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Ken Annino adding the final touch

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Submit your registrations as soon as possible.

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A Successful Reunion Only Requires Your Presence!

Please reserve your room and send in your registration form and payment when you receive this newsletter. Early room reservation and payment is important to the Board and reunion planning team! With 3 1/2 months until our 16th annual reunion in Tampa FL, our host hotel **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Tampa Airport-Westshore (**500 West Cypress Street Tampa, Florida 33607, (813) 998-2272) stands ready to help you with your reservation on line or on the phone.

Our exclusive web address is **http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/T/TPATLDT-UPR-20170928/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG. The Perry group code is UPR. With a group rate of $109, that's a real bargain particularly when you consider all that Tampa has to offer.**

The DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Tampa Airport-Westshore is a beautiful facility. The breakfast area offers both sit-down service and a buffet attended by one of the hotel chefs for personal orders. Our hospitality suite is comfortable with plenty of room for everyone.

Our Tampa reunion registrations are lagging somewhat from last year. Anyone receiving this newsletter is requested to reach out to friends and associates to encourage their attendance. All hands are needed on deck to make this another successful Perry reunion.

So Much to See in Tampa!

There is much to do in Tampa and attendees will have ample free time to visit some of the city's key attractions. Here is a list of Tampa attractions you may want to consider visiting:

- Busch Gardens
- Florida Aquarium
- Lowry's Park Zoo
- Ybor City
- Museum of Science & Industry
- Clearwater Aquarium
- Tampa Theater
- Big Cat Reserve

Our Golf Tournament is a GO.

Dale McIntosh, Perry Reunion Association Vice-President and Golf Tournament chair, advises that the golf tournament at this year's reunion is a go. This annual classic is tentatively set for the Northdale golf course which is located about 20 minutes north of our hotel. Course slope is 118 from the Gold tees. With a price of $36 including cart is a relative bargain.

More information will be available in future newsletters. Questions?

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Agenda Highlight: Henry B Plant Museum http://www.plantmuseum.com/

Major George Dunn, Major Alexander Brodie, Major General Joseph Wheeler, Captain Henry A. Brown, Colonel Leonard Wood, Colonel Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt, (later 26th U.S. President)

Friday, September 29 at 10AM we'll board a bus for the Henry B Plant Museum. Part of the former Tampa Bay Hotel, this beautiful museum, once owned by railroad tycoon Henry Plant, was turned into a museum in 1933. It is a luxurious Victorian palace with distinctive Moorish features. The Henry B. Plant Museum traces the history of the hotel and Plant's contribution to the development of Tampa and Florida.

The various rooms, such as the Grand Hall, the Reading and Writing Room, and the Garden room, feature fine period furnishings and offer a glimpse into the lifestyle of Henry B. Plant. An avid gardener, Plant hired a prominent landscape architect to design the grounds, which are known for their lovely tropical gardens. The rest of the old hotel now houses the University of Tampa.

Personals

Our plank owner, Jim Archer, celebrated his 91 birthday May 29th (Memorial Day). Happy birthday to Jim and all those who celebrated their birthday in June.