



## 2nd Bomb Group – 2008 Reunion – Washington, D.C. Aug 27 – Sept 1, 2008 General Information



Welcome to the 2008 Reunion. The following is general and important information. This packet contains the registration, meal and security information forms. **READ CAREFULLY - DEADLINES ARE NOT FLEXIBLE!**

### **Hotel**

Our hotel is the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel, in Alexandria, Virginia. It is located just west of Interstate 395 at the Seminary Road exit. The hotel is approximately fifteen minutes southwest of D.C. If you are driving, please use the hotel website for directions. [www.alexandria.hilton.com](http://www.alexandria.hilton.com). The hotel sits on 43 beautifully landscaped acres and is the tallest building in Alexandria. It's a lovely property and has won awards. Our hospitality room is on the 29th floor and has an interior staircase to the 30th floor. Be sure to ask for a small refrigerator in your room. Our banquet room has floor to ceiling windows and overlooks a very pretty pond. Please book your hotel accommodations directly with the Hilton, Mark Center, Alexandria, Virginia at either 1-800-445-8667 or visit [www.alexandria.hilton.com](http://www.alexandria.hilton.com) by June 25, 2008.

You may specify the following for your room:

**Refrigerator** – useful if you need to refrigerate medication, juices, milk or children's food

**View of D.C.** – it's five miles away, but on a clear day, it's a very pretty view

**Floor** – upper floors will obviously have better views – they'll also be closer to the hospitality room, but farther from the banquet room and restaurant for breakfast

**Free parking**, if you will be driving to the reunion

Your arrival package from the Reunion Committee will include a 20% discount coupon for breakfast which will be in the Finn & Porter restaurant and has very good food.

The hotel offers a free shuttle to Reagan National Airport and the King Street Metro (subway) station.

Rates: \$89.00 per room, not including taxes. Children under 18 stay free in parent's room.

**Hotel booking telephone number: 1-800-445-8667. Please ask for 2<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Group rate.**

By the way.....D.C. area hotel rates are usually at least \$195.00 per room. This hotel is being very, very nice to us.

### **Tours/Traffic**

Even on a holiday weekend, traffic in D.C. can be heavy, so we'll need to follow the printed schedule as closely as possible. Each bus will leave for the next tour stop when it is full. Most tour stops cannot accommodate more than one busload at a time, so staggered arrivals are fine and are incorporated in the tour times.

Please carry as little as possible. We will each have to clear security at nearly every stop and anything taken onto the bus will probably have to be left on the bus. Our stops are short (one hour or less, except for Mount Vernon, the Capitol and the two Air and Space Museums). The buses will be locked.

## **Payment – Registration - Homeland Security**

Given D.C.'s Homeland Security issues, it is necessary to schedule all tours a minimum of three months prior to our reunion. You will find a separate sheet in your packet with required security information. **This includes children.** Please submit your security information as soon as possible.

## **Security information sheets will be submitted to the Homeland Security Department.**

After you have registered and, when you are at the D.C. reunion, you may choose to not visit any or all of the sites for which you have registered. That's fine. Extra names are not a problem as there is no charge to visit any of these venues. However, there will be no refund for cancellation of bus tours.

Again, **you may choose to not visit the site(s) for which you have registered, but it will not be possible to add your name to a previously submitted list.** The reason for this is that the lists need to be alphabetized and submitted a minimum of three months prior to our requested dates in order for Homeland Security and/or the Secret Service to vet all visitors.

All of the above notwithstanding, please understand that Homeland Security is the final decision-maker in all D.C. security issues. It is possible that all secure sites (White House, Capitol and Pentagon) will be closed for known or unknown reasons. In that case, we will not be able to visit the closed venues.

Thank you for understanding that D.C. has singular security issues which we cannot override.

I prefer to think positively and do know that, with very few exceptions, tours are not cancelled, so my suggestion is that you register for everything to make sure your name is on all of the lists.

I look forward to welcoming you all to D.C. in 2008. Please stay healthy and contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at **703-892-5176** or at [karenwnelson@msn.com](mailto:karenwnelson@msn.com).

Please invite your children, grandchildren, friends and relatives. I think the time we spend in D.C. will be full of history, great stories and beautiful sites. It should be truly memorable for anyone who attends.

Best Regards to You All,

Karen Nelson  
2008 D.C. Reunion Coordinator

# 2nd Bomb Group 2008 Reunion



## Meal & Registration Form

**Please fill out the other side and return  
with payment by June 25th, 2008 to:**

*Karen Nelson, #107, 1300 Army Navy Dr  
Arlington, VA 22202*

**\* Make check payable to  
2nd Bomb Group, Washington DC 2008**

**2nd Bomb Group - 2008 Reunion - Washington, D.C.**

**Meal Form**

**Meals – please choose entrée and show number of people per entrée**

Please complete this form and mail it together with your check to: Karen Nelson, #107, 1300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 703-892-5176 or at karenwnelson@msn.com. **Please make your check payable to 2nd Bomb Group, Washington DC, 2008.**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Guest Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number- Home \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_  
 List any special needs including wheelchair(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult dinners are \$28.00 per person including all taxes and gratuity.  
 Children’s meals (under 12 years of age) are \$10.00 per child including all taxes and gratuity.

**Adult Menus** please choose entrée and show number of people per entrée

**Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>- Buffet**

Assorted Salads, Pastas and Pizza for our first, informal get-together dinner \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**

Chicken Breast \_\_\_\_\_  
 Roast Inside Round of Beef \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**

Market Fresh Fish \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chicken Breast \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup> – Buffet**

Vegetable Lasagna \_\_\_\_\_  
 Beef Lasagna \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> - Banquet**

Chicken Breast \_\_\_\_\_  
 Roast Inside Round of Beef \_\_\_\_\_  
 Market Fresh Fish \_\_\_\_\_

All adult dinners include salad, vegetable, rolls, a starch, assorted deserts, coffee, iced tea and hot tea.

**Children’s Menus – please indicate choice of meal, number of children and date**

	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Pizza ( <u>Wed. only</u> )	_____				
With Applesauce and Milk					
Chicken Fingers	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
With French Fries, Green Beans, Applesauce, and Milk					
Spaghetti and Meatballs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
With Green Beans, Applesauce, and Milk					
Hot Dogs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
With Tater Tots/French Fries, Green Beans, Applesauce, and Milk					

The pizza dinner on Wednesday for children will include applesauce and milk. All child meals are available all days with the exception of pizza which is only available for our informal dinner on Wednesday.

**2ND BOMB GROUP – REGISTRATION for REUNION and EVENTS**  
**Wednesday, August 27th through Monday, September 1, 2008**  
**Must be received by June 25th, 2008**

Please contact me with any questions – Karen Nelson, karenwnelson@msn.com 703-892-5176  
 #107, 1300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202

<b>Name of Event</b>	<b>Per Person</b>	<b>No. of People</b>	<b>Total</b>
Dinner – Adult (Wednesday)	\$28.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Child under 12 (Wed.)	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Thursday) Full Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Thursday) Short Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Adult (Thursday)	\$28.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Child under 12 (Thu.)	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Friday) Full Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Friday) Short Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Spy Museum (Friday)	\$10.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Capitol Box lunch (Friday)	\$ 8.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Arlington Cemetery – Adult (Fri.)	\$ 6.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Arlington Cemetery – Child (Fri.)	\$ 3.50 per child	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Adult (Friday)	\$28.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Child under 12 (Fri.)	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Saturday) Full Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Saturday) Short Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Mount Vernon - Adults (Sat.)	\$11.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Mount Vernon - Child (Sat.)	\$ 6.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
National Cathedral - Adults (Sat.)	\$ 3.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
National Cathedral - Child (Sat.)	\$ 2.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Adult (Saturday)	\$28.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Child under 12 (Sat.)	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Sunday) Full Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Bus Tour (Sunday) Short Tour	\$25.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Washington Monument (Sun.)	Free, timed tickets	_____	
Dinner – Adult (Sunday)	\$28.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Dinner – Child under 12 (Sun.)	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
Registration fee - Adults	\$20.00 per adult	_____	\$ _____
Registration - Child under 12	\$10.00 per child	_____	\$ _____
(Includes hospitality room, wreath for wreath-lying, administration)			

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**Grand Total**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## SECURITY INFORMATION

The information you provide on this form will be shared only with the White House and Pentagon. It will be kept in a locked safe until such time as required by the White House and the Pentagon. Please make additional copies as needed. THIS INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR EVERY PERSON IN YOUR PARTY, INCLUDING CHILDREN.

++ USE NAMES EXACTLY THE SAME AS ON YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE OR PHOTO ID ++  
Mail this completed form to Ms. Karen Nelson, #107, 1300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202

**NOT LATER THAN MAY 20, 2008!**

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Group - 2008 Reunion - Washington, D.C.**

### **Itinerary – (tour stops, times and days may be changed)**

**Wednesday – August 27<sup>th</sup>** – Arrive at hotel – hospitality room open at 9:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m. – Casual dinner at hotel in banquet room

### **Thursday – August 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. – Leave hotel

9:00 a.m. - **White House** – exclusive tour for our group – (120 minutes) – strict dress code (no tank tops, flip-flops or shorts) – also see \*Note on Security and Tours following this Itinerary

11:00 a.m. – **Pentagon** – thirty minute tour – tours will begin as our buses arrive

Drive to **Udvar-Hazy** (one hour drive)

Lunch at **Udvar-Hazy** – paid individually – please proceed with lunch as your bus arrives

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - **Udvar-Hazy National Air and Space Museum**

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - **Air Force Memorial** –wreath-lying with bugler playing Taps

Return to hotel – hospitality room open

7:30 p.m. - Dinner at hotel with guest speaker

\*\*\* Thursday Full Tour Includes - White House, Pentagon, Udvar-Hazy National Air & Space Museum and the Air Force Memorial.

\*\*\* Thursday Short Tour only includes - White House, and Air Force Memorial.

### **Friday – August 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. – Leave hotel

9:00 am - **Spy Museum** – special \$10.00 rate per person for our group (normally \$16.00 per person)

12:00 noon - Lunch at the **Capitol** – box lunches – paid in advance

1:00 p.m. - **US Capitol** – exclusive tour with Congressional staff member

3:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. **Library of Congress** and **Supreme Court** both of which are directly across from the Capitol – you will visit these on your own - please read enclosed brochures to plan your visit to each building. Internet addresses are [www.loc.gov](http://www.loc.gov) and [www.supremecourtus.gov](http://www.supremecourtus.gov)

\*\*Please see note at end of Itinerary. Buses leave at 4:45 p.m. for Arlington Cemetery.

5:15 p.m. – **Arlington Cemetery** Tourmobile tour – Kennedy grave and Tomb of the Unknown

Return to hotel – hospitality room open

7:30 p.m. – Dinner at hotel with guest speaker

\*\*\* Friday Full Tour Includes - Spy Museum, lunch at the Capitol, US Capitol, Library of Congress, Supreme Court, Arlington Cemetery.

\*\*\* Friday Short Tour Includes - Spy Museum and lunch at the Capitol.

### **Saturday – August 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. – Leave hotel

9:00 am - **Mount Vernon** – spectacular new visitor center, George Washington's house and grounds

11:30 – 12:00 - Lunch at **Mount Vernon** (please see enclosed food court menu) – paid individually

12:45 p.m. - **National Cathedral** – 30 minute tour (given in groups of 50 as we arrive)

2:30 -5:30 p.m. - **National Archives** – 30 minute tour. Half of our group will start at the Archives and the other half at American History. [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov) and **American History Museum** (President

Lincoln's top hat and coat, wonderful displays of Presidential memorabilia, Dorothy's ruby red slippers, etc.)

Return to hotel – hospitality room open

7:00 p.m. – Dinner at hotel with guest speaker

\*\*\* Saturday Full Tour Includes - Mount Vernon, Lunch at Mount Vernon, National Cathedral, National Archives, and American History Museum.

\*\*\* Saturday Short Tour Includes - Mount Vernon, Lunch at Mount Vernon

### **Sunday – August 31<sup>st</sup>**

8:30 a.m. leave hotel for Monuments and Memorials

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. - **Monuments and Memorials** (WWII, Lincoln, Jefferson, Vietnam, Korean, FDR, Washington – (tour to the top, weather permitting, timed tickets required). Those who choose to visit the Washington Monument may not have time for all of the other monuments and/or memorials.

1:00 p.m. - Lunch at Air and Space – paid individually

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – **National Air and Space Museum** on the Mall

**Return to hotel by 5:30 for Group meeting in hospitality room**

7:30 p.m. – Dinner at hotel with guest speaker

\*\*\* Sunday Full Tour Includes - Monuments and Memorials and National Air and Space Museum

\*\*\* Sunday Short Tour only Includes - Monuments and Memorials

**Monday – September 1<sup>st</sup>** – Depart hotel. Free shuttle to Reagan National Airport.

### **\* Note on Security and Tours**

Nearly every building we will visit will require our passing through security. Please take only essentials with you as it generally takes 15 to 30 seconds for each person to clear security. All tours will start when 20 to 30 people have cleared security and will continue in groups until we have all been accommodated.

The White House and Pentagon do not allow cameras. In fact, they don't allow anything except wallets, cell phones and medication. We will need to leave everything else in the buses, which will be locked. Please wear clothing with pockets for your wallet and cell phone. Please do not try to take purses, backpacks, briefcases, water bottles or camera cases into the White House or Pentagon.

**\*\* Regarding the Supreme Court and Library of Congress** - both are directly across the street from the Capitol. Walking time is less than five minutes from the Capitol to the Library of Congress and less than five minutes from the Library of Congress to the Supreme Court. They are, literally, a stone's throw apart. The Library of Congress closes at 4:00 p.m. so please visit it first.

We will not have tour guides for either building. The Library of Congress has, in addition to the three important features listed below, a changing exhibit which is always interesting. Please visit as much of the Library as your time allows.

Our timing is flexible for these two buildings. The Supreme Court can be seen in fifteen minutes (lawyers and those interested in Constitutional law excepted). The Library of Congress has three notable features, none of which should be missed. They are, the Main Reading Room, an original Gutenberg Bible and, the renovated and refurbished Main Hall which is one of the most beautiful public spaces in the United States.

Our buses will leave at 4:45 p.m. for our Arlington Cemetery tour which begins at 5:15 p.m., so you will have one hour and forty-five minutes to see both buildings.

Wheelchairs are available at nearly all of our stops. Please indicate your requirements on the enclosed form.