THE SACRAMENTO REUNION

September 4-5-6-7, 2013

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HEADQUARTERS HOTEL -

REUNION CHAIR -

Lions Gate Hotel & Conference Center, 3410 Westover St, Sacramento (McClellan), CA 95652.
Telephone 916-643-6222 or 866-258-5651 (toll free)

The Lions Gate Hotel and Conference Center is located in Sacramento at McClellan Business Park. It blends more than 70 years of military service and history with today's demanding business climate. The Lions Gate Hotel and Conference Center is the ultimate example of the creative reuse of a former U.S. Air Force Base facility.

The hotel offers free parking, and complimentary shuttle from Sacramento Intl Airport upon request. To arrange airport shuttle service call the hotel.

This is a pet friendly hotel for those of you traveling with furry friends. Please contact the hotel for specific details.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS -

No mail-in reservations are required. Telephone the hotel at the above number. Ask for the *398th Bomb Group* rate of \$92.00.



REGISTRATION -

Use the Official Registration Form on page 5. Fill in completely itemizing the cost of each tour selected, banquet meals selected, registration fee of \$10 or \$20, and the yearly dues (if applicable). Send the form, with your covering check to Kenneth Howard. He will return a copy of your form, with accompanying receipt of your funds.

BANQUETS -

The Welcome and Farewell banquets will be held in the hotel ballroom on Thursday, September 5, and Saturday September 7, respectively. Make your table reservations when picking up your Registration Packet. All Banquet Tickets must show a Table Number.

Tours

THURSDAY, September 5, 2013 – Sacramento "River City" Tour 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Sacramento is deeply rooted in the legacy and legends of the great California Gold Rush which triggered the single greatest peacetime migration in US history. The mark of these prospectors, lawmen, outlaws and visionaries runs throughout the region. Follow in their footsteps and hear the stories of sparkling gold, the transcontinental railroad, and the Pony Express. Also hear tales of the hardships and tragedy of the early pioneers. Drive past the Stanford Mansion, the historic Victorian era Governor's Mansion, Sutter's Fort, and the 40-acre International Gardens with plants and trees from around the world. It also includes an interior tour of the gorgeous Capitol Building that went through an extensive remodeling to bring it back to its 1870's beauty. Also enjoy time in Old Sacramento to have lunch on your own and do some shopping.

FRIDAY, September 6, 2013 – Coloma Sutter's Sawmill and Gold Bug Mine Tour 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

We will head for Coloma and travel to the Gold Discovery Site where we tour Sutter's Sawmill, museum, and explore outdoor exhibits such as the Chinese Store, Miner's Cabin and equipment. Then depart for downtown Placerville to enjoy some shopping, have lunch on your own, and then depart for Placerville for a visit to the Gold Bug Mine. Placerville is a scenic and charming California gold rush town strategically located in the California Foothills. The prosperity of California's "Gold Country" that drew gold seekers of yesterday is still being discovered today. Take a step back in time when you enter the Gold Bug Mine, a real gold mine from the Gold Rush Days.

SATURDAY, September 7, 2013 – Wine Excursion to Lodi 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Welcome to Lodi Wine Country! This emerging jewel of California wine is a treat to visit: from its rural atmosphere and relaxed pace to beautiful vineyards and exquisite wines. The unknown fact about Lodi is that it is the largest grapegrowing region in the state! Lodi is home to over 60 wineries of "Lodi" labeled wines and thousands of acres of premium grapes. Included in your excursion will be a stop at two local venues for wine tasting, while learning about grape varietals, pest, prohibition, and how to taste wine like an expert. Enjoy lunch on your own in downtown Lodi.



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