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AND EVERY EVEN MONTH THE 2ND TUESDAY AT 4:30 P.M. IN RACHEL'S KITCHEN

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UPCOMING EVENTS

No April Meeting
Next Monthly Meeting
Monday, May 13
Rachel's Kitchen
11:30 a.m.
Shared Potluck

APRIL 2019 ISSUE

Wine Tasting & Cowboy Lunch

March 23, 2019

by Pam & John Toliver

What a marvelous trip 12 of our Travel Club members took on Saturday, March 23 as we accompanied Classy Cowboys down through Front Royal, east across the Blue Ridge Mountains and into Mosby's Rangers Country, to three beautiful wineries in the Delaplane, Virginia, area. The weather was gorgeous, the company delightful, lunch outstanding, and the wines superb! All three wineries are located on beautiful, large farms, and each offered something a bit different!

Desert Rose Ranch & Winery in Hume



Our first stop was at the Desert Rose Ranch & Winery on Hume Road where we arrived just as the tasting room was opening. Linda and Gary, proprietors of Classy Cowboys and our tour guides on this trip, hosted us for lunch in the tasting room. They set out a wonderful array of fruit, vegetables, chips and dips, and meats and cheeses along with some delicious sandwiches while we enjoyed tasting the wines the winery offered. We were able to purchase a glass or bottle of wine to enjoy with the lunch or enjoy water with our lunch and purchase bottles of wine to take home for our personal enjoyment. After lunch, several of us enjoyed petting the animals in the farmyard out back while others enjoyed walking around the property enjoying the brisk air and lovely scenery. Then we were on to our next stop.



Aspen Dale Winery at the Barn near Delaplane

Second on our list of wineries was Aspen Dale Winery. We arrived at Aspen Dale to be greeted by the owners who accompanied us to their special tasting table in their newly designed lower tasting room. It was furnished with a rustic long table where they had set up a tasting plate containing accompaniments of salami, cheese, crackers, and chocolates for enhancing the different wines we were offered. As Greg Carr, the owner presented each wine, he gave us a history



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Winding Roads Cellars near Markham

Our last stop was at Winding Roads Cellars, owned by Scott & Linda Culver, where we joined a rowdy group of tasters already enjoying the wine and live entertainment. At this winery, we had the choice of partaking in a complete tasting or simply enjoying a glass of wine with



a snack of our choice. Several chose to enjoy the tasting of their wines while others just wanted to relax and enjoy a glass of wine and bread or cookies. John chose the tasting while I enjoyed a glass of wine and a cookie . . . thus we can attest to saying that both experiences are worth the trip! Winding Roads grounds included several old white barns and buildings which were great for photography. We ended our day of winding through the Virginia countryside with a quick trip back West on I-66 to Shenandoah Lodge.



UPDATE APRIL TRAVEL CLUB MEETING

The Trilogy Cherry Blossom trip is on April 9th, the same day as our Travel Club is scheduled to meet. Because several Travel Club members will be going on that trip, we have decided to cancel our April meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday May 13th. This will be a potluck luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. in Rachel's Kitchen.

HIGH TEA AT ROSEMONT MANOR, BERRYVILLE, VA AND HISTORIC MILLWOOD, CLARKE COUNTY



WINCHESTER APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL, MAY 4



We are offering a trip to The Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester for our travel club members who want to experience this fun celebration close to home. Most of the city streets close and parking is difficult so we are offering transportation and reserved seats for the Grand Feature Parade on Saturday May 4th. We will be dropped off close to the Parade Route and picked up after the Parade. Our reserved seats are near the Queen's Viewing area so we will see the best of the Parade.

We will leave the Lodge at 11am and return about 5pm. Price per person including transportation and reserved seating is \$24 per person.

MAY 29, 2019

Price: \$95 per person (includes, transportation, a visit to Historic Millwood, and High Tea and Tour of Rosemont Manor)

Depart Shenandoah Lodge at 9 a.m.
Return by 5 p.m.

Tour Details: We will leave from the Lodge and travel to the Village of Historic Millwood. We will have the morning to explore this charming little village and learn about the history and the famous people who lived in Millwood. Following this tour we will go to Rosemont Manor where we will be greeted in the Carriage House with a beverage and learn about the estate and some of its history. We will enjoy a Tea Service prepared by Rosemont chefs who carefully plan a three-course menu, preparing sandwiches, scones and sweet treats that will complement each of the teas served. Recipes are crafted using seasonal fruits and vegetables. Guests may find savory sandwiches that pair well with Rosemont's Byrd Blend black tea. Other menu items include delectable scones that marry with our Rosemont Blend green tea. Tea service includes a sampling of desserts. Following tea service, we

will be able to tour the Manor House and the beautiful grounds and spend some time relaxing on the porch while enjoying the views of the grounds.

There is a great deal of interest in this trip so get your checks in to the Concierge Desk to reserve your spot. Our trips fill up quickly.

A BIT OF HISTORY ABOUT THE TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Millwood Commercial Historic District is a national historic district located at Millwood, Clarke County, Virginia. Developed after the American Revolutionary War around the Burwell-Morgan Mill along Spout Run and one of the largest in the area. It is near several roads important in the colonial era, including Route 17 and Route 340. Col. Nathaniel Burwell (1750-1814), who owned over 5,000 acres in the agriculturally productive area constructed it with General Daniel Morgan (1736-1802) as his business partner.

The mill had become derelict by the 1940s, when it was acquired by the Clarke County Historical Association, which restored it and operates it as a living history museum. This district includes 10 additional contributing buildings in the village of Millwood. They include a log building (c. 1800) that was originally part of a tannery along Spout Run and later used as a tollhouse; a log building (c. 1805) that was used to store liquor and was later converted into a residence; the frame miller's house (c. 1830 located directly south of the mill); a brick store (c. 1836 that partially burned in 1935 and still functions as a store).

The remaining buildings are associated with the village's commercial core in the late 19th and early 20th centuries: a 1-story stone and frame outbuilding that may have once been used as a cooper's shop; a frame, 1½-story, late-19th century commercial building; a 1½-story frame commercial building that once housed the Millwood post office (c. 1900); a 1-story, formed concrete block building (constructed ca. 1928, as a car showroom and now used as an antique shop); and a 1-story, brick former service station (c. 1930) that has housed the post office since 1985. The commercial buildings are directly visible from the mill and the district was drawn to exclude residential, religious and educational buildings. It was listed on the [National Register of Historic Places](#) in 2006.



A Brief History of Rosemont.

Throughout its 200-year history, Historic Rosemont Manor has embodied the graciousness of

true Southern Hospitality. Rosemont is a fine old Virginia mansion set on a knoll facing east over the Shenandoah Valley to the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Originally the 5,000-acre property was bequeathed to the first High Sheriff of Clarke County, George Horton Norris in the early 1800s. Norris built the manor, which he named "Rose Mont", as a wedding gift for his bride, Jane Bowles Wormeley in 1811. It was constructed in the popular Georgian style of that time. The Norris family continued living at Rosemont until 1854, when Norris's granddaughter married into the wealthy Tyson family of Baltimore. The Tysons added the Grand Portico, with its gabled pediment and fluted Doric columns, on east side of the manor house.

The main entrance was moved there, and carriages delivered ladies and gentlemen dressed in Victorian finery for spectacular evenings of dining and dancing. In 1864, the War Between the States was in full force throughout the Shenandoah Valley, and the grounds at Rosemont became the focal point of the Battle of Berryville, with Northern troops assembling lines on both sides of the manor.

To date, numerous Civil War relics have been excavated from the property. Rosemont remained in the Tyson family for nearly 50 years. Rosemont changed hands several times just after the turn of the 20th century and was then purchased in 1910 by New York attorney J. Low Harriman and his wife as their country home. The Harrimans added a large two-story wing to provide additional quarters for their frequent guests. They did extensive remodeling of Rosemont, changing the floor plan and adding the impressive two-story grand staircase. They also added a south extension onto the existing library and a sleeping porch above, as well as a sunroom off the dining room.

The Harrimans sold Rosemont in 1917 to William and Anne Smith, who kept Rosemont as their primary residence until the late 1920's. In 1929

Virginia Governor Harry F. Byrd, Sr. purchased Rosemont. As Harry Sr. continued his rise to political power as a U.S. Senator, the manor evolved into a haven for politicians, and the grounds became a landing pad for presidential helicopters. Harry Sr. lived at Rosemont until his death in 1966. Rosemont remained in the Byrd family until 1997, when it was purchased by Randy and Sue Jones from Northern Virginia who made extensive restorations. The Joneses also continued Rosemont's legacy of playing host to prominent politicians, community leaders and charitable fundraisers.

Purchased 2009 by William & Barbara Genda of Clarke County in part to keep it from being lost to development, Rosemont's renovations were completed one year later and opened to the public for the first time in 200 years as an exclusive bed and breakfast and special events venue.

Jesus & Camelot
LANCASTER, PA
June 14-15, 2019
2 Days / 1 Night

PRICE PER PERSON:

**TWIN/DOUBLE \$379,
SINGLE \$469**

**DEPOSIT: \$50.00 PER PERSON
FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE ON OR BEFORE
MAY 14, 2019**

**OPTIONAL TRIP
CANCELLATION/INTERRUPTION
PROTECTION \$39 PER PERSON.**

TOUR INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation
- Baggage handling (one bag per person)
- Reserved Seats for *Jesus* at the Millennium Theatre
- Reserved seats for *Camelot* at Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre
- Overnight Accommodations
- 3 Meals - 1 Breakfast, 1 Lunch & 1 Dinner

JESUS returns to Sight & Sound's Millennium Theatre in 2019! This beloved story has been seen by thousands and its return offers us another opportunity to witness the miraculous journey of the most famous person to ever walk on earth! In addition, enjoy *Camelot* at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre. Come along for a great time in Lancaster!

Day 1 - Friday - June 14

Today's travels take us to the heart of Pennsylvania's Amish Country. Flowing meadows, patchwork farmlands, and quiet countrysides where local farmers plow the fields with their teams of horses are common sights here. This afternoon we'll attend the performance of *Jesus* presented on the great stage at Sight & Sound's Millennium Theatre. *Jesus*, the greatest rescue story of all times will take us on a miraculous journey alongside the most famous person to ever walk the earth. Witness his miracles and meet the everyday people whose lives he changed forever. We'll be overwhelmed by his love, mercy, and goodness. Afterwards dinner will be enjoyed at Miller's Restaurant with our overnight stay at the Country Inn of Lancaster. (D)

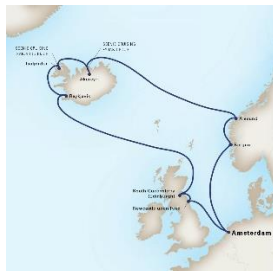
Day 2 - Saturday - June 15

Camelot at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre/Home

All aboard for our morning tour as we explore the back roads, past working farms and country roads where horses and buggies roll along. We'll stop at a local quilt shop, pretzel bakery, or bake shop. On to Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre for lunch and an amazing musical. It's the great love story of *Camelot*. Idealistic young [King Arthur](#) hopes to create a kingdom with the Knights of the Round Table who fight for justice and right. His ideas, however, are tested when his lovely queen, Guinevere, falls in love with his favorite knight, Lancelot. Songs include *If Ever I Would Leave You* and *Camelot*. Following the show we'll board our coach for the trip home. (B,L)

14 Day Northern Isles Cruise to England, Scotland, Norway and Iceland--August 4-18, 2019

Our most exciting trip this year will be our two-week cruise to Iceland, England, Norway and Scotland. In my opinion, there is no better way to visit this land of the Vikings and the Northern Lights than a cruise. There is no packing and unpacking, no struggling with luggage, no wondering about how to find good food, and we are going to be able to visit fantastic ports and see parts of Iceland that we probably would not get to see without a cruise—especially this cruise because it cruises around more of Iceland than most other cruises.



The itinerary is fabulous and, in addition, we will be sailing on Holland America's Nieuw Statendam. This is Holland America's newest ship. The first voyage was in December, so we will be experiencing her debut season. This ship offers state-of-the-art enhancements that chart a bold new course forward in cruising. The Nieuw Statendam will be our welcoming sanctuary at the end of each eventful day.

Best of all, we will be traveling with a group of friends from Lake Frederick. And I will be helping to make arrangements for our group. There are about 20 people going so far, and I know that several of you have expressed interest in joining us. Prices vary depending on the stateroom and the amenities you choose. Prices start at \$2499 person plus \$245 port taxes and plus airfare.

Call Jaime at Holland America to discuss options, 800-355-3017 ext 29344.

The ship will depart from Amsterdam on August 4, 2019, and return on the 18th. You can book your flights now through Jaime and she will get

you the best airfare for the dates you select. Some folks want to spend more time in Amsterdam and some of us are leaving on August 3rd and arriving in Amsterdam August 4th at 7:15 a.m. and returning to Dulles on the 18th. I have arranged my flights for those times and most of the people going have also booked flights for those days. We will have transportation available to take the people on that flight schedule from the Lodge to and from Dulles airport. The flight prices change constantly so talk with Jaime about booking as soon as possible. We hope you will join us. And if you are traveling alone and would like a roommate, let me know because we have several single travelers.

Our Group # TQR

Our Voyage # is J955

Call Jaime at 800-355-3017 ext. 29344 to book your stateroom or ask whatever questions you might have. It will be a fantastic trip!

UPCOMING 2019 TRIPS

These are some of the trips planned for this year through December. There will also be day trips added throughout the year.

- May 4 - Winchester Apple Blossom Festival \$49 per person
- May 29 - Tour of Historic Millwood and High Tea at Rosemont Manor, \$95 per person
- June 14-15 – Lancaster Pa--Jesus at the Millennium Theatre/
- August 4-18 – Cruise to Iceland, England, Scotland and Norway from \$2499 per person
- October Asheville and The Biltmore Estate
- November 22-24 – New York City Christmas Showtime \$899 per person
- December 8-10 – Christmas in Williamsburg