

461st Bomb Wing Reunion 2019

Summary of Planned Activities

I would like to provide a brief summary of the activities planned during the 2019 461st Bomb Wing Reunion.

Wednesday, September 25th. There will be an informal social gathering in the hospitality suite. There will be snacks and cold Hors D'oeuvres provided. The evening of the 25th is open to allow each attendee an opportunity to select a show or activity that they might wish to attend.

Thursday, September 26th. The group will depart for College of the Ozarks (C of O). C of O is a four year college where every student that attends the C of O has a job. The job allows each student to finish their college degree debt free. The nickname of the college is "Hard Work U". While at the college the reunion members will attend a memorial service to honor those that are no longer with us. Following the memorial service the members will have lunch at the C of O, Keeter Center. A student from the college will provide a brief overview of the College and its goals.

Evening Dinner is open for individual arrangements.

In the evening of Thursday, the 26th the members will attend the evening show of the "Oak Ridge Boys" at the Mansion Theater.

Friday, September 27th. The members will travel to the Top-Of-The-Rock. The Top of The Rock is an Ozark Heritage Preserve which showcases the majestic beauty of the Ozarks as it has never been seen before. This one-of-a-kind destination is home to remarkable restaurants, world class golf, Ancient Ozarks Natural History Museum and other attractions. The group will tour the Natural History Museum lunch to follow at "Arnie's Barn Restaurant". "Arnie's Barn Restaurant" is housed in Arnold Palmer's 150 year old wooden barn that was brought from Latrobe, PA. It was reconstructed at the Top of the Rock by a local Amish family. Members will individually order from the menu.

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For the evening of the 27th reservations have been for the members to attend the "Sight and Sound" Theater. The show Samson is featured which is based on the biblical story. The Samson drama is on a panoramic stage, featuring massive sets, special effects and live animals. It is a show of Broadway caliber. There is only one other theater like the Sight and Sound in the United States which is in rural Pennsylvania.

Saturday morning, September 28th the reunion members will hold a brief business meeting which is open to all who attend, to include spouses. The rest of the day is open for the members to explore Branson for their individual enjoyment. A banquet with a closing ceremony will be held in the evening of the 28th at the Radisson Hotel, Unity Room.

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