

EDWARDS 2010 REUNION UPDATE
March 22, 2010

Greetings to all,

This is a follow-on update to our initial Edwards reunion planning letter and reminder for those who have not yet registered for the May 6-10 Edwards 2010 reunion and associated activities. Our planning committee continues to work the planning details to ensure that this reunion will be a memorable experience for all who attend and as with past reunions, we are inviting those folks who were involved in Flight Testing at Edwards AFB during the 50's, 60's, 70's and for this reunion, we are including the 80's. As part of this activity, we are reminding everyone on our mailing list that we need to have you complete the attached registration information and send it to us as quickly as possible. Your response is important to our planning effort to provide accurate attendee estimates for the banquet (number of tables required), Edwards AFB tour (one bus or two?), etc. So, if you plan to attend this year's reunion, we are requesting your response by April 15, 2010. A summary of activities to date is as follows:

Reunion Registration: Please complete the attached registration form that indicates the activities you wish to register for. Be sure to include your \$50.00 per person payment for the social and dinner with your completed registration form and mail them to: *Edwards Reunion, P.O. Box 5151, Lancaster, CA 93539.*

Host Lodging: Lodging accommodations have been made for our Edwards 2010 Reunion attendees at the beautiful Holiday Inn in Palmdale. The address is 38630 Fifth Street West, Palmdale, CA 93551, just south of Palmdale Blvd. For information and registration please call the Holiday Inn at (661) 947-8055 to make your reservations. We have made block room arrangements with the hotel at the very special rate of \$109.95/night for our Edwards Reunion guests. Be sure to inform the reservation desk that you will be attending the "*Edwards 2010 Reunion*" to receive this special rate. The Holiday Inn is also graciously providing a mixer for all reunion attendees arriving on May 5, 2010 beginning at 6:00 pm. The mixer includes special hors d'oeuvres for guests staying at the hotel. Local reunion guests are also welcome to attend the mixer to greet old friends and co-workers. For additional hotel information including amenities and services, please check out the Holiday Inn website at: www.hipalmdale.com. Directions to/from the hotel and the Cascades Restaurant are available at the web site link <http://www.mapquest.com/mq/2-qf1rxgFT>.

6 May Edwards AFB Tour and Lunch: Arrangements are being made to have an Edwards AFB bus pick up the tour attendees at the Holiday Inn at 8:00 am. Be advised, the bus is not handicapped equipped. The bus will take the visitors on a guided tour down the flightline and include plane-side briefings on current programs undergoing testing at the AFFTC. A pre-tour AFFTC briefing is also in the works. Visits to both main base and south base are planned. Edwards AFB security requires the following information be provided for all visitors in advance [Last Name, First Name, Date of Birth, Birth Place (City and State), and Citizenship] to allow guests to smoothly proceed through the security gate process. Be sure to provide this information on the Registration Form if you plan to attend the tour. Photo Identification (Driver's License, Military/Civilian ID card, etc.) will also be required.

We have made special arrangements for lunch in the Alliance Room at club Muroc where we can enjoy a delicious lunch and reminisce about the good old days at the AFFTC. Lunch will be \$7.95 per person and includes a special Tri-Tip and Chicken Parmesan buffet.

Following the tours, we will make a stop at the AFFTC museum where you will have the opportunity to enjoy the many displays and purchase a souvenir or two. The bus will then proceed to the Holiday Inn around 3:30 pm so tour guests can have a little time to relax before the social and dinner.

6 /7 May Optional Golf Package: For those who will not be attending the Edwards AFB tour and lunch, a golf package will be available at the Rancho Vista Golf Course that surrounds the Cascades Restaurant. Again, be sure to register on the attached registration form if interested. Rental golf equipment is available.

6 May Social and Dinner: The social and dinner will be held at the Cascades Restaurant in Palmdale and will begin at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be served around 7:00 pm and if you require a vegetarian plate, please notify us at least two weeks in advance.

7-10 May: If you would like to take the 3-day Baja Mexico cruise on the Carnival "Paradise" there are still cabins available. For registration and payment information, please contact the **American Travel Bureau at (661) 940-1165**. Passports will be required for the cruise.

Your timely response to this letter is appreciated and critical to our planning activities. We also request that you provide this information to other Edwards friends and co-workers you maintain contact with who may have not received a prior announcement. Registration information and related updated reunion information will be posted on our website at www.edwardsreunion.org. If you have any questions, please call me at (661) 722-3339. My e-mail address is: Jacksons@antelecom.net. We will look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,
Sam Jackson
Committee Team Lead