

**Swift Boat Sailors
Association**

**Reunion 2009
Jacksonville, FL
June 24 - 28, 2009**



Fellow Swifties:

Five months and a wake up! The 2009 Swift Boat Sailors Association Reunion is just around the corner.

Team JAX has been working hard at making hotel arrangements and coordinating reunion events to insure that everyone will enjoy our gathering in Jacksonville, Florida in June.

We hope to see lots of new faces this time around. The Officers and Directors voted to move back the reunion date to allow those individuals that are connected with the educational system or have grandkids to care for during the school year, to attend their first gathering of Swifties.

The reunion is open to all. You do not need to be a registered SBSA member to attend. However, the Business Meeting is restricted to those members current with their dues.

If additional information is needed, please contact me or refer to reunion contact information contained in this packet. Any important updates will be posted on our SBSA Web Site at <http://www.swiftboats.org>. I look forward to seeing you in Jacksonville this June.

Respectfully,

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2009 JACKSONVILLE, FL REUNION INFORMATION

Following is this years registration information for Jacksonville, FL

Wyndham Jacksonville Riverwalk Hotel
1515 Prudential Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32207
Phone: (904) 396-5100
Toll Free: (866) 845-8862

Date: Wednesday June 24, 2009
To: Sunday, June 28, 2009
(check-in time is 3:00 PM ,
checkout time is 12:00 Noon.)

Bell Captain can arrange to check baggage for guests arriving early

Swift Boat Sailors Association Guest Room Rates are \$112.00 per night for all Standard Rooms.

Note: Association Rate must be requested at the time reservations are made.

Rates are subject to all current local taxes. Guest parking provided at no charge. Contact the hotel for information on motor home parking for registered guests. Group rate is good three days prior and three days after the reunion.

ALL HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE WYNDHAM HOTEL BY MAY 23, 2009 TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY AT THE GROUP RATE. RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE HOTEL AND CONFIRMING THE FIRST NIGHT WITH A MAJOR CREDIT CARD.

All Meal and Tour Reservations must be made with the enclosed Reservation Form and forwarded to: Military Reunions to Remember, 1673 Kilt Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23464 by no later than May 23, 2009.

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

Menu 1:

House Salad with Selection of Dressings

Prime Rib of Beef

Rice Palif

Vegetable Medley

Fresh Rolls and Butter

Cheesecake with Raspberry Drizzle

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

Total Price including Tax \$35.00

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

Menu 3:

House Salad with Selection of Dressings

Oven Roasted Salmon

Rice Palif

Vegetable Medley

Fresh Rolls and Butter

Cheesecake with Raspberry Drizzle

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

Total Price including Tax \$35.00

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

Menu 2:

House Salad with Selection of Dressings

Chicken Islamorada

Rice Palif

Vegetable Medley

Fresh Rolls and Butter

Cheesecake with Raspberry Drizzle

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced Tea

Total Price including Tax \$35.00

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

Children's Menu (4 - 12)

Chicken Strips

Macaroni and Cheese

Green Beans

Milk, Fruit Punch

Desert

Total Price including Tax: \$17.00

MEALS FOR SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

Swift Boat Sailors Association Reunion Naval Station Mayport Visit

Commissioned in December 1942, NS Mayport has grown to become the third largest fleet concentration area in the United States. Mayport's operational composition is unique, with a busy harbor capable of accommodating 34 ships and an 8,000-foot runway capable of handling any aircraft in the Department of Defense inventory.

Naval Station Mayport is home to the Navy's reactivated United States 4th Fleet, which had been deactivated since the 1950s.

Your tour includes:

- . Deluxe motor coach transportation
- . Base/ship tour
- . Lunch
- . Tour representative available during all activities
- . All taxes, gratuities, and coordination

Price: \$55 per person

St. Augustine Historic Tour

Your professional tour guide meets the group dressed in period costume. We cover 450 years of colorful history: the Ponce de Leon discovery, the pirate days of Sir Francis Drake, the Spanish and English colonial years, and the Victorian Flagler era. We tour all the major sites and stop at the Castillo de San Marcos, the fort that was never captured in battle. St. Augustine was also the first winter resort for the rich and famous during the Gilded Age. Hear how Henry Flagler built the most opulent hotels of the day and turned the city into the "Newport of the South". The second stop will be the Venetian Renaissance gem of Flagler Memorial Church. Your guide creates an interactive tour atmosphere which is fun for everyone.

This tour will be conducted on our coach and will be a 2-hour tour. Once this memorable tour is complete, our guides will lead you to the historic district and make some lunch recommendations. Then you are on your own for lunch and shopping in St. Augustine's unique historic district. What a wonderful way to enjoy our nation's oldest city!

Your tour includes:

- . Deluxe motor coach transportation
- . Expert regional guides dressed in period costume
- . Active Escapes representative available during all activities
- . Admissions to all attractions being toured
- . All gratuities, coordination, and taxes

Price: \$ 49 per person

RV Park Info

Flamingo Lake RV Resort

3640 Newcomb Rd, Jacksonville FL 32218, 904-766-0672

152 sites, toilets, water, shower, table, fish, trails, All year, RV Sites, Hookups

Estimated Time: 21 minutes Estimated Distance: 16.07 miles to reunion hotel

Little Talbot Island State Park

12157 Heckscher Drive, Jacksonville FL 32226, 904-251-2320

\$12-\$20, 40 sites, toilets, water, shower, cfg, table, fish, trails, wildlife, group site also, All year, tent/RV Sites, Electric

Estimated Time: 40 minutes Estimated Distance: 30.11 miles to reunion hotel

Riverfront RV Park

8364 Heckscher Dr

Jacksonville, FL 32226

Estimated Time: 30 minutes Estimated Distance: 21.66 miles

Pacetti's Marina Campground & Fishing Resort

6550 N State Rd 13

Saint Augustine, FL 32092 Ph: (904) 284-5356

Estimated Time: 37 minutes Estimated Distance: 35.06 miles to reunion hotel

Hanna Park and Hanna Park Campground

500 Wonderwood Dr

Atlantic Beach, FL 32233 Ph: (904) 249-4700

Estimated Time: 31 minutes Estimated Distance: 19.46 miles to reunion hotel

Fleetwood RV Park

5001 Phillips Hwy Lot 7

Jacksonville, FL 32207 Ph: (904) 737-4733

Estimated Time: 7 minutes Estimated Distance: 4.24 miles

Mayport NS

Military retirees and those with a 100% disability DoD card are eligible to use the RV park on board the Naval Station Also, an eligible person can sponsor a non-eligible person. For info call (904) 270-7808. The rate is \$17.00 per night.

**2009 SWIFT BOAT SAILORS ASSOCIATION REUNION REGISTRATION FORM
WYNDHAM JACKSONVILLE RIVERWALK HOTEL, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA**

Listed below you will find all of the Dinner and event costs for our **2009 Reunion**. Please enter the number of people that will be participating in each event, and total that amount. All **Reservations and Payments must be received on or before May 23, 2009**. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. At the bottom, add up the **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE** for all events and send this form and a **check made payable to**

Military Reunions to Remember to:

**Military Reunions to Remember
Swift Boat Sailors Assoc. Reunion
1673 Kilt Street
Virginia Beach, VA 23464**

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check # _____ Date Received _____
 Inputted _____ Name Tag Complete _____

	Price Per Person		Number of People		Total Amount
<u>SATURDAY BANQUET DINNER</u>					
# 1 Prime Rib of Beef -----	-\$35.00		X _____	= \$	_____
# 2 Chicken Islamorada -----	-\$35.00		X _____	= \$	_____
# 3 Oven Roasted Salmon -----	-\$35.00		X _____	= \$	_____
# 4 Vegetarian Platter -----	-\$35.00		X _____	= \$	_____
Children's Menu, Chicken Fingers (Ages 2 - 10) -----	-\$16.00		X _____	= \$	_____

TOUR SELECTIONS

(Please see newsletter for description of tours)

TOUR #1 - THURSDAY - Naval Station Mayport and Ship Tour (Lunch included) -----	-\$55.00		X _____	= \$	_____
TOUR #2 - FRIDAY - St. Augustine Historic Tour -----	-\$49.00		X _____	= \$	_____
REGISTRATION FEE, PER PERSON -----	\$25.00		X _____	= \$	_____

Registration fee covers administrative costs and hospitality room expenses. Registration Fee is not required for children under 6 years of age.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE TO MILITARY REUNIONS TO REMEMBER ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Government Issued Photo ID is required for the Naval Station Mayport Tour. All visitors must have a government issued photo ID such as a drivers license, passport or military ID. No bags other than pocketbooks and camera cases will be permitted on base. Do not bring any weapons such as pocket knives, scissors or nail files. All persons are subject to search when entering a military base.

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU COMPLETE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.
IT WILL BE USED FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES AND NAME TAGS.**

Member Name: _____ (as you want it shown on your Name Tag)
(First) (MI) (Last)

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____

Emergency contact: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____

Personal Nametag Information: _____

(Call Sign, Nickname, PCF Number, etc)

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____ Are you staying at the Wyndham Hotel? Yes No

Are you Flying? Driving? RV? Is this your first SBSA Reunion? Yes No

Email Address: _____ (For last minute announcements or changes only)

Special Limitations or Requirements? _____

Please list First and Last Names of Spouse and all Guests (excluding yourself) so that we can make Name Tags.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

FULL REFUNDS WILL BE SENT FOR THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES IF CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED BY MAY 23, 2009. AFTER THAT DATE, REFUND AMOUNT WILL DEPEND ON VENDOR POLICIES. PLEASE CALL US AT (757) 479-0849 (Monday - Thursday). YOUR CANCELLED CHECK WILL SERVE AS YOUR CONFIRMATION. CANCELLATIONS AFTER THE PUBLISHED CUT OFF DATE ARE SUBJECT TO A \$3.00 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE.

2009 Swift Boat Sailors Association Reunion Itinerary

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

- 3:00 Hospitality Room opens.
- 3:00 Arrival and Registration, 3:00 PM until 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. Dinner and evening on your own. Today would be a great time to visit some of the local attractions or just relax and visit in the hospitality room.

Thursday, June 25, 2009

- 7:00 Arrival and registration until 8:00 AM.
- 8:30 Board bus for Naval Station Mayport.
- 8:45 Depart the hotel.
- 11:30 Lunch.
- 2:00 Return to hotel.
Tour Price \$55.00 per person, includes transportation, guide, lunch, reservations and taxes.
- 4:00 Arrival and registration until 8:00.

Friday, June 26, 2009

- 7:00 Arrival and registration until 8:00 AM.
- 9:15 Board bus for Historic St. Augustine.
- 9:30 Tour departs hotel.
- 12:15 Lunch (on your own) on historic St. George Street.
- 4:00 Return to hotel.
Tour Price \$49.00 per person, includes transportation, guide, reservations and taxes.
- 6:00 Arrival and registration until 8:00.

Saturday, June 27, 2009

- Registration Schedule will be posted in Hospitality Room.
- 9:30 SBSA Annual Business Meeting (until approximately 1100, current membership required).
- 6:00 Attitude Adjustment, Cash Bar.
- 7:00 Swift Boat Sailors Association 2009 Banquet Dinner.

Sunday, June 28, 2009

- 12:00 Hospitality Room closes.
Farewells and Departures.

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