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Program Details:

Who: All Tampa Connection Class members and Board members

Mission: To encourage and inspire the next leaders of Tampa Bay to learn about Tampa's Past, present and future by presenting an engaging program.

What: Tampa 101 is an exciting day for all class members, whether you are a Tampa native or new to the community. This full day program will provide a historical perspective of the people who helped make Tampa what it is today and will offer rare behind-the-scene tours of some of Tampa's more notable locations. This year's Tampa 101 program will begin and end at The Aquarium. There will be breakfast and coffee served upon arrival at J.C. Newman Cigar Company, lunch served at the History Center and happy hour at the Aquarium which will involve heavy hors d'oeuvres + drinks. You will check-in when you arrive at the Aquarium. Please see below for a timeline for a description of the day's events!

When: **Tuesday, October 17th, 2017, 8:30 a.m.– 6:00 p.m.**

8:15 – Arrive at Aquarium parking lot; check in/ Load Busses

8:45 – Leave for JC Newman

9:00 – Arrive at JC Newman

9:00-9:30 – Eat breakfast and mingle

9:30 – Speaker

10:00-11:00 – Start tours (broken into groups)

11:00 – Leave for the History Museum

11:15/11:30 – Arrive at History Museum; find table (pre-assigned)

12:00-12:30 – Speaker - Richard Gonzmart

1:00 -1:30 - Start tours and structured events for the day

1:45 – Leave for Tampa Theatre

2:00-3:30 – Speaker and tour backstage of theatre

3:30 – Leave for Aquarium

3:45-4:15 – Arrive @ Aquarium

4:15-6:00 – Happy Hour @ Aquarium

Where: Florida Aquarium - 701 Channelside Dr, Tampa, FL 33602



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Parking:

You will be parking at the Aquarium parking lot; there should be plenty of spots open and available in the early morning. This is where we will return at the close of the day for happy hour. For drop off/pick up in the circle at the front of the Aquarium, you can enter at below address: 701 Channelside Drive, Tampa, FL 33602. (Please see attached map).

Lunch:

- Your lunch will be catered by the Columbia Café! The lunch includes the famous 1905 Salad and ½ Cuban sandwich. **If you need a vegetarian option, please include your request in your RSVP.** We are required to provide the final head count for lunch along with any vegetarian requests to the Columbia Café by October 10th, 2017. If you are good with the 1905 Salad and ½ Cuban sandwich, there is no need to include it in the RSVP.

Attire:

- Wear your Tampa Connection shirt along with comfortable shoes for walking. Appropriate shorts and skirts are encouraged as we will be outside at times. Please note, there will be a good amount of walking at the J.C. Newman Cigar factory. It also gets rather warm during the tour. On the opposite end of the temperature spectrum, lunch will be served inside at the Tampa History Museum and can get cold.

Suggestions from the board:

- Bring a notebook and pen
- Think of some questions to ask the different speakers regarding their presentations.

RSVP: Send your RSVP no later than Tuesday, October 10th, 2017, to Natalie Raymer at administrator@tampaconnection.org.

Planning Committee: Hethre Strickland, Melissa Fields, Danielle Poritz, Brian Holiday, Chris DeCort, Eric Cruz, Niti Shah

*Itinerary subject to change. Any changes will be communicated prior to October 17, 2017, if possible. There will be granola bars and waters on the busses for snacking throughout the day.