



2023 LPH's - IWO JIMA CLASS

REUNION - September 27 – October 1, 2023

Hilton – Kansas City, MO

It's that time again! So excited to plan lots of fun things for Kansas City. Happy to see lots of interest on Facebook. Looking forward to having ALL of you there. Next steps:

- Look over the information in this packet (hotel info, program, meal and tour options, registration form)
- Send in your Registration Form as early as possible, with payment, to AFR (Armed Forces Reunions). AFR is again handling the tours and meals for us. **REGISTRATION SHEET enclosed is to be returned to AFR.** You can also register online at www.events.afr-reg.com/e/LPHSIwoJima2023
- Call the Hilton to reserve your room. Please be sure to let them know if you have special needs (handicapped accessibility, motor coach parking, etc.) Rooms include breakfast buffet for two and free parking. **AIRPORT SHUTTLE AVAILABLE. Details are on the back of this page.** (EARLY BIRD DEADLINE IS May 15...EVERYONE REGISTERED BY THAT DATE WILL BE ENTERED IN A DRAWING FOR ONE FREE HOTEL ROOM NIGHT!) There will also be a link posted on the Association website for booking your room (www.iwojimaassociation.org)
- Memorabilia – don't forget to bring your memorabilia to share. The Memorabilia Room is one of the highlights.

Breakfast

The hotel will provide a Breakfast buffet for us from 7-9 each morning **INSIDE** the Memorabilia room. Breakfast and Tip included.

Pajama Party!!!

On Thursday night we will have a Pajama Party. Pizza, Beer and lots of other goodies. Start thinking about your APPROPRIATE pajama attire and practicing for our annual Corn Hole Tournament!

KC BBQ Dinner!!!

What would a trip to Kansas City be without some regional BBQ? We will get a taste of that Friday night, with our auction and some fun entertainment for the evening.

Social Media

Don't forget the Association has two online platforms...
Website: www.ussiwjojimaassociation.org
Facebook: LPHs Iwo Jima Class

REUNION BOOKS

Lynn Arseneau is working on our Providence Reunion Books. As soon as they are available, I will mail them to those who purchased. She has great pics and is working to make this a great book.

DISCLAIMER: All hotel public spaces are designated NON-SMOKING. Liquor liability laws also prohibit the consumption of privately owned alcoholic beverages in its public spaces. **We do not provide alcohol (except cash bars at events), however you are free to bring your own in to the Memorabilia room (but NOT in public areas).** LPH's - IWO JIMA CLASS does not accept responsibility or liability whatsoever for any incident involving the use of any alcoholic beverages.

Invite your friends and shipmates. If you know someone you would like to have a packet sent to, please let me know....the more the merrier!

AUCTION

We will hold an auction on Friday night. If you'd like to make a contribution, please contact Dena.

MEMBERSHIP and DUES

Don't forget. YOUR membership supports this organization. If you are not a member, please download a Membership application on the website and join TODAY!

Notes from Dena...

Kansas City! Midwest at it's best. BBQ, Steamboats, FABULOUS World War I Museum.

Looking forward to seeing all of you this year. As in previous years, the Board approved giving us monies to reduce some events. Just like everywhere, prices have gone up, but we did the best we could. Wednesday Evening Reception will be a Sandwich buffet, Thursday Pizza and Beer (provided), Friday BBQ and Saturday your choice, including a KC Strip.

The tours are awesome – St. Joseph's a really interesting river town, Steamboat Arabia a recovered Missouri River paddlewheel and the WWI museum is one of the top 5 museums in the US!

If you have any questions, or ideas, please don't hesitate to contact me....

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See you in Kansas City!!!!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
AUGUST 26, 2023

BANQUET DRESS CODE - The membership decided to change the dress code for the Saturday evening banquet to **BUSINESS CASUAL** – collared shirts, long pants, jackets not required. **NO T-SHIRTS OR SHORTS** – *Feel free to dress up if you wish! Some of our folks like to look pretty snazzy – some even in uniform!*

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