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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 2021 Newsletter

Hello Fellow Tigers,

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Thanksgiving, that you've remained safe and healthy. Out of an abundance of caution, and a three month delay, it is with great fanfare that our San Antonio reunion registration is now officially declared open! The pages below have all of the information you'll need to submit your payments. All of your FTLPA officers have checked in and there are some other tidbits of information relevant to our group.

The quarterly creation of a large multi-page newsletter, such as this edition, has become more and more challenging for me each year. The shorter updates sent to you by email are much easier and can be sent in a more timely manner. Therefore, I've decided that this will be the last multipage edition of its kind. After the new year you can expect shorter email updates around the first of each month or as required for more time-sensitive notices such as reunion updates or Flown West announcements. These email updates will still be posted to our Home Page and can be downloaded, read offline and printed as necessary. Unfortunately paper copies will no longer be sent via regular postal mail to those without computer access.

The graphic of our 747 hauling the Christmas packages is a classic and first appeared on Christmas cards provided by the FTL PR Department. An interesting link was recently sent to us showing some examples of the various paint jobs we've had over the years, including the plain blue tail and purple versions. Unfortunately the creator completely forgot about our pax aircraft. Click on the link below and ready yourself for a nostalgic slideshow sure to bring good memories for those of us lucky enough to crew this magnificent aircraft.

[FTL/FDX Boeing 747 Fleet History \(1974-1989\)](#)

Our thanks to Karen Lane, Life Member Representative, for creating the San Antonio Reunion logo shown at right. Your officers and representatives will be working hard over the next six months to continue planning for the best reunion that we've ever had. Based on hotel reservations so far, this should turn out to be one of our largest events ever.

Jeanne and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas.

John Dickson
President - FTLPA

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Poster created by Karen Lane
(click for larger view)

2022 Reunion - Registration Now Open!



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420 West Market Street
San Antonio, TX 78205

For Online Reservations
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or

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(888) 627-8396

*Be sure to identify yourself as a Flying Tiger
Refer to the group code **FT1FT1H** if required*

Our 48th Anniversary Reunion will be held in San Antonio at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel, a perfect venue for us situated on the Riverwalk's quieter end with an easy walk or river shuttle ride to all that San Antonio has to offer. Our Hospitality Suite, which includes an outdoor patio, is located right on the famed Riverwalk. More information about the city of San Antonio can be found by clicking on the links below:

[Things To Do In San Antonio](#) [Official San Antonio Visitors Guide](#)

A special nightly rate of \$189 (plus 18% tax) has been negotiated for our group. Room reservations can be made by telephone or online through our custom site (*left*). Your group reservation includes complimentary wireless internet, reduced valet parking of \$30 per night (Self-parking is available directly across the street for \$16), a 15% discount in Zocca for all attendees (*excludes alcohol, gratuity, and tax*) and 20% discount on In-Room Dining Orders (*excludes alcohol, service charge, and taxes*). Unfortunately our block of River Side rooms (\$209 group rate) have already been sold out. But you can always try in the event there have been cancellations.

Do Not Delay If You Have Not Made Yours Yet!

Cut-off date for group reservation rates is 5:00pm on Monday, April 12th, 2021

Due to the pent-up desire by most of us to finally be able to meet, we expect a record number of attendees for this reunion, hopefully in excess of 400. If the turnout for our impromptu *Ambush in Hood River* is any indication, we could easily exceed this number. Hotel reservations can be changed or cancelled up to 72 hours before your first night stay.

Registration Procedures

Registration is now open! After reviewing the schedule and agenda of events below you can pay for your reunion fees online or by mail by clicking on the preferred link below.

[PAY ONLINE BY CREDIT CARD](#)

[PAY BY MAILING FORM AND CHECK](#)

Registration Raffle

As we've done each year, those who submit their registration and payments early will be entered in the raffle to win one of the following:

First Prize - Two (2) comped hotel nights at the Westin (\$450 value)

Second Prize – Two (2) Buffet & Dance tickets (\$170 value)

The deadline to enter the raffle is midnight on January 31st. The names of those whose forms we have received by then will be drawn by Wayne and Karen Lane. The winners will be announced on February 1st.

Who's Coming?

Click on the link below to see the list of those who plan to attend. This list will be updated as new registration payments are received.

[Who's Coming?](#)

New Cancellation Policy

Effective with this next reunion all refund requests will be honored up to 14 days before the reunion. The 3% service fee that we incur will not be refunded if you paid by credit card or PayPal. Refund requests can not be honored within the two week period prior to our event after final payments have been made to the hotel.

Reunion Schedule

The following schedule of events is subject to change. Please check printed schedules upon arrival.

| DATE | EVENT | LOCATION |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Monday May 2 | 3pm – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar open from 3pm until 5pm 7pm – The Hangar is open from 7pm to 9pm 8pm – Movie in the Hospitality Suite (probably <i>Airport</i>) | Olivares Meeting Room (river level) Goraz Meeting Room (river level) Olivares Meeting Room (river level) |
| Tuesday May 3 | 9am – Golf Tournament (details still to be determined) 9am – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar is open from 9am until 11am 1pm – The Hangar is open from 1pm until 5pm 2pm – Group Bicycle Ride (<i>tentative</i>) 7pm – The Hangar is open from 7pm until 9pm 9-10pm – <i>San Antonio, The Saga</i> (free public event) | Course to be determined Olivares Meeting Room (river level) Goraz Meeting Room (river level) Alamo Bicycle Trail Goraz Meeting Room (river level) San Fernando Cathedral – Main Plaza |
| Wednesday May 4 | 9am – Hospitality Suite Opens The Hangar is open from 9am until noon 1pm – Tiger Pub Crawl & Poker Run 5pm – Go Rio River Shuttles depart for The Pearl | Olivares Meeting Room (river level) Goraz Meeting Room (river level) Begins in Hospitality Suite Riverwalk Loading Zones outside Hospitality |
| Thursday May 5 | 9am – Business Meeting Noon - Flight Attendant Lunch (<i>tentative</i>) 1pm – The Hangar is open until 4pm 2:30 – Line Dancing Class by Cactus Country 5pm – Portrait Photos by Eliot 6pm – Cocktail Reception 7pm – Lone Star Buffet Dinner 8pm – Entertainment & Dance begins | Novarro A Room - (2 nd floor) Location still to be determined Goraz Meeting Room (river level) Camino Real Room (lobby level) Novarro Ballroom Lobby - (2 nd floor) Novarro Ballroom - (2 nd floor) |
| Friday May 6 | 8:30am – The Hangar is open until 10am | Goraz Meeting Room (river level) |

Note: all times are tentative and subject to change.

Golf Tournament

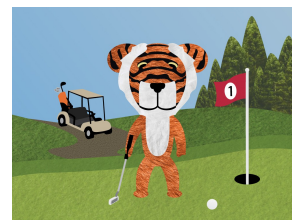
Tuesday, May 3rd

9:00am (tentative)

Fees to be paid individually at the course

Robert Carona will once again coordinate to provide our attendees the option to play golf during our event. The Covid situation has made it even tougher for him to nail down the best course (i.e. cheapest) until after the first of the year when we get a little closer.

The three courses under consideration are all within 15 minutes of the hotel – Brackenridge Park, Willow Springs, and Riverside. Please mark your registration forms if you would like to join the group. You will be contacted in the future with more details. Contact Robert at (760) 458-3220 or racarona@hotmail.com if you have any input or questions.



Group Bicycle Ride

Tuesday, May 3rd

2:00pm (tentative) for approx 2-3 hours

Rental Fees will be paid individually before ride

Those who attended the 2012 San Diego and 2019 Long Beach reunions will remember how much fun the group bicycle ride was. We're currently talking with rental shops, specifically those that also offer E-bikes, to organize a group ride along the San Antonio Missions Bike Trail. Please mark your registration forms if you would like to join the group and you will be contacted in the future with more details.



San Antonio – The Saga

Tuesday, May 3rd

9pm, 9:30pm, and 10pm showings

Free to the public

This unique video art projection depicts the historical discovery, settlement and development of San Antonio, the Lone Star State, and United States history. The Saga projection covers 7,000 square feet of light, color and visual narration projected onto the majestic façade of San Fernando Cathedral, the oldest cathedral in the United States. Food trucks are normally available each night.



The Saga – San Antonio

Tiger Pub Crawl & Poker Run

Wednesday, May 4th

1:00pm to 4:00pm

\$10 per person

This is a new and exciting event designed as part adventure, part Sunday social. It's a chance to stroll out on the Riverwalk and have a drink with friends in fun places! We will play Five-card Poker with the first and last cards dealt in the Hospitality Suite and also at three fun bars in between. All participants will be given clues to navigate to each of the respective bars where a Tiger will issue your next poker card. The best poker hand after 5 cards wins the pot! &&&



Wednesday Night at The Pearl

Wednesday, May 4th

5pm

\$25 per passenger

As a more informal group event, everyone will be encouraged to meet at The Pearl for dinner, drinks, and a good time at the restaurants of their choice on Wednesday night. Participants are responsible for arranging their dinner reservations for themselves or their groups, including transportation back to the hotel. Go Rio river shuttles have been chartered for those wanting to purchase seats on the 55 minutes one-way trip up the San Antonio River, beginning with a quick loop around the famed Riverwalk.



The repurposed Pearl Brewery is located only 2 miles north of the Westin and provides a unique experience as a top culinary and cultural destination. The mixed-use space features retail, dining, picturesque green spaces, a riverside amphitheater, and the third campus of The Culinary Institute of America. As a former brewery operating from 1883 to 2001, Pearl reflects a vivid past while embracing the future with environmentally sustainable buildings mixed with historic architecture. At its heart is the [Hotel Emma](#), supposedly the only five-star hotel in Texas. More information can be found by clicking on the links below:

[About the Pearl](#)

[Restaurants at The Pearl](#)

Business Meeting/Guests of Honor

Thursday, May 5th
9:00 am – 11:00 am

There is a tremendous amount of business to take care which includes new officer elections, bylaw changes, and other decisions that affect the future of FTLPA. We need everyone's attendance.

After the meeting our Guest Speakers will be the author of "*Tiger In The Sea*", Eric Linder, and FTL stewardess, Carol Gould Hansen, the only stewardess to survive the ditching, who was given a trophy for Outstanding Valor Award by the Central League of Bergen, Bergen County in 1962 after coming home from her ordeal (*at right*)



Carol Gould

1962



Eric Lindner

www.tigerinthesea.com

Flight Attendant Lunch

Thursday, May 5th
Noon (tentative)

Everyone on their own for food and drinks

Debbie Rickman Martinez and Annette Lusk are still hoping to plan a flight attendant lunch, possibly on the patio of Casa Rio's, a 5 minute walk from the Westin. The restaurant was the first San Antonio business to open its doors to the river (and supposedly has killer margaritas!) Details are still being worked out and this page will be updated once known.



Dining at Famous Casa Rio on the beautiful San Antonio River. San Antonio, Texas

Line Dance Instruction

Thursday, May 5th
2:30pm

Included with Registration

It's like Karaoke for first-timers. Once you get on the floor you won't be able to stop, it's that much fun!



48th Anniversary Buffet and Dance

Saturday, May 4th
5:30pm Portrait Pictures by Eliot
6pm No Host Cocktail Reception in Foyer
7pm Tex-Mex Buffet
8pm Dance
\$85 per person

Music for our dance will be provided by the Cactus Country Band, starring award-winning fiddle player Regina Matthews.

There will be NO music during dinner from 7pm until 8pm.

Suggested attire for the evening is **Texas Casual** - Denim & Diamonds, Leather & Lace, Boots & Belt Buckles, Cowboy Hats & Sombreros. Anything goes!! Come have some fun - it will be a great time for all.



Cactus Country from 8-11pm.

From the Vice-President

After the languid pace of much of 2021, the final months have been chaotic! Karen and I finally decided to leave the Ohio winter weather behind. We sold our home in Ohio and relocated to Tucson, AZ. We thought we had downsized until the moving van arrived at the apartment we've rented. We are now the proud renters of a storage unit, otherwise we would be featured on next season's "Hoarders" television show. We hope to have our remaining possessions to a manageable level by the spring. In the meantime, stay well and we hope to see you in San Antonio.

Wayne

From The Secretary

Every now and then we receive emails from individuals trying to find a Tiger whom they remembered or had touched their lives. One such email came in recently from an animal handler who was on one of our DC-8s loaded with cattle back in 1975. His letter is quite interesting and I thought I'd share the correspondence with you as it really reflects the amazing pilots you all are with the varied destinations in far flung areas of the world and the many obstacles you were continually confronted with. This one ominously was on our home turf. I have included a portion of my reply.

My name is Ernest E Lowder and on June 24, 1975, I was on Flying Tiger Flight 161. We landed a few flights before the fatal crash of Eastern Airlines Flight 66 that killed over 110 Souls. Our plane was a DC-8 (Stretch) that was carrying approximately 165 head of Holstein Friesian cattle from Harrisburg, PA to Budapest via JFK and Shannon Ireland. I was assigned by the Holstein Friesian Association to hand over the registration paperwork for the load of cattle to the Hungarian authorities upon landing in Budapest and supervise the unloading of cattle to the correct state-owned farms.

From Harrisburg to JFK the crew had me seated directly behind the Captain of the flight and I was able to see very clearly all the events leading up to our incredible landing during what was later to be termed a "microburst". The reason for all of this is that if it is possible, I would like to be able to find out the name of the pilot of flight 161 on that leg of the journey. The pilot stayed in New York and was devastated by what had happened. Another pilot took over the flight and I never got to thank our pilot for his actions. He saved my life and everyone aboard the aircraft. His amazing quick actions of full thrust and air control kept us from landing left of Runway 22L and got us down in one bumpy but complete piece. I have never been able to find out this pilot's name and have always wondered.

The rest of the trip was more or less uneventful except for the flight crew upon reaching Budapest, (then ver much behind the Iron Curtain) decided to not bother going through normal channels and went directly to the hotel, while I stayed to unload the cattle with the flight mechanic. Of course when we were done and went through Customs and they read the flight manifest with all the missing crew, the authorities immediately put both the flight mechanic and myself under arrest until things could be "ironed out".

I am sorry for this very rambling email. But if anyone could help me with my inquiry, I would appreciate it greatly. I can't say enough how impressed I was with my experience and of course course my luck in flying with your firm.

Sincerely,

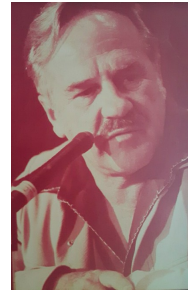
Ernest E. Lowder

South Burlington, VT

Hi Ernest,

Thank you for your thoughtful and touching email. From what I have gathered, it was quite a memorable flight for all of you aboard that day. The Captain's name who operated Tigers Flight 161 was Capt. Jack Bliss (1922-2010) and his copilot, Al Avey. They had operated the aircraft into Harrisburg the night before, spent the night, and then flew the first leg with the cattle to JFK. Because of the deadly wind-shear you passed through on short final and the incredible actions taken by Capt. Bliss & Crew, after miraculously landing in one piece, Capt. Bliss advised Tower to immediately change the approach to JFK but unfortunately his words were not heeded.

The ensuing Eastern 66 crash became the impetus for lifelong research by Capt. Bliss and also a cause celebre in the aviation industry leading to the development of Low Level Wind-shear Alert System (LLWAS) among other flight safety systems - many that were invented by Capt. Bliss. The picture attached to this email is of Capt. Bliss testifying at the NTSB Hearing for the Eastern accident. He relayed what happened to your flight and the actions he took to land safely. He was also featured in National Geographic magazine in 1976 (October?), an article written by Mike Long.



As an aside, I contacted Kristi Peake, Jack Bliss's daughter (and former Tigers F/A) and also Al Avey.

Both welcomed speaking with Ernest Lowder. Also George Gewehr (who stated that he had landed in JFK 45mins prior to this flight) sent a nice email to Ernest. You can read more about Jack Bliss on the Flown West Memoriam page.

This flight is quite a memory - yet only one to be counted among the many memories we all have of our days at Flying Tigers.

All the best,
Leigh-lu
a.k.a. Madame Secretary

From The Treasurer

Hello Everyone,

On the financial front, we're doing well. As of today, we have \$18,510.15 in our account. That's a little less than it's been for the past couple years, but that's because we just finished paying for our very successful "Ambush in the Hood" outing. Due to Oregon's ever changing COVID policies, we had quite a few late cancellations which put us slightly in the red for that event. Nonetheless, we're in good shape leading into our big reunion in San Antonio.

I'd just like to add one more comment about that "Ambush in the Hood" outing last September. Despite the challenges associated with the COVID policies, the hotel that hosted us did a fabulous job. The Western Antique Airplane & Automobile Museum (WAAAM) was absolutely amazing. I, like many others, left there with a desire to return at some point to that beautiful area and spend a little more time at WAAAM. Also, as the treasurer, I got to tally up all the donations that our members contributed to the Museum. We were able to deliver \$1,736 to their staff, and they were very appreciative of our generosity.

A final thought I'd like to share is this: I got involved with this organization a few years ago only because my friend (Sharon Sowell) and I wanted to help spread the word to our seniority group that these reunions were an easy and already established venue for maintaining relationships well into our retirement years with those that we've built friendships with but don't get to see much anymore due to the distance between us all. Well, it's been harder than I thought to convince a large number of my seniority group to attend. A common response that I hear is that these reunions are for all the "older" guys who they don't know. First off, as a member of the last class that Tiger's ever hired, I thought that too before I ever attended one, but now that I'm a regular, I see that there's so much more to these events. At the big events like San Antonio, there's a wide variety of seniority groups represented, so plenty of people that I've come to know through the years. There's also just the right amount of activities planned so that there's enough, but not too much to do to keep us occupied. And lastly, there are a number of people that I've never met, but I find meeting those people an added bonus. They're interesting and they seem to enjoy getting to know us as well. So the bottom line is that if we can just get those that haven't come in the past to try it, I think they'll come to the same conclusion that I have, and we can keep these things going for many years to come. If you have the ability to reach anyone who hasn't come, please try to convince them to give it a try. San Antonio is centrally located, and it's a venue that's going to be perfect for us.

From The Historian

Just a short bit of information from myself, George Gewehr. I'm the historian of the Association of which I don't have any administrative job. John felt that because I've been lucky to have reached the age I'm at now, we needed an historian. I was president of the Association for a number of years and asked John to take over the reins of it several years ago. So the seat I sit in now is just that of the historian.

I retired in 1995 at age 60 and have been hanging around since then. It was in September of 1961, that I was hired at Tigers to be a copilot on the 1049 Super Constellation. After three furloughs and flying for Hawaiian Airlines in 1964, I came back to Tigers in March of 1965. I was flying for Tigers in 1962 which was a busy and tumultuous year for the company. I was furloughed for two months that year during January and February and recalled in March. If you have read the book that's just been written and published by Eric Lindner, "Tiger in the Sea," you'll read about just one of the incidents we had back then. The year, 1962 was a of big change for not only Tigers but for the country.

To watch and experience the changes we have had with the Flying Tiger Line has been a story in itself. From a company that started in 1945 flying old Bud Conestoga's to 747s to being first merged with Seaboard and World Airlines in the 1980s to our merger with FedEx in 1989, it has been an interesting ride on the airline roller coaster.

We have been connected with FedEx now for 32 years which is a mile stone again. Some companies never last even that long let alone an airline. To those who have joined the Association recently, I want to wish you a very big welcome. We have new officers as well and we haven't had an opportunity to really visit and share our friendships with each other. Hopefully by May of next year in San Antonio we can look back on the past two years as those we lost and hope we never see again. The future is yours to care for and the Association will be a part of your future as well.

Lets all go into 2022 with a faith in ourselves and the future with our retirements and some of you still flying with FedEx, that we can be proud of our accomplishments and hope that the world will be healed from this setback in our lives.

Cheers to you all.

Sincerely, George Gewehr, Historian, FTLPA.

From The Flight Attendant Representative

They say that the third time is a charm. I'm sure hoping this is true with our May 2022 reunion. We just made our train reservations to San Antonio for the third time! Amtrak was gracious enough to refund our first two cancellations. With hopefully most of the pandemic behind us, we have started to get back to normal.

The start of Covid will forever be etched in my mind. March Friday the 13th, 2020. I received an email that our cruise for Mexico, slated to leave the next day, had been cancelled. A couple of hours later I received another email from El Presidente that our Tiger reunion had been cancelled. They say that things happen in 3's. Deflated, we hit the casino. On the way home Gene said, you better stop by the hospital, I think I'm having a heart attack. Sure enough as the EKG paper was rolling off the machine they said yup, you're having a heart attack! 99% blockage. 70 minutes later the first stent was in; the second one the next morning. He has made an amazing recovery and is going strong. For me; last November I had a vertigo episode that left me with Dys Equilibrium. So when you see me at the reunion stumbling around I'm not drunk! On a lighter side we are looking forward to welcoming our fifth great grandchild.

But since we've gotten our vaccine shots Gene and I are getting back to visiting family, close friends, and being active in our various community activities. We also feel blessed that we are back to attending church in person.

Since our last reunion we have had several new members join our group. To them, welcome and we look forward to commiserating with you. Come and bring your Tiger tales! It should make for a very lively open-mike time. The Flight Attendant seniority list is constantly evolving as we hear from those whose friend or relative flew for Tigers. The seniority binder will be available for everyone to update. So please, if you know of any F/A's who aren't a member please let them know of our website or have them get in touch with me. There are still many that I have known for over 50 years and it is a blessing to still be able to keep in touch.

I'm thrilled to pass on the news that former FA Louise Danewitz Boyd donated her uniform to the SFO Air Museum, located in the SFO International Terminal. It is now prominently on display there. Below is the message and some photos that we received from Marilyn Breen.

Thought you might be interested in seeing the uniform that Louise Danewitz Boyd donated to the SFO Air Museum. They had contacted me asking if I knew of anyone who might be interested in donating that articular uniform. I called Louise and she reluctantly agreed. She is still able to wear it, but when she heard what it was for, she did agree. Below are the pictures of the uniform (circa 1960-1967) as well as other "stuff" they were so happy to get. The last photo is Louise flanked by Julie and Ken from the museum — they were thrilled to be given this amazing

gift. Louise did not have the wings, so I am going to donate my jacket wings, and hat wings, which will complete the ensemble! There you have a 1964 FTL Flight attendant, soon to be on display at the Air Museum.



John and Jeanne's mail order system of our Hangar items has been a huge success. We're not sure what we'll have available at the reunion, but we're working on it!

So if you're planning on attending the reunion better make your reservations soon. Rooms and flights are filling up. And the cost of the train has increased by 50%! People are anxious to get back to living.

Live, love, and be gentle to others...

Joyce Danielsen Dalbey, Flight Attendant Representative

From The AVG Representative

I have missed seeing all of my friends as event after event has been cancelled over the last two years. I am hoping for a clear road to recovery from this Covid 19 pandemic. So glad to be heading to San Antonio next year to see you all!

The AVG has had no reunions for the past two years, just as FTLPA, but we have one planned for February 2022 in Las Vegas at the Tuscan Suites & Casino. I sure hope we can stick to the plan and you are all invited to join us. Please contact me if you are interested in attending and I will send you the information package.

We have been selling the "Tiger Cubs", the cute little stuffed Flying Tiger, and will have more at the Hood River Ambush. Glad you all like them. We have many more items for sale in our "shop" at our website: www.flyingtigersavg.com

I have found one good thing about being in a senior age group (old).....Jerry and I were able to be among the first to get vaccinated here. So, we have been taking road trips to places like Grand Canyon, Sedona, Santa Fe NM, Loveland CO, putting over 3K miles on our cars.

We celebrated 11 years since our first date in June and here is a photo of us having a celebration dinner at one of our favorite restaurants, Vintanas in Escondido, CA.

Lydia Rossi



Flight Attendants Gather in Palm Springs

The following is from Cathy Schinhofen and Debbie Paul following their successful gathering on T-Day this year.

Thanks to everyone for attending the California Flying Tiger De-Briefing Luncheon on T-Day, August 7. We had a total of 19 pals check in with a handful who missed their trips at the last moment. Your hostesses had their own debriefing after the luncheon and we agreed that it was a total success.

It was great to see representatives from the pilots, flight attendants, High Tiger staff and enthusiastic honorary Tiger spouses. We gave one of Debbie's frustrating "Tiger Tests" with Lee (Baliukas) Pollitt getting 16 out of 20 right, and going home with one of Cathy's gorgeous, hand-made Tiger Totes. We also played a game to memorize dozens of Tiger paraphernalia. Prizes consisted of Debbie's Tiger blank greet cards, Circle T 747 engine key rings and other much sought after Tiger-related prizes. Cathy did a lovely hula to "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" in honor of her fellow San Francisco-based flight attendant pals. Cathy also made authentic looking boarding passes for everyone and furnished the parting gift of a pack of peanuts tied to a See's Lollipop.

The PSAir crew conjured up our now famous YouTube video on the big screen of the Santa Susanna High School singing “The Tiger Sleeps Tonight” in A cappella. (You can find it on YouTube with this information.) Other patrons and PSAir employees got into the Tiger spirit with us. The luncheon was noisy, but it appears we are a much better behaved group than 32 years ago. PSAir was very accommodating. We highly recommend stopping in there for a bite to eat and an adult beverage if you are in Palm Springs. Thanks everyone for being available and turning the Flying Tiger Debriefing into such a special occasion!



Front row L to R: Bob Stickler – Pilot, Will Tjoaas – Pilot, Bob Ahaesy - Husband to Sandy, Dawn Seymour Adams - Flight Attendant
Cathy Schinhofen — Flight Attendant

Back row L to R: Jim Bailey – Pilot, Judy Farrell - High Tiger Security, Lee Baliukas Pollitt - Flight Attendant, Adriana Caputti Dixon - Flight Attendant, Ann Montgomery - Flight Attendant, Myra Lou Singer Proctor - Flight Attendant, Louise Keenan - Flight Attendant, Phil Beckerman - Flight Attendant

Seated: Sandy Ahaesy - Flight Attendant, Kim Duong Johnson - Flight Attendant, Jim Montgomery – Pilot, Debbie Paul - Flight Attendant

Missing from the picture is: Brad Johnson - Husband to Kim, Bruce Dixon - Husband to Adriana

Say Again?

“The enemy has demanded a surrender at discretion otherwise the garrison are to be put to the sword if the fort is taken. I have answered the demand with a cannon shot, and our flag still waves proudly from the walls. I shall never surrender nor retreat.”

— William Travis, at the Alamo

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2022 San Antonio Reunion Registration Form

May 2 to May 6, 2022

(Mon afternoon thru Fri morning)

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Group Hotel Reservations

(18.25% hotel tax will be added)

Traditional City Side Room
\$189 per night
Deluxe River Side Room
\$209 per night

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Request group rate for the *Flying Tiger Line*
Pilots Association 2022 Reunion

Hotel cutoff date is April 10, 2022

Member Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Other Guest(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Membership Dues

NOTE

Dues are not required for Guests, Life Members, or former FTL employees eligible for prospective membership and attending the reunion for the first time.

Annual Dues for 2022 are included (not required if current to 2022) -----(**\$20**) \$ _____

An additional _____ years are included ----- (**x \$20=**) \$ _____

Reunion Fees

Registration Fee (\$20 per person required) ----- (**x \$20=**) \$ _____

River Shuttle to The Pearl (\$25 per person – one way only) ----- (**x \$25=**)\$ _____

Lone Star Buffet and Dance (\$85 per person required) ----- (**x \$85=**) \$ _____

Reunion Agenda

For updated agenda and more details
visit [Next Reunion](#)

Monday, May 2

3pm- Reunion begins
8pm- Movie in Hospitality Suite

Tuesday, May 3

9am- Golf Tournament
2pm – Group Bike Ride (*tentative*)
9-10pm - *San Antonio, The Saga*

Wednesday, May 4

1pm – Tiger Pub Crawl/Poker Run
5pm- River Shuttles depart for the
Pearl District

Thursday, May 5

9am- Business Meeting
Noon – FA Lunch (*tentative*)
2:30pm – Line Dance Instruction
5pm – Portraits by Eliot
6pm - Cocktail Reception
7pm - Dinner
8pm – Entertainment and Dance

Friday, May 6

Check Out

Magnetic Name Tags (\$7 each)

Write your names as you wish them to appear

*Registration Form must be **received** by April 15, 2022 to process name tag orders*

Name: _____

Name: _____

Total Name Tags Ordered ----- (**x \$7=**) \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: ----- \$ _____

*Mail this completed form and a check made payable to **FTLPA** to:*

FTLPA

P.O. Box 16515

Hooksett, NH 03106-6515

Additional Activities

Please indicate your interest in the following activities

___ **Golf** (organizer: Robert Carona)

___ **Group Bicycle Ride** (organizer: John Dickson)

___ **Line Dance Instruction** (free with registration)

___ **Poker Pub Crawl** (Organizer: Leigh-lu Prasse)

___ **Flight Attendants Brunch** (Organizer: Annette Lusk)

We Need Volunteers

Please indicate if you can help us out during the event

___ **Hangar Setup** (Monday morning)

___ **Check-in Desk** (various 2-hour shifts)

___ **Raffle Sales Desk** (various 2-hour shifts)

___ **Hangar Breakdown** (Friday morning)

Questions?

Email@flyingtigerline.org

Full refunds (minus 3% PayPal fee) allowed up to two weeks prior to event