



Wisconsin Naval Ship Association, Inc.
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WINSA'S MISSION

The Wisconsin Naval Ship Association, Inc. mission is to preserve the Navy's Destroyer USS Edson (DD-946) for future generations and to bring her to Sheboygan, Wisconsin permanently to serve as a veteran's museum, an educational site for young Americans, a tourist attraction, as a memorial for all veterans and to preserve military history. The ship will also be available for use as a Disaster Recovery Command Post and/or an emergency shelter during local natural disasters.

ORGANIZATIONS ENDORSING WINSA'S USS EDSON (DD-946) PROJECT

Many organizations have favorably endorsed the project. They are:

American Legion

- Post 18, Milwaukee, WI **
- Post 62, Peoria, AZ
- Post 70, Oshkosh, WI **
- Post 79, Burlington, WI
- Post 90, Linden, MI
- Post 215, Pardeeville, WI **
- Post 218, Hayward, WI **
- Post 234, Omro, WI **
- Post 242, La Valle, WI **
- Post 249, Frederic, WI **
- Post 288, Cedarburg, WI
- Post 310, Racine, WI
- Post 312, Peshtigo, WI **
- Post 341, Birnamwood, WI **
- Post 348, DeForest, WI **
- Post 364, Winneconne, WI **
- Post 405, Dousman, WI
- Post 457, Mequon, WI
- Post 483, Allenton, WI **
- Post 488, New Berlin, WI **
- Post 494, Caledonia, WI
- Post 507, Mindoro, WI **
- Post 534, McFarland, WI **
- Post 546, Racine, WI

AMVETS

- Department of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
- Post 4, South Milwaukee, WI **
- Post 7, Oshkosh, WI **
- Post 42, Kewaunee, WI **
- Post 99, Manitowoc, WI **
- Post 120, Racine, WI

Aras, Bek & Pottiers III, Sheboygan, WI ***

Balestrieri Environmental & Development, Inc., Elkhorn, WI **

Boy Scouts of America

- Aviation Explorer Post 218, Racine, WI
- Racine Police Explorer Post 286, Racine, WI
- Sea Scout Ship 5750, Racine, WI
- Southeast Wisconsin Council 634, Racine, WI
- Troop 105 (St. John's Nepomuk), Racine, WI
- Troop 400, Racine, WI

Brisco County Wood Grill, Sheboygan, WI ***

Caledonia Historical Society, Caledonia, WI

City of Kenosha, Kenosha, WI

City of Racine, Racine, WI

CJ's Shipwrecked Bar & Grill, Sheboygan, WI ***

Cleo Messner Realtors, LLC, Sheboygan, WI ***

Disabled American Veterans

- Chapter 1, Milwaukee, WI
- Chapter 34, Burlington, WI
- Department of Wisconsin, Green Bay, WI

Ella's Dela Delicatessen, Sheboygan, WI ***

Ferrari's Market, Sheboygan, WI ***

Girl Scouts of Racine County Inc., Racine, WI

Gordon Auto Parts, Inc., Racine, WI **

Harborside Villas, Sheboygan, WI ***

Harbor Winds Hotel, Sheboygan, WI ***

Highland House 2, LLC, Sheboygan, WI ***

Historic Naval Ships Association, Smithfield, VA

Islander Cafe, LLC, Sheboygan, WI ***

InSinkEerator, Racine, WI **

JOMAJI Saloon & SPA, Sheboygan, WI ***

Kenosha Area Vietnam Veterans, Kenosha, WI

Kenosha Professional Fire Fighters Union Local 414, Kenosha, WI

Kettle Moraine Bass Anglers, Sheboygan Falls, WI

Limbeck Law Office, Sheboygan, WI ***

Lions Club -

- Racine Evening, Racine, WI
- Sturtevant Lions Club, Sturtevant, WI

Little Dickens, Sheboygan, WI ***

Map & Globe Exchange, Sheboygan, WI ***

Marine Corps League

- Badger Detachment, Milwaukee, WI
- Detachment 346, Racine, WI

McGinley & Baker, Sheboygan, WI ***

Merchants Moving & Storage Company, Racine, WI **
Metro Milwaukee Military Historians, Grafton, WI
Military Order of the Purple Heart – Chapter 152, Sheboygan, WI
Mutual Realty of Wisconsin LLC, Sheboygan, WI ***
Natures Best, Sheboygan, WI ***
Paul Weise Real Estate Corp. (Sheboygan Condo Developer), Milwaukee, WI ***
Popcorn Planet, Sheboygan WI ***
Priority Sign Inc., Sheboygan, WI ** ***
Naval Construction Battalion Center Reunion Committee, Davisville, RI
Navy Club of Kenosha, Ship 40, Kenosha, WI
Navy Club of Racine, Ship 60, Racine, WI
Navy League – Milwaukee Council, Milwaukee, WI
Racine-Belle City Lodge No. 18 (Masons), Racine, WI
Racine City Tavern League, Racine, WI
Racine County Tavern League, Franksville, WI
Racine Fire Bell Museum Association Inc., Racine, WI
Racine Fire Fighters Local 321, Racine, WI
Racine Yacht Club, Racine, WI
Reserve CEC – Seabee Midwest Alumni Association, Eden Prairie, MN
**Reserve Officers Association of the United States, Twin Cities Navy
 Chapter, St. Paul, MN**
Retired Fire Fighters of Wisconsin, Inc., Two Rivers, WI
Retired Firefighters of Racine, Racine, WI
Salmon Unlimited Wisconsin, Inc., Racine, WI
Saloon Sase, Sheboygan, WI ***
Senior Action Council of Kenosha County, Kenosha, WI
Sertoma Club of Milwaukee, Whitefish Bay, WI
Stone’s Water, Sheboygan, WI ***
Sturino Funeral Home, Racine, WI **
The Dory, Sheboygan, WI ***
The Kangaroos Club, Brookfield, WI
The Mucky Duck Shanty, Sheboygan, WI ***
The Rexworks Breakfast Club, Milwaukee, WI
The Seabee Wardroom – Milwaukee, WI
The Weather Center Cafe, Sheboygan, WI ***
The Wharf Bait and Tackle, Sheboygan, WI ***
Tinker Tailor, Sheboygan, WI ***
TLC Casuals, Sheboygan, WI ***
Tucker 4-H Club, Racine, WI
United Auto Workers

- Local 72, Kenosha, WI
- Local 72 Veterans Committee, Kenosha, WI
- Local 833 Veterans Committee, Sheboygan, WI

**United States Submarine Veterans, Inc. Naval Base Great Lakes, Great
 Lakes, IL**
**United States Submarine Veterans of World War II, Southeast Wisconsin
 Chapter, Greendale, WI**
USS Providence (CL-82) Association, FT Wright, KY

Veterans of Foreign Wars

- Post 1039, Menomonie, WI **
- Post 1621, Janesville, WI **
- Post 1865, Kenosha, WI
- Post 1879, Fort Atkinson, WI **
- Post 1904, Fond du Lac, WI **
- Post 2306, Beloit, WI **
- Post 2687, Tomahawk, WI **
- Post 2823, Burlington, WI
- Post 3088, Sturgeon Bay, WI **
- Post 3709, Watertown, WI **
- Post 5270, North Prairie, WI**
- Post 5612, Plymouth, WI
- Post 5716, New Berlin, WI
- Post 6856, Milltown, WI **
- Post 7534, Green Bay, WI **
- Post 8318, Cuba City, WI **
- Post 9156, Sheboygan, WI
- Post 9207, Mequon, WI
- Post 9336, Blue Mounds, WI **
- Post 9392, Lowell, WI **
- Post 9748, Iola, WI **
- Post 9867, Shell Lake, WI **
- Post 10301, Racine, WI
- Post 10406, Cochrane, WI **
- Post 10452, Princeton, WI **
- Post 10820, Random Lake, WI **

Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.

- Chapter 224, Green Bay, WI
- Chapter 731, Manitowoc, WI
- Chapter 767, Racine, WI
- Chapter 921, Rochester, WI
- Wisconsin State Council

Village of Sturtevant, Sturtevant, WI

Western Union Junction Railroad Club & Museum, Sturtevant, WI

Wisconsin Air Force Association, Racine, WI

Wisconsin Department of Tourism, Madison, WI

Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, Madison, WI

Wisconsin Retired Educators' Association (WREA), Middleton, WI **

**** Endorsement by cash donation.**

***** Neighborhood Business Endorsement**

At every briefing, the project has been enthusiastically received. There is strong veteran, business and community endorsement of the project with a total of 179 organizations listed in this report. This number includes twenty eight (28) Sheboygan “neighborhood” businesses of the USS Edson. The list continues to grow!