

**USCGC ROCKAWAY (WHEC-377 WAGO- 377) REUNION 2018
CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY
20-22 SEPTEMBER 2018**



Now hear this: To all who served aboard USCGC ROCKAWAY WHEC-377 WAGO-377. As the "Ghost From The Past" emerges from dry dock the Commanding Officer is granting liberty to all hands to attend the Twelfth Reunion of the Rockaway at the Grand Hotel in Cape May, NJ, Convening on Thursday, 20 September and concluding on Saturday, 22 September 2018.

- THIS WILL BE OUR FINAL REUNION -

This situation report (SITREP) is a "**First and Final call to muster**", The Grand Hotel is currently accepting reservations until a ***cutoff date*** of August 19, 2018.

LOCATION AND LODGING

Grand Hotel, Cape May, NJ
1045 Beach Avenue
Cape May, NJ 08204
609-884-5611
www.grandcapemay.com

Call the Grand Hotel directly at 609-884-5611 and reserve your room by 19 August 2018.

Terms: \$133 for Thursday (9/20) and \$199 for Friday (9/21). (Rooms are double occupancy. Add \$10/night for each additional guest.)

Shoulder Day Rates: \$133 for Tuesday (9/18), Wednesday (9/19), Saturday (9/22) and Sunday (9/23).

A refundable deposit of \$100 will be charged to your credit card at the time of booking.



**U. S. COAST GUARD CUTTER ROCKAWAY
REGISTRATION FORM CAPE MAY, NJ
September 19th to 23rd 2018**

Please make checks payable to: Rockaway Reunion, and mail to :
U. S. Coast Guard Cutter Rockaway, 21 Tallowood Dr., Glassboro NJ 08028

DO NOT INCLUDE ROOM FEES

Name: _____ Nickname _____
Guest: _____
Address: _____ City _____ State __ Zip _____
Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail: _____
Registration Fee: Couple _____ \$275.00 Single Person _____ \$150.00
Registration will not be processed without payment
(Includes Banquet and hospitality room, Hat, Business Meeting Coffee and Farewell Breakfast.)

Reunion Shirts _____ @\$30.00 ea = _____
Size: M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL (add \$2.00 extra for 2XL and 3XL)

Donations: _____

Total Amount Submitted _____

Please check below what you want for Dinner
_____ Baked Salmon _____ Chicken Brest W/Apple Raisin Stuffing _____ Roast Beef
all meals include salad, vegetable, starch, desert and tea and coffee.

Please join us for the Last Reunion of the USCGC Rockaway

Whether this is your 1st reunion, your 12th or somewhere in-between, sign up now to renew old Rockaway friendships and share those fantastic sea stories.

This will be our last Reunion, so you don't want to miss your last time to say farewell to old friends.

Special Notice: As unanimously voted at our last crew meeting, we will be donating the balance of our reunion bank account to the United States Coast Guard Enlisted Memorial at the US Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May after all obligations are paid.

TENTATIVE PLANS FOR THE DAY

Tuesday and Wednesday, 18-19 September, are shoulder days for your vacationing convenience with a discounted rate of \$133:

- Breakfast on your own
- Activities under development; stay tuned for upcoming "First Call to Muster".
- Beach, Town, and Boardwalk
- Dinner on your own

Thursday, 20 September, Reunion rate of \$133:

- Breakfast on your own
- Hospitality Room opens - Registration Begins
- A.M. - Private Group Tour of the USCG Enlisted Memorial at the US Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May; visit to the Exchange
- P.M. - Beach and Boardwalk; group dinner at a local seafood restaurant - a la carte (prices \$6.50 - \$20.25 per dinner).

Friday, 21 September, Reunion rate of \$199:

- Breakfast on your own
- Business Meeting in Hospitality Room at 0930 hrs. Ladies will join the men.
- A.M. - Group trip to the US Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May: Graduation Ceremony.
- Banquet: Happy Hour, Individual Photos (included in registration fee).
- Presentation of Donation Check to the USCG Enlisted Memorial Foundation

Saturday, 22 September, shoulder day rate of \$133:

- Farewell Buffet Breakfast (included in registration fee) - This will be from 0730 hrs to 0900 hrs
- Consider staying one more night at the reduced rate of \$133.

Sunday, 23 September, shoulder day rate of \$133:

- On your own

General notes:

- Guest speaker BMC Chief Thomas Dougherty from the USCG Enlisted Memorial Foundation and First Vice President of the USCG Fleet Reserve Association.
- The beach and boardwalk are available all the time.
- The hospitality room will be open most of the time.
- Please sound off if you would like to volunteer for an event planning or execution task. Please note on registration form (to follow) the tasks listed below, which you would be willing to assist with:
 - a. Assist in the hospitality room serving snacks, beverages or with clean up.
 - b. Organize and maintain a table of memorabilia.
 - c. Be available to pick up participants from the Philadelphia or Atlantic City airport.
 - d. Coordinate the receipt/return of photos and video clips to be played using provided A/V equipment.
 - e. Coordinate compilation of life stories to be collected as a “Memory Book” and distributed to all participants after the Reunion.

If you have a question, email me, Frank Virgilio, at frankjvirgilio@gmail.com or Jack Serany at jserany@cox.net

A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT TO OUR WEBMASTER

A big thank you to Mike Flood, our webmaster, who is doing a terrific job for ALL of us. Please check the website at <http://uscgc-rockaway.org/> for updates and advise Mike or me of any changes.

Fair Winds and Following Seas,
Frank Virgilio and Jack Serany
Rockaway Reunion Planning Committee