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THE FLYING UBANGIS

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2019 REUNION

Time to set sail again shipmates! As you can tell from the cover page our accommodations have been upgraded from the old carrier days. Frank & Robbi Giaccone have set us up with a very skilled travel agent near their home in Florida, which they have used many times. All of my contacts with her to date have been excellent so I am pretty sure we are in for a grand time. Her information and our cruise rates are listed below. I think you will be pleasantly surprised at the great deal we are you getting. If you have not cruised since leaving the Navy you owe it to yourself to take this vacation.

Joe Kyle 66-68

DUES

While many of you have opted to receive your Newsletters digitally via email, a few still prefer a hard copy to hold in their hands. I don't really blame you, because I feel the same. We are still accepting Dues from any and all, but the required amount for Hard Copy Newsletter is \$12 annually. Email copies are whatever you wish to contribute.

Joe Kyle 66-68

CRUISE RATES

2J Central Park Balcony: \$981.25 per person
 4I Boardwalk View Balcony: \$1009.25 per person
 6D Ocean View Balcony: \$989.25 per person
 6D Ocean View Balcony: \$1095.25 per person
 2N Ocean View Window: \$827.25 per person
 4V Inside: \$750.25 per person.

NOTE: The above rates require a \$50 deposit before 9/22/18 (don't wait, rates go up after this date.

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TREASURY REPORT

Previous Balance	\$610.41
Dues & Reunion Sales	320.68
Acct Interest	26.65
SUB TOTAL	\$957.74
Stamps	21.60
Printing	60.00
CURRENT EXPENSES	\$81.60
NEW BALANCE	\$876.14

DECAL'S

Some of you probably recall that I have had squadron decals made up for your vehicles. The cost for these are typically 5.00 for the regular size () and 4.00 for the smaller ones (). There is very little profit involve and it all goes to the Reunion Association Treasury. I know there are other people and sites that can do the same or similar work for the same or similar cost. But if you would prefer the extra going to our Association instead of someone else's pocket, just tell me how many decals you want and I can send them to you.

Thanks

4.75" Tall x 3.75" Wide



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The following photos are of our Cruise ship, plus ports where we will stop and some things we can do while aboard or in port.



Balcony Cabin Inside



Balcony Cabin Outside



Bionic Bar



Central Park Restaurant



Bionic Bar Closeup



Café Promenade

ST. MAARTEN

Things to Do



LOTERIE FARM

Loterie Farm is a nature sanctuary with 135 acres of hiking trails, a zip line adventure course, and a spring fed multi-level pool with cascading waterfalls..

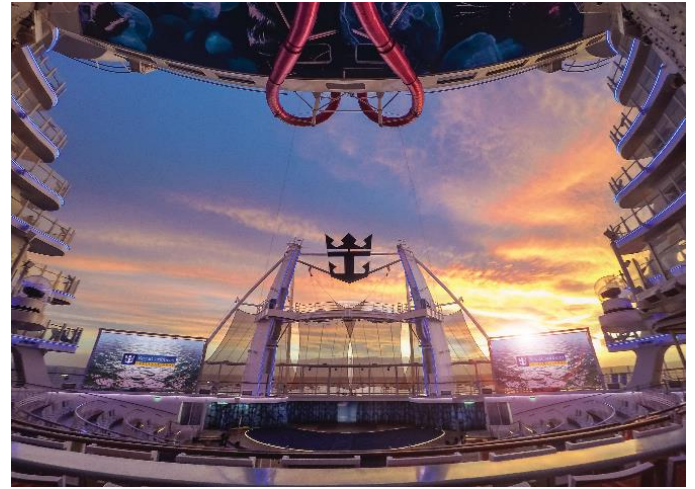


SIMPSON BAY LAGOON

The largest saltwater lagoon in the Caribbean, Simpson Bay is a great spot for lounging and watching the boats and yachts that dot its picturesque harbor.



Board Walk



Aqua Theater



Chop Grill



Boloros Bar
ESCAPE THE RUBICON



WHO'S THE PUZZLE MASTER?

You're locked inside the Rubicon with a team of collaborators. The only thing standing between you and the other side of the door is your ability to solve a brain-bending collection of puzzles together. Let the adventure begin...



Perfect Storm Activity Tube

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO THINGS TO DO



EXPLORE EL YUNQUE

El Yunque National Forest offers 29,000 acres of mountain terrain exploding with overgrown jungle, fast flowing waterfalls, and towering bamboo stands. Hike along 23 miles of nature trails, or summit El Toro—nearly 3500 feet above sea level—for sensational views.



CASTILLO DE SAN FELIPE DEL MORRO

Strong and beautiful, this fort has helped guard the shore for nearly five centuries while overlooking some of the island's best scenery. Explore it via spiral staircases between levels, and grab a photo at one of the iconic garita sentry boxes that line the outer walls.



HIGH FLYING THRILLS

Soar along the Dragon's Breath Flight LineSM, the world's longest zip line over water, and see Labadee from 500 feet above ground.



CATEDRAL DE SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

Founded in 1521, this can't-miss landmark is one of the oldest churches in the Americas. It houses the tomb of Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon and the mummified remains of religious martyr St. Pio.



Ultimate Abyss start



Aqua Theater Performance



Ultimate Abyss Finish

CABANA BREAK

Things to do



FLOWRIDER®

HANG TEN, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

Catch a wave right onboard with FlowRider®, our 40-foot-long surf simulator, or cheer on friends from stadium seating with prime wipeout views. Surf's up!



CARIBBEAN COASTING

Relax and recharge in the shade of a private bungalow at Nellie's beach during your Labadee cruise. When you're ready to catch some rays, drift over gentle waves on a floating beach mat.



Catch some of the best views of Labadee while coasting down a mountainside at 30 miles per hour on the Dragon's Tail CoasterSM.



SOLARIUM SUN AND SERENITY

Slip away to this adults-only indoor and outdoor retreat. The Solarium is your slice of paradise, with soothing whirlpools, warm sunshine and a refreshing water mist.





Night Cruising

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