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O'Kelley Family Reunion 2018 Washington, DC  
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Dear O'Kelley Family,

It's hard to believe that it was only 9 months ago that we held our last reunion in Atlanta, GA!

The O'Kelley Family Reunion dates are **Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018** in Washington, DC. Your reunion hostesses are Nannetta Hall and Asha Hadiyah. We look forward to making this a memorable event!

Washington, DC is home to many famous and not to mention, **free** museums and landmarks that defy age specific enjoyment. Whether taking the kids out for a day at the free National Zoo, or reflecting on powerful moments in history at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial on the National Mall, or touring the newly built National Museum of African-American History and Culture (NMAAHC), you will be provided with a source for memorable activity at every turn.

The host hotel is **The Kimpton Hotel Palomar**, Dupont Circle, 2121 P. Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 - (877) 866-3070 - <https://www.kimptonhotels.com/stay/hotel-palomar-washington-dc>.

*U.S. News & World Report has voted it as one of the best hotels in Washington, DC*

The Palomar is located in DC's Dupont Circle neighborhood, which has some of the city's best shopping, dining, art, and nightlife. The hotel location provides easy access to the Dupont Circle Metro and is approximately 3 miles from the National Mall. Dupont Circle is also within walking distance to other exciting DC neighborhoods:

1. U street, home to the historic "Ben's Chili Bowl", Howard Theatre, and African American Civil War Memorial, as well as Adams Morgan.
2. Adams Morgan, home to restaurants housing food from different cultures including Indian, Mexican, Ethiopian, and Italian.
3. Georgetown, home to the long running intimate jazz venue known as Blue's Alley, and the gorgeous Washington DC Monuments by Moonlight Night Cruise beginning at the Potomac River.

Spacious smoke-free rooms, free Wi-Fi, heated outdoor pool and sundeck, 24-hour fitness center, and complimentary morning tea are just a few of the amenities. Additionally, there is a FREE hosted wine hour with hors d'oeuvres available 7 days a week.

You can begin reserving your room by calling the Kimpton Hotel reservations department at **1-877-866-3070**. All reservations should be made under the "**O'Kelley Family Reunion**" in order to receive the group rate. Additionally, we will be sending a booking link in July 2017.

**The reservation cut-off date is Tuesday, June 19, 2018.** After this point, the guest room block will no longer be available at the discounted group rate. **PLEASE INFORM THE RESERVATIONIST IF YOU NEED AN ACCESSIBLE ROOM.**

**GUEST ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS**

Room	Single Occupancy Rate	Double Occupancy Rate	Triple Occupancy Rate	Quad Occupancy Rate
King Deluxe Room	\$119	\$119	\$149	\$179
Executive Queen/Queen Room	\$139	\$139	\$169	\$199

\*\* All rooms rates are quoted exclusive of applicable state and local taxes, currently 14.5%

\*\*\* Example: \$119 x 14.5% = \$136.25

Valet parking is available for the discounted price of \$39 plus tax. THERE IS NO SELF-PARKING. We highly encourage you to use Uber or DC Metro due to the lack of parking.

While Washington, DC is home to 100 free and almost free museums and events, it is a metropolitan area and reunion costs may be slightly higher and we ask that you financially prepare accordingly.

Due to the extreme dinner prices quoted, **we will not** have the reunion banquet at the Hotel Palomar, however, we do plan to make the dinner location as convenient as possible.

*Please stay tuned for reunion registration updates.....*

More on the NMAAHC: It's treasures include Nat Turner's Bible, Harriet Tubman's shawl, and Chuck Berry's red Cadillac convertible just a few of the 37,000 historical artifacts. Not to mention delicious food from regions across the country at the museum's original restaurant, "Sweet Home Café".

We know that many of you are concerned about getting admission to this amazing museum which is free. Currently, there is a major backlog and group reservations **CANNOT** be made at this time. We are working diligently in hopes to secure a group tour of the museum as one of the activities during the 2018 reunion.

There are other ways that you can tour the museum:

1. Same-day timed passes are available online, <https://nmaahc.si.edu/visit/passes> beginning at 6:30a.m. daily.
2. A limited number of walk-up passes are available starting at 1p.m. on weekdays only. The line for walk-up passes forms on the Madison Drive side of the building. Walk-up passes will be distributed one (1) per person. No walk-up passes will be available on weekends due to high visitation.
3. If you are an active duty military member, military retiree, or military veteran, there is no need for a timed entry pass! You and two (2) guests are allowed to enter, however, you must provide the proper identification or documentation.

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