

Thursday, September 2

Reception on Board LST 325 – Captain Bob and Mrs. Lois Jornlin will host you on a reception on board LST 325 during the early evening hour. Drinks and light refreshments will be served; the only thing that is needed is your presence!

Friday, September 3

Breakfast with the Birds -The day will begin with "Breakfast with the Birds" at the National Aviary in Pittsburgh. **Enjoy a light continental breakfast and interactive bird show** featuring some of your favorite feathered friends. The National Aviary is fully ADA accessible. **The Phipps Conservatory** - Since 1893, visitors have been drawn to the natural wonder and beauty contained within the **19 indoor and outdoor gardens** of Phipps Conservatory, as well as to the structure itself. Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, a great steel and glass Victorian greenhouse, has been inviting visitors to explore the beauty and mysteries of plants since 1893. After the tours, we will refresh ourselves by having lunch at the Spaghetti Warehouse.

Just Ducky Tour– In the late afternoon we will enjoy a social hour as we **tour the City of Pittsburgh via DUKWS!** Each excursion begins in historic Station Square before 'waddling' into downtown for the ride of your life through the city's business district, then the Cultural District in the heart of downtown. Just when you think you've seen it all the DUKW effortlessly splashes down into one of the Three Rivers to offer a picture perfect view of the city skyline. You will be entertained!

Saturday, September 4, 2010

Shipyards - For all of you seafaring sailors, this tour is especially for you! The Pittsburgh group has put together a tour to revisit the sites of **Ambridge and Dravo Shipyards and Neville Island**. Many of you picked up 'your' LST at one of these sights in the early 40's! **Quaker State Lube and Oil** is a unique restaurant for your luncheon. "The Lube®" has won the title of "Best Wings USA," and has over 100 local, national, and international awards for their sauce recipes. "The Lube®" is still rescuing muscle cars, vintage cars, trucks and a vast selection of custom and antique motorcycles, giving them good homes hanging from the walls and ceilings in the restaurant." **Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall and Museum** - In the early afternoon, we will travel on to the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall and Museum. This is the "Nation's only Military Museum dedicated to honoring the men and women of all branches of service, the citizen as well as the professional soldier."

Sunday, September 5, 2010

A **Memorial Ceremony** will be conducted aboard LST 325 to commemorate those who lost their lives during their service time and our shipmates who have since passed. A Color Guard, Rifle Squad, the traditional tolling of the bell will be present and a wreath will be lowered into the Ohio. After the Sunday Memorial Service on board LST 325, you have the option of **Sunday Brunch at the Concourse**. The Grand Concourse was the train station during the war years, many of you traveled through or arrived in Pittsburgh to pick up your LST via this Station. Sunday afternoon is free so that you may rest for the busy day on Monday! If you choose you can gather in the hospitality room, stroll through the shops at Station Square, or choose one of the options listed below under Miscellaneous

Monday, September 6, 2010

Falling Waters - Fallingwater is the name of a very **special house that is built over a waterfall**. America's most famous architect, **Frank Lloyd Wright**, designed the house as a summer vacation retreat for his clients, the Kaufmann family (Kaufmann Department Stores). Fallingwater was built 1936-1939 and instantly became famous, and today it is a National Historic Landmark.

Coal Miner's Café – at Jennerstown, about 10 miles before we reach the fields of Shankstown, we will stop for a hearty homecooked lunch of either beef or turkey. The restaurant normally is not open on Labor Day, but are doing so this year for you!

Flight 93 Memorial – On September 11, 2001, the United States experienced the worst attack of terrorism in its history. The coordinated hijacking of four commercial airliners resulted in the deaths of over 3,000 innocent people. The Boeing 757, with 44 people on board, was nearing Cleveland, Ohio when Flight 93 suddenly and abruptly changed course heading southeast in the direction of Washington, DC before eventually crashing into a remote field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Miscellaneous Options

The Duquesne Incline is a transportation system circa 1877 cable cars, still operational 24 hours per day to assist Pittsburgh commuters and visitors. The treat of the ride is to experience it, however the breathtaking views of Pittsburgh seen from the top of Mount Washington are something to behold! Or use the Incline at night to travel to one of the wonderful restaurants at the top. **Fountain in Bessemer Court** is located about one-half block from the Sheraton. Enjoy the music and displays every 20 minutes.