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Flying Tiger Line Pilots Association

Pilots and employees of the Flying Tiger Line, dedicated to preserving the memory of a great airline and those who served in China and in World War II

Fall 2017

Hello Everyone,

The **44th Annual FTLPA Reunion** will be held next year from Wednesday, May 2nd to Sunday, May 6th at the Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel. It's a beautiful venue located within minutes of both the airport and the downtown area. Procedures to register and reserve your hotel room are included in this newsletter, as well as posted to our website. Everyone is encouraged to submit their Registration Forms and payments before December 31st in order to be eligible for the traditional drawing to determine the winners of two (2) banquet dinners and two (2) free hotel nights during their stay.

As we do every five years, our 2018 reunion will serve as our Flight Attendant Recognition event, with an emphasis on operations during the Vietnam War era. During those years many *Freedom Bird* flights, as they were referred to, were operated by the Flying Tiger Line. The laughter and sorrow, the thrill and pain, the unbelievable compassion that our fellow crew members in the back must have exhibited in the process of transporting our troops back home should never be forgotten. Those of us in the cockpit got the aircraft safely to it's destination because of our training. Our fellow crew members in the cabin, more emotionally exposed in ways that only they know, got our troops over and back with their hearts, transporting many more soldiers over than returned. A wonderful exhibit will be on display at the San Francisco museum in 2018 highlighting such *Freedom Bird* flights (see page 5 below). If you were involved in such missions and have anything to offer please consider contacting them.

Over the past year I've been coordinating with Mr. Greg Kenny, Education/Program Coordinator, at the Palm Springs Air Museum regarding a new display dedicated to The Flying Tiger Line. Everything is on schedule to have it completed by the time we visit the museum on Friday night. Please see page 6 for information on how you can help add to the display with any memorabilia that you might have to donate.

Lastly, I am very sorrow to report receiving very late word that Larry Barrow passed away on August 30th at his home in Playa Flamingo, Costa Rica. Such news constantly reinforces my determination to keep our group together and reuniting every year. Life is too short.

John Dickson
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Registration Raffle

Submit your Registration Form by the December 31st deadline to qualify for either two (2) free hotel nights during the reunion or two (2) free banquet meals on Saturday.

Last Notice

It's imperative that all members add both of the two new FTLPA email addresses to your Contacts or your Address Book to identify them as safe to receive and not spam or junk.

email@flyingtigerline.org

president@flyingtigerline.org

2018 Palm Springs Reunion - Hotel Reservations



Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel

888 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262
(click on link for more information)

For Online Reservations

[Click Here](#)

or

Call Marriot Reservations at

(888) 682-1238

*Be sure to identify yourself
as part of the Flying Tiger Group*

Our 44th Annual Reunion will be held at the **Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel**, a beautiful location for our reunion, within minutes and conveniently located between Palm Springs Airport and downtown Palm Canyon Drive. The hotel boasts that it has the largest pool in the area and the view of the mountains to the west is spectacular.

A special nightly rate of \$179, plus tax, has been negotiated for our group and room reservations can now be made by telephone or online through our custom site (*left*). Self parking is \$12 per day. However there is less expensive parking nearby. The hotel provides free airport shuttle service for those flying in.

Reservations can be changed or cancelled up to 24 hours before your first night stay. The group rate will only be available for as long as contracted rooms are open. The absolute Cutoff Date to obtain rooms within our block is April 10th, 2018.

Do Not Delay in making your reservations!

Reunion Agenda

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Wednesday May 2nd	3pm – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar open from 3pm until 5pm 7pm – The Hangar is open until 9pm	San Jacinto Room Santa Rosa Room
Thursday May 3rd	9am – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar is open from 9am until 11am 1pm – The Hangar is open until 5pm 7pm – The Hangar is open until 9pm	San Jacinto Room Santa Rosa Room
Friday May 4th	9am – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar is open from 9am until noon 3pm – Flabob Express DC3 departs from the PSAM ramp Note: additional times may be available (see below) 4pm – Tour and Buffet Dinner at the Palm Springs Air Museum (buses to leave hotel at 4pm and return at 10pm)	San Jacinto Room Santa Rosa Room Palm Springs Air Museum Ramp Palm Springs Air Museum
Saturday May 5th	9am – Hospitality Suite Opens 10am – Business Meeting 1pm – The Hangar is open until 4pm 6pm – Banquet Reception 7pm – Dinner & Dance	San Jacinto Room Mojave Learning Center Santa Rosa Room Ballroom Foyer or Terrace Pasadena/Sierra/Ventura Rooms
Sunday May 6st	8:30am – The Hangar is open until 10am	Santa Rosa Room

Where's Golf?

We had a real hard time getting enough golfers to register for the last couple of reunions. So we have decided to do a little research and provide you information for those who may still want to organize a group of players. The three courses that have been recommended to us are, the Escena Golf Club, (760-778-2737), Desert Willow Golf Resort (800-320-3323), and Tahquitz Creek Golf Resort (760-328-1005). Click on the hyperlink for each course for more information. These will all have different fees and I've been told that the Escena course is the nicest.

--Larry Weeks

Palm Springs Air Museum – Friday, May 4th



The Palm Springs Air Museum is a living history museum dedicated to educating the public about the role Air Power played in preserving American liberties and way of life. The Museum preserves, exhibits, and flies aircraft from World War Two, Korea, and the Vietnam Wars. Many of the docents are veterans and are willing to share their experiences and sacrifices for the education of future generations.

A new exhibit dedicated to the history of the Flying Tiger Line will be unveiled during our visit there. See page 6 below on how you can help.



Miss Josephine
Curtis P-40 on display in front of AVG exhibit

\$65 per person includes:

Bus transportation to and from the hotel, admission to the museum, and a buffet dinner. Buses will leave the hotel at 4pm and will return at 10pm

Bring Your Own Beverage

A first for our group, all attendees will be allowed to bring their own alcohol, wine, beer, soft drinks, and mixers of choice. We will provide ice and water.

Costumed Event – Armed Forces



Although never required, everyone attending this event is encouraged to acknowledge our Armed Forces, particularly those who served in Korea and Vietnam, by attending in some form of Armed Forces attire. This could be your dressing as your favorite MASH character, donning your old uniform or flight suit, or simply showing up in some old camo wear.

Banquet & Dance – Saturday, May 5th

Flight Attendant Recognition Banquet \$75 per person.



Former Flight Attendants from the 80's gather for a photo in San Diego, 2013

The Banquet and Dance will be held at 7PM in the Renaissance Ballroom. Cocktails will be available at 6PM in the foyer area or outside in the Ballroom Terrace

Suggest dress is *Casual Business*

For a description of the meal choices available please click [HERE](#).

Entertainment to be announced soon.



Flying Tiger Line
Flight Attendant Banner

Historic DC-3 Flight Offered – Friday May 4th

Fly back through time with Bob & “Tym” Tymczyszyn at the controls of a beautiful 1945 DC-3, **The Flabob Express**. Relax and re-live the Golden Days with a scenic tour of the desert landscape and a glass of cold champagne in hand served by one of our former Flying Tiger Flight Attendants. Those interested can come up front and log some DC-3 time! Flights will be conducted out of the Palm Springs Air Museum ramp on Friday, just prior to the Friday evening gathering. The first 15 passengers to sign up will depart at 3pm for a flight of approximately one hour. Others will depart at earlier times with a schedule due out soon.

Questions? Email Bob at bobtym@hotmail.com



Your flight crew, Bob & John Tymczyszyn



Boarding the **Flabob Express**



Over the desert

Important

A [Waiver of Liability](#) is required to register for this opportunity. Please print the last two pages of this newsletter, thoroughly read, sign, and send separately to:

Bob Tymczyszyn, P.O. Box 4804, Blue Jay, CA 92317

Flight Attendant Corner



Joyce Daniels

Flight Attendant Representative

Roommate Wanted?

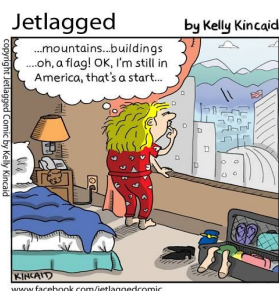
If you are interested in sharing the cost of a room, please submit your name and email/phone so we can compile a roommate wanted list to include on our Discussion Page and in the next newsletters.

email@flyingtigerline.org

Next year's reunion will serve to honor all former FTL cabin crew members during our *Flight Attendant Recognition Banquet*. Friday night will entail a costume theme of Freedom Bird Flights at the Palm Springs Museum. So be thinking of what you'd like to wear. We can even have a contest! Who looks like Hot Lips the best? (John is thinking of coming as Klinger!) Wear your old in-flight uniform or make a new one. Be creative. I've been looking for the Tiger pettipants we used to wear. If anyone knows of a source for them please let me know. We did wear our skirts pretty short back then!

I am planning on ordering a special ladies top for the Palm Springs reunion and need to get an idea of what sizes to order. This includes all ladies, F/A's and significant others. There is no commitment to buy one, but I need an idea of how many and the sizes to order. So if you would just send me an email with a size; S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, etc. I will only keep track of sizes – no names. With upwards of an expected attendance of 400+, this will be very helpful to me.

I'd like to see our F/A artists come out of the woodwork! I know there are a lot of you out there. For next year we'd like to see the F/A's design our annual poster. Using the theme, **"Flight Attendant's contribution to 50 years of Freedom Bird flights"**, use your creative flair to design next year's poster. The winner will receive, besides notoriety, a gift certificate to the Hangar. The deadline for submitting your poster is February 1, 2018.



I would like to produce a special pamphlet of memories for everyone of the following:

- Let me know when and how you were hired
- What story would you like to share? Someone or something that made your flying memorable? I won't use your name if you don't want. We had some good times and some scary ones!

Lastly, I need volunteers to help sell FTLPA merchandise in the Hangar at Palm Springs. Please contact me if you can help. Below are the hours we plan to have the Hangar open to the attendees:

Wednesday	3pm to 5pm & 7pm to 9pm
Thursday	9am to 11am, 1pm to 5pm, & 7pm to 9pm
Friday	9am to Noon only
Saturday	1pm to 4pm only
Sunday	8:30am to 10am only

Thanks! See you in Palm Springs.

Joyce Danielsen
Joyce_Danielsen@yahoo.com
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Freedom Bird Exhibit in SFO

Our Flight Attendant Recognition Reunion will put a heavy emphasis on the role of our airline's former flight attendants during the Vietnam War conflict. These flights were often coined Freedom Birds. Below is a communication we received from Mr. Samuel Scott, Curator of Aviation, Collection at the San Francisco Museum. Please consider contacting Mr. Scott or the museum if you have anything to offer

May 5, 2017

Dear Mr. Dickson,

*I know you must be very busy in the run up to your reunion in a couple of weeks, but I hope your group will be able to help us out with an exhibition we are preparing for next year. It is titled **Freedom Bird: Airlines and the Vietnam Experience** and it will present the history of civil airlines involvement in the airlift efforts to Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War, with particular attention given to the personal accounts of the aircrews involved. I am reaching out to retiree groups of as many of the airlines involved as we can and I hope Flying Tigers will participate as well. Just last week, I was just speaking with a former Flying Tigers flight attendant who was sharing her PAC MAC experiences from 1966- including flying John Wayne home after a USO engagement in Saigon!*

I am attaching a letter we have prepared which details the project and a little about the SFO Museum here in San Francisco. If there is any chance, I hope you will mention our project at the reunion and make copies of the letter available to attendees, or possibly include the letter in a future newsletter.

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Samuel Scott ✉

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 San Francisco International Airport | P.O. Box 8097 | San Francisco, CA 94128
 Tel 650-821-6779 | SFOmuseum.org

REQUEST FOR EXHIBITION LOANS



FREEDOM BIRD: AIRLINES AND THE VIETNAM EXPERIENCE

Scheduled for November 2018 – May 2019
 San Francisco International Airport

SFO Museum is conducting research for an exhibition on the experiences of the air crews that flew the airline charter service into Southeast Asia during the Vietnam conflict. This exhibition will focus on the compelling human dimension experienced by crew members involved in flying thousands of young service men into and out of the war zone. We are reaching out to the airline retiree community hoping to gather stories and borrow objects and images that will bring this chapter of aviation history to life.

The types of objects and materials we are seeking for loan include:

- First person accounts and personal experiences
- Letters and correspondence
- Journals and log books
- Photographs
- News clippings and media publications
- Airline publications and communiques
- Transit documents, tickets, luggage labels, etc.
- Souvenirs
- Other materials with special connections to the subject



Saigon 1960s
 Courtesy of the Pan Am Historical Foundation



Discharge countdown card 1970
 Courtesy of Jeffrey Rudolph

As part of the Airport Commission, City and County of San Francisco, SFO Museum has produced public exhibition programs since 1980. We are accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and staffed by museum professionals. Please visit sfomuseum.org for additional information.

Our Registration Department coordinates all Loan Agreements documents, incoming receipts, and outgoing return receipts, and oversees fine arts care and handling. The Airport will assume all shipping and insurance costs.

If you have personal collections or stories you would be willing to make available for the exhibition, please contact:



Flight attendant's Vietnam souvenir beret 1960s
 SFO Museum Collection
 Gift of Ann Ogile and Pamela B. Taylor
 2017-08-06

Sam Scott
 Curator of Aviation
 SFO Museum
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Pan Am Boeing 727 under guard 1967
 Courtesy of the Pan Am Historical Foundation

Click [HERE](#) for larger view

Museum Memorabilia Needed

A tremendous amount of items were donated to our association by friends and family of former Tiger crew members. Most of this was put on display in the FedEx Crew Room from 2012 to 2015 (see *photos at right*). On the way to Portland, John Dickson transported these items to the Palm Springs Air Museum in preparation for a dedicated exhibit showcasing FTL



FedEx Crew Room Display

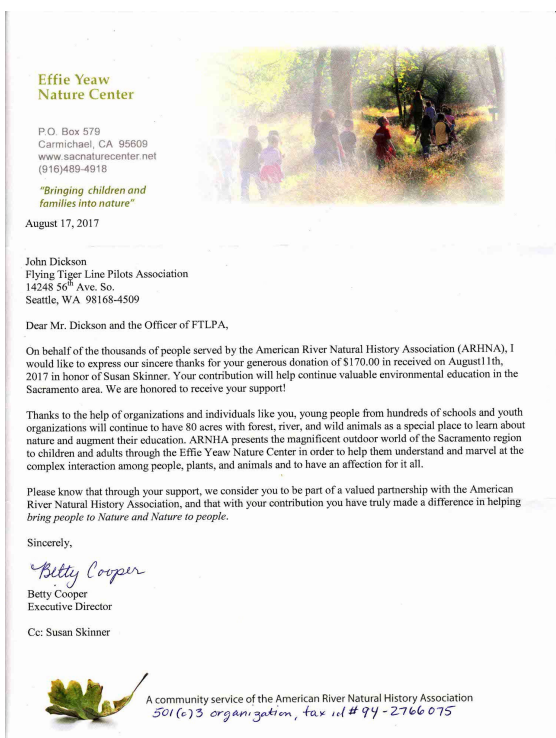


FedEx Crew Room Wall

Plans are to have the exhibit complete by our reunion next year when we visit the museum on Friday night. Even though there is a good amount of quality items for display, the exhibit is in need of more museum quality artifacts (wings, models, pictures, etc.). The wall prints were made available by Pam Lipari and their display will be dedicated to her father, former FTL Captain Richard (Dick) Holman Gaarde. John Michael has already stepped up and donated his models of the DC-8 and CL-44. Doug Shaw donated his favorite model of the FTL B707 *Polecat*, the featured aircraft for our reunion this year. If you have an interest in donating items that you posses please contact John Dickson for coordination on this. He will put you in touch with the right person to ship them to. Everyone who has donated FTL memorabilia in the past, or in the future will be recognized for their contributions.

Recent Acknowledgments

Since the last newsletter FTLPA has received the following letters from the Evergreen Air & Space Museum after our group's spontaneous and extremely generous donations during our event there earlier this year. Additionally, proceeds from the sales of Susan Skinner's poster for the Portland Reunion were donated to the Skinner's favorite charity, the Effie Yeaw Nature Center, who also sent a nice thank you note to us.



Future Reunions

Click on the underlined links for more information about each venue.



The Flying Tiger Line room
in the Flight Path Museum

2019
45-Year
Anniversary Reunion
Renaissance Long Beach Hotel
111 East Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, CA 90802
May 1st to May 5th, 2019
Visits to Flight Path Museum at LAX
and California Science Center in L.A.



OV-105 Endeavour
at the California Science Center



The River Walk in San Antonio

2020
46th Annual Reunion
San Antonio, Texas

Date and Hotel still to be decided.
See below for more details



Pacific War Museum

There is a real interest in returning to San Antonio, Texas for our 46th Annual Reunion. Sandy is currently working on which hotel will suit our needs best and we hope to enter into a contract soon. We last visited the *Alamo City* in 1999. The Friday event will hopefully include a ride to the Pacific War Museum in Fredericksburg, TX. The boyhood home town of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, it is the only institution in the U.S. dedicated exclusively to telling the story of the Pacific and Asiatic Theaters in World War II. FTLPA President, John Dickson, has contacted new SPAR President, Dan Duffy, to explore the possibility of another joint FTLPA/SPAR event. Both think it's a wonderful idea to get the two groups together again. Give us your input on this idea by emailing John at president@flyingtigerline.org or Dan at dimpledan@tds.net

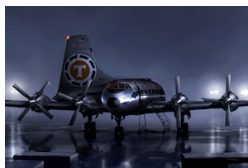
Joe Wight Prints Still Available



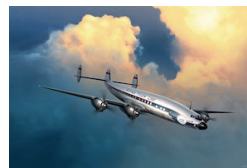
Boeing 747 on the "Checkerboard Approach"
to Kai Tak Airport, Hong Kong
(Portland, 2017)

Contact Joe Wight directly at
twilghtxmail@yahoo.com

Once again, Joe Wight produced another wonderful work of art, his rendition of a Tiger 747 on the IGS approach to Kai Tak Airport. Copies of this or any of his previous works are available for purchase directly from Joe. Email him and he'll answer any questions and provide sizes and prices for any of his former paintings. The word is that he's working on a painting of the FTL B707 *Polecat* for the Palm Springs door prize raffle!



Canadair CL-44
(Monterey, 2012)



Lockheed Super Connie
(San Diego, 2013)



Douglas DC-8
(Seattle, 2014)

Flown West

John Skinner passed away suddenly on August 18. John is survived by his wife Susan and daughter Kathryn Skinner. Our fellow Tiger pilot, musician, and Sacramento band leader contributed a legacy of excellence in both arenas. Raised in Orland CA, John's trumpet studies were fostered by mom, Alberta (Pat) Skinner. The virtuoso excelled at USU, Logan. On graduation, he volunteered for USAF Vietnam service. Post-war, he began a long career flying for The Flying Tiger Line and Federal Express. He simultaneously established the John Skinner Band. Skinner ensembles have played fine music for thousands of California celebrations, including our own FTLPA reunions.



John Skinner
1945-2017



Skinner, tooting his horn with Capt. John Franzone

Celebration of Life

Skinner's fellow musicians will offer a celebration at 2pm on September 17 at La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engel Rd, Carmichael, CA. All FTLPA members are encouraged to attend and honor the memory of our dear friend.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Cazadero Music Camp which they have supported for many years. Please send to PO Box 7908 Berkeley, CA 94707.

Rest in Peace John. The sound of your trumpet will forever play in our memories and within our hearts.

Joe Crecca - 4th of July Grand Marshall

The following is from Joe Crecca, Grand Marshall for the Kirkland 4th of July Parade earlier this year:

The parade started at 11:30 in Kirkland, Washington along a route that passed by city hall. When I got there the parade stopped with my car, a black BMW convertible right in front of the reviewing stand. [I was jealous of all those right behind us in Chevy convertibles.] That's when they read my short shoot down and incarceration bio over the PA system. The route took about 30 minutes and I was told there were 30,000 people in attendance. All of them were waving arms and American flags and shouting thanks and sincere patriotic stuff. And the element that got me were the older veterans saluting; to which I returned my own sharp, hand salute. Both my arms were aching by the time we got to parade's end.

Visit links in the Video Library below for more on Joe's patriotism to our country. We also salute you Joe!



Banner representing the aircraft Joe flew and was subsequently shot down in



Grand Marshall, Joe Crecca



Video Library

Click on the various links below for some interesting videos from websites that pertain to our heritage at the Flying Tiger Line.

The Flying Tiger Line

[Flying Tigers "Can Do" Spirit](#) (35:08)
[Tribute to the Flying Tiger Line](#) (4:05)
[The True Story of the Flying Tigers](#) (43:17)
[The Flying Tigers Cargo Company](#) (9:56)
[Tribute to Bob Prescott](#) (PDF)
[Elephant Arrival in Burbank](#) (12:56)
[Flying Tigers 747 Blown Tires ANC](#) (18:35)

[The Flying Tiger Line \(1945-1989\)](#)

The P40 Warhawk

[How to Fly the P40 Warhawk](#) (28:18)
[WW2: Curtiss P-40 Warhawk](#) (46:00)
[P40, Warbirds of WWII](#) (45:17)
[P-40 Warhawk Vs. Japanese Zero](#) (4:52)
[P-40 Cockpit Tour](#) (6:01)
[Pearl Harbor P40 Boys](#) (5:58)
[Amazing WWII Color Pictures](#)

American Volunteer Group (AVG)

[Wings Over China –The Story of the Flying Tigers](#) (47:44)
[Flying Tigers: "The Story of the Fourteenth Air Force"](#) (39:50)
[The Flying Tigers](#) (7:11)
[The Flying Tigers – Famous Dogfights](#) (43:59)
[Dick Rossi Interview, 1999](#) (41:18)
[Flying Tigers Bite Back](#) (4:33)

[History, Books, and Art](#)
[Discussion Forum](#)

Miscellaneous

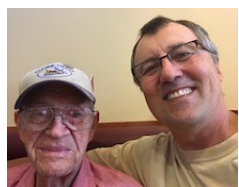
[Boeing 707 Barrel Roll](#) (4:31)
[Douglas DC-8 - The Birth of a Jet](#) (13:16)
[Lockheed Constellation Story](#) (10:39)
[Classic Airliners - "Freight Dogs" - 1973](#) (10:14)
[Airlines of the 1980's](#) (SWA & FTL at about 4 minutes)

Joe Crecca (POW)

[New Orleans Presentation](#) (1:17:09)
[Fox13 News Never Give Up](#) (7:24)
[Vietnam War Commemoration Oral History Project](#) (3:47)
[\(New\) Saluting Joe Crecca – Kirkland 4th of July Parade](#)

Position Reports

The following are recent submissions sent to us. Have you come across someone recently? Please send a picture and the story to email@flyingtigerline.org and it will be included in the next newsletter.



Will Oxx recently ran into Starr Thompson in early August at the Stone Fire Grill in Thousand Oaks and reports that he's still "sharp as a tack." In a phone message received by John Dickson, Starr reports he's doing well, celebrates his 95th birthday today (August 31st), and will celebrate his 55th year of sobriety in December. He fully intends on joining us for the next reunion in Palm Springs. Send a note to Starr at 42046 Village 42, Camarillo, CA 93012. We know he would love to hear from you.



This summer Tom and Menalee Pierchala, Barnie and Kathy Szymaniak, and John and Jeanne Dickson, visited Dave and Yoshie Morris for a couple of great days of fishing and fun. After our visit some friends helped Dave assemble a place to hang all the halibut he catches. On Dave's right is Tim Palmer (married to Sandy Davis)



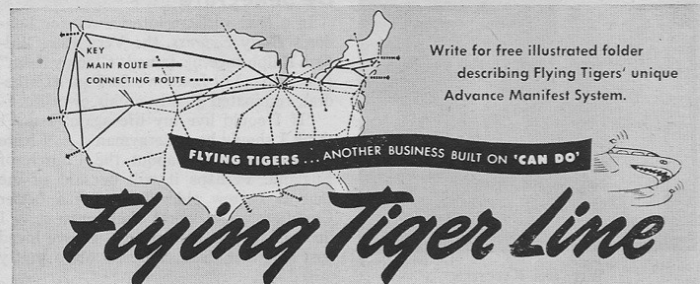
A group of former Tigers, that might as well be called the Vegas Chapter of FTLPA, meet every month for breakfast. Dizzy, who went through a couple of physical bumps in the road, was able to make it with his son, Toby. It's reported that Diz is in great shape again and will be joining us in Palm Springs.

(L to R – Toby Dziubala, Scott & Donna Mergle, Dizzy, Cheri Steffey, Gloria McComas, Agnes & Bill Mayfield)

Anne Marie Prescott

We made the day 48 hours
long... thanks to the
Flying Tigers

A true story as told by Lloyd A. Johnson, Pres., National Motor Bearing Company



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Time Magazine, July 27, 1953



We reproduce this photograph from the 1964 Reunion in Taipei, when the Generalissimo and the Madame hosted a state dinner for the AVG in the Grand Hotel. Seated are the Generalissimo and the Madame and standing behind them, from left to right, are Dick Rossi, AVG President; Anna Chennault, widow of the AVG Commander; Claire Lee Chennault; and Anne-Marie Prescott and Bob Prescott, President of the Flying Tiger Line, formed by Prescott and a group of airmen who flew for the AVG.

FTLPA recently sent a letter to Anne Marie asking whether she would be willing to attend the next reunion as our special Guest of Honor. We received the following from her husband, Mr. Ken Weiss.

Thank you for your kind letter regarding my wife Anne Marie. Unfortunately she has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's. Almost 90 and still in great spirits as always, she can no longer speak or recall people and events as she once could. Therefore we must respectfully decline your offer of her attending. If you have the opportunity and see fit, please give all in the participants her sincere best wishes and love.
--Ken Weiss

Got News?

Let us know and we'll include it in the next edition

Say Again?

We all think about, "I hope to go to heaven when I die." Ladies and gentlemen, you go to heaven when you're born. You arrive on this planet with the positive mass that provides the gravity that contains the water and an atmosphere and the essentials of life. ... God has given mankind a stage that we saw out there for us to perform on. How that play turns out is up to us.

- Jim Lovell's closing words in Oshkosh last month at the presentation of seven Apollo astronauts and Gene Kranz, when asked what space travel has taught us.

Are Your Dues Current?

Please confirm that you are up to date on your \$20 yearly dues for 2017. If you're unsure then go to the Membership Roster section of our website (password is "paws" – all lower case) and use the search feature to find your name. The last year that you paid dues will be listed in the third column from the left under the label "YR." If it's 2016 or earlier then you are delinquent. All members who do not bring their membership status up to date will be receiving an email soon asking them to do so. Unfortunately those who do not respond will be removed from the roster.

Yearly dues of only \$20 per year are necessary for the proper planning of future events and to pay administrative and communication costs throughout the year. To renew your membership use the Membership Services tab, print up the renewal form and mail it with your renewal check. Unfortunately we have had to discontinue the use of PayPal to pay your dues. Only one (1) payment of \$20 for 2017 is required in order to bring ourself current. If you have any questions or concerns then contact any of us and we'll be glad to get you squared away.

Contact Us

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Email

2018 REUNION - PALM SPRINGS, CA

I am planning on attending **YES**____ **NO**____ Only 2018 Dues (\$20) Enclosed \$____

Name_____ Partner_____

List names of other guests here:_____

Enclosed, \$20 for 2018 dues (FTLPA Member Only)\$_____

Enclosed, \$25 *per person* for Registration (wine, beer, soft drinks, & snacks).\$_____

Enclosed, \$65.00 *per person* for Palm Springs Air Museum on Friday...\$_____

Enclosed, \$75.00 *per person* for Banquet Dinner & Dance on Saturday

Choose your entrée...Soy Ginger Grilled Top Sirloin Steak.....\$_____

Click [HERE](#) for Meal Descriptions Lemon Pepper Rosemary Chicken.....\$_____

Mediterranean Salmon (*prepared gluten-free*)\$_____

Chilled Soba Noodles (*vegetarian option*).....\$_____

Enclosed, \$6.00 each for custom name badge (*reunion attendees only*) \$_____

Names as you want them to appear_____

Enclosed, \$100.00 *per person* for Flabob Express Flight on Friday.....\$_____

***** Signed Waiver is Required *****

If paying for flight then print the next two (2) pages, complete, and send separately to
Bob Tymczyszyn at the address on the bottom of the Waiver. Do not send with this Registration Form
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FTLPA, 14248 56TH Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98168

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AGREEMENT TO WAIVE LIABILITY, TO ASSUME RISK, AND TO INDEMNIFY - ADULT

In consideration of my participating as a passenger in one or more airplane flights in a 1945 vintage Douglas DC-3 transport airplane belonging to Flabob Aviation Associates and participating in related activities, and with the understanding that but for my execution of this Agreement on this date and assuming the risks as set forth in this Agreement on this date and from time to time in the future I would not be allowed to participate in these activities (all called the "Activities"), I agree:

1. ASSUMPTION OF RISK. Aviation carries with it inherent risks that cannot be entirely eliminated. Specific risks range from minor injuries such as scratches, bruises and sprains, through major injuries such as eye injury or loss of sight, joint or back injuries, heart attacks and concussions, to catastrophic injuries, including paralysis and even death. Specifically, flying in this aircraft includes but is not limited to the inherent risks of flying in a vintage Douglas DC-3 transport aircraft built in 1945, and operated for more than seventy (70) years by numerous military and civilian operators, including Flabob Aviation Associates. The aircraft, and many of its aircraft and engine parts and components, are in excess of seventy (70) years old, and were certificated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and its predecessor under certification standards that were in effect at the time the aircraft was built. I FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, UNDERSTAND THESE RISKS, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES IS VOLUNTARY, AND I KNOWINGLY ASSUME ALL RISKS OF INJURY OR DEATH AND OF DAMAGE TO MY PROPERTY OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES.

2a. RELEASE, DISCHARGE. AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE. I, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND AGREE NOT TO SUE FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES AND/OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, PILOTS AND VOLUNTEERS (COLLECTIVELY "FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES") FROM ALL CLAIMS AGAINST FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES, FOR INJURY OR DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO MY PROPERTY, ARISING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES. THIS RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE INCLUDES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR LEGAL RIGHTS NOW EXISTING OR ARISING IN THE FUTURE, INCLUDING CLAIMS AND LEGAL RIGHTS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE OF FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES, AND ANY OTHER BREACH OF A LEGAL DUTY ARISING BY COMMON LAW, STATUTE, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE.

2b. RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE. IT'S FULLY UNDERSTOOD THAT FTLPA IS ACCEPTING PAYMENTS FOR SAID FLIGHTS THROUGH THE REGISTRATION PROCESS AND HAS NO INVOLVEMENT WITH THE OPERATION OF FLABOB EXPRESS AIRCRAFT. I, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND AGREE NOT TO SUE FLYING TIGER LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION AND/OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, PILOTS AND VOLUNTEERS (COLLECTIVELY "FTLPA") FROM ALL CLAIMS AGAINST FTLPA, FOR INJURY OR DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO MY PROPERTY, ARISING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES. THIS RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE INCLUDES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR LEGAL RIGHTS NOW EXISTING OR ARISING IN THE FUTURE, INCLUDING CLAIMS AND LEGAL RIGHTS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE OF FTLPA, AND ANY OTHER BREACH OF A LEGAL DUTY ARISING BY COMMON LAW, STATUTE, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE

2c. RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE. I, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND AGREE NOT TO SUE PALM SPRINGS AIR MUSEUM AND/OR ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, PILOTS AND VOLUNTEERS (COLLECTIVELY "PSAM") FROM ALL CLAIMS AGAINST PSAM, FOR INJURY OR DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO MY PROPERTY, ARISING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES. THIS RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE INCLUDES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR LEGAL RIGHTS NOW EXISTING OR ARISING IN THE FUTURE, INCLUDING CLAIMS AND LEGAL RIGHTS ARISING OUT OF NEGLIGENCE OF PSAM, AND ANY OTHER BREACH OF A LEGAL DUTY ARISING BY COMMON LAW, STATUTE, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE

3 . INDEMNIFICATION. I AGREE TO INDEMNIFY FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES AND/OR FTLPA AND/OR PSAM FROM ALL CLAIMS, SUITS, EXPENSES, DAMAGES, AND LIABILITIES, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF THE INVOLVEMENT IN THE ACTIVITIES AND TO REIMBURSE FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES AND/OR FTLPA AND/OR PSAM FOR THEM AS THEY ARE INCURRED.

4. CERTIFICATION AND CONSENT. I have read and understood all of this Agreement. I understand the inherent risks of participating in the Activities, which could cause injury, death, or damage to me and my property. I acknowledge that FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES AND FTLPA AND PSAM have given me the opportunity to discuss this document with legal counsel. I am aware of and specifically waive the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1542, which provides as follows: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor." I am aware of and specifically waive the provisions of California Civil Code Section 1714(a), which provides in pertinent part as follows: "Everyone is responsible, not only for the result of his or her willful acts, but also for an injury occasioned to another by his or her want of ordinary care or skill in the management of his or her property or person ..."

5. USE OF NAME AND LIKENESS. I grant FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES AND/OR FTLPA AND/OR PSAM the right and permission to use my name and photograph for advertising and promotion in any medium, without additional compensation or approval.

6. SEVERABILITY. This Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the law. If any portion of this Agreement is held to be invalid, the balance of the provisions shall continue to be effective.

Important Notice!

Before signing this Agreement, read this entire document very carefully. If an accident were to occur, you (by signing this Agreement) would be giving up legal rights that you might otherwise have. In addition, you might be incurring legal liabilities that you might not otherwise have. If you do not understand anything in this document, you should not sign the Agreement, but instead you should consult with your legal advisor. IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE UNDERSIGNED TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE FLABOB AVIATION ASSOCIATES, FLYING TIGER LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION AND PALM SPRINGS AIR MUSEUM FROM LIABILITY FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH.

Signature

Date

Name (Printed)

Print, sign and send directly to: Bob Tymczyszyn
P.O. Box 4804
Blue Jay, CA 92317