Class of 70 Minutes for 45th Reunion 19 Feb 2015

# Pre-meeting with AOG, Curt, Rich and Gary to discuss Friday events.

Conflict occurs as the weather back-up for the Pavilion dedication was to be the AOG building however that is also the location for the lunch. For ease of logistics, the optimum solution is to maintain a back-up location onsite for both the dedication and lunch. Additionally it was determined that seating at the pavilion would be limited to appx 250 with expectations of 500 attending. Considerations for media, Corona, aides, security, etc were also discussed.

Best option seems to be to rent a large tent to be located in the far AOG parking area. Tent could be used for dedication weather back up and as overflow. Tent could be used for seating for lunch crowd...Class of '70 lunch in tent, '65 in AOG building. Sara will check pricing for a tent. Cost would be shared with class of '65.

### **Reunion Meeting**

Roll call was taken to include squadron reps on conference call

Fundraising – Gary Dahlen

Still about \$175K short with only 27% participation by classmates at this point. Sqdns 7, 15 and 33 are 50% or higher!!

#### Plaza of Heroes project - Gary Dahlen

Contract in final approval process. Dollar threshold to start construction has been met. Construction should begin 1 May with 11 week construction period.

### Reunion Schedule - Curt

General overview

Wed: Registration and Icebreaker at hotel

Thurs: AM golf, Lunch at Mitch's, Prep school reunion, pm Registration at hotel, Evening Social at Hotel. Currently there is NO saber Society event planned by AOG/AFA

Fri: Class Memorial, Pavilion/Plaza dedication, Registration at AOG, Lunch at AOG, AFA/AOG senior staff briefing, Cadet Area Open House, Dinner at hotel

Sat: Registration at AOG, Football game (noon'ish), Grad sqdn classmate gathers, late night rejoin at hotel.

### Hotel – Chris Dunbar

Taste test to occur in Mar to select menu – Friday night options to include veggie, vegan and "meat". While no specific vegan/veggie items are selected for Weds/Thurs buffet, will include a wide variety of option to meet all needs.

Memorial Service- Greg Gilles

List of deceased classmates and widows on file with AOG will be provided to sqdn reps for review. Sqdn reps will be asked to contact widows to invite and arrange escort if attending. Class pennants will be placed on all classmate grave sites at AFA cemetery.

## Entertainment - Roger Hill

DJ contract complete (same guy as last time) to play from 8-midnight, Saturday with option for additional hour. Band of Rockies to provide group for Saturday performance.

### Golf – Dick Rauschkalb

On the books for Thursday AM. With colder temps that time of year, expect 9 am start. Blue course has been requested.

## Dedication -- Gary Dahlen

Hoping to keep ceremony to 30'ish minutes. Can sit approximately 230 at plaza and add some inside the pavilion with big screen. Tent to be used for overflow with big screen (see premeeting).

Gary has been in coordination with 65 as this is a joint event. VIPs attending from Corona, cadet wing, AFA, AOG, and Sijan's sister. Still working toward F16, F4 and MiG fly over. CJ has volunteered to assist with media coverage. Still looking for vol to assist with fly over.

### Merchandise - Mike Torreano

List of items provided. Many new/good options. If anyone has comments plse provide to Mike.

# Doolie classmate event - Rich Downing

Will send out email blast to classmates asking for volunteer to organize. Several options for timing include, Thursday night at hotel, Friday lunch at AOG, Sat before game. No specific time will be set aside in the overall schedule.

### Web - Jack Mueller

Access provided via AOG web site (www.USAFA.org). Will include minutes, schedule and link to Marriott. Plan to add link to Pavilion video, lost souls, class ring repair info.

<u>Misc</u> – Curt Emery/open forum Pricing to be complete for review at Apr meeting. Selection of class gift pending. Payment for guests (Air Force Cross awardees) pending Suggestion to have a dedication coin

Next meeting: AOG, 9 Apr, time TBD