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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

Winter 2017

Hello everyone,

Joyce Danielsen and I just returned from a very successful visit of the venues we'll be utilizing in Palm Springs next year. Everything indicates that we have chosen another fantastic facility for our *44th Annual Reunion and Flight Attendant Recognition Banquet*. With five months to go there have already been more than 250 members and guests indicating that they will be joining in the fun. If you plan to attend but haven't made your hotel arrangements yet, you shouldn't wait much longer. Rooms at the group rate are selling out fast and we're now having to utilize an overflow hotel located a block away. See Page 2 for details and for other relevant updates.

The first subject you'll come across in this newsletter is a request from Larry and me for qualified members to contact us regarding a future position as Vice-President of FTLPA. For some time now we have been discussing our respective roles in regards to the future of the Association should either of us step down from our positions. We both share the same interest – the continued longevity of FTLPA with confidence that the success and momentum our group has been able to enjoy since 1974 will continue far into the future. However, he has been honest and forthright regarding the position of President should I vacate it, whether by choice or circumstance, and has made it clear that he would not follow me as president. For that reason, Larry has offered to step down after the next reunion so that I can find and mentor my own replacement should it ever be required. This is a team effort and we would prefer applicants come from the more junior contingent of our roster, with fresh ideas and a better understanding of communication technologies just over the next horizon. The most important qualification of all, however, will be a dedicated willingness to *follow me through* on the controls over the next couple of years so that any change will be seamless.

I wish to thank Annette Lusk for answering my plea for assistance with the Flown West section of our web site. She comes with a vast amount of experience in web design and we both share a common desire to memorialize our Tiger brothers and sisters in a much better way than is presently done. Annette is a former F/A and her willingness to help contributes greatly to the recognition we'll be giving her group next year.

Further thanks go to Donna Mergele for stepping up into a new position I would like created – *Life Member Representative*. I believe that there are many more ways that FTLPA can better acknowledge and promote the continued activity and attendance of Life Members, those left behind after their spouses have Flown West. Per our bylaws Life Members do not have to pay dues to remain engaged with FTLPA. We have been talking about such an effort for the past few years and the timing seems perfect. The position does not exist within our Bylaws and must be voted on at the business meeting. But in the mean time she will be accumulating ideas, contacting existing Life Members on our roster, and helping me during those unfortunate times when a passing of one of our members needs to be acknowledged.

Speaking of the business meeting, I have it on pretty good authority that Charles Kennedy and Guy Van Herbruggen, who have already written books about the Tiger DC8 and 747, are collaborating on yet another project relative to FTL. Both will be attending the reunion in Palm Springs and plan to solicit memories and stories from our group for a book that for now will be loosely titled **THE FLYING TIGER LINE – A Book of**

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Memories It will be subtitled ***Flying Tigers Employees and Friends Tell the Story of an Iconic Airline.*** Their goal is to have the book complete by our 45th Annual Reunion in Long Beach, 2019. So find those pictures and get those stories in draft form and ready to give to them. It's going to be a great book!

I am attempting to create a complete listing of every cockpit crew member to have ever flown for Tigers. During recent research on this project I came across a great quote by our airline's founder, Bob Prescott. In perfect simplicity, it captures the reason we get together every year and why it's so gratifying for me to help plan these events. I don't know when he said it, or to whom he said it. I just wish that I could have been there.

Whether or not Tigers like to be called people, people seem to like being called Tigers. This airline has always attracted unusual personalities - men and women with more than the normal amount of imagination, energy, ingenuity - and guts.

- Robert W. Prescott, *President and founder of the Flying Tiger Line.*

Jeanne and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. As always, contact me day or night with any questions or concerns you might have.



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FTLPA Officer Opening - Vice President

The position of FTLPA Vice President will be open after the Palm Springs Reunion. Those interested must be Regular Members (former cockpit crew members) per the current bylaws and will be confirmed by vote during the next regular business meeting. Applicants must possess good communication skills and a working knowledge of the internet, email applications, and programs such as Word and Excel, which are currently in use. Most importantly, those interested must be willing to serve in a future position as FTLPA President should it ever be required. The following comes from Larry Weeks:

I want to express how much Mary and I feel privileged to have been able to help, in a small way, to keep FTLPA running these last few years. We want to say that working with John and Jeanne has been a great pleasure and know they will continue to serve the Tigers with tremendous energy and skill.

Thank you all again for your continued support for our fantastic organization and Mary and I look forward to seeing everyone in Palm Springs.

Larry & Mary Weeks

Please contact either John or Larry if you are interested or have any questions.

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Palm Springs Reunion Update

All of the planning accomplished so far is really paying off. Please note the following:

Registration Raffle Reminder - 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.

Who's Coming? - Over 260 members and guests have indicated that they are coming and project this will rise to around 300 by the time our event draws near. Click [HERE](#) for a list of who is coming as of December 1st. If your name is not in bold then we haven't received your registration form yet.

Hotel Reservations - As of this date the Renaissance Hotel is sold out on both Wednesday and Thursday nights due to a much larger group than ours attending an event at the Palm Springs Convention Center next door. Sandy is unable to get any additional rooms at this time. Only a handful of rooms are available at our group rate of \$179 for the weekend. Do your best at making the lodging arrangements you desire and then contact us to be put on a cancellation wait list. Every effort will be made to get you into a room should one of our attendees cancel. Rates will surely rise as spring approaches and we've been told that the entire city can sell out very quickly. **Do not delay in making your lodging arrangements if you intend on attending.**

Arrangements have been made to secure 25 rooms at the Marriott Courtyard just one block away for a group rate of \$139 per night. Call Marriott Reservations at (800) 321-2211 or book online at [FTLPA Reservations](#)

Additional details for both hotels are now listed on the [Next Reunion](#) page of our website

Banquet Meal Change – Attention Vegetarians! During John & Joyce's recent "taste testing" of the meals offered our group, they both found the Soba Noodles very bland. A Vegan Red Quinoa hot dish has been substituted for it and is now reflected on the Registration Form. If you have already submitted your form and payments and chose the Soba Noodles, your choice will automatically become the Red Quinoa dish. However, if you wish and want to change your selection please contact Peter Okicich and he'll change your selection.

Getting Around - Both the Renaissance and the Marriott Courtyard provide ground transportation to and from the airport on a scheduled basis. You'll have to contact them to determine which time is best for your arrival or departure. During certain times of the day, both hotels will also provide complimentary shuttle service to the downtown area. Taxis are plentiful and the city is full of Uber drivers.

Best of The Best Tours – An arrangement has been made with this tour company for our attendees to take advantage of a Celebrity Tour at a group rate of \$25. If we're able to get a group of 20 together then they will pick up and drop off at the hotel. Details will be sent in the next newsletter on how we can take advantage of this. It was a real interesting tour which highlighted the history of the city with an emphasis on where all of the celebrities lived. Their website is at <http://www.thebestofthebesttours.com>

Thursday Night Street Festival - Every Thursday evening, from 6pm to 10pm, downtown Palm Springs transforms into the [Palm Springs VillageFest](#), also known as the Palm Springs Street Fair. Palm Canyon Drive is closed to vehicular traffic and is transformed into a festive, pedestrian street fair. At the VillageFest, you will experience a diverse array of artists, artisans, entertainers, and purveyors of fresh fruits and veggies, flowers, jewelry, snacks and sweets. In addition the [Palm Springs Art Museum](#) opens its doors for complimentary viewing. Those of you arriving for the reunion on Wednesday or Thursday should consider adding this to your plans.

Friday Night at the Museum – Remember that all attendees are encouraged to come comfortably dressed in some type of costume that reflects operations during war time, specifically Vietnam and Korea, and honors those that fought for freedom. This could be anything from olive green khakis and shirts to your old civilian or service uniforms. Watch a couple reruns of MASH, use Google, hit the Army-Navy surplus store, or go to one of the sites below for some creative ideas. It doesn't have to be fancy. Just don't wear your civvies!

<https://www.halloweencostumes.com/military-costumes.html> <http://www.militaryclothing.com/Military-Uniforms-and-BDUs.aspx>

Remember that Friday night is our own private party and is set up as BYOB. We'll have ice, bins, water, and glassware. But everyone is responsible for bringing their own wine, beer, liquor, and mixers.

Dinner buffet is scheduled to begin at 7pm in order to allow everyone the chance to look around

Buses will depart the hotel at 4pm and begin returning at 10pm. The drive to and from the hotel only takes 15 minutes.

Arrangements have been made for the P-40 on display to be moved into our hanger where attendees will be allowed to climb into the cockpit for some great photo ops.



John & Joyce with Miss Josephine during their recent visit to the museum.

Historic DC-3 Flight Offered!

Fly back through time with Bob & Tym Tymczyszyn at the controls of this beautiful 1945 DC-3, "The Flabob Express" Relax and re-live the Golden Days with a scenic tour of the desert landscape, a glass of champagne in hand, *served by one of our gorgeous Flying Tiger Flight Attendants*. (For those interested, come up front and log some DC-3 time!) Flights will be conducted out of the Palm Springs Air Museum, just prior to the Friday evening party.

Ladies and Gentleman, this is your Captain speaking!

So far we've got thirty (30) signed up for "DC-3 Desert Flightseeing" on Friday May 4th. There will be three (3) flights beginning at Noon, then at 1:45 and the last at 3:30. Cocktail Hour at the Palm Springs Air Museum starts at 5:00, and we don't want to be late! For flight preference, please email Bob Tymczyszyn at bobtym@hotmail.com. Conflicts will be decided by seniority. (No, not "date-of-hire", but rather "date-of-signup"!) And for those who have not yet signed up, YES - we still have a few seats left.



Your Pilots
Bob & John Tymczyszyn

*Join us - it's more fun than
you can imagine! Bob*



The Flabob Express



#1 Senior Stewardess
Terri Lane



Cabin Crew Corner



Joyce Daniels
Flight Attendant Representative

Hello former FTL Pursers, Stews, and Flight Attendants,

I met with John in Palm Springs last week for a final "site inspection" of the different venues that we have contracted with for our reunion next year. We also tried out the Palm Springs Aerial Tram, Best Of The Best City Tours, and a couple of restaurants that we'll be able to recommend near the hotel. It's very exciting to be involved in the organization of my very first *Flight Attendant Recognition Banquet* as your representative. Although we still have five more months to go, I'm reminded by John

that the reunion will be here a lot quicker than we expect. For that reason I want to remind you of a couple of important items.

Please note that our group rate rooms are filling up quickly and we are now utilizing the Marriott Courtyard for those that can't get into the Renaissance. The room rate is cheaper (\$139 per night) and it's an easy one block walk away. However, please don't wait to make your lodging arrangements. If you would like to share the cost of a room with a fellow member then make the reservation and send me the details. I will put you on a list and try to get compatible parties together. If you would like to be placed on a cancellation wait list for the Renaissance then email John with your request.

Please remember that the San Francisco Museum is still looking for any memorabilia, stories, and accounts of history for their presentation of Freedom Bird Flights later this fall. Contact me if you need further information.

Remember to start thinking about your outfit for the Friday night costumed event at the Palm Springs Air Museum. Our main goal for this weekend is to emphasize our involvement in operations during the Vietnam War, specifically the Freedom Bird flight operated by FTL. However, anything will work, from drab olive shirts and khakis, costume helmets, to full uniforms that you might have worn in the past during that time.

This is going to be a big event for us and I am really going to need volunteers to help me in the Hangar (our merchandise store). If you could spare a 2-hour time frame while there it would be extremely helpful. The hours that the Hangar will be open are listed below. Email me and let me know what times you could give me a hand. I really need your help!

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The Hangar Hours will be:

Wednesday, May 2 nd	3pm to 5pm and 7pm to 9pm
Thursday, May 3 rd	9am to 11am, 1pm to 5pm, and 7pm to 9pm
Friday, May 4 th	9am to noon
Saturday, May 5 th	1pm to 4pm
Sunday, May 6 th	8:30am to 10pm, plus volunteers to help pack up unsold items.

I'm excited to announce that Captain Al Lopez will be providing some nice words about us during both the general business meeting and the banquet. Please stick around after the general business meeting for a special meeting of former flight attendants and to visit with Al.

I am still looking for help with the following tasks:

- Somebody with an artist's flair to create a poster for the reunion. Susan Skinner will not be providing one for this particular reunion.
- We would like to put together some items for a "fact sheet" for the F/A recognition event. This could be poems from passengers or other crew members, stories while on your favorite layover and why, an account of a memorable incident in your career - good or bad. The authors from Europe will be collecting stories from ALL employees so this sheet and further elaborations of it can be given to them so that our experiences in the cabin are also represented in the book.
- We need for someone within our group to donate their uniform for display at the Palm Springs Air Museum. Two mannequins will be set up, one for a pilot uniform and the other representing our group. The new permanent exhibit for the history of FTL will be unveiled during our Friday night event.

And now on a personal note. You may have noticed that my picture on the website has been updated. I am delighted to announce that I am engaged to be married to Gene Dalbey. We will be joined in the sacrament of marriage at St. Daniel the Prophet Catholic Church in Scottsdale, AZ on April 21st! So it looks like the May reunion will be our honeymoon! I will be moving to Yuma, AZ shortly thereafter. I am looking forward to introducing him to a part of my life that has always meant so much to me.

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Museum Memorabilia Needed

Plans for a permanent exhibit dedicated to The Flying Tiger Line at the Palm Springs Air Museum are coming along nicely. John recently visited the hangar and discussed the progress with those in charge of this project. This dedicated FTL display will be created in the same hangar that our event will be held on Friday night. It will occupy a wall and display case(s) in the same corner and adjacent to an existing exhibit highlighting the AVG, a very nice transition which will have an emphasis on Robert W. Prescott's role in each.

The exhibit will be a work in progress over the next few years as more and more items are donated. Nobody will really know what is needed or will be displayed from the large amount of manuals, clothing, books, models, uniforms and other memorabilia that has already been donated over the past decade. Once the museum receives it we lose control with the caveat and assurance from the museum that nothing is ever thrown away. All items are catalogued and available for loan if required.

If you have an interest in donating items in your possession, possibly your own or those passed down by family members, then please [contact John Dickson](#) for coordination on sending it. He'll send you our contacts name, the address to send it to, and a simple form to complete and include with your gift. The form is sent back to you in the event you want to consider your donation as a tax-deductible gift to the museum.

There will be a fund raising effort during our event to raise cash for further expansion of the exhibit. Our goal is to raise an additional \$2,000 to complement the \$3,000 recently donated by FTLPA to enhance their efforts.

Future Reunions

Sandy and John will be meeting in January to meet with hotel representatives to determine the best dates and venue to have our 2020 reunion. Although their membership continues to fall, there has been initial discussion with SPAR about the possibility of another FTL/SWA reunion. For now be sure to save the date for 2019.



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.
Lunch at the new Proud Bird Restaurant



OV-105 Endeavour
at the California Science Center



The Alamo at sunset

2020
San Antonio, TX
Location & Date
to be announced soon. Reunion will include
a trip to the National Museum of the Pacific
War on Friday.



National Museum of the Pacific War
Fredericksburg, TX

Flown West

It's been a tough stretch of time since the last newsletter with the loss of the following Tigers.



Norah O'Neill
1949 - 2017



Dick Feuerherm
1930 - 2017



"Gibby" Gibbins
1927 - 2017



Ron Cuicchio
1947 - 2017



Bob Gordon
1939 - 2017



Tom Nordberg
1948 - 2017



*To fly west, my friend,
is a flight we all must
take for a final check*

Author unknown

The following former Flying Tigers have also made their final flight since our last 2016 reunion in Napa. More information might be found in the **Flown West** section of our website or in the FTLPA **Discussion Forum**.

John Skinner – August 18, 2017
Larry Barrow – August 30, 2017
*Art Koutras – September, 2017
*Norah O'Neill – September 22, 2017
*Dick Feuerherm – September 28, 2017
*Derrel "Gibby" Gibbins – October 16, 2017

*Clark Chrisman – October 31, 2017
*Ron Cuicchio – November 3, 2017
*Bob Gordon – November 10, 2017
*Tom Nordberg – November 16, 2017

*Added since last newsletter
Former SWA

The Flown West section of our website is scheduled for a complete overhaul so that the former FTLPA members can be properly memorialized. Most that have already passed have a page dedicated to them, some with obits, pictures, and tributes from fellow Tigers. Some do not, which is a real shame. Please take the time to look up your friends and mentors, try to get more pictures of them from their families, and offer your own words of tribute for their page. We can't do this by ourselves, we need your individual efforts and help!

Please send JPEGs, stories, and tributes to John Dickson at president@flyingtigerline.org

Lordy Lordy, What A ~~Night~~ Knight

It came to our attention that our own Bob Wake and his wife, Diana, were exalted with quite an honor a few years back. When inquiring with Bob he sent the following. It's an extremely interesting story that's just too rich not to pass onto the membership. It just goes to show the diverse nature and interests of our membership. Belated congratulations Sir Bob and Lady Diana!

John,

A few years back, Dee and I were recognized for our humanitarian work by Prince Charles, who knighted me and ordained us Sir Robert and Lady Diana Wake. We thought it was a hoot, never realizing the time, effort and commitment we were undertaking. It now occupies more time than we spend yearly on humanitarian missions. Way too long a story for anyone, but it is pilot related.

The lead singer for Iron Maiden is Bruce Dickinson, who by the way is a commercial pilot. Bruce and I have flown a number of humanitarian missions together over the years. He sings louder music, but is a great guy. Bruce is a rated commercial pilot who flies with a British airline. Lead singer for Queen is an electro-physicist, lead singer for Kiss is a stock broker, lead singer Alice Cooper is a business magnate. All pretty sharp guys who use their music to pursue their passion.



Bob's Royal Medal

Anyway, Bruce's best friend is Prince Charles. I was kidding Lord Dickinson about true British heritage and the fact that the first Wake, Hereward the Wake (WAC), was son of Lady Godiva and the basis for the story of Robin Hood, that my wife's umptyump great grandfather was knighted for inventing ginger beer. That I had more "blue blood" than he did. This had gone on for years until about three years ago he surprised us on our anniversary with the gift of "title". We went over for our anniversary and went through the process, which takes months, to fulfill the requirements.

Our title is different from Bruce and McCartney. Ours does not die when we die, but is passed down to our children. Singularly, I am Sir Robert Wake, but jointly, we are Lord Wake of Warwick and Devonshire and Dee is Lady Diana of Stratford and Avon. You need a few requirements to be met. You need a

name that is unbroken and in the Domesday Book of Record for over 400 years prior to 1838. You need to be a landholder in England, you need a "feat" to be accomplished and you need to be nominated and sponsored by the Queens Privy Council. The head of the council is Prince Charles. We had everything but the land, so Bruce "sold", actually gave, me the title to his land for hunting rights. Our "feat" was humanitarian work with Bruce, McCartney's former wife and with Prince William and Harry. So with the requirements met, they surprised us with "title" in that November at a private dinner. We, at first, took it as a spoof, until jewelry for Dee and the Royal seals and documents started showing up. The kicker was a document asking us to give up our US citizenship and pledge allegiance to the Crown. That sits in a drawer, unsigned and not returned.

So, we are Lord and Lady, have Squire sons and ladies in waiting daughters. We get upgraded on British Air and hotels in Britain and its colonies. We went to India last year and had drivers provided, upgrades to suites and first class on the airlines. So there are some perks. The Lord and Lady this and Lord and Lady that can get old and sometimes embarrassing, but the perks outweigh that. We are required to attend certain events in England each year, but with my son loving there in the Air Force, so far, so good. So, every year now the events coincide with the reunions and a drop in is about all I can do. Hopefully, that will change soon.

In a big nut shell, that is it! Really, this is the short version!

Fraternally a Tiger,

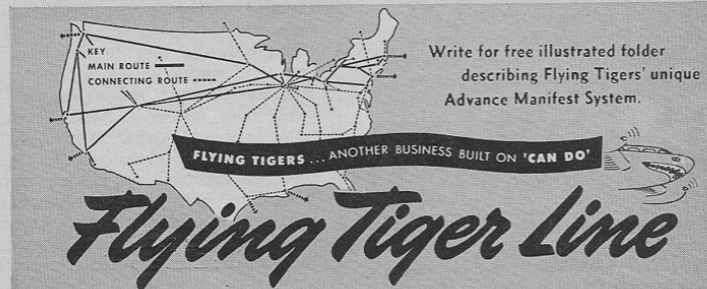
Bob



*The Royal Couple,
Lord and Lady Wake*

WE WHIPPED THE 4W'S THE DAY I PHONED THE TIGERS

Erwin Tuthill, Traffic Mgr., Avon Products, Inc., New York, reports on the famed Flying Tiger Advance Manifest System...



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Newsweek Magazine, September 21, 1953

Tiger Beer is Here!



A new establishment called the Flying Tiger Brewery has opened in Monroe, LA the birthplace of General Clair Chennault. The craft beer establishment commemorates the history of the AVG Flying Tigers in its custom brews. Click on the link below to learn more.

Flying Tiger Brewery



Tiger Prints by Joe Wight

Original prints created for past reunions by Joe Wight are still available for custom order in various sizes. Email Joe Wight at the link below and include "Tiger Prints" in the subject. Joe is still considering a painting of the Tiger 707 Polecat for the Palm Springs door prize.

twilightxmail@yahoo.com

The Flying Tiger Club

There is a well known association in Los Angeles very similar to ours called The Flying Tiger Club. All former employees of FTL are eligible to join this worthwhile group. Check them out at <http://www.flyingtigersclub.org>

Got News?

Let us know if you have anything that you think the membership would be interested in and we'll include it in the next edition

Farewell Norah

A well attended Celebration of Life and final farewell was held for Norah O'Neill on November 12th at the Museum of Flight in Seattle, Washington. The most symbolic final salute to our *Flying Tigress* came from Bob and Terri Lane who were on the other side of the globe that day and relayed the following:

Terri and I were traveling in Bhutan and could not attend Norah's event, however we did share with her family the photo (right) with the following caption:

A blessed Buddhist prayer scarf was hung today Sunday Nov 12 at 0815z, 1415lcl, 0015 pst. Location: Duchula Pass, Punakha Bhutan. Elevation 11,500 ft. In the shadow of the high Himalayas, Norah's spirit will flow in the wind. Safe travels.



Interestingly, on our flight home high above the North Pacific, Terri finished re-reading Norah's book and and the the very last paragraph reads as follows:

"As I napped through Eastern Europe and part of China, I crawled back to my seat still wearing the cat's pajamas and watched the sun come up over the Himalayas. I felt a crystalline moment of perfect joy- I could see the earth curve and our highest mountains slowly emerge on the horizon, outlined by the peach and rose glow of a sunrise spearing through their jagged crags. I was doing something I loved with people I liked and respected. All was right with the world"

It was an serendipitous and emotional moment.

*Regards,
Bob and Terri Lane*

Say Again?

*The moment you doubt whether you can fly, you cease for ever to be able to do it.
- J.M. Barrie, [Peter Pan](#)*

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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 for Meal Descriptions](#)

Lemon Pepper Rosemary Chicken (GF).....\$_____

Mediterranean Salmon (GF).....\$_____

Vegan Red Quinoa (V).....\$_____

(GF) Gluten-free (V) Vegetarian

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

[Download Waiver](#)

Total Enclosed..... \$ _____

Print this blank form, manually complete it, and then send with your check to:

FTLPA, 14248 56TH Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98168

Please note that dues payments are no longer accepted using PayPal or credit card.

Dues are \$20 per year and must be paid by check.

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)

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