

USS Howard W. Gilmore Memorial Association
2024 Get-Together, Charleston, SC
Information Sheet

When: April 29-May 2, 2024
Where: Town & Country Inn and Suites
2008 Savannah Hwy, Charleston, SC 29407, Phone: 800-334-6660

Hotel Room rate: \$142/night (plus taxes/fees). **Make your own reservations no later than April 8, 2024 in order to receive the discounted group rate.** Room rate **does not** include breakfast. **Any rooms left in the block not reserved by April 8th will be released back to the hotel.** Trotters Restaurant is located inside the hotel and has reasonably priced menu options for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

This is a pay if you go event. You are encouraged, but not required, to participate in the below pre-arranged tours. I have included the website links for each of the sites for more information.

Monday, April 29

1500: Hotel check-in, hospitality room opens.

Tuesday, April 30: Patriots Point (\$18.00 per person plus \$11.00 for box lunch))

0900-1630: This is a self paced tour that includes access to Patriots Point Museum, ex-USS Yorktown, ex-USS Laffey, Vietnam Experience Exhibit, Medal of Honor Museum, and Cold War Memorial. Break for lunch approximately 1230 (box lunch onsite from Jimmy John's). Resume touring at Patriots Point points of interest on your own time, break on your own, when you want to, for shopping, etc., or return to hotel.

<https://www.patriotspoint.org/>

Wednesday, May 1: Adventure Sightseeing See It All City Tour and Carolina Belle Ferry Boat Historic Harbor Cruise (\$78.50 per person)

0915-1130: Board buses (20-22 passengers per bus) at hotel for a relaxing and informative 90-minute city tour; the best way to be introduced (or re-introduced!) to the Holy City. Upon return to starting point, buses will take us to the historic City Market Place area for lunch and shopping on your own, etc. until 1445. Re-board same buses for ride to the Maritime Center.

1530-1700: Get underway aboard the Carolina Belle for a 90-minute live narrated tour of the harbor that covers over 75 points of interest! Return to port by 1700. Buses will return us to the hotel.

1830: **Meet for Dinner at Trotters** (not included in tour price).

<https://www.adventuresightseeing.com/combo-tours/city-bus-charleston-harbor-tour/>

Thursday, May 2

1100: Check out, safe travels home. See you at the 2025 reunion in New Orleans!

USSHWGMA 2024 Get-Together REGISTRATION FORM

MEMBER NAME: _____

SPOUSE/GUEST(S) NAMES: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DATE: _____

ARE YOU STAYING AT THE EVENT HOTEL? YES _____ NO _____

ARE YOU DRIVING IN, OR FLYING? _____

WHAT YEARS WERE YOU ABOARD GILMORE? _____

RATE/RANK (when aboard) _____

DATE/EVENT	PRICE	X	NUMBER	=	AMOUNT
Tuesday April 30 Patriots Point Museum Tour (self paced) (Includes Yorktown, Laffey, Vietnam Experience Exhibit, Medal of Honor Museum and Cold War Memorial) Add Box Lunch (Select choices below):	\$18.00	X	_____	=	_____
	\$11.00	X	_____	=	_____
Wednesday, May 1 City Bus Tour , 0915-1130 Lunch Break/On Your Own 1130-1445 Harbor Boat Tour 1500-1730	\$78.50	X	_____	=	_____

Total Submitted: \$ _____

SEND CHECK PAYABLE TO "USSHWGMA" TO: John Bennett, Secretary/Treasurer, USSHWGMA, 296 Pinewood Drive, Apple Valley, MN 55124. **THIS FORM AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 8th, 2024.**

The below checklist is necessary in order for the venues to plan and staff accordingly. I must have tour registration payments in hand no later than April 8th, 2024.

____ I/we plan to join the group for a farewell dinner following tour at Trotters on May 1st.

Box lunch choices for April 30 at Patriots Point (select one of each per person)

Sandwich choice: Ham w/cheese _____ Turkey w/cheese _____ Italian _____

Chips choice: Regular _____ BBQ _____

Cookie choice: Chocolate chip _____ Oatmeal raisin _____