

HMM-265 Veterans Association, Inc.

November 10, 2022

Fellow Marines:

A quick note to wish everyone a Happy 247th Marine Corps Birthday!

I'll take this opportunity to add a reminder that a year from today we will celebrate our birthday together in Tucson, Arizona at the Desert Diamond Casino and Hotel as the highlight of our HMM-265 2023 biennial reunion.

The overall dates for 2023 are arrival on Wednesday, November 8th and departure on Sunday the 12th. We're still working out the details of the schedule, which will include an opening reception Wednesday evening, business meeting and Memorial Service Thursday, the Birthday Banquet on Friday, a couple of scheduled group outings, and plenty of free time to explore and enjoy Tucson and its surrounds. Our meeting planner Don Duszynski again has negotiated the reunion room rate to be available three days before and following the event itself if you care to come early and stay late.

Desert Diamond has gone out of their way to provide us excellent accommodations for our event, including that we will have an entire floor reserved for us, so let's get our reservations in early and fill it up. We'll send out the link to reserve shortly. We also will have a fabulous hospitality suite to serve as our hooch, located for convenience on the same floor.

The weather in Tucson next November should be quite accommodating, and is in fact described by Visit Tucson as "legendary". Warm mid-70s days and cool nights with plenty of sunshine and relatively low humidity make the Sonoran Desert climate very pleasant in the fall.

Stand by for further updates as planning progresses. Mark your calendars now. We're looking forward to a great turnout and a wonderful reunion in Tucson!

Semper Fi,

Bob Basye

President, HMM-265 Veterans Association, Inc.