

Top 10 Tips for Planning a Reunion at Sunriver Resort

We know successful Family Reunions aren't created overnight. Here are a few tips from the experts at Sunriver Resort on how to ensure your reunion is successful, so you can focus on making memories once the event has begun.



1. ESTABLISH A REUNION COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES AS NEEDED

For groups over 30, subcommittees in the following areas may be helpful:

- Budget or Finance / Fundraising
- Correspondence and Communication
- T-shirts / Memorabilia
- Programming and Activities
- Family History
- Food or Catering

2. GATHER EMAIL ADDRESSES AND/OR MAILING ADDRESSES FOR AS MANY FAMILY MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE

3. USE AN ONLINE SURVEY TOOL TO GET A GENERAL CONSENSUS AND ASK SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

Online Survey tools such as www.doodle.com or www.surveymonkey.com are a great way to ask questions such as:

- Preferred dates / number of nights -- Suggest asking for two sets
- Accommodations preferences -- hotel room, condo, homes? Willing to share?
- Requested amenities -- near a pool, pet-friendly rental, high speed internet access, single level
- Activities of interest -- golf, spa, bike riding, canoe/kayak float, observatory, hiking, rafting, ATV's and much more!
- Meals -- Would family members be interested in a catered BBQ, brunch or similar meal? Do they plan to dine at restaurants? Or do they want to cook on their own in accommodations?

4. IF POSSIBLE, HAVE SOME OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS VISIT SUNRIVER RESORT IN ADVANCE

This gives your group the opportunity to get the lay of the land in order to share information with the rest of the family.

5. WORK WITH GROUP SALES TO RESERVE A BLOCK OF ACCOMMODATIONS 9-18 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

This allows for the best availability for getting several units in close proximity as well as with the desired amenities.



6. RESERVE PRIVATE CATERED MEALS AT THE SAME TIME AS THE ROOM BLOCK OR 4-6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

7. RESERVE GROUP RECREATION 2-4 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

For popular activities such as golf, spa, stables, white water rafting, and the Paulina Plunge Bike Ride, 2-4 months leaves plenty of time to arrange your activities according to your group's day and time preferences. Visit www.centraloregonactivities.com to see details and videos of our year round recreation opportunities. Share your activities using the "Share" function of the Adventure Planner.

8. SET UP 1-2 GROUP ACTIVITIES TO GATHER EVERYONE TOGETHER DURING THE REUNION

Since families are usually going many different directions during their stay, group activities such as a Bicycle Scavenger Hunt, Wacky Family Olympics, or a float trip are a great way to gather everyone together. Sunriver Resort's Recreation department can facilitate all of these, so family members can just show up and have fun!

9. SCHEDULE A RESORT PHOTOGRAPHER FOR YOUR FAMILY PHOTO 1-2 MONTHS IN ADVANCE

Capture your family memories with our on-site photographer! One complimentary 11x14 photo is included with the sitting fee!

10. EXPLORE, RECREATE, RELAX, TAKE LOTS OF PICTURES, AND MAKE SOME GREAT MEMORIES!

