

# **REUNION 2023**

## **PACHYDERMS & HILLCLIMBERS**

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We will convene with the Hillclimbers at the VHCMA (**Vietnam Helicopter Crew Member Association**) Reunion this year. Our plan to meet in Fayetteville became cost prohibitive as I searched for a venue that would meet our requirements. As an option we will be attending the Vietnam Helicopter Crew Member Association (VHCMA) Reunion planned in Reno, NV for June 7-10.

I spoke with Tom Frankenfield, Executive Director, VHCMA, and learned that many smaller reunion groups attend the reunion. They have ample opportunity to gather with their members while also taking part in all of the organized activities provided. Rodney Brown (Hillclimber) and Mike McDonnell(Pachyderms) will be on the scene to guide specific plans for the Pachyderms and Hillclimbers to meet while attending the main event. The Hospitality Suite will be available throughout the event with refreshments included in the registration fee. **Mr. Frankenfield also informed me that, despite the appearance of the organization name, all helicopter crew members (pilots, crewmembers, maintenance, etc.) are welcome to come.**

Please go to the VHCMA website [www.vhcma.org](http://www.vhcma.org) to learn about the agenda and the registration process. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE VHCMA TO ATTEND.**

Please send me an email when you register so I can let Mike know who will be going.

Due to previously scheduled family vacation plans I will not be able to attend the reunion with you. Have a great time, get reacquainted and enjoy all that Reno has to offer. I will look forward to feedback from you about the process and the party as we plan for our next reunion.

Thanks,

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