

**USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION**  
**20TH NATIONAL REUNION**  
*Monday, June 03—Wednesday, June 05, 2019*  
**SAN ANTONIO, TX**

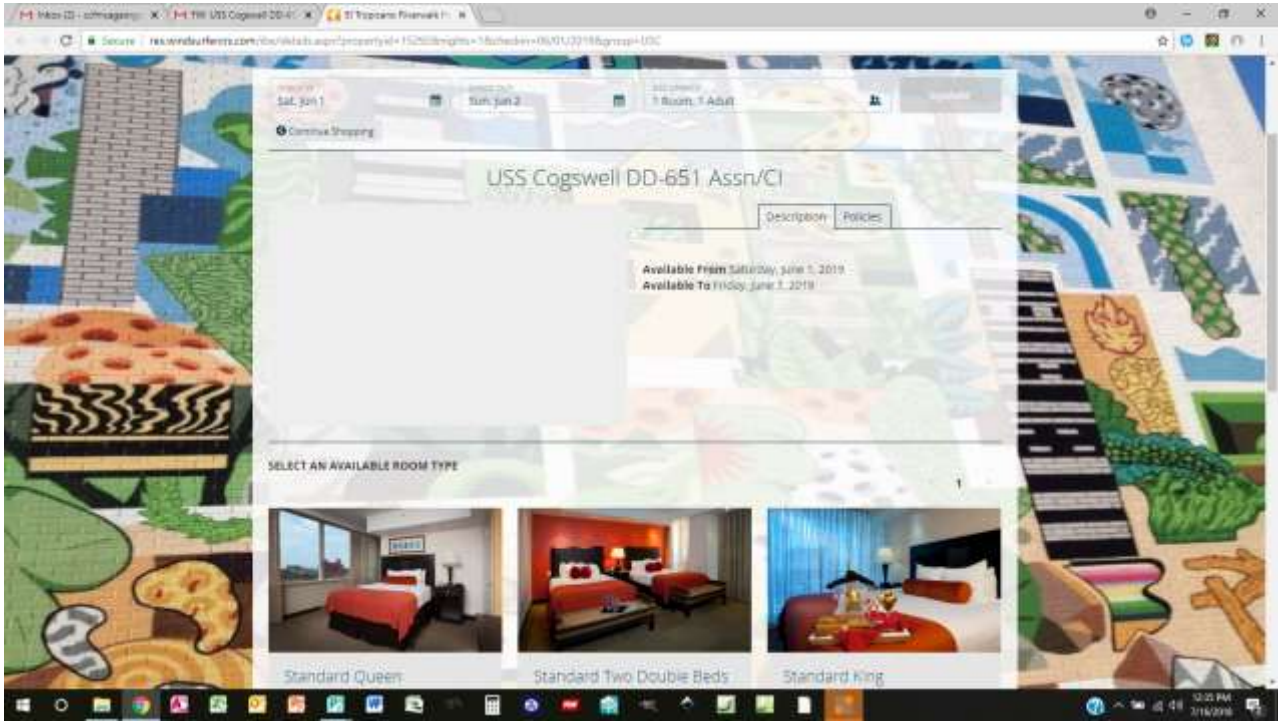
San Antonio, TX  
June 03—June 05 (Mon, Tue, Wed), 2019  
El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel  
110 Lexington Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78205

The El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel was the hotel chosen by the inspection team of Mack Stringfield, Mike McGivney and George Overman. We inspected different hotels and based on input from our members on ranking hotel features and by using the inspection matrix the El Tropicano Riverwalk came out on top.



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The easiest way to book a room is to go to the Cogswell dedicated hotel website page by clicking on the following link [USS Cogswell DD-651 Association](https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=15292&nights=1&checkin=06/01/2019&group=USC) or you may have to copy & paste this address, <https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=15292&nights=1&checkin=06/01/2019&group=USC> into the into the web browser .



Put in the dates for next year and other information required then click “update” then select the type of room you want to reserve and click on “Book Now” and input all remaining information required. You can see the included amenities in the rooms.

Room rates for all rooms: \$109 per night plus tax (for up to 2 people in one bed rooms and up to 4 people in two bed rooms.)

The room rate includes a full breakfast buffet for two people per room.

Parking rates for self parking is \$14/day plus tax and \$20/day plus tax for valet parking.

If you cannot access the web or if you have a special request Phone: (210) 223-9461 and request a room in the USS Cogswell DD-651 Association room block.



# SAN ANTONIO REUNION PLAN OF THE DAY

(Subject to change)

Monday, June 03, 2019

- 0930 USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION & USS WEDDERBURN DD-684 ASSOCIATION reunion registration begins in hospitality room (Bolivar Rooms on the 1st floor)
- 0930 Raffle tickets on sale and throughout the day
- 1400 Snack service begins in hospitality room (snack mix, soft drinks, coffee & tea, beer & wine)
- 1500 Representative from the Hop-On Hop-Off tour bus is available for information and ticket sales
- 1700 **Reunion welcome gathering with Hors D'oeuvres**
- 1730 Remarks from our Association President Frank Wille, Elissa Nava from the Convention and Visitors Bureau, Theresa Lucas from the hotel, and a representative from the Hop On Hop Off tour bus. An overview of the scheduled tours and the other activities during the reunion.
- 1800 (Approximate) Raffle drawings
- 1830 Reception continues and the sea stories begin

Tuesday, June 04, 2019

- 0630 Mango's Restaurant open for breakfast
- 0800 *Sharp*—Tour bus leaves hotel for Fredericksburg
- 1400 Snack service begins in hospitality room (snack mix, soft drinks, coffee & tea, beer and wine)
- 1530 (Approximate) Tour bus returns to hotel
- 1600 Meet in the hospitality room for refreshments and more sea stories

Wednesday, June 05, 2019

- 0630 **Mango's Restaurant open for breakfast**
- 0830 Cogswell Association business meeting and election of new committee members in the hospitality room
- 0920 First Hop-On Hop-Off tour bus leaves the hotel in front of the lobby
- 1400 Snack service begins in hospitality room (snack mix, soft drinks, coffee & tea, beer & wine)
- 1700 Photo taking begins in designated area—TBD (all hands on deck, purchase of photo book optional)
- 1715 Banquet room opens—full cash bar available
- 1745 Banquet program begins with announcements from Association President Frank Wille
- 1800 Invocation, and Necrology
- 1815 Food service
- 1900 Guest speaker / Entertainment / Drawing for survey completion prizes
- 2100 Benediction
- 2100 Hospitality room remains open for more sea stories

Thursday, June 06, 2019

- 0630 Mango's Restaurant open for breakfast
- Final farewells as the USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION REUNION & USS WEDDERBURN DD 684 ASSOCIATION IS CLOSED and we look forward to our next reunion in the Pacific Time Zone.

# Tuesday Tour June 04, 2019

## Reservations Required

On Tuesday morning at 0800 (sharp) the bus will be leaving the hotel at the front lobby for our approximate 1 1/2 hour trip to Fredericksburg, TX to visit the Admiral Nimitz Museum and the National Museum of the Pacific War. The trip itself will be interesting. "This quintessential German town of only 10,500 residents sits just an hour and a quarter northwest of both San Antonio and San Marcos." "Main Street, the town's historic district, is home to over 150 shops, art galleries, museums, restaurants, bakeries and Biergartens." "When hunger strikes, you'll find traditional dishes like Sauerbraten, Wiener Schnitzel and Reuben sandwiches with plenty of beers from Germany and Texas to wash them down." (<http://visitsanantonio.com/english/LP/Texas-Hill-Country/Fredericksburg>)

### ADMIRAL NIMITZ MUSEUM

This is the flagship of the Museum Complex, where the original Pacific War Museum was located before our facilities expanded to include three museums on a 6-acre campus. A landmark in Fredericksburg since the late 1800's, the building was the old Nimitz Steamboat Hotel, owned and operated by Admiral Nimitz's grandfather Charles Henry Nimitz Sr. and is where Chester W. Nimitz spent his early childhood. A young Chester W. Nimitz is seen here in this photo under the "N" in Nimitz Hotel (<http://www.pacificwarmuseum.org/your-visit/admiral-nimitz-museum/>)



### National Museum of the Pacific War

"Uncommon valor was a common virtue." "Fleet Admiral Nimitz's words in 1945 ring true today as we tell the sweeping story of World War II in the Pacific. This is the story — the history — we are dedicated to honoring, teaching and preserving at The National Museum of the Pacific. Visit us to experience this extraordinary chapter of our nation's history." (<http://www.pacificwarmuseum.org/>)

***WE LEAVE FREDERICKSBURG FOR THE RETURN TRIP TO SAN ANTONIO AT 1400***

# Wednesday San Antonio Sightseeing June 05, 2019

On Wednesday there will not be a “group tour” Everyone is on their own to visit interesting places in and around San Antonio. If touring in the city, we recommend that you purchase tickets on the sightseeing bus called the Hop-On Hop-Off All Day. The bus stops directly in front of the El Tropicano hotel. The first stop is at 0900 and leaves every 20 minutes thereafter. There will be a representative available in the afternoon and evening during our opening reception to answer questions and sell tickets. There are numerous ticket options available which won't be covered here. However most of the options include the river boat ride. Below are some of the sights where the bus stops along the route. Other sites are available near the route.

*You'll get to see:*

*The Alamo  
Pearl Brewery Entertainment Complex  
Market Square - El Mercado  
San Fernando Cathedral  
Spanish Governor's Palace  
Tower of the Americas Space Needle  
King William Historical District  
San Antonio Museum of Art  
The Famous River Walk  
Theater District  
Zona Cultural  
Buckhorn Saloon & Texas Ranger Museum  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 76  
Southtown  
The Tobin Center  
The Scottish Rite Cathedral  
Hipólito F. Garcia Federal Building  
Yaganagua Garden  
Emily Morgan Haunted Hotel  
Shops at River Center Mall*



# Banquet Menu

*Classic Caesar Salad*

*Selection of one:*

*Traditional Roast Beef*

*Sliced, roasted strip loin with wild mushroom demi-glace*

*Or*

*Chicken Piccata*

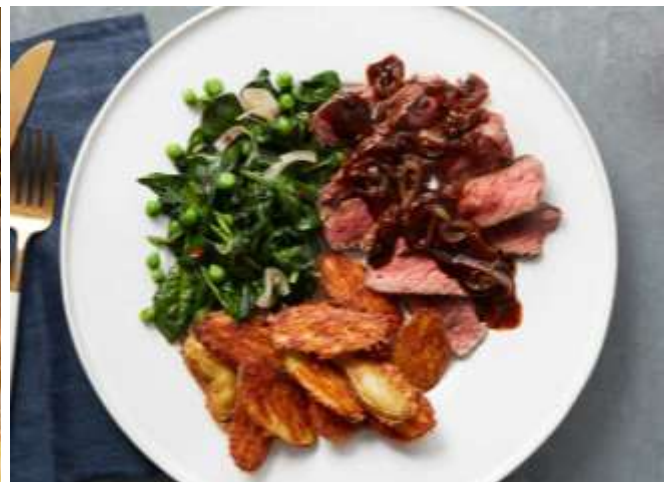
*Sautéed chicken breast in our house made lemon caper sauce*

*Accompanied by*

*Chef's Choice of Vegetables & Dessert*

*House Baked Rolls & Sweet Cream Butter*

*Freshly Brewed Iced Tea, Coffee and Decaf.*



# USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION

## REUNION REGISTRATION – June 03-05, 2019

\*\*\*RETURN NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 03, 2019 (FOR ROOM & TOUR AVAILABILITY)\*\*\*

(Please print clearly and sign on the bottom of the form)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ (Continue of back if necessary)

We plan to arrive on: \_\_\_\_\_

Ship name / hull number if guest from other DesRon 21 Destroyer: \_\_\_\_\_

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Are you staying at the El Tropicano?	_____	_____	Have you made reservations	_____	_____

Room reservations must be made directly with the hotel.

	Cost ( <i>per person</i> )	# of people	Total
Tuesday, June 04 Tour	\$32	_____	_____

*Tour cost includes bus transportation, driver gratuity, and Nimitz/War of the Pacific Museum admittance. Lunch on your own. The bus will hold 55 passengers. Once this number is reached we will put new registrants on standby and add additional capacity when possible.*

*Wednesday, June 05 Tour on your own.*

		Cost ( <i>per person</i> )		# of people	Total
Banquet	Traditional Roast Beef	\$35	X	_____	= _____
	Chicken Picatta	\$35	X	_____	= _____
Registration Fee (under 18 free)		\$20	X	_____	= _____
Photo Book		\$23/ea includes postage		_____	_____
Grand Total					_____

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to:

USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION

Mail to:

USS COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION

PO BOX 6098

OCEANSIDE CA 92052-6098

The Cogswell Association will provide beer & wine to guests over the age of 21. There will be no charge for this beer or wine. The Cogswell Association will be providing snacks in the hospitality room. No food or snacks of any kind may be brought into the room by other individuals. In addition, the USS Cogswell DD-651 Association executive committee does not accept responsibility or liability whatsoever for any incident involving the consumption of any food items or alcoholic beverages. I have read and agree to the above restrictions on alcoholic beverages and food items at the reunion.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Must be signed in order to participate in reunion activities)



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*[www.usscogswell.com](http://www.usscogswell.com)*