

NEWSLETTER

Happenings Since December 2012 Newsletter

Obviously the time span since our last Newsletter has been more than a year. The reason for that is we have had little activity other than making plans for our 2014 reunion. Therefore almost this entire Newsletter will be dedicated to the upcoming 2014 reunion!

Reunion 2014 – Las Vegas

We finally have our TD Reunion set up for 2014 in Las Vegas in October. We will be returning to The Palace Station, the location of our 2010 reunion. For those that recall this location, they took REAL good care of us and is a primary reason for our return to this location. Some advantages are they offer free airport shuttle service as well as free shuttle to the main ‘strip’ area. So there is no need for rental car unless you have other plans while in Vegas. Although they have blocked rooms for us from the 17th thru the 25th our reunion activities will be from the 20th thru the 23rd.

All rooms are in the Tower! We ask that ALL Reunion attendees who are staying at the Palace Station to PLEASE follow these directions for your room reservation. If you reserve a room at the Palace Station through any other means the Association will not receive the proper credit for rooms we that we are under contract for. Failure to meet our quota will cost the Association additional fees. So PLEASE reserve using these directions. If your plans are to stay elsewhere, good luck.

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Room Rates are available on first come, first served basis

| Date | Room Type | |
|--------|-----------|--------------|
| | Standard | Petite Suite |
| Oct 17 | \$75 | \$95 |
| Oct 18 | \$75 | \$95 |
| Oct 19 | \$45 | \$65 |
| Oct 20 | \$45 | \$65 |
| Oct 21 | \$45 | \$65 |
| Oct 22 | \$45 | \$65 |
| Oct 23 | \$45 | \$65 |
| Oct 24 | \$75 | \$95 |
| Oct 24 | \$75 | \$95 |

All rates quoted are per room, per night, single or double occupancy. There is a \$15.00 charge required per room for triple occupancy and \$30.00 per room for quad occupancy. A \$10 Hotel Service’s Fee will be added per room, per night. The above room rates and Hotel Service Fee are subject to Clark County room tax, currently at 12%. Please note: Room tax and Hotel Service Fee are subject to change at any time without prior notice.

Palace Station Hotel & Casino will take reservations for the TD Reunion until Wednesday, **September 17, 2014**, unless the hotel sells-out before this date. After this date the hotel will take reservations on an availability basis and at prevailing hotel rate.

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RESERVATION PROCEDURES:

Individuals attending the TD Reunion are to call the Reservations Office at **(800) 634-3101**, and identify themselves as attendees of the “**PCITDR**” or visit the web link listed below to make reservations.

<https://rooms.sclv.com/cgi-bin/lansaweb?PROCFUN+RN+RESNET+PAL+fu ncparms+UP%28A2560%29:;PCITDR;?/>

In order to receive the TD Reunion room rate a credit card must be posted and will be charged 1 night room and tax. A 72-hour notice is required to cancel a room without penalty. A \$100.00 security deposit is required either by credit card or cash upon check-in.

Other Reunion information ...

At our last reunion in Memphis we instituted a reunion fee. This fee covered each individual’s lunch, which was served during the All-Hands gathering on Tuesday, the banquet dinner on Wednesday, costs we incurred to support the hospitality suite and any other costs the Association may incur in support for the reunion. This cost will be assessed to ALL attendees (member and spouse, or significant other) upon check-in. Each person will receive some sort of token or identifying item that must be presented at the lunch & dinner to show you have paid your required fees. We really hated to implement this fee but during our 2010 reunion we had folks check in who stated they would not attend the dinner, yet showed up and ate without paying.

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Because this cost the Association extra money that we did not collect, forced us to implement the reunion fee. We hated to go to this extreme, but circumstances such as this gave us no choice because we just can’t afford it. The reunion fee has not been finalized as of this writing and will not be known precisely until we settle on menus, etc...

For planning purposes, the All-Hands will be Tuesday (21st) at around noon and the dinner will be Wednesday (22nd) evening.

Look forward to seeing a large turn out for this event.

From The President

Our process of trying to locate folks is still a matter of great frustration and hasn’t subsided much because it’s difficult at best to keep up with what we have, much less track down lost folks. We continue to make great strides in this area, but there are still far too many that we have no data available.

One thing that has helped in some respects is the establishment of the TD Association Facebook page and we owe GREAT thanks to Vic for starting that up. There are well over 250 members on there now. ONE drawback to Facebook is that WE (the Association) don’t get the e-mail addresses of those joining unless they personally contact one of the committee representatives. I say drawback, but it is really a security matter for Facebook and can’t fault them in that regard.

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From The President (Cont)

If you are not already, it's time to become an Association Member and you will get our entire list and can see for yourself just how many we are trying to find and maybe help us out. The cost is \$25 for a two (2) year membership. Contact Frank Watts for details. You can also pay at the reunion!!

We are constantly updating our database and we most assuredly do not have all former TD's captured in the database. We also have a very difficult time keeping up with folks changing their e-mail addresses (internet service providers [ISP]). A perfect example of how difficult it is, is when I e-mail this Newsletter the number of bounces I'll get on e-mail addresses simply because we were NOT notified of changing addresses will be numerous!!

Many thanks to our Association committee members and their very strong and encouraging support since assuming this role. Their contact information is under "Who Are Your Committee Representatives and How Do You Contact Any of Them?"

One final thing of importance! Although I'm willing to stay on as President as long as I physically and mentally am able, there are others who would like some relief from their duties and we need folks to step up and help out, especially some younger folks who can carry the Association on for as long as possible. So **PLEASE** consider stepping up and let us know how you can help.

Warmest regards to all

Pete

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