

C-7A CARIBOU ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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REUNION 2000 JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The C-7A Caribou Association Reunion 2000 is scheduled for the week of September 4 - 9, 2000. It is being held at the Sheraton Hotel in College Park / Beltsville Md. just above Washington, DC. Take Exit 29 B off of I-95. The address is: Sheraton Hotel, 4095 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, MD. 20705. Telephone (301) 973-4422.

The hotel has just renovated all of its guest rooms. It has an outside pool and exercise room. The restaurant is a full service restaurant for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The cocktail lounge is just off the restaurant and is very comfortable. The Sheraton Hotel has extended the guest room rate from September 2, 2000 through September 11, 2000. The guest room rate is \$77.00 a night for a single or double occupancy.

Monday, September 4 and Tuesday, September 5 are Early Bird days. Great activities are planned for both the Early Bird days and all week. Wednesday, September 6th is the official reunion "kick-off" with a free reception from 5 p.m. till 7 p.m. Thursday, September 7 and Friday, September 8 have tours planned. On Friday there is the annual business meeting and the banquet dinner. Saturday, September 9 has a Washington tour scheduled and Sunday, September 10 is check out day.

Paul and Christine Phillips have been laboring for the past several months putting together a splendid array of activities for our Reunion 2000 in College Park, Md.

Paul says that the Washington weather is great in September. There is a lot to do and see in the Baltimore Washington Area. For those that have served in the area while on active duty, this may be a chance to look up some old friends and visit some of the places you en-

joyed before. For those that have never been to the Washington area, this will be a very exciting and informative time. The reunion has been extended by a few days to allow for extra time to relax from jet lag or a long drive. Brochures on most of the area attractions will be available at the registration desk. Each evening part of the ballroom will be used as the war room. Group rates have been requested for all of the activities of interest. Minimum group numbers must be met in some instances to qualify for discounted fees. Traffic in the Baltimore Washington area can be tough at times so buses have been selected as a better way to get around for group activities. For members with their own cars who want to go places, but not in groups, maps will be available. The following is a short description of what they have laid out for us. This schedule will whet your appetite for a grand and fun reunion.

MONDAY

Registration 3:30 pm. You may register at any time after today.

Free Time or NASA Site Visit at 1:30 pm.

This is a 1 hour walking tour of the Space Telescope Operations Control Center & NASA Communications Center. Car pool to NASA.

TUESDAY

Baltimore Inner Harbor: Leave the hotel by bus at 9 am and return at 5 pm. The Inner Harbor is a great place to shop, be entertained and have a fun time. It is known for it's many restaurants, seafood and fun eateries along the water. The following are some of the main attractions in the Inner Harbor.

The National Aquarium is the centerpiece of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Experience the magic of the

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Register Now

Be sure to use the registration form on page 7 and mail it, with your check, to Jim Collier before August 15th. If not mailed by August 15, then you may pay at registration. And better phone and make those hotel reservations right away. The sooner you register the sooner the reunion committee will know how to plan for the number of attendees.

Bill Avon – Super Recruiter

(Bill Avon was elected to his second term as a board member in 1999, and his assignment is Recruitment Chairman.)

Bill Avon joined the Army Reserves in 1954, and transferred to the Air Force in 1955. He started his career as an aircraft mechanic and crew chief on KC-

See Recruiter, pg 3

Election of Officers

Election of Officers and Board members.

Your association board has proposed the following nominations for election to the officer and board positions. These are only proposals. Your nominations will be invited from the floor.

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Nominated</u>
President	Steve Kelley	Steve Kelley
Vice President	Paul Whelan	Paul Whelan
Secretary	Jim Collier	
Treasurer	Earl Reynolds	Earl Reynolds
Board Member	Milt Golart	Milt Golart
Board Member	Bill Avon	Bill Avon
Board Member	Dave Hutchens	Bob Dugan

Article 5 of the Association Bylaws prescribes that association business be conducted using e-mail as the usual mode of communication. Therefore any nominations to office or board positions should take into consideration the use of e-mail.

Jim Collier has decided to not stand for re-election as Association Secretary. Jim has performed an outstanding job in fulfilling the secretarial position. Replacing Jim is a very important function at this year's business meeting. It should be noted that Jim has maintained the association membership roster using Microsoft Access and he has conducted association business using Microsoft Word. Therefore some computer expertise would be very helpful in fulfilling the secretary position.

Anyone interested in running for the secretary position, or any other position, please step forward and make your interest known. Between now and the reunion you can contact any board member or officer to submit your name for nomination. Or, if not now, your name can be submitted from the floor at the business meeting.

You can contact any of the following people to submit your name:

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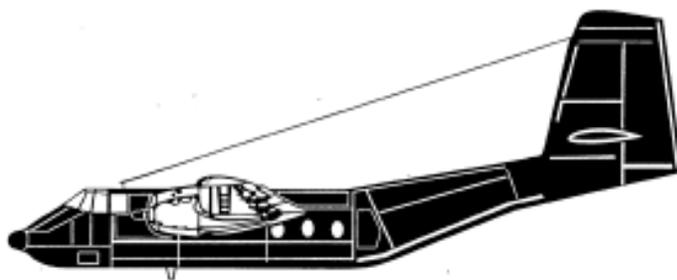
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Editor's Notes:

Typographical errors are always a problem. Proof reading is not always the answer. As a matter of fact the last newsletter was proof read three times and all corrections were made on the computer. But somehow, the corrections were not saved to disk. *So much for proof reading!* But I didn't catch my own error in reporting on page 10 the dates that Colonel Mascot served as 483 TAW Commander. It should have read 4 November 1966 - 7 October, 1967. Sorry, Col. Mascot.

COL. LARIVEE AND THE SIEGE OF DAK SEANG

Colonel Roger P. Larivee was Deputy Commander for Operations of the 483rd Tactical Airlift Wing from October 1969 until September 1970. A native of Holyoke, MA, he flew as a pilot during World War II and later became a Special Air Mission (SAM) Pilot aboard



Air Force One. He earned bachelor and masters degrees and after first receiving a Pentagon assignment when graduating from National War College in 1969, he volunteered for Vietnam.

During his one-year as DCO of the 483rd TAW, he took over as on-scene commander at Pleiku Air Base during the April 2nd to April 12th 1970 aerial resupply of Dak Seang, the most hazardous C-7 (Caribou) operations of the war. An estimated 3,600 Viet Cong and North Vietnamese Army troops had staged a massive siege of this small South Vietnamese Special Forces camp in the Central Highlands. Under repeated attacks and heavy fire, the camp's survival was dependent upon airdropped supplies from C-7 aircraft. An extraordinary and extended effort was launched to save the camp through C-7 airdrops due to its being one of the first tests of the United States' Vietnamization program.

Dak Seang was situated in a narrow valley with mountain peaks above the camp of 4,000 feet and 2100 feet on each side and 1400 feet to the north. Approach paths to the drop zone were severely limited, and the C-7, with its 110-knot airdrops at an altitude of 300 feet, was exceptionally vulnerable. Even more significantly, the enemy anti-aircraft defense was one of the most elaborate encountered in the II Corps Tactical Zone. Consisting mainly of 12.7 mm machine guns, it contained in-depth and dug-in positions on ridges overlooking both sides of the camp.

In the first five days of the ten day siege, three C-7s were shot down and nine crewmembers were killed. Twenty-five other aircraft received hits from ground fire. Displaying leadership through example, Colonel Larivee led five-ship formations of Caribous over the tiny 200 x 220 foot drop zone on three successive days. After making a total of five flights he was ordered by his superiors to refrain from exposing himself to further danger.

Deeply concerned over casualties incurred, Col. Larivee devised an imaginative use of the illumination capabilities of AC-119 aircraft to attempt single-ship airdrops at night. Recognizing the inherent dangers of night flights at low level in hostile, mountainous terrain, he insisted on flying the initial mission himself. He took along with him Captain Tim Black, who had first approached him on attempting night airdrops. This revolutionary tactic, developed and implemented under difficult combat conditions, saved the camp by permitting continued airdrops without further losses.

For his dauntless courage under fire at Dak Seang, Colonel Larivee was recommended for the Air Force Cross by B/Gen John H. Herring, Commander, 834th Air Division. Colonel Larivee retired less than six months later and was awarded the Silver Star in retirement. In his post-military career he became Chief Administrative Officer for the city of Lafayette, LA and manager of the Lafayette Municipal Auditorium. On September 15, 1995 he succumbed to prostate cancer at the age of 71. His wife, Marie Therese, three daughters and a brother survived him.

Mike Nassr, Roger's Chief of Stan/Eval

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97s at Homestead AFB, Florida. In 1962 Bill was transferred to McConnell AFB in Wichita, Kansas to Titan II Missiles as a missiles facilities maintenance supervisor and instructor. In September 1968 Bill got his call to Viet Nam. He was sent to the 537th Squadron at Phu Cat to work on, what else but... the Caribou! He was at Phu Cat for about sixty days when he was relocated to Pleiku as the mission site maintenance supervisor. As a result of an emergency personnel action, he wound up as the Site Commander. He bunked and lived with the Army Special Forces. His primary job while in 'Nam, as he describes it, was "kicking cargo and performing maintenance, anything to keep the Bou's flying."

After his 'Nam tour, Bill returned to the states and was stationed at Altus AFB in Oklahoma. He was assigned to maintenance squadrons for the C-141 and C-5 aircraft. He was moved to the Chief of Maintenance Complex where he handled many different assignments within the Complex. Bill retired from the Air Force in 1978.

After his Air Force career of twenty-four years, Bill spent the next twenty years with the Ohio State Veterans

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Aquarium. Venture into the domain of dazzling real fish, sleek sharks, playful dolphins and thousands of other creatures including venomous animals in a gallery tailored just for them. Discover life and enjoy nature at Maryland's premier attraction. We are scheduled for 9:45 am at the Aquarium. It takes about 2- 2 1/2 hours or till about 12:15. The price is \$12.75, or \$8.75 for seniors over 60.

B&O Railroad is the Birthplace of American Railroading. Take the nostalgic journey into America's past at the most historic site in American railroading. The Roundhouse was built in 1884 and is the most spectacular single sight at the museum. The museum houses the steam engine known as the "Tom Thumb" steam engine. Enjoy a light lunch in an original dining car and tour a railroad executive's Pullman's Coach. The Museum houses a forty foot HO model layout. This is one of the oldest HO layouts of its kind. The B&O Museum costs \$5.00/person if we have a group of 10. Individual rates are \$7.00 and \$6.00 for Seniors over 60. You can do the B&O Museum in 2 hours.

Baltimore Inner Harbor Cruise is \$8.80. Seniors \$6.60. You can get off at Fort McHenry and return on another boat. Cost for Fort McHenry is \$5.00. Cost to tour the USS Constellation is \$6.00. Seniors \$4.75. The boat ride is an hour without stopping at Fort McHenry. You can do Fort McHenry in an hour. The cost for the bus is \$13.00 per person.

WEDNESDAY

Andrews Air Force Base Special Mission Tour and Silver Hill Tour: Leave the hotel at 8 am and return at 5 pm. Arrive at the 89th Airlift Wing HQ. Tour Special Mission Aircraft used for transporting the Vice President and First Lady as well as for executive travel. Continue on to President Heliport. Have lunch at Andrews. Lunch is dutch. The cost for the bus is \$17.00 per person. Continue on to Silver Hill or Montpelier Mansion Art Center at 2 pm. Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Paul E. Garber Preservation & Restoration Silver Hill Tour: Be prepared for the behind the scenes tour where they refurbish the aircraft for the National Air and Space Museum. A visit to Montpelier is a return to the past, to an era of gracious living and hospitality. The house is of Georgian Architecture built in the late 1760's. On the site is an art center and English tea house with many unique items. Cost to go to the Montpelier Mansion is \$2.00. Cost of bus is \$13 if you did not go to Andrews.

Free Reception at the Sheraton 5-7pm

THURSDAY

U S Naval Academy/Annapolis Tour: Leave the hotel at 9 am and return at 3 pm. The Naval Academy tour includes an information movie followed by a walking tour of various buildings. The Academy's current activities determine which buildings will be seen. Part of the tour includes The Chapel, Student Dormitory and the Sports Complex. An impressive sight is the Cadets, in full dress uniform, coming together and marching away from the Noon Assembly. Cost is \$16.00 per person

Choices for lunch, which includes chips, soda and dessert are: roast beef sandwich, fresh tuna salad sandwich, sliced turkey deli sandwich or sliced ham deli sandwich. Lunch at the Naval Academy is \$4.50.

Annapolis is the site of the State Rotunda of Maryland. It is located on the water next to the U. S. Naval Academy. This is a unique town of old architect and waterfront splendor with a wonderful array of small shops and eateries in a quaint setting.

94th Aero Squadron Restaurant. Leave the hotel at 5 pm and return at 8:30 pm. Step into the past as you enjoy a wonderful meal. Take a walk down memory lane as you view the memorabilia of War World II. A display of fighter and trainer aircraft greets you as you enter the 94th Aero Squadron Restaurant. The buffet dinner includes caesar & garden salad, chicken marsala, sirloin tips, baked catfish, mash potatoes, vegetable medley, rolls, coffee, tea and a chef's selection of desserts. Bus cost is \$4.50. The cost of the buffet at the 94th Aero Squadron is \$24.00 and includes tips and tax.

FRIDAY

College Park Airport & Aviation Museum Tour: Leave the hotel at 8:30 am and return at 1 pm. College Park is the oldest continuously operating airport in the country. Wilbur Wright taught the first military officers to fly at College Park. In 1911 the first Military Aviation School opened; soon to follow was the first bomb - dropping device, the first machine gun from a plane and the first use of lights for night landing. In 1918 the first airmail service from Washington DC to College Park Field was flown. The airmail hanger and compass rose are still in existence today. In 1924 the Berliner's made their first controlled vertical flight. 1933 saw the first directional guidance system, the basis for the current instrument landing system (ILS) used by pilots today. On Display is a 1911 Wright Model B airplane, one of the first Aircraft to fly. Also on Display is a Berliner Aircraft. Cost is \$11.00 per person. Caribou Association Business Meeting, 2 pm. Group Picture 6-7 pm.

Banquet Dinner 7-10 pm: The menu choices are Breast of Chicken, Sliced Roast Beef or Vegetarian. Cost is \$18.50 and includes tax and tip. Bar tabs are not included in this

price.

SATURDAY

Washington Tour: Leave the hotel at 8 am and return at 4 pm. The cost for the bus is \$12.00.

Burn Brae Dinner / Theatre: The bus leaves at 5:30 pm and returns at 10:30 pm. First of all... feast on a fine "all you can eat" meal. Top it off with ice cream, cake and coffee... then sit back and enjoy two hours of songs of the 50s and 60s... Songs by Peggy Lee, Buddy Holly, Elvis, the Temptations, the Supremes... Rick the DJ announcer gives a running commentary of each song the cast performs. As the night progresses, the second part of the show jumps into the 70s with the Ma Ma's and Pa Pa's, then... Sonny & Cher and a little disco. The cast does a wonderful job of keeping you entertained. Rick the DJ keeps you informed about each song. And as the night progresses the feet are tapping and the hands are clapping, until at the end of the night, every one is on their feet, arms in the air singing along with the cast. The cost for the Bus and the Burn Brae Dinner Theatre is \$35.00 plus gratuity. Gratuity is at the discretion of each table.

There is something for everyone. We should all have a grand time together. Looking forward to seeing you in September.

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Department where he helped veterans find jobs, benefits, training, etc. He retired for the second time in 1998. But Bill is still very active as a volunteer in the Air Force Retiree Office.

Bill first joined the Caribou Association in 1995. He attended his first reunion in 1998 at Wright Pat where he was elected to the association's board. Bill's main thrust is and has been recruiting new members and coaxing inactive members back to the fold. Bill has ads and notices running in 27 different veterans organizations or veterans magazines. He is working with 117 Retiree Activities Offices across the country using their newsletters and bulletin boards to promote our Association. Bill says that he feels like he is working against time because "as we all know, time will make our membership list grow smaller." Bill's hopes are to see all Caribou Veterans become members and to have the best reunions possible.

Bill, we all appreciate the great job you are doing. Keep up the good work.

Hutch on Intercom

A lot has happened since our last newsletter. Paul and Christine Phillips have been working very hard putting together what is going to be an outstanding reunion. The reunion theme is "From the Past to the Future." They have lots of interesting stuff in the mill for us. General Handy, former Caribou Pilot, now vice chief of staff, Headquarters USAF, Washington, D.C., will be our keynote speaker. John Piasecki of Piasecki Aircraft, originators of the CH-47 Chinook, and the H-21 helicopters, will talk to us about aircraft of the future. Possibly Dan Newman, of Boeing Aircraft will also be on hand to brief us on the Osprey.

Meanwhile, our web site has grown dramatically in content and visits. I recorded 2,407 hits as of March 11, 2000. Today the number of hits is 5,826. That's 3419 hits in just four months. The picture gallery has grown by leaps and bounds. Peter Bird, our web master, has added a very fine map of Viet Nam where you can trace your journey through the jungles and beaches of S.E.A.

The site continues to grow with constantly changing news about the Association. Effort is being made to capture Squadron and Wing history. And of course there is the complete, updated association membership roster where you can search for lost buddies or houch-mates.

If you haven't visited the site, you are missing a wonderful visit to the past. Some of the guys who have contributed the pictures have written some very interesting articles to compliment their picture galleries. If you haven't visited the site, you must. And if you have visited the site, but haven't explored all of it, you should. And if you haven't visited recently, things have changed. Better log on to www.C-7ACaribou.com.

There seems to be something in the air that portends an ever-increasing interest in the Caribou experience. Jim Collier reports some 26 new members have joined our association. As of June, twenty-seven older members have renewed their membership since the Tucson Reunion. Paul Phillips reports that the Military Airlift Command museum at Dover AFB has a C-7A, tail # 63-9760. The museum is manned by former Caribou people who didn't even know about us, but are interested in our Association. When talking with other association members there is an air of excitement in the conversations. We're certainly on a roll. Hopefully our membership will continue to grow. We know that there

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are a lot of Caribou folks out there that don't know about our Association. We need to increase attendance at our reunions. There are over 1500 names on the Association roster. There were 358 dues-paid members as of the date of the Tucson reunion. Only 84 members attended the Tucson reunion. If we can guarantee larger reunion attendance, we can negotiate better prices on everything from hotel rooms to events. If each one of us made a commitment to ourselves to make contact with just one old Viet Nam acquaintance who is not an association member, I'm sure the results would be tremendous. We need volunteers. What have you done for your organization today?

Editor: Dave Hutchens

Cross-talk

Bob Dugan has been in contact with the Sheraton Hotel in Beltsville, Md. regarding parking arrangements. He found out that they have a big parking lot that is well lit. There is no charge for parking and they have roving security at night. For those who plan on arriving in RV's or trailers, there is adequate parking for those units. But they do ask that those units be parked in the rear of the parking lot.

Paul Phillips writes:

Christine and I took a trip down to Dover AFB, Delaware, to visit their museum. They have a pretty good collection of aircraft, both inside and out on the ramp. We saw a C-47 from the Berlin airlift, a T-33, T-29, C-54, B-17, C-119, C-141A, C-141B, F-80, F-101, and yes, a C-7A. We were allowed to go aboard the Caribou. It had manuals and T.O.'s and looked like it had just come in from Nam. It was pretty exciting, but of course, I get excited easily. We learned that there is a C-7B. Ask me about the C-7B while we are at the reunion.

The people at the museum were old Caribou people. They were very anxious to hear about our association. Of course, I invited them to join and come to our reunion. They have asked for our help in putting together a display of some sort for their C-7A exhibit. It probably would be a great opportunity to get out the word about our Caribou Association. There were a lot

See **Crosstalk**, pg 8.

The Story of "Taps"

We have all heard the haunting song, "Taps". It's the song that gives us that lump in our throats and usually creates tears in our eyes. But, do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be delighted to find out about it's humble beginnings.

It all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land.

During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay mortally wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment. When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier but the soldier was dead.

The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, he enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted.

The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate; but, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician

**"Day is done,
Gone the sun,
From the lakes,
From the hills,
From the sky,
All is well,
Safely rest,
God is nigh."**

The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted and the haunting melody we now know as "Taps" used at military funerals was born.

Sign-up for C-7A Caribou Association Reunion 2000, College Park, MD

The Sheraton Hotel has agreed to extend our guest room rate of \$77.00/ night for a single or double occupancy from September 2 - 11, 2000. The hotel code is C7A for the \$77.00 rate, hotel # 301-937-4422 and Sheraton's central reservation # 1-800-325-3535. A deposit, by personal check or credit card, equal to one nights stay is required to hold each individual's reservation. Should guests cancel a reservation, deposits are refunded if notice is received at least 2 working days prior to arrival, and a cancellation number is obtained. The cut off for this rate is Aug. 5, 2000, but they will still accept reservations based on room availability. Make your hotel reservations NOW.

Name desired on name tag: **Mine:** _____ **Companion:** _____
 I plan to arrive on (date) _____. Make reservations for the following activities.

MONDAY: September 4, NASA Visit at 1:30 pm. Car pool FREE.

Will attend, please circle, YES/NO Have car YES/NO can take **(number)** _____ riders.

TUESDAY: September 5

Baltimore Inner Harbor bus leaves hotel 9 am, return 5 pm, bus cost \$13.00 per person. You can probably do 2 of the following 3 activities easily. All 3 if you push.

The National Aquarium in Baltimore, 09:45. The price is \$12.75 or \$8.75 for seniors 60+. We need 15 people to get these prices. Please indicate if you wish to tour Aquarium:**(number)** _____

B&O Railroad cost \$7.00 and \$6.00 for Seniors 60+.

Baltimore Inner Harbor Cruise \$8.80. Seniors \$6.60 . You can get off at Fort McHenry and return on another boat. Fort McHenry \$5.00 if you get off.

Prepay for bus, pay for other activities at registration: (number) _____ x \$13.00= _____

WEDNESDAY: September 6

Andrews Air Force Base Special Mission and Silver Hill Tour \$17.00 per person, leave 8 am, return 5 pm

Prepay for bus: (number) _____ x \$17.00= _____

Montpelier Mansion Art Center, 2pm. We need 23 people for this tour in addition to people from Andrews who do not want to go to Silver Hill. Bus \$13.00 unless you did the Andrews tour, entrance fee \$2.00

Prepay for bus: (number) _____ x \$13.00= _____

Free Reception at the Sheraton 5-7pm : (number) _____ x Free

THURSDAY: September 7

U S Naval Academy/Annapolis Tour Cost is \$16.00 for bus and \$4.50 lunch per person. Leave 9 am, return 3 pm.

Choices for lunch are, write in number requested, includes chips, soda and dessert:

Roast Beef : _____ Sliced Turkey _____ Sliced Ham _____ Fresh Tuna salad _____

Prepay for bus and lunch: (number) _____ x \$20.50= _____

94th Aero Squadron Restaurant

Bus cost is \$4.50 per person \$24.00 all you can eat buffet, includes tips and tax. Leave 5 pm, return 8 pm

Prepay for bus and dinner:(number) _____ x \$28.50= _____

FRIDAY: September 8

College Park Airport & Aviation Museum Tour \$11.00 Leave 8 am, return 1 pm

Prepay for bus and museum tour: (number) _____ x \$11.00= _____

C-7A Caribou Association Business Meeting 2 pm members only.

C-7A Caribou Association Group Picture 6 pm members only.

Banquet Dinner 7-10 pm \$18.50 includes tax and tip. Bar tabs are not included in this price.

Write in number requested: Breast of Chicken _____ Sliced Roast Beef _____ Vegetarian _____

Prepay dinner: (number) _____ x \$18.50= _____

SATURDAY: September 9, 2000

Washington Tour Leave hotel at 8 am, return 4 pm, \$12.00 for the Bus

Prepay for bus: (number) _____ x \$12.00= _____

Burn Brae Theatre Dinner and Bus 5:30 pm return 10:30 pm \$35.00

Prepay for bus and dinner: (number) _____ x \$35.00= _____

You must pay Caribou Tax, \$10 annual tax, if your Tax date is not T00 or later:= _____

Reunion registration fee, For member only: \$15.00

TOTAL: _____

If you have any questions, contact Jim Collier at 916-966-4044 or jcollier@dgweb.com.

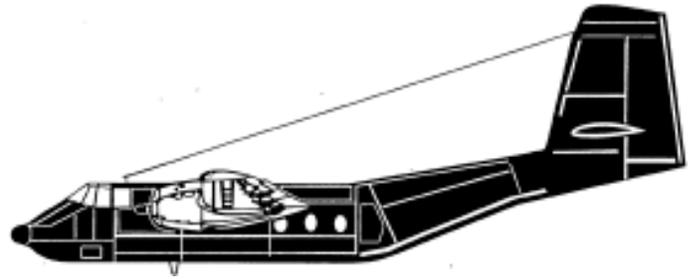
Make check payable to C-7A Caribou Association and mail to Jim Collier, 5607 Jolly CT, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Please do not mail checks after Aug 15, pay at registration.

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of people there; the place was packed inside and out by 12:00 noon. We might want to think about forming a small committee comprised of local people to work on a project such as this.

We had a really good time. You might want to think about making the trip while you are at the reunion. It is only a 1 1/2 to 2 hour drive to Dover AFB.

See you at Beltsville in September. Paul



VITAL STATISTICS:

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