

~ FALSS MEMBERSHIP & CRUISERS UPDATE FOR 14TH ANNUAL MEETING 2012 AT SEA ~
SHIP AHOY! C'MON ABOARD!

RESERVATIONS FOR CRUISE

1. Almost all members and their friends who signed up at the July QMM and subsequently have now paid their cabin fees.
2. **New passengers:** Please call Linda (1-800-738-8904 or 727-498-4738) as soon as possible. You must book your cabins now. Certain types of cabins are limited in number and availability is not guaranteed nor are the rates. Final payments are due by January 22, 2012. After that, if you have an emergency, please refer to the invoice that Linda has e-mailed you that states penalties. Purchase of insurance is recommended.

INSURANCE

1. Insurance is available for \$29.00 per person. You may call Linda to add it to your reservation.
2. CruiseCare Package of benefits includes: Cancellation Penalty Waiver Program if you cancel for a specified emergency or non-specified reason *in accordance with policy terms*; for trip Interruption, accident, sickness medical benefits; medical monitoring – evacuation; baggage protection; and other details listed in the policy.
3. *Do not assume* what is covered. Read the policy and call Linda if you have questions.

DINING

It is customary for the maitre d' to randomly assign cabin mates with other passengers. As a group, however, we have the option to plan our seating. You may e-mail Marcy Nolan (mawn2216@yahoo.com) with your preference of dining mates or names of those you prefer not be seated at your table. If you have already spoken with Marcy, you do not need to e-mail her. We won't know until after January 22nd, how many tables of 10, 8, and 6 we will have for our group. So, we will combine 2's, 3's, 4's, 5's or combinations thereof as needed. Since we are a large group, *you* are not stuck with your cabin mates. You have the option of selecting your table mates for the main evening meal in the dining room. All other times, you may eat wherever and whenever and with whomever you please.



BOARDING

1. You will be allowed to board at 11:00 a.m. or as soon as the ship is cleared for boarding. FALSS Board and WPLSA Registration Committee must arrive at the dock no later than 10:45 a.m.
2. **Boarding closes 90 minutes prior to sailing. Passengers will not be permitted to board after 3:00 p.m.**

TICKETS & SETSAIL PASS

1. You will receive your tickets by electronic mail only. If you do not have a computer, you can have them sent to your cabin mate by e-mail.
2. Go to www.RoyalCaribbean.com/onlinecheckin once you have made your final payment. You will need your reservation number (see your invoice from Linda), last name, ship's name (*Monarch of the Seas*), and sailing date (April 20, 2012) to check-in on line. Bring your SetSail Pass with you, along identification (birth certificate and drivers license **or** passport and drivers license). Any discrepancy between your documents and what you have declared on-line will result in delays or denial in boarding. Your on-line completion of the SetSail Pass will expedite your boarding time. Deadline to obtain the SetSail Pass is 3 days PRIOR to sail date. The sooner you do it, the faster the ship's manifest will be cleared. Linda would like you to do the online check-in soon. Once you have completed the on-line check-in and have paid your final payment, you will be able to print your SetSail Pass. In the meantime, please complete the check-in on line. Be prepared to stipulate how you will be getting to the port.
3. Minors who are not traveling with a parent or guardian must have a birth certificate or passport **and** a notarized letter authorizing the passenger who will be responsible for them. If they are with a parent or guardian, they do not need the notarized letter. If they are 16 and older, they must have a government issued state ID or Drivers Learners Permit in addition to their birth certificate or passport and notarized letter if applicable. For specific circumstances, please check with Linda. **AGE** is determined as age on April 20, 2012. Encourage minors to join the youth programs available on the ship. They may register online.

Family Documents as defined online by the cruise line

“Should the last names of the parent and minor child traveling with them differ, the parent is required to present the child’s valid passport and visa (if required) and the child’s birth certificate (original, a notarized copy or a certified copy). The name of the parent(s) and the child must be linked through legal documentation.

Adults who are not the parent or Legal Guardian of any minor child traveling with them are required to present the child’s valid passport and visa or the child’s birth certificate (original, a notarized copy or a certified copy) and an original notarized letter signed by at least one of the child’s parents.

The notarized letter from the child’s parent must authorize the traveling adult to take the child on the specific cruise, must:

1. Authorize guardian to sign legal documentation/waivers for participation in any activities requiring them (i.e. Rock Climbing, Flowrider, Bungee Trampoline, Inline Skating, or Ice Skating) and
2. Authorize the traveling adult to supervise the child and permit any medical treatment that must be administered to the child.

If a non-parent adult is a Legal Guardian, the adult must present a certified certificate of Guardianship with respect to the child.”



FIRST TIME CRUISERS

1. When you board, you will receive the SeaPass card. It will serve as your ID (to get on and off the ship) and as your “charge card” for any purchases on board. It will also contain your dining room assignment.
2. The ship’s photographer will take your picture as soon as you board. Be prepared and smile! Photos taken throughout the cruise will be on display available for purchase. Check often.
3. After your photo shoot, proceed to the Windjammer Cafe and indulge in anything and everything you want from the many buffet tables for your dining pleasure. Don’t settle for hot dogs and hamburgers out on deck.
4. Your baggage will be delivered and placed outside your cabin door within 1-2 hours after boarding. So, take your camera, medications, tanning gear, and any other vitals in a small carry-on bag. On the last night of the cruise, place your baggage outside your cabin door by 1 a.m.
5. You may pick up your FALSS registration materials on Deck 7 at the entrance to the conference room between 1:00 and 2:30 p.m. on Day 1.
6. At 3:30 p.m., or as soon as the alarms are heard, the ship will conduct a mandatory muster drill.
7. Food is available around the clock, so there is no need to carry food to your cabin. You have options for breakfast: room service (no charge), Windjammer Café (buffet style), or main dining room where you will be served (random seating). Gratuities will be on the final billing on board. You may make adjustments at desk.
8. Clothing: Travel light! Casual clothes and smart looking casuals for dinner are appropriate. Men, you don’t have to wear tuxedos to the formal night. You may wear “dressy” casual shirts and trousers: classy casual attire or jackets or vests are acceptable. Look good and be comfortable. Ladies, for the banquet: Caribbean semi-dressy is the choice..
9. Cabins have safes for your valuables, phones, keys, etc. No need to carry heavy purses on the ship or in town. You will have the opportunity to purchase a neck wallet that you may pre-order. Read below under *Neckwallets*.
10. Cabins have blow dryers, but irons are not permitted, so bring clothes that are wrinkle-free. Irons are a fire hazard. There is a dry cleaning service available.
11. Each morning the ship will provide you with a schedule of activities for your entertainment.
12. Do not bring alcohol. You may purchase it –duty free-. to bring home. If you have special needs, like oxygen, or are bringing a scooter or wheelchair, please tell Linda.



FALSS TRADITIONAL ACTIVITIES ON BOARD

1. Days 1 and 3: We will be offering 5.0 credit hours of continuing legal education on Days 1 and 3. The conference room has tables placed classroom style and has large picture windows all along one side of the room for a lovely water view. The Board will have its meeting on Day 1.
2. Day 2: Annual Meeting, Annual Banquet, Salute to Past Presidents, Installation of Officers, Presentation of Awards and drawing which will consist of gift cards to lucky recipients. You may pre-register for the drawing with your registration packets. Your tickets will be in your documents at the FALSS Registration Table on Deck 7.
3. Day 3: Incoming Board Meeting and Incoming Membership Meeting

LUGGAGE TAGS

FALSS Fiscal Store has luggage tags available: \$3.50 ea or two for \$5. They are clear acrylic 2x3 suitable, not only for your information on one side but also for something that identifies you on the other: business card or bright color or design. You may purchase your tags in January from Fran Novak or contact a member to get them for you.

NECKWALLETS

The neckwallet is the secure and handy way to carry your official identification, Setsail card, passport, ID, tickets, and money. It will come with a souvenir nautical pin for your lanyard. It is reusable for all your business and travel needs, and at future QMM's. At your job site, you can insert your cell phone instead of your passport. The neckwallet is attached to a very comfortable 1"wide lanyard. You may get one or more today from Cora Mae Kocher, or if you order on the registration form and Cora will mail the wallet(s) to you or your local chapter, so you will have it before you cruise.

Cora Mae: 727-934-2211

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SOUVENIR NAUTICAL PIN The **lapel pin** shown above will be on the lanyard of your neckwallet when you receive it. This pin will only be available for the Annual Meeting. This is in keeping with the new tradition at QMM's to offer a souvenir /keepsake pin or other memento for that particular meeting as a fundraiser for FALSS.

PARKING

Parking in the secure lot at the Port is \$45 per car for the duration of the trip.

QUESTIONS

If you have questions on anything about the cruise, please contact Linda or Tina.

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