

**8<sup>th</sup> AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL REUNION**  
**THE MILLENNIUM HOTEL – CINCINNATI, OHIO**  
**AUGUST 18-23, 2009**

The time is here: Start making plans to attend the 35th annual reunion. Secure your reservations early, as rooms may be limited, as well as some of the tours.

**REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS**

See choices below and complete the Registration Form noting your event choices and personal information. By "WWII GROUP," we're asking for the group or unit in which you served (specific Bomb Group, Fighter Group, PRG, HQ, etc.). We use this information for tallying totals for each group, nametags, and seating arrangements. If you prefer to sit with a different group, please give us that information too. Remit by mail with check or money order payable to Armed Forces Reunions by July 16, 2009. You may also register and pay with credit card online at [www.afr-reg.com/8afhs](http://www.afr-reg.com/8afhs). A \$6 convenience fee will be added to online credit card reservations. Forms received after July 16 will be accepted on a space available basis only. Hotel reservations should also be made by July 16, 2009.

**ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. CANCELLATION POLICY**

For attendees canceling reunion activities prior to the cut-off date, Armed Forces Reunions, Inc. (AFR) shall process a full refund less a \$5 per person processing fee. Attendees canceling reunion activities after the cut-off date will be refunded to the fullest extent that AFR's vendor commitments and guarantees will allow, less a \$5 processing fee. Cancellations will only be taken Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 5:00pm Eastern Time, excluding holidays. Please call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion. Canceling your hotel reservation doesn't cancel your reunion activities.

**MEALS / EVENTS CHOICES**

**CHOICE #1 TOTAL PACKAGE \$132**

Package includes 6 hotel food functions starting with breakfast on Thursday. Tours are separate.

**CHOICE # 2 PARTIAL PACKAGE \$122**

Package includes 5 hotel food functions starting with breakfast on Friday. Tours are separate.

Breakfast menus: The continental breakfasts on Thursday, Friday, and Sunday include juice, breakfast breads, cereal, yogurt, fruit, coffee, and tea. The breakfast buffet on Saturday includes juice, assorted breakfast breads, eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, French toast, coffee, and tea.

**CHOICE #3 INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

Friday Rendezvous Dinner at \$39 and Saturday Banquet at \$46 can be purchased separately, but are included in both packages above.

**TOUR OPTIONS**

Tours and trips are described on the Reunion Highlights Pages. Prices are listed on the registration form. Driver and Guide gratuities are not included in the tour prices.

**8<sup>th</sup> AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL REUNION**  
**AUGUST 18 - 23, 2009**  
**MILLENNIUM HOTEL – CINCINNATI, OHIO**

**Tuesday, August 18**

2:00pm - 6:00pm **Early Bird Registration open**

**Wednesday, August 19**

8:00am - 10:00am **Reunion Registration open**  
9:00am Memorabilia/Gathering Room & PX opens  
10:45am - 2:30pm LUNCH CRUISE (description follows)  
1:00pm - 8AFHS Board Meeting  
2:00pm - 6:00pm **Reunion Registration open**

**Thursday, August 20**

7:00am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast  
8:00am - 10:00am **Reunion Registration open**  
9:00am - 10:30am Unit Advisory and Chapter & Unit Development Meeting  
12:30pm - 10:30pm U.S. AIR FORCE MUSEUM & DINNER (description follows)  
3:00pm - 6:00pm **Reunion Registration open**

**Friday, August 21**

7:00am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast  
8:00am - 9:30am **Reunion Registration open**  
8:00am - 9:30am Individual Group Meetings  
9:45am - 3:45pm WRIGHT PATTERSON / U.S. AIR FORCE MUSEUM (description follows)  
10:15am - 3:15pm MUSEUM CENTER / NEWPORT ON THE LEVEE (description follows)  
1:00pm - 3:30pm WWII POW Round-table  
3:00pm - 6:00pm **Reunion Registration open**  
4:00pm - 5:30pm Next Generation Meeting  
6:00pm - 7:00pm 8AFHS Cash Bar Reception  
7:00pm - Rendezvous Dinners and 'Hangar Flying'

**Saturday, August 22**

7:00am - 8:30am Full Breakfast Buffet  
9:00am - 11:00am General Membership Meeting  
11:15am - 12:00pm Medical Advisory Seminar: *Pearls*, by Dr. Brown  
1:00pm - 4:00pm CITY TOUR (description follows)  
1:00pm - 3:30pm Roger A. Freeman Symposium: *"COURAGE OVER FORTRESS EUROPE"*  
5:30pm - 6:00pm **Reunion Registration open**  
6:00pm - 7:00pm 8AFHS Cash Bar Reception (consider starting earlier)  
7:00pm - 8AFHS Gala Banquet

**Sunday, August 23**

7:00am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast  
9:00am - 8AFHS Annual Board Meeting

## **REUNION HIGHLIGHTS**

### **LUNCH CRUISE**

Wednesday, August 19

Break up the day and sail away. Climb aboard for a two-hour cruise featuring games, entertainment, and a delicious buffet. Enjoy all of the sights of the Ohio River while relaxing with friends.

**10:45am board bus, 2:30pm back at hotel**

**\$65/Person includes bus, escort, and lunch cruise.**

### **U.S. AIR FORCE MUSEUM & DINNER**

Thursday, August 20

What a day it's going to be! Our destination is Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. We have special permission not only to tour the Presidential Hanger where former Presidential Aircraft reside, but also the rarely seen Restoration Center. The Memphis Belle and Swooze are currently here being restored, and we'll get a sneak peak. Then we'll head to the United States Air Force Museum, "where the eagles rest." This museum is adjacent to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, and is the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world. First, we'll gather in the auditorium for a brief service. Exhibits, including approximately 200 aircraft and missiles, tell the story of aviation development from the days of the Wright brothers to the Space Age. This will be a special evening, as the museum will be closed to the public. Rails will be down on a P-51 and P-47; you'll have platform ramps going up to a B-17 and B-24. You'll get up close and personal with these familiar aircraft. A cash bar will be available before dinner. General Metcalf will speak and the Band of Flight will perform. After dinner, you may reboard a bus heading back to the hotel, or spend a few more minutes in the museum. Last bus reboards at 9pm. **Notes:** This is a long day with a lot of walking. Please be casual and comfortable. A photo ID is required for this tour, and non-US citizens must provide their passport number and birth date with event registration. Children must be at least 12 years old to take part in the restoration tour. The restoration and Presidential Hanger tour are limited to the first 300 people registered.

**12:30pm board bus, 10:30pm back at hotel**

**\$75/Person includes bus, escort, dinner, and facility charges.**

### **WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB - U.S. AIR FORCE MUSEUM**

Friday, August 21

For those who couldn't make it yesterday – or for the history buffs that need more time, the buses are headed back up to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio for a 'no-frills' tour. You'll have free time to tour the United States Air Force Museum, "where the eagles rest." This museum is the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world. Once inside, exhibits, including approximately 200 aircraft and missiles, tell the story of aviation development from the days of the Wright brothers to the Space Age. There is a cafeteria for lunch on your own.

**9:45am board bus, 3:45pm back at hotel**

**\$45/Person includes bus and escort. Lunch and IMAX on your own.**

**\*\*OR\*\***

### **MUSEUM CENTER / NEWPORT ON THE LEVEE**

Friday, August 21

Board bus for the Museum Center, located at Union Terminal, and tour the Cincinnati History Museum. It traces the growth of the Queen City and other cities in general since the late 18th century. The Omnimax Theater takes movies to new heights, depths, and widths. Through special technology, the Omnimax gives you the feeling of being in the picture, so you can experience every scene, every motion, with eye-opening clarity. Featured film: TBA. On your own, and for a nominal fee, you may also visit the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History. After the museum, continue on for lunch on your own at Newport on the Levee. Choose between eateries and several full-service restaurants at this waterfront entertainment and dining complex.

**10:15am board bus, 3:15pm back at hotel**

**\$46/Person includes bus, guide, and admissions. Lunch on your own.**

## **WWII P.O.W. ROUNDTABLE**

**A HISTORICAL ROUNDTABLE AND DISCUSSION FOCUSING ON THE ALLIED P.O.W. EXPERIENCE DURING WWII.**

Friday, August 21

This special roundtable discussion will highlight the experiences of Allied airmen that were held as Prisoners of War in Germany during World War II. Several notable P.O.W. historians, researchers and filmmakers will be part of the distinguished discussion panel. This is a once in a lifetime gathering not to be missed.

**1:00pm – 3:30pm, at the hotel**

**Admission is included in Reunion Registration Fee**

## **RENDEZVOUS DINNERS**

Friday, August 21

Gather in your respective banquet rooms with your individual groups for dinner featuring Chicken Piccata. Units (BGs, FGs, etc.) with approximately fifty or more people in attendance will have a private room. Smaller groups will be combined with others. Think of this as your "reunion within the reunion."

**6:00pm Cash Bar Reception, 7:00pm Dinner.**

**Cost is included in both meal packages or \$39 separately.**

## **CITY TOUR**

Saturday, August 22

Board bus for a guided tour of the "City of Seven Hills," and learn the history of this river city. Drive by the Taft Museum, Riverfront Stadium, and more. See the diverse downtown architecture of Fountain Square and the Procter & Gamble Headquarters. Continue through Eden Park and Mt. Adams, from which you are offered great views of the city's skyline. Drive by the Krohn Conservatory, one of one of the largest public greenhouses in the country.

**1:00pm board bus, 4:00 pm back at hotel**

**\$36/Person includes bus and guide.**

## **ROGER A. FREEMAN MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM: "COURAGE OVER FORTRESS EUROPE"**

**COMBAT FLYING IN THE "MIGHTY EIGHTH" DURING WORLD WAR II**

Saturday, August 22

The 2009 Roger A. Freeman Memorial Symposium will be a historical examination of combat flying in the Eighth Air Force during World War II. Several "*Mighty Eighth*" veterans will take the stage and share their amazing wartime experiences with the audience. These annual Symposiums have become a traditional highlight of our Reunions and this year's subject shall be no different. It will be a memorable and emotional experience for one and all.

**1:00pm – 3:30pm, at the hotel**

**Admission is included in Reunion Registration Fee**

## **8<sup>th</sup> AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL BANQUET**

Saturday, August 22

Assemble in the ballroom for the Posting of the Colors and Memorial Service. Dinner will be a choice of Prime Rib or Salmon and the usual accompaniments. After dinner, we'll proceed with the awards ceremony and guest speaker.

**6:00pm Cash Bar Reception, 7:00pm Banquet.**

**Cost is included in both meal packages or \$46 separately.**

Driver and guide gratuities are not included in the tour prices.

Please plan to be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time.

All tours must have a minimum of thirty people, unless otherwise stated.

# 8<sup>th</sup> AFHS ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order. Your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. You may also register online and pay by credit card at [www.afr-reg.com/8afhs](http://www.afr-reg.com/8afhs). All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before July 16, 2009. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form. Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee.

**Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.**

**322 Madison Mews**

**Norfolk, VA 23510**

**ATTN: 8<sup>th</sup> AFHS**

## OFFICE USE ONLY

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
Inputted \_\_\_\_\_ Nametag Completed \_\_\_\_\_

**CUT-OFF DATE IS 7/16/09**

	Price Per	# of People	Total
<b><u>REGISTRATION FEE</u></b>			
Includes meeting expenses, Eaker Award expenses, and other reunion expenses.	\$60		
Reg. Fee for children ages 10-17 attending more than 1 function & staying at hotel	\$30		
<b><u>DUES</u></b>			
The principal attendee must be a member of the 8AFHS to register for this reunion. If you are not a member, please pay your yearly dues here.	\$30		\$
<b><u>MEAL PACKAGES</u></b>			
Choice #1 includes 6 hotel meals beginning with breakfast on Thursday.			
Choice #2 includes 5 hotel meals beginning with breakfast on Friday.			
Choice #1	\$132		\$
Choice #2	\$122		\$
<b>Please select your entrée choice(s) for the Banquet:</b>			
Prime Rib of Beef		#	
Salmon		#	
<b><u>SEPARATELY PRICED MEALS (if not purchasing a package)</u></b>			
Friday: Rendezvous Dinner (chicken)	\$39		\$
Saturday: Banquet ( <b>please select your entrée</b> )			
Prime Rib of Beef	\$46		\$
Salmon	\$46		\$
<b><u>TOURS</u></b>			
Wednesday: Lunch Cruise	\$65		\$
Thursday: US AF Museum & Dinner	\$75		\$
Please choose one of the following two tours:			
Friday: US AF Museum	\$45		\$
Friday: Museum Center / Newport on the Levee	\$46		\$
Saturday: City Tour	\$36		\$
Total Amount Payable to <b>Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.</b>			\$

MEMBER NAME (for nametag) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ VETERAN ☐ NEXT GEN ☐ OTHER

8AFHS MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_ WWII GROUP (for seating purposes) \_\_\_\_\_

You must be a member of 8AFHS in order to register. If not a member, please pay your dues above.

SPOUSE/GUEST NAMES \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ NEXT GEN ☐ OTHER

PHONE # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS \_\_\_\_\_

MUST YOU BE LIFTED HYDRAULICALLY ONTO THE BUS WHILE SEATED IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN BUS TRIPS? ☐ YES ☐ NO (PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY).

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PH. NUMBER (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**MILLENNIUM HOTEL CINCINNATI – CINCINNATI, OH**  
**(800) 876-2100      (513) 352-2100**

The Millennium Hotel Cincinnati is located at 150 West Fifth St., Cincinnati, OH 45202. The Hotel is located in a prime downtown location, within walking distance to the Paul Brown Stadium, Great American Ball Park, and the US Bank Arena. The hotel is just 12 miles from the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati Airport. Contact the hotel for accurate driving directions.

The Millennium Hotel Cincinnati has 872 newly renovated guestrooms and suites. Handicapped and non-smoking rooms are subject to availability. Please request these special accommodations when making your hotel reservations. Each room features a TV with cable channels, coffee maker, hair dryer, radio alarm clock, iron and ironing board. Guest may also enjoy access to the outdoor pool, sundeck (seasonal), and 24-hour fitness center. Parking at the hotel for registered guests will be \$10 per day. Check-in is at 4:00pm and check-out is at 12 noon.

The hotel has very few suites, so meeting rooms will be used for hospitality purposes. In an effort to encourage attendance the Society is off-setting part of the rental costs. Rates for the hospitality rooms will be \$125 per day for Wed-Sat. Rates will be at full price of \$250 per day for Tuesday. A list will be kept and actual room assignments will be made after the cut-off date when total counts per group are known. To reserve a hospitality room, please email Donna at [DonnaLee@afri.com](mailto:DonnaLee@afri.com).

**The Bistro on Elm Restaurant and Bar** serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. Vivid color and contemporary furnishings create a relaxed atmosphere to savor the restaurants American Cuisine. Room service is also available.

Transportation from the airport is provided by Executive Transportation. Current rates are as follows and are subject to change: One way is \$17 per person; Round trip is \$28. Call (800) 990-8841 or (513) 352-2135 prior to your arrival or departure to reserve your transportation. Same-day reservations can also be accommodated.

The Millennium Hotel Cincinnati does not have parking for guests staying at the hotel with RV's. Should hookups be required, please call Hidden Valley RV Park at (513) 733-5330. The park is located at 9797 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45215, which is approximately 14 miles away from the hotel.

Should you need to rent a wheelchair for the reunion, ScootAround rents both manual and power wheelchairs by the day and week. Please call their toll-free number at (888) 441-7575.

**Vendors, Schedules, and Prices are subject to change.**

-----CUT HERE AND MAIL TO THE HOTEL -----

**8<sup>th</sup> AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY–HOTEL RESERVATIONS**  
**REUNION: AUGUST 18-23, 2009**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SHARING ROOM W/ \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TEL. NUMBER (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ APPROX. TIME \_\_\_\_\_ DEP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # OF ROOMS NEEDED \_\_\_\_\_ # OF PEOPLE IN ROOM \_\_\_\_\_ HANDICAP ACCESS  
\_\_\_\_\_ SMOKING \_\_\_\_\_ NON-SMOKING \_\_\_\_\_ KING BED \_\_\_\_\_ 2 DOUBLE BEDS  
In the event room type requested is not available, nearest room type will be assigned.

**RATE:** \$109 + tax (currently 17%) Rate will be offered 3 days before and after reunion dates, based on availability.

**CUT OFF DATE:** 07/16/09. Late reservations will be processed based on space availability at a higher rate.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Deposit is refundable if reservation is cancelled 72 hours prior to your date of arrival.

**GUARANTEE:** All reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or first night's deposit, enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ AMEX \_\_\_\_\_ DINERS \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MASTER CARD \_\_\_\_\_ DISCOVER

CREDIT CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE (regardless of payment method) \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO: MILLENNIUM HOTEL, 150 WEST FIFTH ST., CINCINNATI, OH 45202 ATTN: RESERVATIONS**