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“Out of the night that covers me, Black as a pit from pole to pole.....”

We’re about 135 days before the 2-8-9 Anniversary RoadTrip!! In our Facebook message, Carl so eloquently reminded us of the 6P’s, “Proper planning prevents piss poor performance!” To have proper planning here are some details for you to start making arrangements.

“In the fell clutch of circumstance....”

Tickets. Darry is on the case for tickets. As soon as he finds out he will let us know. The Mohegan Sun’s web site says tickets will be available beginning 9/15/2015. Not sure if this will be the same with group tickets through the University of Florida athletic office. In any case, when the tickets are release we need to be in a position to know who is going so we can proceed with the purchase.

“Beyond this place of wrath and tears ...”

Lodging: [Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa](#), 625 North Road (Route 117), Groton, CT 06340, 860-446-2600, Room Rate: \$159 single or double.

I’ve reserved a block of rooms to get the group rate. The hotel promised to send me a link so we can make our reservations online to get the Reunion 289 group rate. When I get the link, I will send it out via email. All reservations MUST be made by 9/23/15 in order to get this rate, so reserve your room early. BTW, the [Mohegan Sun Casino](#) (where the event is being held) also has hotel rooms, but Marriott is cheaper. If you prefer for us to stay at the casino let me know ASAP so we can change. [CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE]



SHREWDNESS OF APES!

Φ Who’s going to Charlotte for the National General Convention in a few weeks, Aug 5-9. Hope to see you there!

Φ Did you know Spike has a pod-cast? Anyway, check him out [here](#). You



can listen live every Monday. Or subscribe to his podcast feed via iTunes.

Φ I absolutely luv going to Alpha



events and running into Theta Sigma brothers!!... Carl & I at the Alpha Derby in Atlanta. #Outlaws #9Tons

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“Beyond this place of wrath and tears ...”

Travel. This is the tricky part, there are options galore! Actually, too many options! A few years ago, Spike attended my daughter’s graduation ceremony that was in this area. He had all of us laughing on how he had to take a plane, train, automobile and a camel to get there!!

BTW, Groton does have a small airport similar to the one in Gainesville when we were there. So flights into Groton may be somewhat higher. In any case here are a few transportation options:

- ⇒ **Groton-New London Airport** (GON) that’s 3 miles from hotel.
- ⇒ **Theodore Francis Green Memorial State Airport** (PVD), in Providence, RI which is about 45 miles from hotel.
- ⇒ **Bradley International Airport** (BDL) in Hartford, CT which is about 60 miles away.
- ⇒ Train via **Amtrak** to New London, CT (NLC), 6 miles from hotel.
- ⇒ Or, do like Spike, fly to NYC. Once in NYC catch a cab from the airport to the train station, then train it to Groton, and then catch a camel to the hotel!

If you decide **NOT** to fly into Groton, it’s recommended you fly into Providence, RI. It’s a straight shot on I-95 from the airport to the hotel.

“My head is bloody, but unbowed...”

We will need some wheels while there. Ideally, we could share a vehicle to keep the cost down. We’re thinking we can get away with 2 SUV’s, of course if all 19 of us go we will need 3 or so SUV’s. So it’s **imperative** to let us know your flight time and arrival point so we can coordinate transportation, and rental car(s) pickup. Of course, you always have the option of doing your own thing, i.e. taxi, rent your own wheels, etc.

“It matters not how strait the gate...”

As you can see we have a lot of coordination and planning that needs to take place so we don’t have “piss poor performance.” If you plan on attending, even if you’re not sure, let me know. Having an idea of the number of brothers attending helps tremendously. Once you make your final decision and/or reservations, let me know that also, which helps even more.

“I am the master of my fate: I am the captain of my soul!”

Brothers Attending as of July 7, 2015

Brother	Arrival Information				Roommate
	Date	Time	Mode	Location	
Darry Bouie					
Carl Cunningham					
David Henderson	Friday, 11/20		Train	Groton	
Darrell Hickman					
Van Jones					
Andre' Shipp					
Spike Slater					