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SPECIAL 2016 REUNION REPORT

Great news, the venue for our 2016 reunion (Reunion XIII) has been selected. The location is the **Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, CO**. It is located at 2886 Circle Drive in Colorado Springs. The hotel is less than 6 miles from the entrance to Ft Carson and only 3 miles from the famous Broadmoor Hotel and Resort and the noted Golden Bee Bar and Grille.

Our reunion week is August 7 through August 14, 2016 at a rate of \$95 per night including a complimentary continental breakfast each morning in the hospitality room. Our room rate is good three nights in advance of Aug 7 and three nights after Aug 14.

The following link allows you to go online and book directly with the hotel:

http://www.reseze.net/cassets/mkt/mcmelegante/landing_pages/MCM_Colorado_5th_Battalion_7th_Cavalry_Association2.html

For those of you that prefer to call the hotel directly you can use either of the two following phone numbers:

800-981-4012 or 719-576-5900. When calling make sure you identify your self as a member of the 5/7 Cavalry Association. Our group ID # is 1110189.

The hotel Elegante has 500 rooms, two swimming pools, one inside and one outside, a fitness center, very spacious meeting space, two restaurants, an ice cream parlor and a spectacular hospitality room with a view of Pikes Peak and the majestic Colorado Rocky Mountains.



Hotel Elegante Main Entrance

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“KRAZY” Karl’s Report

Reunion XIII – Site review trip. As most of you know that attended Reunion XII the vote for Reunion XIII venues was #1, Savannah, GA and #2 was Colorado: Denver or Colorado Springs. The site team did check with 3 hotels in Savannah and came up with a blank. No hospitality room, no parking and \$100+ per night.

We moved from there to Colorado and our guy on the ground, Bob Child, completed an checked of 7 hotels, 4 in Denver and 3 in Colorado Springs. When the rest of us hit the ground on January 21st we had narrowed the field to 3, 1 in Denver and 2 in Colorado Springs.

The Denver hotel had 255 rooms which I thought was right in line for what we needed after the Springfield room shortage. When we said we wanted all 255 the sales manager told us that 55 were reserved for the airlines and we could only have 200. BOO HISS, bad manager. Next she said we could only block 80% of the 200 meaning we could have 160 rooms. At that point we consumed the complimentary lunch and left town.

Colorado Springs was much friendlier. The first hotel was a great looking property but it just didn’t have the PX, Memorabilia Room, Hospitality Room & Banquet Room space we needed.

With all that out of the way we spent 2 days at the Hotel Elegante and came up with a great contract. The sales manager was super along with the entire staff. When we left we felt like part of the family.

Check out the reservations links that Allen has included in the front page. Now it’s your turn to go ahead and make a room booking, yes NOW. It doesn’t cost anything to reserve a room.

We did reserve 5 – 55 passenger coaches for August 9, 2016 for our Tuesday night outing. I don’t have any more information other than that at this time, but it is going to be great.

Golf Guys – Our guide around Ft Carson told us that if we can get 30 golfers that the Ft Carson course will close the course for our group from 7:30 AM to noon. YUP, that’s a private course for the 5/7 golfers. We are going to have Charlie Baker run the golf outing. Thanks Charlie!

Communications People – as in Facebook and whatever else you people do with your smart phones and tablets. We need a few members to put their heads together and make this social media (I think that is what it called) work. I have been told that the 5/7 association has facebook, Ace troop & Bandit troop have facebook pages. Now who’s going to be first to come to the plate and slam a home run with getting this together. Don’t be afraid.

5th Squadron troopers -We also were joined by Jake Dalton, B Troop CO 2005-2007, MAJ Tim Bogard, D Troop CO 2006-2008, and CW5 Chris Volkert, Squadron Maintenance Tech, 2007-2008 for lunch at the Hotel Elegante. They are both stationed at Ft Carson and will be at reunion XIII.

**Garry Owen,
“Krazy”**



Hotel Elegante Web Site

Check out the hotel’s web site so you can find out more about our 2016 venue.

<http://www.hotelegante.com>

Colorado Springs Convention & Visitors Bureau

<http://www.visitcos.com/>

Check out the Visitors Bureau web site to find out fun facts about the Colorado Springs area, discount coupons, special attractions in the area and register to get your free copy of the Visitors Guide.

Hotel Elegante Features



Lobby and Registration Counter



Indoor Pool and Patio Area



Rustler's Café Restaurant



Sweet Tooth Ice Cream Parlor



Outdoor Patio Bar



Rawhide Bar & Grille



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