## **NEW YORK LIFE RETIRED MEMBERS CLUB**

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# Renew Your Membership and You Can Register for the Reunion Today

Greetings from the NYL Retired Members Club (RMC)!

We are looking forward to our 25th NYLRMC Reunion October 15th - 18th! Registration is now open. If you have renewed your 2023 membership, thank you. If not, see the information below as you will need to be a member to register for the reunion.

We are so excited to see our friends and colleagues, and to fellowship together during our time in San Antonio, TX, at a hotel right on the Riverwalk. We have already had a lot of interest from folks wanting to make their reunion plans.

If you have not already, now is the time to renew your RMC Membership for 2023. You may check on your current status here... (2023 members have an \* in front of their names and shown in **bold**.) To renew your annual membership, please go to the RMC website's <a href="Members">Members</a> page to find an application form with instructions. You may also request a membership application by e-mailing our webmaster, Reed Williams (reedwilliams@charter.net) with your mailing address and he will send you a copy.

We are excited for the next, and 25th Annual RMC Reunion in 2023. Please review all of the information below about the details you need to know - our reunion venue, **The Hotel Contessa**; the 2 step registration process; and the meeting details - including the optional tours we are offering this year. As we get closer to the reunion, our website's, **Our Next Reunion** pages will be updated with the latest information. Please come back often!

Please don't hesitate to contact me (georgiasuranofsky@hotmail.com or 610-703-0638) if you have any questions. On behalf of your Board of Directors, we are looking forward to another outstanding reunion and the opportunity to see each and every-one of you. We hope to see you there!

Warmest regards,

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# 2023 Annual Reunion The Hotel Contessa, San Antonio, Texas



In the RMC's tradition of rotating meeting locations each year to offer a variety of sites in the following sequence - **East, Central, East, West** – this year's annual reunion will be held on the *Riverwalk* in San Antonio, Texas at **The Hotel Contessa** from Sunday, October 15th to Wednesday, October 18th. An intimate, all-suite retreat, The Hotel Contessa delights arriving guests with stylish suites that take their design cues from San Antonio's rich history and vibrant culture. The hotel's website, <a href="www.thehotelcontessa.com">www.thehotelcontessa.com</a>, provides you with everything you will want to know about this fabulous location.

To learn more about our 2023 RMC reunion, visit our website's Reunion pages

(www.nylrmc.org/ournextreunion.html). Here you will learn more about our reunion site including seeing a video about the hotel, see the latest Reunion Agenda (coming soon), find out who has already registered and learn about various things to see & do in the San Antonio area. These pages will be updated frequently so be sure to check back often,

We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio.

#### Registration is now open for our 2023 reunion

As in the past, <u>there is a two-step registration process</u>. You'll need to (1) register for the reunion with the RMC and also (2) reserve your hotel room directly by contacting the **The Hotel Contessa** either online or by phone.

#### Step 1 -

Complete the RMC Reunion Registration Form. The form may be found by <a href="clicking">clicking</a>
<a href="https://hee...">here...</a>
It is preferred that you fill it in online before printing and mailing with your payment to our Secretary/Treasurer, Bruce Schobel, at the address on the form. When completing it online, the form will calculate your costs based upon your selections and show your total cost. If you fill out the form manually, please print, as this is much easier to read.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Spouses and significant others are welcome and urged to come and share in the RMC Annual Meeting.

#### Step 2 -

Reserve your hotel room. To reserve your stay at the all suites The Hotel Contessa, you may make your hotel reservation online by clicking here... Please review the check-in & check-out dates carefully. You may also call The Hotel Contessa directly at 1-866-435-0900, M-F, 9:00am-4pm for arrival on Sunday, 10/15/23, with checkout on Wednesday, 10/18/23. (RMC Board members arrive on Saturday, 10/22/22, for pre-meeting and set-up and will need to make their room reservations accordingly.) Be sure to identify yourself to the hotel as part of the "New York Life Retired Members Club – Block (Code: NYL101423)" to get the group rate. We have a group rate of \$215.00 single/double (plus tax & fees) per room, per night. The hotel has a limited amount of rooms at the discounted

rate available 3 nights before and 3 nights after the meeting dates, subject to availability at the time of request, and on a first come first served basis. *If you wish to come before, and or stay after the meeting you must contact the hotel by phone (Jessica, 210-229-9222, M-F, 9am-4:00pm) to make your reservation and inquire whether the group discounted rate is available.* The deadline to make your reservation is September 20th by 5:00 PM Eastern time to ensure getting a room. Any reservations received after this date will be confirmed at the Hotel's prevailing rate, based on room availability. Please note, any individual reservation cancelled within 48 hours of arrival will be charged the first nights room and tax.

#### **Other Meeting Information**

**Weather** – temperatures in San Antonio in October average in the mid 80s daytime and low 60s nighttime.

**Air Travel –** For those flying, the recommended destination is the San Antonio International airport. Local transportation from the airport to The Hotel Contessa is readily available at an approximate cost of \$30 - \$35 each way.

**Auto Travel –** If you are driving or renting a car, The Hotel Contessa has valet parking available for a negotiated rate of \$45.00 per night or there are several public parking garages next to the hotel. A map of nearby parking <u>may be seen here...</u> The hotel's address is 306 West Market Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205.

**Business Program –** Arrival, registration and a Welcome Reception/Dinner will take place on Sunday, October 15th.

Business sessions will be conducted on Monday and Tuesday mornings. Our speakers will be announced later, as we get closer to the date. Since we are opening registration earlier than normal we are still planning out the agenda. You will be able to learn more about these be viewing the <u>meeting's agenda</u>, which will soon be updated and available on our website.

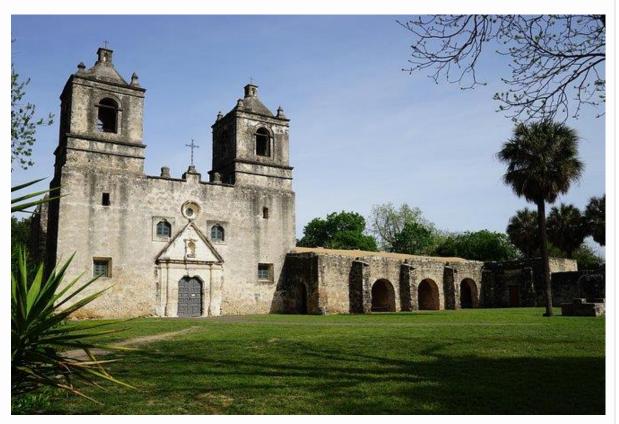
Departure will be on Wednesday, October 18th.

Attire - "Business casual" (shorts/slacks & collared shirts) is recommended for the business

sessions; shorts/slacks & collared shirts or cocktail dress is optional for the planned dinners.

### **Special Optional Activities**

We have put together a number of optional activities for your enjoyment.



UNESCO World Heritage Site Mission Tour (Monday or Tuesday) -This tour will immerse you in the culture and rich history the city has to offer an extraordinary national and international treasure. The cultural significance of UNESCO San Antonio Missions reaches around the world. We will explore with a Professional Tour Guide all five missions in San Antonio: The Alamo, Mission Concepcion, Mission San Jose, Mission San Juan, and Mission Espada. San Antonio Missions National Historical Park is an example of the interweaving of Spanish and indigenous cultures that are a vital part of America's heritage. Each mission is about 2.5 miles from the next, and transportation is included.



The Best of San Antonio Walking and Boating Tour (Monday or Tuesday) - Experience downtown San Antonio like you never have before. This tour includes a Professional Tour Guide with visits to some of the most iconic areas in San Antonio. This walking tour explores such places as the iconic Riverwalk, downtown San Antonio, South Town, King William District, La Villita, The Alamo, Alamo Plaza, Torch of Friendship, Main Plaza, San Fernando Cathedral and The Pearl and Historic Market Square with a little time for shopping. See some of the famous landmarks and buildings that make up San Antonio's History. You then move onto a barge to finish the tour on the Riverwalk with Go Rio Cruises to get the history, see the architecture and learn how this city was built around the San Antonio River.



Golfing – Golfing will be available at the Brackenridge Park Golf Course, located just north of downtown San Antonio. Anyone playing golf in San Antonio should tee it up at Brackenridge to enjoy its wonderful history and fun city-park layout. Visit their website <a href="mailto:alamocitygolftrail.com/brackenridge-park-golf-course">alamocitygolftrail.com/brackenridge-park-golf-course</a> for more information on the course. We have reserved tee off times between 1-2 PM on Monday, October 16th. The cost for green fees and cart per player is \$72.82 and may be paid as part of your RMC Registration Form. Rentals are available by calling 210-212-7572 to reserve your set. *Transportation to and from the club is on your own*. The address of the course is 2315 Avenue B., San Antonio.

Prices and schedules for each of these optional activities is listed on the RMC registration form.

We are looking forward to seeing you in San Antonio!