

SUBJECT: 2020 REUNION UPDATE a/o 30 JUN2020

BAD NEWS UP FRONT: A shift in the COVID-19 virus pattern indicates that infections may be ticking up again. That fact and two recent cancellations forces me to reluctantly announce the following changes:

1. The reunion has been reduced from a four-day event to a three-day event beginning on Friday, 2 October and ending Monday morning, 5 October.
2. All previously scheduled Friday events have been cancelled including the bus and tour to Georgetown and the group dinner at Joe's Bar & Grill. The show at Alabama Theater is a go for Saturday evening.
3. The following activities are being rescheduled:
 - a. Association Business Meetings. These will take place Saturday at 9 AM, place TBD depending on the number of attendees and space required.
 - b. Memorial Service & Unit Pavers dedication. This will be conducted either Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning. If we have enough people who sign up, I will explore getting a small, 25-passenger coach. If not, we'll have to carpool.
 - c. Alabama Theater. This is now scheduled for Saturday evening at 7 PM. The Resort will still purchase discount tickets for us but those wishing to attend will be on their own for transportation to/from the theater.
 - d. The joint Banquet will be conducted Sunday evening but without a guest speaker or color guard. The menu and pricing remain the same. Depending on the number attending, however, we may have to hold this in the Hospitality Suite rather than a separate Banquet Room. Details TBD.
 - e) Anything else we'll play by ear.
4. The resort has been very understanding and said it will work with us no matter how many attendees we have. It has reaffirmed the room rates and availability of the Hospitality Suite at no charge. NOTE: Depending on the number attending the banquet we may not get a separate banquet room. If this is the case, we'll conduct the Banquet in the Hospitality Suite.

IMPORTANT: One final note: All of the above assumes the COVID-19 situation in SC does not worsen. If it does, and the Governor tightens down on gatherings, we may have to further changes to the agenda. I am tracking this carefully and will keep you advised.

STATUS OF RESERVATIONS: As of 4 June, we have received the following confirmed reservations:

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| - REUNION REGISTRATIONS: 16 | - MEMORIAL ATTENDEES: TBD |
| - TOTAL ATTENDEES: 29 | - SUNDAY BANQUET: 9 |
| - NO. ROOMS RESERVED: 11 | |

REFUNDS: If you have already registered and must cancel please contact me. I will notify the hotel to return your deposit. I will also notify John Booth, 11th EBA Treasurer, who will process the refund of any registration fees paid. NOTE: For those who have registered and still plan on attending John will refund any fees paid for the Friday Tour and Basket Weaving activity.