

# ENJOY AN EXCITING TIME THAT BRINGS TOGETHER THE PAST AND PRESENT

## Lake County: The Perfect Reunion Location

Centrally located and easily accessible, Lake County combines plenty of military-related sites with world-class attractions, scenic destinations and relaxing venues. Just 30 miles north of downtown Chicago, we're conveniently accessible from two major airports: Chicago O'Hare and Milwaukee's General Mitchell. And we're just a short Metra train ride from downtown Chicago and simple to reach by car or bus. Lake County has reunion-friendly accommodations for every group size and budget—over 65 hotels and three resorts—with great group rate values.

Enhance the enjoyment and prominence of your next military reunion in beautiful Lake County, Illinois. As the home of *Great Lakes Naval Training Station*—the largest naval training center in the U.S.—Lake County provides the perfect military reunion setting. For over 100 years, we've been welcoming veterans and members of the armed forces for work and play. And you'll have the free personal assistance of a reunion specialist who'll work with you every step of the way to make sure your event is a success that's remembered long after everyone returns home.



# THERE'S SO MUCH TO SEE AND DO

There are tons of attractions and activities for everyone to enjoy, including:

## Military Related

- *Naval Station Great Lakes*—the country's only Navy Recruit Training Command. Enjoy a tour of the base and lunch at Port O'Call. Attend a graduation ceremony. And take a tour of the Naval Museum.
- *Russell Military Museum and Volo Auto Museum*—featuring rare collections of military vehicles and weaponry.
- *Harley-Davidson Museum* in Milwaukee featuring an exhibit on the impact motorcycles had on the WWII frontlines.
- *Museum of Science and Industry's U-505 German Submarine*.
- *Soldier Field*—home of the Chicago Bears, pays homage with many military memorials on-site, including the 250-foot long Memorial Water Wall.

## Entertainment, Tours and More

- *Long Grove Historic Village*—a picturesque setting for boutiques, art galleries and fine dining.
- *Chicago Botanic Gardens*—with a tram tour through 26 spectacular gardens on 385 acres.
- *Cuneo Museum and Gardens*—31-room Venetian style mansion and formal gardens.
- *Marriott Theatre, Genesee Theatre and Ravinia Festival*—Unique indoor and outdoor venues for theater and live music.
- *Waukegan Harbor*—on Lake Michigan has one of the finest charter fishing fleets on the Great Lakes.
- *Shedd Aquarium and Adler Planetarium*—on the Chicago lakefront.
- *Navy Pier*—a 3,300 foot-long shipping pier with restaurants, entertainment, recreation and boat cruises.



“Hi! I’m Kimberly Ghys,  
your military reunion specialist.”

I’m here to help you with everything you need to make your reunion a success—with FREE planning assistance, from booking rooms to planning great things to do. And I’ll be with you every step of the way.

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