Hawaii 72 Newsletter September 8, 2017 **45**th **Year Class Reunion**

Aloha:

Finally completed our orientation and distribution of the packets. We are now inside of a week before we set off on our cruise.....how exciting!

From the orientation we had some questions which will be addressed again here along with some additional information you'll need to know.

What to pack:

In checking the weather in Seattle and Alaska cities where we will be stopping, the temperatures are running mid 50's to mid 40's with the exception of Seattle where it's showing 70's to mid 50's. It's been raining so do think about taking a folding umbrella and/or poncho. Binoculars, a camera are other items you might want to bring along

Clothing: Do take clothing that you can layer to keep warm by wearing a tank top under your shirt, a scarf to wrap around your neck, jacket or parka and a cap to keep your head warm. Bring gloves if you're the cold type. Thick socks and covered shoes for your walking and excursions. Sandals and dress shoes to wear to dinner, on the boat or around town.

Dress code in the main dining room and fine dining restaurants require men to wear dress pants / dress shoes / collared shirts. You can wear a coat if you want but not required. Shorts / jeans / t-shirts in other areas is fine....be comfortable.

Ladies....dress, muumuu, cocktail dress and pantsuits with dress shoes or sandals. No jeans, t-shirts in the main dining room and fine dining restaurants.

Due to the recent forest fire in Oregon, the air in Seattle has been filled with ash and the air is dirty. Bringing a mask might be a good idea along with your inhalers if you use one.

Please attach the ship luggage tags enclosed in your packet onto your luggage just prior to heading to the pier. You don't want to have them on during your travel and have the airlines lose it by accident.

Once on board the ship you can go to your room to drop your hand carry and settle in. You may want to pack change of clothes as your luggage may not be readily available.

There is a ship drill that everyone has to participate. In your room there are life vest and a location you are to report in case of an emergency. This exercise will take place before the ship departs Seattle port at 4:00 pm. Please familiarize yourself for this expected drill.

If you are spending time in downtown Seattle you may want to consider purchasing a day pass on the Emerald City Hop On/Off Trolley. Cost is \$34 for an all day pass that runs from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. You can purchase your pass online for the day of your choice, hop on at any of the 16 or so stops. Show them your printed confirmation, a wristband will be provided. Trolley makes pick up at all stops every 20 minutes.