

# Ann's Adventures

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**"... making a difference!"**

**Since October 2009**

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

October sure flew by in a hurry as we traveled to many destinations last month. We were in Albuquerque and Santa Fe, New Mexico; Shipshewana, Indiana; rode the rails in West Virginia; saw Fiddler on the Roof in Detroit; and enjoyed a wonderful time at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. I was so busy packing and unpacking that I forgot I celebrated an anniversary. October marked 13 years of Ann's Adventures! I am so blessed that you all want to travel and have encouraged me to plan adventures! Thank-you!

As I begin the 14<sup>th</sup> year of Ann's Adventures, I plan to continue to organize trips to fun, exciting new destinations as well as visit some favorites. Keep the ideas coming!

I am planning to print a calendar for 2023 that lists some of the trips that are already scheduled for the year ahead. While we will continue to add new trips each month, the photos will be from past trips and hopefully will provide some wonderful memories as we continue to be inspired to travel in the future. They might make a nice Christmas gift as well. Watch for details in the December newsletter.

This newsletter is a shortened version due to time restraints since I was gone so much of October. Next month will be a double issue for December / January since we also have a trip at the end of December making it difficult to get the January Issue printed. Enjoy the updates in the November Issue and watch for new information in the December / January Issue.

The volunteers who help with folding, taping and labeling the newsletter are instrumental in the success of getting this in the mail. I appreciate those who come to help whenever they are available. It is always last minute as we sometimes have delays in printing the newsletter.

We will be closed on November 24 and 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend. We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable time with family and friends.

**Ann**



**Get out those Holiday Sweatshirts and wear them on your favorite Christmas Trip!**

**Travel Certificates Make Great Gifts!**

Looking for the perfect gift? Travel Certificates are available in any amount! They can be used for any Ann's Adventures Trip! There is no expiration date! Tell your kids you want the gift of Travel! These make great gifts for retirement, birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas or other special events such as Mother's Day and Father's Day!

### **Travel Club Networking Meeting**

Wow! The October Travel meeting had over 50 people in attendance! Thank you all for coming and providing input for the next couple of years... it will take me that long to schedule all the ideas! The next Travel Club Networking Meeting will be held in February at the office! All are welcome!

This is a great chance to meet a potential roommate for an upcoming trip. If you would like, I can introduce you to others who may also be looking to share a room on a trip. It sure makes the trip more affordable!

Some requests that were discussed at the October meeting include Australia & New Zealand; the Pacific Northwest; England, Scotland & Wales; Grand Canyon; Yosemite; Yellowstone; Vancouver and Victoria; Italy; as well as other destinations.

Travel Club Networking Meetings are held three times a year to allow people to provide ideas for future trips, meet with other travelers and get first-hand information about upcoming trips. They are in February, June and October.

### **W...ings for Travel**

Preparation for a trip of any duration takes time. I am encouraging everyone to think about preparing yourselves as well as your clothes, what to pack, and what should be in your carryon! Time to spread your wings!

1. **Waking:** Every trip requires an early start. Begin setting your alarm a little earlier each day a couple weeks before the trip. Then it won't be such a shock to your system to suddenly be getting up so early every day
2. **Walking:** If you are not a person who walks regularly, begin! Don't try to start with a mile or two right away. Try walking ten minutes a day then 20, then 30. It is amazing how much easier the trip will be for you if walking is not a shock to your system. You will definitely have more fun!
3. **Watering:** Drink more water! This is good for you even when not traveling. However, when we travel it is crucial that you not become dehydrated. Keeping your body hydrated will help you to be healthier and your system to work more efficiently.

Get your own W...ings ready for travel!

### **Romeos! Calling all men! Come and join us!**

This group of men gather monthly to enjoy lunch, laughter and good conversation. An active group of guys attended the first meeting and the Romeo's were official. Romeo's stands for Rowdy Old Men Eating Out! No dues, no committees, just eat out every month with other guys to provide input on whatever is of interest to anyone.

The luncheons will be on Thursdays, November 17 at Bagger Dave's in Birch Run, and December 15 at Bray Road Diner at the corner of Mt Morris and Bray Roads. In January, it will be a week later on Thursday, January 26, at Liberty in Flushing, No reservations necessary, just come at 11:30 a.m.

### **Breakfast Club!**

The Breakfast Club meets the first Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m. at the Bob Evans in Birch Run. It is a great opportunity to get together with friends, ask questions of Ann, or make suggestions for future trips. No reservations are needed, just come and join us! Upcoming dates are November 4, December 2, 2022 and January 6, 2023.

### **Ark Encounter & Creation Museum # 2**

Date: Wed – Thurs; November 2-3, 2022  
Cost: \$268.00 per person (double occupancy)  
Departure: 6:30 a.m. from the PNC Bank  
Status: Ready To Go!

The trip includes a self-guided tour of the Creation Museum which brings the pages of the Bible to life; a visit to the Ark Encounter which allows you to go at your own pace through the life-sized reconstruction of Noah's Ark; 1 night stay at the Hampton Inn, 1 breakfast and 1 luncheon buffet; and the motorcoach transportation.  
Single \$338.00; Triple \$258.00 per person

You will be taking your own bag to and from your room. Keep it light! Luggage tags will be handed out at the bus. This is an easy trip which calls for only an overnight bag.

Motorized carts are available for rent at each facility on a first come – first serve basis for those who may need it. Both facilities are easily walkable due to the ramps and elevators to get you from floor to floor.

### **Ikea – Fall Shopping**

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2022  
Cost: \$38.00 per person  
Departs: 9:00 a.m. from the Clio K-mart  
Status: Over ½ full!

If you've heard about IKEA, but have never been there or you would like to go again, now is your chance! This shopping experience is not like any other store. They have everything for the home... (no clothes!) There are small items as well as big furniture items. We will have the entire luggage bays to bring home any great bargains you might find! There is also a restaurant on the premises for a break or for lunch. Please wear comfortable walking shoes. Bring your blue Ikea bag and your orange "family" membership card if you've been before. You are welcome to bring a cooler if there are frozen food items you'd like to purchase from the grocery section.

A reminder that Ikea accepts credit cards, debit cards and cash. No personal checks are accepted.

### **Still Dreaming of a White Christmas # 1**

Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022  
Cost: \$80.00 per person  
Departure: 9:30 a.m. from the Clio Kmart  
Status: Sold Out!

This day trip to Turkeyville includes the delicious turkey dinner, the motorcoach, the show and an "actor talk back"!

"A Cornwell's original, filled with holiday classics! A sister act, two dashing song and dance men, and a whole lot of Christmas cheer can be found in this continuation of the beloved Christmas story. Now a successful foursome on the vaudeville touring circuit, the combined acts of the old war buddies and the sisters is getting a bit stale. To liven things up, one of the guys adds a sultry young singer to the lineup which doesn't sit well with his partners. Featuring well-loved favorites such as 'Cheek to Cheek,' 'Baby, It's Cold Outside,' and 'White Christmas,' this stylish evening of the 1940's standards will have you dreaming of a white Christmas as well!

### **Come From Away - Grand Rapids**

Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022

Cost: \$115.00 per person

Departure: 3:30 p.m.. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Sold Out! Ready To Go!

"Come From Away" is based on the true story of when the isolated community of Gander, Newfoundland played host to the world. What started as an average day in a small town turned into an international sleep-over when 38 planes, carrying thousands of people from across the globe, were diverted to Gander's air strip on September 11, 2001. Undaunted by culture clashes and language barriers, the people of Gander cheered the stranded travelers with music, an open bar and the recognition that we're all part of a global family.

This trip includes the motorcoach transportation and seats for the show at DeVos Performance Hall in Grand Rapids. A stop for supper will be on your own en route to the theatre.

### **Branson Christmas Shows & Lights Featuring the "Miracle of Christmas" at the Sight & Sound Theatre**

Dates: Wed – Tues, November 16 – 22, 2022

Cost: \$1140.00 per person, double occupancy

Status: Ready To Go!

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from PNC Bank

We will stay at the Shrine Hotel in Belleville, Illinois on the way to and from Branson. There is no need to pack a smaller bag for the nights spent to and from Branson. You will receive your luggage at each hotel. Each person is able to have 1 large checked bag and a carry-on. You will receive a luggage tag at the bus on the morning of departure.

Itineraries are available at the office.

### **Van Gogh Exhibit @ Detroit Institute of Arts**

Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Kmart parking lot

Status: Sold Out!

Van Gogh in America is the first exhibition dedicated to the introduction and early reception of Vincent van Gogh's art in the United States. The exhibition will display 68 works by Van Gogh, illustrating the efforts made by early promoters of his art—including the artist's family—in America. This is a story unique to Detroit; the DIA was the first public museum in the United States to purchase a painting by Van Gogh—his Self-Portrait (1887), acquired in 1922. The DIA is the exclusive venue for this exhibition.

This exhibition includes paintings, drawings, prints, and one illustrated letter by Van Gogh from museums and private collections around the world. Also included in the exhibition are works by Post-Impressionist artists Paul Cézanne and Paul Gauguin, in addition to twentieth-century European and American artists Raoul Dufy, Henri Matisse, Georges Ribemont-Dessaignes, and Joseph Stella.

Several of you asked! So, here is your opportunity to go see the Van Gogh Exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The cost includes the motorcoach, entrance to the Detroit Institute of Arts and the exhibit. There are options inside the Art Institute for you to get some lunch. You will have time for the special exhibit as well as the regular exhibits in the museum we will depart the museum about 3:00 and plan to arrive in Clio by 5:00 p.m.

### **Starbright Christmas – Petrolia # 1**

Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2022

Cost: \$120.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: A few seats may be available!

**\*\*\*Must have Passport or Enhanced Driver License,**

We will head to Petrolia, Ontario and after a delicious lunch, enjoy an afternoon production of Starbright Christmas Celebration, a musical collection of Christmas songs, singers, dancers and choirs, at the Victoria Playhouse.

Lunch will be included at Olive's Casual Cuisine in Sarnia on our way to Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop on the way home after we return to Michigan. There is no need to worry about having any Canadian money. We should return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

### **Starbright Christmas – Petrolia # 2**

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Cost: \$120.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Sold Out!

**\*\*\*Must have Passport or Enhanced Driver License,**

We will head to Petrolia, Ontario and after a delicious lunch, enjoy an afternoon production of Starbright Christmas Celebration, a musical collection of Christmas songs, singers, dancers and choirs, at the Victoria Playhouse.

Lunch will be included at Olive's Casual Cuisine in Sarnia on our way to Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop on the way home after we return to Michigan. There is no need to worry about having any Canadian money. We should return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

### **"Tina" the Tina Turner Musical**

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022

Cost: \$125.00 per person

Departure: 5:00 p.m. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Sold Out!

This musical is coming to the Detroit Opera House and we have main floor tickets for the 8:00 p.m. show. The cost covers the ticket and the motorcoach. There will be a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings on the way to Detroit which will be on your own.

"From humble beginnings in Nutbush, Tennessee, to her transformation into the global Queen of Rock 'n Roll, Tina Turner didn't just break the rules, she rewrote them. This new hit stage musical, presented in association with Tina Turner herself, reveals the untold story of a woman who dared to defy the bounds of her age, gender and race.

### **Still Dreaming of a White Christmas # 2**

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Sold Out!

This day trip to Turkeyville includes the delicious turkey dinner, the motorcoach, the show and an "actor talk back"!

"A Cornwell's original, filled with holiday classics! A sister act, two dashing song and dance men, and a whole lot of Christmas cheer can be found in this continuation of the beloved Christmas story. Now a successful foursome on the vaudeville touring circuit, the combined acts of the old war buddies and the sisters is getting a bit stale. Featuring well-loved favorites such as 'Cheek to Cheek,' 'Baby, It's Cold Outside,' and 'White Christmas,' this stylish evening of the 1940's standards will have you dreaming of a white Christmas as well!"

### **An Elkhart Christmas Experience!**

Date: December 15 – 16, 2022

Cost: \$285.00 per person double occupancy

Departure: 9:00 a.m. from PNC Bank - Red Bus

City Parking Lot by Veteran's Park - Blue Bus

Deposit: \$50.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$50.00 per person

Status: Sold Out! Wait List Started!

We will experience the delights of the Elkhart area including Linton's Enchanted Gardens "Holiday Village" and the Christmas Feast Dinner and the Shipshewana Majestic Noel. This amazing show is filled with non-stop equestrian adventures of all kinds featuring some of the most beautiful horses anywhere. Along with incredibly talented riders from all around the world. This show also features lovely and death-defying aerialists, performing jaw dropping routines, high in the air, with a blend of beauty and grace combined with danger and bravery that will take you on a roller coaster ride of emotions! You'll witness all the festive lights that make Christmas so grand, you'll sing along with world class vocalists to all your favorite traditional songs of the season, as well as some new favorites! You dance along with the Yuletide dancers as they do their part to spread Christmas cheer and you will laugh at our hilarious comedy throughout the show, including a moment when a cow thinks he's a reindeer! Mostly, you will be transported back to your childhood, and experience a feeling you may have forgotten about for many years...that childlike innocence and excitement that only the Christmas season can bring. Christmas is without a doubt the most special time of the year, and "Noel" is proud and honored to share with you the real Reason we celebrate Christmas, the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ! "Noel" features one of the largest living nativities anywhere, complete with a re-creation of the stable and manger in Bethlehem where the savior was born. A glorious Angel on horseback heralds the Lord's coming as wise men from the East with real life camels come to witness the blessed miracle, as well as the townspeople with their sheep, goats, donkeys and cows. The powerful music and narration of our nativity scene, and the message of hope and everlasting life that it brings will change your life!

We'll drive through the 2 million LED lights of light displays before spending the night at the Holiday Inn Express in Elkhart. On our 2<sup>nd</sup> day, we will visit several places and enjoy a great Amish wedding feast before heading home to Clio.

Single price: \$330.00 Triple price: \$260.00 per person

### **Christmas Mystery Trip**

Date: Tues – Thurs; December 27 – 29, 2022

Cost: \$585.00 per person double occupancy

Departure: 7:30 a.m. from PNC Bank

Deposit: \$100.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$50.00 per person

Status: Some seats available!

This year's Mystery Trip includes 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners, 2 night's lodging, the motorcoach and all the planned activities! It's time to relax and enjoy the days following the busy holiday time. The kids have gone home, the grandkids have returned to their own homes... now it is time for you to relax and enjoy the sights, sounds, tastes, smells and feelings of the holidays. Get out those Christmas sweatshirts, jewelry and get ready for some fun!

Single occupancy: \$735.00 per person

Triple occupancy: \$535.00 per person

### **Les Miz**

Date: Thursday, January 5, 2023

Cost: \$140.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from the Clio Kmart

This Broadway Musical will be at the Fisher Theatre. This trip includes main floor tickets and the motorcoach. We will make a light dinner stop which will be 'on your own' at Great Lakes Crossings on the way to Detroit.

"Based on the classic novel, Les Misérables, by Victor Hugo, and the classic Broadway stage show of the same name, Les Misérables is the story of Jean Valjean, a prisoner who breaks parole, and the police inspector, Javert, who tries to hunt him down for breaking parole. Valjean tries to help a poor factory worker, Fantine, by saving her child, Cosette, from innkeepers who are holding her captive as a slave. Marius, a war veteran during the battles of post-French Revolution, falls for Cosette, but their lives change forever when the war turns more gruesome than expected."

### **Birthday Club**

Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: ½ full

This "Michigan Premiere" of Birthday Club will be presented at Meadow Brook. This comedy is the story of five women who get together for their birthdays to drink, celebrate, commiserate and support each other as they negotiate through marriage, work, divorce, birth and kids, all while solving the problems of the world. One by one they reveal their personal, work and family issues, and when one of them admits a surprising secret, the vodka hits the fan. The question is: Will Birthday Club survive, or will it end forever? We will stop at Great Lakes Crossings for lunch which will be on your own before heading to Meadow Brook for the 2:00 matinee. The cost includes the motorcoach transportation and the show ticket.

### **Genitti's**

Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Over ½ full!

Join us for a trip to Genitti's in Northville for an Italian meal and show! The seven-course family-style Italian dinner is a guaranteed delight. Like an old Italian wedding, it features lots of food, served hot. The dinner starts off with homemade Italian wedding soup followed by pasta, antipasto salad, then Italian sausage with green peppers and onions, Italian steak with potatoes, baked chicken with zucchini and cannoli for dessert! Following the meal, we will enjoy an interactive show. Who knows what will happen! The cost includes the motorcoach, the dinner and the show as well as gratuities! We should return to Clio between 3:30 and 4:00 – perfect for those who like an early return before it gets dark!

### **Blues In The Night**

Date: Thursday, February 23, 2023

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Departure: 5:00 p.m. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

This trip includes the motorcoach and the tickets for the 8:00 p.m. performance of Blues In The Night at Meadow Brook. Using music from the great artists such as Bessie Smith, Duke Ellington, Johnny Mercer, and Harold Arlen this musical tells of the sweet, sexy, and sorrowful experiences three women have with the lying, cheating, snake-of-a-man who wrongs them. The soul of the blues wails out full and strong with songs such as "I Gotta Right To Sing the Blues," "When A Woman Loves A Man," and "I've Got A Date With A Dream," that are sure to bring down the house. There will be a stop at Great Lakes Crossings for a light supper on your way to the theatre which will be on your own.

### **Hawaiian Islands – Land & Cruise**

Date: March 2 – 15, 2023

Cancellation Protection Included: Value \$350.00

Status: Sold Out! Wait List Started!

We will depart on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, and fly to Hawaii. Our hotel is a block from Waikiki Beach. It will be early evening there and due to the time change, it will be a long day for us. On Friday, we'll relax – sleep in if you choose – and learn your way around the hotel and surrounding area. Perhaps hanging out on Waikiki Beach will be enjoyable for you. On Saturday afternoon we will head to the ship terminal and board the Norwegian Cruise Line's "Pride of America" for a week long cruise. The cruise will take us to the four major islands where you will have an opportunity to purchase shore excursions of your choice on each island. The meals on the cruise ship and many ship activities will be included for your enjoyment. Returning to Honolulu, we will stay for three additional nights at the same hotel in Waikiki. Since you'll already be rested and know your way around, you can really enjoy some local activities. I will schedule day trips to Pearl Harbor and a city tour as well as a day to the Polynesian Cultural Center. These are places that I recommend everyone take time to see especially if it is your first trip to Hawaii. Aloha!

Our flight will be a direct flight from Detroit to Honolulu making it easier for all and no need to worry about dashing through an airport to catch a connecting flight! This is an amazing plus for this large group!

A departure meeting will be held prior to the trip to talk about packing, hand out itineraries and discuss optional shore excursions. Watch for date of the meeting in next month's newsletter.

### **I Do! I Do! – Turkeyville!**

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

"This heartwarming musical about the challenges and rewards of love introduces us to Michael and Agnes, a young couple moving into their new bedroom on the wedding night. Through wedding jitters, raising a family, growing apart and coming back again, we join them on the journey of their lives, across fifty years of marriage, to the moment when they leave their bedroom to the next newlyweds."

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

### **Virginia International Tattoo**

Date: Tues – Mon, April 18 – 24, 2023

Cost: \$1440.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$240.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$100.00 per person

Final payment due: March 10, 2023

Status: Over ½ full!

The Virginia International Tattoo is a military tattoo that began in 1997 and is the signature event of the Virginia Arts Festival. Presented annually in Norfolk, Virginia, the Tattoo is an exhibition of military bands, massed pipes and drums, military drill teams, Celtic dancers and choirs.

This trip will include 6 nights lodging, motorcoach transportation, tickets to the Military Aviation Museum, a guided tour of the Chrysler Museum and Glass Studio, tickets for Nauticus & the Battleship Wisconsin, Virginia International Tattoo performance, Parade of Nations and NATO Village, an afternoon sail aboard the American Rover on the Elizabeth River, 6 breakfasts, 2 dinners, 1 lunch, and a guided tour of the historic Thoroughgood House. The 4 nights in Virginia will be at the Hyatt Place Virginia Beach Town Center with WiFi, indoor pool and indoor fitness center.

Single occupancy: \$1910.00 per person

Triple occupancy: \$1255.00 per person

### **Lion King at the Stranahan in Toledo!**

Date: May 2, 2023

Cost: \$135.00 per person

Departure: 3:00 p.m. from the Clio Kmart

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

This phenomenal show will be at the Stranahan Theatre in Toledo. The trip includes your ticket to Lion King, dinner at Spaghetti Warehouse and the motorcoach transportation. "The story of The Lion King takes place in an African kingdom called the Pride Lands, where a lion rules over the other animals as king. Rafiki, a mandrill shaman, **anoints Simba**, the newborn cub of King Mufasa and Queen Sarabi, and presents him to a gathering of animals at Pride Rock."

### **Nashville Sampler**

Date: May 8 - 13, 2023 Mon – Sat

Cost: \$1365.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$130.00 per person

Cancellation Protection \$70.00 due with deposit

Final Balance due: April 1, 2023

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

This trip is designed to give you a feel for the wonderful city of Nashville, Tennessee. Instead of focusing on just one area, we are doing a mixture of country music, civil war, historical locations, botanical gardens, shows and great food!

Included are accommodations for 5 nights, 5 breakfasts and 5 dinners, 3 shows including Grand Ole Opry, Nashville Nightlife Theatre and Songwriters's performance. A guided tour of Nashville, Hermitage, Studio B, Country Music Hall of Fame, Ryman Auditorium, Carter House, Carnation Plantation, Cheekwood Botanical Gardens, walking tour of Gaylord Opryland Resort, free time in downtown Nashville and a progressive antebellum dinner including James K Polk home, Elm Springs, and Atheneum is also included. Taxes, meal gratuities and baggage handling is also included.

Single occupancy: \$1660.00;

Triple occupancy: \$1290.00 per person

### **Sex Please, We're Sixty! Turkeyville!**

Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

"Mrs. Stancliffe's guests return year after year to her B & B, and her neighbor, the elderly, silver-tongued Bud 'The Stud' Davis, believes they come to spend time with him. Her would-be suitor is a retired chemist who has developed a blue pill called 'Venusia' to increase the libido of menopausal women. When the women mix up Bud's Viagra pills with the Venusia, we discover that it has a strange effect on men: it gives them all the symptoms of menopausal women, complete with hot flashes, mood swings, and irritability!"

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

### **Wicked**

Date: Thursday, May 18, 2023

Cost: \$130.00 per person

Departure: 5:00 p.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Over ½ full!

"Long before that girl from Kansas arrives in Munchkinland, two girls meet in the land of Oz. One, born with emerald green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two grow to become the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good makes for the most complete, and completely satisfying, musical in a long time." Wicked is the winner of over 50 major awards, including a Grammy and three Tony awards.

This trip includes the ticket and transportation to Wharton Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show. There will not be a supper stop so eat an early dinner or bring a snack for on the bus!

### **Iceland: Land of Fire and Ice**

Date: June 11 – 20, 2023

Cost: \$5548.00 per person double occupancy

Save \$150.00 if reserved by December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Deposit: \$999.00 per person

Final Balance due: April 12, 2023

Insurance: Included. (Valued at \$399.00 )

Status: Seats available!

Iceland is a Nordic Island country in the North Atlantic, with a population of 348,580 and an area of 103,000 km<sup>2</sup>, making it the most sparsely populated country in Europe. The capital and largest city is Reykjavik, with Reykjavik and the surrounding areas in the southwest of the country being home to over two-thirds of the population. Iceland is volcanically and geologically active. The interior consists of a plateau characterized by sand and lava fields, mountains, and glaciers, and many glacial rivers flow to the sea through the lowlands.

This trip is the land of the Midnight Sun and days will be long as the sun almost never sets. This trip includes 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners and 7 nights lodging. The first day and 9<sup>th</sup> day would be the travel days to and from Iceland. This also includes transportation to and from the airport, the airlift, the insurance and many activities and tours while in Iceland. Highlights include Reykjavik (the Capital City); Golden Circle; Thingvellir National Park; Vik; Gulfoss Waterfall; Geysir; Snaefellsnes Peninsula; Breidafjordur Bay; Waterfall Seljalandsfoss; Skogar Museum; Vatnajokull National Park; and the Lava Exhibition Centre.

**\*\*\* You must have a valid passport for this trip!**

### **Great American Trailer Park Musical Turkeyville!**

Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

"A sassy, trashy, and flashy musical comedy full of laughs, love, and lawn flamingoes! There's a new tenant at Armadillo Acres – she's wreaking havoc all over Florida's most exclusive trailer park. When Pippi, the stripper on the run, comes between the Dr. Phil-loving, agoraphobic Jeannie and her tollbooth collector husband – the storms begin to brew." (Contains explicit language and subject matter.)

### **Moses! Lancaster, PA**

**New!**

Dates: Mon – Thurs, July 10 – 13, 2023

Cost: \$590.00 per person double occupancy

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from PNC Bank

Deposit: \$100.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$70.00 per person due w/ deposit.

We will be staying at Heritage Hotel all three nights. Dress for this trip is completely casual.

"Moses! Experience this legendary Bible story as it comes to life with spectacular special effects, massive sets, and live animals!" The Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster PA will be presenting the story of Moses which is being billed as the best production ever! This theater is amazing and you feel like you are in the middle of the action when the stage is open on three sides of your seats. The Fulton Theater will be presenting "Grease". This trip will include motorcoach transportation, 3 nights lodging, 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners and the two shows, luggage handling, taxes and tips on included events. We will also visit the chalk artist and be touring the Amish farms and the countryside.

Triple price: \$525.00 per person; Single price: \$745.00

### **Nova Scotia**

Date: July 26 – August 3, 2023

Cost: \$4149.00 per person double occupancy

Cancellation Protection included (valued at \$300.00)

Deposit: \$500.00 per person

Status: Seats available!

This relaxing trip takes us to Nova Scotia, Cape Breton and Prince Edward Island. We will also visit Peggy's Cove and see one of the most photographed lighthouses on the east coast. The public gardens in Halifax are beautiful. This trip includes the Alexander Graham Bell Museum. On Prince Edward Island there will be a visit to the homestead which was the inspiration for Anne of Green Gables as well as enjoy a lobster dinner and a stay in Charlottetown. For this trip we take the motorcoach to Toronto Airport and then fly to Halifax and return the same way. This allows us to go through customs at the border on a bus instead of at the airport.

Also included is airfare, 8 nights lodging, Famous People Players Dinner Theatre, 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 5 dinners including the lobster dinner on Prince Edward Island, tours of Halifax and Prince Edward Island and a spectacular tour of Cape Breton along the Cabot Trail. We will also experience the Bay of Fundy and Hopewell Rocks guided tour.

**\*A passport is required for this trip.**

Single occupancy: \$5289.00 per person

Triple occupancy: \$3899.00 per person

### **Forever Plaid**

Date: Thursday, September 21, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

"On the way to their first big gig, tragedy strikes Forever Plaid, pop quartet specializing in harmonies and pitch-perfect melodies. Forever Plaid begins when the guys are given the chance to perform from the afterlife. This smash hit musical is a nostalgic homage to the music of the 50's and includes hits such as 'Three Coins in the Fountain' and 'Love is a Many-Splendored Thing.'"

### **Sedona, Arizona & the Grand Canyon**

Date: November 5 – 10, 2023

Cost: \$3,239.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$500.00 per person

Cancellation Protection is included (\$240.00 value)

Status: Seats available!

This trip includes roundtrip air and airport transfers, the motorcoach, 1 night Scottsdale – Sonesta suites, 4 nights – Sedona @ Real Inn & Suites, 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners including Blazin' M Ranch Cowboy Cookout/Entertainment, Old town Scottsdale, Montezuma Castle National Monument, Sedona trolley tour, Grand Canyon National Park tour, Leisure time in Sedona, Historic tour of Jerome, Verde Canyon Railroad, Luggage handling, Tax & Tips on Included Meals.

Triple: \$2,939.00      Single: \$4,099.00

### **Tinsel & Turkey: Cornwall's Holiday Spectacular! Turkeyville!**

Date: Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

"Cornwell's kicks off the holidays in style with a no-holds-barred celebration that features a cast of sequin-clad performers shaking their tail feathers and turning up the heat as the snow starts to fall on the farm. Including all your favorites and setting a new bar for toe-tapping Christmas cheer, this musical revue is the perfect recipe for serving up the holidays on a silver platter."

### **Tinsel & Turkey: Cornwall's Holiday Spectacular! Turkeyville!**

Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

This day trip includes the dinner, the show, the motorcoach transportation and an Actor Talk Back.

"Cornwell's kicks off the holidays in style with a no-holds-barred celebration that features a cast of sequin-clad performers shaking their tail feathers and turning up the heat as the snow starts to fall on the farm. Including all your favorites and setting a new bar for toe-tapping Christmas cheer, this musical revue is the perfect recipe for serving up the holidays on a silver platter."

### **Looking ahead to 2024...**

#### **Australia's Outback to New Zealand**

Dates: February 14, - March 4, 2024

Cost: \$9948.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1297.00 per person

Insurance included in price (valued at \$599.00)

Early Bird discount: \$450.00 if deposit received by 8/9/23

Final payment due: December 16, 2023

Status: Seats available!

We're planning ahead for 2024 so you can make payments if desired. Yes, this is a long trip! However, if we are going to fly that far across the ocean, we might as well see everything we can! Highlights will include Sydney, Sydney Opera House, Cairns, Great Barrier Reef, Alice Springs, Uluru, Melbourne, Queenstown, Milford Sound, Mt Cook National Park, Christchurch and more! Flights and insurance are included as well as 17 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 9 dinners. Detailed flyers are now available! This trip is being offered with Collette Vacations.

**\*\*\* A Passport is required for this trip and must be valid at least 6 months beyond the tour end date.**

#### **British Landscapes**

Date: May 6 – 15, 2024

Cost: \$4298.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1147.00 per person

Insurance included in price (valued at \$449.00)

Early Bird Discount: \$150.00 if deposit received by 10/31/2023.

Final payment due: March 7, 2024.

Status: Seats available!

Join us as we explore England, Scotland and Wales in the spring of 2024. Highlights include Edinburgh Castle, York, Chester, Llangollen, Wales, Stratford-upon-Avon, Oxford, and London. Also included are 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners. Detailed flyers will be coming soon! This trip is being offered through Collette Vacations.

**\*\*\* A Passport is required for this trip and must be valid at least 6 months beyond the tour end date.**

### **Route 66 will be 100 years old in 2026**

Is there interest in a Route 66 Trip? In 2026 the famous Route 66 will be 100 years old. Many small towns along that highway are gearing up for a big celebration and are already getting excited about welcoming travelers. If there is interest, I need to get a jump on reservations for hotels, etc along this iconic highway. I am figuring it would take about three weeks to do the complete mother road. Another option might be to just do the sections in Illinois or part of Missouri. Yes, we could do one direction... but the bus would have to come back so we might as well be on it! I did have someone suggest that we take one group out west and fly them home and then fly a second group out and bus them home... So, I know some of you are really giving this trip some thought. Let me know your thoughts!



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