



Tours and Events

Tuesday 8/29/2023

Welcome Aboard Reception

1900 – 2100 Presidio Rooms I-V Everyone welcome! \$35 per person

Sub Vets and guests, traveling from near and far, will congregate at this kickoff event to catch up, share sea stories and socialize. This reception is not to be missed as it will feature live local entertainment to include a local Mariachi group from Pueblo High School and Folklorico dancers. Light appetizers will be served and those in attendance will also receive a complimentary cocktail/beverage voucher.



Tuesday 8/29/2023

Biosphere II

0830 – 1200 Hotel Lobby Everyone welcome! \$115 per person

www.biosphere2.org

Biosphere 2 serves as a unique large-scale experimental apparatus housing seven model ecosystems with active research by teams of multidisciplinary scientists. It even has a mini ocean complete with a coral reef. Tour one of the world's most unique facilities dedicated to the research and understanding of global scientific issues. The Biosphere 2 facility serves as a laboratory for controlled scientific studies, an arena for scientific discovery and discussion, and a far-reaching provider of public education. This tour includes walking and stairs. Please drink plenty of water and remember your sunscreen. Pets are not allowed in the Biosphere.



Wednesday 8/30/2023

Holland Club Breakfast

0700-0900 Presidio Rooms I-V Everyone welcome! \$30 per person

Please join your shipmates and celebrate with those who have been qualified for 50 years or more. All convention attendees are welcome and encouraged to attend this event featuring a hot breakfast along with a guest speaker.



Wednesday 8/30/2023

Motorcycle Run

09:00 – 17:00 Hotel Entrance Portico Everyone welcome! No Charge



This motorcycle fun-run will be led by Sub Vet Rusty Orvik.
"PREPARE TO VENTILATE"

- The event will be a combined Motorcycle/Car Day trip from Base HQ to Mt Lemmon and back. It will be billed as a low-cost day excursion to beat the heat. The event would start at the Hotel, make a stop in town for comfort break/hydration/chow, and then proceed up the mountain to a picnic location. Motorcycles would lead and cars follow. Family friendly event.
- OPTIONAL ADD-ONS:
 - 1. participants can spend more time in Summerhaven, hiking following picnic
 - 2. We can do a Motorcycle/Car show at FINEX at night where participating vehicles enter show with prizes of our choosing.

Wednesday 8/30/2023

Line Dancing

1800 – 2100 Presidio I- IV Everyone welcome! No Charge

For those who want to kick up their heels, Sub Vet Vic Van Horn and his wife Jan will conduct line dancing and be giving lessons. A cash bar will, of course, be available to serve our needs.



Wednesday 8/30/2023 and 8/31/2023

1000-1600

Coronado Room



Join us to shop from local vendors while meetings and other events are going on.

Wednesday 8/30/2023

Pima Air and Space Museum

1030-1500

Hotel Lobby

Everyone welcome!

\$115 per person

www.pimaair.org



The Pima Air & Space Museum is one of the largest non-governments funded aviation and space museums in the world. The concept for this museum began in 1966 during the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the creation of the United States Air Force. Today it features over 350 historical aircraft from a Wright Flyer to a 787 Dreamliner spanning 80 acres encompassing 6 indoor exhibit hangers. Three hangers are dedicated to WWII. This event will include the tram tour. There is a cafeteria for participants to relax and have lunch. Please be sure to drink plenty of water and use sunscreen.

Thursday 8/31/2023

Men's and Women Luncheon

1200-1400 Presidion II, IV & V Everyone welcome! \$40 per person

This will be a combined convention luncheon for all Sub Vets and their guests. In addition to a delicious lunch there will also be a guest speaker. Join us for fun, food, and lots of camaraderie.



Thursday 8/31/2023

Gaslight Music Hall

1730-2200 Hotel Lobby Everyone welcome! \$105 per person

www.gaslightmusichall.com

Join fellow convention goers at this total audience participation experience where laughs are many and one can cheer heroes or boo villains! Everyone is welcome at the Gaslight Music Hall, where audiences enjoy a mix of concerts, musical revues, family entertainment, and all-you-can-eat free popcorn presented in an inviting environment. Grandma Tony's serves pizza, sandwiches, and salads along with delectable shakes, malts, hand-dipped ice cream. Dinner costs are separate from the Music Hall entrance fees. Harry Potter will be playing.



Friday 9/01/2023

Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum

08:00-13:00 Hotel Lobby

Everyone welcome! \$105 per person

www.desertmuseum.org

The Desert Museum is ranked on TripAdvisor.com as one of the Top 10 Museums in the country and is the #1 Tucson attraction. Unlike most museums, about 85% of the experience is outdoors at a 98-acre facility. The Desert Museum includes is a fusion experience: zoo, botanical garden, art gallery, natural history museum and petting stingray aquarium.

- 21 interpreted acres with two miles of walking paths through various desert habitats
- 242 animal species
- Plants from 1,200 taxa — 56,000 individual specimens
- One of the world's most comprehensive regional mineral collections

Beyond merely an attraction, the Museum's conservation and research programs are providing important information to help conserve the Sonoran Desert region. This is an event that is not to be missed! Please remember to drink plenty of water and use sunscreen. Restaurants are available for refreshments and lunch.



Friday 9/01/2023

Tolling of the Boats Memorial Service

1500-1700 Presidio III, IV, V Room

Everyone is encouraged to attend the memorial.

The U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II originally established the "Tolling for the Boats" ceremony. It is a unique and time-honored memorial service and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Navy. Custom has established that this ceremony is formal, and it honors the memory of those submariners who lost their lives in the line of duty, especially the majority who perished during World War II. In the ceremony, the names of each of the U.S. submarines lost, along with the fate of its crew, are read aloud as a ship's bell is tolled for each. The tolling of the bell reminds us of the debt of gratitude we owe to both our departed shipmates and to those in active service, who guard our country, while serving silently under the sea.



Saturday 9/02/2023

Convention Banquet

1730-2300 Presidio I-V

Everyone welcome! \$65 per person



Wrapping up the 2023 USSVI Convention will be the banquet offering opportunities for sharing your southwest experiences with your shipmates. We will also honor fellow members with awards for their dedication to the organization and bid farewell to friends. The social hour cash bar will start at 1730 with the banquet getting underway at 18:30 with a delicious dinner, and a guest speaker.

Sunday 9/03/2023

Farewell Coffee Social

08:00 – 10:00 Turquoise Room I

Everyone welcome! No Charge

Coffee and pastries will be available for those needing a pick-me-up prior to departure.



Additional Area Attractions & Interests:

Old Tucson Studios	https://oldtucson.com/
Tucson Botanical Gardens:	https://tucsonbotanical.org/
Tohono Chul Gardens:	https://tohonochul.org/
Southern Arizona Transportation Museum:	http://tucsonhistoricdepot.org/
Miniature Museum:	https://theminutimemachine.org/
Shopping - La Encantada Mall:	https://www.laencantadashoppingcenter.com/
Shopping – Premium Outlet Mall:	https://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/tucson
Old Tucson (open weekends in August):	https://oldtucson.com/
Museum of the Horse Soldier:	https://museumofthehorsesoldier.com/
DeGrazia Studio Tour:	https://degrazia.org/visit-gallery/
Desert Diamond Casino	https://www.ddcaz.com/tucson/Hotel/
Tucson Trap and Skeet Club	https://www.tucsontrapandskeet.com/
Tombstone, Arizona:	https://tombstoneweb.com/
Titan Missile Museum (Green Valley):	https://titanmissilemuseum.org/
Pima Mine Tour (Green Valley):	http://www.asarco.com/
Tucson Breweries:	https://tucson.com/entertainment/all-of-tucson-s-breweries-broken-down-by-region/collection_49a2587e-b44a-11e7-bf24-9b9ddc125469.html#1