

**Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc.**  
**175 Annual Meeting & Reunion**  
**REUNION REGISTRATION FORM**  
**September 25 to 27, 2026**  
**Federal Hotel Carson City, Nevada**

Name of Attendee (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Main contact phone # (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (es): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address (es): \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY (9/25) NARRATED BUS TOUR REGISTRATION**

Assemble in the Federal Hotel parking at 12:00. The bus will leave at 12:30 PM and will return there about 5:00 PM.

Please pay in advance, \$35.00 per person.

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total for Bus tour attendee(s)(\$): \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY NIGHT (9/25) DINNER RESERVATION**

Join cousins at Red's 395 BBQ directly across the street from the Federal Hotel. Dinner at 6:30 PM.

As you enter Red's dining room, a dinner menu will be provided so you can make your dinner selection. The menu will provide a choice of BBQ (two BBQ items from list), Flatiron Steak, Grilled Salmon, Chicken, or a vegetarian option. Dinner includes a tossed garden salad and small desert. A vegan option is available upon request. Please note on registration form if vegan option desired.

Please pay in advance for dinner, \$40.00 per person.

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total for dinner attendee(s) at Red's BBQ (\$): \_\_\_\_\_

**SATURDAY (9/26) MEETING PRESENTATIONS AND LUNCHEON RESERVATION**

Saturday Reunion festivities will be at the Federal Hotel conference room. Includes breakfast pastries and coffee, presentation, meeting, and catered lunch.

Please pay in advance: \$40.00 per person ERA members

\$60.00 per person for non-members (includes \$20 ERA membership for one year).

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total for meeting presentations and lunch attendee(s)(\$): \_\_\_\_\_

**SUNDAY (9/27) OPTIONAL TRIP TO VIRGINIA CITY**

Please indicate if you are interested in a Sunday trip to Virginia City. This is for planning purposes and those that are interested will receive additional information via email once details are available. **YES NO**

**Grand Total Amount - (Bus + Friday Dinner + Saturday Meeting & Lunch): \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Send your payment along with this form no later than September 1st to:  
David Rice, 2808 Superior Drive, Livermore, CA 94550.*

*You can use PayPal for payment. Use PayPal account [eral638@hotmail.com](mailto:eral638@hotmail.com).  
All checks should be made payable to: **Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc.**  
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**175 Annual Meeting & Reunion**  
September 25 - 27, 2026 (Friday to Sunday).  
Federal Hotel, 900 South Carson Street, Carson City Nevada

This 175<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association (ERA) will focus on the life of Henry Freeman Rice and his leadership during the Comstock Silver Boom that fueled the rapid growth of Carson City during the period 1850 – 1900. Henry was joined in Carson City by his friend Henry Melvin Yerington. Spring and Summer ERA newsletters will provide historical background for our meeting.

**Meet your Rice Cousins. Renew past friendships.**

Learn about your ancestors.

Open to all, ERA members get priority for dinner and talks.

- Registration and payment in advance are required for the Friday bus tour, Friday night dinner, and Saturday meetings and catered luncheon. Non-members payment will include an annual ERA membership.
- The Summer newsletter and ERA website (<https://www.edmund-rice.org/reunion.htm>) will include an individual reservation form that must be returned along with all the applicable payments by **September 1, 2026**.

**Reunion Events**

**Friday, September 25**

- 9:00 AM Arrive early, visit the historic Nevada State Capital museum. Walk down nearby Curry Street and have lunch on your own, perhaps at the St Charles Hotel (built in 1862).
- 12:30 PM For those on the bus tour, gather at the Federal Hotel parking lot.
- 1:00 PM Enjoy a bus tour of historical Rice related sites including:
- Carson City Mint and State Museum for a docent guided tour. You will walk into the acclaimed mine recreation, view the mint press and coins it produced, along with pieces of the famous MacKay silverware displayed at the 1878 World Fair.
  - Nevada State Railroad Museum which has world class collection operating steam locomotives and rolling stock.
  - Henry F. Rice and Henry M. Yerington shared family burial plot in the Lone Mountain Cemetery.
  - Bus tour of Historic Carson City houses narrated by David and Frances Rice, including the Rice and Yerington homes. Also see the Clemens House where Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) lived with his brother, and the Ferris House (inventor of the Ferris Wheel). We will also visit St Peters Episcopal Church (Rice and Yerington were founding Wardens in 1863).
- 5:00 PM Return to Federal Hotel.
- 6:30 PM Dinner at the Red's 395 BBQ which is directly across the street from the Federal Hotel.
- 8:00 PM ERA Board Meeting at Federal Hotel small meeting room.

## **Saturday, September 26**

### **Preliminary Meeting Agenda**

- 8:30 AM Gather at the Federal Hotel meeting Room for coffee, tea, and pastries. Coffee and tea will be served all day.
- 9:00 AM Welcome - Opening Remarks by John Chandler, PhD, President, Historian, and DNA Project Leader.
- 9:15 AM ERA Family Database and Rice DNA Project – John Chandler, PhD, President, Historian, DNA Project Leader.
- 9:45 AM Edmund Rice 101 - Michael A. Rice, PhD, Board Member, Treasurer, Book Custodian.
- 10:15 AM “The Conway Rices - Moving West” - Michael A. Rice, PhD, Board Member
- 10:55 AM Break
- 11:10 AM “Tents to Towns” – Frances Rice, ERA Member.
- 11:55 AM Group Photo
- 12:15 AM Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 PM “In Mint Condition - The Life and Times of Henry Freeman Rice” – Guest Speaker David Woodruff Research Historian and Chautauqua presenter.
- 2:15 PM “Mining the Forests” - Carol Rice, ERA Member.
- 2:55 PM Break
- 3:10 PM Annual meeting of the ERA.  
Informal social and discussions

## **Sunday, September 27**

Optional Visit Virginia City - Transportation and cost details to be determined based on number of attendees that are interested. The Reunion website and Facebook page will be updated as we get closer to the Reunion meeting date.

Tentative schedule:

- 9:30 AM Depart from Federal Hotel. Trip to Virginia City takes about 30 minutes. We will be traveling through the mining town of Gold Hill.
- 10:00 AM Arrive at Virginia City. Attendees will have four hours to explore Virginia City on their own. A list of recommended attractions will be provided.
- 2:00 PM Depart Virginia City.
- 2:30 PM Arrive Federal Hotel.

## **Accommodations**

The Saturday Meeting and Reunion will be held at the Federal Hotel (just across the street from Reds 395 BBQ). A block of rooms has been set aside at the Federal Hotel with a room rate of \$135/night with no adjustments for multiple occupants.

Use this link (<https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/YA52M2> ) to make reservations for Friday and Saturday night or call 775- 883-0900) and mention the RICE Reunion to get the discounted price. If you want to come earlier or stay later, please call the hotel and you will get the same rate for your extended stay. The earlier the better to make your reservations.

Hotel Reservation may be accepted until Sept 1 or until our block of rooms is filled. Other hotels may also be available but will require personal transportation to attend the meeting at the Federal Hotel and dinner at Red' 395 BBQ.

Friday dinner is at Reds 395 BBQ. Group reservations have been made for no more than 50 people. Detailed menu choices will be listed in the summer newsletter registration form and will include BBQ, beef, fish, chicken or vegetarian options. A vegan option can be available on request.

## **Travel to Carson City**

### **Driving by personal car:**

Carson City is a 30 minute car ride south of Reno International Airport, Reno, Nevada. The drive from Reno is along a new multi-lane uncongested freeway and is a very beautiful trip along the eastern Sierra Nevada.

If driving from the north or south, Hwy 395 goes directly to Carson City. If driving from the east or west, take Hwy 80 to Reno, NV, and then Hwy 395 south to Carson City. Take North Carson Street exit. Continue through downtown Carson City to the Federal Hotel/Max's Casino, 900 South Carson Street.

### **Flying into Reno International Airport. There are two options:**

**Rental Car:** Upon leaving Reno Airport, take Hwy 395 south for the 30 min drive to Carson City. The drive from Reno is along a new multi-lane uncongested freeway along the beautiful eastern Sierra Nevada. Take North Carson Street exit. Continue through downtown Carson City to the Federal Hotel, 900 South Carson Street.

**Uber:** Take an Uber ride from Reno Airport to Carson City and Federal Hotel, 900 South Carson Street. The ride will cost about \$56 one way. Once you arrive at the Federal Hotel, no further transportation is needed to attend the bus ride, dinner, ERA meeting or Virginia City tour.