

USS Phoenix (SSN 702)
Welcome Home and
Re-Christening Ceremony
Papago Park Military Reservation
Phoenix, Arizona
20 September 2016

Welcome



Major General Michael T. McGuire, USAF is The Adjutant General for Arizona and concurrently serves as the Director of the Arizona Dept. of Emergency and Military Affairs. He is responsible for managing the day-to-day activities of Arizona's Army and Air National Guard, Joint Programs, and the Division of Emergency Management. He leads an 8,000-member Department. He is a veteran F-16 fighter pilot and a graduate of the US Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO.

Mayor Greg Stanton has been serving as Mayor of Phoenix since 2012. Prior to being elected in 2011, he served nine years on the Phoenix City Council and as Arizona's Deputy Attorney General. He graduated from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI; and earned a law degree from the University of Michigan.

Terry Goddard, attorney, Goddard Law Office, PLC, served as Mayor of Phoenix, 1984-1990. He served as the 24th Attorney General of Arizona, 2003-2011. While Mayor of Phoenix, he led the effort to establish the USS PHOENIX Commission which formed lasting relationships with crew members of USS PHOENIX SSN 702, homeported in Norfolk, VA and namesake of the City of Phoenix. Terry is a graduate of Harvard University and received his law degree from Arizona State University. He is also a Commander, US Navy, Retired.

Rear Admiral Michael E. McLaughlin, USN, Retired, served for 30 years in the Navy Submarine Force. He commanded USS LA JOLLA SSN 701, Submarine Squadron ELEVEN San Diego, and Submarine Group TWO, Groton, CT. He currently serves as General Plant Manager, Site Support at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station. He is a graduate of the US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Ocean Engineering. He holds an MBA from the University of Nebraska.

Amy Rhodes Marshall is the daughter of Tom and Chris Rhodes. She is the eldest granddaughter of the late Congressman John J. Rhodes, Jr., and his late wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Rhodes. Betty Rhodes was the ship's sponsor who christened the USS PHOENIX (SSN 702) in December 1979.

Today's Welcome Home Program

Welcome - Official Party arrives

Post the Colors

National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance

*Blessing - Petty Officer 2nd Class/Pastor Victor
Berrelez*

Welcome Remarks - Capt. Pete Lumianski, USN(Ret.)

*Remarks from Maj. Gen. Michael McGuire, USAF,
The Adjutant General of Arizona*

*Remarks from the Honorable Greg Stanton,
Mayor of Phoenix*

*Remarks from Terry Goddard, former Mayor of
Phoenix & Creator of the USS Phoenix Commission*

*Remarks from Rear Adm. Michael McLaughlin,
USN(Ret.) 30-Year Submarine Veteran/Commander*

Welcome the Rhodes Family

*Re-Christening of the 702 Parts -
Ms. Amy Rhodes Marshall*

Farewell & Thank you for Coming

The USS Phoenix (SSN 702) and the Cold War Monument

The USS Phoenix (SSN 702) was commissioned and put to sea in 1981 as the 15th of 62 LA Class nuclear-powered attack submarines, built between 1972 and 1996 in response to the growing maritime threats during the Cold War. The USS Phoenix was on active duty in the north Atlantic for 17 years, and was decommissioned in 1998. It was moved to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, WA, where it sat for 18 years in waterborne storage awaiting recycling. In 2016, the Navy cut-up the USS Phoenix, and granted permission for the City of Phoenix to receive some of its parts, to include the "sail", the diving planes and the top rudder, for use in creating a monument in a downtown City park. The idea for saving some of the 702's parts and creating a monument in downtown Phoenix was first hatched in 1997. Eleven years later, in 2008, the City's Parks and Recreation Board approved the monument's placement in Steele Indian School Park on a site just adjacent to the Arizona Veteran Home. In 2013, the Phoenix Saguaro Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Navy, took over the management of the project, and was successful in trucking the parts from WA to AZ, and in gaining permission to store the parts temporarily on the Papago Park Military Reservation. Future plans include finalizing the monument design, raising monies and building an inspirational USS Phoenix (SSN 702) Cold War Monument worthy of the 702's outstanding service in helping to end the Cold War.

SPECIAL THANKS

Today's program required extensive help and support, and we'd like to give special thanks and recognition to the following persons/organizations:

- Colt Transportation for their flatbed truck
- Bragg Crane for their crane
- The Arizona Flotilla Band for their music
- The Phoenix Division Sea Cadets Color Guard
- Perch Base Submarine Veterans for their 702 model
- The Adjutant General for allowing us to store the parts at PPMR and to hold today's event
- To all our volunteer help in setting up

USS PHOENIX (SSN 702) COLD WAR MONUMENT PROJECT

The USS Phoenix (SSN 702) Cold War Monument Foundation was formed to help consolidate the work components of our monument project. We'd love to have more friends and supporters, and get more of the Valley community involved. As the project moves forward, we'll need help in identifying funding sources and leads, in fund-raising projects, in gaining donated services, and in receiving any **helpful** advice about how to best proceed. If you are interested in **helping with** this project in any capacity - including just being a "Friend of the USS PHOENIX" - please take the time to fill out the information **below**, and we'll add your name to our volunteer list in the appropriate category. Thanks for helping!!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

- Be a Friend/Supporter
 Be a Volunteer
 Be an Advisor

Leave this form with us at our tent today, or mail it in to the below address, or alternatively, contact us by email at ussphxssn702@gmail.com

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