

64th Annual Spring Meeting & Exhibition

**“Supporting the Military to Respond
to World Events”**

ATTENDEES WILL:

- Hear Presentations by Key Government Officials
- Network with Decision Makers
- Be Updated on Critical Issues
- Gain a Competitive Advantage

May 3-5, 2010

**Loews Ventana Canyon Resort
Tucson, AZ**

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PROGRAM

SUNDAY, May 2, 2010

R&DA Meeting Registration 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

3:00 PM R&DA "Boot Camp 101"

This special session is offered to first time R&DA meeting attendees. The purpose of the session is to provide information on various government agencies involved in the subsistence and related areas; to answer your questions; and to guide you to appropriate sessions for your purposes. This session is voluntary, but of great value.

R&DA Welcoming Reception 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

"Saddle Up" for a Cowboy and Cowgal dinner and dancing music as we visit the Loew's frontier city to begin our program. This is your opportunity to meet speakers, meeting attendees, and wounded warriors as we kick off our 64th Annual Meeting and Exhibition in an informal atmosphere. Expect a fun-filled and entertaining evening.

MONDAY, May 3, 2010

Session I: Meeting Keynote

Synopsis: This session will feature a professional speaker. You can expect a little humor and some wisdom from this session. Your spouses are also invited to attend this meeting highlight.

Topic: Military Rations

Session II: Rations Keynote

Synopsis: Key players in the military rations program will be featured. The speakers will cover the most topical issues regarding support to the US military in the rations areas. This is an opportunity to increase your understanding of the rations programs and to be brought up to date on the key issues.

Session III: Rations Work Group

Synopsis: The work group leaders will lead discussions on specific issues regarding MREs, Unitized Group Rations, and all other ration types. Problems will be discussed, and input from all attendees is encouraged. This session is appropriate for attendees who have a working knowledge of the rations programs.

SESSION IV: Government/ Military Keynote

Synopsis: This session includes the leaders of organizations who support the military in garrison, in the field, and when in harm's way. This is your opportunity to understand the key issues, the organizations involved in supporting the military, and to expand your knowledge on the future requirements of the government.

Session V: The Chef's Presentation

Synopsis: This session will feature an industry chef who will provide updates on food trends and processes and offer suggestions on how to improve food for the military and at home. In addition to a demonstration of food products, an opportunity to sample food items will be offered. This session has returned based upon comments from meeting attendees. Your guests are also invited to participate in this session.

SESSION VI: 64th Annual R&DA Exhibition

Synopsis: A formal lunch will not be served, but food will be available at the exhibits. This new method will ensure that all attendees get great food and beverages, and at the same time, see and taste all of the wonderful offerings that are available to the government and many new items that will be added in the future. Many authorized government food items were first introduced at R&DA exhibitions. We will also hold gift drawings for attendees during this session.

R&DA Hospitality Function
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Complimentary to attendees &
their spouses

TUESDAY, May 4, 2010

Session VII: Food Service, Packaging, Equipment & Technologies Work Group

Synopsis: This session will look at elements affecting the military in the dining hall, in ration packaging, in food safety areas, equipment, and look at emerging technologies that will affect how the government does business in the future.

Session VIII: Quality Summit & JSORF Review

Synopsis: This session summarizes the actions completed during the Quality Summit 2010 and the Joint Services Operational Rations Forum. There will be opportunities for explanation of discussions and actions which affect the rations arena in 2011 and beyond.

Session IX: SPECIAL SESSION: R&DA Warrior Transition Program

Synopsis: This session will update the many actions and successes of R&DA's Warrior Transition Program which supports the needs of US military who have been injured due to hostilities in Iraq and Afghanistan. You will become aware of the many needs and challenges that require support. This session will feature those spearheading the program and update all attendees on the needs for employment, financial assistance, visits to Walter Reed Medical Center, and Brooke Army Medical Center, programs for the injured, and numerous other elements.

NETWORKING LUNCHEON
Join all of your new acquaintances at this luncheon

Session X: Feeding Our Allies

Synopsis: NATO allies are prepared to go to war with US forces. This session will feature the food programs of two of our NATO allies. This is an unique opportunity to understand their feeding programs, learn where they interface in support of US forces and gain the knowledge of how to partner with these countries.

Session XI: Key Issues

Synopsis: Contemporary issues affecting subsistence support to the military will be featured. Typical issues will be regulatory requirements, the key issues adversely affecting support to our military in harm's way, and major changes on the horizon.

Session XII: Panel Presentations with the Government

Synopsis: This session will include representatives of the principal government agencies who support the needs of the military. The Executive Director will lead the session and you will have the chance to ask questions to key agencies of the government.

THIS CONCLUDES THE SESSIONS FOR TODAY

***64th ANNUAL MEETING RECEPTION
AND AWARDS DINNER***

This gala event will include a wonderful dinner prepared by the resorts culinary team. Several awards will also be presented.

WEDNESDAY, May 5, 2010

R&DA Annual Golf Tournament

Synopsis: Perfect your swing amidst desert cacti and scenic canyons at the Loews Ventana Canyon Course featuring breathtaking views of the Sonora Desert. The shotgun, best ball play will begin at 8:00 AM. Regardless of your skill level, the tournament is an enjoyable outing. There will be prizes for the winning team, best drives, closest to the pin and other awards. There is a cost \$119 per player for non government personnel and a rate of \$79 for government attendees.

ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENT MEETINGS AND EVENTS

There will be government sponsored meetings held on Wednesday morning. These will be determined in March 2010.

****** THIS CONCLUDES OUR FORMAL PROGRAM ******

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ATTENDEES

REGISTRATION FEES: The fees for R&DA meetings are tiered based upon your status as an R&DA member. Registration provides access to all events to include receptions, meals, all sessions regardless of topic, awards banquet, and other events. You can become an Industrial Member of R&DA for only \$400 per year. Details on membership are posted on the R&DA website at www.militaryfood.org. Meeting fees received after the 15th of April 2010 will not receive the early registration discount.

RESORT/MEETING VENUE: The 64th Annual Meeting and Exhibition will be held at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort which is a world class facility located in Tucson, AZ. ***All room reservations and changes must be made through R&DA as we offer a registration fee discount and lowest room pricing for this meeting.*** The resort is located at ***7000 N. Resort Drive, Tucson, AZ 85750 (telephone 520-299-2020)***. All of our hotel rooms will be sold out, so **please make your reservations early**. You are eligible for a \$100 discount if you stay two or more nights at the meeting hotel. Hotel cancellations made prior to 72 hours prior may result in a penalty for up to two nights lodging cost. Current government employees are offered the 2010 Federal Per Diem lodging rate, and all others will be charged only \$196 per night. There is a resort fee for non-government attendees. After the cut off date, these rooms will be sold from \$399-\$529 per night. Rooms are available three days prior and after the meeting if space is available.

ROOM RESERVATION METHOD: Fill out and fax the meeting registration form to R&DA at 210-493-8036 or scan & email to hqs@militaryfood.org. The cut off date for reduced room rates is ***April 11, 2010***; R&DA will confirm your sleeping room reservations. To change or cancel your reservation after the hotel cut-off date, please visit our website at www.militaryfood.org for detailed instructions.

TRANSPORTATION: The nearest full service airport is Tucson International and is located about 20 miles from the resort. The best way from the airport is a rental car and taxi. There are shuttle services available that serve all Tucson area hotels.

DRESS CODE: All R&DA meetings are designated as "business casual"; however, this meeting also allows "resort casual".

REGISTRATION: R&DA registration will be open from Sunday until Tuesday to pick up your meeting materials or to register on site.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: The 64th Annual R&DA Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday at the Resort. There is a fee to participate in this event.

SPOUSE PROGRAM: This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other spouses, learn a little about Tucson and to dine near the Santa Catalina Mountain foothills of the Sonoran Desert. There is a fee to attend. This program takes place on Tuesday. Register now as space is limited.

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SALUTATION: (Dr., Mr., Ms., LTC, COL, etc.): _____
 NAME: _____
 NAME FOR BADGE (Jim, Sue, etc.): _____
 TITLE: _____
 ORGANIZATION: _____
 STREET: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 TEL: _____ FAX: _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
 NAME OF SPOUSE FOR BADGE: _____

FULL MEETING REGISTRATION FEES:

	Payment Received <u>By Apr 15th</u>	Payment Received <u>After Apr 15th</u>	
Industrial/Individual			
Members	\$1099.00	\$1299.00	= _____
Non-Members	\$1399.00	\$1599.00	= _____
1st Time Attendee	\$1099.00	\$1299.00	= _____
Educators	\$ 599.00	\$ 699.00	= _____
Federal Government	\$ 499.00	\$ 499.00	= _____
Credit for staying at Loews Ventana Canyon (\$100.00)			= _____

YOUR REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:

3 Breakfasts, 2 Luncheons, 3 Receptions, and 1 Dinner

Is this your first R&DA meeting? Yes No
 Will you attend Boot Camp? Yes No

ADDITIONAL FEES - SPOUSE/GUESTS:

Spouse Tour (Tuesday)	\$89.00	= _____
Spouse/Guest Lunch	\$ 59.00	= _____
Spouse/Guest Awards Banquet	\$ 89.00	= _____
Golf Tournament non-Government	\$119.00	= _____
Golf Tournament Government Only	\$ 79.00	= _____

TOTAL AMOUNT _____

Credit Card No.	Exp. Date: -	Name on Card	Signature

Please return registration form, along with payment (US funds or Credit Card) by FAX (210-493-8036). Note: R&DA accepts only AMEX, VISA & MC. Registration fees will be refunded if written cancellation is received by April 15, 2010. Refunds requested after April 15, 2010 will be subject to a \$100.00 service fee. NOTE: Attendees with special needs should make this known to R&DA. There are no refunds on cancellations received after April 24, 2010 due to pre-payment requirements.

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

THE CUT OFF DATE FOR GUARANTEED HOTEL RATE RESERVATIONS IS April 11, 2010.

Date of arrival: _____ Date of departure: _____ Total room nights: _____

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Rates: Government 2010 Per Diem Others: Only \$196.00

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ALL ROOM RESERVATIONS AND CHANGES MUST BE MADE THRU R&DA

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