

Firebird Association Membership Application

Name: _____

Initial Membership

Address: _____

Renewal

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ + _____

Phone: (_____) _____ FAX: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Units: 17th TCS 17th TAS 517th TAS Other _____

Please mail completed form and payment to:

Robert Mattingly
Firebird Association
1255 Circlewood Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935

Please check one block:

- Biennial Dues \$30.00
 Life Membership \$150



J. C. Arrington
The Firebird Association
3778 Lark Court
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

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The Firebird Association

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The Firebirds to Invade Wright-Patterson Ohio

On June 6, 2018 the Firebirds will invade Wright-Patterson Ohio for the first time. The reunion will be held at the **Holiday INN, Dayton, Fairborn** 2800 Presidential Drive Fairborn, Ohio 45324. **Telephone** 1-937-426-7800
E-mail: kimberly.peterson@hidaytonfairborn.com

Wright-Patterson was chosen due to its central location, the tourist attractions (U.S. Air Force museum), the Wright-Patterson AFB Golf Links and the co-operation of the hotel in providing a hospitality room and allowing us to bring our own refreshments.

The reunion will be Wednesday June 6, 2018 (Arrival) to Sunday June 10, 2018 (departure). The reunion planning committee has negotiated a reduce room rate for the Firebird reunion. These rates are good for early arrivals, and late departures.

For information about the hotel, tours, and activities, please check the Firebird website at **www.firebirds.org**.

Should you have questions, or problems please feel free too e-mail or call any of the board members.

Please come to Wright-Patterson in June, let us have a drink, share a meal, and tell some stories, and remember our mates together.

J.C. Arrington

Visit the Firebird website at: www.firebirds.org

The Firebird Association

In 1982, former members of the 17th TCS and 17th TAS officially organized the Firebird Association.

The stated purpose of the Association is to commemorate the aviation history of the 17th Troop Carrier Squadron and the 17th Tactical Airlift Squadron of the United States Air Force, its predecessor and mission-successor organizations, and of all military units who have flown ski-equipped versions of the C-130 aircraft within any of the Armed Forces of the United States of America. And, provide social and recreational activities for, and to maintain fraternal contacts between, its members.

Eligibility for membership is open to any and all persons who served on active duty in the United States Air Force with the 17th Troop Carrier Squadron and/or the 17th Tactical Airlift Squadron; any and all persons who served

with any of the predecessor or mission-successor organizations of the 17th Troop Carrier Squadron and/or the 17th Tactical Airlift Squadron, including but not limited to the 61st Troop Carrier Squadron, the 109th Tactical Airlift Group/Wing, or the 517th Airlift Squadron; any and all persons who served with United States Navy Antarctic Development Squadron Six (VXE-6); Any and all persons who, while on active or active-reserve duty with the United States Air Force or the United States Navy, have ever flown as a crew member on a ski-equipped model of the C-130 aircraft; Any and all persons who have supported the missions of the ski-equipped C-130 aircraft flown by any active duty, reserve or National Guard unit of the Armed Forces of the United States, such as but not limited to, operational control, aircraft maintenance, aerial port, combat control team and

industry technical representative; The spouses, widows, widowers and children of any of the above; and Upon nomination for membership by any active Firebird and acceptance by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, any other person, not otherwise qualified, who has an interest in this association and supports the purposes for which it is organized.



Hotel reservations are NOT included on this form. To reserve a room, call the **Holiday Inn Dayton-Fairborn**, 2800 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, Ohio 45324. Hotel phone number 1-937-426-7800. Use the code word "**Firebird Reunion**" to receive the reduced room rate.

NOTICE: Due to circumstances beyond our control, those early registrants paying less than the final price for a meal or activity, will be asked to make up any difference at the reunion. If one has paid for a tour or activity that does not occur because of a lack of participation, or paid too much because an original price has been reduced, he or she will be given a refund at the registration table in Fairborn with an association check.

The Association is offering a special invitation to surviving spouses or family of deceased members, and World War II members, who may wish to attend the reunion. These persons may participate by paying for their room and the individual activities, meals, and tours that they elect to attend. They will not be required to pay the membership or registration fee.

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Firebird Association Membership: To register for this reunion, your Firebird Association membership must be up-to-date. If Association dues for the Years 2017-2018 have not been paid prior to registration, a membership fee of \$30.00 must be included.

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Reunion Registration - The registration fee does not include a ticket to the Saturday night buffet this year. Due to limited seating in the banquet room, banquet/buffet tickets will be offered on a first come, first served, basis. Only ONE registration fee is to be paid per Firebird, or a Firebird's entire family.

For more information on tours, or golf, please visit the **Tours and Golf** menu. Tour times as listed are approximate.

Firebird Association Reunion XIV

Dayton, Ohio

June 6 - June 10 2018

Registration Form

Registrant Information: (Please Print)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ +4 _____

Telephones: _____

Spouse/Guests Names: _____

Registration Fees:

		<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Firebird Association Dues*	See footnote	___ @	\$30.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Reunion Registration Fee**		___ @	\$80.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Buffet Tickets**	Saturday night dinner	___ @	\$33.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Donations				\$ _____

Tours & Activities:

(Subject to Availability, Interest, and Change)

<input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tournament -	08:00	Tee Time June 8	___ @	\$70.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Tour bus	09:00	June 7 & 8	___ @		\$ _____

Firebird Association Officers

Officers:	Board Members:	Past Presidents—3
President: Ken Pribyla	Eric Wiener (109th)	Bob Mattingly
Vice-President: Will Salazar	Sid Marcus	Dick Dodge
Treasurer: Bob Mattingly	Ron Farrell	Jay Walker (D)
Secretary: Warren Miller	Gene Ramsey	
Historian: Nolan Bailey	Ray Reaves	
Newsletter Editor: J.C. Arrington		

REUNION ACTIVITIES

GOLF:

For all of you who love the links, Bob Mattingly has arranged a morning at the Wright-Patterson AFB Golf Course.

Tee time is 08:00. The cost is \$70.00 per person.

The golf outing will be individual play. Bob needs to know your Handicap, or scores of your last 3 rounds. There will be prizes for first, second, and third place.

For additional information, contact Bob Mattingly

e-mail: bobc130d6@yahoo.com or phone 321-482-7115.

TOURS:

At this time we have the Only tour that is planned, is to the Museum of the Air Force The tour is scheduled for June 7th, and June 8th. The museum is huge. The admission to the museum is free. Will Salazar is arranging for a shuttle bus to and from the museum. Final arrangements for the bus will be made in May. There will be a charge for the bus.

FIREBIRD ASSOCIATION REUNION XIV

Holiday INN Fairborn
 Fairborn, Ohio
 June 6th– June 10th 2018

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, June 6th Travel Day	06:00-09:00 Motel Continental Breakfast 12:00 Registration begins, Hospitality room opens. 18:00 Early bird arrivals, Deli Trays and beverages, Hospitality room Make your own sandwiches. 23:00 Hospitality room closes.
Thursday, June 7th Reunion Day	06:00-09:00 Continental Breakfast 07:00 Hospitality Room opens 09:00 Air Force museum tour depart via tour bus 18:00 Happy Hour Hospitality Room 23:00 Hospitality room closes.
Friday, June 8th Reunion Day	06:00-09:00 Continental Breakfast 07:00 Hospitality Room opens 07:00 Golfers leave for Wright-Patterson Golf Course Tee-Times, 08:00 thru 09:22 \$70.00 Pay in advance. 18:00 Happy Hour Hospitality Room
Saturday, June 9th Reunion Day	06:00-09:00 Continental Breakfast 10:00 Biennial Business meeting. 19:00 Buffet/Banquet \$33.00 per person, pay in advance.
Sunday, June 10th Departure, Travel Day	07:00 Hospitality room opens for cleaning and packing up until noon.

Schedule subject to revision. Check in at Firebird Command Post (Board Room) upon arrival for latest changes
 Hours of Hospitality Suite dependent upon the number of volunteers available to provide supervision
 Saturday night buffet is informal (coat and tie optional)

Wright-Patterson Hotel Accommodations

All hotel reservations will be handled directly by the Holiday Inn Dayton-Fairborn I-675, 2800 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, Ohio 45324

Phone: 1-937-426-7800 to make room reservations.

E-mail: Kimberly.Peterson

@hidadaytonfairborn.com

Rooms are fully equipped with pull-out sofas, TV's, all of the amenities and King beds. \$109.00 + 12.75% tax = \$122.90.

Have your credit card handy, and be sure to get a confirmation number.

Firebird Dinner Buffet June 9th, 2018

Top Gun Dinner Buffet

Fresh Garden Salad with choice of Dressings

Choice of two Entrees:

Teriyaki Beef Brisket

Grilled Boneless Breast of Chicken With
Mushroom sauce.

Pecan Crusted Atlantic Salmon

Sliced Roast Pork Loin

BBQ Ribs

Red Skin Potatoes, Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Or Rice Pilaf

Fresh Vegetable Medley

Rolls and Butter

Assorted Cakes and Pies

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee and Tea

\$33.00 per person*

***Service charge and Ohio sales tax included.**