

USS BENNINGTON REUNION INFORMATION SURVEY 2010

Have you attended USS Bennington reunions in the past?

- Yes (29) - No (3)

What would you consider a MUST at all reunions?

- Welcoming Committee
- Open Bar
- Much Larger Hospitality Room
- Nearer to Casino's,
- Much Lower Rates for everything (especially room rates)
- Hospitality Room needs to remain open for those that do not go on tours
- Restaurants within walking distance to hotel
- Non-alcoholic beer "O'Douls" for those that do not drink
- Proper Navy protocols for services, etc. (many things not done properly or done at all)
- More attention to things happening on time.

Would you be interested in a new dues paying period of two or three years?

- 20 (Yes) two-years max. - 10 (No) - 2 (no answer)

What activities would you like included in our annual reunions?

- Roll Call of States attending the reunion
- Recognizing the oldest and youngest veterans in attendance
- More things for the ladies to do (shopping, etc.)
- Better selection of tours
- Daily breakfasts onsite
- City tours.

What are the most important factors in deciding whether you'll attend the next reunion?

Costs and Location (with the exception of four individuals) all commented on the hotel costs going up and it is creating a problem for them. Some actually stated that if they are above \$99 (w/ taxes, etc.) it's just too costly.

Do you have a preference on the time of year that the reunion is held?

Late September, early October (because the rates are cheaper and the hotels are looking for our business).