Dear High Chaparral Family,

It's my honor to welcome you to The High Chaparral Reunion and Nostalgia Festival in Tucson, AZ.

Since 2003 fans, stars and crew of this award winning American western gather to celebrate High Chaparral, other classic TV shows and movies that we love. Through celebrity discussion panels, one-on-one meetings, and personal connections made throughout the weekend fans fulfill life-long dreams of visiting the Chaparral ranch house and meeting their favorite stars.



The event is called a Reunion for a good reason. During this premiere event the fan and celebrity community become a family, and this weekend is truly a family reunion. I know you'll find the same experience as you meet your friends and family in Tucson.

I hope your trip to Tucson is extraordinary and all you dream it will be. If you have any questions or concerns please email info@thehighchaparralreunion.com for help.

Welcome home to The High Chaparral. See you in Tucson!

Penny McQueen
Producer
The High Chaparral Reunion



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# HOW TO GUIDE FOR ATTENDING THE HIGH CHAPARRAL REUNION March 17-20, 2016

Tucson, Arizona

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### Introduction

Congratulations on your decision to attend this wonderful gathering of cast, crew and fans of our beloved TV shows, movies and of course, The High Chaparral. Our event will be held in Tucson from March 17-20, 2016. People who attend describe it as a life-altering event for the better and a dream come true! We hope you count yourself in that number.

Our fans make friends from around the world in person and through the many Facebook pages that surround. Some of these friends include cast members and family members of the cast and crew. Together, we all keep alive the wonderful legacy of our favorite TV shows and stars.

Now let's look at preparing for your upcoming trip as you step into the *past* on Tucson soil, meet fellow fans, cast and crew in the *present*, and carry all this happiness with you into the *future*!

## **The Stars**

The celebrity guests will be confirming their attendance throughout the year. This is always subject to change given illness and other extenuating circumstances. The current guest list is at <a href="http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/guests.shtml">http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/guests.shtml</a>

## Registration

The first step is to go to the Reunion's official website at this address and register:

https://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1703609

**IMPORTANT:** Deadline to register is February 1, 2016! (After this date, the registration fee increases, if there is any space available.) There are **NO REFUNDS**. We suggest travel insurance – check online from vendors like http://www.allianztravelinsurance.com/ or http://www.insuremytrip.com/

## **Registration Options**

Go to http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/schedule.shtml for the current schedule of events.

## **BUDGET BASIC daily access**

## \$30/day

If you're on a budget you can register for the BASIC package and get entrance to the celebrity photo and autograph room and Film room. (no access to Q&A panels and other special presentations with this budget rate).

Because the BUDGET BASIC PRICE is so low there are no meals and no shuttle service to Old Tucson included in the package. You can add-on shuttle service for \$25 (\$35 after 2/17/15).

## HOTEL AND OTHER PERSONAL TRAVEL COSTS are not included.

## BUNKHOUSE CREW: Attending Reunion all 4 days (Thursday – Sunday) \$370

(The basic \$370 weekend package includes the FULL registration including Thursday pre-opening

reception, celebrity photo and autograph room, Film room, Friday meet and greet, all guest Q&A discussion panels, all celebrity presentations,

Saturday at Old Tucson Festival and photo/autographs with the stars at the Cannon ranch house, shuttle transfers to Old Tucson from Casino del Sol, lunch at Old Tucson on Saturday, Sunday photo and autograph session.)

Shuttle Service from our host hotel to Old Tucson is included in the

BUNKHOUSE CREW package. Food included: Lunch at Old Tucson, Saturday.

#### HOTEL AND OTHER PERSONAL TRAVEL COSTS are not included.

## RANCH OWNER: Attending Reunion all 4 days plus Sponsor's Dinner (Thursday – Sunday)

Our most popular package, the RANCH OWNER includes everything on the FULL menu plus the Friday night Sponsors dinner. Regular price for this is \$495, but you get the discounted rate of \$475!

The RANCH OWNER weekend package includes Thursday pre-opening reception, celebrity photo and autograph room, Friday meet and greet, all guest Q&A discussion panels, all celebrity presentations, Saturday at Old Tucson Festival and photo/autographs with the stars at the Cannon ranch house,

shuttle transfers to Old Tucson from Casino del Sol, lunch at Old Tucson on Saturday, Sunday photo and autograph session.

Shuttle Service from our host hotel to Old Tucson is included in the RANCH OWNER package. Food included: Sponsors Dinner, Friday. Lunch at Old Tucson, Saturday.

## **HOTEL AND OTHER PERSONAL TRAVEL COSTS are** not included.

## **Build Your Custom Weekend:**

Do you need to mix and match days but still want to

experience everything available? Then build your own weekend package a piece at a time. Rates include FULL daily access WITHOUT the Sponsors dinner. You may mix registrations for BUDGET BASIC and CUSTOM WEEKEND to meet your schedule and budget.



\$65

\$120 **Attending Friday Only** 

> Includes guest Q&A discussion panels, Friday celebrity presentations, film room, (excludes Sponsor Dinner)

\$120 **Attending Saturday Only** 

> Includes Old Tucson admission, shuttle to and from Old Tucson and Casino del Sol Lunch at Old Tucson, film room, special presentations, evening entertainment

#### **Attending Sunday Only** \$65

Includes celebrity autographs and photos, Silent Auction, film room guest Q&A discussion panels, all Sunday celebrity presentations including evening entertainment.



\$475

## **Optional Add-Ons:**

Early arrival Thursday
Cowboy Cookout at White Stallion Ranch
(includes shuttle transfer)

\$80

Sponsorship for Friday night
Sponsor's Dinner (Included in Ranch Owner package) \$125

Trail Ride at Old Tucson

\$50

The deadline to register is **February 1, 2016!** If you wait until after that, there is a fee increase if there are any slots available at all.

PLEASE register immediately and completely.

Many people want to add the sponsor's dinner once they arrive. Unfortunately, there is usually no room to add quests at that time.

NO REFUNDS: We recommend you purchase travel insurance.

## Where To Stay?

The majority of activities take place at the host resort – Casino del Sol Resort and convention

center. Ask for the special High Chaparral group rate when booking to receive the discounted rate of \$149/night for Double Queen or 1 King room. Suites are available for \$199/night.

Call 1-855-SOL-STAY (1-855-765-7829.) to reserve your room or email reservations@solcasinos.com.

Staying onsite includes advantages such as taking a break in your own room, changing clothes at-will and enjoying the amenities of the hotel, its bars and

restaurants without driving.

Unless you plan to tour on your own, a rental car is not required. The Reunion provides shuttle service to Old Tucson and you can arrange for airport transfers or take a taxi. You must **sign up for the shuttle** to Old Tucson and White Stallion in advance on your





registration record, please be sure you have done so if you will ride the shuttle!

La Quinta Inn and Suites Tucson Airport is our official BUDGET hotel and offers complimentary scheduled round-trip shuttle service to Casino del Sol.

Discount rate \$85/night available 3/17 to 3/20 for double rooms/quadruple occupancy – you must ask for the High Chaparral rate when booking. Complimentary scheduled round trip shuttle to Casino del Sol offered daily for your convenience. Deadline 2/25/16 or until all rooms are booked. Call 520-573-3333 to reserve your room.

Taxis are available from the Tucson airport to our hotel, or you may arrange in advance for a transfer with several shuttle companies. Check online at:

http://www.azstagecoach.com/

http://www.tucsonairportshuttle.com/

http://tucsonairportrides.com/

#### Where to Eat?

Casino del Sol has a variety of eating options ranging from Starbucks, a \$5.00 burger, deli, Mexican/Tequila bar, Chinese, high end steak house and more. The surrounding area also has choices in all price ranges but you will need a vehicle or ride to get there and back.

## **How to Get to Tucson?**

Tucson International Airport is on the city's south side. It serves many different airlines and flight times, so you may wish to look for advance purchases to save money. Southwest Airlines is one of the airlines that services Tucson. A flight search engine such as Kayak.com or Travelocity.com may be helpful.

Amtrak (Train): <a href="http://tickets.amtrak.com/itd/amtrak">http://tickets.amtrak.com/itd/amtrak</a> 800-872-7245

Greyhound (Bus): http://www.greyhound.com/ 800-231-2222

People drive in from many different locations. Casino del Sol offers free covered parking and valet service for its guests.

#### **How to Dress?**

Tucson is a fun, casual city. Jeans and casual clothes fit most restaurants and dance clubs. According to The Weather Channel, the average temperatures for Tucson in late March are 74 degrees in the daytime and 48 degrees in the evening. The weather can be variable so layers are advised.

Whatever you decide to bring, plan to be casual and comfortable. Folks wear jeans, slacks, shorts, T-shirts, Western wear, tops and jackets, pantsuits, dresses, etc. What do the stars wear? Why, tiaras and crowns, of course! Okay, not really. They dress casually as well.

Layers help you stay comfortable throughout the day. At minimum, plan on a light jacket for evenings. Regardless of where you are coming from, it takes a while to get acclimated to a new area. Better to have and not need than to need and not have! Remember, it is unlikely it will be 100 degrees.



The meeting rooms can sometimes become chilly due to air conditioning. You know your own comfort level, so follow your internal thermometer when packing!

If you're going to Old Tucson, wear comfortable walking shoes as the roads and walkways are not paved. Tennis shoes or closed-toe shoes or even cowboy boots are fine. Sandals will collect sand and pebbles, and high heels are a bad idea.

The Sponsor's Dinner on Friday is an event most people dress for. It is not required, but this is the trend set by fans in the past. You can still wear jeans and T-shirts—it's okay with us. However, don't be surprised to see business casual slacks, jackets, skirts, or dresses. Some break out the Western wear. You won't feel out of place whatever you choose

TRAIL RIDE: See clothing suggestions listed under the Trail Ride section below.

## What to Bring?

**SHARPIES:** Sharpies are felt-tipped permanent markers that don't fade over time and are the best thing for the celebrities to use for autographs. You'll be glad you brought your own. We suggest you bring at least 5 medium point black sharpies and perhaps one that's white or silver for an autograph on an item with a dark background. Sharpies seem to



magically disappear if you look away, leaving you without one just when you want an autograph.

REMEMBER: You are asking the celebrity for his or her autograph. That means YOU must be prepared to get it. Have the item to be signed ready, and have a SHARPIE that writes! Make sure the item is big enough to sign. Expecting the actor to have a Sharpie is not realistic because people take theirs as a keepsake (if they even had one) since it was used by the actor! You get the picture, right!

**CAMERA:** Speaking of pictures...bring a camera or phone camera along with you. The celebrity guests are very gracious in posing with fans, and you won't want to miss out on these once in a lifetime opportunities. You can ask for photos throughout the event, and it is up to the celebrity to agree (which most do willingly). Fans have been gracious to snap photos for each other, so hopefully you will help if called upon. Also, it's good to make sure you know how to use your camera so you aren't disappointed by missing a great shot.



Oh, a word to the wise: Sunday morning is set aside specifically for photos and autographs from our celebrities, so you may want to make sure you save an outfit you want to look at a lot. One fan from the 2013 Reunion lamented that she wore travel clothes to this session and now has to look at those instead of a nicer outfit.

**PROTECTION FROM THE SUN:** Bring sunscreen and use it. Tucson is a desert and the sun, even in March, is fierce during the day. If you sunburn easily, wear long sleeves and bring a hat. Sunscreen might be appropriate. Tucson tends to be a sunny place almost all year long. Oh, and it IS a dry desert, so you may wish to bring moisturizing lotions.

**CASH ACCESSIBILITY**: Bring cash for photos and autographs from the stars, silent auction items, raffle tickets and other such activities. There is an ATM onsite at the hotel and at Old Tucson

Activities in Depth: (NOTE: You will be in the desert, so expect to drink lots of water to stay hydrated.)

## ARRIVING/EVENT CHECK-IN (Casino del Sol)

Whether you stay at Casino del Sol or not, when the events begin (regardless of which day you arrive) just look for, or ask for, the location of The High Chaparral Reunion group in the Convention Center. Go to the location and check-in with the members. You'll get a great big "Welcome!" and a name tag. You can ask the check-in folks any questions then you can go into our meeting room and start to mingle with your co-fans and our guest celebrities.

A Word About Your Name Tag: Your name tag clearly identifies that you are a member of The High Chaparral Reunion. Wear it to all events. It also tells you what you signed up for. You MUST wear it at Old Tucson and at all times during the weekend in order to gain admission.

## COWBOY COOKOUT STEAK DINNER, (WHITE STALLION RANCH)

This activity is an add-on option. The shuttle will leave Casino del Sol at 5:15 pm and drop us off at this wonderful ranch on the outskirts of Tucson for an evening of delicious fun. The White Stallion Ranch also served as a shooting location for The High Chaparral and many other TV series and movies, so it has a history with our group as well. The shuttle leaves for the return trip to Casino del Sol at 8:00 pm.

The cost is \$80 and is not included in the regular registration fee. You may sign up for the wait list in case the event fills up. Dress is casual—bring your appetite!

## SPONSOR DINNER, (Casino del Sol)

The Sponsor Dinner is an add-on option. Sponsors are fans like you who want to help bring The High Chaparral family home to Tucson, and spend a fun and interesting sitdown dinner together with our celebrities. Without our loyal, generous sponsors it would be much more difficult to fund The High Chaparral Reunion.

When you register as a sponsor, please be sure to indicate which celebrity table you would like to be seated at. While we try to accommodate as many requests as possible, please know that Sponsor Dinner seating is assigned based on your date of registration for the Reunion.



Some fans who cannot attend the Reunion opt to become a Sponsor as a way to be remembered and to participate from afar. Sponsorship is \$125 and is not included in the regular registration activities.

A NOTE OF WARNING: Many fans ask to add the Sponsor Dinner once they arrive at the Reunion. This is usually impossible to do because the arrangements are already solidified. So, if you want to attend this fun sitdown dinner, please sign up for it at the time of your registration.

As a BUNKHOUSE SPONSOR you make a memorial gift of \$35 in honor of someone - a loved one, cast member or character - and have you and your named honoree listed at The High Chaparral Reunion. Many fans take advantage of this special memorial as a way to support the Reunion.

### **T-shirts**

2016 Reunion T-shirts will be available for sale during the Reunion. For those who can't attend, when you become a High Chaparral Booster (<a href="http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/sponsor.shtml">http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/sponsor.shtml</a>) you have the option to order a T-shirt.

## **OLD TUCSON STUDIOS, (OLD TUCSON)**

The visit to Old Tucson Studios is included in the four-day registration and the Saturday-Only registration. This is your chance to actually stand on soil where The High Chaparral was filmed. The ranch house is right where it was during shooting, and you'll get a chance to go inside it as well as to walk the grounds around it. Our guest celebrities will be there to greet other members of the public who attend Old Tucson's Wild West Days special activities in conjunction with our Reunion.



The shuttle leaves at 9:30 am from Casino del Sol to take you to Old Tucson Studios. (If you are signed up for the Trail Ride, see the departure time in the next section.) You MUST sign up for the shuttle in advance as a part of your registration.

In addition to visiting the ranch house area, you are free to roam around Old Tucson and enjoy their special Western Festival. The studio will be full of entertainment, exhibits and demonstrations, in addition to the many buildings, props and backdrops to remind you of the hundreds of films and TV shows that have been shot there, including Rio Lobo with John Wayne, Little House on the Prairie and The Wild, Wild West.

There is a private lunch for the Reunion group on Old Tucson Studios grounds at 12:30 pm which is included in your FULL registration for that day.

Old Tucson has restaurants and souvenir shops, scheduled performances throughout the day by their on-staff stuntmen and other entertainers, a train that circles the park and a visit to a ghost mine. Don't miss the fun here.

For suggested clothing to wear at Old Tucson, see the sections above on How to Dress and What to Bring (Sun Protection). SUGGESTION: Tucson is a desert and it is dry, even if the temperatures are below 100 degrees. We suggest you drink lots of water so you don't become dehydrated. Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink fluids.

Old Tucson is located at 201 South Kinney Road, Tucson, Arizona 85735, phone: 520-883-0100. Here is its website: <a href="http://oldtucson.com/">http://oldtucson.com/</a> to find our more information about this historic location.

The shuttle leaves Old Tucson at 1:45pm and 3:30 pm to return to Casino del Sol.

## TRAIL RIDE, (OLD TUCSON STUDIOS)

The trail ride is an add-on option. If you signed up for the First Trail Ride, the shuttle leaves Casino del Sol at 8:00 am. (If you are on the afternoon Trail Ride, you may take the 9:30 am shuttle.)

A trail ride is exactly what it says: You ride a live horse on a trail around the Old Tucson Studios area. The ride lasts approximately an hour and is led by experienced horsemen and guides.

We suggest you wear long pants to protect your legs from cactus and other vegetation, and closed-toe, sturdy shoes, preferably boots, to protect your feet in the stirrups and while walking around the horses. A hat and sunscreen is recommended as well as long sleeves and a light jacket, just in case you need it.



You will actually be riding in some of the places the Cannons, Montoyas and the Bunkhouse Boys rode, as well as the Apaches and other guest good guys and bad guys.

The Trail Ride add-on option is \$50. The shuttle leaves Old Tucson at 3:00 pm and returns to Casino del Sol.

## **AUCTION (Casino del Sol)**

From the time you arrive until Sunday morning at 9:00 am, you are welcome to browse and bid on all the auction items displayed around our meeting room. There will be a lot of show-related items, like scripts and photos and simply too many things to mention. We will also be holding a raffle which you can participate in.

## PHOTO AND AUTOGRAPH SESSION, (Casino del Sol)

Enjoy the photo and autograph activity with our special guest celebrities. This morning session is your chance to get one more autograph and photo poses with your new friends – your favorite stars. One of the nicest things about our event is our fans are respectful of the celebrities and their fellow fans. They don't try to

monopolize any one, they move on to the next celebrity table in a timely fashion while giving themselves time to enjoy their own visit, and they also take photos for their fellow fans.

The photos taken on this day may very well end up framed in your home. You may wish to wear an outfit you're happy to look at over a long time.

REMEMBER: Have your item out and ready to be autographed, and **HAVE YOUR SHARPIE READY!** 

## CELEBRITY PRESENTATIONS & QUESTION AND ANSWER PANELS (Casino del Sol)

Over the three-day period, there are multiple opportunities to listen to celebrity presentations and to participate in their activities. These presentations and panels are not included in BUDGET BASIC registration. There are also chances to personally ask questions about the show and get the answers from those who were there! So, start thinking now what you would like to ask, write it down and bring it with you. Our celebrity panel members are lots of fun and share wonderful stories and insights that keep us all spellbound!



## **APPENDIX I The High Chaparral Reunion**

The High Chaparral Reunion's official website is <a href="http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/">http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/</a>. Producer of The High Chaparral Reunion is Penny McQueen, CEO, Penny for Your Thoughts Productions. She can be reached at <a href="mailto:info@thehighchaparralreunion.com">info@thehighchaparralreunion.com</a>.

#### **APPENDIX II Accessibility**

Casino del Sol is wheelchair accessible and has rooms that have discreet assisted mobility amenities. If a wheelchair or personal scooter is needed, check online for companies that provide travel/resort rentals. There are several national chains that will deliver directly to the resort.

Old Tucson is not paved, so you may want to consider a power wheelchair for use outdoors. For those who have difficulty walking, Old Tucson accommodations are available by request. These include main gate pick-up by either the stagecoach or a golf cart to drive you to the ranch house. Benches are available to rest on throughout the park.

## **APPENDIX III Internet Sites/Facebook Pages**

There are a multitude of internet and Facebook pages where you can meet other fans, many of whom will be coming to the Reunion. You can get to know folks ahead of time if you'd like, although we're pretty sure you won't be a stranger too long even if you don't. Most people who participate in our Reunions often refer to it as a Family Reunion. It's a wonderful dynamic that must be experienced in person!

The High Chaparral Reunion: <a href="http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/">http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/</a>

The High Chaparral Newsletter: <a href="http://www.highchaparralnewsletter.com/">http://www.highchaparralnewsletter.com/</a>

#### **FACEBOOK PAGES**

The High Chaparral Reunion: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/highchaparralreunion">https://www.facebook.com/highchaparralreunion</a>
The High Chaparral: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/thehighchaparral/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/thehighchaparral/</a>

Leif Erickson (Big John) Fans: https://www.facebook.com/groups/153973898119987/

Linda Cristal (Victoria Cannon) Fans: https://www.facebook.com/groups/422983351128067/ Cameron M. Mitchell (Buck Cannon) Fans: https://www.facebook.com/groups/353090374814199/

Henry Darrow Friends: https://www.facebook.com/groups/378685178810311/

Mark Slade/Blue Cannon Fanpage: https://www.facebook.com/groups/Bluecannonfanpage/

Robert Fuller website: <a href="http://www.robertfuller.info/Welcome.html">http://www.robertfuller.info/Welcome.html</a>

Robert Fuller facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/109224699123043/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/109224699123043/</a>

#### **Other Sites**

Cameron Mitchell, Actor: <a href="http://cameronmitchellactor.com/">http://cameronmitchellactor.com/</a>

### **APPENDIX IV** Important Contact Information

The High Chaparral Reunion website: <a href="http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/">http://thehighchaparralreunion.com/</a>

The High Chaparral Reunion email: info@thehighchaparralreunion.com, phone 812-214-5044

Old Tucson Website: <a href="http://oldtucson.com/">http://oldtucson.com/</a>

Old Tucson Address: 201 South Kinney Road, Tucson, Arizona 85735 phone: 520-883-0100