## Vietnam Security Police Association 27th Reunion Phoenix, Arizona – October 5-9, 2022 Luke Air Force Base, Home of the 56<sup>th</sup> SFS Previously Assigned to Nakhon Phanom RTAFB, Thailand

The 2022 VSPA reunion will be held at the *SHERATON PHOENIX CRESCENT HOTEL*, located at 2620 W. Dunlap Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, 85021. The contract room rate is \$149 per night, plus tax for up to four people in the same room. The room rate does not include a free breakfast; however, a hot breakfast buffet is available for \$10 person. The rooms include a refrigerator. The room rate is locked-in for the three days before and three days after the reunion. The room rate is based upon room availability. You must book early to ensure that rooms are available. DON'T WAIT! Use the following link to see more information about this beautiful hotel: <a href="https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/phxsi-sheraton-phoenix-crescent/overview/">https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/phxsi-sheraton-phoenix-crescent/overview/</a>

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Call Phone *toll-free* 1-800-325-3535 or 1-602-943-8200 by MONDAY September 5, 2022. You must identify yourself as a member of the <u>Vietnam Security Police</u> <u>Association</u>. All reservations must be guaranteed and accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card. The deadline for reservations is <u>September 5, 2022</u>. After that date, rooms will be space available only and <u>AT THE HOTEL'S PREVAILING RATE</u>. <u>Make</u> <u>your reservations early!</u> Check-in time is 3:00 PM; check-out time is 12:00 NOON. If you encounter any difficulty with hotel reservations, reserve the room, obtain the confirmation number and contact the Reunion BRAT at 1-360-663-2521. Explain the problem and she will correct it for you.

## **AIRPORT INFORMATION:**

Book your flight to PHOENIX SKY HARBOR AIRPORT (<u>AIRPORT CODE: PHX</u>). YOU MUST BE AWARE OF AIRLINE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS. BRING A MASK! The hotel does not have an airport shuttle. Further information will be made available regarding transportation from the airport to the hotel.

**<u>REUNION REGISTRATION FEE:</u>** To be determined and posted at a later date based upon completion of bus contracts and final scheduling of tours and optional events.

**AGENDA**: The agenda is generally accurate, but is subject to change due to Luke Air Force Base operational requirements for the 56<sup>th</sup> SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON:

- Wednesday, October 5: On-site Registration and Reception Dinner at the hotel.
- Thursday, October 6: Optional Tour for the Sisterhood with time for lunch. Spouses are welcome to attend. EAT BEFORE YOU BOARD THE BUS. There will be an afternoon film presentation at the hotel for all members. Dinner and evening are open for squadron and base dinners or gatherings.
- Friday, October 7: EAT BEFORE YOU BOARD THE BUS for a tour of Luke Air Force Base. Lunch will be with the 56<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron Defenders. Dinner and evening are open for squadron and base dinners or gatherings.

- Saturday Morning, October 8: EAT BEFORE the 1000 hours VSPA Business Meeting. Afternoon open.
- Saturday Morning, October 8: EAT BEFORE the 1000 hours VSPA Sisterhood gathering of wives and companions. Afternoon open.
- Saturday Evening, October 8: Banquet dinner with guest speaker, awards and raffle.
- Sunday Morning, October 9: EAT BEFORE the 0900 hours Memorial service and reading of the names. The reunion will end after the memorial service.
- The Hospitality Room will be stocked with FREE snacks & beverages and will be open as much as possible.
- THE VSPA BX STORE WILL NOT BE AT THE REUNION THIS YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT VAN OR JOYCE DIGBY FOR REUNION RELATED MEMORABILIA PRIOR TO THE REUNION. THE LAST DAY FOR AN ORDER WILL BE SEPTEMBER 17, 2022 SO THAT SHIPPING CAN BE COMPLETED AND YOU CAN RECEIVE YOUR MEMORABILIA PRIOR TO THE REUNION. USE THE FOLLOWING LINK TO VIEW THE BX AND MAKE AN ORDER: <u>https://vspa.coffeecup.com/shop/</u>

## CRITICAL INFORMATION !!! PLEASE READ !!!

Our hotel has been inspected by our VSPA President, Jerry Nelson. The inspection was highly detailed, including contract space verifications and a stay in the hotel. His report was OUTSTANDING!

We conducted a survey of members who attended our last reunion in Colorado Springs. We have spoken with many of our members about fatigue and the length of time for our tours. Members who attended previous reunions expressed concern regarding early start times, as well as fatigue and the extended day while on base. More and more of our members have difficulty walking; however, some walking may be required on Friday at the base; however, our planning for events will reduce walking time at the base. The optional tour on Thursday for the Sisterhood will necessarily include some walking. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for a reunion with less physical demands and more time to visit with each other.

If you have a question or need additional information about this reunion, please contact VSPA President Jerry Nelson <u>JRNEL1423@aol.com</u> or call him on his cell phone at (210) 273-4777. We hope to see you in Phoenix, Arizona for our 27<sup>th</sup> VSPA Reunion! It will be great to see you.

"We Take Care of Our Own!"

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