



Greetings!

The trailer will be touring the Midwest part of the US on it's maiden voyage to celebrate 2015 Memorial Day, a day to Remember all Veterans living and deceased. The Newsletter should bring this day to the attention of all our shipmates far and near.

Attached is a poem that is used every year at our VFW Post. You can use it too. It's about Wainwright and the military personnel that served our country.

For me and the other Plankowners of Wainwright DLG-28, this coming year 2016 marks the 50th anniversary of the commissioning on January 6, 1966 in Boston Naval Shipyard.

To me, this is a big deal. I hope you could communicate this in a

small ways in the newsletter. This could be a rallying point for attending the reunion in Charleston next year.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"

Dick Becker (Plankowner)

[Remember the Vets Wainwright Poem](#)

Sincerely,

Rod Shafer

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Midwest Cruise Final Itinerary

Shipmates, the Midwest Trailer Tour Itinerary has been finalized and is posted below. If any of you are available to stop by or participate in any of these events, you are encouraged to do so. There will be ample time to visit, catch up, and tell sea stories. Please come out to see us.

- May 18th - Jackson Tennessee at the VFW Hall: 285 Airways Blvd., Jackson Tenn. the display will be open from 1700 hrs - 2100 hrs.
- May 20th - Harrison, Arkansas at the Lions Club Lunch. Western Sizlin Steakhouse: 905 U.S. 62, Harrison, Arkansas. The display will be open from 1200 hrs. - 1600 hrs.
- May 21st - Kansas City, Missouri at the VFW Headquarters: 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Please park at 34th St. and Washington. The display will be open from 1100 hrs. - 1300 hrs.
- May 23rd - May 25th - Waukon, Iowa. The Display will be set up at 105 Allamakee St., Waukon, Iowa. The display will be

open at the following times:

- May 23 following the flag ceremony at the Courthouse - approx 1000 hrs - 1300 hrs.
- May 24th 1000 hrs - 1300 hrs.
- May 25th the trailer will be in the Memorial Day Parade and on display after the parade. The parade steps off at 1000 hrs. (Shipmates welcome to participate in the parade with the trailer).
- May 28th - Schiller Park, Illinois - Schiller Park Metro Station, 455 Ruby Street, Schiller Park, Illinois. The display will be open from 1000 hrs - 1400 hrs.
- May 30th - Mahomet, Illinois - IGA, 202 Eastwood Drive, Mahomet, Illinois. The display will be open from 1000hrs - 1300 hrs.
- May 31st - Indianapolis, Indiana - American Legion Headquarters - 700 North Pennsylvania Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana. The display will be open from 1100 hrs. - 1400 hrs.

We look forward to seeing some of you on the way!

2016 Reunion

Remember we will be returning to our home port of Charleston SC in July of 2016 for our next Wainwright Veterans Association Reunion. This reunion will be a special reunion to everyone to celebrate the 50th reunion of the christening of the USS Wainwright DLG/CG 28 and the 30th Anniversary of the establishment of the Wainwright Veterans Association. We hope to see everyone there.