



A message from Frank Hicks

2011 Reunion Chairman

AHOY SHIPMATES!

Here's your registration form for the 2011 Reunion in Norfolk, Virginia.

Our reunion hotel, the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, is located in the downtown area not far from the famous Nauticus Museum, the battleship USS Wisconsin, and the Lone Sailor Memorial where we have a plaque honoring our fallen comrades. We have negotiated a great group hotel rate of \$99 per night (plus taxes and fees and all that).

We haven't been back to Norfolk in 10 years, and for many of us this will be a return to our east coast roots and we plan to honor the memory of our beloved past Chairman, Franklin "Rags" Ragland.

A hospitality room has been reserved for Thursday and Friday nights. It will include a cash bar for refreshments. If you have a musical instrument, bring it along so we can fire up the Newport News Dirt Band, as well.

Friday is tour day. You have your choice of two tours:



Colonial Williamsburg

This option will take you via motor coach to historic Colonial Williamsburg, where you can stroll through the 18th century with an historical guide. Lunch is on your

own, and shopping in Merchant's square is also available. Price is \$39.00 per person, inclusive.

Norfolk and Naval Station

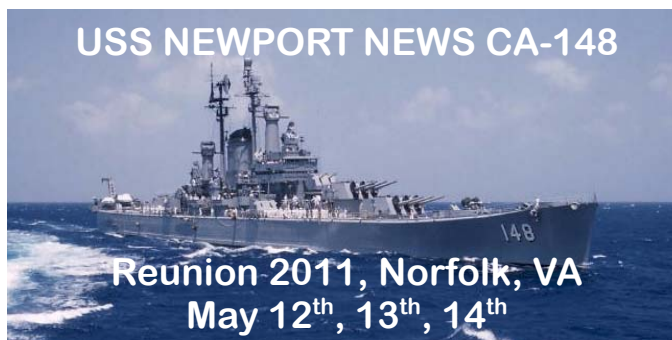
Your tour guide will first take you via motor coach through Norfolk's historic district and restored areas. You will not recognize East Main! The tour then proceeds to the Norfolk Naval Station, where lunch at one of the clubs will be included for the price of \$42.00 per person.



These optional tour fees are in addition to the \$95.00 per person registration fee, which covers all provided events, transportation, and our Saturday evening formal dinner and dance.

All of this is subject to change without notice, so visit www.uss-newport-news.com/reunion

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Attention ALL HANDS!

First - Make your hotel reservation per instructions on the back. At press time, over half of our reserved rooms were already booked. Do it NOW, mates!

Thursday 5/12

Check in and let us know you have arrived. Pick up your reunion '11 packets which will include your dinner and tour and museum tickets. The hospitality room will be open with a cash bar and snacks. Bring your photos and musical instruments and sea stories.

Friday 5/13

The Colonial Williamsburg tour will begin loading at 0845. The Norfolk Tour bus will begin loading at 0845 hrs. Upon return, shop in our ship's store and join your mates in our hospitality room for snacks and a cash bar. Hopefully the Newport News Dirt Band will be in full caterwauling mode.

Saturday 5/14

Our really big day! Board provided busses or walk a couple of blocks to the Nauticus Museum, then board the USS Wisconsin BB-64 in uniform and man the rails for a memorial service to our fallen comrades. An American Legion honor guard with bugler and the laying of a wreath upon the waters will follow. Entry to the Nauticus Museum and the battleship Wisconsin is included with your basic reunion registration fee.

Saturday Evening

Don't forget to have your individual and group photos taken for our memory book between 1600 and 1800 hrs before our formal dinner and dance. Banquet will begin at 1800 hrs, with a program honoring our beloved past chairman, Franklin "Rags" Ragland, followed by the dance with a professional DJ spinning the platters.

Parting Shots:

We have some complimentary valet parking passes for mates who are mobility challenged. Please fill out everything on the form on the reverse and include a note if you have any special dietary requirements or need valet parking. Don't forget to include your check when returning the registration. You will receive a confirming post card and registered members will be listed on our web site at

www.uss-newport-news.com/reunion

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See You There!