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All Day Trips depart from the Clio Kmart parking lot at exit 131 off I-75. It is located on Vienna Rd. We park at the end closest to the highway.

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"... making a difference!"

Welcome to the Summer Months as we continue offering Travel Experiences for all to enjoy! April and May seemed to fly by with many of trips adding a 2nd bus whenever possible. By mid – May we have taken 692 different individuals on 21 different trips! That is pretty amazing as it totals 2421 days of travel.

There is a lot more in the months ahead. Please remember that being on a wait list can be beneficial as there are often last minute cancellations.

One question that has been asked a lot is “Where did the Spring Mystery Trip go?” We had 2 full busses and we headed to the west side of the state to the Hastings area. We enjoyed a wonderful luncheon at Bay Pointe Inn in Gun Lake Township. Entertainment kept the music going through the meal and there was even some dancing following the luncheon. Then we went to Charlton Park Historical Village and enjoyed learning about the buildings and the history there. It was a beautiful day and the setting along the Thornapple River was relaxing.

One very challenging aspect of travel is that sometimes there are changes that need to be made which are beyond my control. The sad news that came a couple weeks ago was that Olive's Casual Cuisine (the restaurant we stop at on our way to Petrolia) is closing. Our last visit there will be the Rainy Day Trip at the beginning of June. We have certainly enjoyed their tasty meals, their cheerful service and the classy atmosphere.

We have found a restaurant in Petrolia called “Actors” which will be hosting our luncheons prior to the shows we will see in Petrolia. One advantage is that those who have been asking for a little shopping time in Petrolia may just be able to do that! They also provide a special bus group menu and it is very good! My thanks to the staff at Olive's for taking such good care of us for the past several years!

You may have heard in the news that postage is increasing in July. An individual letter will require a .73 cent stamp. Stock up on those “Forever Stamps!” We will continue to mail newsletters to all of you that enjoy receiving it via bulk mail. Thanks to those who have been able to switch to email. It not only helps save postage, but also the cost of paper and the time it takes printing the newsletters. We have been growing and now have over 5000 people in our data base! This is due to all of you telling your friends! Word of mouth advertising is the best! I do not spend money for ads! What a great savings!

Thanks to the volunteers who help fold, tape and label the newsletter! Thanks to all of you for your patience as new office workers are learning the ropes while Rebecca is recovering. See her note below!

Ann

A Note From Rebecca...

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes for my recovery. I am doing well and slowly recovering. The surgery took more out of me than I expected, but the surgery itself went smoothly. I am currently doing physical therapy to build up my strength and endurance. I am looking forward to returning to the office for short durations. Thank you all for the cards, prayers and your caring concern for me. I appreciate all of you! - Rebecca

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 Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. The locations change each month... June 20 at Don Felipe in downtown Clio; July 18 at McPherson's in Millington and August 15 at Billy's Pine Run Inn at Vienna and Saginaw.

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 attended the first meeting and the Romeo's were officially started.

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 June 7; July 5, and August 2, 2024.

Annual Summer Picnic!

Date: Thursday, August 29, 2024

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Location: Fireman's Park

Our annual summer picnic will be held at 12:00 noon. All are welcome to join us. You do not need to bring anything! Everything is provided. The meal will include fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, fruit, ice tea, lemonade and dessert! **Please call by 8/14/24 to reserve your seat so I know how much food to provide.** It is a great place to reconnect with friends you've met on the trips, or perhaps to meet a travel partner.

The location of the picnic will be at Fireman's Park. It is located on Wilson Rd just east of Saginaw Rd (also called Dort Hwy or M-54). This is a big place to hold the picnic and we have a lot more seats in the pavilion and can have double serving lines. There is plenty of parking.

Travel Club Networking Meeting

The next Travel Club Networking meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 2nd at 10:00 a.m. at the office.** All are welcome to attend. I am excited about many of our upcoming trips and will be happy to answer any questions.

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. Come and be a part of the discussions.

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, and Father's day or any Holiday like Christmas!

Dietary Restrictions:

If you have a special dietary need, I need to know this in advance of the trip. When meals are catered for a group of 50, caterers plan for the number of meals ordered and often do not have additional options ready on the spot. If you vary from the original menu, there may be an additional charge.

Medical Forms

Is your medical form up to date? A medical form ensures that I can give medical professionals correct information about your health in the event of a medical emergency. If something happens, they need to know your birthdate and list of current medications. If you need to update your form, I always carry extra on the trips. You can ask me for a form or call and I can email one to you. Or pick one up when you are in the office. It is included on the last page of this newsletter.

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.**

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.

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.

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 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!

Making a Payment

Payments can be made in cash, checks or money orders. I can take credit cards **however**, there will be a 3% 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.

Can I get a Refund?

Refunds will be given only if there is a wait list and I am able to fill your place prior to departure. Partial refunds may be given if I am able to recover the costs of prepaid tickets, meals, etc. Cancellations and no-shows on the day of the trip will not be entitled to a refund. **Refund checks are issued after the trip is completed and can take a few months to process.** We often have to wait for refunds to come to us from the hotels, activities, etc, Thank you for understanding.

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 my books to match, the money refunded must match the person who paid it.

Why does it take so long to get a refund?

The policy of sending refunds after the trip is completed is Ann's Adventures guidelines. It is in every newsletter where I say that all refunds are issued after the trip is completed!

Why? Because it is easier for me to do all the refunds at the same time. Since we are trying to keep costs low for our travelers, I do not have the excess staff to be able to stop and send a refund on whatever day someone cancels a trip. It is much easier when the trip is finished and I can pay all final bills and send refunds to all who cancel at the same time.

For instance, we had 15 people cancel British Landscapes and this is just one trip! We usually have anywhere from 60 to 70 trips in the works at any given time. If I stopped and did each one, at the time they cancelled, I would be doing cancellations everyday... It is my intention to keep the business organized by trying to do everything for each trip to ensure that I don't miss any refunds.

We are a small family-owned business and for the amount of travelers we serve, we need to stay organized. In addition, I often have people cancel at the last minute which is another reason that processing refunds after the trip is complete helps us stay organized as each trip is handled the same way. After the trip, all bills are paid and refunds are issued. I hope this clarifies our refund process.

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!

Driver Tips

For all day trips, the driver tip is included in the cost of the trip. On overnight trips, we do pass an envelope for the driver and recommend \$2.00 to \$3.00 per person per day.

Stay Hydrated!

Always carry a refillable water bottle with you on every trip. Staying hydrated is important for your health! We make restroom stops every two hours so you can use facilities and stretch your legs!

Regarding Passports...

Passports are available at the Clio Post Office by appointment. **You must go online to schedule your appointment. They are no longer scheduling appointments by phone. The other option is to go in on Thursday mornings between 9:00 a.m. and noon.**

You need your birth certificate with a raised seal to apply for one. They are good for ten years. The post office can take your picture or you can get a passport photo taken at another location such as Walgreen's or Rite Aid.

Renewals do not need an appointment! Fill out the forms and take it to the post office. They will take your picture if needed and mail it for you! If you live in another city, check your local post office for their passport hours. They may vary from post office to post office.

We also have passport application forms and renewal forms available in our office.

TSA – Transportation Security Administration Acceptable Forms of ID

1 - REAL Michigan Driver's License –

Michigan is enacting a federally acceptable form of ID. **This will be in effect by May 7, 2025.** The REAL ID will be required for flying within the United States, entry into certain federal properties, entering nuclear facilities and military bases. **The Real ID Michigan Driver's license has a star in the upper right hand corner.**

2 - Enhanced Michigan Driver's License is already compliant and allows entry into the US by land or sea from Canada, Mexico, Bermuda or the Caribbean without a passport. **The Enhanced Michigan Driver's License has an American flag on the license just to the right of your picture. The newer ones also have a star in the upper right hand corner. In the upper left corner it says "enhanced".**

3 - Passport - is acceptable ID for any type of air flight to go anywhere. It is also acceptable for entry into certain federal facilities and entering nuclear facilities and military bases. It cannot be used as a driver's license. To fly into the US from anywhere – including Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Caribbean, you must have a passport.

Note! Please make sure you bring the correct identification to the bus for the trip you are taking! It truly hurts my heart to tell people they cannot go when I check their ID.

Authentic Alaska

Dates: June 10 - 25, 2024

Cancellation Protection is included (valued at \$350.00.)

Status: Ready To Go!

Departure: 10:30 a.m. from PNC Bank

***A passport or Enhanced Driver's license is required for this trip!** The cruise ship docks in Vancouver, British Columbia – Canada.

Grandparent's / Grandkids's Trip John Ball Park Zoo – Grand Rapids

Date: Thursday, June 27th, 2024

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Departure: 8:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

Here is another wonderful opportunity to spend a day with your grandchild! We will spend the day learning about animals at the John Ball Park Zoo. While this trip is designed for grandparents and their grandkids, others are welcome to join us! This trip includes admission and transportation. Meals will be on your own. There is an area for concessions, or you can pack a lunch. We will depart at 4:00 p.m. and should return home between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m.

Escanaba In Da Moonlight! – Turkeyville

Date: Tuesday, July 2, 2024

Cost: \$88.00 per person

Status: Seats available!

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

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 the Soady clan reunites for deer season at the family's Upper Peninsula camp, 35 year old Rueben Soady brings with him the reputation of being the oldest Soady never to bag a buck. Escanaba in da Moonlight spins a hilarious tale of humor, horror and heart.

Mud Hens & Tony Packos

Date: Wednesday, July 3, 2024

Cost: \$70.00 per person

Departure: 2:00 p.m. from the Clio K-mart

Status: Seats available!

This trip includes the bus and game ticket. This trip is referred to as "The Klinger Connection". Klinger, from the M*A*S*H series, loved the Toledo Mud Hens and Tony Packos' Hungarian hot dog sauce. We eat at Tony Packos' (on your own), see a Mud Hens game and watch M*A*S*H episodes on the way home. The Mud Hens are the farm team for the Detroit Tigers and they will be playing the Columbus Clippers which is the farm team for the Cleveland Guardians.

Sweet Soul Music - Petrolia

A NON-STOP HIT PARADE

Date: Friday, July 5, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

Status: 3 seats available!

Passport or Enhanced Driver License required

We are headed back to the Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia, Ontario for a delightful show! The cost includes the motorcoach transportation, a luncheon at Actor's and main floor tickets. 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.

Get on board the soul train as we showcase the very best music of this iconic genre. Smooth, soulful voices, pay homage to legends such as Stevie Wonder, Aretha Franklin, Lionel Richie and Marvin Gaye. Get ready to move and groove in this non-stop parade of soul!

Bay City Fireworks

Date: Saturday, July 6, 2024

Cost: \$45.00 per person

Departure: 5:30 p.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

"One of the grandest displays in all of Mid-Michigan is the Bay City Fireworks! Saturday night is the final and best Fireworks Display of the three-day festival." The bus will drop us at the park where we can enter and find a great place to sit. Bring your lawn chair or blanket, wear your patriotic colors and plan to celebrate Independence Day with friends!

You are welcome to bring a light lunch/snacks/water/pop or purchase snacks from vendors in the park. (Alcoholic beverages may not be taken into the park) What a great way to enjoy this 36 minute fireworks display without having to drive through heavy traffic. The cost includes motorcoach transportation and entry fee into the park.

Lancaster & Hershey, # 1 "Daniel" & "Sound of Music"

Date: Monday – Thursday, July 8 – 11, 2024

Cost: \$685.00 per person double occupancy

Cancellation Protection: \$100.00 per person

Status: Sold out! Wait List started!

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

Our 2024 Trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania will feature "Daniel" at the Sight and Sound Theatre. We will also visit Hershey with a guided tour of the area. We will visit Elva the Chalk Artist, Kitchen Kettle Village, a couple of Amish Farms, and enjoy "Sound of Music" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre. The trip includes 3 nights at the Heritage Hotel, the motorcoach, three breakfasts, three dinners, and the activities listed above,

"Daniel is exiled far from home in the powerful kingdom of Babylon. Now this faithful servant must navigate his new life inside a palace filled with golden statues and shifting empires. As royal pressures mount, Daniel is faced with a dangerous choice. Will his trust in the one true God remain steadfast through every test of faith? From the fiery furnace to the infamous den of lions, DANIEL is a spectacular theatrical experience for the whole family. Witness one of the Bible's most hope-filled stories as it comes to life in Lancaster, PA this year."

Single occupancy: \$880.00 Triple: \$625.00 per person

What Springs Forth

Date: Friday, July 12, 2024

Cost: \$90.00 per person

Departure: 6:30 p.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available.

This trip includes the tickets to the Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea for the 8:00 p.m. show, "What Springs Forth", and the motorcoach. **This trip was originally scheduled for the matinee, however the theatre rearranged the show performances and we will now attend the evening show.** Please plan to have supper before we depart as restaurants in Chelsea on a Friday night are likely to be busy.

This World Premiere features the story of three middle-aged women, friends since college, embark on what was billed as a high end wellness spa retreat only to discover one of them, with the help of her new recently released from prison business partner, has changed the itinerary to a wilderness survival camp. Can their friendship survive bears, forest toilets and one another?

**Contains adult language and subject matter*

New Info!

Lancaster & Hershey, PA # 2

With “Daniel” and “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory”

Date: Monday – Thursday, July 15 – 18, 2024

Cost: \$685.00 per person double occupancy

Cancellation Protection: \$100.00 per person

Status: Sold Out! Wait list started!

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

We are offering a 2nd trip to Lancaster since the first one sold out so quickly! It will be the same as trip # 1 with the exception of the 2nd show. This group will see “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at the Fulton Theatre.

Single occupancy: \$880.00 Triple: \$625.00 per person

Please note: For Lancaster Trips!

There will be no departure meeting for these trips. They are bus trips and are very casual. Plan for the weather. It will likely be warm. Bring a hat, wear comfortable walking shoes. Luggage handling is included. You will be responsible for your own carry-on.

New York City

Date: Sun - Sat, July 21 – July 27, 2024

Cost: \$2150.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$250.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$150.00 per person due w/ deposit

Final Payment Due: June 1st, 2024

Status: A few seats may be available!

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

Please mark your calendars for a **Departure Meeting** on Monday, July 1, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at the office. Come and ask questions, pick up your packets, meet the other travelers, and learn about packing!

This exciting trip will provide an opportunity to visit New York City and includes 6 nights lodging and two breakfasts. We will stay 4 nights in New York City. We will have easy access to many attractions and theatres. The trip includes visits to the 9/11 Museum and Memorial, an all-day guided sightseeing tour, Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, the Flight 93 Memorial, a harbor cruise and more! There will be optional opportunities for Broadway Shows. Many meals are “on your own” because it is more cost effective to offer this trip that way. There are many restaurants and deli’s within walking distance of our hotel. A free day is included so individuals can explore places they may be interested in visiting such as the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Carriage Ride in Central Park, shopping, the US Intrepid, or others. Some Broadway Shows that will be there this summer include: The Neil Diamond Musical - A Beautiful Noise; Aladdin; Back to the Future – The Musical; Chicago; Days of Wine and Roses; Hamilton; Kimberley Akimbo; MJ (Michael Jackson); Moulin Rouge! The Musical; SIX; Spamalot; The Book of Mormon; The Lion King; The Notebook; and Wicked! Start thinking about what you might be interested in seeing. Some shows require 10 or 15 or more to count as a group. Single Occupancy: \$2900.00 Triple Occupancy: \$1900.00

For Pacific Northwest Participants...

Alcatraz – Thanks for your input... Due to our flight schedule which was changed, it seems we will not have time available to add Alcatraz in the schedule.

Pacific Northwest - Oregon Coast # 1

Dates: August 1 – 11, 2024

Cost: \$5699.00 per person double occupancy

This is a wonderful opportunity to visit the Pacific Northwest and the states of Washington, Oregon and Northern California. This trip will include airflight from Detroit to Seattle and a return flight from San Francisco to Detroit. We will visit the cities of Seattle and San Francisco. Included will be Mt St Helen’s Visitors Center, Timberline Lodge Tour and chairlift ride up Mt Hood, Bonneville Dam and Lock, Multnomah Falls, Whale Watch, sand dune buggy ride, Haceta Head Lighthouse, jet boat ride through Hellgate Canyon, Redwoods and the Avenue of the Giants, Trees of Mystery Gondola Ride, and a visit to Wine Country. This trip includes cancellation protection. This is one of the best trips I’ve had the pleasure of escorting!

We need your name as it is written on your acceptable ID and your birthdate in order to confirm your airline ticket. You can use your passport, your enhanced driver’s license or a REAL driver’s license for this trip.

Single occupancy: \$7399.00 Triple occupancy: \$5199.00

We are partnering with Shoreline Tours for this trip.

The Departure Meeting for this trip will be held on Friday, July 19, 2024 at the office at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Choose which time meets your needs!

Tuesdays With Morrie - Petrolia

A LIFE ALTERING FRIENDSHIP

By Jeffrey Hatcher & Mitch Albom

Date: Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

Status: Sold out!

Passport or Enhanced Driver License required

We are headed back to the Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia, Ontario for a delightful show! The cost includes the motorcoach transportation, a delicious luncheon at Actor’s and main floor tickets. 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.

Tuesdays with Morrie is the heartwarming true story of Mitch Albom and his former college professor, Morrie Schwartz. The two embark on a series of Tuesday meetings that explore life’s most important lessons of love, family, and the meaning of life.

Pacific Northwest - Oregon Coast # 2

Dates: August 15 – 25, 2024

Cost: \$5699.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$800.00 per person

This trip is the same as trip # 1. See Alcatraz info above.

We need your name as it is written on your acceptable ID and your birthdate in order to confirm your airline ticket. You can use your passport, your enhanced driver’s license or a REAL driver’s license for this trip.

Single occupancy: \$7399.00 Triple occupancy: \$5199.00

The Departure Meeting for this trip will be held on Friday, July 19, 2024 at the office at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Choose which time meets your needs!

Clio Historical Society Invitation

New!

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Cost: 95.00 per person

Departure: 8:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Anyone interested in learning about the history in the Grass Lake Area of Michigan is invited to join the Society for a day trip to the southern part of Central Michigan. While details are still being confirmed, we wanted to let those who might be interested to keep watch for more information. We plan to arrive back in Clio between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m.

Tiger Night Game

2nd bus added!

Date: Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Cost: \$85.00 per person

Departure: 4:30 p.m. from the Clio K-mart

Status: Seats Available!

Due to high demand, we have added a 2nd bus for this trip! The Detroit Tigers will be playing the Los Angeles Angels for this night game. We have tickets along the third base side. We'll have supper at the ballpark on your own. The cost includes transportation and the game ticket. Dress for the weather. Sunblock is always a good idea for these summer games and a hat! Comerica Park has gone cashless. You must have a credit card to purchase food items or convert your cash to a card via machines.

*****Tiger Stadium Bag Policy*****

Bags, purses, clutches larger than **4" x 6" x 1.5"** are **prohibited**. Exceptions to this policy include bags, wallets and clutches needed due to medical necessity. Medical necessity includes diaper bags, breast pumps, oxygen, insulin, epi-pens and other medical devices. Authorized Diaper and Medical bags are required to be smaller than 16" x 16" x 8".

Labor Day Bridge Walk

Date: Monday, September 2, 2024

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Departure: 2:00 a.m. from Clio K-mart

Status: Seats available!

Walk the Mackinac Bridge with thousands of other people on Labor Day. Your payment will reserve your seat. We will stop for a bathroom break on the way and breakfast will be included at the rest area once we cross the bridge. You will walk south to Mackinaw City and then have time to shop, have a good meal, and we'll meet at 1:30 p.m. and head south to Clio. We arrive home about 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

A Taste of Wisconsin

Date: Tuesday – Saturday, September 3 – 7, 2024

Cost: \$920.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$120.00 per person

Cancellation Protection is \$85.00 per person

Final payment due: August 1st, 2024

Departure: 6:00 a.m. from the PNC Bank

Status: A few seats may be available!

This trip includes four nights lodging, motorcoach transportation, a boat cruise through Wisconsin Dells, the Lost Canyon Tour, the House on the Rock, a ride on the Lake Geneva Mailboat and more! This trip is very casual. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Single occupancy: \$1250.00 per person

Triple occupancy: \$830.00 per person

The Ultimate Fiddler On The Loose - Petrolia

ALL YOUR FIDDLIN' FAVOURITES

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

Status: Sold out!

Passport or Enhanced Driver License required

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Just when you thought it couldn't possibly get any more epic, Jesse Grandmont and friends bring you the best of this highly acclaimed audience favourite. By popular demand, this wildly talented cast will blow the roof off one more time with the most ultimate music, step-dancing, comedy, and of course, fantastic fiddling. Catch the *Orange Blossom Special* and ride down *Country Roads* through the *Ring of Fire* to where *The Devil Went Down to Georgia!*

Tiger Day Game

Date: Thursday, September 12, 2024

Cost: \$85.00 per person

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

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Million Dollar Quartet! – Turkeyville 2nd bus added!

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Cost: \$88.00 per person

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

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! On December 4th, 1956, a twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together for one of the greatest jam sessions ever. This smash hit sensation features a score of legendary hits, including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Walk the Line," "Sixteen Tons," "Great Balls of Fire," "Folsom Prison Blues," "Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On," "Hound Dog," and more!

Fall Mystery Trip **Additional busses added!**

Date: Friday, September 20, 2024

Cost: \$100.00 per person

Departure: 9:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Status: Seats available!

Join us for a fall adventure which includes the motorcoach, a wonderful luncheon and all activities for the day. There is not a lot of walking, This will be a fun, relaxing day and a great way to spend the day with friends. Dress is casual. It is fall so you might want a light sweater or jacket. We should be back in Clio between 4:30 and 5:00 p.m. depending on traffic.

Horrocks

New!

Date: Thursday, October 3, 2024

Cost: \$42.00 per person

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

Time for shopping at Horrocks, an amazing Farm Market in Lansing! We will have time for shopping for fruits, vegetables, meats and cheeses and more! There is a deli where you can have lunch. Wine tasting and beer tasting is also available. Where else can you enjoy a glass while shopping? Bring a cooler if you want to bring home items that would be better off being kept cool. They also have items for your gardens and yards! We will depart about 1:30 to head back to Clio.

Moulin Rouge

New!

Date: Thursday, October 3, 2024

Cost: \$110.00 per person

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

This evening we will see the 7:30 p.m. performance of Moulin Rouge at the Detroit Opera House. This musical is the winner of 10 Tony Awards - Including Best Musical! Enter a world of splendor and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur, and glory! Baz Luhrmann's revolutionary film comes to life onstage, remixed in a new musical mash-up extravaganza. A celebration of truth, beauty, freedom, and – above all – love, it's more than a musical. It's a state of mind!

There will be a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings on the way to Detroit.

France Seine River Cruise & Normandy 80th Anniversary

Dates: October 8 – 16, 2024

Deposit: \$1149.00 per person due with reservation form.

Final payment is due July 1st.

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

We will cruise the Seine River in France on the Amadeus Diamond. Travel Protection is included in the price of the trip (valued at \$549.00). This trip includes a Paris City tour, a visit to Normandy which will be marking the 80th Anniversary since the invasion during WWII, and more. **A passport is required for this trip!** Must be valid for 6 months beyond trip dates.

The **Departure Meeting** for this trip will be held on Tuesday, September 17th, at 2:00 p.m. at the office. Please save the date!

The Tony Bennett Songbook - Petrolia

Date: Friday, October 18, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

Status: Seats available!

Passport or Enhanced Driver License required

We are headed back to the Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia, Ontario for a delightful show! The cost includes the motorcoach transportation, a delicious luncheon at Actor's and main floor tickets. 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 everlasting music of Tony Bennett is highlighted in this very special theatrical concert. Experience some of his most powerful music with soaring voices and stunning arrangements. Featuring renditions of "I Left My Heart in San Francisco", "The Way You Look Tonight" and "The Best is Yet to Come", these songs and the legacy of Tony Bennett will remain in our hearts for years to come.

Grand Experience – Mackinac Island

Dates: Sunday – Wednesday, October 20 – 23, 2024

Cost: \$990.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$250.00 per person

Final Balance Due: August 20, 2024

Cancellation Protection: \$90.00 per person due w/ deposit

Status: Sold Out! Wait List Started!

This trip includes 3 nights at the Grand Hotel, the motorcoach, ferry boat to and from the island, carriage ride around the island, afternoon tea & cookies, many other activities, classes and entertainment, 3 dinners, 3 breakfasts, and lots more. It is like a 'land cruise' with many included activities like fudgie bingo, movies, contests, a cocktail reception and more. This year's trip will also include 2 Grand Buffet Luncheons and lots of sales since it is the end of the month.

Single price: \$1200.00 Triple price: \$910.00 per person

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.

Daniel O'Donnell @ Shishewana

Dates: Fri – Sat; October 25 - 26, 2024

Cost: \$330.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$80.00 per person

Cancellation Protection: \$50.00 per person (optional)

Final Payment Due: Sept. 15, 2024

Departure: 9:00 a.m. from PNC Bank

Status: About 6 seats available!

Daniel O'Donnell will be at the Shishewana Center for Performing Arts. His show is a unique production that features the star entertaining his audience with a nostalgic trip down memory lane as he performs hit after hit in the show. This trip includes the motorcoach, the ticket for the matinee Daniel O'Donnell Show, a buffet style dinner at the Blue Gate Restaurant, and 1 night lodging at Farmstead Inn. Following an included breakfast we will visit a bakery, the cheese house, Yoder's Department Store and the Bulk Food Store. Bring a cooler if you'd like to purchase items that need refrigeration.

Single: \$385.00 Triple: \$310.00 per person

MJ Musical**New!**

Date: Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Cost: \$120.00 per person

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

We have main floor tickets for the 7:30 p.m. performance of MJ the Musical at Fisher Theatre in Detroit. One of the greatest entertainers of all time, see Michael Jackson's unique and unparalleled artistry in MJ, the multi-Tony Award winning new musical centered around the making of the 1992 World Dangerous Tour. Created by Tony Award winning director/choreographer Christopher Wheeldon and two time Pulitzer Prize winner Lynn Nottage, MJ offers a rare look at the creative mind and collaborative spirit that catapulted him to legendary status.

We will make a light supper stop at Great Lakes Crossings on the way to Detroit.

Strangers On A Train**New!**

Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Cost: \$78.00 per person

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

Join me for this Alred Hitchcock classic at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 2:00 matinee. A light lunch stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "Guy Haines and Charles Bruno meet on a train and, because they are strangers, they think they can say anything while chatting. Bruno suggests that they could get away with murder – he could kill Guy's unfaithful wife while Guy could eliminate his hated father. Guy does not take him seriously, but Bruno is deadly serious."

Winter Wonderettes – Turkeyville # 1

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Cost: \$88.00 per person

Status: Seats available!

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

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

This glittering seasonal celebration finds the all-girl singing group, the Wonderettes, entertaining at the Harper's Hardware Holiday Party. When Santa turns up missing, the girls use their talent to save the party! Featuring great 60's versions of holiday classics such as "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Run, Rudolph, Run," and "Winter Wonderland," the result is marvelous!

Ikea – Fall Shopping**New!**

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024

Cost: \$48.00 per person

Departs: 9:00 a.m. from the Clio K-mart

If you've heard about IKEA, but have never been there or you would like to go again, now is your chance! 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. Ikea accepts credit cards, debit cards and cash. No personal checks are accepted.

Christmas In Branson

Date: Sunday – Saturday, November 17 – 23, 2024

Cost: \$1365.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$165.00 per person

Cancellation protection: \$100.00 per person

Final payment due: October 10, 2024

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

Status: Sold Out! Wait List started!

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 Miracle of Christmas at the Sight and Sound Theatre; the Showboat Branson Belle; Clay Cooper's Country Express; The Duttons; The Hughes Family; Sanders Family Christmas (Christmas version of Smoke on the Mountain); The Presley's Family Jubilee, Doug Gabriel; and the Texas Tenors! What an amazing line-up! 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.

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! It is the most relaxing busy trip you will take!

Single rate: \$1780.00 Triple rate: \$1250.00 per person

Starbright Christmas # 1 - Petrolia

Date: Tuesday, December 3, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

Status: 6 seats 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. There is not a lot of walking and it should be a relaxing, enjoyable day!

Lunch will be included at Actor's 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.

Starbright Christmas # 2 – Petrolia

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Cost: \$125.00 per person

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

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.

Lunch will be included at Actor's 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 should return to Clio about 7:30 p.m.

A Capital Christmas – Washington DC **New!**

Date: Thurs – Mon, December 12 – 16, 2024
 Cost: \$1899.00 per person for double occupancy
 Deposit: \$150.00 per person
 Cancellation Protection: \$150.00 per person with deposit.
 Final Payment Due: October 12, 2024
 Status: ½ full!

Join us for this opportunity to visit our Nations' Capitol at Christmas. This trip includes the motorcoach transportation, 4 night's lodging, an all day sightseeing tour of DC, Evening Illumination Tour including the National Tree, National Cathedral, Christmas at Mt Vernon, 3 Dinners, 4 Breakfasts, a performance of "A Christmas Carol" at Ford's Theatre, a performance of NSO Pops Concert at Kennedy Center for Performing Arts, a visit to Cambridge, Ohio for Dicken's Victorian Village to see how mannequins are made, and the Cambridge Museum of Glass. Detailed flyers are available!
 Single Occupancy: \$2769.00 per person
 Triple Occupancy: \$1699.00 per person

Winter Wonderettes – Turkeyville # 2

Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2024
 Cost: \$88.00 per person
 Status: Seats available!
 Departure: 9:30 a.m. from Clio Kmart

This day trip to Turkeyville will feature the delicious turkey dinner, the show, an Actor Talk Back and the motorcoach as well as tips! This glittering seasonal celebration finds the all-girl singing group, the Wonderettes, entertaining at the Harper's Hardware Holiday Party. When Santa turns up missing, the girls use their talent to save the party! Featuring great 60's versions of holiday classics such as "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Run, Rudolph, Run," and "Winter Wonderland," the result is marvelous!

Footloose**New!**

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025
 Cost: \$78.00 per person
 Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Join me for this musical at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 2:00 matinee. A light lunch stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "The explosive movie musical bursts onto the live stage! With dynamic new songs augmenting the powerhouse hits from the bestselling Oscar-nominated score, Footloose celebrates the exhilaration of youth, the wisdom of listening to one another, and the power of forgiveness. Collaboration with Oakland University's School of Music, Theatre, and Dance."

San Antonio, Texas

Date: February 17 - 21, 2025
 Cost: \$1960.00 per person double occupancy
 Deposit: \$180.00 per person
 Final payment due: January 8, 2025
 Status: A few seats may be available!

We will stay at the Drury Inn right on the River Walk. The plan is to offer an excursion each day and yet still give everyone a chance to enjoy time on their own to explore the River Walk, shop or visit area museums. The plan includes visiting the Alamo, the San Antonio Missions, SAS – the San Antonio Shoe Factory for a tour, and the towns of Gruene and Gonzales. We will also visit the Institute of Texan Culture. The bus to and from the airports, the flight, hotel and cancellation protection are also included.

The City of Gruene has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. You will enjoy the small town with a variety of shops to visit and a wonderful lunch at the Gristmill River Restaurant. The "Come and Get It Cannon" is on display at one of the museums in Gonzales. Wait until you hear the story of this unique piece of history! The Alamo and the San Antonio Missions are also a wonderful experience. Even with scheduled tours each day, there will be time to explore the Riverwalk and enjoy San Antonio.

The cost includes 4 nights at the Drury Inn. There is a rooftop pool for your enjoyment. Each night there is a Kickback Reception featuring hot foods and cold beverages. Some people consider this filling enough for dinner. Or you can enjoy dinner at one of the many restaurants on the River Walk. We will be flying Delta. If you have a skymiles # please include it in your reservation information. I need your name as it is printed on your drivers license and birthdate in order to reserve your airline ticket. Single 2500.00 Triple 1785.00.

The Angel Next Door**New!**

Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2025
 Cost: \$78.00 per person
 Departure: 11:00 a.m. from Clio Kmart

Join me for this comedy at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 2:00 matinee. A light lunch stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "It's 1948, in a ritzy Newport Mansion populated by playwrights, actors, a young starstruck author, and the housekeeper who would like all of them to leave. When their weekend getaway goes horribly awry, only a play within the play can save the day. A screwball comedy that's in love with theater, about people in love with theater, who know that, sometimes, even reality needs a rewrite to reach a happy ending."

Vanities: The Musical**New!**

Date: Wednesday, March 26, 2025
 Cost: \$78.00 per person
 Departure: 5:00 p.m. from Clio Kmart

Join me for this musical at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 8:00 p.m. show. A light supper stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "The life-affirming journey of three vivacious Texas teens from cheerleaders to sorority sisters to housewives to liberated women and beyond. This musical captures a snapshot of the lives, loves, disappointments, and dreams of these young women. A funny and poignant look at three best friends who discover that, through thirty years of rapidly changing times, the one thing they can rely on is each other."

Hawaiian Islands – Land & Cruise **New!**

Date: March 6 – 19, 2025

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

Balcony: \$6400.00 per person double occupancy

Inside Cabin: \$5400.00 per person double occupancy

Join me for a trip to the Hawaiian Islands in March of 2025. Let's get away from the winter weather and enjoy a couple weeks in the sun! March is a delightful time to visit Hawaii because the whales are having their babies and we can often see them breaching from the shore. We will depart on Thursday, March 6, and fly to Hawaii. Arriving at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani we will be 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 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 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.

Trip Cost Includes:

Roundtrip Air - Detroit to Honolulu, Hawaii

Roundtrip Bus shuttles Clio to Detroit

Roundtrip Bus shuttles in Hawaii between airport & hotel

Roundtrip Bus shuttle hotel to cruise ship

Luggage handling, porter tips, etc.

5 nights lodging at the Sheraton Princess Kaiulani in

Waikiki, Honolulu

7 night cruise with stops at four Islands: Hawaii; Maui;

Kauai and Oahu

Cancellation Protection (valued at \$450.00 per person)

\$1000.00 deposit per person to confirm your seat.

2nd deposit of \$1,500 per person due by August 25th, 2024

Final payment is due by October 25th, 2024

The Rat Pack Lounge **New!**

Date: Wednesday, April 30, 2025

Cost: \$78.00 per person

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

Join me for this musical at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 2:00 matinee. A light lunch stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "Frank, Dean and Sammy are up in heaven, but God tells them they left some unfinished business back on Earth. It seems Frank made an unfulfilled promise to Vic, the owner of the Rat Pack Lounge. Now he and the boys have one night to make things right. With hits like "My Way", "What Kind of Fool Am I?" and "everybody Loves Somebody Sometime" this show will leave you singing and savoring the days of the highballs and high rollers."

Reflections of Italy **New Info!**

Date: April 2 – 11, 2025

Cost: \$5353.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1177.00 per person

Final payment due: February 1, 2025.

Status: A few seats available!

There is a \$200.00 early bird discount for those signing up before October 3, 2024. We will visit several areas of Italy including Rome, Vatican Museums, Sistene Chapel, St Peter's Basilica, Assisi, Perugia, Cortona, Florence, Venice, Murano Island, and Lake Como. This ten day trip will include 8 breakfasts 1 lunch and 3 dinners. The airfare and our transportation to and from the airport and Trip Insurance is also included. (valued at \$479.00) The Venetian Serenaded Gondola Cruise in Venice is an included experience.

Detailed flyers are available! The reservation form is in the flyer and needs to be returned with your deposit. It asks for your name as it is printed on your passport as well as birthdate and other important information!

Due to many calls regarding seeing the Colosseum, we have been able to add an optional tour which would include visiting the Colosseum while in Rome. The cost would be \$86 per person which includes admission to the Colosseum as well as a Pantheon guided tour. Please let me know if you are interested in this optional tour.

***** You will need a passport for this trip.****Great Canadian Cities** **New!**
Montreal, Quebec & Ottawa

Date: May 11 - 19, 2025 Sun - Mon

Cost: \$3099.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$500.00 to confirm your seat

Final Balance due: March 11, 2025

Cancellation Protection: \$250.00 due with deposit

What a great way to enjoy spring! We will travel through Ontario and Quebec as well as enjoy a cruise on the St Lawrence Seaway around the 1000 Islands that lie between Canada and the USA. We'll hear stories of the triumphs, tragedy, romance, shipwrecks and piracy that have added to the 1000 Islands International reputation.

This trip includes 7 nights lodging, 5 breakfasts and 3 dinners. We will enjoy sightseeing tours of Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa. We will visit the St Anne De Beaupre Shrine, St Joseph's Oratory, Notre Dame Basilica, 1000 Island Boat Cruise, and visits to several other well-known places such as Montmorency Falls topped off with a walk through the Tulips at the Festival in Ottawa. A highlight will be staying at the World-Renowned Chateau Frontenac in Old Town Quebec.

This trip is being planned by Shoreline Tours.

***** You will need a passport or an enhanced Michigan driver's license for this trip.**

Single: \$2839.00

Triple: \$1999.00

Shear Madness

New!

Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Cost: \$78.00 per person

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

Join me for this comedy-whodunit at Meadow Brook Theatre. The cost includes the motorcoach, driver tip and tickets to the 2:00 matinee. A light lunch stop will be on your own at Great Lakes Crossings. "This Unique comedy-whodunit takes place today in the "Shear Madness" hair salon and is chock full of up-to-the minute spontaneous humor. During the course of the action, a murder is committed and the audience gets to spot the clues, question the suspects, and solve the funniest mystery in the annals of crime. The outcome is never the same, which is why many audience members return again and again to the scene of the mayhem."

South Dakota

I'm in the planning stage for August 2025! You've asked for it! The Black Hills, Badlands, Mount Rushmore, Wall Drug and more. Watch for details coming soon in next newsletter!

New Hampshire & Vermont

Date: October 2025

Cost: TBD

We will visit New Hampshire, Vermont and the Finger Lakes Region for fall color! Many unique opportunities include the Mt Washington Cog Rail, Quechee Gorge, Belhurst Castle, Finger Lake Cruise and more! Details are being confirmed at this time!

Exploring South Africa # 1

Dates: February 2 -16, 2026

Cost: \$9098.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1297.00 per person (includes cancellation)

Final payment due: December 4, 2025

Status: Sold Out!

This is a 15-day trip to South Africa including Victoria Falls & Botswana. This particular trip is designed as a small group exploration with 8 wildlife safaris, 2 National Parks, Cape Winelands, Cape Town, Table Mountain and more.

The cost includes the airflight, transfers to and from the airports, cancellation and insurance. Since this is a more unique experience, the space available is considered a small group and will be limited to 19 people. Visas, vaccines, and Malaria pills will be an additional expense.

Exploring South Africa # 2 **2nd Trip Added New!**

Dates: February 13 - 26, 2026

Cost: \$9098.00 per person double occupancy

Deposit: \$1297.00 per person (includes cancellation)

Final payment due: December 4, 2025

Status: A few seats may be available!

This is a 15-day trip to South Africa including Victoria Falls & Botswana. This particular trip is designed as a small group exploration with 8 wildlife safaris, 2 National Parks, Cape Winelands, Cape Town, Table Mountain and more.

The cost includes the airflight, transfers to and from the airports, cancellation and insurance. Since this is a more unique experience, the space available is considered a small group and will be limited to 19 people.

Route 66 in April of 2026

Tentative dates: April 13 – May 2, 2026.

Planning is now underway! Route 66 will be 100 years old in 2026. I've met with several locations along Route 66 and they are delighted we are planning to make this trip.

The trip will be taken by motorcoach and will travel through Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California. While the route will be the same going west and returning eastbound, we will stop in different places and see different roadside attractions in each direction. I am planning stops at many iconic locations including Rialto Square Theatre, Joliet Area Historical Museum and Route 66 Welcome Center, Edinger's Filling Station, Route 66 Hall of Fame & Museum, Amarillo Route 66 Historical District, Cadillac Ranch, Midpoint Café, Route 66 Historical Village, Neon Signs, Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum, Uranus, Totem Pole Park, Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum, Pops Soda Ranch, TeePee Curios, New Mexico Route 66 Museum, the Continental Divide, Oatman, Williams, Santa Monica Pier. And of course the "End of Trail Sign. We will start in Chicago at the Begin Route 66 Sign. Of course, other stops are being considered as well. There will be some stops as we travel west and different stops as we head east on the return trip. Hopefully this will keep the trip fresh even though we will be traveling the same highway.

A few people have suggested getting t-shirts... there are so many options for slogans, pictures, etc. Are they any creative people who want to submit designs or ideas? A few have been suggested...

1. 100 years of the Mother Road – Route 66
2. Getting our Kicks on Route 66 with Ann's Adventures
3. Route 66 – 100 Years Celebration
4. 100 Years Celebration – A three week Vacation
5. Route 66 1926 – 2026

Maybe you have another idea... Maybe you are not interested in t-shirts at all. Maybe we should have a t-shirt committee?

This trip will be in the warmer weather and I'm anticipating that we can pack light with shorts and t-shirts. Maybe jeans and a sweatshirt/jacket if we encounter cooler weather at night.

I'm envisioning traveling 2 to 4 hours per day, but there is so much to see there will be lots of stops. Once we are in the more western states, it will be likely we will travel longer on the bus due to the wide open spaces! I'm collecting videos, music and other items to help pass the miles.

My goal is to keep it fun and relaxing as we explore part of our country! I know a lot of people have expressed interest in this trip and I want you to know that I am working on it!

It is still a little early for pricing for hotels and some restaurants, but they are starting to promote the 100 year celebration and I am hopeful that I'll be able to nail down some pricing in the next few months.

Thanks for considering taking this adventure with me!



Trips At A Glance!

Authentic Alaska	June 10 – 25, 2024	see article	Alaska
Grandparent / Grandkid Zoo	June 27, 2024	\$65.00	Grand Rapids, MI
Escanaba In Da Moonlight	July 2, 2024	\$88.00	Turkeyville
Mud Hens Game	July 3, 2024	\$70.00	Toledo, Ohio
Sweet Soul Music	July 5, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia – Canada
Bay City Fireworks	July 6, 2024	\$45.00	Bay City, MI
Lancaster – Daniel # 1	July 8 -11, 2024	\$685.00	Pennsylvania
What Springs Forth	July 12, 2024	\$90.00	Purple Rose - Chelsea, MI
Lancaster - Daniel # 2	July 15 -18, 2024	\$685.00	Pennsylvania
New York City	July 21 – 27, 2024	\$2150.00	New York
Pacific Northwest # 1	August 1 – 11, 2024	\$5699.00	Washington, Oregon, California
Tuesdays with Morrie	August 13, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia - Canada
Pacific Northwest # 2	August 15 – 25, 2024	\$5699.00	Washington, Oregon, California
Tiger Night Game	August 28, 2024	\$85.00	Comerica Park, Detroit
Labor Day Bridge Walk	September 2, 2024	\$65.00	Mackinaw City
A Taste of Wisconsin	September 3 - 7, 2024	\$920.00	Wisconsin
The Ultimate Fiddler On The Loose	September 11, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia - Canada
Tiger Day Game	September 12, 2024	\$85.00	Comerica Park, Detroit
Million Dollar Quartet	September 19, 2024	\$88.00	Turkeyville
Fall Mystery Trip	September 20, 2024	\$100.00	???????
Horrocks	October 3, 2024	\$42.00	Lansing
Moulin Rouge	October 3, 2024	\$110.00	Detroit Opera House
Seine River Cruise	October 8 – 16, 2024	See flyer	France
- 80 th Anniversary of Normandy			
The Tony Bennett Songbook	October 18, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia – Canada
Grand Experience	October 20 – 23, 2024	\$990.00	Mackinac Island
Daniel O'Donnell	October 25 – 26, 2024	\$330.00	Shipshewana
Strangers On A Train	October 30, 2024	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
Winter Wonderettes # 1	November 12, 2024	\$88.00	Turkeyville
IKEA	November 14, 2024	\$48.00	Canton, MI
Christmas in Branson	November 17 – 23, 2024	\$1365.00	Branson, Missouri
Starbright Christmas # 1	December 3, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia, Ontario
Starbright Christmas # 2	December 4, 2024	\$125.00	Petrolia, Ontario
A Capital Christmas	December 12 – 16, 2024	\$1899.00	Washington D.C.
Winter Wonderettes # 2	December 18, 2024	\$88.00	Turkeyville
Footloose	January 15, 2025	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
San Antonio	February 17 - 21, 2025	TBD	Texas
Angel Next Door	February 26, 2025	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
Hawaiian Islands	March 6 – 19, 2025	see flyer	Hawaii
Vanities: The Musical	March 26, 2025	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
Reflections of Italy	April 2 – 11, 2025	\$5353.00	Italy
Rat Pack Lounge	April 30, 2025	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
Great Canadian Cities	May 11 – 19, 2025	\$3099.00	Montreal, Quebec, and Ottawa
Shear Madness	June 4, 2025	\$78.00	Meadow Brook
South Africa # 1	February 2 – 16, 2026	\$9098.00	Africa
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