

Reunion Activities Summary

Charleston S.C. September 27 through October 1, 2017

(All Reunion information, links, and forms are posted on stonyj634.org Reunion Information page)

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel & Suites
7401 Northwoods Blvd.
Charleston S.C. 29406

Registration Phone: **855-275-4790**. Reference the SSBN634 Association Stonewall Jackson. \$119 per night, plus tax. The on-line registration link is:

https://secure3.hilton.com/en_US/dt/reservation/book.htm?inputModule=HOTEL&ctyhocn=CHSNCDT&spec_plan=CDTSJR&arrival=20170927&departure=20171001&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT

Hotel room includes Free Parking, breakfast each morning in our hospitality room, free 24-hour shuttle to areas within a 6-mile radius from the hotel (which includes the airport), and a 20% discount at the hotel restaurant and bar.

- **Charleston S. C.** Charleston is a great place for a reunion. The boat was once home-ported in Charleston. The city has a rich history with many sites open to visitors. Of interest to Submariners is the CSS Hunley Museum (Tours available on Saturdays and Sundays only) and Patriot's Point.
- **CSS Hunley Link:** <http://www.hunley.org/>
- **Patriot's Point Link:** <https://www.patriotspoint.org/>
The SSBN634 Association has acquired a Memorial Bench at the Cold War area of Patriot's point that is dedicated to our boat and crews. We plan to have a dedication ceremony and our Memorial Service at that location on Friday September 29th.
- **Other Points of Interest:** Here is a link to the visitor's bureau:
<http://www.charlestoncvb.com/>
- **Hospitality Room.** The Hospitality Room assignment is to be determined. The Hospitality Room will open Wednesday September 27 and be open from 7AM each day of the reunion and close about Midnight or until the last man is standing. Snacks and drinks will be provided. You are invited to bring memorabilia from your Stonewall Jackson experience to share with other shipmates. We will be selling raffle tickets including the 50-50 raffle in the Hospitality Room. It will be closed during functions such as the Welcome Aboard, Memorial Service, and the Banquet.
- **Welcome Aboard.** Cost: \$20.00. The Welcome Aboard party is scheduled for Wednesday the September 27th from 4:30 to 7:00PM, room TBD. It's a stand up mixer type of function with appetizers, and a Cash Bar.

- **Memorial Service.** We will have a Memorial Service on Friday September 29th 10:00AM till noon at the Cold War Area of Patriot's Point. Our Memorial Bench also be dedicated at this event.
- **Banquet.** Cost: \$50.00. The Banquet will be Saturday the 12th starting at 6:00PM and ending about 10:00PM at the hotel.
 - Dinner buffet with three entrée's, salad, vegetables, and dessert.
 - We are working to get a guest speaker.
 - Cash bar.
 - The raffle and door prize drawings will be held during the banquet.
- **Room Raffle.** This is to raise additional funds to keep the treasury in good shape and also encourage early registration. **Hotel registration and receipt of the reunion Registration Form is required** to qualify for this raffle.
 - The Room Raffle winner will receive four nights paid at the DoubleTree during the reunion.
 - This is for the \$119 per night room, for four nights which is a \$476 value. (taxes are not included).
 - It will work like this:
 - Chances are \$5 each or 5 chances for \$20.
 - To qualify to win you must:
 - Purchase one or more chances.
 - Have your hotel room reserved.
 - Your Reunion Registration must be **postmarked by August 1st or earlier.**
 - We will put your name in the "bucket" once for each chance purchased.
 - We'll do the drawing on August 14nd. The drawing will be performed by an uninterested third party and we will video and post the drawing on the web site.
 - We will notify the winner and hotel right after the drawing.
 - The winner is responsible to make the proper arrangements with the hotel.
- **Donations for raffles.** We plan to raffle off items that are donated by shipmates. The items will be displayed and raffle tickets sold in the Hospitality Room. The raffle will be held at the Banquet. We are looking for a few donations for the raffle. The types of things we're looking for are Navy, submarine, or a specific SSBN634 related items, and other items that would interest shipmates and spouses. Just about anything you think would make a good raffle prize that is easily transportable would be appreciated.
- **Business Meeting.** The Business Meeting will be held in the Hospitality Room Saturday September 30th at 10:00AM.

- Other than the Memorial Service/Bench Dedication attendees are free to plan their days. The Visitor's Bureau ([link above](#)) provides information on the many things to do while visiting Charleston. The hotel is providing a free shuttle to points of interest within a 6-mile radius. Also, as stated above, the Hospitality Room will be open daily 7:00AM till it closes.