

The Newport Dealeys 2009 Reunion Information

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The 2009 Newport Dealeys reunion will be held September 24-27 at the Norfolk Airport Hilton. The Hilton is located at 1500 North Military Highway, Norfolk, VA. We (ML & RS, Inc) have done an exhaustive search trying to locate the best value in Norfolk. We think we have succeeded!! The Hilton has recently been remodeled and offers all of the amenities that you have come to expect from a first class hotel. Each richly appointed room features a hair dryer, iron and ironing board, coffee maker, clock radio, as well as shampoo, conditioner, and lotion. There is a full service restaurant – Max & Irma’s – a cocktail lounge, ample meeting, hospitality, and banquet space. Those of you who were at the 2001 reunion will recall the hotel as being a “classy” place; it is ever better now. The Hilton provides complimentary airport shuttle service to and from Norfolk International Airport and there is ample complimentary parking. You are sure to be well pleased with this facility. **Questions:** The information contained herein should answer most of your questions; however, if anything is unclear, please do not hesitate to call our Customer Service Representative at **1-828-256-6008**.

Your Choice: You may select one of the three options shown below, or create your own limited agenda. You may fax, mail or phone in your registration. Reservations via fax or phone require the use of **American Express, MASTERCARD or VISA**.

- 1. Payment Schedule:** Initial deposit is due on or before **August 24, 2009**. Final payment is due before **September 4, 2009**.
- 2. Cancellations:** For cancellations received on or before **September 18, 2009** there is a \$50.00 cancellation fee **plus** the cost of any activities that have already been paid for, or for which guaranteed numbers have been provided to the vendor. There will be **NO REFUNDS – for any reason** - for cancellation requests received after **September 18, 2009**. Trip Cancellation Insurance is highly recommended. See your local insurance agent. ML & RS, Inc does not offer this service.
- 3. Minimum Room Requirements:** During this economic down-turn hotel occupancy is down. Consequently attrition clauses, for room occupancy and food & beverage minimums (standard clauses in all hotel contracts), are being strictly enforced. Consequently, your cooperation is needed so these minimums can be met. Please participate in the planned activities and stay at the host hotel. You will not receive your confirmation letter until a minimum of 15 room reservations are received. Please register early!
- 4. Because of the economy, and because the Norfolk area is an expensive high profile business, military, and tourist center, we have done everything possible to cut costs without reducing the quality of the reunion. Norfolk is more expensive than Nashville, mainly because breakfast was included in the room rate in Nashville but isn't here. Remember, you can pay for the reunion in installments (no interest) or by credit card; and you can opt out of any activity you do not wish to participate in. You can control your own costs.**

Option A

Arrive on Thursday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Three Nights Lodging (Thur, Fri, Sat); Thursday Welcome Reception w/hors d'oeuvres & cash bar; three breakfasts, (Fri, Sat, Sun); Friday seafood buffet; Saturday night banquet; Thursday through Saturday use of Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Norfolk, VA City Tag; 2009 Reunion Memory Book, Memorial Service Program; Roster of attendees; All applicable taxes, gratuities (except tour guide & driver); bartender, set-up fees; registration fee; the full time services of an ML & RS, Inc manager. **Cost of this option is \$888.00 per couple; \$638.00 per single. A \$100.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation.**

Option B

Arrive on Friday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Two Nights Lodging (Fri, Sat); two breakfasts (Sat & Sun); Friday seafood buffet; Saturday Night Banquet; Friday and Saturday use of a Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Norfolk, VA City Tag; 2009 Reunion Memory Book; Memorial Service Program; Roster of attendees; All applicable taxes, gratuities (except tour guide & driver); bartender, set-up fees; registration fee; the full time services of an ML & RS, Inc manager. **Cost of this option is \$665.00 per couple; \$467.00 per single. A \$75.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation.**

Option C

Arrive on Saturday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Saturday Night Lodging; Saturday Night Banquet; Sunday breakfast; All day Saturday use of Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Roster of attendees; Norfolk, VA City Tag; 2009 Reunion Memory Book; Memorial Service Program; Applicable Taxes, gratuities, bartender, set-up fees, registration fee; the full time services of an ML & RS, Inc manager. **Cost of this Option is \$361.00 per couple; \$257.00 per single. A \$50.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation.**

YOUR ITINERARY

Thursday September 24, 2009

12:00 Noon: Registration Begins and the Hospitality Room opens stocked with coffee, soft drinks, and snacks. Because of liability considerations, private alcoholic beverages cannot be brought into the hospitality room. The hospitality room will close during the welcome reception and all other hotel sponsored functions.

5:00—6:00 PM: Welcome reception begins. After a few welcome remarks and admin announcements, you will enjoy some light hors

d'oeuvres along with your favorite adult beverage from the cash bar. This will be a relaxed and casual evening. Dress is casual. Dinner is on your own this evening. *Cost of the reception is included in the price of Option A only.*

Friday September 25, 2009

7:30 – 8:30 AM: Breakfast will be a private buffet (contingent upon having 50 guests; less than 50 you will eat in the hotel restaurant with coupons provided). *Cost of breakfast is included in Option A only.*

At 8:45 AM we'll load 'em up and at 9:00 we'll move 'em out. The optional tour today will feature a tour of Virginia Beach with its beautiful views of the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay (remember not everyone lives on the east coast and has access to the ocean); you'll see the historic lighthouses and the First Landing Cross at Cape Henry where the English Colonists came ashore in 1607. You can walk out on the overlook and see where the bay and ocean meet causing the turbulent waters and from there you can see where the Battle of the Capes took place during the Revolutionary War. Then there will be a ride by the Tidewater Veterans Memorial, a unique structure that pays tribute to veterans everywhere. Then you'll go for a two hour harbor cruise on the Victory Rover. You'll enjoy a fascinating and entertaining commentary as you pass by the Norfolk Naval Base where you can see the carriers, subs, cruisers and all of the other ships berthed there. A box lunch will be provided during the cruise. Finally there will be a riding tour of Norfolk Naval Base – the largest Naval installation in the world. It is home port to 78 ships, 26 air squadrons, and 100,000 personnel. We'll also drive thru Admiral's Row which now houses flag officers. The current base commander does not allow tour groups to visit active duty ships so don't get it in your mind we'll visit one. An attendee list must be sent to Base Security 72 hours before the tour, so there can be no last minute sign-ups. You'll return to the hotel around 4:00 PM. You must also have a government issued form of identification, military ID, drivers' license, passport, etc. Don't leave home without it! The tour price is based on a minimum of 35 persons per bus; less than 35 people, it may be necessary to adjust the cost to cover the difference. *Cost of this tour is not included in either of the options. You must register for the tour separately. See the Registration Form, Adjustment Opportunities Block, Add Friday's tour.*

10:00 AM: Hospitality Room opens for anyone not going on the tour and Friday arrivals. Registration resumes.

6:00 PM: Social Hour. Enjoy your favorite beverage from the cash bar while you anticipate a great meal.

7:00 PM: Dinner is served. Tonight's fare will be casual seafood dining, drawing for interesting, quality prizes and plenty of time to visit old friends and shipmates...and perhaps a surprise or two. *Cost of dinner is included in Options A and B only.*

Saturday September 26, 2009

7:00 – 8:00 AM: Breakfast will be a private buffet (contingent upon having 50 guests; less than 50 you will eat in the hotel restaurant with coupons provided). *Cost of breakfast is included in Options A and B only.*

8:15 AM: Load 'em up; 8:30 AM: Move 'em out! Today's Optional tour will take you to historic Williamsburg. During the ride to this Colonial Capital your guide will provide you with some interesting and informative information about the Norfolk and Hampton Roads area. Once you arrive at Williamsburg, you will step back into the 18th century while strolling through the streets of Colonial Williamsburg. A historical interpreter will guide you through the past and the events that helped shape America's history. Following your guided overview tour enjoy a leisurely walk through the lovely restored area and enjoy the free time to shop and browse in the many unique specialty shops in Merchants Square. While you are shopping, have lunch (on your own) at one of the many restaurants or taverns. After lunch you'll reboard the motorcoach for the Mariner's Museum, one of the largest and most comprehensive maritime museums in the world. It houses a treasure trove of more than 35,000 items inspired by human experiences with the sea. For more than 70 years this museum has illustrated the spirit of seafaring adventure, assembling an internationally renowned collection of maritime artifacts. The USS Monitor Exhibit opened in 2007. This thirty million dollar exhibit includes artifacts, history, and accounts of the career of this famous ship. The center's galleries are re-creations of the times, places, and turning points of the Civil War. Here you can re-live the battle of the Ironclads, USS Monitor and USS Virginia, which was to change naval warfare forever. You will absolutely love this museum! The tour price is based on a minimum of 35 persons. Less than 35 people, it may be necessary to adjust the cost to cover the difference. *Cost of this tour is not included in either of the options. You must register for the tour separately. See the Registration Form, Adjustment Opportunities Block, Add Saturday's tour.*

10:00 AM: Hospitality room opens with fresh coffee and cold drinks. Snacks will be served in the afternoon. Registration will resume.

4:30 PM: Business Meeting in the hospitality room.

7:00 PM: Pre-dinner Cocktail hour and photo session begins. Individual and/or couples photos will be taken for inclusion in the 2009 Reunion Memory Book. Six to eight weeks after the reunion, the memory book will be sent to everyone who registered for Option A, B, or C; or anyone selecting the "Individualized Option" who placed an order for the memory book. Be sure to have your photo taken!

8:00 PM: The NEWPORT DEALEYS Banquet. Enjoy your last night in a more formal setting. Coat and tie recommended for the gentlemen and corresponding dress for the ladies. If you can still wear a complete and correct uniform, please do so. There will be open seating, sit where you like, with whom you like. There will be music provided after dinner for your listening and dancing pleasure! *Cost of the banquet is included in Options A, B, and C.*

Sunday September 27, 2009

8:00 AM: Breakfast will be a private buffet (contingent upon having 50 guests; less than 50 you will eat in the hotel restaurant with coupons provided). Assuming we have 50 patrons, the memorial service honoring deceased shipmates will be held after breakfast. If not the memorial service will be part of the banquet program. *Cost of today's breakfast is included in Options A, B, and C.*

NEWPORT DEALEYS

Norfolk Airport Hilton

Please complete pages 3 and 4 and return it with your deposit on or before August 24, 2009. Mail or fax to:
Military Locator & Reunion Service, Inc.; PO Drawer 11399; Hickory NC 28603.
Phone: 828-256-6008; Fax: 828-256-6559. Web: www.mlrsinc.com

Attendee Info

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **MI:** _____

Which Ship? _____

Spouse or Guest Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Info

If there should be an emergency during the reunion and we need to contact a member of your family, who should that be?

Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Cell Phone or Travel Number in case there are any last minute changes: _____

Name Tag Info

If this is your first Newport Dealeys reunion, or if you have misplaced the nametag you received at a previous reunion, we encourage you to order one now. The nametag is a plastic tag with your name, the name of your ship, the years you served, and your rate engraved on the tag. Guest tags have the guest's name engraved on it. This is a great conversation starter and group member identifier. **If you fill in the info below you will be charged for the tags.** Cost is \$6.00 each.

Your Nametag Name: _____ Guest Nametag Name: _____

Which years did you serve on board: _____ What was your highest rate while on board: _____

Options A, B, and C will include a city tag (Norfolk, VA, 2009) to hang below your nametag. If you sign up for only selected activities, we encourage you to order a city tag here. Indicate below the number of city tags you wish to order. If you would like to order city tags from previous years, please list the city and year and quantity on an additional sheet of paper. Also available, for plank owners, is a plank owner tag to hang directly below your nametag. If you would like one of these tags, please indicate so below. Cost is \$3.75 each. Number of Plankowner tags wanted: @\$3.75 _____

Number of Norfolk Tags; _____ Previous years' city tags (list cities on a separate sheet) _____

Payments and Cancellations

Make Checks Payable to: "ML & RS, Inc"

Personal Check # _____ Money Order _____ American Express _____ MasterCard _____ Visa _____

ML&RS Inc is authorized to bill the below listed credit card in the amount of \$ _____

Name as it appears on Credit Card: _____

Zip Code where you receive your credit card statement: _____

Account #: _____ Exp Date: _____

I understand and agree that if I register for this reunion and do not attend without canceling my reservation as described in paragraph 2 of these guidelines, I am not entitled to any refund.

Signature (Required before registration is accepted) _____

Special Needs

If you have any special dietary, handicapped, or other special requirements, please provide the details below. Be VERY specific. Special dietary meals are available. List any special requests below.

Handicapped Requirements: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Lodging Preferences

of People: _____ Smoking: _____ Non Smoking: _____ (not guaranteed – based on availability at check-in)

Room Preference: Single _____ Double _____ King/Queen _____ (not guaranteed – based on availability at check-in)

Special Room Requirements: _____

Activity Selection

You may wish to choose one of the following pre-packaged options. You may add to or deduct from these options using the Individualized Option and/or Adjustment Opportunities selections below.

Option A: Requires \$100.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities **except tours** from Thursday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$638.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$888.00 per couple _____

Option B: Requires \$75.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities **except tours** from Friday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$467.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$665.00 per couple _____

Option C: Requires \$50.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities from Saturday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$257.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$361.00 per couple _____

Adjustment Opportunities

You may make the following adjustments to the options presented above:

Deduct Thursday's Reception @ \$17.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add Friday's Tour @ \$61.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Deduct Friday's Dinner @ \$45.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add Saturday's Tour @ \$55.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Deduct Saturday's Banquet @ \$52.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Deduct Breakfast @ \$17.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____ Which mornings _____

Add nights lodging @ \$117.00 per night X _____ (# nights) = \$ _____ Which nights _____

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Individualized Option

If none of the options above fit your needs, you may select one or all of the activities below. **PLEASE NOTE: These prices do not include the cost of the reunion memory book, city tag, or name tag. If you wish to order a name tag or city tag, see the other side of this form, "Nametag Info Block." To order a memory book, see below.**

2009 Reunion Memory book: @ \$30.00 per book X _____ (# books) = \$ _____

Thursday – hospitality room, reception (cash bar), registration fee @ \$45.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Friday - hospitality room, registration fee, cocktail hour (cash bar), dinner @ \$77.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Saturday – hospitality room, cocktail hour (cash bar), banquet, and registration fee
@ \$84.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Total Cost of Individualized Options Selected: _____

Call 828-256-6008 for "meal only" prices (Will include registration fee)

FULL PAYMENT FOR THIS OPTION MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR RESERVATION