

ASA Okinawa 2010 Reunion Information

Each year our reunions seem to get better and better – and this year is no different – except it is going to be the biggest and best one ever! (What else would you expect from Texas??) Seriously, this is going to be a great one, please don't miss it!

The ASA Okinawa reunion will be held at the Southfork Hotel located at 1600 North Central Expressway, Plano, TX 75074. The Southfork is a full-service hotel located in the vibrant city of Plano, Texas. A sister property to the legendary Southfork Ranch, home of the TV series "Dallas", the Southfork Hotel offers guests impeccable service, traditional elegance, modern convenience, and an ideal location in the north Dallas area. It is conveniently located on Central Expressway, just minutes from the heart of downtown Dallas and Love Field Airport. It is close to a wide variety of area cultural and entertainment venues, as well as an endless array of shopping, dining options, and nightclubs, within walking distance of the hotel. The Southfork Hotel includes 279 oversized newly remodeled, non-smoking guest rooms, each handsomely furnished with the needs of today's traveler in mind. Each room is equipped with the standard amenities that you have come to expect – hair dryer, iron & ironing board, personal care items, coffee maker, and wireless internet connections. Parking is free and complimentary shuttle service within a three mile radius of the hotel is available. Remington's is the on site restaurant and lounge where you can spend your "free" time.

We know and understand that complimentary airport shuttle service is a real "perk" that has been available for most of the reunions. However, that is not the case this year. Complimentary airport shuttle service is not available to the Southfork Hotel. Discount coupons are available to help with the transportation cost; also it may be possible for several people to share a ride, further reducing the costs. If you will provide your flight information (if you have not made flight reservations when you register, you can tell ML & RS, Inc later) that information will be posted on the website site (attendee list) and you can look for someone arriving about the time you are, contact that person directly and decide if you want to share a ride. Using the discount coupons and a sharing ride will reduce your cost. When you provide your flight info, you will be sent your discount coupons. Love Field is the recommended airport; it is closer to the hotel, and therefore transportation is cheaper, than to/from DFW International. Consider that when selecting your flight.

Your Choice: Once again you may select one of the three options shown below, or create your own limited agenda. You may fax, mail or phone in your registration. Reservations via fax or phone require the use of **American Express, MASTERCARD or VISA.**

- 1. Payment Schedule:** Initial deposit is due on or before **August 9, 2010.** Final payment is due before **August 20, 2010.**
- 2. Cancellations** received on or before **September 3, 2010** there will be a \$50.00 cancellation fee **plus** the cost of any activities that have already been paid for, or for which guaranteed numbers have been provided to a vendor. There will be **NO REFUNDS – for any reason** - for cancellation requests received after **September 3, 2010.** *Trip Cancellation Insurance is highly recommended. See your local insurance agent. ML & RS, Inc does not offer this service.*

PLEASE NOTE THE BOTTOM OF THE REGISTRATION FORM. YOU MUST SIGN THE PAYMENT-CANCELLATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENTS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE REGISTRATION FORM

Option A

Arrive on Wednesday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Four Nights Lodging (Wed, Thur, Fri, Sat); Wednesday Welcome Reception w/hors d'oeuvres & cash bar; Four breakfasts (Thursday Fri, Sat, Sun); Thursday night dinner and raffle; Friday afternoon Southfork Ranch tour and dinner; Saturday night banquet; Wednesday through Saturday use of Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Plano, TX City tag; 2010 Reunion Memory Book; Banquet and Memorial Service Programs; Roster of attendees; all applicable taxes, gratuities (except breakfasts, tour guide & Driver); bartender, set-up fees; registration fee; the full time services of a ML & RS, Inc manager.

Cost of this option is \$977.00 per couple; \$713.00 per single. A \$100.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation. Installments for the balance may be made in any amount, anytime, so long as the balance is paid by the cut-off date (Aug 20).

Option B

Arrive on Thursday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Three Nights Lodging (Thur, Fri, Sat); Three breakfasts (Fri, Sat & Sun); Thursday night dinner and raffle; Friday afternoon Southfork Ranch tour and dinner; Saturday Night Banquet; Thursday thru Saturday use of a Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Plano, TX City Tag; 2010 Reunion Memory Book; Banquet and Memorial Service Program; Roster of attendees; All applicable taxes, gratuities (except breakfasts, tour guide & driver); bartender, set-up fees; registration fee; the full time services of a ML & RS, Inc manager.

Cost of this option is \$846.00 per couple; \$580.00 per single. A \$75.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation. Installments for the balance may be made in any amount, anytime, so long as the balance is paid by the cut-off date (Aug 20).

Option C

Arrive on Friday, depart on Sunday

This Option contains the following activities and services for each person who selects this option.

Two nights lodging (Fri & Sat); two breakfasts (Sat & Sun); Friday afternoon Southfork Ranch tour and dinner; Saturday Night Banquet; Friday and Saturday use of Hospitality Room (stocked with soft drinks, coffee, and snacks); Roster of attendees; Plano, TX City Tag; 2010 Reunion Memory Book; Banquet and Memorial Service Program; Applicable Taxes, gratuities (except breakfasts, tour guide and driver), bartender, and set-up fees; registration fee; the full time services of a ML & RS, Inc manager.

Cost of this Option is \$645.00 per couple; \$433.00 per single. A \$50.00 per person deposit must accompany your reservation. Installments for the balance may be made in any amount, anytime, so long as the balance is paid by the cut-off date (Aug 20).

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Wednesday September 8, 2010

12:00 Noon: Registration Begins and the Hospitality Room opens stocked with coffee, soft drinks, and snacks. Because of liability considerations, private alcoholic beverages cannot be brought into the hospitality room. The hospitality room will close during the welcome reception.

3:00 PM: Board Meeting (location to be announced on site.)

5:00—6:00 PM: Welcome reception begins. After a few welcome remarks by Association President Tom Sevits, he will unveil the new ASA Okinawa Flag with streamers and present our new guideon. Then hors d'oeuvres will be served and the cash bar will open. Enjoy the evening in a relaxed and cheerful atmosphere. *Cost of the reception is included in the price of Option A. If you cannot participate in the reception, you may opt-out. See the Registration Form "Adjustment Opportunities Block" and delete Wednesday's Reception.*

Thursday September 9, 2010

6:30 – 10:30 AM: Breakfast in the hotel restaurant is included in the room rate; therefore you cannot opt-out of breakfast. Breakfast coupons will be provided. Eat at your leisure during regular restaurant hours, keeping in mind when the tour leaves. *Gratuity for breakfast is not included.*

8:45 AM: Load 'em up' 9:00 AM move 'em out: Optional Historic and Cultural tour of Dallas departs. Today you will see where history was made as you visit Dealey Square where President Kennedy was assassinated. You'll hear about the truths and myths associated with the event, see the "grassy knoll" that some say the fatal shots were actually fired from, "X" marks the spot in the street where the bullet struck the President. You'll visit the old Texas School Book Depository and Kennedy Memorial for a deeper insight into the incident. This is a part of America's history that is within your lifetime, don't miss it! From there you'll visit the Trammel Crow Asian Art Museum. Located in the Arts District of downtown Dallas, The Crow Collection is a permanent set of galleries dedicated to the arts and cultures of China, Japan, India and Southeast Asia. Since the group is comprised of "Far East Rats" it seems natural to visit this museum. The museum offers a serene setting for quiet reflection and learning. A stop for lunch (on your own) will be made at the Plaza of the America's Food Court. After lunch enjoy a leisurely riding tour of Dallas including Fountain Place (where Sue Ellen used to hang out). You'll return to the hotel around 4:00 PM. There is a 35 person per bus minimum. Some admissions tickets must be purchased in advance, so registering for the tour on site may not be possible. Please register in advance. *Cost of this tour is not included in either of the options. You must register for the tour separately. See the Registration Form, "Adjustment Opportunities Block", and add Thursday's Tour.*

9:00 AM: Hospitality Room opens and Registration resumes.

6:00 PM: Social hour begins. Enjoy your favorite beverage from the cash bar while you anticipate a good meal and a fun evening.

7:00 PM: Dinner is served. Tonight's dinner will be a Mexican Buffet! Mexican-style dress is optional. Why not?? Tonight is also the annual fund raising raffle. Everyone (couples or single) is encouraged to bring a raffle gift. We've pretty well exhausted the "hometown" theme, so bring a gift of your own choosing – around \$25.00 and donate it to the association. Tickets will be sold as usual and we'll go back to distributing the gifts the "old way". Last year's method of bidding on specific gifts wasn't too popular, so this year we'll have our GHO (*Gift Hander Outer*) pick a gift at random and a ticket will be drawn, the winner gets the gift and we move on to the next item. We'd love to have 100% participation! *Cost of dinner is included in Options A and B. If you cannot participate in the dinner, you may opt-out. See the Registration Form "Adjustment Opportunities Block" and delete Thursday's Dinner*

Friday September 10, 2010

6:30-10:30 AM: Breakfast in the hotel restaurant is included in the room rate; therefore you cannot opt-out of breakfast. Breakfast coupons will be provided. Eat at your leisure during regular restaurant hours, keeping in mind when the tour leaves. *Gratuity for breakfast is not included.*

8:45 AM: Load 'em up; 9:00 AM: Move 'em out for the Optional tour to the new Dallas Cowboys Stadium, home of the 2011 Super Bowl XLV. This may be more of a "guy" thing, but lady football fans are welcome. We'll spend about two hours there, returning to the hotel about 1:00 PM, where you can have a light lunch in preparation for the trip to South Fork Ranch. *Cost of this tour is not included in either of the options. You must register for the tour separately. See the Registration Form, "Adjustment Opportunities Block", and add Friday's tour.*

9:15 AM: Ladies – if there is enough interest in a shopping trip for downtown Plano, that can set that up as well – again – and this is very important – if there is enough interest. *Please indicate your interest on the Registration Form, Adjustment Opportunities, "Plano Shopping." Cost (if any) will be dependent upon the number of interested persons.*

10:00 AM: Hospitality room opens if anyone does not go on the tour or Friday arrivals. It will be stocked with fresh coffee and cold drinks. Registration will resume for Friday arrivals.

2:30 PM: Load 'em up for the trip to Southfork Ranch. This could be the highlight of the reunion! Wear your cowboy/girl clothes – jeans as a minimum. Upon arrival at the ranch you'll be greeted by cowboys (and to avoid discrimination, we'll try to get some cowgirls too). You'll have time for a self paced tour of the museum/exhibit areas before boarding the TRAM to Ewing Mansion for a formal tour of the Ewing house (including J.R.'s bedroom). Then it is back on the TRAM to the Lincolns and Longhorns where Jock's original 1978

Lincoln Continental is on display and where you can shop for that last minute western apparel before Trammings to Apex Braddock for the Chuck Wagon Dinner. Here the Ewing Barbecue await you; choice beef briskets slowly smoked until tender, accompanied by Miss Ellie's famous (secret) BBQ sauce, Southfork potato salad, Southfork ranch beans, creamy Southfork Cole slaw, homemade Southfork biscuits and butter, Southfork apple cobbler with freshly whipped cream, and coffee, tea or water.

During dinner you will be entertained by Singing Cowboys who will sing campfire songs, and ranch hands that tell authentic tales of the Old West and recite cowboy poetry. You will be exposed to such culture that you can't afford to miss this experience. You'll leave Southfork around 7:00 PM. *Cost of dinner is included in Options A, B, and C. If you cannot participate in the dinner, you may opt-out. See the Registration Form "Adjustment Opportunities Block" and delete Friday's Southfork dinner.*

After returning to the hotel, the hospitality room will be open – as will Remington's for anyone with a thirst.

Saturday September 11, 2010

7:30-8:30 AM: Breakfast in the hotel restaurant is included in the room rate; therefore you cannot opt-out of breakfast. Breakfast coupons will be provided. Eat at your leisure during regular restaurant hour, keeping in mind when the tour leaves. *Gratuity for breakfast is not included.*

9:00 AM: Load up for the optional trip to Ft Worth. Take a drive thru downtown Fort Worth, time permitting (traffic dependent) a stop at the Water Gardens before hitting the stockyards and the cattle drive. You easterners and Minnesotians (that may be a new word) are in for a rare treat, a real cattle drive. Everyone needs to see at least one cattle drive, this is your chance! After the cattle drive, you can have lunch on your own in the stockyards. Then it is back to the hotel for the business meeting. *Cost of this tour is not included in either of the options. You must register for the tour separately. See the Registration Form, Adjustment Opportunities Block, Add Saturday's tour.*

2:30 PM: Annual Business Meeting

6:30 PM: Pre-dinner Cocktail hour and photo session begins. Individual and/or couples photos will be taken for inclusion in the 2010 Reunion Memory Book. Six to eight weeks after the reunion, the memory book will be sent to everyone who registers for Option A, B, or C; or anyone selecting the "Individualized Option" who places an order for the memory book. Be sure to have your photo taken!

7:30 PM: The ASA Okinawa Banquet. Enjoy your last night in a more formal setting. Coat and tie recommended for the gentlemen and corresponding dress for the ladies. If you can still wear a complete and correct uniform, please do so. There will be open seating, sit where you like, with whom you like. Following dinner there will be a DJ for your listening and dancing pleasure. *Cost of the banquet is included in all Options. If you cannot participate in the banquet you may opt-out. See the Registration Form "Adjustment Opportunities Block" and delete Saturday's banquet.*

Sunday September 12, 2010

Breakfast in the hotel restaurant is included in the room rate; therefore you cannot opt-out of breakfast. Breakfast coupons will be provided. *Gratuity for breakfast is not included.* Because the breakfast is included in the room rate, it doesn't make sense to pay for an additional private breakfast on Sunday morning, so the Memorial Service will be conducted a little differently this year. Go ahead and have breakfast at your leisure in the hotel restaurant, then reassemble in the hospitality room for the memorial service at 8:30 AM. At this time Chaplain Ross Lee and the memorial staff will conduct the memorial service. Everyone is encouraged to remain for the service while we pay tribute to our deceased comrades. Then good-byes in private can begin. See you next year in Cincinnati!

A Word About Cost

This seems to be an expensive reunion, but let's compare 2010 to 2009 and see. In 2009 Option A for a couple was \$938.00; this year it is \$977.00, a difference of \$39.00. This year's room rates are \$10.00 per night higher – but includes two breakfasts each morning. Also, last year on Thursday there was the dinner cruise which was not included in the option price; but nearly everyone went on the cruise and paid \$61.00 each – bringing the cost package to \$1,060.00. This year that dinner is included in the \$977.00 price. In summary, in spite of what you see on the surface, this year's cost is actually \$83.00 cheaper than 2009 – for the very same activities. The other tours which are optional are no more expensive than the St Louis tours.

ASA Okinawa Registration Form

Please complete both sides of this form and return it with your deposit on or before August 9, 2010. Mail or fax to:
Military Locator & Reunion Service, Inc.; PO Drawer 11399; Hickory NC 28603.
Phone: 828-256-6008; Fax: 828-256-6559. Web: www.mlrsinc.com/asaokinawa

Attendee Info

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Spouse or Guest Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Info

If there should be an emergency during the reunion and we need to contact a member of your family, who should that be?

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Cell Phone or Travel Number in case there are any last minute changes: _____

Name Tag Info

If this is your first ASA Okinawa reunion, or if you have misplaced the nametag you received at a previous reunion, we encourage you to order one now. The nametag is an Army Green plastic tag with your name, Okinawa, the years you served there, and your rank engraved on it. Guest tags have the guest's name engraved on it. This is a great conversation starter and group member identifier. **If you fill in the info below you will be charged for the tags.** Cost is \$6.00 each.

Your Nametag Name: _____ Guest Nametag Name: _____

Which years did you serve on Okinawa: _____ What was your highest rank while there: _____

Options A, B, and C will include a city tag (Plano, TX 2010) to hang below your nametag. If you sign up for only selected activities, we encourage you to order a city tag here. Indicate below the number of city tags you wish to order. If you would like to order city tags from previous years, please list the city and year and quantity on an additional sheet of paper. Cost is \$3.75 each. If you would like one of these tags, please indicate so below.

Number of Plano, TX city tags; _____ @ \$3.75 + \$ _____ Previous years' city tags (list cities on a separate sheet) _____

Special Needs

If you have any special dietary, handicapped, or other special requirements, please provide the details below. Be VERY specific. Special dietary meals are available. List any special requests below.

Handicapped Requirements: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Cancellation Policy

By submitting this registration form, I understand and agree that for cancellations received on or before **September 3, 2010** there will be a \$50.00 cancellation fee **plus** the cost of any activities that have already been paid for, or for which guaranteed numbers have been provided to a vendor. There will be **NO REFUNDS – for any reason** - for cancellation requests received after **September 3, 2010**. **Trip Cancellation Insurance is highly recommended. See your local insurance agent. ML & RS, Inc does not offer this service.**

Signature Required: _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED: (sign here) Payments
Make Checks Payable to: "ML & RS, Inc"

Personal Check # _____ Money Order _____ American Express _____ MasterCard _____ Visa _____

ML&RS Inc is authorized to bill the below listed credit card in the amount of \$ _____

Name as it appears on Credit Card: _____

Account #: _____ Exp Date: _____

Zip Code where your card's billing statement is sent: _____

Signature: _____

Lodging Preferences & Flight Information

of People: _____ Smoking: _____ Non Smoking: _____ (not guaranteed – based on availability at check-in)

Room Preference: Single _____ Double _____ King/Queen _____ (not guaranteed – based on availability at check-in)

Special Room Requirements: _____

Arrival: Date: _____; Airport: Love _____ DFW _____; Airline _____; Flight # _____; ETA: _____

Departure: Date: _____; Airport: Love _____ DFW _____; Airline: _____; Flight # _____; ETD: _____

Activity Selection

You may wish to choose one of the following pre-packaged options. You may add to or deduct from these options using the Individualized Option and/or Adjustment Opportunities selections below.

Option A: Requires \$100.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities **except tours** from Wednesday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$713.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$977.00 per couple _____

Option B: Requires \$75.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities **except tours** from Thursday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$580.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$846.00 per couple _____

Option C: Requires \$50.00 per person deposit. Includes all activities from Friday noon thru Sunday morning departure. See Option Box page of Reservation Packet for complete details.

Single (one person in room): \$433.00 per person _____ Double (2 people in room): \$645.00 per couple _____

Adjustment Opportunities

You may make the following adjustments to the options presented above:

Deduct Wednesday's Reception @ \$21.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add Thursday's Tour (Dallas City) @ \$38.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add Friday's Tour (football stadium) @ \$30.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____ Plano Shopping _____

Deduct Friday's Southfork Tour & Dinner @ \$79.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add Saturday's Tour (Ft Worth cattle drive) @ \$20.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Deduct Saturday's Banquet @ \$47.00 pp X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Add nights lodging @ \$93.00 per night X _____ (# nights) = \$ _____ Which nights _____

Deduct nights lodging @ \$93.00 per night X _____ (# nights) = \$ _____ Which nights _____

Individualized Selections

If none of the options above fit your needs, you may select one or all of the activities below. **PLEASE NOTE: These prices do not include the cost of the reunion memory book, city tag, or name tag. If you wish to order a name tag or city tag, see the other side of this form, "Nametag Info Block." To order a memory book, see below.**

2010 Reunion Memory book: @ \$30.00 per book X _____ (# books) = \$ _____

Wednesday - Hospitality room, reception (cash bar), registration fee @ \$47.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Thursday – Hospitality Room, cocktail hour (cash bar) dinner, registration fee @ \$67.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Friday - hospitality room, registration fee, Dinner & Tour Southfork @ \$79.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Saturday – hospitality room, cocktail hour (cash bar), banquet, and registration fee @ \$79.00 per person X _____ (# people) = \$ _____

Total Cost of Individualized Options Selected: _____

Call 828-256-6008 for "meal only" prices (Will include registration fee)

FULL PAYMENT FOR THIS OPTION MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR RESERVATION