

Class of 1985,

We are now 24 days away from the kickoff of our 40th Reunion. As of today, we have 850 Classmates and guests registered to attend, with new attendees trickling in each day. This is great news as you can imagine, we are the USNA Class with the highest reunion attendance so far this Fall. I am putting many of the final touches on all the events of the weekend.

Some of the highlights for the weekend will be an entire buyout of McGarvey's Saloon on Thursday night, that has only happened once before. The new USNA Superintendent, Lt. General Mike Borgsschulte, USMC, Class of '91, will be speaking at our Friday Class Meeting/Supe's Briefing from 1400-1530 at Mahan Hall. We are also honored to be welcoming back classmate Admiral Stuar Munsch, the 3 Star Admiral serving as commander of United States Naval Forces Europe-Africa and commander of Allied Joint Force Command Naples. Stuart will be saying a few words welcoming everyone back at the Supe's Briefing.

Other highlights include being the largest USNA group to date to have a function at the Fluegel Alumni Center and of course, our typical Class Tailgate on Saturday featuring a performance from the local popular cover band Deadeye Stare, then we end the weekend with our first ever reunion Brunch at King Hall. A special give away this year is from our Classmate and renowned author Rick Campbell, his is giving away a free copy of his latest book entitled: The Final Stand. To learn more about Rick's there great books (I have them all and love his work),

visit: <http://www.rickcampbellauthor.com/> All the information you need about the reunion is on the Class of '85

Website: <http://1985.usnaclases.net/>

You can still register up until September 15th and cancellations up until September 10th will be accepted. Questions about dress codes for the weekend are answered below:

Thursday night:	Casual
Friday night dinner:	Business Casual for men, ladies appropriate dinner attire
Saturday Tailgate:	Casual/Navy Spirit Attire
Sunday Brunch:	Nice casual

Our busses will be running to and from the Springhill Suites, The Graduate and the Westin into the Yard all weekend, as well as from the hotels to our major events. I will publish a schedule in early September and it will also be on display in the lobby of those hotels to assist your transportation planning. We will have paid staff at all events and will be doing a partial registration at McGarvey's in case you arrive later in the day Thursday and need to pick up your lanyards and name tags.

This weekend is the opening for the Navy Football Season against VMI. Our Tailgate crew has put together another great tailgate theme called, "We don't pay for School, but VMI Does!" Here is the link to sign up to attend:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A48ABAB28AAF49-58151403-wedont>

If you plan to attend, please take a few minutes to sign up for an accurate head count, and if you can contribute by bringing something, please do. Let's get Navy off to a great start and another successful season starting this Saturday. I have an extra hotel room if anyone is still in need of one, I have a cancellation at the Graduate and you can assume this reservation at the group rate of under \$300 per night, currently rooms are around \$700 per night and the hotel is almost a complete sell out. Contact me at: usnaclasseof85@gmail.com if you are interested.

I will have other emails coming out soon with more important information. For now, visit the Class website often for updates or if you still need to register or add an event to your registration. Contact me with any questions, concerns or suggestions. See everyone in a few short weeks and Go Navy, Beat VMI!

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