

Birthday cruise for Harold and Terry to have fun and enjoy a nice cruise. Harold and I drove down to Galveston and found it easy to park and then onto the bus and over to the intake area for the cruise. We pretty much walked thru the check in process and then onto the ship. The Carnival Dream is one of my favorite ships. Since they have changed the muster station drill to just going to the muster station and listen to a short briefing about how to put on your life vest. So we did that and then straight up the Lido deck for our first drink. We hung out at the Red Frog Rum Bar and met some of the others that were on our Facebook page. Then there was the sail away party. I helped them get things started when the DJ played the YMCA song. I got up there and started dancing and doing the YMCA hand moves and others started joining in and we had a great time. Of course, I could not get Harold to come out and do it with us.

I met the Cruise Director after that and we had a great time with Fun Squad and the Play List Cast all were there for the fun. I had to finally sit down, it was a little more than my hip would put up. We had good seats for the Welcome Aboard show after we had had our dinner. We had anytime dining and it was funny, we were on a table for two that was right next to another table a foot away. So it was like we were all dining together. The guests were a mother and her son. The son was about my age and mom quiet a bit older. We had a nice visit while ate dinner.

The second day of the cruise was September 5<sup>th</sup>, my birthday and we had dinner in the steakhouse. It was pretty good, but I did not pick the best steak. Harold's looked much better. But we had a good time.

The next morning, we wake up at Costa Maya. Harold had some shopping to do, so he went into the port and did that. I stayed on the boat and hung out in the pool and met some fun people. It is amazing you can spend 3-4 hours just chatting and meeting new people, ok women, blondes and brunettes... It was a fun morning, then sometime after noon, I finally got out of the pool. Harold was finally back and we had lunch and then rested a bit before dinner time. We like to go early so that we can get in line to get in the show room. We like to get seats down front and hard to do with people pushing and running as so as they opened doors. We both really enjoyed the all the shows each night. Fortunately, Harold did not mind getting in line early and I would come catch up with him before the doors opened. You can see some of the shows in the links to videos I posted.

Next, we were in Roatan and Harold and I both went to see and play with the monkeys and sloths. It was funny the guide told us to put everything we had in pockets on the storage boxes outside the monkey's cage. He told us that the little monkeys were little thieves they would take anything they find and run. We went in the cage and the guide would set a sunflower seed on our shoulder or head and the little monkeys would have a great time. A sunflower seed was dropped in my shirt pocket and the little monkey came right over and was pretty quick to get into my pocket and take it.

In Cozumel we both took the Fury Snorkeling tour on a catamaran and we had fun there. When they got to the beach time for the trip, I stayed onboard and enjoyed my audio books and games on the iPhone.

Harold and I both really enjoyed the Playlist cast shows twice a night.

The ship was back in Galveston early and we had not had breakfast so we went to Denny's and then headed home...