



DAILY PROGRAM

SUNRISE 6:08 AM
s.s. ROTTERDAM
ALASKA CRUISE

SUNSET 8:41 PM
ATSEA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 1997

D A G E L Y K S N I E U W S

Cruise Director Rick Spath

Dress for this Evening: CASUAL

Polo shirt or sleeved shirt with slacks for gentlemen. For ladies, casual dresses, or blouse with skirt or pants. No jeans, tank tops, or shorts permitted in the Dining Rooms, please.

Please respect your fellow guests by observing this dress code throughout the evening.

Where's the Fleet?

- Nieuw Amsterdam..... Ketchikan, AK
- Noordam Sitka, AK
- Westerdam Caribbean Sea
- Statendam..... Vancouver, BC
- Maasdam..... Geiranger, Norway
- Ryndam..... Juneau, AK
- Veendam..... Skagway, AK
- Rotterdam VI..... Venice Shipyard
- Wind Star..... Portofino, Italy
- Wind Spirit..... Kusadasi, Turkey
- Wind Song..... Moorea, Fr. Polynesia

From the Navigator

Depending on weather, visibility and traffic conditions the following route through the inside passage has been planned for today. Please note: all times and itinerary are subject to change.

- 8:00am McInnes Is., enter Seaforth Ch.
- 9:30am Bella Bella, Indian Village
- 11:00am Pointer Is., enter Fitz Hugh Sound
- 12:00nn Clark Pt., enter Queen Charlotte Sd.
- 2:30pm Pine Is., enter Johnstone Strait
- 4:30pm Allert Bay
- 7:30pm Transit Race Passage
- 8:00pm Chatham Pt., enter Discovery Passage
- 9:30pm Approaching Seymour Narrows

Religious Services

- 8:30am Catholic Mass Theater
- 5:00pm Catholic Holy Day of Obligation Ritz Carlton.

Imagine starting a seagoing career by putting up Christmas decorations on a ship! That's just what your Cruise Director, Rick Spath, did. His career on cruise ships began when a Cruise Director realized passengers enjoyed Rick's personality more than the regular company employees. In turn, he was recruited into a part-time position, which eventually led to full-time work. From the Garden State of New Jersey, Rick now resides in Charlotte, North Carolina with his wife Patty and 22 month old son, Steven Frederick. Holding a Bachelor's of Science degree with a concentration in Physical Education from Springfield College in Massachusetts, he taught for a year and coached soccer, wrestling, and baseball. He started on ships in 1978 and has since worked on 18 ships for eight different companies. He joined Holland America in 1984.

When asked "What do you like about sailing?" he replied, "It's wonderful to work in an environment which is happy with employees and guests." He added "Every cruise aboard a ship in my capacity is a challenge because in most circumstances, you are sailing with a good percentage of guests who do not know me. I thrive on the challenge of winning them over. Constantly meeting new guests keeps you fresh and always on your toes. I love it!"

His favorite vacation spot in the world? His home in North Carolina! His favorite ports are, Raratonga, Bora Bora and the Seychelles. "I enjoy beach islands where the sand is white and the water is crystal clear." Since 1978 he has travelled extensively and experienced a lot. "One very exciting and amusing experience occurred aboard the s.s. Rotterdam in 1987 when we stranded over 300 of our guests ashore in the Falkland Islands for 24 hours. Shortly after anchoring in the harbor we began to experience gale force winds and were forced to move the ship to the open sea. The only place available for overnighting was the Army barracks, where every floor and room was identical. After the army provided an open bar to our guests, it didn't matter anyway. We welcomed the guests back aboard the following morning worrying that they would be terribly upset about the overnight experience ashore. However...every guest who boarded the ship in the morning raved about how it had been the greatest experience of their life. Go figure..." Three cheers for Rick whose energy, as you may have noticed, is limitless and whose cheerful personality is infectious!

10:00 am

Disembarkation Talk & Farewell

Cruise Director Rick Spath provides information on baggage, immigration and customs regulations and other tips for a trouble free landing in Vancouver, BC. Also, meet Mr. and Ms. Rotterdam and their finders followed by a special farewell by the crew of the Rotterdam in the Theater at 10:00 am. (Duration: approx. 35 minutes). This will taped and repeated on T.V. throughout the day, beginning at 11:00 am.

10:45 am & 3:15 pm

Snowball Bingo!

Join Asst. Cruise Director John in the Queens Lounge at 10:45 am and again at 3:15 pm. The Big Jackpot must go today. This could be your lucky day!!! (The Shore Excursion Raffle drawing will follow the Snowball game-You must be present to win)

Ocean Boutiques

Crazy Sale #2

A selection of our Jewelry Inventory marked down up to 50% for clearance
Cruise Special Auroralite
The Topaz of Alaska set in sterling silver
All 50% Off
2 Carat Earrings were \$99.00
now only \$49.99
Sale Starts at 9:00 am

Photo News

For all guests disembarking in Vancouver the photo order box will be closed at 4:00 pm. All photo orders placed by 4:00 pm will be delivered to your cabins tonight. Don't let those lasting memories slip away.

Steiner of London

Learn how to take care of your skin.
Advice from the professionals today at 11:30 am in the Ambassador Lounge.

Also, don't miss our Hair Care Seminar at 2:30 pm in the Ambassador Lounge.

Taste of the Rotterdam

Who Did The Cooking?

Over 5,000 meals are prepared daily by the galley personnel. The staff of over 90 under the direction of Executive Chef, Max van Bergen, proudly call themselves "The Kitchen Brigade". Our Executive Chef is assisted by his assistant and two Sous Chefs who supervise different sections of the kitchen. All of our chefs hope that the food and desserts they have prepared for you this cruise will create wonderful memories of your Alaska Cruise and the s.s. Rotterdam.

Cocktail of the Day: Ocean Dream

An award winning refreshing blend of vodka, cherry brandy, cranberry and orange juice. \$3.25

Mocktail of the Day: Tropical Fruit Smoothie

Fresh banana and fresh strawberries blended with pineapple juice. \$2.00

We Hope You Had a Great Time!

You will receive a questionnaire in your room concerning your enjoyment of the cruise. Knowledge of your opinions is the best way for us to maintain the high standards our valued guests have come to expect. So, please let us know those aspects which you have enjoyed so we can continue to do things right. Simply drop off the questionnaire at your convenience in the box provided by the Front Office. Thank you.

NINE (9) lucky cards will be drawn from the completed surveys at 9:00 pm tonight and the nine winners will receive the very special Holland America Travel Bag.

Preliminary Statement

When settling your account at the end of the cruise, cash, travellers cheques or personal checks will be accepted. If you prefer to settle by Credit Card then please submit your Mastercard, Visa, Discover or American Express Card to the Front Office on Main Deck for imprinting and shoreside approval today. The Credit Card receipt slip, showing the final balance, will be attached to your final bill and then delivered to your cabin on Friday morning.

A preliminary statement of your account will be delivered to your cabin today. This is for your information only. Settlement of your Final Bill will not be accepted until Friday morning.

Tag Your Bag

Leave your Rotterdam tags on your bags. Color coded tags for you to attach to your baggage will be delivered to your cabin today.

Please have your bags packed and outside your cabin before you retire on THURSDAY NIGHT. Don't place open shopping bags outside your room. It's best to carry these off the ship yourself.

Shoreside Union regulations do not allow ship's personnel to carry any baggage off the ship.



Seagoing Environmental Awareness

SEA Hospital waste from infirmaries aboard ship is kept separate and stored in leak proof containers for disposal in home ports by a licensed firm. Chemicals and other potentially hazardous substances are also stored correctly on board awaiting approved shore disposal.

Liquor Allowance in Canada

This is a reminder that guests disembarking in Vancouver are only allowed one bottle of liquor duty free regardless of nationality. Any additional bottles will incur a 150% duty!

The Society of Honorary Mariners

If you have sailed with Holland America Line before, you are cordially invited to the **Mariners' Party for Holland America Alumni** in the Ritz Carlton at 11:30 am. Captain Pieter W. F. Bos and Hotel Manager John J. Scheringa look forward to greeting you.

Casino News

Tournament Day

Calling all champions! From 10:30am - 12:00pm Frank hosts the fun and exciting Double Diamond Slot Tournament. For a \$10 entry fee, let your fingers run the race against the clock for the best qualifying scores. You could receive \$150 for the first prize or a limited edition HAL Fossil watch, worth \$75, for the second prize and all Finalists will receive an "End of an Era" T-shirt. From 2:30pm to 4:00 pm we will hold the Blackjack Championship, a nail biting and action packed event that is proving increasingly popular on the high seas. For a \$10 entry fee, play your cards right to win the big cash prize of \$150 or the 2nd prize of our limited edition HAL Fossil watches, worth \$75. Please ask any of our staff for more details.

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE THEATER

8:15 pm & 10:00 pm

THE HILARIOUS OBSERVATIONAL COMEDY OF

DON SHERMAN

Audio/video recordings and flash photography are not permitted.

Television Programming

Ch. 2 - NEWS CHANNEL - CNN

Ch. 4 - PORT CHANNEL

Master's Orders and Pilot's
Advice and Various
Documentaries*

Ch. 6 - CRUISE CHANNEL

7:00 am Holland America Line Family
Products*

11:00 am Disembarkation Talk*

Ch. 8 - MOVIE CHANNEL

8:00 am Road to Utopia

9:30 am Emma

11:31 am Alaska

1:21 pm Road to Utopia

2:51 pm Emma

4:52 pm Alaska

6:42 pm Road to Utopia *

8:12 pm Emma *

10:13 pm Alaska *

Ch. 10 - SHIP CHANNEL

View from the Bridge & the Weather

(* Repeats)

Tonight's Entertainment

Treat yourself to the "Don Sherman" experience at sea! Go through your cruise experience through the eyes and talents of one of America's unique and creative comedic minds.

As a writer, Don Sherman has written many of the TV shows we all know and love, among them "Love Boat" and "Barney Miller."

As a comedian, Don Sherman has appeared in nightclubs and concerts throughout the country from Las Vegas to Carnegie Hall. His spotlessly "CLEAN," yet hysterically funny and non-offensive material make him a natural for the diverse audiences at sea. In watching "Don Sherman at sea" you are not just watching a show, but you are creating a memory you'll never forget.

Talent Show

If you can sing, dance, tell jokes, or are just a natural born entertainer, become a star on the Rotterdam stage. Sign up with the Asst. Cruise Director John and our Musical Director, Bruce at 1:45 pm in the Ambassador Lounge. The Passenger Talent Show will be held in the Queens Lounge at 4:15 pm.

Entertainment Package

We hope all guests have enjoyed the variety and quality of entertainment on this Alaska Cruise and appreciated that it was a clean package for everyone.

Music and Dancing

London Bobby is at the piano.

4:45 pm - 5:45 pm

The Starfire Duo

play a variety of music for your dancing and listening pleasure.

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm and 9:00 pm - 1:00 am.

Ambassador Lounge.

The Rotterdam Orchestra and
The Laguna Quartet play for your
cocktail dancing. 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm and
7:00pm - 8:00pm Queens Lounge.

The Rosario Strings serenade you. Time
to relax and enjoy a variety of after dinner
coffees and liqueurs. 9:00 pm - 12:00 mn
Smoking Room.

London Bobby plays your favorites at the
piano. Stop by for some sing-a-long fun!
10:00 pm - wee hours. Tropic Bar.

The Laguna Quartet plays beautiful music
for your listening and dancing pleasure.
9:15 pm - 1:00 am.
Ritz Carlton Lounge.

Our DJ spins your favorite tunes
10:00 pm - wee hours. Sky Room.

Today's Movies

Theater (Promenade Deck)

The Devil's Own

At 3:15 pm

Starring: Harrison Ford, Brad Pitt, Margaret Colin
Suspense Drama: 1 hour, 53 minutes. Rated R

Today's Highlights

10:00 am (Theater)

Disembarkation Talk

10:45 am (Dining Room)

Kitchen Tour

11:30 am (Ritz Carlton)

Mariner's Party

3:15 pm (Queens Lounge)

Final Snowball Bingo

4:15 pm (Queens Lounge)

Passenger Talent Show

Day at a Glance

7:00 am - 7:00 pm	♥ Twenty minute workout for a stamp (max. 2 stamps a day)	Ocean Spa
7:30 am	♥ Walk-a-Mile with your Fitness Instructor	Upper Prom. Deck, Aft
8:00 am	♥ Sit and Be Fit	Queens Lounge, Prom. Deck
8:30 am	♥ Low Impact Aerobics	Queens Lounge, Prom. Deck
9:00 am	♥ Nutrition Seminar: You Are What You Eat	Ambassador Lounge
9:00 am	Indoor Games are available	Card Room, Promenade Deck
9:00 am - 7:00 pm	The Sports Decks are open.	
9:00 am	The Daily Quiz is available	Reading Room, Upper Prom. Deck
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	The Reading Room is open	
10:00 am	DISEMBARKATION TALK by Cruise Director Rick Spath	Theater
10:30 am - 12:00 nn	Slot Tournament	Casino Promenade Deck
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Morning Coffee	Smoking Room, Upper Prom. Deck
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Hot Spiced Cider is served	Promenade and Upper Prom. Decks
10:30 am	The Watertight Doors will be tested. Please stand clear of these doors.	
10:45 am	KITCHEN TOUR (Ladies, no high heels please)	B-Deck
10:45 am	SNOWBALL BINGO with ACD John	Queens Lounge
	The jackpot stands at over \$1,500.00!	
11:00 am	♥ Open Doubles Shuffleboard with the Cruise Staff	Sun Deck
11:30 am	♥ Skin Care Demonstration	Ambassador Lounge
11:30 am	MARINERS' PARTY for H.A.L. Alumni	Ritz Carlton
11:30 am	♥ Men's Golf Putting Tournament with the Cruise Staff	Sky Room
12:00 nn	The Ship's bells and whistles will be tested.	
12:00 nn - 1:00 pm	Piano music	Lido Restaurant
12:45 pm	The voice from the bridge with the latest weather information.	
1:30 pm	♥ Dance Class with the Rotterdam Cast	Queens Lounge
1:45 pm	TALENT SHOW SIGN-UP with John & Bruce	Ambassador Lounge
1:45 pm	Card Get-Together	Card Room, Prom. Deck
2:00 pm	NATURALIST PRESENTATION: by Graham Sunderland, "First Peoples"-Alaska's Native Cultures	Theater, Prom. Deck
2:00 pm	♥ Open Doubles Ping Pong Tournament with the Cruise Staff ..	Prom. Deck
2:15 pm	Team Trivia Tournament with the Cruise Staff	Smoking Room
2:30 pm	♥ Hair Care Seminar by our Salon Staff	Ambassador Lounge
2:30 pm	DUTCH CHEESE FONDUE DEMONSTRATION	Queens Lounge
2:30 pm - 4:00pm	Blackjack Tournament	Casino, Promenade Deck
3:00 pm	SHIP BUILDING SEA TRIALS Meet the Cruise Staff at	Lido, Poolside
3:00 pm	German Language Class with Sylvia	Ritz Carlton
3:00 pm	Cruise Crafts with the Cruise Staff	Lido Restaurant, port side
3:15 pm	♥ Ladies' Golf Putting Tournament with the Cruise Staff	Sky Room
3:15 pm	FINAL SNOWBALL BINGO with ACD John	Queens Lounge
3:30 pm	♥ Walk-a-Mile with your Fitness Instructor	Upper Prom. Deck, Aft
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Tea is served	Smoking Room, Upper Prom. Deck
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Hot Chocolate is served	Prom. and Upper Prom. Decks
4:00 pm	♥ Stretch and Relax Class	Ritz Carlton Lounge
4:15 pm	THE PASSENGER TALENT SHOW	Queens Lounge, Prom. Deck
4:15 pm	Friends of "Bill W." please meet	Sky Room
8:15 pm	SHOWTIME for First Sitting Guests	Queens Lounge
9:00 pm - 12:00mn	Cigars, coffees & cognacs	Smoking Room
10:00 pm	SHOWTIME for Second Sitting Guests	Queens Lounge

Service Hours

EMERGENCY - Please dial 911
INFORMATION - Dial 0
PHYSICIAN HOURS (Lower Prom. Clinic)
 During Physician hours please dial 4460
 10:00am - 11:00am & 5:00pm - 6:00pm
 Nurse on Call - Please dial 4730
 8:00am - 12:00nn & 2:00pm - 6:00pm
OCEAN BOUTIQUES (Prom./ Up. Prom.)
 9:00am - 12:30pm, 2:00pm - 6:00pm &
 7:30pm - 11:00pm
 (Drug Store & Jewelry Shop)
 9:00am - 6:00pm and 7:30pm - 11:00pm
BEAUTY PARLOR / MASSAGE (Main Deck)
 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
INDOOR POOL / SAUNA
 7:00 am - 9:00 pm
OCEAN SPA (Sun Deck)
 7:00 am - 9:00 pm Please dial 4570
SELF SERVICE LAUNDRY
 Promenade Deck: Open 24 hours.
 Boat Deck: 8:00 am - 10:00 pm
CASINO (Promenade Deck)
 Slot Machines: 9:00 am - close
 Gaming Tables: 11:00 am - close
PHOTO GALLERY
 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
SHORE EXCURSION OFFICE
 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
 Available for billing questions &
 Passport to Fitness stamps.
INTERNATIONAL CRUISE STAFF DESK
 (Main Deck)
 11:00am - 12:00nn.
 4:00pm - 4:30pm.

Dining Hours

BREAKFAST
 Lido Restaurant
 Continental Breakfast: 7:00 am - 10:30am
 Breakfast 7:30 am - 10:00am
 Dining Rooms 8:00 am - 9:30 am
INDONESIAN LUNCHEON
 Lido Restaurant 11:30 am - 2:00 pm
 Poolside Lido Deck Food Corner
 Hamburgers, Hot Dogs,
 Taco & Deli Bar 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
 Dining Room 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
DINNER
 La Fontaine and Odyssey Dining Rooms
 First Sitting Guests 5:45 pm
 Second Sitting Guests 8:00 pm
AMERICAN LATE BUFFET
 Lido Restaurant 11:00 pm - 12:00mn
ICE CREAM
 Lido Restaurant 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
 11:00 pm - 12:00mn

Coffee and Tea are available 24 hours
 in the Lido Restaurant.

