

C-7A Caribou Association

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Reunion Flyer

June 2016

C-7A Caribou Association's 27th Reunion Westin Washington Dulles Airport, Herndon, VA September 7th – 11th, 2016

Place: The Westin Washington Dulles Airport Hotel will be the headquarters for Reunion 2016.

Westin Washington Dulles Airport
2520 Wasser Terrace
Herndon, VA 20171

Front desk: 703-793-3366

The hotel has 314 spacious, smoke-free rooms. High-speed internet access is free for Starwood Preferred Guests. There is a link on the hotel website to become a member. Internet access is \$9.95/day for non-members. Self-parking is free. Valet parking is \$10/day.

Amenities include: complimentary hot breakfast (buffet or order from menu), in-room safe, coffee maker, mini-refrigerator, cable TV with 37 inch flat screen, work space, hair dryer, iron and board.

The Westin Washington Dulles also has an indoor heated pool and whirlpool, a business center, and a fitness studio.

Hotel Reservations:

Cut-off date for reserving rooms in our block is 5 p.m. local on 21 July 2016.

Reservations **ONLY** by phone to 866-230-0106. No Internet reservations.

Single or double @ \$ 99.68

Triple \$110.88

Quad \$122.08

Rates are good for 2 days before and after reunion. Prices include 12% tax and breakfast.

The hotel has nearly 100% occupancy in September.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY!

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 60's at night to the mid 80's during the day, with over 3 inches of rain during the month.

Ground Transportation

Hotel is 1 mile from the Dulles airport. Complimentary Hotel Shuttle to and from Dulles: *Pickup from Dulles to hotel is from Arrival Curb 2A and 2H (near ground transportation) on the :15 & :45 of each hour on the lower level outside baggage claim. Verify you are boarding the Westin Washington Dulles Shuttle. There are other Westin properties in the area. Please call hotel at 703-793-3366 to arrange/confirm a pickup.*

Complimentary Hotel Shuttle service is also provided to the **Wiehle-Reston East Metro Station** and to **Reston Center** (outdoor mall with restaurants, shops, and theater).

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 activity 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 7 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.

Wednesday, 7 Sep:

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

Thursday, 8 Sep:

0630 Hotel restaurant opens
 0700-2400 War Room open
 0730 Buses from hotel to Vietnam Memorial, Korean War Memorial, National Air and Space Museum
 1100-1300 Lunch on-your-own
 1530 Load bus for hotel
 1700 Bus arrives back at hotel
 1700-1800 Memorabilia room open
 TBD Dinner on-your-own

Friday, 9 Sep:

0630 Hotel restaurant opens
 0700-2400 War Room open
 0730 Bus to FDR/MLK Memorial, American History Museum, (optional) walk to visit other museum(s)
 0930 Bus **shuttle** to Udvar-Hazy
 1100-1300 Lunch at the museum
 1530 Load buses for hotel
 1700 Buses arrive back at hotel
 1800-1900 Memorabilia room open
 1900 Plated dinner at hotel

Saturday, 10 Sep:

0700-2400 War Room open
 0900-1000 5th 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, 11 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 2016 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.

Air Force Memorial

The Air Force Memorial is a place of pride and honor for all the men and women who served and continue to serve the United States Air Force and its predecessor organizations: the Aeronautical Division, U.S. Signal Corps; the Aviation Section, U.S. Signal Corps; the Division of Military Aeronautics, Secretary of War; the Army Air Service; the U.S. Army Air Corps; and the U.S. Army Air Forces. More than 54,000 Airmen have died in combat while serving in the Air Force or its preceding historical air services.



The Air Force Memorial design symbolizes flight and the flying spirit with 3 stainless steel spires that soar 270 feet high, representing contrails of the *Thunderbirds* in their “bomb burst” maneuver.

The USAF “star” is embedded in granite beneath the spires. There is a Runway to Glory at the entrance, an 8 foot tall bronze Honor Guard statue, 2 granite inscription walls, and a Glass Contemplation Wall.

Udvar-Hazy Center

The Udvar-Hazy Center is the companion facility to the Air & Space Museum on the National Mall. Opened in 2003, its two huge hangars, the Boeing Aviation Hangar and the James S. McDonnell Space Hangar, display thousands of aviation and space artifacts including the Boeing B-29 *Enola Gay*, an SR-71, an Air France Concorde, Gemini VII spacecraft, space shuttle *Discovery*, and numerous aircraft from WW II, Korea, and Vietnam eras to include P-38, P-40, P-51, F-86, MiG 21, F-4, and F-105D.

The Center features an IMAX[®] Theater and the Donald D. Engen Observation Tower, which provides a 360-degree bird’s-eye view of Washington Dulles International Airport and the surrounding area. Udvar-Hazy Center is also home to the Mary Baker Engen Restoration Hangar where preservation of the National Air and Space Museum’s collections takes place. A glassed-in mezzanine provides a view of restoration projects in progress.

The National Mall

The National Mall, a National Park, is an expansive, open park in the middle of Washington, D.C. that is home to numerous museums and galleries. All museums on the National Mall proper, except the National Gallery of Art, are part of the Smithsonian Institution.

Museums and galleries with free admission are located on or within a block of the National Mall:

National Air & Space Museum
American History Museum
National Museum of Natural History
National Archives
National Gallery of Art
Smithsonian Castle
Arts & Industrial Building
Hirshorn Museum & Sculpture Garden
National Museum of the American Indian
U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum
National Museum of African Art
Arthur M. Sackler Gallery
U.S. Botanic Gardens
Freer Gallery of Art (*closed for renovation*)

**C-7A Caribou Association
Reunion 2016
in Washington, DC
7-11 September 2016**



Member Name:		IMPORTANT!!! Will you have a car? (circle one below) no personal rental
Member Street Address:		
City:	State: Zip: Phone:	
Cell Phone:		First Reunion?
Email Address:		Yes No
Bou Year	Bou Unit:	Arrival <u>Date</u> <u>Time</u>
Name for Your Name Tag:		
Spouse or Guest #1 Name for Name Tag		
Guest #2 Name for Name Tag:		Departure Date:
Guest #3 Name for Name Tag:		

Host Hotel: Westin Washington Dulles Airport
Make hotel reservations by calling 866-230-0106. Group room rate of \$99.68 (includes tax) is good from 6-12 Sep.
 Rate applies to reservations made by **21 July**
Calculate your Total Registration Fee below and send your check made out to "C-7A Caribou Association."
Note: Reunion Registration and Association Dues (if not current for 2016) are Required. Other Items Optional.

Day	Time	Tours/Events	# People	Price P/P	Total \$
Wed, 9/7	1400-2100	Reunion Registration – outside War Room at hotel		x \$20	
		C-7A Member Dues - \$10/Year (if BouTax date is less than 2016)		x \$10	
Wed, 9/7	1800-2000	Welcome Reception		Free	
Thu, 9/8	0730-1700	Bus to Vietnam Memorial ("The Wall"), Korean War Memorial, National Air and Space Museum , Air Force Memorial		x \$25	
Fri, 9/9	0930-1630	Shuttle bus from hotel to Udvar-Hazy Center (Air and Space Museum annex)		Free	
Fri, 9/9	0730-1700	Bus to FDR/MLK Memorials, National Museum of American History and other Smithsonian Museum(s) (short walk to other of your choice)		Free	
Fri, 9/9	1900-2000	Plated dinner at hotel _____ beef _____ salmon		x \$35	
Sat, 9/10	1900-2200	Banquet (plated dinner) at hotel _____ NY strip _____ cod fish		x \$40	
TOTAL REGISTRATION PACKAGE (Send Check)					

Recheck the car information block (upper right corner of this page). Make sure you filled it in.
Fill in all blocks in the # People column above.

Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Phone: _____

Make check payable to "C-7A Caribou Association" and mail with this registration form to:
Pat Hanavan, 12402 Winding Branch, San Antonio, TX 78230-2770
 Contacts for Pat: pathanavan@aol.com or 210-479-0226

I volunteer to help with registration, War Room, memorabilia shop, message center, etc. Please contact Pat Hanavan.
KEEP A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

Vietnam Memorial

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is a national memorial that honors U.S. service members who fought in the Vietnam War, service members who died in Vietnam/Southeast Asia, and those who were unaccounted for (Missing In Action) during the War.

The memorial currently consists of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall (the best-known part), the Three Servicemen Memorial, the Vietnam Women's Memorial.

When a visitor looks upon the wall, his or her reflection can be seen simultaneously with the engraved names – symbolically bring-



ing the past and present together. As of May 2015, there are 58,307 names, including 8 women. Approximately 1,200 are MIA.

Directories are located on nearby podiums so that visitors may locate specific names. A list of our fallen C-7A brothers will be included in your registration packet.

Caribou Bowl

In the War Room on Saturday from 0900-1000, teams of 6 (recommend 2 ladies on each team) will compete in the 5th 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 at the CCTS; wing and squadron histories; and general knowledge from the 60's and 70's (news, celebrities, music, TV, films). In 2015, the 535th TAS won the fourth 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 27th C-7A Caribou Association reunion is here!

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.



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