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# C-7A Caribou Association's 26<sup>th</sup> Reunion Lions Gate Hotel, Sacramento, CA September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Place**: The Lion's Gate Hotel at the McClellan Business Park (former site of McClellan AFB) will be headquarters for Reunion 2015.

Lions Gate Hotel 3410 Westover St Sacramento, CA 95652

The hotel has 150 rooms (all smoke free), free high-speed internet access, free guest parking, and space for parking of RVs (no hookup). Amenities include: complimentary hot breakfast, in-room safe (some rooms), coffee maker, mini-refrigerator, microwave oven, LCD cable TV with HBO, electronic door locks, work desk, hair dryer, iron and board, and wake up service.

#### **Hotel Reservations:**

Reservation number is 916-643-6222 or 866-866-710 or online at www.lionsgatehotel.com. Make your reservations **NOW**. Our Group Code to make your reservation is "Caribou15." **To get the group rate, your reservation must be made by 9/2/15.** 

Rooms are \$93.00 per day (taxes excluded) or \$105.09 per day (taxes included). Rate is good for 2 days before and after reunion. Hotel reservations are your responsibility and are not included in any fees paid with reunion registration. Rate is good from 21-29 Sep.

**Hotel Check-In**: The check in time is 3:00 PM or later. Unless the hotel is full the night before, some rooms may be available a little earlier in the afternoon.

Weather: Mid September temperatures range from the mid 50's at night to the mid 80's during the day, with 0.5 inches of rain during the month.

#### **Ground Transportation**

Hotel is 18 miles from the airport. Airport Shuttle: \$15 per person, one way (reservation must be made 48 hours in advance: 866-258-5651)

Reunion Registration: Register for the reunion by mailing your completed form and check made out to the C-7A Caribou Association to Pat Hanavan, 12402 Winding Branch, San Antonio, TX 78230-2770. Upon arrival, pick up your name tag and registration packet in the War Room.

If you do not pre-register, every effort will be made to accommodate last minute arrivals, but we cannot guarantee the availability of an event due to varying prior-notice requirements.

Reunion check-in is from 1400-2100 in the War Room. For those who arrive later, find the War Room and someone will take care of you. If you arrive before noon, come on in and help us set up!

**Reception**: In the War Room, from 1800-2000. Our usual snacks, supplemented with a few *hors d'oeuvres* from hotel catering.

The reception is not the evening meal. Be considerate of others and take only an appropriate serving of items for yourself to make sure that everyone gets their share. The **War Room** will be set with tables to sit around and catch up with old acquaintances. It will open at 3:00 PM on 23 September and close at midnight, and then be available from 7:00 AM to midnight on Thursday through Saturday, and from 7:00 AM until 10:00 AM on Sunday.

Exception:

During periods when reunion attendees are away, e.g., tours, the War Room will be closed (locked up) unless an Association volunteer agrees to act as War Room monitor. The Caribou Association – not the hotel – will be responsible for War Room security throughout the reunion.

#### The O Club

The main building (registration, offices, lounge, restaurant) was the Officers Club for McClellan AFB.

The lounge features pub style appetizers and mouth-watering entrées made from locally sourced ingredients.

Lunch features new takes on loved classics such as fettuccine with prawns and fish and chips with homemade tartar sauce.

Dinner shares some of the favorites from the lunch menu, like their famous General's Burger (awesome!).

When enjoying a meal at O Club, don't forget dessert.

You can review the menus at the website

http://www.oclubonline.com/

#### Wednesday, 23 Sep:

1400-2100 Reunion Registration 1500-2400 War Room open 1500-1700 Memorabilia room open 1800-2000 Welcome reception

Thursday, 24 Sep:
0700-2400 War Room open
0830 Buses from hotel to Old
Sacramento and California State
Railroad Museum
1200-1300 Lunch on your own in
Old Sacramento
1300 Bus from Old Sacramento to
Sutter Creek (wine tasting, shops)
1700 Return by bus to hotel

TBD Dinner on your own 2100-2200 Memorabilia room open **Friday, 25 Sep:** 

0700-2400 War Room open 0800 Buses to Travis Heritage Center 1000 Dedication of Memorial Bench 1130 Lunch at Heritage Center 1300 Return by bus to hotel 1400-1600 Shuttle bus to California Aerospace Museum (at McClellan) 1800-1900 Memorabilia room open 1900 Plated dinner at hotel

## Saturday, 26 Sep:

0700-2400 War Room open 0900-1000 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Caribou Bowl in War Room (prize to winning unit) 1000-1130 Business Meeting 1200-1300 Lunch on-your-own 1300-1400 Memorabilia room open 1630 Group pictures 1800 Social Hour 1900 Banquet at hotel Sunday, 27 Sep:

0700-1000 War Room open Depart for home

To register for the reunion, your dues must be current, i.e., the year on this mailing label must be 2015 or later. Bou Tax is \$10.00 per year and covers our Newsletters, Flyer mailings, web site, and memorials. Include your dues in your check.

## **Old Sacramento**

Old Sacramento. The unique 28-acre National Historic Landmark District and State Historic Park is located along the beautiful Sacramento River. Bustling with activity, the district is alive with shopping, dining, entertainment, historical attractions, and world-renowned museums set within the time of the California Gold Rush and the Transcontinental Railroad.

This national historic landmark overflows with things to see and do. From river boats to railroads, excursions to horse drawn carriages, and riverside bike treks. Old Sacramento is *History on the Move*.

## **Sutter Creek**

A wonderful balance of old and new, today's Sutter Creek maintains its Gold Rush facade while catering to the wants and needs of visitors from around the world. Shop, dine, slumber, stroll, wine taste, and enjoy the quaint atmosphere of the jewel of Amador County and the Gold Country. It is steeped in history being born of the California Gold Rush and nurtured by the deep rock gold mines of the 19th and 20th centuries.

Picturesque Sutter Creek is Amador County's most walkable town

with B&Bs, restaurants, and shops all along the main street. It is the perfect hub to explore the Sierra Foothill Wine Regions.

Sutter Creek, located in the heart of the Sierra Foothill Wine Region, is the perfect launching point for your wine tasting exploration. With wine tasting rooms on Main Street, Amador County's Shenandoah Valley just minutes away near the town of Plymouth, El Dorado County's Fairplay region near Placerville and Calaveras County Wineries near the town of Murphys, just 40 minutes away, Sutter Creek will serve as the perfect day of wine tasting.

We will visit a unique tasting room (Sutter Creek Wine Tasting) featuring two family wineries: Le Mulet Rouge and Gold Hill Winery. Peruse the store while enjoying our wide variety of wines or just sit on the porch and enjoy the historic town. www.suttercreekwinetasting.com

You may walk along both sides of Main Street as you visit Alicia's Antiques, the Columbian Lady, Cozy Collectibles, Creekside Antiques, or have your favorite ice cream delicacy at the Sutter Creek Ice Cream Emporium with its turn of the 20th century decor, player piano, fudge toys, friendly staff, and candy to delight you.

## **Bench Dedication**

On Friday, we go by bus to Travis AFB to dedicate our memorial bench. The C-7A and other aircraft may be open to us. The museum has an excellent variety of well documented aviation artifacts. Lunch will be served in the Travis Heritage Center.

If you plan on going on this trip, you must enter your date of birth (DOB) on the registration form for all attendees of this event.

# **Friday Dinner**

Menu choices are **Chicken Breast** with tomato basil salsa or **Pork Loin** (stuffed with wild mushrooms and leeks), Caesar salad, roasted red potatoes, and fresh seasonal vegetables. Included are rolls, butter, regular/decaf coffee or hot/iced tea, and chocolate cake.

## **Saturday Banquet**

The banquet begins with a payas-you-go social hour at 1800, with dinner at 1900. Choices are **Grilled Sliced New York Steak** with pink peppercorn demi sauce or **Pan Seared Tilapia** with lemon cream sauce, baby spinach salad, fresh baked rolls and butter, carrot cake, and coffee/tea/lemonade.

#### C-7A Caribou Association Reunion 2015 in Sacramento, CA 23-27 September 2015

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Day	Time#	Tours/Events	# People	Price P/P	Total \$	
Wed, 9/23	1400-2100	Reunion Registration – outside War Room at hotel		x \$30		
		C-7A Member Dues - \$10/Year (if BouTax date is less than 2015)		x \$10		
Wed, 9/23	1800-2000	Welcome Reception		Free		
Thu, 9/24	0815-1700	Bus to CA Railroad Museum, Old Sacremento, Sutter Creek (bus from hotel) One bus may return to the hotel and not go to Sutter Creek.		x \$25		
Fri, 9/25	0800-1300	Bus to Travis AFB for bench dedication, visit Travis Heritage Center, and lunch		x \$30		
Fri, 9/25	1400-1600	Shuttle bus from hotel to CA Aerospace Museum (at McClellan Base)		Free		
Fri, 9/25	1900-2000	Plated dinner at hotel		x \$36		
		chicken pork				
Sat, 9/26	1900-2200	Banquet (plated dinner) at hotel		x \$38		
		beef fish				
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# Aerospace Museum of California

The Museum has a wide-range of aircraft, both military and civilian – everything from biplanes to Russian MiGs, a Blue Angels' fighter, A-10 Thunderbolt, and F-14 Tomcat.

The rapid advance in aircraft design and the diversity of technological innovation is visible and waiting for all to explore. The collection includes: low sub-sonic planes, propeller driven biplanes made of cloth-covered wooden structures, triple-sonic planes, and jet powered aerospace vehicles. The Air Park features fighters, trainers, transport and specialized aircraft flown by the USAF and Navy from 1940 to 2000.

## Reminder

If you plan on going on the bench dedication and visit to the Travis Heritage Center, you must enter your date of birth (DOB) on the registration form for each attendee of this event.

The Travis Heritage Center is inside the base perimeter and we must be cleared in advance.

## Notice!!!

The car information in the upper right corner of the registration form on page 3 is **VERY IMPORTANT** in completing our reunion planning. Please, make sure you complete this item before you send in your registration.

## **Caribou Bowl**

In the War Room on Saturday from 0900-1000, teams of 6 (recommend 2 ladies on each team) will compete in the 4<sup>th</sup> Caribou version of the G.E. College Bowl of the 60's. Questions will be based on T.O. 1C-7A-1; T.O. 1C-7A-2; tests given CCTS; wing and squadron histories; and general knowledge from the 60's and 70's (news, celebrities, music, TV, films).

In 2014, the 457<sup>th</sup> TAS won the third Caribou Bowl.

# **Business Meeting**

On Saturday, the Business Meeting will be from 1000-1130 in the War Room.



Check this out! The information you need to attend the 26th C-7A Caribou Association reunion is here!



Address Service Requested

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