Hotel 2/5 Newsletter

MARCH 2017 RETREAT HELL ISSUE SEVENTEEN

Editor's Column

It is a Friday and a court holiday here in California. I am using this holiday time to get out the latest newsletter.

Yes this is the March issue. It is March 31st and I did make it under the wire. Yes it has been a while since issue 16. Since the last newsletter I have been doing a bunch of traveling, cruising (with plans to do more), had a bunch of big trials back to back (presently in one now) `and a couple other issues.

There is no way that this newsletter would have gone out except for the extraordinary help from my assistant editor.

This year we want everyone to register on line. Larry has set up all of the means for registration. Follow the links here in the newsletter and you should have no trouble. Again, all you have to do is follow the links.

I'm going to have some Hotel Company Wine to share at the reunion, however is you want to order some of your own follow the instructions set out below and contact Bonnie at Windsor She is offering a great deal for us.

WE REALLY NEED ALL OF THE REGISTRATIONS BEFORE SEPTEMBER 25TH SO WE CAN GET THE INFO TO THE HOSTS BY THAT DATE. THAT IS ALSO THE CUTOFF DATE FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS!

Remember that everything is always subject to change.

I am going to try and get out the newsletter on a more regular schedule. Of course this will only be possible with the help of my assistant editor. She is expensive so this is going to cost me dearly.

Hope to see you all in New Mexico. Semper Fi.

Jay

HOTEL 2/5 WEBPAGE

Larry is constantly updating and improving the Hotel web site. Be sure and check it out regularly. Most importantly, send Larry anything you want to appear on the pages. He is looking for photos and articles about Hotel to fill the pages. He can't do it without your submissions.

If your having problems accessing the pages, just contact Larry and he will walk you through it.

http://hotel25vv.org/



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2017 Reunion Info Santa Fe, New Mexico

This year's reunion will be held Oct. 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th, 2017



REUNION REGISTRATION

- **Registration Marine:** $165.00 (includes Sweatshirt)
- **Registration Guests:** $150.00 (does not include Sweatshirt)
- **Extra Reunion Full-zip Sweatshirt:** $20.00 (3XL $30.00)

Our 2017 Santa Fe Reunion is being hosted by Dave & Bonnie Harbin

REUNION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A Hotel 2/5 Reunion Scholarship Program has been established to help those Veterans who are unable to financially pay the annual Registration fee to attend one of our annual reunions. Should you determine that you are in need for some financial assistance, you can apply for a reunion scholarship by copying and pasting or clicking on the following address: http://hotel25vv.org/reunions/2017-santa-fe-new-mexico/apply-for-reunion-scholarship/ to request consideration for a paid scholarship. **This scholarship does not include hotel arrangements or transportation costs associated with a reunion.**



You can register online for the reunion by copying and pasting or clicking on the following address: http://hotel25vv.org/reunions/2017-santa-fe-new-mexico/registration/

2017 Reunion Info Santa Fe, New Mexico

This year's reunion will be held Oct. 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th, 2017 at the Hotel Santa Fe, 1501 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe, NM 87501.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR HOTEL



If you are going to stay any days before Thursday 10/26 or after Sunday noon, you can register online for the three nights using the group code first. Then call the registration office and they will extend your additional days with the group rate.

ROOM RATES

The room rate for our group is $119 per night plus applicable taxes. These taxes are currently 15.313% and are subject to change without notice. Additional persons after two is $25.00 per person, per night. Children 12 and under stay free when in the same room as parents.



Your reservation must be made by **September 25, 2017** to qualify for the group discount. Later reservations after the cut-off date must be done directly with the hotel at a higher non-discounted individual rate. The discount rate is available for October 26th through the 29th if you would like to arrive early and/or stay later. Call the hotel directly and make a reservation or reserve online. The telephone number is (855) 825-9876 or toll free at (877) 259-3409. The group code is “17S010”.

Rate includes a continental breakfast, parking, Wi Fi, and shuttle service around Downtown Santa Fe. Your resort fee has been waived. There is a 15% discount on a Spa Treatment.

There will be an optional, informal dinner with the early reunion arrivals at Hotel Santa Fe or other Santa Fe restaurants on Wednesday, Oct. 25th, 2017.

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ORDER OF MARCH

WEDNESDAY October 25, 2017 (optional)	THURSDAY October 26, 2017	FRIDAY October 27, 2017	SATURDAY October 28, 2017	SUNDAY October 29, 2017
Dinner among early reunion arrivals at Hotel Santa Fe or other Santa Fe restaurants.	**1:00PM** Registration opens in Hospitality Room at Hotel Santa Fe We will need some volunteers to man the registration table on Thursday afternoon and evening. **5:00PM** Dinner on your own if desired (there will be snacks, food and drinks at the reception at 7PM) **7:00PM** Meet and greet reception in Hospitality Room (BYOB)	**7:00AM – 9:00AM** Continental Breakfast **9:30AM** Bus Departure to Vietnam Memorial in Angel Fire **12:00PM** Bus Arrival in Angel Fire for lunch **1:15PM** Bus Departure to Vietnam Memorial **3:30PM** Bus Departure for return trip to Santa Fe **6:00PM** Bus Arrival at Hotel and dinner on your own **7:00PM** Hospitality Room open (BYOB) for men and a Social at the hotel for the ladies hosted by Bonnie Harbin	**7:00AM – 9:00AM** Continental Breakfast **9:15AM** Leave hotel using hotel shuttle & private cars to get to the Santa Fe Plaza **10:00AM** Group guided tour of Santa Fe Historic Sites **12:00PM** Explore Plaza, downtown & lunch on your own. Option to visit New Mexico History Museum. (To return to hotel, call hotel for shuttle pickup.) **6:00PM – 10:00PM** Hotel 2/5 Reunion Dinner. There will be dinner & dancing. ***No formal attire but men should be in tie and jacket, ladies in dresses or pant suits.*** Auction/raffle and cash bar. **10:00PM – 12:00AM** Hospitality Room Open (BYOB)	**7:00AM – 9:00AM** Continental Breakfast and Goodbyes **9:30AM** Company meeting to discuss business items and 2018 reunion in Cincinnati, Ohio and future dates and locations.

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VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL

Angel Fire, New Mexico

Vietnam Veterans Memorial State Park was the first major Vietnam memorial in the United States. It is currently the only state park dedicated exclusively to veterans of the Vietnam War.



The memorial was begun by Victor and Jeanne Westphall, the grief-stricken parents of Marine First Lieutenant David Westphall, who was among sixteen young men in his unit killed in an ambush on May 22, 1968 in Vietnam. The David Westphall Veterans Foundation has since supported the operation of the memorial, which was dedicated on the anniversary of David's death in 1971. At the time of its construction, the site received national media attention and helped inspire the establishment of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., completed in 1982. In 1987, the United States Congress recognized Angel Fire as a memorial of national significance.





There is a media room which shows the 86-minute Home Box Office documentary film Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam. And, a research library is on site with donated photos of military personnel killed or missing in action.

For a virtual tour please see the following link: https://www.vietnamveteransmemorial.org/virtual-tour/15/TheGrounds/

Hotel Company Wine



I was told that quite a few guys have ordered the wine for various occasions. If you enjoyed the wine at the past reunions it is still available through Windsor Vineyards.

The source for the wine is Windsor Vineyards and BONNIE CLAIBORNE, Senior Wine Consultant has a great offer for Hotel Company Marines and Corpsmen. What you get is a case of wine with FREE SHIPPING (for 1 penny) and 3 extra bottles free. That's 15 bottles for the price of 12 and shipping anywhere in the US (except for a few states*)

You can't find this special deal on line. You must call Bonnie Claiborne at Direct: (800) 289-9463 ext 2612 or send her an email bclaiborne@vintagewineestates.com

Be sure and tell Bonnie that you want the Hotel 2/5 label.

If you live in one of those states where the wine can't be shipped, Utah, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Alabama, Kentucky, Delaware, Mississippi, Rhode Island, South Dakota, talk to Bonnie about alternative ideas for shipping.

This deal may not last for ever so, if you want some great wine at a good price with the Hotel Company logo, take advantage of it soon.

The red at the reunion was the "Fusion". The white at the San Diego reunion was a "Moscato". (Both $12.00 per bottle) I order those because I like them.

Windsor has many great selections at various prices. If you did not like the wines at the reunions or if you just want to try something different, go to the Windsor web site (windsorvineyards.com), review the various choices and prices, and then talk to Bonnie. However, to get the deal you need to call Bonnie at the above number or by email. The offer is not available on line.