

July 1, 2007

Hello Everyone,

Here is the information everyone has been waiting for. The reunion will take place from Thursday, July 10, 2008 until Sunday, July 13, 2008. The location of the reunion will be the Doubletree Hotel Crystal City in Arlington Va. As I said on the phone, there will be a hospitality room opened on Thursday July 10, 2008. On Friday July 11, 2008, we will charter buses to take us to the evening parade at The Marine Barracks where, the Commandant and our classmate, General Jim Conway, will host the parade. After the parade, we will return to the hotel and the hospitality room. Saturday morning, we will charter buses to take us to the new Marine Corps Museum at Quantico. We will spend the day at the museum and then return to the hotel. Saturday evening, we will have a casual buffet dinner with an open bar and a disc jockey.

I blocked 140 rooms for the weekend with check-in on Thursday, July 10 and check-out on Sunday, July 13, 2008. I blocked an extra 10 rooms for Wednesday, July 9, 2008. The rate for the room is \$109.00 per night plus tax. Just to let you know that the rate of \$109.00 per night is only for the 140 rooms that I have blocked. Therefore, after those rooms are sold, the rate will increase. I need to know if I have enough rooms for Wednesday therefore, I need to know who will be arriving on Wednesday. I would also like to know who will not be staying at the hotel. I know some of you live in the area and that's why I'm asking this question. You need to make your own reservations any time after July 5, 2007. Just tell them that you are part of "Basic School 4-71 USMC" reunion.

The next question is what's this going to cost me. Well, the total price for the buses is \$40.00 per person and that includes Friday night and Saturday. The price for the dinner, the open bar and the disc jockey is \$105.00 per person. The hospitality room with refreshments is \$30.00 per person. That is a total of \$175.00 per person for the weekend. This is in addition to your room. I will begin accepting checks for the above expenses after July 5, 2007.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to call me or email me with them. The hotel information is below and you can check out the hotel on line:

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300 Army Navy drive

Arlington Va. 22202

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Check-in time after 3:00PM and check-out time 12:00PM