

# 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 2019 Newsletter

Hello Tigers,

Happy Labor Day! Hoping you and your family have had a wonderful summer and are ending it in style. I've put the finishing touches on this newsletter while on a fly-fishing vacation in Wyoming. There WILL be mistakes and I will appreciate your patience when you come across them.

Registration for our next reunion in San Antonio is officially open and group hotel reservations can now be made at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel. I'm extremely excited to announce that registration forms may finally be submitted online and reunion fees paid by personal credit card. Those who still wish to pay by check and paper form may do so. Membership Application, Dues Renewals, and Contact Updates are also available online by clicking the Membership Forms tab on our Home Page.

By request the reunion will be much simpler next year thereby giving attendees the opportunity to enjoy all that San Antonio has to offer. Jeanne and I will be meeting with Sandy White in January for a final "site inspection" of the hotel. At that time we'll also attempt to obtain discounts at various venues and tourist attractions that we think you might be interested in. Golf, a group bicycle ride, and other activities will still be made available. However, sign up and payments will be à la carte and communicated to you once arranged.

It's important to note that our reunion will be held from Saturday May 2nd, with the main event held Tuesday night, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Check out should be Wednesday morning, May 6<sup>th</sup> for those who attend dinner. This departure from the traditional schedule is by design to allow those traveling by air to grab cheaper airfares usually offered for travel on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

The Flying Tiger Club, our sister association at LAX, had an open position on their Board of Directors for some time - specifically that of Museum Director for the Tiger storage area at FedEx LAX, which has held a significant amount of archived pictures, manuals, and memorabilia since T-Day. I applied and am honored to announce that I was accepted into that very important position. My major task will be development of a methodology for cataloging all items contained therein and I promise will not take away from my commitment as this association's president.

See you soon,

John Dickson (208) 699-5909



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## Registration Raffle

Submit your Registration Form by the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline to win either:

Two free hotel rooms (City Side) (\$378 value)

Two Tuesday night banquet meals
(\$140 value)

The winners will be announced in the January 1<sup>st</sup> Bulletin

Please note the email address changes for the following officers so that future messages from them don't end up identified as SPAM

Scott Mergele

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Ray McKenzie treasurer@flyingtigerline.org

Leigh-lu Prasse secretary@flyingtigerline.org

#### San Antonio Reunion



May 2<sup>nd</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup>

#### **Westin Riverwalk Hotel**

420 W. Market Street San Antonio, TX 78205 (click on hotel link for more information)

# For Online Reservations Click Here

or

## Call Marriot Reservations at 1-888-236-2427

Be sure to identify yourself as attending the 2020 Flying Tiger Line Reunion

Our **46**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Reunion** will be held at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel beginning 3pm on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and ending with our traditional dinner and dance on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Situated on the Riverwalk's quiet end, the upscale hotel is near the Pearl District, home to downtown restaurants, bars, shopping and entertainment, and a nice walk to the historic Alamo. Our Hospitality Suite, which includes an outdoor patio, is located right off of the famed riverwalk. For more information about other attractions and opportunities visit <u>Things To Do In San Antonio.</u>

#### **Group Hotel Reservations**

Reservations can now be made for the following two types of rooms:

Standard City Side - \$189 per night Deluxe River Side - \$209 per night (18.2% tax applied to all rooms)

Your reservation will include complimentary wireless, 15% discount in the hotel restaurant (Zoccas), and 20% discount on room service (excludes alcohol, service charge, and taxes).

Valet parking is \$30 per night, but self-parking is available directly across the street for \$16 per night (*subject to change*)

Rooms may be reserved (3) days before and after our reunion dates (based on availability) until the cutoff date of April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

#### **Registration Procedures**

Registration is now available online and fees can be paid by credit card. Although this is the preferred method, you may also register the traditional way by sending in a printed form with your check. Be sure to register by the end of this year to become eligible for the yearly registration raffle drawing for (2) free hotel night or (2) free banquet meals. **Final deadline to** *receive* **registration is Monday night. April 20th. 2020.** 

#### Register Online/Pay by Credit Card Print Registration Form/Mail With Check

#### **Reunion Activities**

The format for this reunion is deliberately less structured to allow attendees better opportunities to explore all that San Antonio has to offer. The basic agenda is:

Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> Reunion kicks off at 3pm

Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Day for now

Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Open Day, possibly golf, bike ride, and Pearl Brewery meetup Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> Business meeting in the morning, dinner and dance in the evening.

Wednesday, May 6th Check Out

Additional activities, such as golf and a group bike ride, will be arranged and paid for separately. Suggested group meetups, such as a visit to the Pearl Brewery, will be communicated as the event approaches.

#### **Dinner and Dance - Tuesday Night**

"Denim and Diamonds"

Suggested dress for our dinner/dance will be Texas casual. Everyone is encouraged to "cowboy up" to fit in with the music played by the <u>Cactus Country Band</u>. Line dance instruction will be scheduled earlier in the afternoon and also during the performance. Cocktails starts at 6pm and Dinner starts at 7pm. Music will begin at 8pm.

Updates will be communicated via future bulletins and posted to the Next Reunion page of our website.

## VP's View – Scott Mergele

First, thank you to all who answered the survey. We received a lot of feedback. Mostly good, some not as good, and some very humorous. The results answered some questions for us and will help our planning for this and future reunions to be more accurate. A summary of the survey results can be viewed by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

I hope we will see many of you in San Antonio next year. It should be a lot of fun and more user friendly. One thing you'll notice, there are no Association scheduled events. There were enough comments on the survey about too many scheduled events and not enough time to spend together just enjoying stories and old times. There will still be some things such as golf and bike riding but they will be organized by members and coordinated through FTLPA. With so many things to do in SAT this should make planning much easier for everyone.

Next, we all owe a big thank you to John and Leigh-Lu. They have spent hours reorganizing our operation to make life easier for all of us. As John has mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter and monthly blasts, you can now pay your dues, update your info, register and pay for the reunion online. This all makes everyone's duties easier and especially helps you do your thing on these issues easier.

Next quarter, I'll write about some of the things we're looking at for the future of the Association. Some changes to the Hanger Store for one. It's never too early to plan ahead. I know a very wise Tiger Captain told me that sometime in my early career.

See you in San Antonio.

Scott

## From Your New Treasurer – Ray McKenzie

This summer has been a busy one for us. The way of doing business among John, Scott, Leigh-lu and I has taken a dramatic turn to a Google file and information sharing system thanks to Leigh-lu and John. The old system of pen, ink and postage stamps will always be available via the PO Box. I have been drinking from a fire hose these last few weeks trying to catch up. If I am slow answering the PO Box mail requests, please excuse me. The new PayPal system, with the ability to pay dues and registration fees online is being very well received. John and Leigh-lu have really been working their buttocks off lately.

As you know, last minute cancellations cost us a significant financial penalty in Long Beach. I did not realize, along with probably a lot of you, that the association could suffer financially by those who cancel within two weeks of the event. Of course, emergencies do happen and are understandable.

I did manage my annual trip to Alaska first half of August with a wide open bite on silver salmon in the rivers around Beluga. I was invited to dinner at the Barnwell's, Jorgenson's and the Ruck's in Anchorage. Always fun with the Alaskans.

Judi and I are excited about being back in San Antonio and enjoying the Riverwalk at the upcoming reunion. Seeing everyone enjoying the great camaraderie and being a part of it is what makes our association so wonderful.

## From Your New Secretary - Leigh-lu Prasse

Hi Everyone,

Thank you all for sending your dues in! We have had great response to our new online Renewal Form on the Tiger Website. Membership Dues (\$20 per year) can now be renewed by credit card and I encourage all of you to check the Membership Roster (password is paws) to see if you are delinquent or not. Dues can also be paid in advance to keep the book keeping down for both of us.

This summer I found myself on a Coast Guard Cutter, the "Oliver Berry", off the coast of Honolulu with a handful of "weathered" Air America pilots for a full honors burial at sea for aviator Felix Smith. You may remember his book, *China Pilot*, that I brought to the Palm Springs reunion for sale – the last signed copies by Felix before he passed away just months later. He was 100 years old.

Before his flying career, Felix was a merchant marine ending up in the Coast Guard Officer's school in the 1930s. His career with the Coast Guard was short lived however, progressing on to fly the Hump for China National Aviation Corp. (CNAC), the Army Air Corp during WW II, and landing at Civil Air Transport (CAT) under Gen. Claire Chennault. CAT was bought by the CIA on Dec. 25, 1950, becoming Air America. Felix's navigation skills would come in handy, secretly sailing Chaing Kai Shek out of China on a barge as it fell to the Communist Regime.

Because of Felix's service he was honored by the USCG with a full military ceremony, crew of 25, three nautical miles offshore from Honolulu. Reporter Kenneth Cole with the Honolulu Star-Advertiser was on board and, low and behold, Felix's story made the front page of the paper July 20th! I thought you might enjoy reading the article and provided the links below to the actual pages of the paper. It was quite an exceptional day by all accounts - waters were completely flat with a beautiful clear sky, CAVOK, and the moving ceremony conducted by the USCG Captain and the Navy Chaplin incredibly touching. Talk about getting your last wish in style!

Click on links for both pages of a news article and be sure to watch the video clip as well. I am in the picture- 1st PAX on the left!

China Pilot Led High-Flying Life

Star Advertiser, July 20, 2019 Page 1 Page 2 Video

Cheers and kind regards,

Leigh-lu, a.k.a. "Madam Secretary"

## From Your Historian – George Gewehr

#### **Honorable Act**

Doing an honorable act takes trust and commitment from the people who do it. During the final few days in Saigon the Flying Tiger Line flew their employees and their families from Vietnam to safety. They also took along others not only Vietnamese but Americans as well. During the short time in Saigon before the North took the city the Americans there evacuated approximately 130,000 in the first wave. This is a story of one flight by the Flying Tiger Line that did that. For some who have never read Vern Moldrem's book "Tiger Tails " I'll repeat the incident here. I've written about Tigers efforts flying Greek orphans from Europe and refugees from Europe, I thought I would include something later on. Even though the Vietnam war ended forty four years ago.

In April between the eighteenth and the twenty fifth there was panic in Saigon. Every one who could was trying to escape Vietnam. On 4-18-75 Captain Ralph Mitchell and his crew F/O Ted Freedell, S/O Rick Middle were to fly from Seoul Korea, to Manila, Saigon, and Bangkok. Captain Mitchell felt the company might want to evacuate our personnel soon. He figured they could get 400 people into the DC-8-63 freighter. Captain Mitchell had previous experience in evacuating refugees in China in 1948. His biggest concern is panicky people trying to get on the airplane. Also the rules of carrying people without proper immigration papers. He knew these were all going to be broken.

On 4-19-75 the station manger in Seoul told Captain Mitchell their flight was scheduled to overfly Saigon and go direct to Bangkok. As they over flew Saigon they called the Tiger Station in Saigon and asked how things were. They reported all things were normal.

On 4-20-75 at 08:00 at the hotel, Captain Mitchell received a call from director of flying, Oakley Smith, in Los Angeles. He said the time had come to evacuate our people from Saigon. Intelligence reports indicated that Russian SA-2 anti-aircraft rockets would be in range of Tan Son Nhut airport within 48 hours. Oakley told Captain Mitchell to off load the Manila freight and fly to Saigon and plan to land at 15:00 local. Captain Mitchell called the station in Bangkok, but couldn't raise anyone. He then called R.C. Andy Anderson, the super reliable maintenance expert at home and told him of the change. Andy took care of everything, and they departed on schedule. When they arrived in Saigon, the station people parked them in an area near the end of 25L and said to shut down the engines. Dick Dunn, the FTL operations guy, said all was well, but they didn't want the airplane to leave until nightfall. To make things look like they were having a problem and to not cause suspicions they opened an engine cowling to indicate a mechanical problem. Captain Mitchell and his crew were driven off the airport to Steve's cafe, run by an American, where they spent the afternoon drinking iced tea. Steve, the owner, told them he didn't intend to leave town.

Finally at nightfall, they were driven back to the Tiger Operations building at the airport. It was full of Vietnamese relatives of Tiger employees, all looking nervous. The destination was Guam, but they were filed for Hong Kong on the flight plan. At 20:40 the crew went out to the airplane with some of the family of the FTL personnel and Gary Kangieser, station manger, who had been working hard to make it all work. Grant Swartz, maintenance supervisor, had taken care of company material, spare parts, etc. Many of the passengers had already been loaded through the main cargo door in large containers, as though it was a cargo load.

They took off at 21:00. After climbing out over the ocean and away from Saigon Control, they changed their destination to Guam. All passengers were FTL employees and families, World Airways, Trans International Airlines, American Express employees and families, or others who had in some way contributed to the safe departure of the FTL Saigon staff.

4-21-75 after a smooth five hour and ten minute flight they landed at Agana Naval Air Station, Guam, which is run by the Navy, but is open to civilian airliners. Having arrived at four in the morning with little notice they created quite a bit of confusion. Agana tower first refused permission for them to land because they didn't have proper clearance. Captain Mitchell told them they didn't have enough fuel to go any where else, so they let them land. The passengers were taken in quarantine to a local hotel. The District Director of immigration in Hawaii sent word they were to permit the evacuees to travel through Guam without processing them there.

The passengers were now to board a Pan Am flight to the States, so to the Tiger flight crew's their role in the evacuation was complete. Captain Mitchell and his crew went to the Okura Hotel to rest, in preparation for a planned 20:00 departure to Hong Kong to pick up a load of freight. While he was trying to sleep he got phone calls from the FAA, the press, the Department of Immigration and the Governor's office. At the point of getting completely upset he told the Governors office, "Look I got to get some sleep, I have a flight out of here tonight." "Don't worry about that," "The Governor has a police car parked in front of your airplane nose wheel, and the airplane has been impounded!" The

State Department had cleared the flight, but not the Governor of Guam. The Governor finally agreed that the Tiger flight could depart after the evacuee passengers had departed on Pan Am. That was the end of it and the rest is history.

#### VIETNAMESE TIGERS

Tran Anh Kiet Truong Khai Hoan Nguyen Van Bich Ngo Van Hai Ho Van Sanh Ly Van Tai Nguyen Gia Hoc Nguyen Van Hue Nguyen Hoang Son Nguyen Van Thanh

George Gewehr FTLPA Historian

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## From Your Flight Attendant Rep – Joyce Danielsen Dalbey

Frances Drew Whitesides passed away peacefully on August 24, 2019 at the age of 90. She represented the quintessential stewardess of her 1950's era — young, worldly, and always fashionably poised.Not surprisingly she married former FTL pilot Wayne Whitesides, they had three children, and she pursued other interests such as authoring <u>Tale of the Tiger</u>. Fran is survived by their three children, Gary, Linda, and Wayne, and a host of grandchildren.



Frances Louise Drew, age 22



Remembering the Viet Nam Veterans – September 25, 2019

The plans are made, the scene is set, and Maureen, Leslie, Josie and Marilyn are anxiously awaiting your arrival at the Sacramento Capitol Grounds for the Flight Attendants Memorial to Viet Nam Veterans on September 25.

The details are:

State Capital Grounds Viet Nam Memorial.
1255-1289 15th Street, Sacramento
Behind the State Capital Building
There are two Parking Lots Nearby - *Priority Parking* at 1601 L St. and *AKT* at 1418 K St.
Street Parking is also available on the streets around the park.
If staying at Delta King, it is a 25 minute walk, or muni bus, or Uber
Geremony will begin

There is much more planned for this event than published at right.

planned tribute to Viet Nam Veterans

on September 25th in Sacramento.

I also want to remind you of the

For more details email <u>Marilyn Breen</u> or <u>Maureen Amiot Thomas</u> by clicking on their names.

10:30 am

\*Ceremony will be led by Leslie, and will include a color guard

\*The National Anthem led by Georgann Abbott Seavey.

\*Reflections of working on flights with these Troops

\*Placing Flowers on the Memorial

\*Anyone wishing to make comments will be invited to do so.

I hope you are able to join us in San Antonio next year. The Hangar, brought to you by the FTL Flight Attendants, will be open all four days. So bring your credit cards!

Joyce Danielsen Dalbey
<u>Joyce\_Danielsen@yahoo.com</u>
(509) 899-1731

## 🖄 From Your AVG Representative – Lydia Rossi

I am very honored to join the fine group of officers for this distinguished organization.

As FTLPA's new AVG Representative, I would like to invite all of the members of FTLPA to attend the reunion of the AVGFT. It will be held in San Diego in September at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. You have had a couple of reunions at this same hotel.

The dates and events are as follows:

Thursday 9/26

Wednesday 9/25 Arrival, hospitality room open

Tour of Midway AC Carrier, buses to Old Town, dinner at Mexican

restaurant with mariachis.

Friday 9/27 Meetings, tour SD on your own, buses to Air & Space Museum, Dinner

in museum, speakers

Saturday 9/28 Meetings, free time to tour SD, 5 pm cocktails and dinner in hotel

ballroom, speaker, dance band

Sunday 9/29 Departure, hospitality room open

If you are interested, please email me (<u>avgeditor2016@gmail.com</u>) and I can send you all the information and registration forms. Or call me at 760-453-1233.

Would love to have some of you attend!!

Lydia Rossi

AVG Representative – FTLPA
Executive Secretary, Flying Tigers Association

#### **Future Reunions**



Crowne Plaza Hotel San Diego, CA

2021
47-Year Reunion
Crowne Plaza Hotel
2270 Hotel Circle North
San Diego, CA 92108

May 12<sup>th</sup> to May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Group Rate of \$134 per night



The small Flying Tiger toy is brand new and will be available

for sale at the AVG reunion in addition to our own Hangar store at San Antonio

## 2022 and Beyond?

Plans to have a reunion in Dayton, Ohio completely fell through with the initial inspection of the city and a review of the only two viable hotels that could accommodate our group. Those who cautioned John about this were right on the money and he's eating a little crow now. There was no way our group was going to enjoy themselves there. It's a real shame because the Museum of the United State Air Force is truly magnificent and all are encouraged to visit it some day on their own.

Both Savannah, GA and Boise, ID have been thrown into the discussion for possibilities in 2022 and 2023. Our planner, Sandy White, will collecting preliminary numbers soon and a quick poll of the members present at the San Antonio business meeting will undoubtably help in our decision. Please feel free to email us your opinions.

The hotels in Ft. Worth, Texas will not even talk to us yet. But it's our desire to have the 50<sup>th</sup> consecutive reunion in the town Robert W. Prescott was born during the next total eclipse of the sun on April 8, 2024. The line of totality will run very close to downtown and should be very symbolic for all attending.

## Other Tiger Associations

For those not aware, there are two other associations dedicated to the Flying Tigers, both with purposes close to our own – preserving the memory of a great airline and those who served in China and in World War 2

Our own Lydia Rossi is currently Executive Secretary of The AVG Flying Tigers (<u>www.flyingtigersavg.com</u>) which meets annually. Your are encouraged to take her up on her invitation to attend the next dinner as her quest (see page 7). John and Jeanne Dickson will be attending to represent FTLPA. The connection to the descendants of our namesake is extremely uplifting for those of us who carry on the name of the famed group.

The Flying Tiger Club (www.flyingtigersclub.org), also referred to as the Tiger Retirement Club, comprised of former Tiger employees like ours is, emphasizes the sense of family and camaraderie we had at Flying Tigers. Most of us in line operations came across many of their members during our careers. Their next event is a luncheon at the Flight Path Museum on Sunday, October 20th.

We encourage all of you to become involved as members or future event guests.

## What Happened to the Discussion Forum?

The Discussion Forum served it's purpose very well during the 80's and 90's when our website was first developed by Capt. Mike Howe. However, it's become a very antiquated system when compared to other social media sites. Very few have posted anything to it in the past two years and so a decision was made to remove it. David and Annette Lusk have put together two wonderful Facebook pages, one for all former employees of the Flying Tiger Line and one for the Flying Tiger Line Flight Attendant Group. They have offered to create such a "closed group" site specifically for the members of FTLPA. I realize that Facebook is not for everyone. Member participation will not be required.

#### Flown West

We've sadly lost some wonderful Tigers in the last three months.



Ken Conrad



Rich Redditt

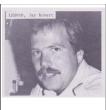


Jim Ossello



The following former Flying Tigers have also made their final flight since our last 2019 reunion in Long Beach. More information might be found in the Flown West





Jay Lehman



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

section of our website. Jay Cotting - 5/6/2019

Gene Snow - 5/9/2019 \*Ken Conrad - 7/11/2019 \*Rich Redditt - 7/25/2019

\*Jim Ossello - 8/2/2019

\*Bob Wake - 8/11/2019

\*Fran Drew Whitesies - 8/24/2019

\*Jay Lehman - 8/27/2019

\*Added since last newsletter # Former SWA

Author unknown

## Remembering Daks Over Normandy

This past June an epic event, *Daks Over Normandy*, was organized to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Normandy D-Day landings. Our own Bob Tymczyszyn was a part of the crew in the flight of the Flabob Express, one of dozens of C-47s and DC-3s to successfully cross the Atlantic to pay tribute to those involved in the Allied invasion that changed the course of WWII. A wonderful video was created and is posted online. Click on the following link to view it.

#### **Into Flight Once More**

Bob has preliminarily agreed to present a 30-minute presentation to our group after our business meeting on Tuesday morning and we can't wait to hear more about this once in a lifetime experience.

#### Books Available Online



The trilogy of books written so far about FTL by Guy Van Herbruggen and Charles Kennedy are absolute requirements for your bookshelf. If you flew the *MadDog* for FDX it belongs up there also. If you haven't made one of the recent reunions to purchase your own copy they are available through The Airline Boutique by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

The Airline Boutique

Your support in purchasing your own copies can only lead to one thing.

Hopefully a 4<sup>th</sup> book?

## Nothing Lasts Forever

The following unedited email was sent to us recently and references the children's hospital built in Taiwan and funded by Robert W. Prescott in the name of his 11-year old son, Peter, who was tragically killed in the crash of a Learjet departing from Palm Springs in November, 1965.

Hello, Flying Tiger Line Pilots Association:

I'm Henry Lin. I'm a medical staff in Songshan Branch, Tri-Service General Hospital,ROC. I want to notice that one of your generous founders, Robert William Prescott, who donate a beautiful children hospital to us with The American Bureau for Medical Aid to China & Anna Chan Chennault in June, 6, 1970. This hospital is named after his son, Peter Prescott, who is died in a Learjet crash. As time faded away, this meaningful building is out-of-function that we rebuilt it in August, 1st, 2016. Now, It's be our hospital male staff dorm.

I've taken some memorial photos to honor Robert William Prescott's gorgeous dedications before they are destructed. Look forward to your response.





## Say Again?

No man who has not tried it can imagine what dreadful hard work it is to listen. Splitting gum logs in the dog days is child's play to it. I've tried both, and give preference to gum logs.

-Davy Crockett, who died fighting at the Alamo on the morning of March 6, 1836 at age 49.

## Membership Demographics

Click on the chart at right to see the results of a project we worked on to see where everyone lived in order to figure out where to have reunions over the next 5 years. To allow those in the middle and east coast better opportunity to attend reunions, you can probably expect to see alternating west-coast, off west-coast reunions over the next few years beginning with San Antonio.



Click on map for larger view

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## 2020 San Antonio Reunion Registration Form

#### May 2 to May 6, 2020 Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sat afternoon thru Wed morning Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_ The Westin Riverwalk Hotel Address: \_\_\_\_\_ 420 Market Street San Antonio, TX 78205 Email\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (210) 224-6500 **Membership Dues Group Hotel Reservations** Not Required if 2020 paid for in advance. (18.25% hotel tax will be added) Guests and Life Members are not required to pay dues Traditional City Side Room **My Annual Dues** for 2020 are included ----- (\$20) \$\_\_\_\_\_ \$189 per night An additional \_\_\_\_\_ years are included ----- (\_\_x \$20=) \$\_\_\_ Deluxe River Side Room The Membership Roster will be changed to reflect the year paid to in advance \$209 per night (based on availability at time of booking) **Reunion Fees Book Online Registration Fee** (\$35 per person *required*) ----- (\_\_x \$35=) \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Tuesday Dinner Entree Options** Call Marriot Reservations at 1-888-236-2427 All dinners include Baby Field Greens Salad and Churro Cheesecake for dessert Request group rate for the Flying Tiger Line Pilots Association 2020 Reunion Seared Salmon(\$70 per plate) -----(\_\_x \$70=) \$\_\_\_\_\_ Lemon Garlic Beurre Blanc, Whipped Potatoes, Asparagus and Heirloom Tomatoes Hotel cutoff date is April 10, 2020 Pan Seared Chicken Breast (\$70 per plate)----- (\_\_x \$70=) \$\_\_\_\_\_ Citrus-Thyme Sauce, Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Asparagus, Heirloom Tomatoes Roasted Vegetable Napoleon (\$70 per plate) - - - - - (\_\_ x \$70=) \$\_\_\_\_\_ Reunion Agenda Squash Ribbons, Heirloom Tomatoes, Basil, and Blistered Tomato Sauce For updated agenda and more details visit Next Reunion Magnetic Name Tags (\$7 each) Additional activities might include golf, bike ride. Write your names as you wish them to appear line dancing instructions, and visit to the Pearl Registration Form must be received by April 10, 2019 to process name tag orders Brewery district. Saturday, May 2nd Name: \_\_\_ 3pm- Reunion begins in the Hospitality Suite at River Level Name: Sunday, May 3rd Total Name Tags Ordered - - - - ( x \$7=) \$ Open Day Total Amount Enclosed: - - - - - - \$ Monday, May 4th Open Day Mail this completed form and your check made payable to FTLPA to: Tuesday, May 5th **FTLPA** P.O. Box 12409 10am- Business Meeting (3rd floor) 2pm - Open Mic in the Hospitality Suite Westminster, CA 92685-12409 3pm – Line Dance Instruction Registration Deadline is April 15, 2020 6pm - Cocktail Reception (3rd floor) 7pm - Dinner (3<sup>rd</sup> floor) 8pm - Entertainment and Dance Volunteers Needed Wednesday, May 6th Please indicate your willingness to help with the following. Check Out - Nothing planned at this point \_\_\_ Setup Saturday AM \_\_\_ Check-In Desk

Breakdown Wednesday AM

**Questions?** 

Email@flyingtigerline.org

Raffle Ticket Sales

Additional Activities

Please indicate your interest in the following activities possibly planned

Golf Group Bicycle Ride Group Visit to Pearl Brewery District Line Dance Instruction