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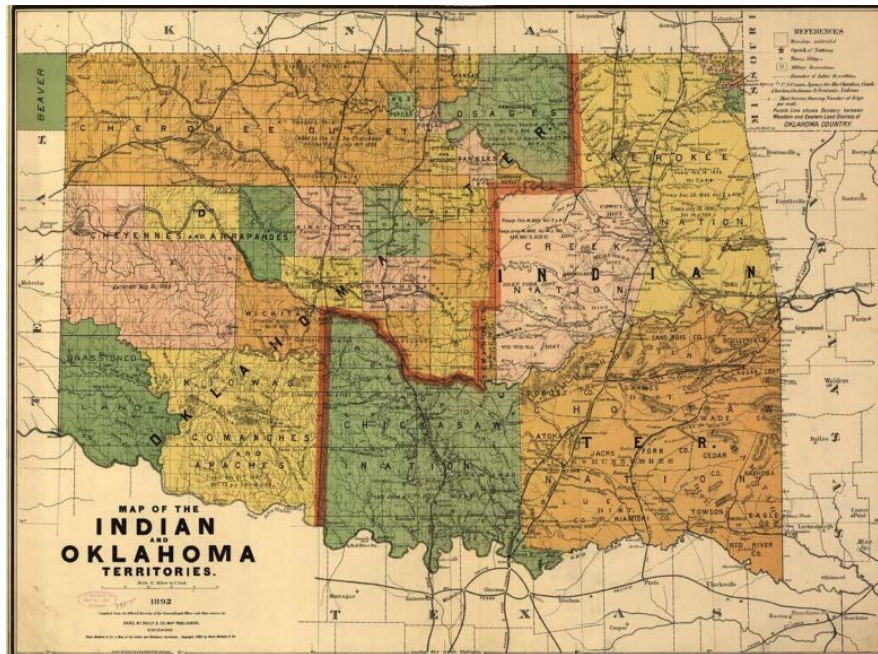
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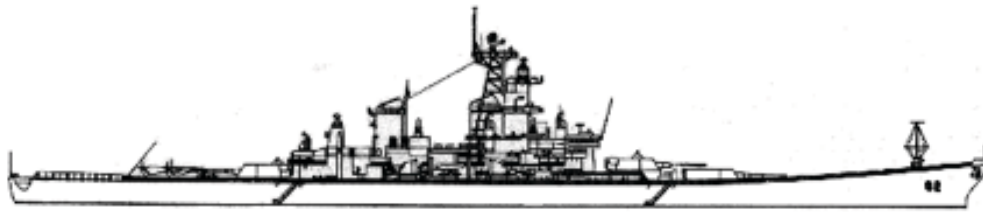
USS New Jersey Veterans on the move to the 2021 Reunion in Oklahoma City

# The Land Rush of 1889



The Oklahoma Land Rush of 1889 was the first land run into the Unassigned Lands. The area that was opened to settlement included all or parts of six counties in the state of Oklahoma. The land run started at high noon on April 22, 1889 with an estimated 50,000 people lined up for their piece of the available two million acres.

As the cover picture (with the tongue in cheek caption) illustrates, it was a virtual stampede of riders, wagons and other conveyances headed for some of what was considered the best unoccupied land in the United States.



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Greetings to all,

I hope that this message finds everyone in good health. It's been along year, but it looks like there's a light at the end of the tunnel. The 2021 reunion remains on schedule for September 29th - October 3rd in Oklahoma City. I am planning for a normal reunion. Planning for this reunion has been a challenge. There are so many unknowns about what it will be like at the end of September. The best case scenario is that things will be back to normal, with no masks or social distancing. We are not requiring vaccinations to attend the reunion, but we encourage everyone to get vaccinated to help protect ourselves and others who will be with us in OKC.

Our reunion hotel is the Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel. The Sheraton is located in downtown OKC, a few blocks from the popular Bricktown entertainment area. This area is similar to San Antonio's riverwalk area, with many restaurants, lounges, craft breweries, bars, shops, a water taxi and other attractions. I've talked to the OKC Visitors Bureau and OCK businesses are open with 50% capacity. They are very hopeful that by the start of our reunion, these restrictions will have ended. Hotel reservation information is in this issue and reservations can be made now by telephone or online via the link on our website. The telephone information for making reservations has changed slightly since what was in the last issue of the Bounce, so please use the information in this issue and on the website. The complete reunion information package is in this issue.

**UPDATE: The cut off date for hotel reservations is 11:59PM (CDT) on September 3rd. There are two other events going on in OKC that have been rescheduled due to COVID19 to the weekend we're there, (the Oklahoma City Marathon and the Oklahoma Rowing Regatta Festival) so there's a real good chance any unused rooms held for our group will not be available after September 3rd.**

We will be holding elections at this reunion due to the cancellation of the 2020 reunion. The term of office for those elected will be for three years so that our election year will be back in sync with our ship reunions. Information on the elections and available positions are in this issue. A big thank you to Chuck Oehme, (OE Div, '67-'69) for organizing the elections and dealing with last years cancellation.

As I noted in our last newsletter, we did not receive any applications for the last years three \$1000 scholarship awards. The scholarships are open to all graduating high school seniors who's father, grandfather, or great-grandfather served on the USS New Jersey and are a descendant of a current member of our organization. Please encourage your child or grandchild to apply this year. Information and the application forms are on our website, [www.ussnewjersey.org](http://www.ussnewjersey.org).

In closing, again this year our membership has declined. We currently have approximately 480 members. Unfortunately about 90 have not paid their 2021 dues and of those, about a quarter have also not paid their 2020 dues. It would be helpful if those dues were paid. We really need new members. If you are in contact with any former crew member who isn't a member, please invite them to join.

Please stay safe and healthy.

***Bob Dingman, President***

***EM2, E Division, Sept '67 - Dec '69***

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Greetings:

Once again being a part of the battleship new jersey has great dividends. A reunion at the famous bootcamp then one of many duty stations and now Oklahoma. I must say being a part of the Big J has been wonderful. So here we are about to visit another location I had a brief stop at while in transit with orders to Subic Bay for duty. The flight from Dover stopped at Tinker Air Force Base then on to Guam and finally arriving at Clark Air Force Base. I am very excited about this one because now I have better opportunity of seeing more then the waiting area and a chance to purchase a Stetson. I would add more but for time this is a rush I hope and pray to see everyone in OKC.

Sincerely:

***Leon Tucker Jr. GMG1(SW)***

***G1 Division 87-90***

# SECRETARY/LEBANON PERSIAN GULF ERA DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Hello again shipmates, well this has just been a bad year or maybe just very unusual. It was hard to cancel reunion last year but hopefully by reunion time this year all of this will be out of the way, and we can all enjoy Oklahoma, City. I hope some more of our 80's era guys can make this year. It is sad as each year passes by; we lose more of our shipmates. It is of the utmost importance for 80's & 90's to step up so we can keep the light burning in the LIGHT HOUSE. It is not just the fellowship at the reunions but the other things as well such as the Scholarship program and helping the ship with funds to keep maintenance up and restoration support to families who have lost loved ones that were members. The reunions are always fun and interesting with plenty to do. I am very much looking forward to this year's reunion. Since Sheila and I have started going last year was the only year we missed, that was not by choice, we had 12 in a row. Need a good turnout this year as we will be voting for new officers. The current officers have been doing a very good job and they have kept in touch with each other to make sure this year goes very well. Phone calls, emails, zoom meetings whatever it has taken they have done a very good job. Let us make the most out of this year and have a wonderful time and enjoy a good time and even better fellowship time. Let's have one of our biggest turnouts that we have ever had. I will leave on this note. " Fair Winds and Following Seas"

Hope to see you in Oklahoma City this year.



***Danny Fielder/MM3 Lebanon, Secretary***

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# SHIP'S STORE ADVISOR'S REPORT



Greetings:

The Reunion this year is looking to be a great get together. Our Spring membership drive was a successful endeavor and will be a part of future drives with the store.

We will begin ordering inventory for the store to have a full range of merchandise for the reunion.

A complete selection of the store merchandise can be viewed on our website [www.ussnewjersey.org](http://www.ussnewjersey.org). Any special orders (sizes, etc.) for shirts, jackets, etc. should be sent to me as soon as possible for pickup

at the reunion.

The store can be reached at:

727-415-5798

[Sixpaca12@yahoo.com](mailto:Sixpaca12@yahoo.com)

Thanks, and we will see everyone in Oklahoma City.

***Mike Schappaugh – Ship's Store Advisor***





## MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



Hello Shipmates,

Louise and I are looking forward to seeing all that can come to Oklahoma City this fall. We can enjoy the company of all our friends and make new friends, laugh and share with each other.

Last year was a year to forget!! We hardly ever left our home except for trips for groceries and home supplies when we could find them. We made it through!! It was a time that we would never have thought would happen to us and our families in this country. I think that we gained strength getting through it with the help of family, friends and neighbors.

Several of my shipmates and I were texting each other daily. We shared with each other weather in our area, pictures of ourselves, memories of happier times, and just about everything. We worried about each other's family and poked fun at each other, but mainly we stayed in touch with each other. It was extremely helpful to me especially. It took my mind off some of this bad stuff happening in our country.

Louise and I have had both of our Covid 19 shots, so we feel reasonably safe about attending the reunion in September. I think everyone is ready for this to happen. Bob and Steve have done a great job as usual, getting this reunion organized amid all the chaos going on.

Our membership is at 488, far below what we had when I was first elected to this position. Bob and Mike are coming up with ideas to attract new members, but there are not many of us Battleship sailors left. If you know of anyone, please urge them to join.

We need to be together and celebrate our time on our USS NEW JERSEY.

Sincerely,

*Garry Blaylock - Membership Chairman*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Oklahoma City this September. It was strange not being able to meet up with shipmates last year, but hopefully we can "reup" this year.



The 2020 annual financials are on the following page and I will summarize the results briefly.

During 2020 we received \$21,697 in funds net of reunion registrations which were of course refunded. Principal sources of funds were *Dues* (\$9,775), *Ship Restoration Donations* (\$6,088), *Scholarship Fund Donations* (\$2,050) and *Ships Store Sales* (\$1,251). During the year we also disbursed \$19,985 in funds net of refunded reunion registration fees. Principal disbursements were *Ship Restoration Donations* forwarded to the Battleship New Jersey Museum (\$6,123), *Jersey Bounce Expenses* (\$5,614), *2021 Reunion Expenses and Deposits* (\$2,987) and *Ships Store Inventory and Expenses* (\$2,617).

Overall funds increased by \$1,712 in 2020 as we ended the year with \$39,999 in bank balances.

Late in the year we opened a PayPal account to facilitate Ships Store Sales and reunion registration fees. We will monitor activity and hopefully our membership will find this service useful.

Please let me know if there are any questions, comments or you would like additional information.

*Phil Tasker - Treasurer*

*ETR2, OE Division, Sept '67 - Dec '69*



**USS New Jersey Veterans Association  
2020 Financials  
Summary**

<u>Bank Balances</u>	<u>Operating Account</u>	<u>Savings Account</u>
Adjusted Balances at January 1, 2020	\$ 20,124.14	\$ 18,163.18
Total Net Funds Received in 2020	21,695.14	2.04
Total Net Funds Disbursed in 2020	19,985.13	-
Funds Transfers	-	-
Net Balances at December 31, 2020	<u>\$ 21,834.15</u>	<u>\$ 18,165.22</u>
Net YTD Change in Bank Balances	\$ 1,710.01	\$ 2.04
<b>TOTAL CASH ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 39,999.37</b>

<u>2020 Operating Results</u>
<u>Reunion Activities:</u>
2020 Reunion Registrations/Funds \$ -
2020 Reunion Expenses 433.99
2021 Reunion Expenses 2,987.37
Net Reunion Revenues \$ (3,421.36)
<u>Ship's Store Operations</u>
Ship's Store Sales \$ 1,250.80
Ship's Store Inventory Purchases 2,359.82
Ship's Store Postage and Supplies 256.52
Net Ship's Store Revenue \$ (1,365.54)
<u>General Operations:</u>
<u>Funds Received</u>
Dues Received \$ 9,775.00
Bank Interest Received 2.04
Miscellaneous Revenue Received 1,451.34
Total Funds Received 11,228.38
<u>Funds Disbursed</u>
Jersey Bounce \$ 5,613.72
Postage (General) 373.60
Office and Other Supplies 1,037.11
Web Hosting and Internet Services 300.00
Miscellaneous 500.00
Total Funds Disbursed 7,824.43
Net General Operating Revenue 3,403.95
Net Operating Results <u>\$ (1,382.95)</u>

<u>2020 Scholarship Fund Activities</u>
<u>Scholarship Fund Balance Forward From</u>
<u>2019</u> \$ 3,237.50
2019 Fund Raising Activities:
Reunion Auction Proceeds 0.00
50/50 Proceeds (Net of Payouts) 540.00
Banquet 50/50 (Net of Payouts) 0.00
Scholarship Donations 2,050.00
2020 Scholarships Awarded 0.00
2020 Scholarship Fund Ending Balance <u>\$ 5,827.50</u>
Unpaid Balance Due 50/50 Winners \$ 540.00

<u>2020 Ship Restoration Fund Activities</u>
Fund Balance Brought Forward from 2019 \$ 160.00
2020 Ship Restoration Fund Donations 6,088.00
2020 Ship Restoration Fund Disbursements to Battleship New Jersey (6,123.00)
2020 Ship Restoration Fund Ending Balance <u>\$ 125.00</u>

## SEATING COORDINATOR'S REPORT



Greetings,

I am Marvin Williams your new seating coordinator. Since most of you do not know me let me give you a little of my background. I retired from the Navy in 1994 after 30 years and served 2 tours aboard Jersey, first tour was 81-84 precom and recommissioning as the leading Operation Specialist (name changed from radarman early 70's) I served my second tour in 89 until decommissioning in 91 as the Command Master Chief. Upon retirement I went to work for the Postal Service and retired after 18 years as a Postmaster. I now volunteer as a tax preparer for seniors and I also deploy to disasters across the country as a Red Cross Volunteer. I live with my wife about 40 miles outside of Nashville in Clarksville TN. I am looking forward to meeting all your seating needs and seeing all of you this year in Oklahoma.

*Marvin Williams - Seating Coordinator  
OI/Admin Division, 82-83 & 89-91*

# LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT

Shipmates,

Shipmates due to Covid we had to cancel last year's reunion at the ship, we hope to be back to the ship in 2022. I work with Garry Blaylock our membership director on keeping the roster up to date. If you know of anyone who has passed away, if you have changed your address, email address or phone number please contact me so our data base can be updated. If you know of anyone who served on the USS New Jersey that is not a member, any era, please contact me with their name and info. If you know someone who used to be a member, but is no longer, maybe give them a call and give them a nudge in the right direction. Also, if you have any changes in your contact information, please contact me, Garry Blaylock, or any of the other officers in the organization, so we can keep your information current, this is especially important, people move, change phone numbers and emails, and never let us know. As always, if you see anything on our web-page that is not right, please let me know.



***Bob Williams, Liaison Officer/Web Master***

## ERA REPRESENTATIVES

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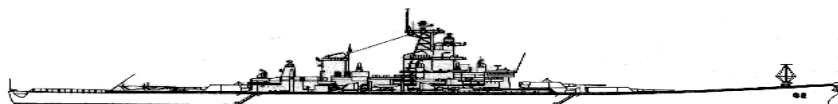
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## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

Fellow shipmates of the greatest fighting ship of all time.

Every time I look at the famous “Black Dragon” photograph, I get goosebumps.

A ship so long and relatively low to the sea, she’s just beautiful and fast...

Don’t you just wish you could take her to sea just one more time?

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, our 2020 reunion in Camden was scuttled and

we will be holding our elections at our reunion in Oklahoma City, September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Listed below are the positions along with the current candidates from 2020.

I hope that you are all well and will still run for the office you have chosen.

The term of enlistment is for three years.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Candidate 1</u>	<u>Candidate 2</u>	<u>Candidate 3</u>
President / Director	Bob Dingman		
Vice President / Director	Leon Tucker, Jr.	Tim Flynn	
Secretary / Director	Danny Fielder		
Treasurer / Director	Phil Tasker		
Membership Chair / Director	Chuck Oehme	Fred Potter	
Liaison Officer / Director	Bob Williams		
Reunion Coordinator / Director	Dave Wasmer		
Master at Arms / Advisor	Ray Kehoe		
Small Stores / Advisor	Mike Schappaugh		
Web Master / Advisor	Bob Williams		
Newsletter Editors / Advisor			
Veterans’ Affairs / Advisor	Joe Dimaria		
Seating Coordinator / Advisor	Marvin Williams		
WWII Era / Advisor	Paul Robbins		
Korean Era Rep / Advisor	Ernie Dalton		
Vietnam Era Rep / Advisor	Bob Williams	Tom Gallucci	
1980’s Era Rep / Advisor	Mike Murphy		
Marine Detachment Rep / Advisor			

As you can see there are a couple of positions without a candidate so far. If you know of someone that may be interested in running for an office, please let me know.

Attached is the description of each position.

If you’re interested in running for any position, please contact me by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. At that time, I will print up the ballots used for voting with all the candidates and positions. The ballot will also include write-in room for any floor nominated candidates.

God Speed,

***Chuck Oehme, Chairman, Nominating Committee***

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# USS New Jersey Veterans Inc. – Job Descriptions

## **Directors**

**PRESIDENT:** Chief executive officer of the Corporation exercises general supervision over all activities of the Corporation.

Preside at all Annual Meetings, Board of Directors meetings and Executive Committee meetings.

Receives quarterly reports from all Directors and Advisors as to the activities of Chairs under their jurisdiction.

Has final authority in appointment of committee chairs as recommended by the Vice President.

Makes semi-annual reports to the membership in the Corporation newsletter and Annual meeting.

Provide request for guest speaker for Annual Meeting dinner dance.

Assists the Reunion Coordinator with any and all aspects of the planning and operation of the annual reunion, as requested.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** In the absence of the President, or in the event of the President's inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions, of the President.

Supervises activities during the Annual Meeting.

Responsible for coordinating activities of various Committee Chairs.

Makes semi-annual reports to the membership in the Corporation newsletter.

Has responsibility for the Memorial Committee and coordinates these activities.

Assists the Reunion Coordinator with any and all aspects of the planning and operation of the annual reunion, as requested.

**SECRETARY:** Keeps minutes of Annual Meeting for publication in the Corporate newsletter issued subsequent to Annual Meeting.

Keeps minutes of Board of Director meetings and Executive Committee meetings on file.

Keeps records and file of Corporation correspondence.

Is custodian of Corporation property.

May appoint an Assistant Secretary, who shall perform any duties as delegated by the Secretary and shall act during the Secretary's absence or disability.

Assists the Reunion Coordinator with any and all aspects of the planning and operation of the annual reunion, as requested.

**TREASURER:** Receives all membership dues from the Membership Chair. Record and deposit dues in Corporation account.

Make payment of any and all approved debits of the Corporation.

Keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of the Corporation funds in the Corporation ledger, such accounts to differentiate between funds designated for general Corporation expenses and accounts and those designated for Memorial, Museum, Annual Meeting or special purposes.

After the end of the fiscal year, provides a detailed report to the Audit Committee for review and approval.

Provide a detailed yearend financial statement to the Editor for publication in the corporate newsletter.

Payment of expenditures of \$1000.00, or more, shall be approved by the Executive Committee. Payment of contractual funding or invoices for the Annual Meeting shall not require approval by the Executive Committee.

May appoint an Assistant Treasurer who shall perform any duties as delegated by the Treasurer and shall act during the Treasurer's absence or disability.

Assists Reunion Coordinator at the pre-reunion selection site visits. Assists with negotiations and final selections of the hotel, and other reunion activities.

Sets the fiscal year of the organization. The current fiscal year is January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN:** Mails dues invoices to all current members in September or October of each year.

Receives and records dues payment from members and forwards dues payments to Treasurer.

Follows up with members who are delinquent with their dues, as needed.

Receives applications for new membership and forward dues payment to Treasurer.

Prepares and mails membership cards to members and associate members. Include a personal note to make a new member feel welcome after dues are collected.

Notifies Board of Directors of all new members and associate members with updated data.

Notifies Board of Directors of the passing of shipmates immediately when known.

Keeps an up-to-date roster of active members for purpose of keeping current addresses, contact information and dues payment status.

Drops from the active roster all inactive members who have failed to keep dues current for a period of two (2) years starting on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year that dues were first not received. Notifies the Board of non-current and delinquent members. Provides the Editor of the corporate newsletter with an up-to-date roster of names and addresses of current members, prior to each mailing of the corporate newsletter



**LIAISON OFFICER:** Keeps an updated database of all current members, associate members, and all known former crew members who served on BB62 or SSN796, but who are not members of the USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc.

Inform Era Representatives of all Executive Committee decisions and information pertinent to the wellbeing of the Corporation in general matters of common interest pertaining to the general membership, associate members and non-members.

Receive from Membership Chair and pass on to Era Representatives, all pertinent information regarding the passing away of fellow shipmates, Associate Members, to inform the current membership of such.

Act in the best interest in liaison communication with all civic matters concerning the Corporation and notify Directors of information concerning their specialties of said civic matters.

**REUNION COORDINATOR:** Coordinate all aspects of the reunion aspects as designated by the President, or the Vice President.

Procure all pertinent contracts of the reunion, including tours, meals, hotel accommodations, DJ or band, Color Guard, bugler, photographer, plaques, transportation buses/shuttles and all other facets required pertaining to the directive of Reunion Coordinator.

If a military reunion planning company (MRPC) is contracted to organize an annual reunion, the Reunion Coordinator shall act as the liaison between the MRCP and the USS New Jersey Veterans Inc. until such time as needed. The Reunion Coordinator, in conjunction with the President and Treasurer, shall determine the level of involvement the MRCP will have and shall negotiate the final contract with the MRCP. All required tasks, not part of the planning company's contract, shall be the responsibility of the Reunion Coordinator.

## Advisors

**WEBMASTER:** Maintains the USS New Jersey Veterans Inc. website, [ussnewjersey.org](http://ussnewjersey.org), and the USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. Facebook page for the Corporation.

Upgrade the website and Facebook page, as needed.

Maintains the website on-line e-mail roster and concurrent roster of active & inactive members.

Forwards all changes & additions to e-mail roster to Liaison Officer.

Monitors and edits the website Deck Log and Facebook page on regular basis. Delete all negative, slanderous, derogatory or political viewpoints and comments may be deemed offensive, without express permission of the Executive Board.

Adds relevant photos, notices, etc. when they become available to the website and Facebook page.

Answer questions submitted through website or forward said question to Board of Directors for pertinent response, if warranted.

Notifies Treasurer of the amount and when to pay any URL, hosting or website charges.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Receive input from Board of Directors for insertion into semi-annual issues of the corporate newsletter.

Receive requests for "Shipmate Locator Directory" (non-E-Mail type) for insertion into semi-annual newsletter.

Edits all incoming information and pictures, prepares proofs for publisher of semi-annual newsletter and provides names and addresses for labeling of newsletter to be published and mailed.

Submits proof to President prior to publishing, for approval.

Shall not publish any negative, slanderous, derogatory or political viewpoints, including photos, cartoons, newspaper or magazine articles, letters and personal opinions, in the corporate newsletter without express permission of the Executive Committee.

The name of the corporate newsletter shall be "The Jersey Bounce".

**STOREKEEPER (SMALLSTORES):** The storekeeper shall perform his duties in accordance with Article XIII – Ship's Store in the By-Laws:

**ARTICLE XIII - SHIP'S STORE: Section 1.** The Corporation Ship's Store is established for the purpose of providing the members, and others, with keepsake memorabilia pertaining to the USS New Jersey and the USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. Profits from the sale of Corporation merchandise shall be deposited in the USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. treasury. The storekeeper shall make provisions to obtain volunteers for table sales at the reunion. The storekeeper shall inform the Reunion Coordinator what the space requirements will be for the ship's store at the reunion, including the size and number of tables that will be required for display of inventory.

The storekeeper shall keep accurate records of all purchases and sales.

All income from the sale of merchandise shall be forwarded to the Treasurer for deposit.

The storekeeper shall coordinate with the Treasurer with respect to payment of all invoices. Invoices shall be submitted to the Treasurer for either direct payment to the vendor or for reimbursement to the storekeeper for payments he has made to the vendor.

All expenditures of \$1000.00 or more shall require approval by the Executive Committee.

The storekeeper shall keep sufficient inventory for sales at the reunion and via Phone, Postal Mail, Website and E-Mail. Payment shall be in the form of Money Order, Certified Bank Check or a Personnel (Bank Cleared) Check.

The Ship's Store shall have sole authorization for the sale of said memorabilia in the hospitality room, at registration and/or at other sites that are designated as exclusive to the Corporation during a Reunion.

**VETERANS' AFFAIRS:** Shall be a member having knowledge of Veterans' Affairs pertaining to the medical and clerical aspects of veterans' benefits via the Veterans' Administration, such as Military Burials, Medals and Awards, Military Records etc.

Shall keep an updated directory of related names, phone numbers, addresses, fax numbers, and email addresses and access to publications for the benefit of the membership pertaining to Veterans' Affairs.

**MARINE CORPS. REPRESENTATIVE:** Shall be a former U.S. Marine Corp Detachment crewmember, keeping a separate roster of all U.S. Marine Detachment personnel, relaying any and all matters related to the U.S. Marine Detachment of the Corporation.

**ERA REPRESENTATIVE:** Era Representatives: - Four (4) total, one (1) for each era -WWII, KOREA, VIETNAM, 1980's

Keep an updated roster provided by the Membership Chair

News and Information, pertinent to the Corporation from Board of Directors, received by the Liaison Officer, shall be passed on to Era Representatives for distribution to the members of their era

When an Era Representative finds out that a USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. member, Associate Member, or non-member has passed away, that information is to be relayed to the Board of Directors via the Liaison Officer, for disbursement and updating of the roster.

**MASTER AT ARMS:** Shall be responsible for the Order and Calm of all functions during the Annual Meeting.

Shall be in charge of Side Boy Honor Guards for escorted dignitaries, Color Guard and "Call to Attention" for all National Honor Functions.

**Seating Coordinator:** Assigns Seating Arrangements for Reunion Event

# Proposed Changes to the USS New Jersey Veterans Bylaws

The COVID19 pandemic brought to light a few items that our current bylaws do not address. Because of government restrictions we had to cancel our 2020 reunion. There is nothing in our bylaws that addresses the cancelation of our reunion and annual meeting. There is also nothing addressing the cancellation of our election of Officers or allowing video meetings.

To correct this, we are proposing the following changes to our current bylaws. We are only showing the changes, in red text, and not reprinting the entire bylaws. A full copy of the bylaws is available on our website, [www.ussnewjersey.org](http://www.ussnewjersey.org) and the full bylaws were published in the 2019 Fall issue of The Jersey Bounce. These changes will be voted on at the 2021 General Meeting.

## **ARTICLE IV - ANNUAL MEETING**

### **Section 1: Reunion**

**(ADD new paragraphs "e" and "f" in their entirety:)**

e. The annual reunion shall be permitted to be canceled due to national emergency, government restrictions, severe weather, or for other reasons that are determined to be of a serious nature by the Board of Directors. The cancellation of the annual reunion shall require a unanimous vote by the Board of Directors. The membership shall be notified of the cancellation of the annual reunion via a letter from the President. The cancellation letter shall be posted on the organization website, social media sites and emailed to all members. Members without email shall receive a letter via US Mail.

f. A cancelled annual reunion may be rescheduled, if recommended by the Reunion Chair and approved by the Board of Directors. If rescheduled for the same location, new dates shall be selected by the Reunion Chair.

### **Section 2: Annual meeting of the Corporation**

**(ADD new paragraph "f" in its entirety:)**

f. All meetings of the corporation may be held using video conferencing, or any other audio-video means, if necessary.

**ARTICLE V - DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS:**

**Section 1: Term of office and composition**

**(ADD new paragraph "e" in its entirety:)**

e. If the election of Officers is schedule for an annual meeting which has been cancelled, the elections shall be held at the next scheduled annual meeting. The current Directors and Advisors of the Corporation shall remain in office until the next election. If an Officer or Advisor does not wish to extend their time in office, they shall resign in writing. The Board of Directors shall select a replacement for that office. The replacement shall serve in the position until the next election, as noted in Article VI, Section 3.c.

**ARTICLE VI - DIRECTORS, ADVISORS, AND APPOINTEES:**

**Section 3: Powers:**

**(CHANGE the following heading and paragraph:)**

- f. ~~Telephone~~ **Audio-Visual** conference meetings:
  - 1. Any or all Board of Directors may participate in a meeting of the Board, or a Committee of the Board, by means of ~~conference telephone~~ **video conferencing, or any other audio-visual means**, so long as all members in the meeting are able to hear ~~or hear and see~~ each other.

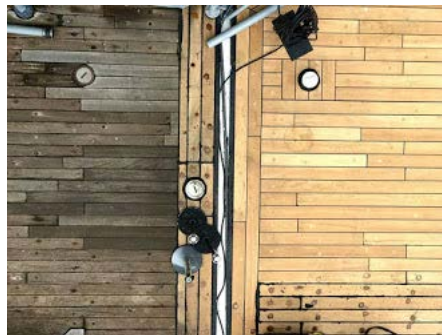


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## State of the Museum Report

2020 was a difficult year for the museum. Total visitation was just 22% of what it had been in 2019 and some of our major programs, the overnight encampments, events, and guided tours were all canceled. The museum spent about a third of the year closed either through lack of funding or through state mandated shutdowns. Many staff have been furloughed for close to a year at this point. Despite the hardships the museum found a way to fulfill its mission of educating the public and preserving the ship.

Thanks largely to a \$500,000 grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust the museum has been able to continue redecking the fantail. We are one year into what will likely be a five-year \$5 million project to redeck the entire ship using teak. The fantail was in the worst shape and much of the wood there had already been removed. This is a matching grant which means in order to be reimbursed for it, we need to raise \$1 million through matching donations.



New teak decking installed on the fantail.

On the education front we were able to move some of our programs online and have conducted classes from groups in Mexico, Canada, and across the United States from the battleship. With the ship closed to regular guests during the week and kids stuck at home we started doing student days aboard the ship every month. These combine a socially distanced tour and using the spacious mess decks for classroom activities.

By far our most successful education initiative has been our YouTube channel. We started that back in 2019, but when the museum closed in March 2020, we began releasing daily content which caused our channel to explode. We currently get 800,000 views per month, have over 25,000 subscribers with roughly 1,000 new subscribers a week, and have reached 60 million people around the world.

With people not able to visit the ship for themselves for much of the last year, either because we were closed or because of travel restrictions, we have been able to take the ship to their living rooms. There are currently around 500 videos on our channel including oral history interviews with your shipmates, tours of individual spaces, and tours of other museum ships around the country we were invited to visit. We even got to visit USS Slater and USCGC Taney while they were in drydock.

More people experienced the battleship through our virtual tours in 2020 than have visited in person during any other year the museum has been in operation.

Be sure to check us out at [www.youtube.com/BattleshipNewJersey](http://www.youtube.com/BattleshipNewJersey)

We plan on reopening in March on weekends and in April full time but that is entirely dependent on the outside world, so be sure to check our website before planning your next visit.

***Ryan Szimanski, Director of Curatorial and Educational Affairs***

Battleship New Jersey Museum & Memorial

62 Battleship Place

Camden, NJ 08103

Office Phone: 856-966-1652 X202

Cell Phone. 443-564-3823

FAX Number: 856-966-5550

[r.szimanski@battleshipnewjersey.org](mailto:r.szimanski@battleshipnewjersey.org)



Education Manager Libby Jones teaching kids how to find the range to target during a student day program.



## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

### 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REUNION #2

**WHERE:** Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel  
One North Broadway Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

**WHEN:** September 29 - October 3, 2021

**RESERVATIONS:** Please first call 1-800-325-3535 (Sheraton Reservations, toll free.  
**For group rate, mention Group Code # MR5 or USS NEW JERSEY ATTENDEES.**

If you have a problem, call Kimberly Moss at 1-405-815-6005.  
Online reservations can be made at our page on their website:

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1596482718713&key=G>

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**Reservations cut-off is 11:59PM (CDT), September 3, 2021. Rooms may not be available after this time and, if they are, may not qualify for the group rate.**

Group rate available between Sept 26 - Oct 5, 2021.

Handicapped rooms are available upon request.

Individuals may cancel reserved rooms up to 2 days prior to arrival without penalty.

Parking is \$10.00/day. Complimentary WIFI.

Pets welcomed (Non-refundable \$50 first pet, \$25 each additional pet)

**COST: One King or Two Double - \$119.00 (plus 14.125% S&O taxes)**

Check In Time: 3:00PM, Check Out Time: 12:00PM

**If you stay at this hotel, the rate includes two breakfast coupons per room**





## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

34th Annual Reunion #2 - Oklahoma City, OK

### Airport - Hotel Ground Transportation

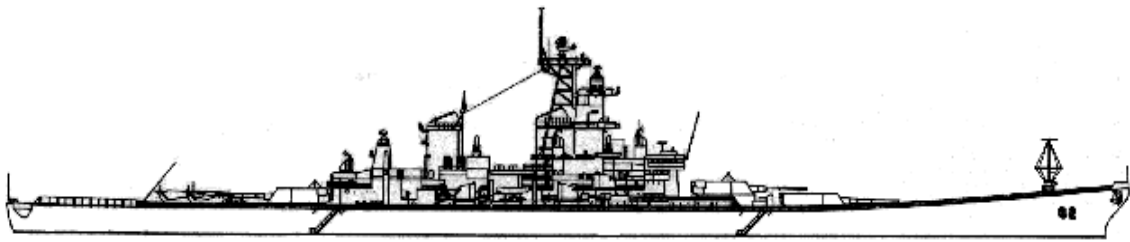
The Sheraton Downtown Hotel does not have an airport shuttle to provide transportation from the Will Rogers World Airport (OKC) to the hotel. The hotel is approximately 10 miles southwest of the airport.

**The Airport Express** is the private shuttle that can transport you from the airport to the hotel. The Airport Express shuttles ("The Blue Van") are located on the terminal lower level, outside baggage claim 4 and 5, in the first lane of the transportation plaza.

- The fee for this service is about \$30.00, one way, for up to 5 passengers.
- Two suitcases and one carry-on per person are free.
- Additional suitcases are \$5.00 each.
- Oversized luggage, larger than 62" (L+W+H), or over 50lbs, are charged \$5.00 extra.
- Reservations are recommended. Call 405-681-3311 or 877-688-3311 after you make your flight reservations.

**Taxi** fare from the airport to the Sheraton Downtown should be around \$40.00 (give or take). Taxis are located on the terminal lower level, outside baggage claim, in the first lane of the transportation plaza.

**Uber and Lyft**, have a designated pick-up area on the upper level of the terminal, outside of the United Airlines ticket counter.



## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

34th Annual Reunion #2 – Oklahoma City, OK

### Public Ground Transportation

The Sheraton Downtown Hotel is located in downtown Oklahoma City and within easy reach of many attractions. The Oklahoma City Streetcar system opened on December 14, 2018. This modern streetcar system has two loops, the Downtown Loop and the Bricktown Loop, that offer inexpensive public transportation around downtown Oklahoma City. A 24 hour pass costs just \$3.00 per person. A 24 hour pass for Seniors, age 65+, costs just \$1.50 per person. There is a streetcar stop right next to our hotel where both loops stop. Additional information on the streetcar system is in this issue and will be available in the hospitality room and the hotel lobby.



There is also a bus system in Oklahoma City, called EMBARK, that covers a larger area than the streetcar system. EMBARK buses serve much of the Oklahoma City metro area. Each route's hours of operation vary, but many popular routes run about every 30 minutes during the weekday and every 60 minutes on Saturday and Sunday. Information on EMBARK is available online and will be in the hospitality room and the hotel lobby

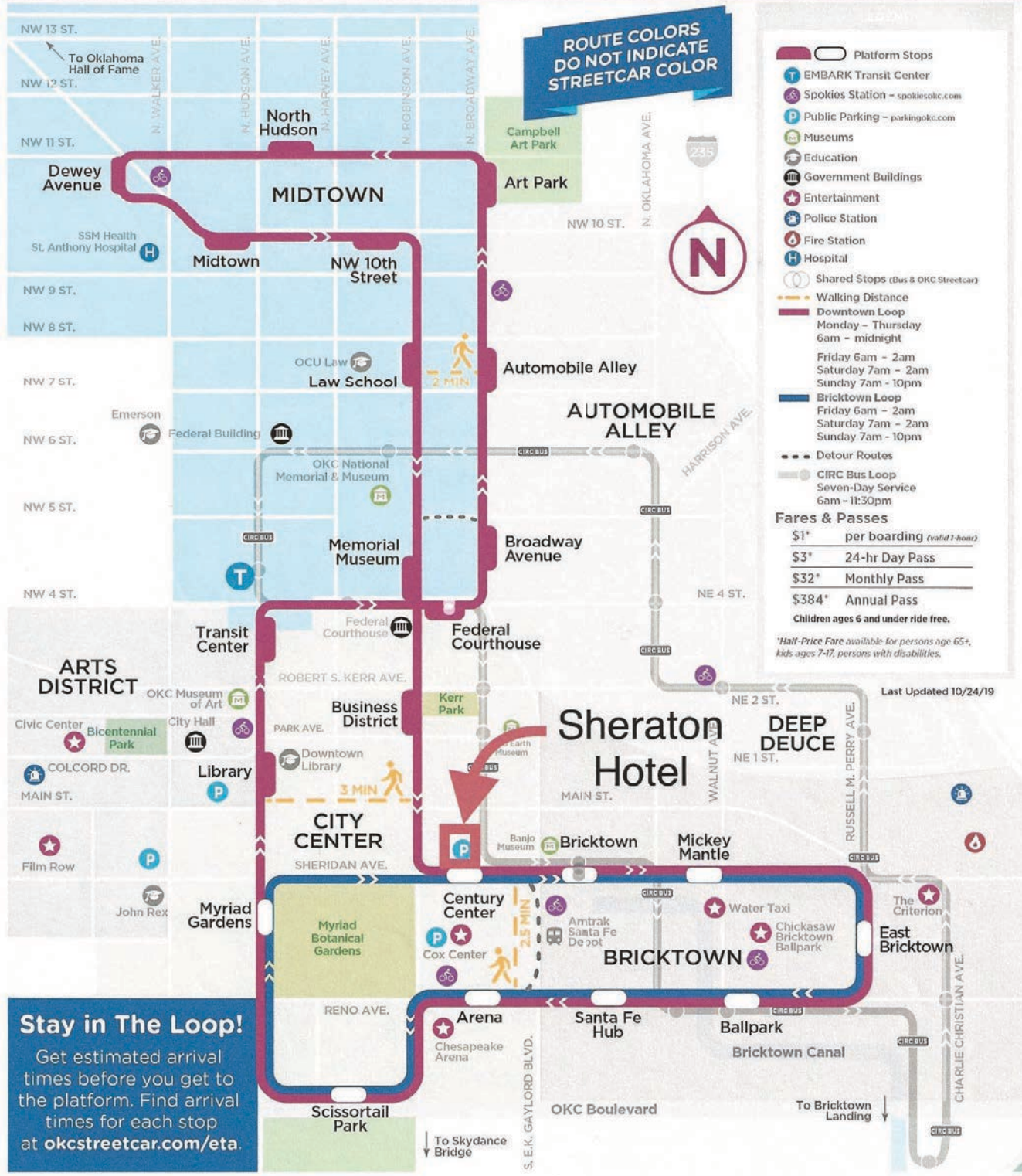
Tickets can be purchased at the streetcar platform vending machines or by using a mobile phone app. A link to the app is on the Oklahoma City streetcar and EMBARK bus websites.

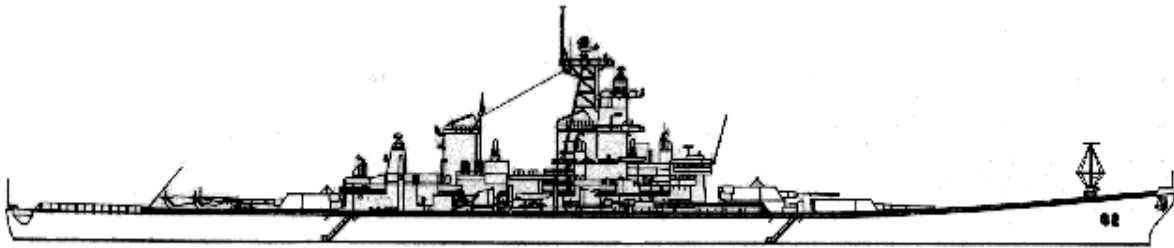
# OKLAHOMA CITY STREETCAR

An **EMBARC** Transit Service

## Contact Information

(405) 235-RIDE (7433)  
 okcstreetcar.com  
 @okcstreetcar





**USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.  
34th ANNUAL REUNION #2**

**PLAN OF THE WEEK**

**Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

**Check in day**

- 0900 Registration, Hospitality Room & Small Store opens (University Room)
- 1400 Board of Directors Meeting (Executive Board Room)
- 1630 Registration, Hospitality Room, Small Stores closes
- 1830 Doors Open, Cash Bar
- 1900 Welcome Aboard Dinner (One Broadway Ballroom)

**Thursday, September 30, 2021**

- 0900 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens
- 0950 Buses depart for Oklahoma City Wild West Tour
- 1530 Buses return to hotel
- 1600 Small Stores closes
- 2200 Hospitality Room closes

**Friday, October 1, 2021**

- 1000 USS New Jersey Veterans Memorial Service ( One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1100 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens. (Opens after Memorial Service)
- 1600. Small Stores Closes
- 2200 Hospitality Room closes.

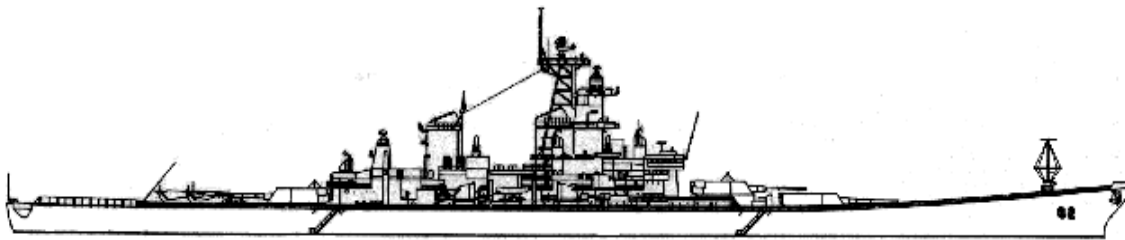
**Saturday, October 2, 2021**

- 0900 General Membership Business Meeting (One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1100 Hospitality Room & Small Store opens
- 1500 Hospitality Room & Small Stores closes
- 1700-1830 Group pictures (One Broadway Ballroom Lobby)
- 1830 Doors open, Cash bar (One Broadway Ballroom)
- 1900 Dinner Dance Banquet

**Sunday, October 3, 2021**

- 1100 Hotel checkout time

**HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME, SEE YOU NEXT YEAR IN PHILADELPHIA AREA**



**USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.**

**Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

**WELCOME ABOARD DINNER**

1830 Doors Open  
1900 Serving Starts

Cash Bar

**Plated Dinner Menu**

**Dinner Salad**

with Cranberries, Feta and Raspberry Vinaigrette

**Chicken Chardonnay**

with Tomato Basil in a  
Roasted Lemon Chardonnay Sauce

**Chef's Selection of Starch and Fresh Vegetable**

**Dinner Rolls with Butter**

**New York Cheesecake with Strawberry Drizzle**

**Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Assorted Teas and Water**



## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

Thursday, September 30, 2021

### The Oklahoma City Wild West Tour

Planning for our tour has been a challenge this year. As the pandemic winds down, there are still so many unknowns that we've needed to consider during our planning process. We've worked closely with Factor 110 tour company and the Oklahoma City Convention and Visitors Bureau to come up with an enjoyable tour that highlights the State of Oklahoma. The tour is currently limited to 50 people. This may change once we see how many people will actually be attending the reunion.

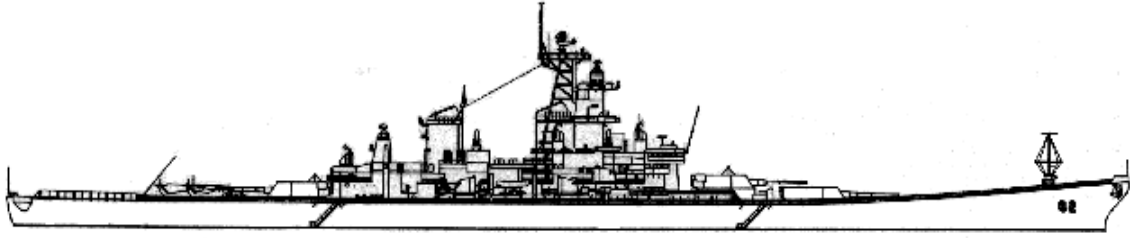
Explore Oklahoma's "Wild West" heritage and culture. Our journey begins at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum, America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. Founded in 1955, the museum is the premier destination for all things related to the American cowboy. Upon entrance, visitors are greeted by a larger-than-life casting of "The End of the Trail," a sculpture by American-born artist James Earle Fraser that depicts an American Indian on horseback. More than 28,000 artworks and artifacts compose the museum's extensive collection. The historical galleries include the American Cowboy Gallery, a look at the life and traditions of a working cowboy; the American Rodeo Gallery, fashioned after a 1950s rodeo arena; the Weitzenhoffer Gallery of Fine American Firearms houses over 100 examples of firearms, by Colt, Remington, Smith & Wesson, Sharps, Winchester, Marlin, and Parker Brothers. The museum also houses Prosperity Junction, a 14,000-square-foot authentic turn-of-the-century Western prairie town. Visitors can stroll the streets, peek in some of the store windows, listen to antique player pianos, and actually walk into some of the fully furnished buildings. While you're at the museum, you'll be able to get some "lunch on you own" at the Museum Grill.



We then travel to the Stockyard City district. There we'll be able to do some shopping. Langston's Western Wear has been serving the western culture and lifestyle community for over 100 years. It's one of the top independent and locally owned western stores in America. Langston's is across the street from Cattleman's, Oklahoma City's longest running restaurant. If you're not into shopping, you can drop in there for a light snack or just a piece of their famous homemade pie.



Our last stop is a visit to the Centennial Land Run Monument. April 22, 1889 was a day of chaos, excitement, and total confusion in Oklahoma. This was the day of the incredible, and notorious, first Land Run, when 50,000 people rushed into the Unassigned Lands of Oklahoma Territory to stake their claim for free land. The monument is the largest series of sculptures in the world, consisting of 47 statues spread across a distance of 365 feet. All are cast in dark bronze, at one-and-a-half life size. In all, there will be 38 people, 34 horses, 3 wagons, a cannon, a dog, and a frightened jackrabbit.



## **USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.**

**Friday, October 1, 2021**

The USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. memorial service, to honor our Shipmates who have passed since our last reunion in San Diego, 2019, will take place at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel, in the One Broadway Ballroom at 10:00AM.

Following the memorial service, the remainder of Friday will be a free day, allowing our attendees to explore Oklahoma City with their friends, family and Shipmates. We will not be offering an organized tour.

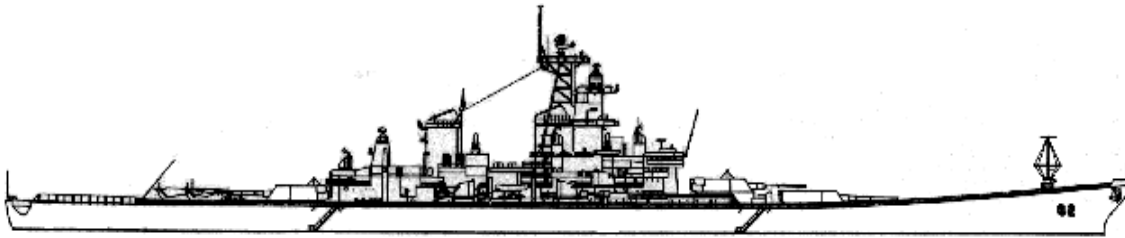
The downtown location of the reunion hotel provides us easy access to many of the attractions that Oklahoma City has to offer. There is information in the reunion package on the new Oklahoma City Streetcar System, which provides you with inexpensive public transportation to many areas of the city. There will be brochures available in our hospitality room detailing what attractions are available in OKC.

The Bricktown entertainment area is within easy walking distance of the hotel or there is a streetcar loop to Bricktown. Bricktown is similar to the river walk area of San Antonio. There is a water taxi which operates through Bricktown.

The National Oklahoma City Memorial and Museum is a moving tribute to the events of April 19, 1995. The outdoor memorial honors the lives lost in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The museum documents the story of what followed in the days, weeks and years after the event. The OKC streetcar blue line will easily take you from the hotel to the Memorial.







## USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.

### INFORMATION FOR DINNER GROUP SEATING

#### PLEASE COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Paid dinner reservations must be made prior to requesting group seating.
2. Dinner seating requests will be accepted between **JULY 1st - AUGUST 29th**.
3. A separate request is required for each dinner, Wednesday and Saturday.
4. **NOTE: Please include note if space for wheelchair seating is needed.**
5. When requesting group seating, including family members or friends, only **ONE PERSON** per group should apply. Please list all individuals by name.

Check to ensure that everyone within the group has registered and paid for their dinner prior to making a seating request. This will reduce, or eliminate, confusion when individuals within a group either have not made reservation or make the reservations at the last minute.

**NO TABLE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE UNTIL EVERYONE IN YOUR GROUP HAS MADE THEIR DINNER RESERVATIONS.**

6. Seating requests can be made through E-Mail, telephone, or letter.  
**NOTE: Messages left on an answering machine are not always reliable.**
7. Send the names of all the individuals to the seating coordinator (**10 persons per table**)  
*The exact number of seats per table may change based on COVID restrictions.*
8. **Please submit your reunion event registration and seating requests by the posted deadline. We will make every effort to accommodate your request, however we cannot guarantee your group seating if your request is received after the deadline.**

Marvin Williams, Seating Coordinator  
221 Longwood Lane, Clarksville, TN 37041  
Cell Phone 931-237-3823  
E-mail mpwbb62@charter.net

**USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC.**

**34th Annual Reunion #2 Events Registration Form (Refer to the Plan of the Week for event start times)**

**Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

**Welcome Aboard Dinner** \_\_\_\_\_ People @ \$35.00/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, September 30, 2021**

**Oklahoma City Wild West Tour** \_\_\_\_\_ People @ \$60.00/person. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Currently limited to 50 people)

**Saturday, October 2, 2021**

**Banquet Dinner** \_\_\_\_\_ People @ \$48.00/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Florentine \_\_ Blackened Salmon \_\_\_\_ Sliced Sirloin of Beef \_\_ Portabella \_\_\_\_\_

Reunion T-Shirt \_\_ S \_\_ M \_\_ L \_\_ XL @ \$10.00 ea. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 2XL \_\_\_\_\_ 3XL \_\_\_\_\_ 4XL @ \$12.00 ea. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**50/50 TICKETS** (Please include ticket stubs). \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed for all Events** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the following and please print legibly:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

ERA \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE(S) SERVED \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**FINAL CUT-OFF DATE - POST MARKED BY AUGUST 29, 2021**

Make checks payable to USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc. and mail w/form to address below.

If you would like to pay by using PayPal, scan the QR code or check here \_\_\_\_\_ and we will bill you through PayPal via the e-mail address above. You can also use this method even if you don't have a PayPal account but wish to use a credit card.

Regardless of payment method, please mail this registration form to the address below.

USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc.  
c/o Mr. Phillip Tasker, Treasurer  
7526 14th Lane  
Vero Beach, FL 32966-1200



# USS NEW JERSEY BB-62 REUNION NAME PLATE ORDER FORM

Mark your required History String(s)

<u>City</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<b>Plankowner</b>	<b>1943</b>	_____
<b>Plankowner</b>	<b>1950</b>	_____
<b>Plankowner</b>	<b>1968</b>	_____
<b>Plankowner</b>	<b>1982</b>	_____
Long Beach CA	1982	_____
Atlantic City NJ	1984	_____
Indianapolis, IN	1986	_____
New Orleans LA	1988	_____
Daytona Beach FL	1990	_____
Nashville TN	1992	_____
Cherry Hill NJ	1993	_____
San Diego CA	1994	_____
Norfolk VA	1995	_____
Fort Mitchell KY	1996	_____
Danvers MA	1997	_____
Colorado Springs CO	1998	_____
Seattle WA	1999	_____
Daytona Beach FL	2000	_____
Branson MO	2001	_____
Cherry Hill NJ	2002	_____
Las Vegas NV	2003	_____
Washington DC	2004	_____
Valley Forge PA	2005	_____
San Antonio TX	2006	_____
San Diego, CA	2007	_____
Cherry Hill NJ	2008	_____
Jacksonville FL	2009	_____
Nashville TN	2010	_____
Hilton Head, SC	2011	_____
Cherry Hill NJ	2012	_____
Virginia Beach VA	2013	_____
St. Louis MO	2014	_____
Portland OR	2015	_____
Philadelphia PA	2016	_____
Deerfield IL	2017	_____
New Orleans LA	2018	_____
San Diego, CA	2019	_____
Oklahoma City, OK	2021	_____

Name Plate will be attached to your envelope at the Welcome Aboard Table

Complete this section by selecting the designed name plate for crew member, associates, spouse, or guest:

\_\_\_\_\_ Crew Member Plate 2 X 3 inches

\_\_\_\_\_ Associate Member, Spouse or guest 1 X 3 inches

All name Plates are white with blue letters

Please print desired text as you wish it displayed on the lines provided. (We reserve the right to rearrange text for clarity and to minimize disorder):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Pricing:**

Name tags are \$15.00 each (2x3 inch or 1x3 inch). History Strings are \$5.00 each

**Make checks payable to USS New Jersey Veterans, Inc and mail this order form to:**

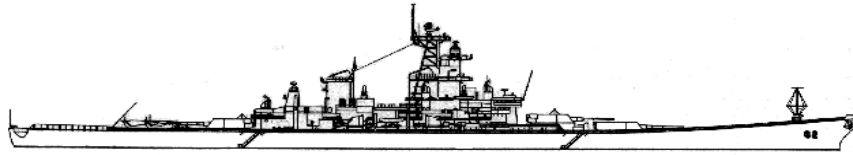
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3540 16<sup>th</sup> Street N  
Saint Petersburg, FL 33704  
Phone: 727-415-5798  
[sixpaca12@yahoo.com](mailto:sixpaca12@yahoo.com)



If you would like to pay by using PayPal, scan the QR code or check here \_\_\_\_\_ and we will bill you through PayPal via the e-mail address below. You can also use this method even if you don't have a PayPal account but wish to use a credit card.

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Regardless of payment method, please mail this registration form to the address above.**



## **SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES, ELIGIBILITY, AND APPLICATION INFORMATION**

The organization will continue to award two \$1000.00 scholarships in addition to the \$1000.00 Dick Esser Scholarship. A committee appointed by the President will review the applications and make a selection. This listing will then be forwarded to the Board of Directors for approval. These selections will then be forwarded for final approval by the members at the formal business meeting.

**Applications for Scholarship must be postmarked NO later than June 1, 2021**

### **GUIDELINES:**

- a. No Committee member's family or relative is eligible for the award.
- b. Scholarships will be awarded to deserving students who have maintained a 'B' or '3.0' GPA
- c. Students must be a graduating senior, attending an accredited high school/vocational technical institution graduating in the class of 2021.
- d. Applicants must be recommended by their high school guidance counselor.
- e. Awards must be used at an accredited educational/technical institution for undergraduate studies.
- f. Awards are not available for graduate studies.
- g. The award will be paid directly to the institution selected.

**Additional information and forms are only available on the Internet ([WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG](http://WWW.USSNEWJERSEY.ORG))**

Publication will be accomplished through the USS New Jersey Veterans Newsletter and the aforementioned Home Page

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

1. Any child, or grandchild of a member in good standing, including children of a member in good standing who passed away during the current membership year is eligible.
2. Must be a high school senior graduating in the class of 2021.
3. Official transcripts for the 11th and 12th grades must be submitted with the applications.
4. Must have two (2) academic references.
5. Student's personal resume.
6. Student's complete essay.
7. Name and address of educational/technical institution to be attended.
8. Graduation picture or equivalent.

### **APPLICATION SUBMISSION:**

Eligibility requirements b, c, d, e, f, g, and h must be received by Robert Dingman, President and must be postmarked NO later than June 1, 2021. Robert Dingman, 6 Butternut Ln, Laconia, NH 03246-4908

**THE PRESIDENT WILL NOTIFY THE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS BY PHONE WITH A FOLLOW UP LETTER OF CONFIRMATION.**



## USS New Jersey BB-62 Taps Listing

<u>Name</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Era</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Nathan Carithers	Unknown	WWII	Anderson, SC
Tom Cosby	K	Korea	Cataula, GA
Clyde Lee Denbow	M	Korea	Beech Bottom, WV
John Giles III	Unknown	80's	Shrewsbury, MA
Leslie Heselton	2 <sup>nd</sup>	WWII	Annapolis, MD
Henry Pierce	S	WWII	West Warwick, RI
Harold E Smith	G-1	Vietnam	Michigan City, NJ
George Warheit	MMS	Vietnam	Latrobe, PA
Charles Welch	B	WWII	Harrison, OH



## USS New Jersey BB-62 Welcome Aboard New Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Era</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Lawrence Albert		Assoc	Traverse City, CA
Robert Alexander II		Assoc	Lakeport, CA
Christopher Bell	E	Vietnam	Lee's Summit, MO
Louise Blaylock		Assoc	Columbia, TN
Robert F Choate	3 <sup>rd</sup>	80's	Bremerton, WA
Michael A Curtis		Assoc	Canton, GA
Doug Fereau	B	80's	Renton, WA
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## USS Oklahoma City (CL-91/CLG-5/CG-5)



USS *Oklahoma City* (CL-91/CLG-5/CG-5) was one of 27 [United States Navy Cleveland-class light cruisers](#) completed during or shortly after [World War II](#), and one of six to be converted to [guided missile cruisers](#). She was the first US Navy ship to be named for [Oklahoma City, Oklahoma](#). Commissioned in late 1944, she participated in the latter part of the [Pacific War](#) in anti-aircraft screening and shore bombardment roles, for which she earned two [battle stars](#). She then served a brief stint with the occupation force. Like all but one of her sister ships, she was retired in the post-war defense cutbacks, becoming part of the [Pacific Reserve Fleet](#) in 1947.

In the late 1950s she was converted to a [Galveston-class guided missile cruiser](#), which involved removing all her guns except for her forward 6-inch (152 mm) turret and 5-inch (127 mm) mount, and rebuilding her entire superstructure to accommodate the [Talos](#) missile system and [flagship](#) office spaces and accommodation. Like her three [sister ships](#) ([Providence](#), [Little Rock](#), and [Springfield](#)) of the [Cleveland-class](#) ships converted to missile ships, she was also extensively modified forward to become a flagship. This involved removal of most of her forward armament to allow for a greatly enlarged superstructure. She was recommissioned in 1960 as CLG-5 (and in 1975 redesignated CG-5).

In her second career she served extensively in the Pacific, playing a prominent role in the [Vietnam War](#), including participation in the evacuation of Saigon. *Oklahoma City* worked hard in shore bombardment duty during the war. She was decommissioned for the last time in December 1979.

In April 1969, *Oklahoma City* was sent to the [Sea of Japan](#) with [three carrier groups](#) as part of TF 71 which also included the *USS New Jersey (BB-62)* after North Korea [shot down an EC-121 spy plane](#).<sup>[2]</sup>

At the time of her decommissioning, she was the last [Cleveland-class](#) ship in service and had served longer (a total of 21 years and 10 months) than any other ship of that class.