



Riley Review

The official newsletter for the 2013 Riley Family Reunion

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Welcome to the first issue of the Riley Review, the official newsletter of the 2013 Riley Family Reunion. I’m very excited about the reunion and hope you are too. The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed about upcoming dates, things you need to know and things you just might want to know.



The Visit That Started It All!
Riley Cousins in Baltimore — Descendants of Annie, David, Prince and Johnny Riley.

At a reunion workshop I attended it said that communications was the best way to keep the interest going. With that in mind I hope to publish this newsletter monthly. Each issue

will have important dates, a request for family information, tips and photos. Future issues will cover such topics as passport/passport card information, travel insurance, a packing check-

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The Rileys are cruising to Mexico!

Cruise Costs: Prices include cabin and most on-board food and activities, taxes, gratuities, port fees and insurance. (See page 2 about what’s included in Cruise fees)

Cruise Costs (per person)

Ocean View

\$ 911.00 (Single)
\$ 532.00 pp (Double)
\$ 452.00 pp (Triple)
\$ 412.00 pp (Quad)
\$ 388.00 pp (Quent)

Inside Cabin

\$ 841.00 (Single)
\$ 497.00 pp (Double)
\$ 422.00 pp (Triple)
\$ 385.00 pp (Quad)
\$ 362.00 pp (Quent)

Reunion Trivia

What is the most popular time of the year to host a family reunion?

Summer - 65.8%
Fall - 12.6%
Winter - 11.2%
Spring - 10.4%

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Reminder: a \$25 per person deposit is due by January 25th

Understanding Cruise Costs

So the cost of the cruise on the internet is different from the price you were given. Let's look at the added costs associated with a cruise.

Basic Cruise Costs

The "base" cost of your cruise will include your accommodations as chosen for the length of the cruise, onboard entertainment and activities, meals and use of the facilities aboard the ship.

Port Taxes and Fees

These are the taxes and fees charged by the various government and port authorities at the ports where your ship calls, the cruise line passes these fees along to the passengers. These typically cover the cost of docking and use of the port facilities; "parking fees" for your

ship if you will. And certain government authorities impose a "head tax" on cruise passengers, which is used to maintain and improve the ports infrastructure.

Cancellation Insurance

Your medical insurance probably will not cover you on the cruise ship because the ship is registered in the Bahamas or some other port of convenience. But cancellation insurance will cover most penalties incurred for canceling due to illness or death before the cruise. But, please note that all cruise insurance policies are different, and you must read them to assure you are covered for every contingency.

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Carnival "Elation"

Elation's Highlights

- ◆ 2052 PASSENGER CAPACITY
- ◆ 920 ONBOARD CREW
- ◆ 855 LENGTH IN FEET

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list, cruise safety and a sample letter for parents to give to the teachers

of their children. This is your newsletter. Please feel free to submit any ideas you have on how to

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Some of you may wonder how this reunion came about. It started in August 2010. Clotiel was visiting me here in Philadelphia when we decided to visit Shirl in Baltimore. While there we enjoyed the company of Jada, Calvin, Tomar and Kathy and her husband An-

gelo. On the phone we had Joyce, Audrey and Ronee. That conversation continued about a month later when Joyce, Tanya and Skye came up from New Orleans and we visited Calvin, Kathy and Dominique. But it didn't stop there. In the spring of this year, Audrey was visiting Calvin and Charles, Chippy and I stopped in to surprise her. And that's when the ball started rolling.

Our last reunion was in 2000 — 12 years years ago! How many little and not so little Rileys are out there that you have never met? We need to be introduced to these bearers of the Riley legacy. And that's what this Reunion can do. In fact, this reunion could be a time to celebrate our youth.