

# USS HORNET ~ 2010 REUNION EVENTS

## EVENT A: PIMA AIR & SPACE MUSEUM

**Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> (9:00am-4:00pm)**

Spend the day at the renowned *Pima Air & Space Museum*, which covers everything from the Wright brothers, to the new beautifully restored *B-29 Superfortress*. The museum houses more than 250 military, commercial, and private aircraft representing more than 100 years of America's aviation history. Some of the aircraft on display include President Kennedy's *Air Force One*, a recently arrived *B-36* and a newly constructed hanger to house the *SR-71* and other unique aircraft. Your museum tour includes AMARG (*Aerospace Maintenance & Regeneration Group*), a *Davis-Monthan Air Force Base* open-air storage compound, which is the only facility of its kind in the United States. The narrated tour of this living airplane 'boneyard' features more than 4,200 aircraft ranging in size from the colossal, eight-engine *Boeing B-52 Stratofortress* bomber to the diminutive *Cessna A-37* light attack fighter. The tour price includes a boxed lunch to enjoy at your leisure at PIMA. For further information visit PIMA at [www.pimaair.org](http://www.pimaair.org).

## EVENT B: TRAIL DUST TOWN & GROUP DINNER

**Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> (5:30pm-9:30pm)**

Board your coach for the short drive to *Trail Dust Town*. Originally constructed as a movie set, the town features wooden boardwalks, red brick streets, detailed old-fashioned town square, and centerpiece gazebo. Upon arrival you will have time to take an evening stroll before dinner. The town is lined with interesting shops offering everything from western wear to souvenirs to gourmet chocolates. Be sure to catch the western shoot-out which is sure to happen at some point during the evening. Then gather for dinner at the *Savoy Opera House*. As you enter the carved doors from London's renowned *Savoy Hotel*, you will be awed at the fine chandeliers as you are swept back in time into the elegant world of the Old West. Here, you will dine on their world famous mesquite grilled Cowboy steaks (or chicken for those who prefer). This is a wonderful location for dinner with your friends. Warning; wear a tie at your own risk! Please be sure to select your entrée choice on your reservation form. For additional information visit [www.traildusttown.com](http://www.traildusttown.com).

## EVENT C: MEMORIAL SERVICE, LUNCH & ARIZONA SONORA DESERT MUSEUM

**Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> (8:30am-4:00pm)**

Gather at the *Davis-Monthan Air Force Base* for a very special Memorial Service & lunch. The *Davis-Monthan* base trains, maintains and supports the one "Flying Hour Program" within Air Combat Command. This home to the 563<sup>rd</sup> Rescue group which directs flying operations for the Air Force's only active duty-rescue wing dedicated to Combat Search and Rescue. Following the service, at the *Desert Dove Chapel*, located on the base, enjoy a special buffet luncheon in the Officer's Club. After lunch board your coach for the scenic drive to the *Arizona Desert Museum*. The *Arizona Desert Museum* is a beautiful world-renowned zoo, natural history museum and botanical garden, all in one place. Exhibits re-create the natural landscape of the *Sonoran Desert Region* so realistically, find yourself eye-to-eye with mountain lions, prairie dogs, Gila monsters and more. Within the museum grounds, you will see more than 300 animal species and 1,200 kinds of plants indigenous to the *Sonoran Desert*. There are almost 2 miles of paths traversing 21 acres of beautiful desert. For additional information visit [www.desertmuseum.org](http://www.desertmuseum.org).

***Please note: Photo Identification is required to attend the Memorial Service. We encourage you to take the motor coach to the Memorial Service however; if you choose to take your own vehicle you must have a valid driver's license, and the motor vehicle's proof of registration and insurance. If you choose to take your own vehicle, you must still register for the service in order to be admitted to the base and have lunch. The Arizona Sonora Desert Museum is a large museum, and will require some extensive walking.***

## **EVENT D: MEMORIAL SERVICE & LUNCH ONLY**

**Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> (8:30am-1:00pm)**

Gather at the *Davis-Monthan Air Force Base* for a very special Memorial Service & Lunch. The *Davis-Monthan* base trains, maintains and supports the one “Flying Hour Program” within Air Combat Command. This home to the 563<sup>rd</sup> Rescue group which directs flying operations for the Air Force’s only active duty-rescue wing dedicated to Combat Search and Rescue. Following the service, at the *Desert Dove Chapel*, located on the base, enjoy a special buffet luncheon in the Officer’s Club. After lunch you will return to the hotel for the remainder of the afternoon on your own.

***Please note: Photo Identification is required to attend the Memorial Service. We encourage you to take the motor coach to the Memorial Service however; if you choose to take your own vehicle you must have a valid driver’s license, and the motor vehicle’s proof of registration and insurance. If you choose to take your own vehicle, you must still register for the service in order to be admitted to the base and have lunch.***

## **EVENT E: TUCSON CITY & OLD TUCSON STUDIOS TOUR**

**Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> (9:00am-3:00pm)**

Board your coach with your experienced guide and become familiar with Tucson’s past, present and future during this very informative city tour. Some of the highlights include the *University of Arizona* and the *El Encanto Estates*; a historic block of restored 1800’s buildings, and the *Old Town Artisans*, located in downtown Tucson's *El Presidio Historic District*. Don’t forget your camera as your tour takes you to the *Barrio Historic* district, and the *El Traditio Shrine*. You will stop at the *Mission San Xavier del Bac*, built in 1783, known as the “White Dove of the Desert”. The mission is acclaimed as one of the finest examples of Spanish mission architecture in the United States, and is often called the “Sistine Chapel of the Southwest”. Just fifteen minutes from Tucson at the base of the Tucson Mountains lies a preserved slice of Americana; *Old Tucson Studios*. Passing through the gates of an old frontier town, you will be transported back to a time when fearless men with six shooters ruled the Old West. Here you will have time on your own to stroll down the streets of Hollywood's most famous movies; walk in the footsteps of movie legends like John Wayne, Clint Eastwood and hundreds more. Don’t miss some of the live shows which include thrilling stunts, Old West dramas, and saloon musicals. Lunch is on your own at one of the restaurants located in *Old Tucson*. For additional information visit [www.oldtucson.com](http://www.oldtucson.com).

## **TOUR CANCELLATION INSURANCE**

Protect yourself from unforeseen expenses caused by sickness, injury or any other causes that impact your travel plans. This insurance enables a refund of Tour & Banquet expenses up until three (3) days before the start of your reunion. If you need to cancel – please call our office immediately (817-251-3551) for a cancellation number. If you have not purchased cancellation insurance all tour and meal money is non-refundable 6 weeks prior to the reunion.

### **Important Reunion Notes:**

- ~ Tours may be cancelled if a minimum of 30 people per bus is not met. In this case, full refunds will be given.
- ~ Please understand that a certain amount of walking is necessary from the bus to attractions and in some instances, to also see the attractions. Please consider your abilities before purchasing tours.
- ~ **Be sure to bring photo identification (like a driver’s license) on all events – required for the *Davis Monthan* Base.**
- ~ All tour times are subject to change. A final itinerary is available at registration.

**Reservations are due by September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010.** Late reservations accepted on a space available basis with a non refundable \$10 per person late fee. You should make a copy of this form for your records. For information call weekdays: 817-251-3551 or Email: [info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com](mailto:info@MilitaryReunionPlanners.com). Requests for refunds must be made in writing and postmarked before due date above. No refunds will be made after this date, unless you have purchased *Tour Cancellation Insurance*. Sorry, no refunds will be given starting 3 days before the reunion for any reason. There is a \$10 per person refund processing fee. Your cancelled check is your receipt and proof of purchase. There is a \$25 return check fee for NSF. For a written confirmation please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. MRP will not be held liable for failure of vendors to provide contracted services or any injuries/accidents that may occur during the reunion. Tours require a minimum of 30 people in order to operate. Full refunds given for any cancelled Event.