

## 2023 B-29 WINGS OF THE MARIANAS REUNION WICHITA KANSAS OCTOBER 18-22, 2023



This will be a joint reunion with the B-29 WOM and the 6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group organizations to be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Wichita Airport Hotel located at 2098 Airport Road Wichita, KS 67209. Room rates are \$115 a night plus tax. The hotel has complimentary parking and a complimentary airport shuttle. The registration cost is \$276 per person and includes:

Welcoming Package with name Badges, Itinerary, List of Attendees, Local Information
Welcome Buffet
Pratt Museum & Cosmosphere Tour
Doc Museum Tour
Banquet Dinner

Hospitality Room Stocked with Snacks, Beverages and Cocktails all 4 Days

Call the Doubletree by Hilton Wichita Airport at 316-945-5272 or copy and paste the following link into your browser to make you room reservation online <a href="https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ictardt-b29-8f93dcf2-df39-4e1c-b53a-0fccf128cff5/">https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ictardt-b29-8f93dcf2-df39-4e1c-b53a-0fccf128cff5/</a> no later than September 15, 2023 to make your room reservations. Be sure to mention you are with the B-29/6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group to receive your group room rate of \$115 plus tax per night. For attendees that would like to come in early or extend their stay after the reunion the group room rate is available 3 days before and 3 days after the reunion based on hotel room availability.

#### **INCLUDED TOURS**

# Pratt Army Air Field (AAF) B-29 Museum and Cosmosphere Museum Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-5:00pm Included in Registration Price

We will visit the Pratt AAF B-29 Museum. This museum is truly a labor of love and a must see for any World War II history buff. It pays tribute to the B-29 aircrew training that occurred at Pratt and other bases in Kansas and Nebraska. We will then visit the Cosmosphere International SciEd Center and Space Museum. The Cosmosphere's collection includes U.S. space artifacts second only to the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, and the largest collection of Russian space artifacts outside of Moscow. The Cosmosphere is recognized as the best museum to truly tell the story of the USA/USSR Space Race to the moon in the 1960s. The Cosmosphere also features the Carey Digital Dome Theater offering documentary showings daily. You can also experience the night sky in the Justice Planetarium and see live science demonstrations in Dr. Goddard's Lab.

# Friday October 20<sup>th</sup> B-29 "DOC" Hangar, Education & Visitors Center 8:30am-11:30am Included in Registration Price

We will visit the B-29 Doc Hangar and Visitors Center. This real-life maintenance hangar is home to one of only two flying B-29s and provides a unique and one-of-a-kind look into aviation history. The 42,000 sq. ft. facility is an interactive experience for all ages. Doc serves as the backdrop for the public to enjoy bits of history, science, technology, engineering, and mathematics that go hand-in-hand with aviation. Doc volunteers will be actively working to maintain this historic warbird while visitors watch, ask questions, and learn about the marvels of the B-29 Doc. We will conduct a short Memorial Service remembering our B-29 Veterans. An additional highlight will be seeing (and feeling!) Doc's engines start and taxi, departing for an airshow.

COME JOIN US AS WE SHARE OLD MEMORIES AND MAKE NEW ONES!!

For More Information Contact

The Reunion Brat 360-663-2521 thereunionbrat@hotmail.com

#### **Reunion Itinerary**

### Wednesday October 18th

1:00pm - Registration and Hospitality Room Opens 6:00pm-8:00pm - Welcome Buffet

#### Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup>

TBD - Hospitality Room

8:00am-5:00pm - Tour - Pratt Museum & Cosmosphere

#### Friday October 20th

TBD - Hospitality Room

8:30am-11:30am - Tour - DOC Museum

12:30pm-4:00pm - Open afternoon for additional Wichita aviation tours

4:00pm-5:30pm - Fundraising Auction - Memorabilia Room

#### Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup>

TBD - Hospitality Room

9:00am-9:30am - B-29 WOM Board Meeting

9:00am-9:30am - 6th Bomb Group Board Meeting

9:30am-10:30am - B-29 WOM & 6th Bomb Group (separate) Membership Meetings 12:30pm-4:00pm - (Optional) B-29 Historical Presentations - Memorabilia Room

6:00pm-9:00pm - Banquet Dinner

#### Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Checkout Safe Travels!

#### **Cancellation Policy**

- By sending in the registration form, you are agreeing to the cancellation policy
- A \$20 per person cancellation fee will apply to all cancellations received within 30 days of the event.
- Cancellations received within 15 days of the event will be non-refundable.
- Cancellations can **ONLY** be requested over the phone at 360-663-2521. You will receive a cancellation number; no refund will be issued without this number. Please make sure to keep this number for verification of your cancellation.

#### **Relevant Websites**

- B-29 Wings of the Marianas http://www.b-29wings.org/
- 6th Bomb Group https://6thbombgroup.com/
- DoubleTree Hotel <a href="https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/ictardt-doubletree-wichita-airport/">https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/ictardt-doubletree-wichita-airport/</a>
- Pratt AAF B-29 Museum <a href="https://www.facebook.com/b29museum/">https://www.facebook.com/b29museum/</a>
- Cosmosphere International SciEd Center & Museum https://cosmo.org/
- B-29 Doc Hangar, Education & Visitors Center Museum https://www.b29doc.com/
- Kansas Aviation Museum <a href="https://kansasaviationmuseum.org/">https://kansasaviationmuseum.org/</a>
- Wichita Tourist Information https://www.visitwichita.com