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UPCOMNG EVENTS

Next Meeting Monday, May 4 Rachel's Kitchen 11:30 a.m.

Potluck

Please Bring a Dish to Share!

March / April 2020 ISSUE

Skyline and Luray Caverns by George Darnell

January 20, 2020

After a brief wait, we entered the caverns on our tour. There is a broad, one-way, wellpaved path through the caverns, and they do not use colored lights to enhance the formations. We even had a stalacpipe organ concert during the tour. We included some photos. After the caverns we visited the museums and restaurant before boarding the van for home.

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UPCOMING Cruise



8-Day Alaska Cruise September 6-13, 2020

Call Jaime at Holland American Cruise Lines to book your room. 800-355-3017 ext. 29344

Wow! Let's go north to finish the summer in the beauty of Alaska! The itinerary for this cruise takes you further north than many of the cruises. If you have yet to visit our 49th state, this is your chance! Here is the itinerary:

Sep 6	Seattle, Washington, & Puget Sound	4:00 p.m.
Sep 7	At Sea	
Sep 8	Scenic Cruising Stephens Passage	
Sep 8	Juneau, Alaska	1:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.
Sep 9	Hubbard Glacier	2:00 p.m 6:00 p.m.
Sep 10	Sitka, Alaska	8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.
Sep 11	Ketchikan, Alaska	7:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.
Sep 12	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	6:00 p.m11:30 p.m.
Sep 13	Seattle, Washington	7:00 a.m.

Deposit Information

We want to ensure that everyone who wants to be included on a trip gets to go, and because I forget who wishes to be included in each trip, the best way to achieve an accurate count is for you to drop off a deposit for the trips you are interested in with the Concierge at the Lodge.

The Deposit for George's one day trips will be \$30 per person and \$50 per person for my multi day trips. This deposit will save a place for you on the trip you want to take, and you will then receive updated information such as final payment dates, etc. The deposits for the Caribbean and Alaskan Cruises will be paid directly to Holland America.

Calendar of Trips for 2020

- Jan 20—Skyline & Luray Caverns w/Lunch at Front Royal Brewery: \$77 for admissions & transportation; Lunch not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- Feb 12-19—Caribbean Cruise: Holland America cruise to Jamaica, Grand Cayman, Key West and Bahamas. From \$398 per person plus Port charges & tax, departing from Ft. Lauderdale FL, by Judy
- Mar 18—Museum of the Shenandoah Valley & Shenandoah Civil War Museum with lunch at Brubaker's Irish Pub on the Walking Mall: \$35 for admissions & transportation; lunch not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- May 22—Battles of Kernstown w/Lunch at Carrabba's: \$40 for admission & transportation; Lunch not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- May—Historic Winchester: This trip was very well received, and we have constant requests to do this trip for the people who were not here yet or missed it the first time. The day and price will be announced by Judy
- Jun 26—Charles Town for Skyline Terrace dining and evening at the horse races: \$35 for transportation only (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- Jul 20—Vint Hill for Cold War Museum, Winery, Brewery and lunch at the Covert Café: \$35 for museum donation & transportation; lunch and tastings not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 14) by George
- Aug 17—Jefferson's Monticello: \$60 for transportation & Day Pass; lunch not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 14) by George

- Sept 5-12—Alaska Cruise: Holland America cruise to Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Stephens Passage, Hubbard Glacier and Sitka. From \$694 per person inside cabin plus port charges & taxes. Departing from Seattle by Judy
- Sep 17—Antietam National Battlefield and Shepherdstown: \$30 for transportation; no admission fees; Lunch at Bavarian Inn in Shepherdstown not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- Sep 29-Oct 2—Niagara Falls, 3 nights, \$799 pp by Judy
- Oct 5—Little Washington and Sperryville for wine, beer, spirits, shops, and dinner at Griffin Tavern in Flint Hill: \$30 for transportation; shopping, tastings, and dinner not included (minimum of 8; maximum of 14) by George
- Oct 22—Durbin & Greenbrier, WV, Bald Knob 4.5 Hour Train Ride w/bag lunch: \$100 for transportation & train ride (long day) (minimum of 8; maximum of 26) by George
- Nov 27-30—A Country Christmas at Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN: 3 nights, from \$1,059 pp by Judy
- Dec 1-2—Candlelight Christmas at Biltmore Estate & Grove Park Inn. 1 night \$479 pp by Judy
- Dec 15—Christmas in Longwood Gardens, PA: \$70 for admission & transportation; meals not included (long day) (minimum of 8; maximum of 14) by George

NOTE: There will be details for each trip in the Newsletters and Flyers for each trip after January. Each trip is marked with a "by George" or "by Judy." You may email the coordinator for each trip for more information.

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More Info about a Few Trips

Niagara Falls
"Moments to Remember"
Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 2020

4 Days / 3 Nights 5 Meals

Price per person:

Twin/Double \$739 Single \$959

Deposit: \$50.00 Per Person

Final Payment is due on or before August 29, 2020

Optional Trip Cancellation/Interruption Protection \$58 per

Tour #20033



Amazing Niagara Falls, one of the great natural wonders of the world ... see it for yourself with Shenandoah Tours! Come and witness the majestic beauty and humbling power of the thundering waters of Niagara Falls. Get a "front row" seat overlooking these mighty falls whose roar is so powerful it can be heard for miles. Take a cruise to the base of the Falls, savor the panoramic view from atop Skylon Tower, enjoy a great Canadian show, and visit delightful Niagara-on-the-Lake. Niagara Falls - a land where wonders never cease - reserve your seat now!

Day 1 - Tuesday - September 29

Welcome aboard! We're off to thundering Niagara Falls, one of Shenandoah Tours' favorite vacation spots. Journey north and by late afternoon we cross the border and enter the Canadian side of the Niagara River arriving in spectacular Niagara Falls, a natural wonder with exceptional beauty and awe. Horseshoe Falls creates a silver gray mist, complete with a rainbow, as six million cubic feet of water drops nearly 200 feet per minute. Our host hotel is the Country Inn & Suites. For our enjoyment there is a variety of shops, restaurants, and sightseeing attractions as well as Casino Niagara. A free evening for individual interests.

Day 2 - Wednesday - September 30

Sightseeing Tour / Skylon Tower / Cruise to the Falls

Join our local guide for a morning sightseeing tour. We'll explore the area sights including the world famous Floral Clock, giant hydroelectric plants, Horticulture Center, Queen Victoria Park, and of course, the Falls! Lunch will be enjoyed in the Skylon Tower revolving dining room overlooking the falls. No visit to Niagara Falls would be complete without experiencing a thrilling cruise to view the thundering falls from river level. Tonight, see the Falls in colorful lights. (CB,L)

Day 3 - Thursday - October 1 Niagara-on-the-Lake / Welland Canal

Explore 19th century Niagara-on-the-Lake, a beautiful village on Lake Ontario, at the mouth of the Niagara River. Worth a visit for its charm alone, it features historic shops and colonial homes with immaculate gardens. In addition, we'll stop at the Welland Canal Locks providing passage for cargo ships between Lakes Erie and Ontario. A free afternoon allows time for shopping and sightseeing. A special evening awaits at Oh Canada Eh, an award-winning musical and feast of Canadian food, fun, and folklore. (CB,D)

Day 4 - Friday - October 2 Travel Home

Return home with fond memories of the power and beauty of this region. (CB)

Valid Passport Required

TOUR INCLUDES:

- · Niagara Falls Sightseeing Tour
- · Lunch at the Skylon Tower
- Voyage to the Falls Boat Tour
- · Visit to Niagara-on-the-Lake

- Welland Canal Locks
- · Oh Canada Eh! Dinner Show
- Also included: Accommodations, Motorcoach Transportation, Shenandoah Tours Escort, & Luggage Handling.
- 5 Meals = 3CB, 1L, 1D

A Country Christmas at Opryland Hotel November 27-30, 2020

4 Days / 3 Nights 2 Meals

Price per person:

Twin/Double \$1039 Single \$1429 Traditional Rooms Twin/Double \$1149 Single \$1639 Atrium Rooms

Deposit: \$150.00 Per Person

Final Payment is due on or before September 21,

Optional Trip Cancellation/Interruption Protection \$112 per

Tour #20047



Get in the spirit of the holiday season at the fabulous Opryland Hotel in Nashville. Stroll through acres of lush indoor gardens and along winding pathways and waterfalls. See brilliant displays of holiday ornaments and huge, sparkling trees. It's truly a sight to behold as everywhere we look, Christmas is coming to life! Our days and evenings will be filled with wondrous holiday festivities. Highlights include a spectacular Christmas Dinner and Show, General Jackson luncheon cruise, Delta River Flatboat ride, ICE Exhibit, and the legendary Grand Ole Opry. This tour is one you don't want to miss!

Day 1 - Friday - November 27 Travel to Nashville

All aboard!! We're on our way to Nashville for a three-night stay at the fantastic Opryland Hotel. We arrive at the hotel all decked out in its finest array just as dusk settles over the city. What a spectacular sight as over two million Christmas lights sparkle in the night. A free evening to enjoy the amenities of the hotel.

Day 2 - Saturday - November 28

ICE / General Jackson Showboat / Grand Ole Opry

A special day filled with wonder and amazement. Visit "ICE!," the awe-inspiring experience where more than 2 million pounds of ice come to life under the skillful hands of talented artisans. We'll watch ice sculptures being carved before our very eyes at the live carving zone. Next, we enjoy a wonderful luncheon cruise and holiday musical revue aboard the General Jackson Showboat. This evening, we attend the legendary Grand Ole Opry, a great opportunity to see and hear our favorite country music entertainers. (L)

Day 3 - Sunday - November 29

Delta River Flatboat Ride / Christmas Dinner & Show

Our morning is free to enjoy the amenities of the hotel and to take a ride aboard the Delta River Flatboat, surrounded by the lush indoor gardens of this beautiful resort. See the 85 foot fountain, three waterfalls and, hopefully, "Danny," the 80 plus pound catfish that lives in the river! A special evening of dining and entertainment awaits at the Christmas Dinner and Show. Enjoy a traditional holiday meal including all the trimmings, followed by a spectacular Christmas show. (D)

Day 4 - Monday - November 30 Travel Home

Filled with good tidings and holiday cheer, we bid farewell to Nashville and return home with wonderful memories of "A Country Christmas at Opryland Hotel." Please note: The tour itinerary is established by the Opryland Hotel and is subject to change.

TOUR INCLUDES:

- 3 Nights at Opryland Hotel
- Admission to ICE
- Lunch on the General Jackson Showboat
- Grand Ole Opry

- Services of a Shenandoah Tours Escort
- Delta River Flatboat Ride
- · Christmas Dinner & Show

Candlelight Christmas at Biltmore Estate & Gingerbread Houses at Grove Park Inn December 1-2, 2020

> 2 Days / 1 Night 2 Meals

Price per person: Twin/Double \$479 Single \$549

Deposit: \$50.00 Per Person

Final Payment is due on or before October 19, 2020

Optional Trip Cancellation/Interruption Protection \$39 per person (Twin), \$58 Single.

Tour #20040



Sugar and spice and everything nice! Come along and enjoy the most wonderful time of the year... the Biltmore Estate celebrates Christmas in grand style! Visit

America's largest home all dressed in its finest array for the holiday season ... decorated trees, wreaths, bows, and poinsettias. An additional treasure is a visit to the

Grove Park Inn to see the amazing display of gingerbread houses, and delight in these sugar-and-spice creations. Enjoy a special dinner at Biltmore Estate and a holiday buffet breakfast at historic Grove Park Inn. This is a one-of-a-kind holiday experience we'll never forget!

Day 1 - Tuesday - December 1

Travel to Asheville / Candlelight Tour - Biltmore Estate

Welcome to this Winter Wonderland Tour! Journey south to Asheville, North Carolina, and experience the finest of the holiday season! Accommodations await us in Asheville. As dusk settles over the city we're off to the magnificent Biltmore Estate for a fine holiday dinner and their annual Christmas Candlelight Tour. Enter the grounds where over 500 luminaries cast a warm glow. The best is yet to come ... a candlelight tour of this incredible estate, the 225-room French Renaissance chalet, home of George Vanderbilt. Crackling fires, glittering trees, and hundreds of candles glow throughout rooms richly decorated for an old-fashioned Victorian Christmas. This is an experience we'll long remember! (D)

Day 2 - Wednesday - December 2

Grove Park Inn / Gingerbread Houses / Travel Home

Today we'll visit the fabulous Grove Park Inn to see the amazing display of gingerbread houses. People from across the country create these culinary sugar and spice masterpieces for competition in this annual event. Enjoy an included breakfast in the Blue Ridge Dining Room and warm by the giant fireplaces in the grand lobby. Afterwards, return to the Biltmore Estate to visit the gardens, the winery, and Antler Hill Village filled with dining and shopping opportunities. By mid-afternoon we'll board our coach for the trip home, bringing with us cherished memories of this special holiday tour. (B)

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Candlelight Tour of the Biltmore Estate
- Dinner at Deer Park Restaurant
- Gingerbread House display at the Grove Park Inn
- · Breakfast at the Grove Park Inn
- Visit the Biltmore Winery

- Also included: Accommodations, Motorcoach Transportation, Shenandoah Tours Escort, & Luggage Handling.
- 2 Meals = 1B, 1D.