

# PLAN OF THE WEEK

USS Essex Association 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion ~ Pigeon Forge, Tennessee ~ September 14th to 19th 2026

## Monday, September 14, 2026

- 0800 “Now hear this” – Set the watch, Hoist the Welcome Banner, Standby to receive guests to the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual USS ESSEX Reunion in Pigeon Forge, TN.  
0630 – 0930 Breakfast Hours - Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
0930 – 1200 Board of Directors Meeting and Audit Committee  
1200 – 1400 Registration and Tour Packets table will be in the Hospitality Room  
TBD Ships Store is set up on first floor. Room Location TBD.  
1000 – 2300 Hospitality Room, (Bar open, when someone is available to be in the room)  
**1445 – 1930 Tour #1: Lumberjack Dinner Show – Dinner at 1530 hours, Show starts at 1700 hours**

## Tuesday, September 15, 2026

- 0630 – 0930 Breakfast Hours – Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
0915 – 0945 Registration and Tour Packets table will be in the Hospitality Room  
1000 – 2000 Ships Store Open as needed  
0900 – 2300 Hospitality Room, (Bar open, when someone is available to be in the room)  
**0900 – 1400 Enjoy your Day, see “Things to do in Pigeon Forge” page to do on your own**  
**1645 – 2000 Tour #2: Pirate Dinner Show @ 1800 hours**

## Wednesday, September 16, 2026

- 0630 – 0930 Breakfast Hours – Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
0915 – 0945 Registration and Tour Packets table will be in the Hospitality Room  
1000 – 2000 Ships Store Open as needed  
0900 – 2300 Hospitality Room, (Bar open, when someone is available to be in the room)  
**0900 – 1400 Enjoy your Day, see “Things to do in Pigeon Forge” page to do on your own**  
**1645 – 2000 Tour #3: Dolly Parton’s Stampede Dinner Show @ 1800 hours**

## Thursday, September 17, 2026

- 0630 – 0930 Breakfast Hours – Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
0915 – 0945 Registration and Tour Packets table will be in the Hospitality Room  
1000 – 2000 Ships Store Open as needed  
0900 – 1830 Hospitality Room, (Bar open, when someone is available to be in the room)  
**1015 – 1230 Tour #4: Redneck Comedy Bus or See “Things to do in Pigeon Forge”**  
1900 – 2300 Ladies Auction (Starting at 1730 hours you may bring in your items to be Auctioned)

## Friday, September 18, 2026

- 0630 – 0930 Breakfast Hours. Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
1000 – 1100 Memorial Service  
1100 – 1400 Hospitality Room – BAR CLOSED for General Business Meeting  
1400 – 1600 Members General Business Meeting “Show membership card for admission”  
1400 – 1600 **Ladies Bead Crafts -6<sup>th</sup> Floor Terrace**  
1800 – 2200 Farewell Dinner – Hospitality Room

## Saturday, September 19, 2026

- 0730 – 1030 Breakfast Hours – Cafeteria located on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor  
0800 Farewell to Shipmates and Friends until next year

**NOTICE: The Plan of the Week is subject to change.**