

#### **USS ORISKANY REUNION ASSOCIATION**

REUNION 2024: OMAHA, NE

The *USS ORISKANY* Reunion Association has planned their annual event for October 6-10, 2024 at the Residence Inn by Marriott in Downtown Omaha, Nebraska. This year's reunion will be hosted by Jerry Schulte and Ron Thomas.

There is a special room rate (\$129.00/night) set up for Oriskany Alumni attendees, as well as a reduced indoor parking rate (\$7.00/day), across the street from the hotel. Also, there are reduced rate (\$109.00/night) rooms for those who want to arrive earlier or stay longer to see additional Omaha attractions or for flexible air travel dates, a rate of \$109/day for 5 or more days is available. All of the features of the hotel are listed on their reservation page at https://bit.ly/USS\_Oriskany

Reunion activities, tours and costs are below. Please book all rooms through the hotel 402-342-4770 and return the following form to reserve your seats at ORA events. Space is limited, so make your reservations as soon as possible. Stay five or more days for reduced rate call Randall Stevens at 402-951-0861.

| Please detach and return               |
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| REGISTRATION FORM                      |
| MEMBER NAME:                           |
| NUMBER ATTENDING: PHONE NUMBER (CELL): |
| GUEST(S):                              |
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| HOME ADDRESS:                          |
| EMAIL:                                 |



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#### **REUNION AGENDA**

### Sunday, October 6, 2024

- Hospitality room (Open 10:00 AM 9:00 PM daily after check-in, except during excursions and banquet.) Door prizes – split the pot – games.
- Greet old friends and make new ones! Dinner on your own.

## Monday, October 7, 2024

- 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Ollie the Trolley North Omaha Mormon Museum, Memorial Park etc.
- Afternoon/evening: On your own.

## Tuesday, October 8, 2024

- 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Ollie the Trolley West Omaha Boys Town Warren Buffet home etc.
- Afternoon/evening: On your own.

### Wednesday, October 9, 2024

- 10:00 AM: Annual ORA Meeting Hospitality room
- 5:00 PM: ORA Banquet Upstream Brewery (Old Market)

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Please make checks payable to USS Oriskany Reunion Association. Detach and mail <u>before</u>

August 21st to: ORA VP Jerry Schulte - 4209 N 158th Street - Omaha, NE 68116



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A full agenda and goodies will be in your welcome packet, along with other things to do.

- Door prizes, split the pot, card games, trivia, silent auction -

You just need to show up and have a great time.

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Monday Excursion: Board Trolley at 9:45 AM depart hotel at 10:00 AM

Some highlights: River Front, Bob Kerry Bridge, Charles Schwab Field (CWS), Creighton University, Fort Omaha, <u>Mormon Winter Quarters Museum</u>, St. Cecilia Cathedral, Joslyn Castle, Prospect Hill Cemetery, etc.

Tuesday Excursion: Board Trolley at 9:45 AM, depart hotel at 10:00 AM.

Some highlights: Joslyn Art Museum, Mutual of Omaha, University of Omaha, The Nebraska Medical Center, Children's Hospital, The Nebraska Furniture Mart, Memorial Park, Boys Town, Warren Buffet home, Charles Schwab Headquarters, etc.

Each excursion will have a tour guide providing some history and interesting facts on what you are seeing and about Omaha.

Snacks and beverages provided on Trolley.

Lunch on your own each day, so many nice restaurants to choose from in the area.

Hotel shuttle service to Old Market a few blocks away.

A few places to visit on your own close by or by hotel shuttle.

<u>Durham Museum, Joslyn Museum, Prairie Casino, Henry Doorly ZOO, Laurenzen Gardens, Old Market, River Park, etc.</u>

At the meeting, we will approve the Reunion ByLaws and Incorporation material, elect officers, looking for those members interested in being active in the affairs of the Association, to continue to keep it active.

If you need a ride from the Airport, train station, bus station, police station, hotel or to a location and the shuttle is not available or outside of the mile limit, please do not hesitate to contact Jerry (402) 201-1656 or Ron (402) 669-3143, we will be happy to assist and get you to where you want to go. Ron and I want your stay to be enjoyable.





Our excursions will be done in these trollies. Depending on the number of attendees will determine the size and number of Trollies. We will have tour guides that are very educated and professional in the sights and sounds we will be passing. We will have beverages and snacks on the trolley. We will hear and see the history of Omaha, where the gates to the west started, captains of industry started and many MVP's of the nation visited. Where the Mormons stayed and the American Indian and railroad made history. Check out the hotel at: https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/omart-residence-innomaha-downtown-old-market-area/photos/



Outdoor area with grill & fire pit.

The management at the Residence Inn by Marriott Omaha Downtown/Old Market have made our reunion very attractive. They offer free hospitality room, breakfast, shuttle service and great price for indoor parking across the street. If you stay for 5 nights or more the rate is \$109, just contact Randall Stevens, Sales Coordinator, @ 402-951-0861 otherwise the rate is \$129 a night. Otherwise call 1-402-342-4770 mention Oriskany Reunion.















In the area are many statues of buffalo, geese, wagons, Indians, settlers. It is a great park area behind and across the street from the hotel. Great picture opportunities or just walking and reading the history. We will hear about the Home of the Reuban Sandwich, Japanese Ballon Bomb, Largest Indoor Desert and Rainforest, Garden of the Zodiac: sculpture Garden and Gallery, Largest Coffee Pot, home of Chef Boyardee just to name a few. Just 2 blocks away is the start of the Gene Leahy Mall at the





River Front. \$356 Million was spent on redoing this mall. Quite impressive, walking and lot of places to sit and relax. Heartland of America Park at The River Front is just a little closer to the river and also brand new and very relaxing, great views.





Heartland of America Park at The RiverFront.



**General Crooks House** 



St. Cecilia Cathedral



The Joslyn Castle



The Durham Museum a MUST VISIT!!



Joslyn Art Museum, has just been added on to. \$\$\$\$\$



Henry Doorly Zoo - Aquarium Desert Dome







Lauritzen Gardens & Botanical Center

Henry Doorly Zoo Rain Forest



Some of these places we will just drive by and talk about others you may want to take a half day to visit. Remember if you need a ride, just have to ask Jerry or Ron if the shuttle is busy.













Our Banquet will be at the UPSTREAM BREWING COMPANY. The room seats up to 85 or 114 people. It is over 1,500 square feet of space for casual or formal entertaining. The room features linen covered tables, wooden schoolhouse-style chairs, a beautiful antique bar, private restrooms and a classic seven-foot pocket billiards table. Starting around 5:00 P.M. Toast & Prayer



## **Banquet Hors D'oeuvres:**

**Brandied Apple and Dried Cranberry Croustades** – with Blue Cheese and Spinach.

Pork Pot Stickers – with sesame dipping sauce.

**UBC Meatballs** – BBQ – sweet and tangy.

# **Buffett Banquet Dinner Entrees:**

**Brie Chicken Breast** – with cognac-poached apricot glaze.

**Herb-Roasted Pork Loin** – with port demi and apple-ginger compote.

**Grilled NY Strip** – with wild mushroom demi.

## **Buffett Banquet Dinner Sides:**

Caesar Salad – Romaine House made Caesar dressing, asiago cheese and croutons.

Sautéed Seasonal Vegetables – with garlic, lemon and theme.

**Herb-Roasted Potatoes** – with Rosemary, garlic and lemon.

#### **Buffett Banquet Deserts:**

**Mini Desert Sampler:** May include mini cream puffs, chocolate caramel tattles, lemon meringue tartlets, French macaroons, mini cupcakes & some seasonal items.

**Desert Bar Sampler:** May include lemon, white chocolate-raspberry, chocolate caramel,

white chocolate-cherry or carrot.

Home Made Cookie Assortment: May include monster, sugar, chocolate chip, double

chocolate and peanut butter.

You will be on your own for bar drinks.