

The Wedding Chronicles

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FUNPASS COMPLETION

In order to “fly” through the Embarkation check-in process, it’s HIGHLY recommended that you complete your FunPass as soon as you’re able to. As a Carnival guest, you have the convenience of expediting your check-in process by registering for your cruise in advance, while also satisfying Department of Homeland Security requirements. Once you have completed the information and printed a FunPass, simply go through a document verification check after you arrive at the cruise terminal. It’s that easy!

To complete your FunPass, you’ll need to have some information handy. You’ll need, your [Booking Number](#), [personal info](#) (name address, phone, etc), [your Passport Data](#), [Travel plans after your cruise](#) (flight, hotel, car rental, etc), and the [method of payment](#) that will be used for your Sail & Sign card. Once you have those items, log in to Carnival.com and complete the FunPass. That will make embarkation a breeze for you. You just stand in the line, or the no line for us pre-boarders, and they just scan the credit card, take a peek at your citizenship documents and hand over the Sail & Sign card to you. It really is that easy! Your FunPass will be available for you to complete (in entirety or partially) from the time you book, until 1 day prior to the cruise. I’d recommend to go ahead and fill out what you know, and as info becomes available, I would then fill it in. That way there’s no scrambling at the last minute. With the FunPass, you can still receive paper documents. I like the paper when I travel. I like to see my tickets and all the stuff that comes in that nice fat envelope! See, it’s easy!!

SHIP HIGHLIGHTS - PHOTOGRAPHY

Say cheese? Now, you all know me. My camera is never very far away. I love photos!! Just not ones of me. =) I think they’re the perfect way to keep memories and relive them each time you view the pictures. I have the memory of an ANT, too, so it helps to be reminded of all the special moments. I plan on having a LOT of moments during our Weddingmoon. (I just put the pressure on Chris, eh?) So, not only will you have me and my camera to worry about, you’ll also have Carnival’s photographers roaming free as well. And as a side note, Chris usually “steals” the “good” camera and leaves me the baby one. So he’ll be around ready to capture those picture perfect (or not so picture perfect) moments as well. You’re under no obligation to buy the photos, but I think it’s fun to get all dressed up and take some. Chris and I rarely dress up, and we ended up with some cute photos of the two of us. You’ll be seeing some of them on the website. If you’d like to purchase the photos the ships’ photographers capture, please fee free. If not, you don’t have to. Just politely refuse. =) They were \$21.95 and under on our last cruise in November. But, yes, they will be EVERYWHERE. It’s amazing how they can be



***Warning!** - My little photographers will also be around the ship ready and waiting to capture you at your best, funniest, or most embarrassing! I really want to make sure that we capture this trip on film! Who knows when we’ll have another opportunity! We’ll all be together, and not only that, we’re all on VACATION together! Usually I need a vacation FROM some of them. =) Wonder who I’m talking about, hehe. So please, take tons of pictures! We’ll need them for the slide show for the at home reception in July!!*

everywhere all at once. You’ll see them at dinner, on deck, heck, I was expecting one to open the curtain and hop in the shower with me. Be forewarned, they will be there, everywhere you turn. But that doesn’t mean you have to take the picture, or buy them. Just smile and have a great time. Chris and I will have plenty of photos that have captured the moments of our Weddingmoon. All of the moments, wink wink. Only the best make it to the website. =)

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THE GUESTS'S AREA

This month we're going to focus on the Brother-in-Law's Bride & Groom, Jason Fricker and Mark Abbruzzetti.

Jason Fricker - My sister couldn't have found the more perfect mate. He complements her exceptionally well and isn't afraid to tell her no. And trust me, she puts on that pouty face and it's hard. Quentin & Alaina have a special bond with Uncle Jay. He's wonderful with them and always willing to lend a hand to help someone out. Jay has been a wonderful addition to our family!

Mark Abbruzzetti - He has pleasure of being married to Chris' lovely sister Becky and, like that wasn't enough, has 3 of the most gorgeous daughters to call his own! I'm quite jealous, he gets to bask in the sunshine with them year round. I've only spent small amounts of time with Mark, but even from those, I can tell that I'm lucky to have him as part of my family. I hope the feelings mutual. Hee Hee =)



Jason Fricker -

My favorite brother in law! I'm glad he's family! =)

Mark Abbruzzetti -

My favorite soon to be brother in law! I'm glad that I'm getting the chance to get to know him!



THE GOOD WIFE - IN 1955

The good wife's guide

- Have dinner ready. Plan ahead, even the night before, to have a delicious meal ready, on time for his return. This is a way of letting him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs. Most men are hungry when they come home and the prospect of a good meal (especially his favourite dish) is part of the warm welcome needed.
- Prepare yourself. Take 15 minutes to rest so you'll be refreshed when he arrives. Touch up your make-up, put a ribbon in your hair and be fresh-looking. He has just been with a lot of work-wear people.
- Be a little gay and a little more interesting for him. His boring day may need a lift and one of your duties is to provide it.
- Clear away the clutter. Make one last trip through the main part of the house just before your husband arrives.

I can't imagine having a life like that. Men sure were spoiled back then. Thank goodness Chris isn't that demanding. =)



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- Gather up schoolbooks, toys, paper etc and then run a dustcloth over the tables.
- Over the cooler months of the year you should prepare and light a fire for him to unwind by. Your husband will feel he has reached a haven of rest and order, and it will give you a lift too. After all, catering for his comfort will provide you with immense personal satisfaction.
- Prepare the children. Take a few minutes to wash the children's hands and faces (if they are small), comb their hair and, if necessary, change their clothes. They are little treasures and he would like to see them playing the part. Minimise all noise. At the time of his arrival, eliminate all noise of the washer, dryer or vacuum. Try to encourage the children to be quiet.
- Be happy to see him.
- Greet him with a warm smile and show sincerity in your desire to please him.
- Listen to him. You may have a dozen important things to tell him, but the moment of his arrival is not the time. Let him talk first - remember, his topics of conversation are more important than yours.
- Make the evening his. Never complain if he comes home late or goes out to dinner, or other places of entertainment without you. Instead, try to understand his world of strain and pressure and his very real need to be at home and relax.
- Your goal: Try to make sure your home is a place of peace, order and tranquillity where your husband can renew himself in body and spirit.
- Don't greet him with complaints and problems.
- Don't complain if he's late home for dinner or even if he stays out all night. Count this as minor compared to what he might have gone through that day.
- Make him comfortable. Have him lean back in a comfortable chair or have him lie down in the bedroom. Have a cool or warm drink ready for him.
- Arrange his pillow and offer to take off his shoes. Speak in a low, soothing and pleasant voice.
- Don't ask him questions about his actions or question his judgment or integrity. Remember, he is the master of the house and as such will always exercise his will with fairness and truthfulness. You have no right to question him.

• A good wife always knows her place.

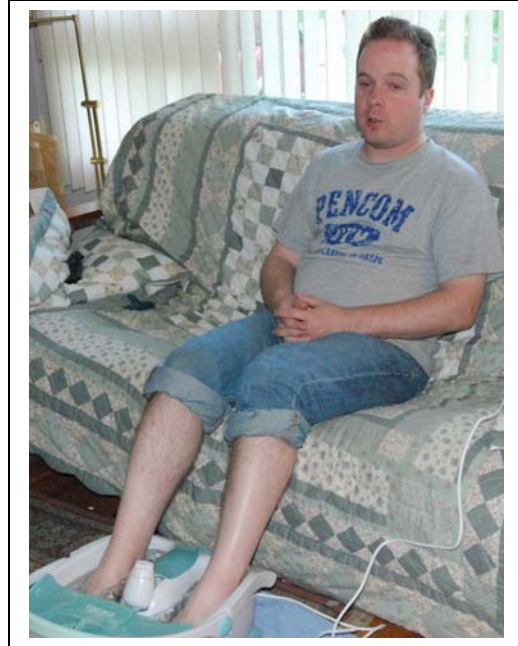
SPA CARNIVAL - PAMPERING CENTRAL

Anyone in the mood to be pampered? The Spa on the Liberty may be just the place. They offer tons of services, (although I think the "weight-loss" one is silly. Hello!! You are on a CRUISE, you shower, eat, play, change, eat, swim, eat, shower, eat, watch a show, eat, change, eat and go to bed. Who is really watching their weight??" I know I won't be.

They do offer some pretty decent specials, especially on port days, so those are great to take advantage of. The massages are wonderful. Feeling all the stress just drain out of you is amazing. I like the warm towels the best. I could just stay wrapped up in those all day.

I just wanted to make sure everyone was aware that the spa is on board and available to us all. There is a fee for their services, and if you'd like to schedule something, please feel free to do so. They also have a hair salon, and can do make-up as well. (I'm so lining up for that) They do couples massages/treatments as well. If you and that special someone would like to enjoy a package together, you can make that happen too. I'm thinking about scheduling a facial for Chris

and I. I think it would be hilarious to see Chris with a green face and cucumbers over his eyes. He would look so cute, like my own personal little alien. =)



WEDDING COLOR SELECTION

The wedding colors have been confirmed!! I wanted something very feminine for the girls and something strong and masculine for the guys. The cornflower blue and lemon yellow go together so well, but are seriously lacking in the masculinity department.

I chose Periwinkle for the girls gowns. The shade goes with their coloring beautifully and looks fabulous. I also found flowers with the periwinkle in the bouquet, so they'll all work nicely together. For the guys, I went with Platinum. It's a touch darker than a silver and I think it will really look great on the guys. Since we are having a January wedding, (even though we'll be in Miami) I think the Periwinkle & Platinum will be a gorgeous combo. We can incorporate the colors in to the flowers, and cake, etc. And, Chris, say thank you, the colors are not super girly. =) That's my wedding present to you dear!

WEDDING INFO - QUICK REFERENCE

January 22, 2010 - Friday - Arrive in Miami, FL - Hotel and transportation arrangements to be confirmed

January 23, 2010 - Saturday - Board the Carnival Liberty - Wedding Ceremony to immediately follow - The Liberty departs Miami

January 24, 2010 - Sunday - Fun Day at Sea

January 25, 2010 - Monday - San Juan, Puerto Rico

January 26, 2010 - Tuesday - St. Thomas, USVI

January 27, 2010 - Wednesday - St. Maarten, NA

January 28, 2010 - Thursday - Fun Day at Sea

January 29, 2010 - Friday - Fun Day at Sea

January 30, 2010 - Saturday - The Liberty returns to Miami - Debarkation Day - Travel home day

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