

# GENERAL REUNION INFORMATION

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**Who Can Attend the Reunion** - As a general rule anyone who is “dues current” in the VHPA can register, order tickets, etc. simply by paying the Reunion Registration Fee. All who served in the Vietnam War as helicopter pilots must not only be a member of the VHPA but also be current with their annual membership dues as of the first day of the Reunion to register. Anyone who was not a pilot is also welcome to attend as long as they are a “dues current” subscriber to the VHPA Aviator magazine. Exceptions are vendors, specifically invited performers/speakers, Gold Star Family guests and Non-Registered Banquet guests; these people do not have to be a subscriber to attend. Anyone wishing to purchase a ticket for any of our events must pay the Reunion Registration Fee.

As a general rule, since VHPA Membership and Subscriber dues expire on the last day of the month, someone who is dues current when they register could be non dues current on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the Reunion (21 May 2020). Because of this, the VHPA Reunion Registration software is “forward looking” regarding dues status.

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**Reunion hotel:** Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202.

**Reunion hotel reservations:** There are at least three ways to make your hotel reservations while insuring that you receive the VHPA Group Rate of **\$125 plus tax per night** over the dates of **18 May 2020 thru 25 May 2020 (based on availability)**. **Cutoff date for the hotel rate is 16 April, 2020.**

Please consider the following:

- Via the Reunion’s personalized website, go to: <https://book.passkey.com/e/49900388>
- Via [www.vhpa.org](http://www.vhpa.org), then Reunion Information and use the “reserve your hotel room link”.
- By calling the hotel’s reservation line at **(888) 627-8405**. You need to mention **“VHPA 37th Annual Reunion 2020”**. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY or MARRIOTT’S CENTRAL RESERVATIONS NUMBERS.** You MUST speak to a Passkey Agent.

**Reunion Overflow Hotel:** Denver Courtyard by Marriott, 934 16<sup>th</sup> St Denver, CO 80202.

- Room rate of \$189 plus tax per night, May 20 & May 21 only
- Call Courtyard Direct 303-571-1114
- Book on line: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1581721205317&key=GRP> (but remember this is Marriott, not PASSKEY.)

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**Transportation from the Airport:** The hotel does not offer a shuttle to/from the airport. There are several options for going to and from Denver International Airport:

- A-Line Train – The A-Line Train travels to and from the airport every 15 minutes throughout the day and costs \$10.50 or \$5.25, with a discount of 65+ years of age, in each direction. Travel time is 45 minutes. The train is accessed from the airport transit center which is down an escalator and below the Westin Hotel. Follow RTD Train to City signs located at the airport. Ticket machines are on the platform at both locations and cash or credit can be used. When traveling from the airport on the train, the train will end at Union Station. When exiting the

train at Union Station, follow signs to 16<sup>th</sup> street which is on the west side of Union Station. Once on 16<sup>th</sup> St., stand at the corner in front of Office Depot. You'll see a red and blue city bus called Free Mall Ride. Take it to Court Place where our hotel is located. A return trip is the same but from Union Station to Airport Transit Center.

- Uber/Lyft - Depending on the time of day and weather conditions the ride between the airport and downtown is usually around \$40 and will take 40 to 50 minutes. Rides are booked via either company's smartphone app. Rides from the airport should be scheduled once you have your luggage, and they pick up passengers on level 6 at the airport. Your ride confirmation will indicate which exit door to meet your ride.
- Taxi - Taxis are available outside the airport terminal on level 5 and for return to the airport outside the hotel front entrance. It is a flat fare of \$56 to get downtown and \$51 back to the airport. Let the cab driver know you want the "flat" fare as they do tend to overcharge. Ask for a receipt upfront just in case you need to dispute a charge. Then add the cab number and company name to the receipt.

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**Parking:** VHPA has negotiated a 50% discounted price of \$20 on self-parking. The adjustment will be made on your final hotel statement.

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**Internet Access** - VHPA has negotiated free internet for attendees in their sleeping rooms. The hotel will provide a special code to access the internet when you check in.

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**Dress Code** - The dress code is casual for this Reunion, with the following reminders and suggestions:

- It is a good idea to wear your Reunion lanyard so other attendees can recognize that you are with VHPA.
- At the Closing Banquet, many men wear a suit and tie with the ladies wearing a nice dress. You will even see Dress Blues.

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**Vendor Area:** The Vendor Area has been a huge success for the past several years! If you are interested in becoming a Vendor for R2020 please go to [www.vhpa.org](http://www.vhpa.org) and download the Vendor/ Book Seller/ Exhibitor Contract, Waiver and Vendor/Book Seller/Exhibitor Policy Rules & Regulations. Complete the forms and mail, fax or email to VHPA HQ. If you know of anyone that you think would be an asset to the Reunion Vendor Area be sure to let them know or contact VHPA HQ to give us the info and we will be happy to give them a call. **Space is limited this year so be sure to send your form in early.**

This will be the seventh year Witness to War (WTW) has sent at least one Interviewer to record and collect Oral Histories. As we have done in past years, we will be signing attendees up for 90-minute slots ahead of time. Please contact VHPA HQ or visit [www.vhpa.org](http://www.vhpa.org) for details about how to sign up prior to coming to Denver so you fit this history preserving events into your Reunion schedule.

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**Volunteers:** The Rocky Mountain Chapter is this reunion's Host Chapter and as such will organize the volunteers. Volunteer opportunities are organized around stations and then shifts with the number of volunteers needed for that shift. Sounds like a Duty Roster! We've found that 3-hour shifts will not take up much of your time or make you too tired. Additionally, we can guarantee everyone is trained on their duties. Needless to say but WE GREATLY APPRECIATE having volunteers! Not only do we avoid the cost of hiring local convention bureau temps but we get a chance to interact with each other while performing the tasks EXACTLY as a VHPAer would have it done. As is our tradition, the Host Chapter, Rocky Mountain Chapter, gets "first shot" at the Duty Roster. If you are interested in volunteering you can contact Dale House of the Rocky Mountain Chapter at 818-825-7003 or [dehouse4@yahoo.com](mailto:dehouse4@yahoo.com) or contact HQ at 800-505-8472. In February the Duty Roster is loaded onto the Reunion Information page at VHPA.ORG for the rest of us to "join in on the fun"! Instructions for how to volunteer at that point will be posted on the website. BTW, husband and wife teams are welcome to volunteer.

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**Reunion T-Shirts** - T-shirts will be offered in two colors this year, black and gray. You are welcome to order as many as you wish with your Reunion Registration until 17 April 2020. All cancellations made prior to 17 April 2020 come with the option to have the T-shirt mailed to you **after the Reunion** or having the amount paid for the T-shirt refunded. There is a \$7 shipping & handling fee per shirt when HQ mails the T-shirts.

Please know it is possible to order Reunion T-shirts even if you do not plan to attend the Reunion. Simply contact VHPA HQ and tell them you only want a “Reunion T-shirt order only”. The shirts will be mailed to you **after the Reunion**.

**Cutoff date to order a T-shirt is 17 April 2020**

**S, M, L & XL - \$18    XXL - \$19    XXXL - \$20**

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**Primary Attendee (Member or Subscriber) Registration** - The registration fee for the member is \$40 through 4/17/2020 and \$50 thereafter.

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**Adult Guest Registration** - The registration fee for the guest is \$40 through 4/17/2020 and \$50 thereafter.

**Please remember that each person 21 years and older who wants/needs an event ticket and/or a Reunion name badge and lanyard must pay the registration fee.**

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**Under 21 Guest Registration** - The registration fee for someone under the age of 21 years is \$15.

**Please remember that each person 21 years and older who wants/needs an event ticket and/or a Reunion name badge and lanyard must pay the registration fee.**

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**Cancelling a Reunion Registration** - The VHPA Member or Subscriber who made the Reunion Registration is known as the Primary Registrant (PR). A PR may cancel all or portions of his or her registration **any time prior to the first official day of the reunion** by contacting HQ via US Mail at 2100 North Highway 360, Suite 907, Grand Prairie, TX 75050, Email to [HQ@vhpa.org](mailto:HQ@vhpa.org), Phone at 800-505-8472 or Fax at 817-200-7309. It is important to note that reunion registration cancellations and hotel reservation cancellations are completely separate business processes. The PR is responsible for both processes. PRs cannot assume that when they cancel their hotel reservation that the hotel will notify HQ to cancel the reunion registration or vice versa.

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**Reunion Refunds** - The Executive Council establishes the official cancellation date (OCD) for each reunion. **The OCD for R2020 is Friday, 17 April 2020.** Only cancellations received by HQ by close of business Central Daylight Time (normally 3pm) on the OCD (including those via US Mail) are considered for refunds, unless covered by Guarantee Refund Insurance (GRI) described below. It is important to note that the following reunion registration items are non-refundable even with purchase of GRI: registration fees, dues payments, directory orders, donations or voluntary contributions plus any event designated as non-refundable. **Please note there are two (2) non-refundable events for R2020.** For cancellations after the OCD, the GRI fee is non-refundable. As a general rule, HQ starts processing refunds about two weeks after the reunion ends. No refunds are processed until after the reunion is over. For PRs receiving a refund, there is a two step process. First, the PR receives a letter and/or a statement from HQ outlining the details of the refund including the amount. Normally this correspondence is sent from HQ by US mail but it can be via email. Second, the PR receives a check via US mail from the VHPA’s bank. The goal is to complete the entire refund process not later than one calendar month after the reunion ends. Any clerical errors in the details of the refund should be brought to the attention of HQ.

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**Guarantee Refund Insurance (GRI) Program** - As part of their initial registration transaction a PR may enroll in the Guarantee Refund Insurance (GRI) program by paying a fee calculated at 10% of event ticket purchases. If GRI is purchased with the initial registration, the GRI fee will be added to any paid events added to member’s registration. As mentioned above, registration fees, dues payments, directory orders, donations or voluntary contributions are not included

in this calculation. The GRI program allows the PR to receive a refund for himself/herself and/or their guests that have to cancel or have their reunion travel plans interrupted for any of the following reasons:

1. Sickness or injury of PR, a traveling companion or members of immediate families, which is diagnosed and treated by a physician or requires hospitalization during the time of the reunion.
2. Death of PR or immediate family member.
3. PR's involvement in a traffic accident, en route to the reunion that causes you to miss the reunion or a particular event.
4. PR's home is made uninhabitable by a natural disaster such as fire, flood, earthquake, hurricane, or volcano prior to or during the time of the reunion.
5. PR is recalled into active duty by the military that causes you to be unavailable to attend the reunion.
6. PR is served a subpoena or called to serve for jury duty during dates of the reunion.
7. PR is quarantined during dates of the reunion.

The GRI program covers only specific VHPA events and fees, and does not cover cancellation costs that might be associated with hotel rooms, airfares, rental cars, and other non-VHPA generated expenses. PR's enrolled in the GRI program and needing to take advantage of the program's features are encouraged to contact VHPA HQ either by email or at the HQ desk at the host reunion hotel as soon as possible in the event of cancellation.

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**Mini-Reunions: 21 May through 24 May** - Keeping in mind that one of the primary reasons for our Reunion is to reconnect with past compatriots from your RVN unit and flight school. The best way to meet up with unit members is to schedule your own Mini-Reunion. If your unit does not have a Mini-Reunion, why not take the initiative to start one up, or you could combine with other sister units you are familiar with if you wish. In addition to specific units and flight classes, we've had Mini-Reunions for such subjects as tandem rotor, Dust-off, Operation Lam Son 719, anyone who was stationed at Soc Trang, VHPA chapters, anyone interested in radio controlled aircraft models. Mini-Reunions are typically scheduled in 4-hour blocks and are available for booking on most days during the Reunion. You can also request a second four-hour block. However, this second block will be granted on a space available basis with priority for the particular space given to units requesting only one block. Due to decreased usage and increased expenses, the Reunion no longer provides AV equipment for Mini-Reunions. Once your Mini-Reunion is scheduled the details will appear on the webpage. You still should make an effort to get the word out to your buds. Use your directory to contact members (encourage them to re-up with the VHPA if they are not dues current), write a short article for the VHPA Aviator, and schedule early so we can list your unit in articles such as this.

**Unit TOC (Tactical Operation Center):** If you have a big group that you know is coming (say approximately 20 registrants), then we invite you to schedule a TOC. A TOC is a specific Mini-Reunion room given to your group for all day or for several days. This is like a super Mini-Reunion. Since the group is going to "hang out" in the same room for several days, they can bring almost anything into the room (AV stuff, displays, etc.).

*It is easy to schedule a Mini-Reunion or TOC. Complete the Mini-Reunion Request form available at VHPA.ORG and email it to Sherry Rodgers at Sherry@vhpa.org or call 800-505-8472 or mail the completed form to HQ in Grand Prairie, TX. **Space is limited this year so get your request in early!***

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**KIA/MIA Gold Star Breakfast Sponsorship - \$25**

Use this item to make a contribution to the Gold Star Family Breakfast organized by Julie Kink. Effectively you are paying the price of the meal for a Gold Star Family member. This item was added to the VHPA Reunion Registration form at the request of VHPA Members attending the Annual Business Meeting during the 2010 Reunion in San Diego. Thank you for your generosity.

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**O'Club: 20 May – 4:00pm-8:00pm / 21 May – 23 May -11:00am – 11:00pm / 24 May - 12:30pm – 11:00pm**

In the tradition of a Vietnam unit's Officer's Club you can get a beer and shoot the breeze with your buddies. The O' Club will again be part of 'ground zero' – meaning the Vendor Area, Ballrooms, Registration and Pre-registration, and the O' Club are all within hand grenade range.

## WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2020

### **Early Bird Gathering: 20 May – 7:00pm – 9:00pm - NC**

This social gathering continues the long standing tradition of having an appointed place and time for everyone who comes “early” to the Reunion to meet and greet others.

**Note: No food is provided at this gathering.**

## THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2020

### **Banjo Billy’s History City Tour #1: 21 May – 9:00am – 10:30am - \$25**

The history of Colorado and Denver is full of interesting characters and great stories. Enjoy this tour on a one of a kind funky bus as your tour guide entertains you with tales of scoundrels, scandals, murders, and rivalry that made Denver what it is today. Beware, there will be a few jokes thrown in as well, but the stories are all true! This city tour is unique, fun and VHPA guests will learn something new, even if you grew up in the area. Sign up for this 90-minute Denver tour to learn about Denver’s corrupt past, promising future, and the ghosts and criminals who still form Denver’s identity today. A few things this tour will cover are how Denver got its name for the price of a barrel of whiskey, the real story of Molly Brown, before and after the Titanic incident, fascinating stories of oil, corruption, and a mysterious death.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

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### **Molly Brown Museum #1: 21 May – 10:10am – 12:15pm - \$23**

On this short private tour, VHPA Guests will have the opportunity to explore the home of Titanic heroine Margaret "Molly" Brown, an outspoken Western woman whose activism and charity impacted the lives of many around the world. This antique-filled Victorian house was the home of Molly Brown, not only a famous survivor of the Titanic, but so much more. This Museum is the premier place to explore Denver's history. Hear the stories of the many individuals and groups that shaped the world and the Denver community & interact with knowledgeable docents who share the Progressive Era changes Margaret and mining engineer husband John made in their lifetime and learn their role in shaping Denver. From the front porch of the home, see the State Capitol's gold dome and the spires of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to connect the economic activities of mining to Denver's built environment and civic gathering places. Once inside, make connections between how families lived 100 years ago compared to today. Discover the rich history of immigration to Denver by hearing about the Tobin and Brown families as well as their servants.

**Note: This tour does include walking up stairs. There is no elevator to reach the second level.**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 40 participants.**

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### **Adam’s Mystery Playhouse Lunch: 21 May – 11:10am – 3:00pm - \$55**

Fun starts the minute you walk into this unique, whimsical and inviting mansion. No matter what age, VHPA guests can expect to enjoy several types of theatre with this hilariously fun murder mystery lunch. Participate in as much or as little as you like. The five hilarious and professional actors weave together a story that you will never forget! Enjoy a lunch buffet of beef brisket, potato salad, baked beans, fresh green salad, dinner rolls, brownies, macaroons and tea and soda. Cash bar will be available.

**Note: THIS IS A NON-REFUNDABLE EVENT.**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 112 participants.**

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**Foothills of the Rockies #1: 21 May – 12:00pm – 5:00pm - \$56**

Board a coach bus with your tour guide and head into the mountains for breathtaking views and visit top tourist sites. Enjoy a beautiful walk while witnessing the majesty of Red Rocks Park and Amphitheater and explore the historic western Town of Golden where there will be a set amount of time to check out the local shops, sample some craft beer at one of the many local Tap Houses or Grab a meal (prices not included). Travel 2000 feet up to the top of Lookout Mountain while viewing a breathtaking 200-mile panorama of the city and, have time to visit the Buffalo Bill Museum (included in price of tour) and Grave at Lookout Mountain.

**Note: Dressing warm and a jacket recommended!**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 100 participants.**

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**City Tour #2: 21 May – 1:00pm – 2:30pm - \$25**

See description for City Tour #1 above.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

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**Forney Museum of Transportation #1: 21 May – 1:25pm – 3:45pm - \$25**

The Forney Museum of Transportation is a one-of-a-kind collection of over 600 artifacts relating to historical transportation. It began 60 years ago with a single 1921 Kissel, but soon expanded to include vehicles of all kinds. Today it includes not just vehicles, but also buggies, motorcycles, steam locomotives, aircraft, carriages, rail equipment, fire apparatus, public transportation, sleighs, bicycles, toys and diecast models, vintage apparel and much, much more! Also view Amelia Earhart's Kissel Car! Some collection highlights include: Union Pacific 'Big Boy' Steam Locomotive #4005, Amelia Earhart's 1923 Kissel 'Gold Bug', Forney Locomotive, Colorado & Southern Caboose, 1923 Hispano-Suiza, 1913-53 Indian Motorcycle Collection, Denver & Rio Grande Dining Car, Stutz Fire Engine, 1888 Denver Cable Car, 1923 Case Steam Tractor, 1817 Draisenne Bicycle, 500 Piece Matchbox Collection, and more!

**Capacity: This event is limited to 55 participants.**

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**Symposium of Speakers: 21 May – 2:00pm – 4:00pm - NC**

Diane Carlson Evans, Myrna Williamson, VHPA Scholarships, Witness to War and VHPA/Texas Tech Legacy Presentation

There are several guest speakers this year along with presentations regarding VHPA Scholarships, Witness to War and the VHPA/Texas Tech Legacy Presentation. Detailed info will be posted on the reunion page at vhp.org at a later date.

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**Denver Brewery Tour #1: 21 May - 3:00pm – 6:00pm - \$50**

Take a ride on an old school bus tricked out to look like a traveling hillbilly shack for a Brewery Tour with Banjo Billy's. This Denver Brew Tour will be the craziest ride you have ever taken as you'll be sitting on a couch, recliner or saddle on the bus as it rolls through the Mile High City. Banjo Billy's Brewery Tour includes three brewery stops, Renegade Brewing, Prost Brewing and Black Shirt Brewing Co, with a full pint at each stop and a tour of each location. Call it a Brewery Tour, a Brew Bus, a Brew Hop, a Beer Bus....by any name, this Brewery Tour will be lots of fun!

**Note: Consumption of food and alcohol is permitted on the bus and munchies can be purchased at breweries!**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

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**Welcome / First Time Attendee Reception: 21 May – 7:00pm – 9:00pm – NC**

Traditionally this reception was the first official event for everyone to get together FOR SURE at a Reunion. Now it is just a “get together” at an appointed place and time for everyone who attends the Reunion. We'll position cash bars to make certain no one has to

stand in a long line. During the reception you will be entertained by the College of the Ozarks Chapel Choir. They are known for their patriotic songs, and the college itself is a great supporter of veterans. This will be a highlight of the reunion that you will surely remember.

**FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2020**

**Golf Outing at Legacy Ridge Golf Course at Westminster: 22 May – 7:15am – 4:00pm - \$145**

This year we will play at Legacy Ridge Golf Course at Westminster. Your golf ticket includes bus transportation, green fees, carts, score cards, complimentary range balls, one Power Pack, and **LUNCH**. Rental clubs are available for \$32/round with advance notice. This year we will be playing a best ball scramble.

The Power Pack rules are carried forward from previous VHPA events. Additional Power Pack tickets (\$20 each) and can be purchased at the HQ Registration Desk in the hotel with cash or credit card. Cash is required to purchase an individual team member Power Pack at the golf course. Included in the Power Pack Bonuses are the following:

- Two each Mulligan’s (from the tee only) per side (total of 4 per team member). Mulligans are for each player and cannot be used by another team member.
- One “Get-Out of Hazard Free” per side (total of 2) per 18 holes. Place ball where it last traveled before entering the hazard or OB, no penalty. Used for sand traps, water, and Out of Bounds with no penalty.

Visit <https://www.cityofwestminster.us/ParksRecreation/GolfWestminster/LegacyRidgeGolfCourse> for details about the course.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

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**Breakfast w/Speaker Thanh Boyer: 22 May – 7:30am – 9:00am – \$25**

This is the first of three breakfasts offered at this Reunion. Thanh Du’ong Boyer was born in the Mekong Delta, South Vietnam, in May 1967. She is the oldest of six children, born in a wealthy family, according to Vietnamese standards. Then, as a young child, she saw her family struggle to survive after the North Vietnamese takeover. At twelve years old, her parents put Thanh and one sister on a boat, during the nighttime hours in an effort to escape Vietnam and its suppressive government.

Fifteen months later, she finally arrived in the United States as a refugee. Although unable to speak English, she worked hard, learning the language, becoming a U. S. citizen, and committing herself to bringing her parents and siblings to the states. She married and succeeded in having her family join her stateside. Thanh has two children who are examples of achieving The American Dream; her daughter is in medical school and her son is an electrical engineer. Her brother and three sisters also achieved success and are electrical engineers.

Today Thanh gives inspirational talks to groups and she and her husband, John, live in Madison, Alabama.

Enjoy the Sheraton’s Breakfast Buffet including scrambled eggs w/white cheddar cheese & chives, savory breakfast sausage, oven roasted redskin potatoes w/sautéed onions & herbs, Boulder Breadwork’s Artisan Breads, yogurt, local honey & jams, whipped butter w/maple, a selection of juices, coffee & tea. We’ve scheduled each breakfast to conclude prior to most other Reunion tours or events for the day.

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**Foothills of the Rockies #3: 22 May – 9:00am – 2:00pm - \$56**

See Description on Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Note: Dressing warm and a jacket recommended!**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 54 participants.**

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**City Tour #3: 22 May – 9:15am – 10:45am - \$25**

See description for City Tour #3 on 11 May.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**Coors Tour #1: 22 May - 9:20am – 12:15pm - \$32**

See and taste traditional brewing at the foot of the Rocky Mountains in the largest single-site brewery in the world! The Coors Brewery Tour will showcase their history and passion for brewing. Get a look at malting, brewing and packaging processes. Enjoy a look at old photos, memorabilia, historical beer cans, bottles and memorabilia from the archives. After the tour, enjoy beer samples in their hospitality lounge.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**Georgetown Loop Railroad #1: 22 May - 9:35am – 2:30pm - \$58**

Enjoy a coach ride into the mountains on this 75 minute bus ride to Silver Plume Depot. Once there, climb aboard a private charter of one of Colorado's famous historic narrow-gauge railroads. The thriving mining towns of Georgetown and Silver Plume lie two miles apart in a steep and narrow mountain canyon. Ride this historic loop railroad roundtrip from Georgetown and Silver Plume, CO. Guests will travel 3.1 miles up 600 feet, around 2 loops and across 4 bridges, including the impressive Devil's Gate High Bridge. The train ride will start at the Silver Plume location, stop at the Georgetown depot and give guests a brief break to explore and then head back to Silver Plume. The private charter train cars will be covered but still open on the sides so bringing a blanket or jacket is advised because it can be chilly this time of year in the mountains. Once the roundtrip is complete, enjoy a BBQ buffet as you get to check out the museum located at the Silver Plume Depot. The buffet will consist of chicken, pork, baked beans, coleslaw, dessert, and sodas/water.

**Note: Dressing warm and a jacket recommended!**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 150 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**Coors Tour #2: 22 May – 10:55am – 1:45pm - \$32**

See description for Coors Tour #1 above.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**City Tour #4: 22 May – 2:00pm – 3:30pm - \$25**

See description for City Tour #3 on 11 May.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**Wings Over the Rockies #1: 22 May – 2:00pm – 5:00pm - \$26**

The Wings over the Rockies Air and Space Museum is located on the former Lowry Air Force Base in Denver. The museum preserves the history of Lowry AFB's operations from 1938 to 1994 in its collections. With over fifty iconic aircraft and the most realistic flight simulators in Colorado, Wings over the Rockies Air & Space Museum has something for everyone. With more than 182,000 square feet of hangar space full of iconic aircraft, space vehicles, artifacts, military uniforms and much more, VHPA guests will walk alongside majestic former warbirds, a ¾ scale X-Wing Starfighter, Vietnam era fighter jets and One Bell Huey UH1-C completely restored and owned by one of VHPA's Chapter Members. VHPA Guests will enjoy a guided tour the first half of the time and then additional time to continue exploring the museum.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 90 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

**Molly Brown Museum #2: 22 May – 2:45pm – 4:45pm - \$23**

See Description on Tour #1 on 22 May. Tour does include walking up stairs.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 125 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

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**Adam’s Mystery Playhouse Dinner: 22 May – 5:40pm – 9:45pm - \$69**

Fun starts the minute you walk into this unique, whimsical and inviting mansion. No matter what age, VHPA guests can expect to enjoy several types of theater during the night with this hilarious, fun murder mystery dinner. Participate in as much or as little as you like. The five amateur and professional actors weave together a story that you will never forget! Enjoy a dinner buffet of beef brisket, roasted chicken, potato salad, baked beans, fresh green salad, dinner rolls, brownies, macaroons and tea and soda. Cash bar will be available.

**SOLD OUT**

**Note: THIS IS A NON-REFUNDABLE EVENT.**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 125 participants.**

**SATURDAY, 23 MAY 2020**

**KIA/MIA Gold Star Breakfast: 23 May - 7:30am – 9:00am - \$25**

Gold Star Family Breakfast is a traditional VHPA reunion event organized by Julie Kink. This is an opportunity to recognize our Gold Star families. All are welcome to attend. These families are extremely appreciative of the fact that their loved ones did not die alone and that we care about them and remember them like a brother.

If you would like to sponsor guests for the breakfast you can use the Event Sponsorship section under Voluntary Contributions in [Step 2](#) of the online registration.

If you would like to invite KIA/MIA Gold Star family members who will not be registering for the Reunion, please call VHPA HQ to provide their names and contact information so we can have Name Badges prepared for them.

Have you been emailing back and forth with Bob's brother for years, but just never got a chance to shake his hand? This is the opportunity to do that. Invite them to attend the reunion and bring them to the Gold Star Family Breakfast. I'm happy to answer questions about the breakfast, as details get confirmed, or about how to connect with a buddy's family. Little sister, Julie Kink sister of WO David Kink C Troop 1/9th CAV KIA 8-3-1969. I am also a member of VHFCN Family Contacts Committee. Visit [www.VirtualWall.org/contacts](http://www.VirtualWall.org/contacts) or email me at [Kink100@att.net](mailto:Kink100@att.net).

Enjoy the Sheraton’s Breakfast Buffet including buttermilk biscuits & sawmill cream gravy, crisp hickory smoked bacon, scrambled eggs w/white cheddar cheese & chives, hashbrown casserole, danishes, croissants & muffins, yogurt, fruit, a selection of juices, coffee & tea. We’ve scheduled each breakfast to conclude prior to most other Reunion tours or events for the day.

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**Georgetown Loop Railroad #2: 23 May – 9:05am – 2:00pm - \$58**

See Description on Tour #1 on 22 May.

**Note: Dressing warm and a jacket recommended!**

**Capacity: This event is limited to 150 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

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**City Tour #5: 23 May – 9:30am – 11:00am - \$25**

See Description for City Tour #1 on 22 May.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 50 participants.**

**SOLD OUT**

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**Foothills of the Rockies #2: 23 May – 9:30am – 2:30pm - \$56**

See Description on Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Note:** Dressing warm and a jacket recommended!  
**Capacity:** This event is limited to 50 participants.

**SOLD OUT**

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**Denver Brewery Tour #2: 23 May – 11:30am – 2:30pm - \$50**

See Description on Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Note:** Consumption of food and alcohol is permitted on the bus and munchies can be purchased at breweries!  
**Capacity:** This event is limited to 50 participants.

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**Wings over the Rockies #2: 23 May – 11:45am – 2:45pm - \$26**

See Description on Tour #1 on 22 May.

**Note:** There is no food inside WOR Museum so bring snacks/eat late breakfast or bring lunch to eat on bus!  
**Capacity:** This event is limited to 90 participants.

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**Quilter’s Show & Tell: 23 May – 2:00pm – 4:00pm – NC**

This special meeting continues the tradition started at least eight years ago to present wonderful hand-made, American flag themed quilts to VHPAers and possibly local area veterans.

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**City Tour #6: 23 May – 3:00pm – 4:30pm - \$25**

See Description for City Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Capacity:** This event is limited to 50 participants.

**SOLD OUT**

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**Forney Museum of Transportation #2: 23 May – 3:10pm – 5:30pm - \$25**

See Description on Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Capacity:** This event is limited to 55 participants.

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**Rockies Baseball Game: 23 May – 6:00pm – 11:00pm - \$48**

Enjoy a night out with VHPA Guests at the beautiful Coors Field while cheering on the MLB team Colorado Rockies as they take on the Philadelphia Phillies with a 7:10 PM start time. VHPA will have designated group seating for this event in Section 117 which is down the first baseline. This ticket will include a shuttle to and from the hotel at several set times and \$10 credit to be used at any concession stand. Final hotel return shuttles will be in the middle of the 6<sup>th</sup> inning and 15 minutes after the final inning. A ticket swap for your actual baseball ticket will be at a designated time at the hotel and it is strongly encouraged that you pick up your baseball tickets at the same time as anyone you would like to sit next to. We cannot guarantee seating with anyone.

**Capacity:** This event is limited to 200 participants.

## SUNDAY, 24 MAY 2020

### **Pre-Memorial Service Breakfast: 24 May – 7:30am – 8:45am – \$25**

This is the third and final breakfast offered at this Reunion. The Memorial Service, scheduled to begin at 9am is primarily a time to honor the several hundred VHPA members and potential members who passed away since the 2019 Reunion in Kansas City.

Enjoy the Sheraton's Breakfast Buffet including smoky bacon, traditional & blueberry buttermilk pancakes, assorted syrups, house made preserves, muffins, croissants, & danish, a selection of juices, coffee & tea. We've scheduled each breakfast to conclude prior to most other Reunion tours or events for the day.

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### **Memorial Service: 24 May – 9:00am – 9:30am – NC**

The Memorial Service has been part of the "Reunion's Fabric" for at least ten years. It has evolved into the perfect setting / opportunity to reflect and remember our fallen brothers and friends. Since the KIA/MIA Gold Star Family Breakfast is dedicated to our KIA/MIA brothers, this Memorial Service is dedicated to those who passed away after their service in Southeast Asia with SPECIAL EMPHASIS on those who have passed SINCE THE LAST VHPA REUNION. The VHPA often uses the term DAT (Died After Tour) to refer to those who served in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War era, survived the War, and then passed away.

It is important to note that no financial donations or contributions are requested or accepted during the Memorial Service. Questions concerning this event should be directed to VHPA Executive Council Member John Powell or by contacting VHPA HQ.

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### **Spouse/Guest Event – The Craftsman & Apprentice: 24 May – 10:00am – 12:00pm – \$25**

This hidden gem was Named "Best Place to Learn Your Craft" in the Best of Denver 2016; VHPA Ladies will tap into their creative side with a craft class with Craftsman and Apprentice at the Sheraton. In this event, guests will be learning Mini-Weaving and making wall hangings that can be taken home. Using a small loom, you will be given a crash course in tapestry style weaving. Learn three different weaving techniques to create a beautiful and unique wall hanging. Then use chunky yarn to weave and hang your work on a willow branch. We promise you will be hooked and it's never too late to learn something new or perfect a hobby. Everyone loves a good ladies party and there's no better way to spend time with folks you really like than to get together and make things. All materials, instruction and know how are provided.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 100 participants.**

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### **Annual Business Meeting: 24 May – 10:00am – 12:30pm – NC**

The Annual Business Meeting (ABM) is when we conduct the official business of the association. On Friday morning you will hear committee chairmen give reports on their activities over the past year and you will have the opportunity to vote on administrative issues plus elect our next two Executive Council members. This is a good time to learn about the workings of the VHPA behind the scenes and to influence the future direction of our association.

Only VHPA Members in good standing (meaning the former pilot is dues current and HQ has a valid mailing address for him in the database) may attend. You must present your ticket at the door. VHPA Members in good standing who are not attending the Reunion can also attend the ABM but must obtain a ticket from the HQ Registration Desk.

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### **City Tour #7: 24 May – 1:00pm – 2:30pm - \$25**

See description for City Tour #1 on 21 May.

**Capacity: This event is limited to 25 participants.**

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**Closing Banquet: Registered Adults – 24 May – 5:45pm – 10:30pm - \$75**

This ticket is for an adult banquet meal (Dual plated entrée) for someone who has also paid the adult reunion registration fee.

The highlight for most reunion attendees is our closing banquet. This is the only “dress up” occasion of the reunion. It is a celebration of our time together opening with a tribute to our missing men and closing with the change of command from our current president, Art Jacobs to the new one, Art Price after the meal.

For those who just want to visit after the closing remarks, please know you can stay at your table until 11 pm. Cash bars remain open until they are no longer needed.

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**Closing Banquet: Registered Child <10 – 24 May – 5:45pm – 10:30pm - \$25**

This ticket is for a "kid's meal" for the closing banquet. A word of warning is appropriate here. This meal is designed for children under the age of 10 years old. Trust us when we say that this meal will NOT MAKE a teenager happy at all!

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**Closing Banquet: Non-Registered Guest – 24 May – 5:45pm – 10:30pm - \$85**

This ticket is for an adult banquet meal (Dual plated entrée) for someone who has **NOT PAID** the adult reunion registration fee. Please review the Non-Registered Banquet Guest (NRBG) details in the Reunion Information at [www.vhpa.org](http://www.vhpa.org).

A non-registered guest enjoys all the features/details described in the registered adult narrative above.