



Navy Helicopter Veterans Association

www.navhelo.org

NHVA Reunion: Savannah, Georgia, September 9 – 13, 2009

Reunion Overview

The reunion hotel is **Hilton Garden Inn, Savannah Historic District**, located between City Market and River Street. The committee selected a hotel that gave a very good deal for the amenities and a location that best suited our reunion needs. Rates start at \$149.00 per night for a double room, and will be valid from 3 days before the reunion through 3 days after. Full breakfast is included. The **last date to book a room** at this price is **August 1, 2009**. For reservations call 1-912-721-5000 or 1-877-245-8854 and mention "**Navy Helicopter Veterans Association**".

We think we have a great reunion in the works and sincerely hope that we will see all of you in Savannah! Highlights and planned activities are:

Wednesday

- 3:00 p.m. Registration, Hospitality Room

Thursday:

- Trolley Tour of Savannah, with on/off privileges
- Dinner at Paula Deen's The Lady and Sons

Friday

- Buffet Dinner at hotel
- Savannah Theatre: Hooray for Hollywood

Saturday

- Business Meeting
- Riverboat Dinner Cruise (music entertainment)

Sunday

- Depart after breakfast

General

- Hospitality Suite
- Free hot breakfast with hotel stay
- Enjoy time on your own:

Hop on/off the trolley to see more of Savannah; explore City Market, River Street, and other attractions within walking distance; take a bicycle-powered pedicab; take a horse-drawn carriage.



In Memoriam

We regret to inform you of the passing of the following friends and comrades:

Albert "Sonny" Bragg, Longmont, CO
Thomas Fernandez, Louisville, KY
Leon Gold, Lakehurst, N.J.
John Soeth, Burlington, WI
Herbert E. Shook Jr, Lakehurst, N.J.



Please join us in wishing all

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"

Membership Eligibility and Dues

It's time to renew your membership for 2009. Please use the attached membership form to submit your dues. Membership in the Navy Helicopter Veterans Association is available to members and spouses of the **initial U.S. Naval Helicopter Squadrons, VX-3, HU-1 & HU-2** and to members and spouses of **all U.S. Naval Helicopter Squadrons**, and **Organizations that followed**.

The charter of this organization is to:

- o Promote fraternalism and fellowship among its total qualified membership by conducting reunions at pre-determined sites on a regularly scheduled basis.
- o Maintain professional and fraternal continuity within the U.S. Navy Helicopter Aviation community.
- o Provide a source of funding for donations to selected U.S. Navy affiliated charities.

Annual membership dues for Navy veterans and spouses (spouse membership is optional) is **\$20 per calendar year per person** and dues can be paid for the current year as well as one year in advance for future years.

"They" say "the more the merrier," and NHVA is no exception. Please spread the word to anyone you know who has served in a Navy helicopter squadron. We welcome new members into the NHVA and encourage all members and spouses to join us at the reunion! Check out the NHVA web site: www.navhelo.org

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Trolley Tour of Savannah

Join us for a narrated tour with unlimited on/off at Savannah's most popular Trolley Stops. The tour is a 90 minute uninterrupted tour, with unlimited on/off service following the tour. There are trolley stops throughout the historic district that allow you to conveniently get out shop, sightsee and stroll the entire historic district. This service is included with your ticket and operates continuously from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The trolley comes to each stop about every 25–30 minutes depending on traffic. Take a journey through old Savannah, around the historic squares, along the waterfront, and throughout the 2.2 square miles of the Historic District aboard one of the beautiful BLUE Trolleys, steeped in old-fashioned charm. www.oglethorpetours.com

Paula Deen's The Lady and Sons

"The Lady & Son's" Restaurant is just 3 blocks from the hotel. Join us for some good Southern style home cooking at the restaurant made famous by Paula Deen's popular cooking shows on the Food Network, and by their good home cooking. All of the following is included with our dinner: The Lady's Southern Buffet, Salad Bar, Hoe Cakes, Garlic Cheese Biscuits, Buffet Dessert, Non-Alcoholic refillable beverage (tea and soft drinks), Tax and Gratuity. Paula says, "We send y'all love and best dishes, from our kitchen to yours!" www.ladyandsons.com



Savannah Riverboat Dinner Cruise

Sit back and relax while a newly remodeled riverboat slowly takes you down the Savannah River. Enjoy a gourmet buffet dinner with something to satisfy everyone's taste buds! After dinner, tap your feet or get up and dance to the tunes from the 50's through today performed by one of the riverboat entertainers. Venture to the third deck and enjoy the calm Savannah evenings with amazing sights and sounds of this historic city. Menu includes: Signature River Queen Seafood au gratin, carving station with beef top sirloin & almond-crusted boneless pork loin, peel & eat shrimp display, herb roasted chicken, seasonal vegetable, assorted fresh salads, fresh fruit display, an assortment of desserts, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee.

www.savannahriverboat.com



Hilton Garden Inn, Savannah Historic District



This charming new hotel is located at the intersection of Bay and Montgomery, in the heart of the historic district of Savannah, perfectly nestled in between two of the most popular attractions in downtown, River Street with over 40 restaurants, local shops and art galleries (one block) and City Market with over 30 local shops, restaurants, art galleries and bars (1/2 block).

A block of rooms have been reserved for September 6, 2009 - September 16, 2009. The special room rate of \$149 will be available until September 10th or until the group block is sold-out whichever comes first.

Room description: There's a microwave, refrigerator and coffeemaker to help you feel at home, along with 2 queen size beds and comfortable sitting area and ottoman. Also a spacious work desk with a comfortable, ergonomic chair, two telephones (1 cordless), with data port and voicemail. Room features complimentary wireless high-speed internet.

To reserve a room:

-- by phone, call 1-912-721-5000 or 1-877-245-8854

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-- on the hotel's special web site click on "Book a Room" <http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/SAVSHGI-HRA-20090906/index.jhtml>

Savannah Theatre: Hooray for Hollywood

Enjoy the show in the refurbished c.1818 Savannah Theatre. It's a Salute to 100 years of music from the silver screen. The Savannah Theatre pays tribute to the greatest musical movie moments of all time, from the Golden Age of Hollywood as well as today's Blockbusters. Favorite performances from stars like Shirley Temple, Fred Astaire, Judy Garland, and Gene Kelly are recreated on stage, complete with their original costumes and choreography. Come relive the "movie magic" of over 50 award-winning films in one dazzling, two hour musical production!



www.savannahtheatre.com



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SAVANNAH !!**

www.SavannahVisit.com





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--- Reunion Registration ---

I (We), Will _____, Will Not _____ attend the NHVA 2009 Reunion in Savannah, September 9 – 13, 2009

How many in your party? _____ Are you staying at the hotel? Yes ** _____ No _____

Hotel Reservations Made: Yes _____ No _____

Scheduled Date of Arrival: _____ Departure: _____

**** Cut-Off Date for Hotel Reservations is August 1, 2009**

(Please Print)

Name(s): _____

Address _____ Date: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

--- Registration, Event and Membership Fees ---

Registration fee includes items indicated below, hospitality suite, snacks, drinks and other amenities.

Registration fee per person **\$135.00** x _____ persons = \$ _____
(includes Friday Buffet Dinner and Saturday Riverboat Dinner Cruise)

Thursday: **Trolley Tour** with 2-day on/off Trolley Pass **\$ 15.00** x _____ persons = \$ _____

or **Trolley Tour** with 1-day on/off Trolley Pass **\$ 10.00** x _____ persons = \$ _____

Thursday: **Dinner at The Lady and Sons:** **\$ 30.00** x _____ persons = \$ _____
(includes return transportation)

Friday: **Savannah Theatre Hooray for Hollywood:** **\$ 40.00** x _____ persons = \$ _____
(includes round-trip transportation)

Annual Dues: **\$20.00** per person: Myself: _____ + Spouse _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL Remittance Amount: \$ _____

Make Checks payable to: NHVA

Send to: NHVA, attn. Earl Hoffay, 938 Satsuma Circle, St. Johns, FL, 32259

Membership Information: (Please complete name/address information above whether or not attending reunion)

(Please Print)

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Rank/Rate: _____ Squadron(s) Year(s): _____

May we share your name and contact information with the NHVA membership and on our web site? _____ **Yes, share all**

_____ Share my e-mail address _____ Share my street address _____ Share my phone number

_____ Share with the membership only (do not put on web site) _____ No, do not share any info