

2003 Reunion in San Diego

a Success for Southwest Region

After a one-year hiatus, 44 members and guests of the Southwest Region of the SSAA attended 2003 in San Diego on April 22-24. Participants gathered on Shelter Island for their seventh reunion. This year's get-together started with a no-host arrival reception followed by dinner at Humphrey's Half Moon Inn & Suites.

On the second day, following a continental breakfast, a narrated cruise of San Diego Harbor was the featured event of the morning. The cruise included the North Bay with excellent views of the city, the North Island naval air facility, Harbor Island, Shelter Island and Point Loma. The cruise continued into the South Bay as the group got a good look at a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the San Diego-Coronado Bridge, Coronado Island, and the historic Hotel Del Coronado.

By late afternoon, participants were ready for more socializing at a Margarita Reception. The party continued into the evening with a Fiesta complete with authentic Mexican food and a strolling Mariachi Band at Casa Guadalajara in Old Town.

The following morning it was time to say good-byes and head for home as many of those who had attended asked, "where are we going next year?"

That question will be answered later this year on the SSAA web site and in the newsletter. Watch for it.

Members and guests who attended the Southwest event thank the SSAA for its contribution toward expenses for this year's reunion.