men on duty explained their roles. Each crew member we spoke with was enthusiastic, friendly and answered questions in full paragraphs. This is amazing when compared to many teenagers these days and many of the crew are teenagers!

Most surprising is that much of the equipment is old, very old. The ship was launched in 1988 and some of the technology may be of the 80s variety. Maintaining it may be a challenge but it works and they hope to keep the ship running for 43 years from launch...do the math. Hence the housekeeping (maintenance) work in dry dock.

We saw the living quarters for officers and men. (No women aboard at this time although two other subs have women in the crew.) Workmen were sorting out wires in the overhead while we were listening to the guide's descriptions. It is very close quarters. All air and water is produced onboard when at sea. They refer to incidents as "casualties"... i.e., little annoyances such as there is no water or ship is filling with water, on fire or the machine producing air has choked. They have a remedy for everything, human and machine. A corpsman takes care of medical issues. Operating table, if needed, is at the officer's dining table (wardroom). We paraded through the crews dining space where a delicious meal was being served. They dine every 8 hours starting at 6 AM.

There are no cell phones or cameras allowed anywhere near the sub or in fact on the "inner" base. So what do these young folks do in their spare time, if any? Cribbage is popular as well as cards, movies and video games and no doubt, reading the great literary novels. There is exercise equipment stuck around in odd places. An exercise bike and barbells are found in the machine shop. The crew sleeps, 9 bunks to a section, near or between the missile bays...big silos that are 4 stories high. Some have warheads, some do not. Always a reminder of the serious nature of their work....deterrence.

After a couple of hours, our leader directed us to the TWENTY foot ladder which was our stairway to the outside world. Going up is harder than descending. There is no landing at the top and you have to swing around in

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other words, the same young people who are charged the highest automobile insurance premiums in civilian life drive this multi-billion dollar submarine. It was one of my duty assignments when I served on the USS Alexander Hamilton SSBN 617 over 50 years ago.

Next we went to the missile control room, where the launch and fire control of the 24 missiles is managed. If you wish to learn just how important this compartment is, just watch the movie *Crimson Tide*. We then walked through one of the 3 decks of the missile compartment, since the missiles are nearly as tall as the boat. Each missile costs roughly \$37 million and there are 24 of them! The crew sleeps between the missiles, with 9 crew members sleeping in between banks of missile tubes.

We were also shown the offices of the officers and crew. None were very large, since space is still at a premium even for this giant submarine.

It was then time for us to board the vans again to transport us to the base galley, where we had a great lunch. This is a reflection of a Navy tradition which budgets the highest amount per person for submarine sailors.

After lunch we boarded the vans again and we were taken to the Trident Training Facility (TTF), which is where the off duty crews maintain their high state of readiness. Everything that can happen while on the boat can be replicated at the TTF, including how to train to stop flooding or fire in a compartment. While on the tour of the TTF, the fire alarm sounded. At first I thought this was a training exercise for the TTF staff. However, given that the base fire trucks arrived at the TTF and we were made to exit the TTF, I thought that perhaps there was some other reason for the fire trucks arriving, such as someone finding out that it was my birthday and the fire trucks were called. as a precaution for a fire that could have been started from the lit candles of a surprise birthday cake. However, it turned out that this was a real fire alarm and the TTF staff needed to fill out reports to that effect. However, even the fire trucks added to our experience. It is not likely that any other tour group left the TTF with as much commotion as a real fire alarm can generate.

We were then returned to the Sleep Inn, where our bus

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space and get a leg up. Luckily for me, there was a sailor at the top and when I stuck out my hand, he hauled me over. This is not Disney World!

To conclude, we toured part of the Trident Training Facility where the men learn to be submariners. For instance, how to fix leaky pipes with rising water in a sealed room...a bit of stress training. Our tour was interrupted by a fire alarm, whereupon our guide ran for his more important duties and an alternate led us out of the maze of hallways to the front door where we discovered fire engines but no fire, just a tropical rainstorm in progress. (To get a feeling for the complexity of the maze, this building reportedly is 2<sup>nd</sup> in size only to the Pentagon.)

The tour was over. We boarded our vans to return to the hotel where our bus and rested driver were awaiting. We sped optimistically toward home. Outside of Atlanta, the bus whimpered to a halt but the driver, his mechanic (by phone) and several advisors among us – inspired no doubt by the disasters encountered & overcome we had seen in each of the submarine movies we had watched on the trip - quickly solved the problem so we did not spend the night in the breakdown lane of I-75, eating all the wonderful snacks that our leader had thoughtfully provided. A great trip.

~ *Linda M. Rice*

was located. We voted to pass on the opportunity to visit St. Mary's Museum and head for home since it was mid-afternoon. After watching two more submarine movies, we arrived back in Chattanooga at about 2100 and each of us headed home to tell everyone we knew what a great tour it was. The perspective that I came away with was the United States is well protected by the SSBN submarine force and that the crews that serve on these submarines are the elite of the Navy and are dedicated to their mission. I felt a wave of patriotism as I drove home in my car and when I laid my head down on my pillow that night I knew someone was watching out for me and my family.

~ *Ron Galante*



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**Dinner Social**  
**Thursday, September 8, 2016**  
Chattanooga Choo-Choo Historic Hotel  
Roosevelt Room  
1400 Market Street  
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

6:00 PM	Social Time (Cash Bar in adjacent lounge)
6:30 PM	Welcome (Members & Guests please take seats)
6:35 PM	Invocation, Colors, Pledge of Allegiance
6:45 PM	Buffet Dinner
7:30 PM	Submarine Presentation
8:15 PM	50/50 Drawing and Announcements
8:30 PM	Retire the Colors and Adjourn

**DINNER RESERVATION FORM**

Please complete and return the dinner reservation form, at right, for the September 8th Dinner Social of the Greater Chattanooga Area/John J. Spittler Council.

Reservations may be **phoned** in to Mark Parks: 423-326-0839, **no later than Noon, Thursday, September 8th.** Mark may also be reached at [mparks@epbfi.com](mailto:mparks@epbfi.com).

**Cancellations should reach us NO LATER THAN NOON, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016.**

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2016**  
**DINNER RESERVATION FORM**  
Chattanooga Choo-Choo Historic Hotel  
Roosevelt Room  
Chattanooga, TN 37402

**Buffet featuring 2 Entrée selections, sides, rolls, dessert, tea & coffee:**

**NLUS Members:** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00  
**Non-Member Guests:** \_\_\_\_ x \$40.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

Please **PRINT** the names of all **guests** and **members**:

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**Reservations should reach us NO LATER THAN NOON, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016.**

**Mail reservations and your check, made payable to Chattanooga Navy League, to:**

**Mark Parks**  
**6920 Sawtooth Drive**  
**Ooltewah, TN 37363-6894**

*NOTE: Pay-at-the-door without Advance Reservations is \$45.00 per person. Regrettably, no shows will be charged the full amount for dinner.*