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Reunion 2003!

President John Peele and Reunion Coordinator Benjamin White announce that the Tan Son Nhut Association Reunion 2003 will be held April 24, 25, 26 and 27 with accommodations being scheduled in Fredericksburg, Virginia.



TSNA President John Peele

Bus service will be provided for transportation on Friday 25, to and from points in Washington, D. C.

At Reunion 2002, the membership voted to hold the Association's reunions in Washington, D. C., and in the month of April. This year the focus will still be on the National Capital, but locating the hotel and banquet accommodations in Fredericksburg will be less of an organizational or financial strain on both the individual and the Association. Furthermore, the use and parking of private vehicles will be far more feasible and economical.

THE REUNION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

(See Enclosed Pre-Registration Form for Details)

Thursday, April 24:

3 p.m. Hotel check-in and Reunion Registration.

7 p.m. Hospitality Room Reception

Friday, April 25:

10:30 a.m. Wreath-laying at Vietnam Veterans Memorial
11:45 a.m. Luncheon on board the *Nina's Dandy* during the two and a half hour cruise of the Potomac River. It will

depart from the dock on Prince Street, in Alexandria. A moving and dramatic panorama of the Nations' capital.

4. p.m. Memorial Service at a location chosen by the Chaplains of the Tan Son Nhut Association.

6:30 p.m. Hospitality Room

A Evening With The Greatest Stars in America!

A special mystery concert of famous celebrities

Saturday, April 26:

9:30 a.m. Second Annual Membership Meeting

11 p.m. Special Sightseeing Tours

(Being planned by Member Jerry Norville, of historical sites or a visit to the Virginia Air Museum in Richmond)

6 p.m. President's Reception

7 p.m. Formal Awards Banquet

Special speakers and guests being scheduled.

Sunday, April 27:

8:30 a.m. Memorial

Breakfast

10 a.m. Closing Remarks

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Please review and complete the enclosed Pre-Registration Form at your earliest possible convenience and mail, fax or e-mail it to Public Affairs not later than Monday:

March 24

2003



Reunion Coordinator Ben White

Also available during Reunion 2003 . . .

On Saturday April 26th. there will be a *Spies of Washington Tour* sponsored by the Cold War Museum and Gary Powers, Jr. son of the U-2 pilot shot down over the USSR in 1960. The tour will be given by Tan Son Nhut Association Member,

Carol Bessette.

The tour of espionage sites in Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia (included a drop site used by Robert Hanssen, FBI counterintelligence agent arrested in 2001), will last approximately three hours, and will be followed by a group visit to the new International Spy Museum in downtown Washington. There will be a **special discount price for Tan Son Nhut Association members of \$45** which includes the tour and entry fee to the Museum. Lunch is not included in this fee.

The tour begins and ends at the Pentagon City Fashion Center in Arlington, a large shopping mall with plenty of parking. The tour departs this location at 9 a.m. and returns at 3. p.m. For reservations contact Gary Powers directly at telephone: (703) 273-2381. His e-mail address is : www.spytour.com

And on Sunday April 27 . . .

Carol Bessette will be presenting a two hour (plus) walking tour, *Spies: North by Northwest*. This tour concentrates on the area by the Russian Embassy and the Washington National Cathedral. Among other highlights, there will be a discussion of the tunnel dug by the FBI under the Soviet Embassy and how the Soviets learned of it. This is a previously scheduled public tour, which meets at 1 p.m. at the southeast corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue. No reservations are necessary. There is a **discounted fee for Tan Son Nhut Members of \$10**.

For either tour, please inform the Reunion Coordinator so that appropriate transportation can be planned.

REUNION 2003 HOTLINES!

For all Reunion 2003 info and sign-ups call:

Public Affairs: (757) 627-7746

Reunion Coordinator, Ben White:

(757) 622-5923

**We're doing things a little differently for . . .
REUNION 2003!**

First of all, Reunion 2003 will be a lot less expensive than previous reunions. The further away you live, the more expensive it is to get there and back. We can't do anything about that, but we are doing something about the fact that you're not going to be hit with a whopping menu of fees when you arrive. Last year (Reunion 2002), the registration fee was \$160. This year we are hoping to keep the fee under \$100 (per person), and this will include the river cruise luncheon, the formal awards



The Nina's Dandy Reunion 2002 luncheon cruise was a definite highlight with TSNA members ... "do it again!" ... they said as they left the boat. We are and you'll be there!

banquet and other amenities. If you cannot attend the river cruise, the registration fee should be no more than **\$60 (per person)**.

This year, due to the dynamic cooperation of a number of our very energetic and creative members, we are able to plan our reunion without the enormous expense of commercial "professional" planners. Previous reunions have shown that the problems were caused by breakdowns in the "professional" planning, and the success of these reunions was in the spirit, support and active participation of those who attended. Last year was a marvelous example of this. It was our own chaplains, our own husbands and wives, and our own volunteers who made Reunion 2002 a most memorable occasion.





Tan Son Nhut Association Reunion 2003 Pre-Registration Form

Member's Full Name: (Please print) _____

Address: _____

Street _____ Apt./# _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP _____

Phone: () _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Guest(s): _____

Vietnam Unit & Location: _____ Period: _____ to _____

Banquet Meal Preference: (Check One) () Beef () Chicken () Vegetarian

Special Dietary Needs: _____

TSNA Reunion 2003 Registration Fee (Includes Potomac Cruise, Banquet, & Amenities)

Full Registration: (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) No. _____ @ \$100.00 - Total: \$ _____

Partial Registration: (Saturday, Sunday) No. _____ @ \$60.00 - Total: \$ _____

PLEASE MAKE PAYMENT IN FULL NOT LATER THAN MARCH 24, 2003

Send check or money order, please annotate memo, "TSNA Reunion" to:

TAN SON NHUT ASSOCIATION, Suite 709, 330 West Brambleton Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia 23510

Reserve Your Room Accommodations by March 25



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- * Complimentary continental breakfast served daily from 7 - 10 a.m.
- * Unless otherwise specified, miscellaneous charges are due at check-out.
- * All individual reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card.
- * Inquire or book reservation by phoning (540) 898-5550, USE **Group No. 1812** and mention that you are with the Tan Son Nhut Association Reunion.

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The Historic Washington - Fredericksburg Corridor

The Washington - Frederickburg corridor is one of the most history-drenched areas in the United States. Repeatedly fought over in the American Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War, it also includes the homes of many of the founding fathers of the nation, the haunting poignancy of great silent battlefields, making the hearts of its visitors swell with American pride.



Washington

Friday

April 25th

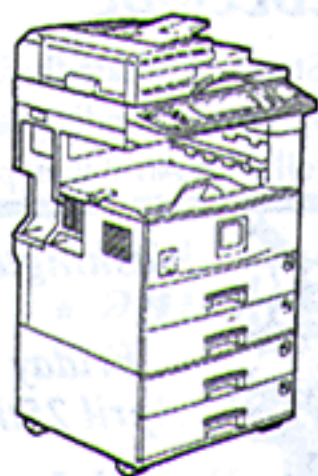
Wreath Laying at The Wall

Potomac River Cruise

**Annual TSNA
Memorial
Service**

Fredericksburg
April 26 & 27

**Annual Meeting
Area Sight Seeing
Formal Banquet
Memorial Breakfast**



"Hear Our Prayers"



The tremendous immediate response of the members with their pledges has allowed us to receive and begin printing *Revetments* on our excellent new Savin 2522 printer. We are asking that the remaining outstanding pledges be sent in at your earliest possible convenience. **New pledges are still very welcome.** If your pledge is already in the mail, please disregard this query. If you have forgotten the amount pledged, call Public Affairs (757) 627-7746. Please make your checks or money orders payable to "The Tan Son Nhut Association," and send to TSNA Public Affairs, Suite 709, 330 West Brambleton Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia 23510. E-mail inquiries may be made to: hercules29@worldnet.att.net Currently listed outstanding:

Bob & Wilma Davis

William Simms

Julian Mills

Kenneth Moll
Richard Starke

Michael Pelto

And thanks again to you all!

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