

REUNION 2016 WEEKEND SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY:

Thursday is typically the first day that people arrive at the reunion site, but others get there a day early. The special room rate of \$105. a night will apply for our group from Wednesday through the weekend so don't be afraid to come early.

Be aware that the hotel will be furnishing all Alpha Association guests with a free breakfast buffets in the hotel restaurant. Each of our rooms will entitle us to two tickets for free breakfast meals for each morning other than Saturday and Sunday, when we will be fed as a group in the Ballroom.

The hours of the buffet are 6:30AM until 10AM.

The breakfast buffet includes eggs, bacon or sausage, fruit, breakfast potatoes, etc., and of course drinks. Saturday and Sunday breakfasts will be served in our banquet hall.

The hotel lounge opens at 4PM and the restaurant opens at 5PM during the week. Although there are no lunches served at the hotel, there are many fine restaurants nearby to satisfy anyone's tastes and wallets.

There is free WI-FI service for all guests for the stay. An indoor pool and a workout room are available for those of you who want to exercise.

The Hospitality Room will be open to our members starting at noontime until 11PM on Wednesday. It will be open to us from 7AM until midnight for the rest of our stay.

People who arrive early generally do so for a few reasons. The first is to have extra time to socialize with other association members. The second reason is to tour local attractions in the area before the reunion which actually begins on Friday. With Boston being so close, (31 miles away and a short 40 minute drive) they will have no problem finding interesting locales and historical sites nearby. Another reason is to arrive early enough to participate in whatever group tours that are scheduled for Thursday.

THURSDAY:

Breakfast will be served in the restaurant beginning at 6:30AM until 10AM.

For those of you joining us for our trip to Boston, you will need to be prepared to board the bus heading to Charlestown Navy Yard at 9AM.

We will be brought to the entrance to the USS Constitution Site where a Duck Boat will be awaiting to take us on a tour, beginning at 10AM, of some of the most historical sites in downtown Boston. This will culminate in a plunge into Boston Harbor where we will tour the famous Boston harbor.

At the end of the tour, we will be brought back to the US Constitution site where we'll to proceed immediately top the check in shack where we will have to pass through security. You

will need to bring along a photo ID to show as you will not be allowed to board 'Old Ironsides' without this ID.

After a guided tour of the famous vessel, you are essentially freed of the group participation for the rest of our visit. You may proceed as you like, but here are your options:

The nearby museum is geared more towards children, but you may want to see the exhibits, which are interesting.

Right behind the building is a wharf where those of you who want to proceed by to the water shuttle which will take you to the Faneuil Hall market area along the Freedom Trail. That ride will cost us seniors \$1.30 per person and this would be my suggestions. The view along the ride is gorgeous. For those who prefer to take a trolley to Faneuil Hall, you can assemble at the entrance where we boarded the duck boats and a trolley from the duck boat company will take you to Faneuil Hall. It's up to you.

Once at Faneuil Hall, you will have until 4PM to visit the many attractions in the area, lunch at the restaurants and shop in the many shops of the oldest running market place in the country.

At 4PM you will need to be just outside the nearby New England Aquarium where a bus will be waiting to return us to our hotel.

FRIDAY:

The daytime hours on this day will be open for touring. For those who didn't join us for our trip to the Lexington/ Concord area, this would be a fine way to spend the day. For the rest, pick 'em'.

There are many attraction sites within a short drive to see in the immediate area.

Reunion commences with Dinner

6:00 Dinner will be served in the Ballroom

Friday Dinner Buffet Menu:

Garden Salad,
Caesar Salad,
Pasta Marinara,
Chicken Parmesan,
Baked Lasagna,
Seasonal Vegetable,
Garlic Bread,
Chef's selection of Dessert,
Coffee, tea, and decaf.

Opening Program is still being constructed as of late January

SATURDAY:

Breakfast will be served from 7 to 9AM in the Ballroom
Saturday Breakfast Menu

Scrambled Eggs,
Bacon & Sausage,
Home Fries,
Fresh Fruit,
Muffins and Pastries,
Yogurt and Granola,
Fruit Juice,
Cold Cereal,
Coffee, tea, decaffeinated coffee.

9:00 Bus loading up for trip to the Massachusetts Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Worcester where we will pay tribute to all the men of Massachusetts who served in our battalion and lost their lives there.

9:30 Bus arrives at site. We will be once more be met with guides to explain the layout of the park.

11:00 Bus returns to hotel

12:00 Lunch served in the Ballroom

Saturday Lunch Menu

Garden Salad,
Potato Chips,
Assorted Sandwiches to include: Chicken & Caesar Wrap,
Turkey & Bacon on a Bulkie Roll,
Ham & Cheese on a Bulkie Roll,
Fresh Baked Cookies,
Iced Tea and Lemonade

2:00 Annual Reunion Ceremony begins

4:30 Ballroom cleared in preparation for dinner and annual group photo taken outside (weather permitting)

6:00 Dinner is served in the Ballroom

Dinner Buffet Menu

Garden Salad,
Pasta Salad, Seasonal Vegetable,
Chef's Selection of Rice or Potato,
Chicken Marsala,
Roasted Pork Loin-with Apple Chutney, Rolls and Butter,
Chef's choice dessert.,
Coffee & Tea.

7:45 Annual Social and Dance begins

SUNDAY:

7:00 TO 9:00 Breakfast served in the Ballroom

Breakfast Buffet

Scrambled Eggs,
Bacon & Sausage,
Home Fries,
Fresh Fruit,
Muffins and Pastries,
Yogurt and Granola,
Fruit Juice,
Cold Cereal,
Coffee, tea, decaffeinated coffee.
We have until noontime to say our goodbyes for another year.