

**Welcome to Galveston!**

March 23-27, 2022

James Madison Reunion

Clarion Pointe at 2300 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, TX, 77550-7940, Phone (409) 750-9192

*Note the name of the hotel has changed but this is the same location.*

<https://www.choicehotels.com/texas/galveston/clarion-hotels/tx296>

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE TO GET THE DISCOUNTED RATES. Our reunion room rate is \$119 per night. Room rates do not include taxes (currently 15%). Breakfast is not included in these rates but is available at \$7 per person each day. The special rate is available 3 nights before and 3 nights after the reunion activities. You must book by phone 409-750-9192 (Prices will be honored Mar 20 - Mar 29, reservations must be made on a timely basis for this rate.)

The Hotel is donating the use of the banquet room and hospitality room; please make your reservations with them. One Registration Fee Of \$150.00 Per Person Pre Paid covers Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday activities including tips.

Please register and make payment no later than January 27, 2022.

<p><b>Wednesday</b>- registration/check in- hospitality room Jimmy john sandwiches..., vegi tray and cheese/cracker tray ) Various libations (Costs incl in registration fee.)</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> NARRATED BUS TOUR PICKUP AT HOTEL AT 9am The tour will consist of an overview of the historical beginnings of Galveston, the 1900 Storm, the seawall and grade raising, other hurricanes and their impact, historical military forts including fort Crockett, San Jacinto, historical districts including The Strand, silk stocking, East end with 1900 storm survivor homes and hurricane ike tree sculptures, downtown area including ports of Galveston, railroad and train station, former red light district, and Postoffice district for lunch and ending at a tour of Bishops palace or Bryan Museum. Return to hotel by 4:00 pm. Tour cost, incl. Tips for driver and guide incl in registration fee. Lunch on your own at various restaurants in the Strand area.</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> Unstructured day. Galveston offers many options for entertainment. You can schedule your own day with a smaller group of shipmates to meet your own interests. Visit the Pleasure Pier, a Tall Ship, the Oil Rig Display, a Railroad Museum, Moody Pyramids. Rent a Model T-styled Golf cart for up to 8 or pedal bikes. A sample list of options is included elsewhere in this newsletter.</p>	<p><b>Saturday</b> Shuttle departs beginning at 9 am to Seawolf park 10:00 am Tolling of the Boats Memorial Service 11:30 Last Bus back to Hotel. (Bus with handicap access provided as a gift by plankowner H.L. CARES, MD) Lunch on your own. 2:00 pm - Business meeting/election in hospitality room After meeting/election, Clear hospitality room for banquet setup 6 pm open bar before banquet 7 pm banquet.</p>

We will be asking ONE Registration fee per person for the entire reunion. This will cover sandwiches & beverages in the Hospitality room on Wednesday registration night plus the bus tour on Thursday including tips and the banquet on Saturday evening. Hospitality room will have: snacks, water, soft drinks, wine and beer daily.

ONE FEE OF \$150.00 PER PERSON.

Name of crew member attending \_\_\_\_\_

Rank & Rate \_\_\_\_\_ Gold / Blue Crew or both.

Address & Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Guest names \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate staying at Clarion Pointe \_\_\_\_\_ or other (RV, Friends, Other hotel) \_\_\_\_\_

One Registration fee per person: must be pre-paid. Please submit check by January 27, 2022

\$150.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Total cost

Make check out to James Madison Reunion Assoc.

Mail to Don Hix, Treasurer, 4911 Albert Ln Rapid City, SD 57703

Call Gil Raynor if you have questions- Work 281-497-8372, Cell 713-397-3481 Email [g.raynor@raynorassoc.com](mailto:g.raynor@raynorassoc.com)

Suggestions for Friday or before and after the reunion:

For those interested you can even rent electric golf carts styled as 1908 ford model t's; 8 seaters and 5 seaters available CARRIAGE HAUS RENTALS, 2007 Strand, Galveston, TX 77550, 409-572-9797 [www.carriagehausrentals.com](http://www.carriagehausrentals.com) for more info

You can also get around Galveston on the trolley system. <https://www.galvestontrolley.com/>

You can request a Galveston Visitor Guide <https://www.visitgalveston.com/plan-your-trip/visitor-guide-request/>

Here is a list in no specific order.

1. The Pleasure Pier directly across from the hotel <https://www.pleasurepier.com/>
  - a. Rides and amusements
  - b. Dining
  - c. Shops
  - d. 5d theatre
2. The tall ship Elissa and associated museum <https://www.galvestonhistory.org/sites/1877-tall-ship-elissa-at-the-galveston-historic-seaport>
3. Moody Gardens pyramid <https://www.moodygardens.com/>
  - a. Rainforest Pyramid
  - b. Aquarium
  - c. IMAX theatre
  - d. Lazy river and wave pool depending on weather conditions.
  - e. Colonel paddle wheel boat
4. Walking along the seawall or renting bicycles or 4 wheel covered surreys <https://www.saltwatergiftshop.com/>
5. <https://www.galveston.com/rosenberg-treasure-galvestons-world-war-i-memorial/> (THIS WILL ALSO BE A STOP ON OUR BUS TOUR)
6. OCEAN STAR OFFSHORE DRILLING RIG AND MUSEUM [https://www.oceanstaroec.com/?utm\\_source=www.galveston.com&utm\\_campaign=hero&utm\\_medium=text-link](https://www.oceanstaroec.com/?utm_source=www.galveston.com&utm_campaign=hero&utm_medium=text-link)
7. GALVESTON RAILROAD MUSEUM [https://galvestonrrmuseum.org/?utm\\_source=www.galveston.com&utm\\_campaign=website-link&utm\\_medium](https://galvestonrrmuseum.org/?utm_source=www.galveston.com&utm_campaign=website-link&utm_medium)
8. RIDE THE FERRY FROM GALVESTON ISLAND TO BOLIVER AND BACK (DEPENDS ON WEATHER CONDITIONS AND SEASONS)
9. PIRATE MUSEUM <https://www.galveston.com/whattodo/arts/museums/pirates/>

FURTHER AWAY BY AUTOMOBILE

KEMAH BOARDWALK

NASA

Challenger Seven Memorial Park <https://www.hcp1.net/Parks/ChallengerSevenMemorial>

The closest airport to Galveston is [Hobby Airport in Houston](#).

The area is also served by [George Bush Intercontinental airport](#)

The hotel does not provide transportation to the airports, there are several shuttle companies that one can use if flying in.

Two shuttle companies serve the airports and Galveston.

Galveston Express is one of many companies in Galveston that provides affordable one-way or round-trip shuttle service between Houston and Galveston Island. <a href="#">Galveston Express</a> Round-trip from Hobby: \$60-\$65. Round-trip from Bush: \$70-\$75. Phone number: 409-762-4397.	<a href="#">Island Breeze Shuttle</a> 5201 Avenue S Galveston, TX 77551 Phone 409-770-0100 Fax 409-497-2275
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There are multiple RV parks nearby as well.

[List of local RV parks](#) <https://rvshare.com/blog/top-10-campgrounds/galveston-texas>