

Delta Company 2011 Alaskan Cruise

Well, the long awaited information on the Delta Company 2011, Alaskan Cruise has started to arrive and I will start sending you the information regarding the cruise so that you can remain informed. As indicated in the most recent Harborsite news letter, the Alaskan Cruise is open to all members of the 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, their family and friends who wish to attend.

The departure date of our cruise is August 27th, 2011 from Seattle, Washington. The cruise will last for seven (7) days and will return to Seattle, Washington on September 3, 2011.

The Ship that we will cruise on is the **ms Westerdam**,
Holland America Line
7-Day Alaskan Explorer Via the Hubbard Glacier.



Day 1 At sea.
Day 2 Arrive in Juno Alaska.
Day 3 Arrive at the Hubbard Glacier.
Day 4 Arrive at Sitka, Alaska.
Day 5 Arrive at Ketchikan, Alaska.
Day 6 Arrive at British Columbia.
Day 7 Return to Seattle Washington.

Westerdam, Holland America Line

Your contact person for the cruise is **Crystal Brooks**, and she can be reached at **1-800-355-3017, x 29338**. Crystal has been working with me for several months now, and she has a list of things that we will require during the cruise. There is still a lot of work to be done, and I am working with her on a regular basis. When you contact Crystal, tell her you are with the Bill Donnelly 3rd Recon Cruise, and she will furnish you with any information that you might need

At this time, the cost for the Alaskan Cruise is as follows: (Rates are Per Person)

(You can view an example of the rooms on the website under the Virtual Tour)

1. Inside room with no view.	\$ 900.00
2. Room with an obstructed view.	\$1100.00
3. Room with an un-obstructed view.	\$1250.00
4. Veranda Suite (Patio with ocean view)	\$1550.00
5. Superior Suite (Larger Room Ocean View)	\$1850.00
6. Deluxe Veranda Suite (Much larger Room Ocean View)	\$2600.00
7. Penthouse	\$4900.00



Please keep in mind that the price, per person, includes ALL meals and room service 24/7 while onboard the ship. The price also includes many shipboard activities to include lectures, shopping, movies, shows, casino, pools and more. The only out of pocket cost is for alcohol, soda and any purchases you make while on shore leave or aboard ship. Additional shore excursions are booked at your own expense. Shore excursion information will be provided at the time of booking, but you may get information on the website or brochure.

You will need a valid PASSPORT for the cruise and if you plan on attending you should start working on the paperwork now.

At this point, if you have and questions regarding the cruise, you can contact Crystal Monday through Friday between the hours of 0800 and 1630. Crystal will send you a cruise book if you request it or you can go on line at www.hollandamerica.com for more information. You can take a virtual tour of the Westerdam.

The rooms aboard the ship are assigned from the center of the ship (Most Stable) to the Aft and Bow of the ship (less Stable), as the rooms are booked. If you have made up your mind that you are going to attend the cruise, then you should contact Crystal.

It is very important that you make your decision as soon as possible because we will be competing with many others for the rooms aboard the ship. The longer we wait, the less chance we have of getting the best rooms.

When you decide to go, please let me know as soon as possible so I can be aware of the number of attendees. If you know someone who does not have e-mail, please call them and tell them to contact me or Crystal for more information.

Remember this cruise is for anyone in the Battalion, their family and friends who wish to attend.

There will be a **\$50.00 per person administrative fee** for all who attend the cruise including family members and friends. This will cover sailing gifts and shipboard activities for the group.

I can be contacted at **760-721-3704** (Home) or **760-613-3704** (Cell) if you have any concerns or questions.

Semper Fi, Bill Donnelly