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Ann's Announcements...

This month, on October 1st, begins the 18th year of **Ann's Adventures!** It is hard for me to believe that 17 years have passed by so quickly. The company has grown in numbers consistently over the past 17 years. That is a direct result of all of you who have invited your family, friends and others you meet along the way to come travel with Ann's Adventures. Thank you! We have added to our staff. You may see them regularly when you stop into the office: Rebecca, Gayle, Izzy and Audrey are great at greeting you and answering your questions. Most of you have met Katrina and Deb who are escorting the trips. We also have behind the scenes staff that you'll likely never meet. I'd like to thank Debbie Fortune who keeps my website up to date; Janie McKim who comes in and cleans the office at night; Jimmy Hall who updates our new software program that he built specifically for our company and Dan Anderson who runs errands when needed to get deposits to the bank, mail to the post office, and other miscellaneous errands.

We now have over 7,000 names in our data base, send over 1800 email newsletters and over 2700 hard copy newsletters. There are numerous volunteers who come in and help fold, tape and label the newsletters to get the information out to all of you! I appreciate all of you! I'm looking ahead to more years of travel adventures near and far!

Christmas Trips!

We have an abundance of trips related to Christmas this year! It's a great opportunity to get out your Holiday sweatshirts, sweaters, and jewelry and wear them! I've got my Santa hat ready!

Day Trip Parking

Ollie's has moved into the former **Kmart** in Clio where we have been parking for 17 years! All the articles for our day trips will now say "Ollies" instead of Kmart. It is the same parking lot, just a name change! Ollie's hours will be 9 to 9 Mon through Saturday and 9 – 7 on Sunday. We welcome them to our community and will park closer to the Wendy's end directly in front of the store.

On a personal note... I am scheduled to have my right knee replacement on October 19th. While I may be tied up with therapy for a while, I will do what I can to keep things moving at the office. You can count on my very competent staff to assist you while I am working to become mobile again!

Ann



This symbol next to a trip indicates a connection to the Semiquincentennial of our country. 2026 is the 250th birthday of our country! Let's Celebrate! Wear your patriotic colors, shirts, jewelry, or hats!

Happy Halloween and Happy Thanksgiving
From all of our staff!

Romeos! Calling all men! Come and join us!

This group of men gather monthly to enjoy lunch, laughter and good conversation. 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. All men are welcome!

The luncheons will be on the third Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. The locations change each month. On October 15, we will meet at Liberty in Flushing; on November 19, we will meet at McAlister's Deli on Miller Rd and on December 17, we will meet at Leo's in Clio.

This group was started as a response to the women's Red Hat Society. The women have a poem, "When I am an Old Woman, I Shall Wear Purple!" There is also a poem called "When I am an Old Man, I Shall Wear Plaid!" So an active group of guys wearing plaid shirts attended the first meeting and the Romeo's were officially started.

Travel Club Networking Meeting

The next Travel Club Networking Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 18, 2027 @ 10:00 a.m. Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

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. This is also a great meeting to attend to learn about travel tips and why I do the trips like I do.

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, Mother's Day, Father's day and for Christmas!

Become a STAR!

I offer a special program for frequent travelers.

You can become a "STAR" which stands for Special Travel Adventure Rate! For only \$36.00 per year (from purchase date), you can become a STAR! As a result, every trip you sign up for will be \$6.00 less in cost. Therefore, if you travel at least 6 times in a year, you will have made your money back and for every trip after that, you come out ahead!

Do I need to send a deposit?

A deposit assures your seat on a trip. When you call to put your name on a trip list, that lets me know how many people are interested. Your deposit (or full payment) assures you of a seat. Sometimes there are more names on the interest list than there are actual seats available.

When the maximum number of seats with money deposited are full, the rest becomes the wait list. The bottom line is... if you really want to go, you should put down a deposit. For day trips, a \$20.00 deposit will hold your seat. For extended trips, the deposit amount is listed at the top of the article. **The remaining balance for all trips is due 1 month prior to the trip unless specifically noted.**

**"Not all who wander are lost...
Some wander with wonder, whatever the cost."**

What is the Wait List?

When a trip is sold out, we still take names and start a "wait list". This means if someone cancels at the last minute, we start calling to find someone who can go so that the trip doesn't have unused tickets, etc. Sometimes there are enough people on the wait list to encourage us to take a 2nd bus.

What makes a trip "sold out?"

A trip can be "sold out" for several different reasons. It could be the number of tickets I purchased are all spoken for. It could be that the seats on the bus are all taken. In some cases, it may be that I can only get a certain number of hotel rooms at a particular location.

What is cancellation protection?

Cancellation Protection is a specified amount of money for overnight trips that is **due with your deposit** and protects all monies (except the cost of the cancellation protection) in the event of cancellation for any reason, anytime prior to departure. It is not insurance but does provide protection for the cost of your trip. **Cancellation Protection is non refundable.**

Insurance is available and is included when we go overseas. Collette Trips include insurance and that would cover much more while we are in another country.

Making a Payment

Payments can be made in cash, checks or money orders. I can take credit cards **however**, there will be a 4% charge added onto the payment if you decide to use a credit or debit card. Checks should be made out to Ann's Adventures. When sending checks, please write on the memo line what trip the check is for or use the form on the back page of this newsletter. It helps me get your payment posted to the right trip more quickly. If you would like a receipt, you should include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. There will be a \$15.00 charge for any check returned for insufficient funds.

Regarding Refunds

At Ann's Adventures, we understand that plans sometimes change, and we are committed to handling cancellations and refunds with care and fairness.

In the event of a cancellation, please know **that refunds are typically issued after the scheduled trip date**. This allows us time to receive any applicable refunds from venues, ticket providers or other third-party partners involved in your trip.

Additionally, we review cancellations in the order they were received, ensuring that if seats are resold, refunds are processed fairly and appropriately based on that order.

Cancellations and no shows on the day of the trip are not eligible for a refund. Refund checks are issued to the person who paid for the trip. If your friend paid for your trip and you cancel, the refund is sent to the person who paid for you to go. In order for our books to match, the money refunded must match the person who paid it.

We truly appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this process. Our goal is always to treat each traveler with honesty, respect and transparency.

If you have any questions about your specific refund or cancellation, please don't hesitate to contact our office. We're here to help.

Mighty Five – The National Parks of Utah!

Date: October 4 – 12, 2026

Status: Ready to go!

Departure: 4:00 a.m. from Clio City Lot

You must have a TSA approved ID for this trip!

Thunder Bay / Fall Color / Elk Viewing

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2026

Cost: \$210.00 per person

Departure: 8:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

Dress in layers since fall weather can be difficult to guess in advance. The meal includes Pear and Apple Dumpling, Shrimp Cocktail, Jan's Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Thunder Bay Sweet Napa Salad and Croissant, Crown Roast of Pork with Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, and White Chocolate Mousse Filled Pizzelles with Fresh Raspberries

We will return about 7:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Thunder Bay / Fall Color / Elk Viewing # 2 New!

Date: Friday, October 16, 2026

Cost: \$210.00 per person

Departure: 8:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Dress in layers since fall weather can be difficult to guess in advance. The meal includes Pear and Apple Dumpling, Shrimp Cocktail, Jan's Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Thunder Bay Sweet Napa Salad and Croissant, Crown Roast of Pork with Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, and White Chocolate Mousse Filled Pizzelles with Fresh Raspberries

We will return about 7:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Grand Experience – Mackinac Island

Dates: Sunday – Wednesday, October 18 – 21, 2026

Status: Ready to go!

Departure: 8:00 a.m. from the City Lot across from the office. Enter off Young Street.

Note: Dress Code after 6:00 p.m. requires jacket and tie for men and dressy slacks and top or dress for women.

Please Note: All rooms are "luck of the draw"! I can put in a request if you have a particular need, but there is no guarantee. Last minute requests are extremely difficult to obtain. Please let us know when you sign up if you need a walk in shower, grab bars, 1 bed, 2 beds, etc. With over 500 seniors at the hotel, we cannot accommodate every request. Please call if you need a "low rider" – this is the horse drawn taxi for those with wheelchairs or walkers that cannot get on the regular taxi.

If you were unable to attend the departure meeting, please pick up your packet at the office.

Grand Experience – Mackinac Island 2027

We do not yet have a date and price for this trip next year. Please do not ask us to put you on a list. It doesn't exist at this time. We will announce in the next newsletter what the new plan for registering for this trip will be. We had such an overwhelming response for the 2026 trip that we are working to determine a plan to make the signup process fair for everyone. I know this is a very popular trip and I'm reviewing ways and ideas for streamlining the registration process.

We've been very careful to keep track of the dates that deposits arrive. We have 56 rooms booked for 2026 and we still have over 35 people on a wait list.

Thanks for your patience as we develop a new plan.

Lancaster's Chalk Artist

Many of you have traveled to Lancaster with us over the years and visited Elva, the Chalk Artist. In the past year she has talked about a movie being made of her life story. I have a copy on loan of the DVD that has finally been completed and here is the information about an opportunity for you to see it. Check out the details. This is a one time opportunity.

Monday Afternoon Movie

Elva – Art of Redemption

A True Pennsylvania Story

Monday, October 26, 2026

1:00 – 3:30 p.m. at the office.

Horrocks – Lunch and shopping!

New!

Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2026

Cost: \$50.00 per person

Departure: 9:00 a.m. from the Ollie's parking lot

Time for shopping at Horrocks, an amazing Farm Market in Lansing! You can shop for fruits, vegetables, meats and cheeses and more! There is a deli where you can have lunch. They have anywhere from 24 to 36 kinds of soup available. There is a pizza bar and a salad bar. Wine tasting and beer tasting is also available. Have a dish or cone of Gelato. There is a large selection of flavored popcorn. You can see spices in bulk and there is a large selection of sugar free candy. Stock up on baking supplies for the upcoming holidays. Bring a cooler in case you bring home items that need to be kept cool. They also have items for your gardens and yards! There is room under the bus for your purchases. We will depart about 1:00 to head back to Clio.

Ark Encounter & Creation Museum

Date: Tues – Wed, October 27 – 28, 2026

Cost: \$350.00 per person (double occupancy)

Cancellation Protection: \$60.00 per person w/ deposit

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from City Lot across from our office. Corner of Railway and Young Streets.

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

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. Casual dress throughout the trip. 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 a 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. Single \$450.00; Triple \$320.00 per person

The Notebook

Date: Thursday, October 29, 2026

Cost: \$ 120.00 per person

Departure: 6:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold out!

"*The Notebook*" is a hit musical based on the best selling novel that inspired the iconic film. Allie and Noah, both from different worlds, share a lifetime of love despite the forces that threaten to pull them apart, in a deeply moving portrait of the enduring power of love.

The Notebook is "full of butterfly-inducing highs, stunning performances, and beautiful songs."

This trip includes the motorcoach and main floor seating at Wharton Theatre. Eat a good meal or bring something to eat on the bus. There will **not** be a supper stop on the way.

Halloween Honors Houdini

Date: Saturday, October 31, 2026

Cost: \$140.00 per person

Departure: 8:30 a.m. from the former Ollie's parking lot

Status: 4 seats available!

Join me for a trip to Colon, Michigan on Halloween! This year is the 100th anniversary of the death of Harry Houdini. This well-known magician died at 2.37 p.m. on Halloween 1926. Learn about the Houdini Séance and the purpose behind it. The Houdini Seance is Magics way of honoring Houdini for his crusade against fraudulent spiritualists and mediums. After the loss of his mother, Houdini attempted to contact her through various mediums of the era, only to find they were using some of the same methods to fool people that he was using in his act. Disgusted that mediums would take advantage of people in their hour of grief, he began a crusade to expose these fake mediums, and thus made many enemies with the spiritualist world of his era.

Let's explore the world of Magic! This trip will include a graveyard tour, a visit to the museum, a magic show, the séance, and a chance to learn about this community that brings magicians together to learn new skills and share their love of the art of magic. Lunch will be included.

Colon is the former home and burial site of several famous magicians including, Harry Blackstone, Sr. (The Great Blackstone). The United States Congress recognizes Colon as "The Magic Capital of the World". It is the home of the Abbott Magic Company, founded in 1934 by magicians Percy Abbott, an Australian and friend of Blackstone's, and Recil Bordner, originally from Eaton, Ohio. The company has a local store, showroom, and a factory where magicians' supplies and new tricks are manufactured. Abbott Magic is well known among professional stage acts.

Dress for the weather as the graveyard tour will be outdoors and include walking on uneven ground. Return time to Clio will be about 6:00 p.m.



**Sunday, November 1st, 2026
Turn your clocks back 1 hour!
Daylight Savings Time Ends!**

Late Nite Catechism

Date: Saturday, November 7, 2026

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: 16 seats available

There's *nun* quite like it! Late Nite Catechism returns to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for another riotously funny lesson you won't want to miss. Blending stand-up comedy, improvisation and a nostalgic trip through Catholic school, this beloved one-woman show serves up nonstop laughter with sharp wit and heart. Step into the classroom as everyone's quick-witted Sister takes attendance, quizzes the audience and serves up hilarious tales about faith, family and growing up. From glow-in-the-dark rosaries to cheeky antics, every moment is packed with fun and surprises. With audience participation and ever-changing moments, no two performances are alike. Whether you're a longtime fan or a first time student, Late Nite Catechism is a timeless classic audiences can't get enough of. Do yourself a favor – enroll now. Homework optional, laughter guaranteed.

This trip includes the main floor seating at the 7:30 p.m. show, the transportation and a stop at Great Lakes Crossings on our way for a light supper stop which will be "on your own". Some people bring their own supper if they are not comfortable with the food court options.

Away In The Basement # 1 – Turkeyville

Date: Thursday, November 12, 2026

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot!

Status: Sold Out! Wait list started!

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips! Those Lutheran ladies are back at it again! It's Christmastime of 1959, and it's the day of the annual Sunday School Christmas program, and 15 year old Beverly has been cast as Mary. Her mother, Karin, and the other church basement ladies serve up the laughs and lute-fisk as a new parish worker arrives and catches Pastor's eye.



Christmas In Branson New info!

Date: Saturday - Friday, November 14 – 20, 2026

Cost: \$1545.00 per person double occupancy

Cancellation protection: \$100.00 per person w/ deposit

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from City Parking Lot across from our office. Corner of Railway and Young Streets.

Status: Ready To Go!

We are very excited to return to Branson in the Christmas Season! We have a top-notch line-up for this year! This trip will include 6 breakfasts, 6 dinners, 6 nights lodging, the motorcoach transportation, 9 shows, a tour of the area, Christmas lights and time in downtown historic Branson. The shows will include Clay Cooper's Country Express; The Duttons; The Hughes Family; The Presley's Family Jubilee, Dean Z's Ultimate Elvis; Cassandre – the Voice of an Angel; Spirit of America; Doug Gabriel and Miracle of Christmas at the Sight and Sound Theatre. We will spend 2 nights at the Drury Inn in St Louis (one night going and one night coming home) and 4 nights at Branson Towers in Branson. Both hotels do have a pool, but we are not at either hotel long enough to use them... Temperatures should be nice during the day and maybe cooler in the evenings. Theatres are air conditioned and many prefer a sweater or light jacket during the shows. Please bring 1 checked bag which will be under the bus and a carry-on you will have on the bus. Luggage handling is included at both hotels. You will be responsible for your carry-on. This is a great chance to wear your Christmas sweatshirts and Holiday bling!

This trip is packed with music and a town that celebrates God, Family and Country. Get yourself in the Spirit of Christmas by joining this delightful trip!

Single rate: \$1985.00 Triple rate: \$1415.00 per person

Starbright Christmas # 1 - Petrolia

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2026

Cost: \$130.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold Out! Wait List Started!

*****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. There is not a lot of walking and it should be a relaxing, enjoyable day! Lunch will be included in Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop "on your own" on the way home after we return to Michigan. We'll return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

Starbright Christmas # 2 – Petrolia

Date: Wednesday, December 2, 2026

Cost: \$130.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold Out! Wait List Started!

*****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 in Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop "on your own" on the way home after we return to Michigan. There is no need to worry about having any Canadian money. We'll return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

Starbright Christmas # 3 - Petrolia

Date: Thursday, December 3, 2026

Cost: \$130.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold Out! Wait list started!

*****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. There is not a lot of walking and it should be a relaxing, enjoyable day!

Lunch will be included in Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop "on your own" on the way home after we return to Michigan. We should return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

The Singing Christmas Tree

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2026

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

Experience the 42nd performance of America's Tallest Singing Christmas Tree, which features over 200 students in a 67-foot tree. This program is presented by Mona Shores Choir Association. This trip includes the motorcoach and driver tip, a luncheon, and main floor tickets to enjoy the Singing Christmas Tree. There will be a light supper stop on the way home which will be on your own. We should arrive home around 8:30 p.m.

Starbright Christmas # 4 - Petrolia

Date: Sunday, December 6, 2026

Cost: \$130.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: ½ full

*****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. There is not a lot of walking and it should be a relaxing, enjoyable day!

Lunch will be included in Petrolia. There will be a light supper stop "on your own" on the way home after we return to Michigan. We should return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

Away In The Basement # 2 – Turkeyville

Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2026

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: ½ full

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

Those Lutheran ladies are back at it again! It's Christmastime of 1959, and it's the day of the annual Sunday School Christmas program, and 15 year old Beverly has been cast as Mary. Her mother, Karin, and the other church basement ladies serve up the laughs and lute-fisk as a new parish worker arrives and catches Pastor's eye.

Midtown Men – Holiday Hits

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2026

Cost: \$105.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

The Midtown Men, reuniting stars from the Broadway smash hit, Jersey Boys, will ring in the Christmas season this year with their Holiday Hits! This evening of songs and stories will feature iconic Yuletide classics such as "Winter Wonderland", "Let It Snow" and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" as well as their signature renditions of the greatest rock and roll hits of the 1960's. The popular vocal group will treat their audiences to the songs of The Beatles, The Temptations, The Four Seasons and more! Additionally, The Midtown Men will perform their holiday single, "All Alone on Christmas," which they recorded with Stevie Van Zandt and members of Bruce Springsteen's The E Street Band. Come celebrate "the most wonderful time of the year" with these seasoned veterans!

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show.

'Twas the Night Before... Holiday Spectacle

Date: Thursday, December 17, 2026

Cost: \$126.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: 13 seats available!

'Twas The Night Before...by Cirque du Soleil is Cirque du Soleil's first Christmas show, based on the classic poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement Clarke Moore. Memorable lines from this cherished classic inspired Cirque du Soleil's story about a jaded young girl who rediscovers the magic of Christmas. A festive flurry of love and cheer created especially for families, 'Twas the Night Before... features thrilling acrobatics performed by a cast of 26 artists sailing from all over the world, lovable characters and a soundtrack including Christmas favorites re-invented by Cirque du Soleil.

This trip includes the main floor seating at the 7:30 p.m. show at the Fox Theatre in Detroit and the transportation. There will be a stop at Great Lakes Crossings on our way for a light supper, which will be "on your own". Some people bring their own supper if they are not comfortable with the food court options.

Temptations!

Date: Friday, December 18, 2026

Cost: \$165.00 per person

Departure: 4:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Over ½ full!

The Temptations are a vocal group from Detroit, Michigan, who released chart-topping singles and albums when they were artists on the Motown label during the 1960s and 1970s. The group was formed in 1960 as the Elgins. The founding members are members of two rival groups: Otis Williams and the Distant, which consisted of Otis Williams, Elbridge "Al" Bryant and Melvin Franklin; and two members of the Primes, Eddie Kendricks and Paul Williams. Bryant was replaced by David Ruffin in 1964. Ruffin was the lead vocalist on some of their biggest hits, such as "My Girl" and "Ain't Too Proud to Beg". Although Smokey Robinson wrote and produced most of the Temps' first wave of hits, with "Ain't Too Proud to Beg", his creative reign on the group ceded to Norman Whitfield. The group would have their second change in the line-up in 1968, when David Ruffin was replaced by Dennis Edwards. From there, he would help the group record more hits such as "Cloud Nine" and "Ball of Confusion (That's What the World Is Today)". After the departures of Eddie Kendricks and Paul Williams in 1971, the group's line-up changed frequently. Over the course of their career, they would have four #1 hits on the Billboard Hot 100, and 14 #1 songs on the R&B charts. In 1989, the group were inductees of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and three of their songs were listed on the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's Songs that Shaped Rock and Roll. They were also ranked #68 on Rolling Stone's list of the 100 Greatest Artists of All time. The Temptations are three-time Grammy Award winners, becoming the first Motown act to win a Grammy. Otis Williams is the only original member of the group still performing.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Fisher Theatre for the 7:00 p.m. show.

Christmas Mystery Trip

New!

Date: Sunday – Tuesday; December 27-29, 2026

Cost: \$680.00 per person double occupancy

Departure: 7:30 a.m. from the City Lot across from the office

This annual event is designed for those who are looking for a break from the holiday craziness you've experienced! The kids have gone home, the grandkids are gone, it's time for you to let loose and let your inner child come out and play! Plan on a relaxing few days filled with unique places to visit, good food, Christmas lights and more! Dress for the weather. We will be staying the same place both nights. Arrival home will be approximately 9:00 p.m.

The trip includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, and all planned activities and motorcoach transportation. This is a good time to wear your holiday and seasonal sweaters and sweatshirts.

Single occupancy: \$830.00 Triple occupancy: \$630.00

Happy New Year! Welcome 2027!

Detroit Auto Show

Date: Thursday, January 21, 2027

Cost: \$70.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

The North American International Auto Show is held at Huntington Place (formerly Cobo Hall) in Detroit. You will have about 4 hours to explore the Auto Show. We will leave at 3:30 p.m. for the trip home with a supper stop on the way which will be on your own. Your payment will reserve your seat. Cost includes the motorcoach and the admission ticket for the auto show. You are welcome to bring a lunch or snack on the bus or get something from the food vendors at the Auto Show.

Genitti's

Date: Tuesday, January 26, 2027

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

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. 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!

Red Wings Game

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2027

Cost: \$185.00 per person

Departure: 5:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Our seats this year are in section 116 on the lower level! The cost includes motorcoach transportation and the ticket for the 7:30 p.m. game against Toronto Maple Leafs. We will plan to eat at the stadium.

Remember Little Caesar's Arena has gone cashless and accepts credit cards at the food vendors. If you bring cash, there is a machine that will exchange your cash for a card to use at the concessions. Also, please be aware that bags or purses are no longer allowed. There is a bag policy. Watch for updates.

Curtains

Date: Wednesday, February 3, 2027

Cost: 85.00 per person

Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: ½ full!

This musical comedy whodunit will be at Meadow Brook Theater. From the creators of Cabaret and Chicago, Curtains is a delightful and suspenseful musical comedy that will keep you guessing until the very end. It's 1959 and Boston's Colonial Theatre is hosting the opening night performance of a new musical. When the leading lady mysteriously dies on stage ... the entire cast and crew are suspects. Enter a local detective, who just happens to be a musical theatre fan!

Join us for this show at Meadow Brook Theatre for the 2:00 p.m. matinee performance. We will make a stop at Great Lakes Crossings for a light lunch stop on your own.

The "Sweet Caroline" Tour

Date: Friday, February 5, 2027

Cost: \$105.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: 1/2/ full!

Celebrate the songs. Feel the magic. Sing Along. The Macomb Center welcomes back fan-favorite Jay White in The Sweet Caroline Tour, a magnificent tribute to the legendary music of Neil Diamond. Every note, gesture and vocal nuance captures the unmistakable power, passion and charisma that made Diamond an icon for generations.

With elegance of Broadway and the pulse of a live concert, this visually spectacular show serves up one beloved hit after another – familiar, uplifting and energizing. From heart-felt ballads to crowd-pleasing anthems – and a rousing, patriotic finale – this unforgettable evening is a feast for the eyes, ears and heart.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 8:00 p.m. show.

Mildred Whiskey

New!

Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2027

Cost: \$90.00 per person

Departure: 1:00 from Ollie's parking lot

Join us for this World Premiere by David MacGregor at the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea, MI. "In a run-down Detroit bar on Thanksgiving Eve, a thick fog blankets the city, trapping together four souls who have fallen through the cracks of the world. With the help of a few drinks, a few laughs and maybe even a little bad poetry, they each reveal their deepest secrets, finding that together, they're brave enough to let their light shine through the fog."

Contains adult language and subject matter.

This trip include the transportation and the show ticket. There will not be a meal stop before the 3:00 matinee. We should return home around 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to bring a snack on the bus if needed.

'Tiques and Treasures

Date: Saturday, February 20, 2027

Cost: \$55.00 per person

Departure: 8:45 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

For those who are interested in a day of exploring area shops that feature antiques, crafts, repurposed items, and other unique gifts, this trip is for you! We plan to visit a shop in Clio, and several others in another location. Come join with others who enjoy checking out specialty shops, good food and fun! Beat the winter blahs and get out and about in the warmth and safety of the bus! We will return to Clio about 6:30 p.m. Lunch will be included!

Hawaiian Islands – Land & Cruise

Date: March 4 – 17, 2027

Cost: Depends on your choice of cabin on the cruise portion.

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

2nd deposit of \$1,500 per person due by August 25th, 2026

Final payment is due by October 25th, 2026

I will offer optional 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.

Cancellation Protection (valued at \$450.00 per person) is included. A departure meeting will be held in February.

Jersey Boys (Musical)

Date: Thursday, March 4th, 2027

Cost: \$135.00 per person

Departure: 3:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Sold out! Wait list started!

This is the story of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. This will be an evening show at 7:30 p.m. Those who have seen this show in the past have thoroughly enjoyed the performance. Warning: Some people may not be comfortable with some of the language used in this play. The music is terrific. We have included a dinner at Spaghetti Warehouse in Toledo before going to the Stranahan Theatre.

The original Broadway sensation returns to the road! Celebrating 20 years - Jersey style! They were just four guys from Jersey, until they sang their very first note. They had a sound nobody had ever heard... and the radio just couldn't get enough of. But while their harmonies were perfect on stage, off stage it was a very different story -- a story that has made them an international sensation all over again. The show features all their hits including "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Oh What a Night," "Walk Like a Man," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "Beggin'" and "Working My Way Back to You."

Go behind the music and inside the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons in the Tony Award®-winning, original Broadway sensation, JERSEY BOYS. From the streets of New Jersey to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, this is the musical that's too good to be true.

Broadway Boys

Date: Friday, March 5, 2027

Cost: \$108.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Broadway's greatest hits – reimagined and electrifying! Straight from the New York stage, the Broadway Boys showcases a dynamic ensemble of male vocalists in a concert honoring Broadway's most beloved music. Featuring songs from *Hamilton*, *Wicked*, *Jersey Boys*, *The Lion King*, *Les Miserables*, *Mama Mia*, *Hadestown* and more, this one-of-a-kind show reinvents classic showtunes with bold influences of pop, rock, gospel and funk. Created by an award-winning Broadway creative team, the performance blends impressive vocal arrangements, personal stories and behind-the-scenes Broadway insight. All the power of Broadway in one unforgettable, crowd-pleasing performance.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show.

Going South? Going North? Please take note!

The post office does not forward bulk mail. If you want to receive the newsletter and are heading south for any length of time, please let me know. You have a couple of options. You can receive the newsletter via email – then you can get it wherever you are. You can call and give me a winter address and let me know how long you will be gone. Or you can have the newsletter stopped. You can call and resume it in the spring. Newsletters are returned to me as undeliverable if you have your mail forwarded. This is costly. When a newsletter is returned, we remove the person from the mailing list until we hear from them. This saves not only postage, but paper and printing costs. We just ask that you let us know. Thanks for your help!

**The Boulevard's
British 1950's Rock and Roll Band**

Date: Friday, March 12, 2027

Cost: \$98.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot!

Status: Seats available!

The Boulevards are a sensational, vintage-styled band from the U.K, igniting stages with the timeless sound that changed music forever! Blazing through the greatest hits of the 1950's and early 60's – from Elvis Presley and Chuck Berry, to Jerry Lee Lewis, Bill Haley, Cliff Richard and Little Richard – The Boulevards are a five-piece band delivering a raw, up-tempo celebration of the greatest feel-good music of all time.

Formed in 2018, after years of sharing the spotlight in major U.K. touring theatre productions and classic music-driven musicals, the band has honed a performance that's as authentic as it is electrifying. Every note, every move and every moment is a tribute to the golden era – delivered with a modern edge that keeps audiences on their feet.

Currently touring worldwide and making a stop in Clinton Township, The Boulevards aren't just playing the sounds of early rock – they're reviving it, reliving it and making sure its legacy burns brighter than ever.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show.

**Ultimate Soul of America:
A Tribute to The Legends of Soul**

Date: Friday, March 19, 2027

Cost: \$98.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

This special concert brings together two powerful performances in one unforgettable evening: *The Soul of America* and *Tribute to the Legendary Ladies of Soul*. Experience the voices, stories and sound that celebrate the heart and history of soul music. This high-octane concert transports audiences back to the era when soul ruled the airwaves.

The Soul of America – featuring the legendary Uptown Horns – famed horn section for Aretha Franklin, James Brown, The Rolling Stones, Billy Joel and Bruce Springsteen, the velvety, smooth and richly harmonized voice of "Mr. Soul" Early Clover, along with the Soul of America dancers.

Tribute to the Legendary Ladies of Soul – Feel the voices, the heart and music in a tribute to the Ladies – Aretha Franklin, Gladys Knight and Etta James. This all-star ensemble brings passion, authenticity and an irresistible groove to every note.

Get ready for timeless hits and unstoppable rhythms. Warning! Uncontrollable dancing in the aisles may occur.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show.

Boxcar Revival – Turkeyville

Date: Thursday, April 8, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

"In the depths of the Great Depression, a group of down-on-their-luck hobos gather around a fireside to swap stories and sing songs of hope and redemption. Over the course of a cold evening, they slowly realize that one of them may be a voice of the generation."

Death Takes A Holiday

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2027

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Although "death" is in the title, the operative word is "holiday!" *Death Takes A Holiday* began as a 1924 play by Albert Casella, followed by the 1934 film. This beautiful and heartbreaking musical adaptation is a celebration of the limited time we spend on earth. Just after World War I, the loneliest of souls arrives at an Italian villa disguised as a handsome young Prince. For the first time, Death experiences the joys and heartbreaks of life.

Join us for this show at Meadow Brook Theatre for the 2:00 p.m. matinee performance. We will make a stop at Great Lakes Crossings for a light lunch stop on your own.

Lion King – Wharton

Date: Thursday, April 15, 2027

Cost: \$140.00 per person

Departure: 6:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Over ½ full!

Giraffes strut. Birds swoop. Gazelles leap. The entire Serengeti comes to life as never before. And as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly emerges from the mist. This is Disney's THE LION KING, making its triumphant return to Wharton Center for Performing Arts.

More than 100 million people around the world have experienced the awe-inspiring visual artistry, the unforgettable music, and the uniquely theatrical storytelling of this Broadway spectacular – one of the most breathtaking and beloved productions ever to grace the stage.

Winner of six Tony Awards®, including Best Musical, THE LION KING brings together one of the most imaginative creative teams on Broadway. Tony Award®-winning director Julie Taymor brings to life a story filled with hope and adventure set against an amazing backdrop of stunning visuals. THE LION KING also features the extraordinary work of Tony Award®-winning choreographer Garth Fagan and some of Broadway's most recognizable music, crafted by Tony Award®-winning artists Elton John and Tim Rice. There is simply nothing else like THE LION KING.

The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 7:30 p.m. show at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. Eat a good meal or bring something to eat on the bus. There will not be a supper stop on the way.

Virginia International Tattoo

Date: Wed – Mon, April 21– 26, 2027

Cost: \$1450.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$200.00 per person

Optional Cancellation Protection: \$150.00 due w/ deposit

Final payment due: March 1, 2027

Status: A few seats may be available!!

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 5 nights lodging, motorcoach transportation, 2 dinners, 2 lunches, 5 breakfasts, Virginia International Tattoo performance, - Reserved seats at NATO Parade of Nations, Nauticus and USS Wisconsin, Dolphin watching cruise, Virginia Aviation Museum, Chrysler Museum of Art, Reserved tables at Hullabaloo festivities before Tattoo performance, Step-on tour of Virginia Beach, Step-on tour of Norfolk, and American Celebration on Parade. All taxes, fees, and gratuity for wait staff is included.

We will have 1 night lodging en route to the east coast and 1 night on the way home. The other three nights will be at the same hotel.

Single rate: \$2,000.00 per person

Triple rate: \$1250.00 per person

French Lick Resort – Spring Excursion

Date: May 4 – 7, 2027; Tues - Fri

Cost: \$1500.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$200.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$100.00 per person due w/ deposit

Final payment due: April 1, 2027

Status: 8 seats available!

This trip includes 3 nights at this historical hotel, 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners, a step on guide history tour, a Historic Landmarks Walking Tour of French Lick Hotel, an Elephant Encounter, French Lick Scenic Railway, Leisure time at Resort, Gasthof Amish Village, Monastery Immaculate Conception, Historical Walking Tour of West Baden Springs, and Patoka Lake Wildlife Cruise. This resort is located in the southwest part of Indiana and should be full of spring flowers blooming everywhere!

Single occupancy: \$1800.00 Triple: \$1370.00 per person

Mark Twain with Richard Thomas

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2027

Cost: \$116.00 per person

Departure: 5:45 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available

Emmy-Award® winning Actor and 2025 Theater Hall of Fame Inductee Richard Thomas brings to life "the nation's one true comic genius" in Mark Twain Tonight!, written and originally performed by Hal Holbrook. Join the millions who have cheered for the legendary one-man show, bursting with Twain's "uproariously funny" and "pungently wise" humor.

Most recently seen on tour as Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Richard Thomas and beloved to generations as John-Boy Walton, Richard Thomas is the first and only actor authorized to perform *Mark Twain Tonight!* since the original.

The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 7:30 p.m. show at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. Eat a good meal or bring something to eat on the bus. There will not be a supper stop on the way.

A Tribute To The King: Elvis! Elvis! Elvis!

Date: Saturday, May 8, 2027

Cost: \$98.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Relive the Legend! Feel the Music! Celebrate the life and legacy of the King of Rock 'n Roll in a phenomenal concert experience that brings Elvis Presley back to the stage. Spanning three iconic decades of music – from the raw beginnings at Sun Studios to the glitz and glamour of Las Vegas – this dynamic show captures Elvis at the pivotal moments that made him a global phenomenon. Featuring world-championship Elvis entertainers, this performance delivers a lively journey through Elvis' greatest and most unforgettable hits. It's more than a concert – it's a tribute worthy of the King! We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings (on your own) before heading to the Macomb Center for Performing Arts for the 7:30 p.m. show.

King of Vinyl

New!

Date: Thursday, May 13, 2027

Cost: \$90.00 per person

Departure: 1:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Join us for a trip to the Purple Rose in Chelsea for this World Premiere by Jeffry Chastang and directed by Jeff Daniels. "Who – and where – is Alvin Dye?! A late '60s Detroit R&B artist is suddenly finding the recognition he never quite knew when his near-hit song is used in a TV commercial and goes viral! Now, his two sons are at odds as they try to help their aging father handle his newfound fame. But the questions looms: has his stardom come too late?"

*Contains adult language and subject matter.

This trip include the transportation and the show ticket. There will not be a meal stop before the 3:00 matinee. We should return home around 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to bring a snack on the bus if needed.

Rolling Thunder – A Rock Journey

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2027

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

One War: A thousand stories. Music That Lives Forever.

Rolling Thunder captures the pulse and drama of the Vietnam War era as a tribute to heroes, past and present. It is a passionate story of courage, love and resilience wrapped around rock classics including "Born To Be Wild," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," "Gimme Shelter," "People Get Ready," "Magic Carpet Ride," "The Letter," "All Along The Watchtower," and "Help Me Make It Through the Night." This is a Michigan Premiere.

Join us for this show at Meadow Brook Theatre for the 2:00 p.m. matinee performance. We will make a stop at Great Lakes Crossings for a light lunch stop on your own.

Love, Sex and the I.R.S. – Turkeyville

Date: Thursday, June 3, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips! "Jon and Leslie are out-of-work musicians who room together in NYC. To save money, Jon has been filing tax returns listing them as married. The day of reckoning comes when the IRS informs the "couple" they are being investigated. Leslie masquerades as a housewife, added by Jon's fiancée, who is also having an affair with Leslie behind Jon's back."

You Can't Take It With You

Date: Wednesday, June 9, 2027

Cost: \$95.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

Alice Sycamore's family is a wacky group of eccentrics, building fireworks in the basement, collecting snakes, writing plays, ballet dancing and paying taxes to the government are for other people, not for them! When her strait-laced fiancée's family for dinner, can her family straighten up to meet the new in-laws? This madcap, idealistic comedy reinforces the idea that you can only live to the fullest by doing what ever makes you happy!

Join us for this show at Meadow Brook Theatre for the 7:30 p.m. performance. We will make a stop at Great Lakes Crossings for a light supper stop on your own.

Spectacular Scandinavia

Date: June 14 – 28, 2027

Cost: \$9498.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1247.00 per person which includes cancellation waiver and insurance. (valued at \$549.00)

Early Bird discount: \$50.00 if deposit is received by 12/8/26.

Status: Sold Out!

Final payment due: March 6, 2027

You must have a valid passport for this trip.

This trip will visit Denmark, Sweden and Norway. It includes 20 meals over the 15 day trip, lodging and airlift. We will visit Stockholm, Sweden; Copenhagen, Denmark; and Oslo, Norway as well as other cities. Mountains, valleys and a fjord cruise are just a few of the delights you will experience. This trip is planned by Collette Vacations. Detailed flyers are available in the office.

Optional Tour while on this trip. - Scandinavia

Day Tour from Copenhagen: Roskilde Discovery

Date/Time: 06/20/2027 (Sun) 09:00 AM

Location: Copenhagen, Denmark

Embark on the perfect day trip from Copenhagen to nearby picturesque Roskilde, the former capital of Denmark. Start your exploration by visiting the Viking Ship Museum on the banks of the Roskilde Fjord. 1000 years ago, these early settlers of Scandinavia sailed along the shores of Europe, up rivers and across the open sea in an era that is now known as the Viking Age. Their specially crafted ships made these journeys possible, and the museum focuses on five original Viking ships that were excavated from the neighboring fjord over 60 years ago. The originals are now exhibited in the museum: learn about the challenges the archeologists were facing and see the reconstructions of the wrecks in the sailing harbor. After the museum, take time to stroll the colorful pedestrian main street and browse the boutiques and cafes. In the afternoon, journey through 800 years of Danish royal history by visiting the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Roskilde Cathedral. With its origins dating back to the 12th century, its many unique royal chapels reflect the changing European architectural styles and serve as the final resting places for 39 monarchs so far. Return to Copenhagen in the late afternoon.

Lancaster – Jonah #1

Date: Mon – Thurs, July 12 – 15, 2027

Cost: \$740.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit \$140.00 per person

Cancellation protection: \$100.00 per person due w/deposit

Final payment due: June 2, 2027

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from Clio City Lot across from office

Status: Seats available

This trip to Lancaster includes 3 nights lodging at Heritage Hotel, 3 dinners, 3 breakfasts, the Chalk Artist, and a visit to Hershey for a "step on guide" tour. Our 2 shows will be Jonah at the Sight & Sound Theater and "The Little Mermaid" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater. We will also visit some area Amish Farms.

The Little Mermaid: Curious young mermaid Ariel falls in love with human Prince Eric and makes a deal with the sea witch Ursula, trading her voice to become human. With help from her friends, Ariel must win Eric's love before time runs out. Includes songs *Under The Sea*, *Kiss the Girl*, and *Part of Your World*.

Single: \$940.00 Triple: \$690.00 per person.

Route 66 – Turkeyville

Date: Thursday, July 22, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

"High Octane fun! Beginning with the sounds of 1950's Chicago and traveling along the 'Main Street of America' to the coast with surf music of the 1960's this exciting revue features 34 of the greatest 'Rock 'n' Road hits of the 20th century. Get your kicks with this smash coast-to-coast musical revue!"

Canadian Rockies

Date: **July 18 - 24, 2027**

Cost: \$4450.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$750.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$250.00 included in price above

Status: Sold Out! Wait list started!

Final payment due: April 9, 2027

This is a flying and bus trip. Your deposit will reserve your seat. The trip includes airlift, motorcoach, 6 nights lodging, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners, Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump, Visit Prince of Wales Hotel, Red Jammer Tour through Glacier National Park (USA) on the Going To The Sun Highway, Kootenay National Park, Radium Hot Springs, Visit to Lake Louise, Chateau Lake Louise Lunch, Icefields Parkway Scenic Drive, Icefields Skywalk, Columbia Icefields Sno-Coach, Tour of Banff National Park, luggage handling and so much more.

All participants **must have a valid passport** for this trip as we will be flying between USA and Canada as well as crossing the border into Montana. This trip does involve some walking and we will be in the Rockies, so you will experience higher altitudes.

Single occupancy: \$6000.00 Triple: \$4100.00 per person

There's No Bad Ravioli

New!

Date: Thursday, August 12, 2027

Cost: \$90.00 per person

Departure: 1:00 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

We will be seeing the World Premiere by Paul Stroili at the Purple Rose in Chelsea. "Pietro (Petey) Novara runs the best old-school Italian restaurant in Chicago, but as retirement looms, he finds himself juggling a no-nonsense ex-wife, an ambitious niece and a secret that's about to change everything. A delicious tale about savoring the flavors of life, this bittersweet comedy shows just what can happen if you don't stop and smell the ravioli."

*Contains adult language and subject matter.

This trip include the transportation and the show ticket. There will not be a meal stop before the 3:00 matinee. We should return home around 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to bring a snack on the bus if needed.

Phantom @ Wharton

Date: Thursday, August 26, 2027

Cost: \$128.00 per person

Departure: 5:45 p.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: 1/2/ full!

The Phantom is back to thrill audiences once again in Cameron Mackintosh's revitalized new production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's legendary musical, *THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA*! Based on the brilliant original production seen around the world, this romantic and haunting tale about a disfigured musical genius, known only as 'The Phantom,' who haunts the depths of the Paris Opera House, returns to East Lansing "more spectacular than ever"

Mesmerized by the talents and beauty of a young soprano, Christine, The Phantom lures her as his protégé and falls fiercely in love with her. Unaware of Christine's love for Raoul, the Phantom's obsession sets the scene for a dramatic turn of events where jealousy, madness, and passions collide.

This is a 7:30 p.m. show at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. Since it is not a far drive, there will not be a supper stop. Please eat a good dinner before you come or bring something with you on the bus.

Lancaster - Jonah #2

Date: Mon – Thurs, August 30 – Sept. 2, 2027

Cost: \$740.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit \$140.00 per person

Cancellation protection: \$100.00 per person due w/ deposit

Final payment due: July 20, 2027

Departure: 6:30 a.m. from Clio City Lot across from office

Status: ½ full!

This trip to Lancaster includes 3 nights lodging at Heritage Hotel, 3 dinners, 3 breakfasts, the Chalk Artist, and a visit to Hershey for a "step on guide" tour. Our 2 shows will be Jonah at the Sight & Sound Theater The Cher Show at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater. We will also visit some area Amish Farms.

The Cher Show: (PG 13) Based on the life and career of Cher, the legend who has done it all. Three actresses portray Cher at various stages of her life using songs that she performed throughout her career including *I Got You, Babe, Gypsies, Tramps and Thieves, Half-Breed, Dark Lady and Believe*.

Single: \$940.00 Triple: \$690.00 per person.

9 to 5 – Turkeyville

Date: Tuesday, September 14, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: 1/2/ full!

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

Based on the 1980 hit movie, this hilarious story of friendship and revenge in the Rolodex era is outrageous, thought-provoking and even a little romantic. Pushed to the boiling point, three female coworkers concoct a plan to get even with the sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot they call their boss. Hey, a girl can scheme, can't she?

Shades of Ireland

Dates: September 24 – October 3, 2027

Cost: \$6348.00 double occupancy per person

Early Bird Discount of \$250.00 if reserved by Jan. 15, 2027.

Deposit: \$1297.00 which includes insurance of \$599.00

Final payment: due by June 11, 2027

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

This 10 day trip to Ireland includes all the "must see" locations, 13 meals and more! We will visit Dublin, Waterford, Killarney, the Ring of Kerry, Cliffs of Moher, Limerick, Galway, Kingscourt and more! Kiss the Blarney Stone, taste the Guinness, and more! Detailed flyers are available in the office.

*** You must have a valid passport for this trip.

Ireland Optional Tours

1. Limerick - Medieval Banquet \$119.00 per person

In a beautiful land of rolling green fields, ancient battlefields, and medieval fortresses once inhabited by generations of clansmen, you can conjure up a world filled with lords and ladies, knights and damsels, as you experience a true medieval banquet hosted in a real castle! The 15th century magically comes to life the moment you enter the castle. Sip honey-rich mead and admire the ornate tapestries and royal furnishings before sitting down for a sumptuous four-course meal and fine wine suitable for toasting the royal court. Spirits run high with delightful song and dance performances reminiscent of this unique period. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

2. Dublin - Guinness Storehouse & Dinner \$129.00pp

This culinary and cultural adventure begins at the Guinness Storehouse, Ireland's top international visitor attraction. Explore the brewing process behind this beloved beverage and learn how to pour the perfect pint. At its spectacular Gravity Bar, enjoy a sweeping 360° view of Dublin as you savor a complimentary pint. Then, indulge in a quintessential Irish dinner at a contemporary restaurant that explores "New Irish Cuisine," serving up cutting-edge dishes using the freshest, local ingredients. This culinary experience will immerse you in the culture of the Emerald Isle. This option will not be offered on St. Patrick's Day or Easter Sunday. Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult and may not participate in the tasting at the Guinness Storehouse. *Duration: Approximately 1 hour.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta & Santa Fe

Dates: October 8 – 13, 2027

Cost: \$4649.00 per person double occupancy.

Deposit: \$875.00 per person Includes Insurance.

Status: Seats available!

Final payment due: June 14, 2027

This trip includes 2 nights in Albuquerque, New Mexico and 3 nights in Santa Fe, New Mexico as well as 5 breakfasts and 2 dinners; roundtrip airfare; travel protection plan; and more! There will be sightseeing stops in Old Town, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center; Los Alamos Bradbury Science Museum; Taos; Santa Fe City Tour and the highlight... the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta! Enjoy one of the most photographed events in the world followed by the Mass Ascension! That evening return to witness the Balloon Glow just before dusk as they light up the evening sky. This trip will certainly be a colorful and memorable experience. We are doing this trip with Premier World Discovery.

We will be in the Mountain Time Zone.

***** You need a TSA approved Identification for this trip. We are flying in the US so a Real ID, An Enhanced Michigan license or a passport is acceptable.**

Memphis – “Americana Music Triangle”

Memphis – Tupelo & Muscle Shoals

Dates: October 31 - November 6, 2027

Cost: \$2050.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$200.00 to confirm your seat

Cancellation protection optional: \$175.00 with deposit

Final payment due: September 24, 2027

Departure: 7:00 a.m. from Clio City Lot across from office

Status: ½ full!

Join me for this musical journey to Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi. This trip includes 6 nights lodging and 12 meals including 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 4 dinners. There will be 2 shows including an Elvis tribute artist in Memphis and an Elvis / Johnny Cash tribute artist in Tupelo. We will visit the National Civil Rights Museum, tour Memphis, Graceland, Sun Studio, see the Duck March at Peabody Hotel, free time on Beale Street, tour of Tupelo, Elvis Presley Birthplace, Muscle Shoals Sound Studio Tour, Alabama Music Hall of Fame, and tour of Muscle Shoals. Also included a local guide, taxes, meal gratuities and baggage handling!

Single rate: \$2700.00

Triple: 1865.00 per person

Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer # 1

Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

“When Santa and the reindeer take out a tipsy grandmother, panic sets in and they load her onto the sleigh, taking her back to the North Pole and leaving it to Mrs. Claus to fix the mess they caused! Featuring all your favorite holiday tunes, and filled to the brim with Christmas cheer and questionable decisions.”

Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer # 2

Date: Thursday, December 16, 2027

Cost: \$110.00 per person

Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Ollie's parking lot

Status: Seats available!

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips!

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South Africa, Botswana & Victoria Falls

Date: February 3 – 18, 2028

Cost: \$11,768.00 per person double occupancy

(This price includes a \$650.00 early bird discount) After January 28, 2027 the double occupancy cost is \$12,418.00.

Deposit: \$1467.00 per person (includes insurance which is valued at \$769.00 per person.

Status: A few seats available!

This trip includes round trip air, 13 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 10 dinners, 13 nights lodgings, and more. We will visit Chobe and Pilanesberg National Parks and enjoy game drives which allow you to see wildlife in their natural settings. We will visit Cape Town, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, Botswana and South Africa. We will visit a traditional rural homestead, meet the village chief and learn about traditional ways of living in this part of the world. There are so many beautiful sights in South Africa and the animals are amazing to see.

Reservations are on a first come, first served basis. The seat reduction date is January 28, 2027. Reservations after that date are based upon availability. Deposits are fully refundable up until February 4, 2027. Final payment is due November 5, 2027. This trip is limited to 18 participants.

Trip flyers from Collette are now available in the office.

***** This trip requires a passport that is valid 8 months past the return date of the trip. The size of this trip is limited.**

Helpful Services Provided by Ann's Adventures:

Passport Renewals Now Available Online

Last year it was announced that individuals who need to renew their passports can now do so online. To make it easier for our travelers, we are offering assistance here in our office. You need to call and make an appointment as it will take about 40 minutes to complete. A list of the requirements to be eligible for online renewal is available at the office. **You will need to bring your most recent passport, email and password, and credit or debit card for passport payment.**

We will be able to help with this process in the office. You can call the office to make an appointment with Izzy or Rebecca.

The cost is \$10.00 for this assistance.

Trips At A Glance!

Mighty 5 National Parks	October 4 – 12, 2026	\$4432.00	Utah
Thunder Bay	October 14, 2026	\$210.00	Hillman, MI
Thunder Bay # 2	October 16, 2026	\$210.00	Hillman, MI
Grand Experience	October 18 -21, 2026	\$1095.00	Mackinac Island
Ark Encounter & Creation Museum	October 27-28, 2026	\$350.00	Kentucky
Horrocks	October 28, 2026	\$50.00	Lansing
The Notebook	October 29, 2026	\$120.00	Wharton Center, East Lansing
Halloween Honors Houdini	October 31, 2026	\$140.00	Colon, Michigan
Late Night Catechism	November 7, 2026	\$95.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
Away In the Basement # 1	November 12, 2026	\$95.00	Turkeyville
Christmas In Branson	November 14 – 20, 2026	\$1545.00	Branson, MO
Starbright Christmas # 1	December 1, 2026	\$130.00	Petrolia, Ontario
Starbright Christmas # 2	December 2, 2026	\$130.00	Petrolia, Ontario
Starbright Christmas # 3	December 3, 2026	\$130.00	Petrolia, Ontario
The Singing Christmas Tree	December 5, 2026	\$110.00	Muskegon, MI
Starbright # 4	December 6, 2026	\$130.00	Petrolia, Ontario
Away in the Basement # 2	December 9, 2026	\$95.00	Turkeyville
Midtown Men Holiday Hits	December 12, 2026	\$105.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
'Twas the Night Before...	December 17, 2026	\$126.00	Fox Theatre – Detroit
Temptations	December 18, 2026	\$165.00	Fisher Theatre - Detroit
Christmas Mystery Trip	December 27 – 29, 2026	\$680.00	????????
Detroit Auto Show	January 21, 2027	\$70.00	Huntington Place - Detroit
Genitti's	January 26, 2027	\$95.00	Northville, MI
Red Wings	January 27, 2027	\$185.00	Little Caesar's Arena - Detroit
Curtains	February 3, 2027	\$85.00	Meadow Brook Theatre
Sweet Caroline Tour	February 5, 2027	\$105.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
Mildred Whiskey	February 17, 2027	\$90.00	Purple Rose in Chelsea
'Tiques and Treasures	February 20, 2027	\$55.00	Road Trip – Antiques!
Hawaiian Islands	March 4 – 17, 2027	see article	Hawaii
Jersey Boys	March 4, 2027	\$135.00	Stranahan: Toledo, Ohio
Broadway Boys	March 5, 2027	\$108.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
The Boulevards	March 12, 2027	\$98.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
Ultimate Soul of America	March 19, 2027	\$98.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
Boxcar Revival	April 8, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
Death Takes A Holiday	April 14, 2027	\$85.00	Meadow Brook Theatre
Lion King	April 15, 2027	\$140.00	Wharton Center for Performing Arts
International Tattoo	April 20 - 25, 2027	\$1450.00	Virginia
French Lick Resort	May 4 – 7, 2027	\$1500.00	Southern Indiana
Mark Twain w/ Richard Thomas	May 6 2027	\$116.00	Wharton Center for Performing Arts
A Tribute to the King – Elvis	May 8, 2027	\$98.00	Macomb Center for Performing Arts
King of Vinyl	May 13, 2027	\$90.00	Purple Rose in Chelsea
Rolling Thunder	May 19, 2027	\$95.00	Meadow Brook Theatre
Love, Sex and the IRS	June 3, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
You Can't Take It With You	June 9, 2027	\$95.00	Meadow Brook Theatre
Scandinavia	June 14 – 28, 2027	\$9498.00	Sweden, Denmark & Norway
Lancaster – Jonah # 1	July 13 – 15, 2027	\$740.00	Pennsylvania
Route 66	July 22, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
Canadian Rockies	July 18 – 24, 2027	\$4450.00	Canada, Montana – USA
No Bad Ravioli	August 12, 2027	\$90.00	Purple Rose in Chelsea
Phantom of the Opera	August 26, 2027	\$128.00	Wharton Center for Performing Arts
Lancaster – Jonah # 2	Aug 30 – Sept 2, 2027	\$740.00	Pennsylvania
9 to 5	September 14, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
Shades of Ireland	Sept, 24 – Oct 3, 2027	\$6348.00	Ireland
Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta	October 8 – 13, 2027	\$4649.00	New Mexico
Memphis	Oct 31, - Nov 6, 2027	\$2050.00	Tennessee, Mississippi & Alabama
Grandma Got Run Over # 1	November 10, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
Grandma Got Run Over # 2	December 16, 2027	\$110.00	Turkeyville
South Africa	February 3 - 18, 2028	\$11,768.00	South Africa, Botswana & Victoria Falls
Passion Play	September 2030	TBA	Oberammergau, Germany & Danube River

Trips that are bolded are first time offerings...



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Longer trips may have a separate registration form, please see individual trip article to see if additional information is required. Please help us to make sure your checks are credited to the right account! Please use the form on the back of the newsletter, write us a note or at least write the name of the trip on your check. We are accepting payments on over 40 trips at any given time and it is difficult to remember who is going where! Thank-you!