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Dear Sports Leisure Friends:

We are **very** sensitive to all that is happening around us. Our planet is in the middle of a huge crisis. A lot of people will be sick. Some will not make it. Lives will be changed forever. Here at **Sports Leisure**, over a million dollars worth of tour payments have been refunded. The phones have stopped ringing (except for people calling to cancel a reservation or inquire about a refund), and most of us are working from home.

So why, in the middle of all of this, did we decide to put out a newsletter? Our Spring Preview Day was originally scheduled for April 4th. A newsletter would have followed immediately after, announcing all of the late fall, holiday and even early 2021 tours. The last newsletter was sent in mid-January, so we are overdue to communicate with our travelers.

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But we need to be watchful of our dollars until business gets going again, so we decided to try something we had talked about for years, **an e-Newsletter**. We do this with the knowledge that there are about 1,500 Travel Club Members who either don't have an e-mail address, or haven't shared it with us. They won't receive this newsletter, unless you tell them about it, and they call and ask for a printed copy. We are happy to mail one to anyone who doesn't receive it in their e-mailbox. The next regular printed newsletter will come out in late June or early July.

Our **Spring Preview Day** has been moved back to Saturday, May 23rd, at the KVIE studios. Sessions are at **10am** and **1pm**, and will be held at the **KVIE Studios**, located at 2030 West El Camino Ave., 95833. There is no admission charge. Make reservations by calling our office. **Phones are open M-F, 9am – 3pm. The physical office is closed until the Stay at Home order is lifted.** (All registered for Spring Preview Day will receive an update by mail the first part of May.)

Day trips are cancelled through May 1. Longer distance tours are cancelled through June 15 (some participants on June tours are still being contacted as this is published, please be patient). We are looking to our **Hwy 101 – Oregon Coast** trip to perhaps be our first longer trip to return to the road. We are still hopefully May theater day trips may operate. Or now, it's wait and see.

One final answer to why we are producing a newsletter now. It's a piece of normal. Right now, few things are normal, and they won't be for weeks or maybe months. So we thought a newsletter with some things that might make you smile, or at least changes thoughts, would be a nice break from the realities of a Covid-19 world.

Someday, this will be in our rear-view mirror. In the meantime, enjoy these pages, conjure up a travel memory or two and hang in there. Keep your social distance, **it works.**

Sincerely,
Mark, Clayton and the Team at Sports Leisure Vacations



Concert Time: The lovely ladies of the Sacramento Valley Chorus entertained us at a special concert for our Gold Members in February. They will be back for an encore next year (2021) for a Christmas Show for all of our Travel Club Members.

Just One Man's Opinion by Mark Hoffmann

There's a line in an old song "Truckin," by the **Grateful Dead** which talks about what a "long, strange trip it's been." I know there are a few ol' rock 'n rollers in our travel clan who remember that song. It is appropriate for today. Because lately, it certainly has been a strange trip...



Okay, show of hands out there. How many of you remember the Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918? (looking around the room...) No one it seems. So none of us has really been through this before. The whole social distancing thing (remember, like you did with that boy you met in high school when you REALLY didn't want to see him again), that was you socially distanced yourself.

At **Sports Leisure Vacations**, the COVID-19 has caused quite a lot of commotion. Trips have been postponed or cancelled, a Tour Preview Day has been pushed back, we've all had to work hard at quickly getting refunds from our vendors and passing them on to you. Over a million dollars worth.

It's a sad time. Sad because we spend a lot of our days here creating what we think are pretty special adventures, writing copy for a catalog, rounding up pictures, selling the trip to you, "working" it prior to departure, only (in this case) to have to undo **everything**. Some tour planners (Clayton comes to mind) lost most of their spring schedule. When you work that hard, and that long, to create something to share with others, and then don't have the opportunity, it's more than profits that are lost. There were some long faces around our place.

It is a "long, strange trip," this time we spend on planet earth. Some people's trips are longer and more complicated/interesting than others. Some people are accused by their friends of "always trippin'." But then, I was the guy who took 25 people to a marijuana dispensary on a mystery tour last

year so they could learn about the pain med known as CBDs.

The only trippin' we've all been doing lately is the trip from the living room to the back porch. When you've spent 40 years of your life traveling, is amazing how bored you can become with your surroundings in just a few short weeks. It's exactly 5.2 miles from my house to the office and the grocery and drug stores are on the route. So is See's Candy, but they aren't considered an **essential** business. (Fine, try living the rest of your life without it and see how that works out.) Speaking of essential businesses, why is the donut store closed and the ice cream shop open? Answer me that one...

So the refunds for cancelled tours are out, and our crew here is down to two people a day. Within a few days of when you receive this newsletter, we will be doing all of our business remotely. But then, a good portion of the country is shut down, so it's getting tougher to actually DO business. **(The office is NOT open for walk-ins.)**

Soon the virus will lighten up, and we will have the opportunity to travel again. For many, they will first peek their head out to see if everything is ok. They will take a day trip, or a short, close-to-home 3 day tour, just to make sure travel is the way they remembered it. Slowly, over a period of months, travelers will find their footing, and head back to grander adventures. (Did you know **Music Man**, starring **Hugh Jackman**, is featured on our **Thanksgiving in New York** tour? I told you grand adventures await.)

We have rescheduled our **Spring Preview Day** (see the front page for details), in an attempt to roll out our holiday tours for 2020. If the "all clear" isn't given by May23rd (our Preview Day date), we'll come up with a plan "C".

People vs. Profits

I want you to know we are not only focused on getting back on the road. We are focused on protecting our travelers, just as we always have. We have monitored this entire situation with the virus carefully, and we were among the first operators to cancel and reschedule tours. The COVID-19 virus is serious

business and there's no reason to put our staff or our travelers in danger.

In a few cases, we were able to reschedule tours and offer you the opportunity to roll over your deposits for later in the year (or 2021). Where we couldn't do that, refunds were made, over a million dollars worth of credit card refunds and checks. We are part of the **California Seller of Travel Law**, and so your money is protected. (This is a tough time for travel companies, be careful who you trust with your money.)

Thank You

For your comments on our Facebook page on line, the notes you've sent and the comments you share on your phone calls. Thanks for caring. It matters. It's amazing how, right now, the smallest kindnesses are appreciated. Consider a thank you, or a small Starbucks gift card, or your favorite baked cookies to that grocery clerk who worked his or her butt off for the last several weeks. Or when you see someone in "scrubs" at the grocery store, thank them for being there for all of us. Maybe you leave a dollar in the tip jar at the drive through, even though you think this whole tipping thing has gotten out of hand. For a few words or a few dollars, or a combination of both, you can buy a LOT of karma. I suspect some of you are already aware of this. **We are all in this together.** Grandma, you may have to explain that to grandson. Do it.

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Hope to see many of you at **Spring Preview Day**, if we are allowed to be in the same room together by then. There might even be these old-timey things called "baseball games" sometime this summer. You never know. Just one more time, thank you for your support. Wouldn't trade you all for the world. See you on the radio, new time **5pm Sundays**. And so it goes...

Mark Hoffmann, CTP
Owner/Founder

Dear Friends:

Those who know me are aware I'm a religious man. I look to God for answers in times of uncertainty. The events of the past few weeks can't easily be understood, explained or justified. In the "good old days" I might have picked up my Bible for solace, but this is the 21st Century. I decided to turn to the Church of Google for guidance. It's amazing what I found – good stuff if you're inclined to check it out as well – but there's just one thing I want to share. The most used phrase in the Bible is "And it came to pass." 120 times! Our LDS friends see the phrase even more – over 1300 times in The Book of Mormon. So what does this mean for a person of faith? I think it's telling us nothing comes to stay – everything comes to pass. Things seem so uncertain right now, but that's going to pass. We've been told to distance ourselves from family and friends. Thankfully that's going to pass, too. Even the toilet paper shortage is going to pass! Can I hear an "Amen"?



The focal point of **Spring Preview Day** is our roll-out of the holiday tour calendar. Though this year's event has been moved from April 4 to May 23 it will be no exception. Whether visions of Thanksgiving, Christmas or New Year's travel are dancing in your head, rest assured we've got you covered! Read on for a sneak peak of our winter lineup...

Thanksgiving in New York – November 22-27: Our annual trip to the Big Apple includes tickets to the highly-anticipated revival of *The Music Man* starring Tony Award winners Hugh Jackman as the fast-talking Harold Hill and Sutton Foster as Marian the librarian. Stay five nights in the center of it all at the Marriott Marquis on Times Square!

An Apple Farm Christmas – November 30-December 3: A visit to the central coast is a great way to get into the holiday spirit.

Decorations adorn the halls and the spirit of Christmas is everywhere at Hearst Castle and the cozy Apple Farm Inn where you'll rest well during your 3-night stay.

Christmas in Victoria – December 2-5: Kick off the holidays with a bit of British flair and a heaping portion of Canadian hospitality – a taste of jolly old England, yet so close to home!

The 19th Annual Christmas Mystery Tour – December 3-8: It's a mystery tour, so there's not much I can say except it's always a sell-out and those who participate LOVE IT!

Puttin' on the Ritz for Christmas – December 13-15: Spend two nights in paradise – the Ritz Carlton on Half Moon Bay – set atop a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Other highlights include brunch at the Hayes Mansion in San Jose and a visit to Filoli Mansion and Gardens.

All Aboard the Christmas Train – December 23-25: Take the train over the Sierra (let's hope for an early snow!) for togetherness and holiday activities Virginia City and Reno with accommodations downtown at the Silver Legacy.

132nd Tournament of Roses Parade – December 30 – January 1: A California New Year's tradition! Watch the parade floats being created, then enjoy seeing them pass down Colorado Boulevard from reserved seating along with marching bands, equestrian units and celebrities from the large and small screen.

New Year's Eve with a Queen – December 30-January 2: Be a guest aboard the *Queen Mary* for a two-night stay and gala New Year's Eve festivities. On New Year's Day head to San Diego for one night and a performance of *Salute to Vienna* in Copley Symphony Hall.

Reservations for these tours open on **Tuesday, May 26** as Monday is a holiday – Memorial Day. We look forward to seeing you on the road when all this comes to pass. Wishing you a magical holiday season!

"Your Tour Guy,"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clayton".

Clayton Whitehead, CTP
Vice President

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Tom Romano and Mark Hoffmann

The Customers Always Write

Hi Ramona,

We had a wonderful time on our month long trip. Thank you Ramona, and Sports Leisure for putting together such a fine adventure! We realize now how nice it was to be in our own little world while cruising around AUS, TASSI, AND NZ. No hassle, no fear! Just fun, learning, beautiful sites, and great food. It was fun to make new friends from Down Under as well as the US. We are so grateful for it all!

We arrived home to a world of chaos and fear. Ramona, we hope all is well with you. Thanks again for your leadership, friendship and companionship on the "Walk For a Cause." Fondly,
Irene and Mary Sue

Hi Scott:

I just wanted to again thank you for putting this trip together. This goes down as my **All Time Favorite**. It would not have been **ICE MAGIC** had it been warm – right? Also I appreciate the pictures you sent. So Beautiful. Sincerely,
Ruth Costa

Dear Mark,

Thank you for your proactive and caring approach to SLV members and travelers in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Because so many of your members are in the 60+ at risk group, the logistical and financial effects of canceling and rescheduling **SLV** trips are undoubtedly disproportionate.

Please be assured that your thoughtful, considerate actions only enhance **SLV's** excellent reputation – and that your "mature travelers" will be back as soon as we can! Sincerely,
Jean Wu

To: Jim Pelley

Subject: Hangers in the rooms – Silver Legacy Hotel

Hi Jim, how are you? I hope everyone enjoyed their stay with us this week.

Housekeeping notes: It seems our hangers that are in the rooms were a favorite on this trip as well as the last trip. I am not

sure of the guest who liked them but if you inform guests the hangers need to stay in the rooms. The cost is \$5 per hanger (expensive hangers). I absorbed the cost but I would appreciate it if you would convey this message.

Thanks a bunch, as soon as I have the folio I will get it to you.

Kimberly Thorndike
Motorcoach & Leisure Sales Manager
Silver Legacy

Ed. Note: This might be one of the funniest notes I've ever gotten. Well, actually it was sent to Jim. Apparently, the hangers at the hotel were too much to resist. The hangers? On future visits, whomever the "hanger gatherers" were, please know that the hotel is onto your hustle...

Hi Scott,

Yellowstone was a lovely winter holiday. Thanks for all your hard work. If you have the opportunity to plan a winter holiday in Alaska next year I would sign up. Happy travels to you.

Emilia

Ed. Note: Sports Leisure Vacations, as part of our sponsor agreement to PBS channel KVIE, underwrite a portion of the cost of **Rob on the Road**. The letter below was written to Rob, via our web site.

Dear Rob,

I want to share that I love watching *Rob on the Road*. Not just because you visit great places and interview interesting people, but because of how you interact with those you meet. You express such a kind and compassionate spirit toward everyone you talk to. You are always so kind and gentle in every situation, but the one thing that really stands out is how you treat animals. You really connect with them and you clearly have a love and respect for them. As an advocate for animal rights and with

a non-profit feline rescue I am always so happy to see others who make that genuine connection with these precious ones we share this planet with.

There is little on TV these days that warrants my time so I just want to say THANK YOU for providing and showing kindness to the world around us. Your true interest and passion for what you do does not go unnoticed and is greatly appreciated. Sincerely,
Cecilia Tillett

Hello Mark,

My name is Becky Carruthers and I am a Gold Member. I've been traveling with Sports Leisure since 2013 and I have really enjoyed the time spent on the day/overnight trips. This week was my third time taking the snow train trip. Even though we didn't have a lot of snow, it was a beautiful, sunny, crystal-clear trip. Jim is a great, delightful tour director.

There is one problem I want to share with you: room location. I was on the 5th floor overlooking the HVAC system/parking garage/huge white dome of the Silver Legacy. There was a thin strip where I could look out the window and see some mountains. Even though I didn't spend much time in the room, it is still nice to have a good view of the mountains, especially with such clear, beautiful weather. I wouldn't have been so surprised with the location of the room, if on the previous two trips I hadn't had good, higher room locations with fabulous views.

Look What We're Doing...



Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/sportsleisure. We post pictures of recent trips and sometimes trips that are currently on the road... so you may see a fellow **Sports Leisure** traveler while they are actually on vacation. How awesome is that?

PASSPORT INFORMATION

Your passport must be valid for at least six months past the end date of your tour.

I think you like to know how your members enjoy (or not) the trips and I should tell you more often about all the good times. You have a fine organization from the trip offerings, office personnel, tour directors, and bus drivers (I do miss Greg though). Sincerely,

Becky

Ed. Note: Becky's comments give me an opportunity to address something. When we reserve rooms at hotels, we are often given a rate lower than what is available to the general public. In return for those rates, the hotel, in the contract, will designate our room block as "run of house." It's a common hotel term meaning, "we can give you any rooms in the hotel" which meet agreed on standards and bedding. On rare occasion (Niagara Falls and Maui are two that come to mind), we reserve view rooms, because it's an important part of the experience. If you wish a room with a view in other cases, it is certainly possible, but it comes at a premium price.

Becky, your experience on several trips sorta makes my point. By luck of the draw, you got rooms with a view twice. Then the odds caught up with you and you got a limited view room. If you (or anyone reading along) would like to guarantee a room on a higher floor, a view, etc., inquire when you register for a trip and we will check into it for you. One last thought. "Run of House" refers to locations of rooms in the building. **ALL ROOMS** should be clean and comfortable, and meet your expectations. If it doesn't, Becky is right, we want to know.

Mark:

We have enjoyed traveling with you over the years, but due to our move to Santa Rosa we will no longer be able to travel with you. We have so many fond memories of our many trips with you. You may remove us from your mailing list. Thank you, Mark, Clayton, Ramona and Scott. Great trips!!

Charles and JoAnn Marchese

Proud members of the



Hello Mark,

What a beautiful letter you posted to your clients on Facebook and your web site (www.sportsleisure.com) regarding business and this horrible virus we are going thru. Your assurance that you will be here and travel again when we get thru this health situation is very encouraging. Being home is difficult and I have missed my **SLV** people very much!! One thing we are sure of is you will be safe and careful about your trips and we are as anxious as you are to go again. Keep safe and well. Love you always,
Mary Brookshire

P.S. Thanks so very much for bringing your clients to see the Sacramento Valley Chorus perform in February.

Dear SLV,

What a pleasure it was to see and hear Clayton last evening at the University Retirement Community. He brought the important info, about traveling in today's world, plus the all-important REAL I.D. (yes Clayton, I checked the bear with the star). Many thanks Clayton, you brightened my day in many ways.

Carole Creveling

Mark,

What happened to All West buses? Me and my husband who is now deceased have taken many wonderful trips with Sports Leisure Vacations over 15 or more years. I am unable to go on long trips, but do still like to go on day trips.

The last day trip I went on was not on the All West buses. The new bus you are now using is very uncomfortable, seats are very hard which leaves me not wanting to go on any more day trips. Please bring back All West Co. Also I miss Greg and all the All West drivers. Sincerely,

Carol Kendrick

Dear Sports Leisure,

Feb. 18-19 Snow train trip Reno. Kudos to both Jim and Simon, for making our trip most enjoyable. This was our first overnight trip with Sports Leisure and we felt well taken care of from the start to finish. Our driver did a fantastic job of keeping us safe and sound. Both men deserve high praise for

their professionalism and courtesy. Hoping to travel again soon someday with Jim and Simon. Regards,

Don and Sandi Adams

Dear Ramona,

Thank you very much for the generous donation of \$450.00 to the Manzanar National Historic Site. Your contributions will help tell the stories of Japanese incarcerated during World War II. There are really no words to express the importance of this donation. We greatly appreciate your help in the stewardship of this special place. On behalf of everyone at Manzanar, please accept our sincere thanks for your support. Sincerely,

Bernadette Johnson

Hi Mark,

Once again, I am happy to acknowledge your intent to sponsor the ladies of the Sacramento Valley Chorus at the Premier level. Without the support of businesses like Sports Leisure Vacations, SVC could not continue its mission of education and bringing joy to the public through song. We appreciate all you do for us and your community. Thank you for bringing your travelers to the special concert in February. In harmony,

Babs Causley, SVC Corporate Sponsor Team

Ed. Note: Babs, it is a pleasure to work with you and to sponsor the ladies. Such a classy group. Appreciate the concert you did for our Gold Members and look forward to a great Christmas show for the entire **Sports Leisure** membership in 2021! The ladies really sound good!

If you have a comment, suggestion or tour idea, we invite you to drop us a line. Due to space limitations, not all letters can be printed (others may be edited). Mail to:

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The Incredible Story of Robbie and His Dog

(told by Robbie's Mom)

Buffy was scheduled to have her teeth cleaned and removed today but the vet had a gut feeling she needed to look at some lab work before putting Buffy under anesthesia. She was right; Buffy showed signs of advanced kidney failure, so anesthesia was not an option and as a family we decided that the kindest and most loving thing to do would be to let her go before she lost her will to live.

I wouldn't have dreamed of leaving my son Robbie out of this decision or not allowing him to be part of the entire process so I immediately went and picked him up from school. On the way there he told me he wanted to be the one to hold her when she went to heaven. And of course, I gave him that honor. On the way home I told him how proud I was of him for understanding the importance of caring for old animals and helping to make sure they never ever suffer. This is what he said... (And for those of you who don't know, Robbie was adopted from the foster care system after years of severe abuse and neglect.)

"I know how it feels not to be loved or cared for and I don't want any animal of mine to ever feel that way. It's only sad for us when they go to heaven. It's a happy day for them. Thank you for being proud of me. Are you ok, Mom?"

(As our story is being shared more and more I feel like I need to add a little more context and also give you a deeper glimpse into the heart of my son. We adopt senior dogs. Robbie LOVES adopting senior dogs.

He is sadly aware the longer a child remains in foster care the less likely they are to be adopted. He told me once "if all you guys had wanted was a baby, you would have never gotten me."

He has also reminded me on several occasions that it doesn't matter how long you have something for how much you love it. I asked him what he meant and he said "well you've only known me for two years but you love me like it's been forever. Yes, my son is the coolest."



Quote of the day

"We send a message to every kid out there wondering if whatever marks them out as different means they are somehow destined to be less than. [They saw] that someone who once felt that exact way can become a leading American presidential candidate-with his husband at his side,"

Pete Buttigieg, Presidential Candidate, in his concession speech.



Grandpa heard there is a shortage of medical equipment to fight the virus, so he made his own. Look carefully, it's an orange!

The Mouse Trap

A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package. "What food might this contain," the mouse wondered? He was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap.



Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning: "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said, "Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it."

The mouse turned to the pig and told him, "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The pig sympathized, but said "I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers."

The mouse turned to the cow and said, "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The cow said, "Wow, Mr. Mouse, I'm sorry for you, but it's no skin off my nose." So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer's mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house -- like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer's wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer's wife. The farmer rushed her to the hospital and she returned home with a fever.

Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient. But his wife's sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig. The farmer's wife did not get well; she died. So many people came for her funeral that the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them.

The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness. So,

the next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn't concern you, remember: when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage one another. Each of us is a vital thread in another person's tapestry.

Three Strands of Hair

Once a woman woke up in the morning and realized that she had only three strands of hair left on her head. "Well", she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today." She braided her hair and she had a wonderful day.

When she got up the next day and looked in the mirror she noticed she had just two strands of hair on her head. She said, "I think I'll part my hair down the middle today." She parted her hair in the middle and she had a great day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and noticed that she had only one hair on her head. "Well," she said, "Today I'm going to wear my hair in a pony tail." So she did, and she had a fun day.

The next day she woke up and noticed that there wasn't a single hair on her head. "Yippie," she exclaimed! "I don't have to fix my hair today!"

Moral: Attitude *is* everything. Everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle. Live simply, speak kindly, love generously, care deeply.

Your Journey...

You have been sent on a journey. You had no choice about when or where it began. You don't know when, where, or how it will end. You have no map. All you know for sure is that it's sure to end sometime. There are rules that apply to this journey, but you had to learn them as you go. You can't control them. You may not even know the purpose of the journey, even though others claim they do.

All you know is that once started, you must continue every day whether you feel like it or not. You start with no possessions and when you finish you must turn in all you have accumulated.

In the end, say some, you'll be rewarded or punished. But how do they know for sure? That's life my friends, and you can't change it. A little faith and sense of humor,

fortunately, help cushion some of the bumps. And that's why you find **The Human Side** in every newsletter.

2020 A Dementia Test (only 4 questions this year)

Exercise of the brain is as important as exercise of the muscles. As we grow older, it's important to keep mentally alert. If you don't use it, you will lose it! Here is a very private way to gauge how your memory compares to your last test. Some may think it is too easy, but the ones with memory problems may have difficulty. Take this test to determine if you're losing it or not. The spaces below are so you don't see the answers until you've answered. OK, **RELAX**, clear your mind and begin

1. What do you put in a toaster ?

Answer: 'bread.' If you said 'toast', just give up now and go do something else. And, try not to hurt yourself. If you said, bread, go to Question 2.

2. Say 'silk' ten times. Now spell 'silk.' What do cows drink?

Answer: Cows drink water. If you said 'milk,' don't attempt the next question. Your brain is already over-stressed and may even overheat. Content yourself with reading more appropriate literature such as Women's Weekly or Auto World. However, if

you did say 'water', proceed to Question #3.

3. If a red house is made from red bricks and a blue house is made from blue bricks and a pink house is made from pink bricks and a black house is made from black bricks, what is a green house made from?

Answer: Greenhouses are made from glass. If you said, 'green bricks,' why are you still reading this??? PLEASE, go lie down! But, if you said, 'glass,' go on to Question #4.

4. Please do not use a calculator for this for it would be cheating: You are driving a bus from New York City to Philadelphia. In Staten Island, 17 people got on the bus.

In New Brunswick, 6 people get off the bus and 9 people get on. In Windsor, 2 people get off and 4 get on. In Trenton, 11 people get off and 16 people get on. And, in Camden, 6 people get off and 3 get on. You then arrive at Philadelphia Station.

Without going back to review, how old is the bus driver? Answer: Oh, for crying out loud ! Don't you remember your own age?!?! It was YOU driving the bus!

If you pass this along to your friends, pray they do better than you.

PS: 95% of people fail most of the questions!

Breakfast was Never THIS Difficult Before...

This is something that happened to an assisted living center. The people who lived there have small apartments but they all ate at the central cafeteria. One morning one of the residents didn't show for breakfast so his wife went upstairs and knocked on his door to see if everything was OK. She could hear him through the door and he said he was running late and would be down shortly, so she went back to the dining area.

An hour later he still hadn't arrived, so she went back towards his room but found he was on the stairs. He was coming down the stairs but was having a hard time. He had a death grip on the hand rail and seemed to be having trouble getting his legs to work right. She told him she was going to call an ambulance but he told her no, He wasn't in any pain and just wanted to have his breakfast. So, she helped him the rest of the way down the stairs. When he tried to return to his room, he was completely unable to get up even the first step, so she called an ambulance for him.

A couple hours later she called the hospital to see how he was doing. The receptionist there said he was fine, **he just had both legs in one side of his boxer shorts.** The ultimate wedgie.



Friends we have lost...

Dolores Cherezian
Ben Mayfield
Mary Anderson
Robert Davis
Al Frescas
Karen Golvin
Nona Sall

Jim Reddecopp

The Vanilla Man from Hawaii. One of the kindest, gentlest, nicest people you could ever have the pleasure of meeting. Jim was chairman of the National Tour Association in 2012. I served as his vice-chair. The following year, at my request, the association held our major summer event on the Big Island of Hawaii. Jim made it all happen. He must have called in dozens of favors. Or maybe people did it because it was Jim.

Friendship was one of Jim's strongest suits. People gravitated to him, because of his charm and warm personality. From his very first day at his first NTA conference, activity and laughter seemed to follow him.

Jim decided to create a vanilla farm, the **only** commercially raised vanilla in the United States. Lots and lots of work. If you go to the Big Island, you can tour the farm and hear the story of how vanilla plants have to be **hand pollinated**, one at a time, in a very small window of opportunity. Jim had so much patience. It's no surprise his farm was a success.

So what did Jim do? He willingly shared his knowledge of vanilla with others in the islands, **potentially creating his own competition!** But Jim didn't care. He was bigger than small day-to-day issues like that. He saw the big picture like few others. That's why the vanilla farm and the tour experience he and his family created to go with it is such a success. It's also why Jim was one of my favorite people. Just having Jim in the room made your day better. In dark hours, he was

always the one with the light. Hawaii has lost a treasure. Heaven has gained an angel.

Harry Valentine

Harry was a fascinating guy. We took a number of trips together. Harry was quiet, not the kind of guy who would dominate a conversation. But boy did he have stories. It was Harry who taught me every person has a story. They are all different, each fascinating in its own way. Harry helped me understand that.

He worked for Cal Trans for 46 years. He loved to fly and to sail as hobbies. And he loved to travel. He lived for the **travel** part of travel. A ride on a train, or a plane, or a boat, especially a boat, made him smile. On board, if prompted (and I learned to prompt him), he would start telling stories of his days at Cal Trans, or some trip he had taken... his eyes would sparkle. They would also sparkle when he spoke of his son Ross and his late daughter Ellen.

A couple of years ago, Harry asked me if he could give me some things he had written about his travels. He came in one day with a bunch of papers and folders and willed them to me. It isn't the first time something like that had happened, and I am always honored when someone presents a lifetime of travel photos, or notes or stories. They are **always** of value. Harry's were no exception. But I didn't read them all in the days that followed. I wanted to save some for times to remember my friend Harry in the future. So this weekend, since we are all trapped at

home, I think I will dip into my stash and do some "Harry" reading. Sort of like curling up with an old friend. Farewell Harry.

Beverly Mullnix

Beverly and her husband Larry, joined in recent years by their daughter Karen, have been a part of hundreds of baseball trips. Day trips, visits to the Hall of Fame, the day we met Yogi Berra; Larry and Bev were a part of them all.

Bev had a great laugh. Maybe that's because it seemed she was always smiling. She was the "ying" to Larry's "yang." I want to say they were married for 67 or 68 years. Bev told me one day that it was actually longer than that, because they met and then Larry got in the military and so Bev had to wait at/by the altar for a year or two.

She beat lung cancer (she **wasn't** even a smoker) in recent years, but it turned out to be a temporary victory. But that victory meant we got to enjoy her presence on a number of trips last year. It seemed her smile had a special significance. It was a smile of someone who had beaten the odds, but who knew that victory might not last forever.

In your life, you will meet a very few people who make you smile **every** time you see them. Across a room, walking towards the bus, waiting on a phone for you to answer (you know, when your phone tells you who is calling). Beverly was one of those people. A very, very special lady.

— Mark



A variety of information of importance to Sports Leisure Travelers...

New Office Hours

Until this whole virus/stay at home situation is resolved, we are staying home. Our phones are being monitored remotely, from **9am-3pm, M-F**. Please know the person who takes your call may have to communicate with another staff member and have them call you back, sometimes the following day. We are mostly working from home, and don't have access to everything we have in the office. The physical office is not open.

Everyone is adjusting and we are all working together. With your patience and our persistence, we can still get the job done, it's just a little more complicated for a while.

Questions about Cancellations and the Virus

Does Travel Insurance/Cancellation Protection Cover The Corona Virus?

The short answer is no. No insurance we are aware of includes pandemics in their coverage.

So How Can I Protect Myself?

Sports Leisure has an option most tour operators don't offer. Up until 60 days before departure on US and Canadian tours, you can *cancel for any reason* and receive a complete refund of all payment, less a \$20 administrative charge. Within 60 days of departure, there are no options, except...

A Special Cancellation Policy

We are offering a special option for those canceling out of fear of travel (catching the virus) who cancel within 60 days of departure. We will split the cancellation charges with you, in the form of a certificate for future travel. If the cancellation fee is \$600, \$300 would be included in your check/credit card refund, and \$300 would be given to you in the form of a Travel Certificate, good on any scheduled tour or cruise within one year.

What if Sports Leisure Cancels the Tour?

If we cancel the tour, you will receive a complete refund. Again, tours cancelled within 60 days of departure may have an

airline voucher as part of the refund. The rest would be in the form used for payment. If you paid for your tour by credit card, for legal reasons, those refunds must be made to the card they were charged on.

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Southwest Allows Two Free Checked Bags – When we Fly Southwest, Why Can't We Check Two instead of One?

This came up on a recent trip to Hawaii. Space in the car is the answer. Many of the cars/SUVs which transport you to/from the airport have limited storage space. We **know** we can accommodate **one** checked bag per person. We also know some of the cars **will not** accommodate two bags per person. How would we match the cars with the bags? (This is already a difficult process, dispatching the cars all over the Sacramento area.) Would it be fair for one person to be allowed two bags, when others got only one? Probably not. Make sense?

Calling the Hotel/Restaurant to Make Your Own Special Arrangements

Recently, we have had a couple of our hotel/restaurant partners advise us they had received calls from members of our group prior to our arrival. In the case of the hotel, the traveler wanted menus from the restaurant sent to her, a list of nearby places the hotel would take her to (the answer of "within two miles of the hotel" didn't work for her), she wanted to be away from the elevator (but not all the way at the end of the hall), also not next to anyone who is having a party or is noisy.

Whew. No wonder the confused hotel staff called our office. The client in question had called three times, and wanted a specific room number, a week in advance of her arrival. The hotel's comment to me, "You need to ask this traveler to stop calling our property."

One of our favorite San Francisco restaurants called. Seems one of our travelers didn't want any of the three choices we were offering and had gone online and

worked out **her own choices from the menu** and was calling the restaurant to make sure they knew what to fix for **her**. The restaurant called us after the traveler had a hard time understanding why what she wanted to do was **possible**, but wasn't something they could do for her. Their comment, "Please advise members of your group they cannot contact us directly to order custom meals." They made it clear if they continued to receive those calls they would decline our group next time. "Things like this have happened before," we were told.

Ouch. As a picky eater and hotel guest myself, I get it. But you need to have a little faith in your tour company. Make your requests when you register, and we will tell you if they are possible or not. Actions like the ones described above are very selfish. Why? You are promoting your interests ahead of the rest of the group, regardless of the impact on the group. **Your fellow travelers.**

Imagine sitting down to a meal on tour and having the person next to you get something you didn't know you had the option of having. (Because you didn't.) Or having someone in the group brag about how they just call all the places ahead of time to (try and) get special treatment.

If you travel as a member of a group, you have some great advantages. You can often see and do things individual travelers cannot. But there are limitations. You have to stay within the structure of the group.

If the "callers" described in this story sound like you, I'd be happy to speak with you about your needs and how we can accommodate you on tour without you privately contacting our partners. But I must tell you that contacting tour vendors on your own to make special arrangements is **not an accepted practice**. If you need that level of service, it's probably best if you travel independently.

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Day Trips & Theatre Outings

Frida Kahlo, Judy Chicago, and Bouquets to Art

de Young Museum in San Francisco

Tuesday, June 2

A diversity of artistic exhibits, style, and expression come together for a triumvirate day sure to appeal to a variety of tastes and interests. The day begins with “*Frida Kahlo: Appearances Can Be Deceiving.*” Recognized worldwide for her self-portraits, she is equally known for Mexican inspired works, and as the wife of artist Diego Rivera. The second special exhibit is “*Judy Chicago: A Retrospective.*” American born, she is known for large art pieces and images that examine the role of women in history and culture. An audio is included for the two exhibits. Complete your day with the popular and annual “*Bouquets to Art.*” Inspired by pieces of the de Young’s permanent collection, floral designers imaginatively highlight and bring life to these works with their own masterpieces of flowers and foliage. Lunch is on your own in the museum café. **\$121**

Bars, Brothels and Barbary Coast Trail of San Francisco

Monday, June 29

Born during the California Gold Rush of 1849, the area of San Francisco referred to as the “Barbary Coast” was a district of saloons, clubs, bars, and brothels. With a rapid influx of treasure seekers, it took on a resemblance the Wild West with graft, gambling and lawlessness. Passing of time and government regulation has now converted these once corrupt areas to popular destinations of Chinatown and North Beach. Join guide Craig Smith as we tour, **walk**, and explore its past and present including the Ferry Building, History of Gold Museum, and Wells Fargo History Museum. A family-style lunch is included at Original Joe’s Restaurant in North Beach. **\$153**

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The Mean Girls

At the Golden Gate Theatre

Wednesday, July 1

Direct from Broadway, this hilarious (and perhaps somewhat cheesy) musical about teenage girls in suburban Illinois comes to San Francisco. Written by Tina Fey (“30 Rock”) this coming-of-age story is filled with energy, wicked good fun, and inside-jokery as Cady Heron learns to navigate the jungle that is her new home. *Mean Girls*, spiced with poignant humor, gets to the heart of what it means to be a true friend, a worthy nemesis, and most of all, a human being. Our Wednesday departure includes a snack box on board the coach, orchestra seating at the 2pm matinee, and dinner on your own at Pier 39 after the show. **\$193**

Celebrate Summer at Copia

Thursday, July 2

Celebrate the bounty of summer with another of our popular “Cuisine and Culinary” visits to Copia in Napa. Always a favorite for everyone who enjoys cooking, food, and dining, it includes a tour of the teaching kitchens, gardens, special exhibits; a demonstration class by a Master Chef of the Culinary Institute of America; and private lunch in their dining room featuring the fresh and seasonal bests from local farms of the Napa Valley. Served family style, lunch is fun way to enjoy and savor a variety of courses sure to please a variety of tastes. The day is complete with some time on your own to explore Oxbow Market next door. Similar to the Ferry Building in San Francisco, it too offers a variety of specialty foods and shops for cooks and foodies. **\$188**

The Presidio, Walt Disney Museum and World War II

Thursday, July 16

Serving as a military post under Spain, Mexico, and the United States from 1776-1994, the Presidio is now a part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. With Craig Smith as local guide, learn the history and

see the ongoing changes including the new Walt Disney Family Museum. Occupying one of the former Army barracks on the Main Parade Ground, the Disney Museum is commemorating the 75th Anniversary end of World War II with a special exhibition of their contributions to the war efforts. Requisitioned as an Army anti-aircraft base after Pearl Harbor, the Disney Studio in Burbank devoted over 90% of their wartime output to films and works that contributed to the Allied war efforts. These rarely-seen works of art, photos, memorabilia, and film clips provide a rare glimpse of animation history in an unforgettable period. Lunch is included mid-day at the Presidio Golf Course Café. **\$159**

My Fair Lady

Golden Gate Theater, San Francisco

Wednesday, August 12

Fresh from Lincoln Center Theater Productions, that brought you *The King & I* and *South Pacific*, comes **a new production** of Lerner & Loewe’s *My Fair Lady*. Director Bartlett Sher’s **revival production flips the typical perspective** from Professor Henry Higgins transforming street urchin Eliza Doolittle to that of a woman hell-bent on improving her own circumstances.

Wednesday trip includes snack box served onboard the coach prior to the 2pm matinee, orchestra seating, Pier 39 for dinner on your own before returning to Sacramento. **\$182**

REMEMBER MEAL CHOICES

When you receive your Final Tour Notes for a trip, check to see if a meal choice is needed. Take a moment while it’s top of mind and make your selection(s) by email or with your payment. For day trips use, **res@sportsleisure.com**. For extended trips, use the email provided. Tracking down those who don’t respond, takes a tremendous amount of effort. Let’s all agree to work together and keep life simple. Thank you!



Bats Over Yolo

Join Ramona for an evening with the bats!

Monday, August 3

Last year this was a great success as **Sports Leisure** Travelers enjoyed the presentation by Corky Quirk from the Northern California Bats Organization, in conjunction with the CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife. Corky presents an exciting and informative lecture about bats, with live bats on hand for observation. Bats are critical to our environment, and while they often get a bad reputation which they don't deserve (think rabies or vampires) ...they really can be quite cute and fascinating. Following the talk, travel out to the Yolo Causeway to view and hear the evening ascension of the bats. It is an amazing sight! **(Please note: no meal included, and there will be walking over uneven ground.) \$108**

Harry Potter and the Cursed Child

Curran Theater, San Francisco

Sunday August 23, 1pm & 6:30pm,

Harry Potter and the Cursed Child is the eighth story in the Harry Potter series and **the first official Harry Potter story to be presented on stage.** *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* opened in 2016 in London and on Broadway in April 2018. It was the most awarded show of that season having won 25 awards including 6 Tony Awards. This story is written in two parts and takes place with Harry now an employee of the Ministry of Magic, a husband and father of three school age children. There are some amazing surprises in this show (but JK Rowling has secured a promise from me not to reveal anything until you have seen the show. Honest!). This Sunday trip includes a snack box on the way down to San Francisco for Part One at 1pm, early dinner during the intermission followed by Part Two at 6:30pm. The coach will return to Sacramento at the end of Part Two. Everyone is invited to wear all or some of their Harry Potter apparel and accessories. And don't forget to bring along your wands! The more the merrier; there will be many there wearing their Slytherin scarf or Gryffindor robe or even bringing their owl. **\$393**



A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum...

East Sonora Theater

Saturday, October 3

Sierra Repertory Theatre presents a fast-paced farce that promises to have audiences laughing in their seats. Forum combines the ancient comedies with vaudevillian delivery. As the slave Pseudolus schemes

to win the heart of Phelia for his young master, Hero, in an attempt to gain his freedom, chaos ensues with hair-brained schemes, cases of mistaken identity and convoluted plot twists. It is sure to be an afternoon of laughter preceded by lunch at Firenze in Oakdale. **\$159**

Giants' Day Trip Schedule for 2020

For the Giants, our seats are in the lower level, up close to the overhang (to give us some sun protection), on the third base side.

Packages include coach transportation, refreshments on board and game tickets. **The Padres and the Cardinals weekday games with the Giants feature a one way ferry ride from Vallejo to the ball park, returning by bus. Game times are listed. Coaches depart Sacramento roughly 4 hours prior to the game.

2020 San Francisco Giants

Thursday, June 4	vs. San Diego Padres	12:45pm	\$138
Thursday, June 25	vs. New York Mets	12:45pm	\$139
Saturday, June 27	vs. Los Angeles Dodgers	4:15pm	\$159
Thursday, July 30	vs. Chicago Cubs	12:45pm	\$159
Thursday, August 13	vs. Los Angeles Dodgers	12:45pm	\$139
Wednesday, September 9	vs. St. Louis Cardinals**	12:45pm	\$138
Sunday, September 27	vs. Milwaukee Brewers	12:05pm	\$139

Tickets for Giants games are located in section 128, on the lower level, rows 31-35, on the third base side, three sections past third base.

New Vacations & Getaways

Santa Cruzin' at the Dream Inn

With the *Santa Cruz Follies Show*
3 Days • September 15-17, 2020

Come with us down to the beach for three fun-filled days in Santa Cruz. Spend two heavenly nights at the iconic **Dream Inn** where every room has an ocean view. How about waking up both mornings to the sound of the ocean, with the Beach Boardwalk and Santa Cruz Pier in sight? Also worth mentioning is that this is a no-fly trip, meaning we'll be traveling in the comfort of our motorcoach.

Included are lunches at **Porter's Restaurant at the Poppy Ridge Golf Club** in Livermore and the **Crow's Nest** in Santa Cruz, and dinner with a sunset ocean view at our hotel.

This year the cast of the Santa Cruz Follies (all over 50 years young) will present "It's A Good Day for Singing a Song". They've been singing, dancing and entertaining folks for over 60 years with an all volunteer cast. A fun and informative docent-guided tour of Santa Cruz and time to shop in nearby Capitola round out your three days of sun in this popular beachside resort town.

This tour included door-to-door service, deluxe motorcoach transportation, your accommodations, 2 lunches and 1 dinner, the Follies Show and the services of a **Sports Leisure** Tour Director. 1250/1450 Gold Passports Points

\$1225 p.p/dbl.occ., \$1440 single
Save \$50 until May 26

Look What We're Doing...



Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/sportsleisure. We post pictures of recent trips and sometimes trips that are currently on the road... so you may see a fellow **Sports Leisure** traveler while they are actually on vacation. How awesome is that?



New England Fall Foliage Spectacular

Our annual expedition takes a new turn this year – to *Lake Placid!*

8 Days • October 4-11



★ Highlights ★

- Visit three New England states
- NH: Canterbury Shaker Village and Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site
- VT: Shelburne Museum, Trapp Family Lodge and Ben & Jerry's
- 3 nights in lakeside cabins on Lake Champlain
- NY: Lake Placid Olympic sites, Ft. Ticonderoga, Ausable Chasm, John Brown Farm
- 3 nights in Lake Placid
- 14 meals: 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 6 dinners
- Door-to-door service
- R/T air into Manchester/out of Albany
- 4650/5200 Gold Passport Points

1. The spectacular begins with a flight to Manchester, NH. Holiday Inn

2. Your thirst for New England will be immediately quenched with a visit to Canterbury Shaker Village, a Nat'l Historic Landmark preserving 25 buildings dating to the 18th and 19th Centuries, all filled with the stunning craftsmanship and handiwork of the original inhabitants. In the afternoon explore the home and gardens of Augustus Saint-Gaudens, America's foremost sculptor. Located on the Vermont shore of Lake

Champlain, Basin Harbor features a historic lodge surrounded by 74 individual cabins offering quaint, but elegant accommodations immersed in nature and peaceful tranquility. Don't forget your flashlight! **Basin Harbor Club – 3 nights (FB,D)**

3. Take a leisurely morning to sleep in or explore Basin Harbor's miles of trails. In the afternoon visit Shelburne Museum. Known as New England's Smithsonian, "the Shel" offers an collection of American art and exhibits displayed in one of 39 repurposed and restored historical homes and buildings. At nearby Shelburne Vineyard taste the bounty of the local grape harvest before heading to dinner at a local sugarhouse where every course includes maple! **(FB,D)**

4. Another leisurely morning precedes heading out to nibble your way across Vermont! Visit a cider mill for lunch where everything is homemade, then pay tribute to the state's favorite sons, Ben and Jerry, with a guided tour of their ice cream-making empire. Onward to Stowe and the Trapp Family Lodge to learn the inspiring story of what happened after The Sound of Music for the beloved musical family from Austria. Back at Basin Harbor, the best has definitely been saved for last – a chef-designed four-course gourmet dinner! **(FB,L,D)**

5. In nearby Burlington launch on a narrated cruise of Lake Champlain, nestled between the (hopefully) colorful Adirondack



and Green Mountains. At Ausable Chasm in New York State, you'll see a sandstone gorge called the Grand Canyon of the Adirondacks. Open since 1870, explore the famous depths of the chasm while viewing waterfalls and unique rock formations from sturdy bridges, walkways, stairs and vistas. Onward to Lake Placid. **High Peaks Resort – 3 nights (FB,D)**

6. A guided tour focuses on the 1932 and 1980 Olympic Games hosted here with visits to competition sites and the Winter Olympic Museum. Nearby is the home and grave of abolitionist John Brown where you'll learn of a man who became martyr for the liberation of Southern slaves in 1859. **(FB,D)**

7. After a visit to Natural Stone Bridge and Cave – the largest marble cave in the US – it's time to nibble your way across New York. Visit with cheese makers and a family who still operates a meat smokehouse built by their grandfather in 1946 en route to Ft. Ticonderoga. Here you'll step back in time as costumed interpreters serve you the same meal enjoyed by British soldiers stationed there in 1774. **(FB,D)**

8. Drive to Albany, NY for your return flight, bringing the fall foliage spectacular to a happy end. **(FB)**

\$4610 p.p/dbl.occ., \$5170 single

Save \$250 until May 26

Hidden Gems of the Ozark Mountains; a fall foliage tour

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Featuring entertainment in Branson, MO

6 Days- October 23-28

★ **Highlights** ★

- 5 nights at the beautiful Hilton Convention Center Hotel
- Fantastic Caverns Tour
- Top of the Rock Ozark Heritage Preserve
- Private Murder Mystery at the Titanic Museum
- Dogwood Canyon Scenic Wildlife Tram
- See "Noah" at the Sight & Sound Theatre
- Musical Shows: Noah, Yakov Smirnoff, The Presley's and the Hughes Brothers
- Door to door airport transportation
- R/T air to / from Springfield Mo
- 9 meals: 4 breakfasts, 1 brunch, 1 lunch, 3 dinners
- 3400/3650 Gold Passport Points



1. At **Fantastic Caverns**, America's Ride-Thru Cave, a natural adventure awaits. Jeep-drawn trams tour the path left behind by an ancient underground river while you view up close beautiful cave formations. Dinner is hosted at a local landmark en-route to Branson. Enjoy five nights located in the heart of historic downtown Branson with shops including Dick's Five & Dime; and restaurants. **Hilton Convention Center Hotel – 5 nights (D)**

2. This morning get the lay of the land with a scenic tour of the local area including the College of the Ozarks. Known locally as "Hard Work U," no student pays tuition. Rather, they work on the school farm and elsewhere to earn their education. Later, Steve Presley and the four generations of Presley's perform country classics to Gospel with zany antics from Herkimer and Cecil guaranteed to have you rolling in the aisle at **Presley's Jubile. (B,D)**

3. At the **Top of the Rock, Ozark Heritage Preserve**, experience the Lost Canyon a trail which highlights stunning rock formations, waterfalls and views of Table Rock Lake and the Ozark Mountains during fall foliage. Enjoy a Champagne brunch with upscale regional cuisine and a visit to the Ancient Ozarks Natural History Museum. **Yakov Smirnoff**, the famous Russian comedian delivers explosive laughter, heart filled moments, and just plain fun. At the **Titanic Museum** enjoy **a private Murder**

Mystery! Experience life on board just as it was on her maiden voyage 100 years ago. Walk the hallways and grand staircase while surrounded by more than 400 rare artifacts. **(BR)**

4. Step aboard open air trams and explore the beauty of **Dogwood Canyon** on a Wildlife Tram Tour. You'll wind through the canyon floor, past towering bluffs and waterfalls, but you'll also cross the Arkansas border where your tram may mingle with herds of bison, elk, whitetail deer and Texas longhorn. **The Hughes Brothers**; one of the world's largest performing families delight audiences with joyful celebration of music, love and laughter, spine-tingling harmonies, energetic dancing and hilarious antics. **(B,L)**

5. Take a behind the scenes tour of the **Site and Sound theatre**. A million watts of lights, sixty-thousand watts of sound, a massive stage over twenty thousand square feet in size that wraps around the audience on three sides and a four story tall set pieces towering right in front of you. After a hosted dinner head back to the theatre to see the performance of **"Noah."** Returning for one season only, this landmark production takes you aboard one of the world's best known voyages, as live animals fill the stage. **(B,D)**

6. Depart Branson for Springfield and your flight home. **(B)**

\$3355 p.p/dbl.occ., \$3645 single

Save \$150 until May 26

Rescheduled Tours for 2020

Soulful Santa Fe

Featuring scenery, inspiring art and creative cuisine



5 Days • August 29 – September 2, 2020

★ Highlights ★

- 4 nights in a beautiful, perfectly located hotel
- Savor fun, imaginative Southwest cuisine
- Guided tour of the Palace of the Governors & visit the State Capitol Building
- Travel through stunning O'Keefe Country with a naturalist guide
- Immerse yourself in the art of famed Canyon Road
- Learn about Native Culture at Acoma Sky City Pueblo
- 8 meals: 4 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Albuquerque, door-to-door airport service
- 2300/2600 Gold Passport Points

Known as "The City Different," Santa Fe is truly unique. There is a magic of sorts... the light is a little brighter, wonder is in the air and a calmness permeates your soul leaving you feeling refreshed and restored. A short stroll from your hotel is the central plaza (location, location), the heart of town, lined with boutiques, museums and restaurants. It's all yours to experience and explore!

\$2275 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2560 single

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Niagara Falls, Naturally Awesome!

A million dollar view, your room overlooks The Falls



5 Days • September 14-18, 2020

★ Highlights ★

- 4 nights Embassy Suites Fallsview – premium views of Niagara Falls – daily breakfast & evening cocktails included
- Take a *Journey Behind the Falls* & sail to the base of Horseshoe Falls
- Enjoy the hilarious *Oh Canada Eh?* Dinner Show, IMAX Niagara Presentation & Daredevil Museum
- Visit the Welland Canal, a shipping lane connecting Lake Ontario & Lake Erie



- Stroll the boutiques of Niagara-on-the-Lake; visit the Niagara Botanical Gardens & Butterfly Conservatory
- 8 meals: 4 full breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners
- Door-to-door service
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Buffalo
- 2550/ 2800 Gold Passport Points

\$2515 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2765 single

This vacation requires a valid passport!

See page 34 in our 2020 catalog

On the Central Coast

Relax at oceanfront accommodations in Avila Beach



5 Days • October 12-16, 2020

Scott's trip to the Central Coast is an early sell-out every year but with the rescheduling, a few spaces are still available. October is a great time to sit back and relax at the coast.

\$2040 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2430 single

See page 8 in our 2020 Dream Book

Beautiful Bodega Bay and The Coast

Featuring the Sonoma Coastline



3 Days • November 8-10, 2020

★ Highlights ★

- Relax in comfort and enjoy the hospitality of Bodega Bay Lodge & Spa, overlooking Dorian Beach
- Tour the Marine Biology Laboratory
- Dine at the historic Occidental Union Hotel; and legendary Tides
- 5 meals: 2 full breakfasts, 1 brunch, 2 lunches
- Door-to-door service and deluxe motorcoach transportation
- 1200/1400 Gold Passport Points

This leisurely visit to the coast allows you time to sit back and enjoy springtime on the coast. There is something special about the Sonoma Coast: beaches that stretch for miles, remnants of rocks forming striking sea stacks, and ah... the sound of the ocean. As you walk along Bodega Head, listen for the barking of the sea lions; and as you relax in your room, the sound of the fog horn.

\$1200 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1390 single

See page 9 in our 2020 catalog

A Mystery to Talk About

Featuring... well we can't tell you that!



5 Days • November 9-13, 2020

Join **Scott** on this mystery tour that he has not stopped talking about since he came back from scouting. This is going to be a fun one, gang! Have your camera ready because you will not believe your eyes! It is the largest of its kind in the country. Orange is a color you will remember. How about getting your fingers into the flour? If you have never taken a mystery tour and have been thinking about it, sign up for this one.

The tour will include amazing attractions and activities, fabulous accommodations, door-to-door service, airfare and 7 meals. 2350/2650 Gold Passport Points

\$2320 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2620 single

5 seats remaining

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Columbia River Gorge and Hood River Excursion

Waterfalls with magnificent scenery



4 Days • October 4-7, 2020

★ Highlights ★

- Daily excursions featuring the Maryhill Museum and Winery, the Hood River Valley and a cruise on the river, Multnomah Falls
- Ride the Mount Hood Railroad to Parkdale
- Visit the Vancouver Farmer's Market
- Door-to-door service
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Portland

Prices available late May/early June



Rescheduled Tours for 2021

It is too early to finalize air schedules and prices... Watch upcoming newsletters and the 2021 Catalog for release

St. Patrick's Day in New Orleans

Featuring Beignets and Brennan's
5 Days • March 14-18, 2021

Nebraska: Sand Hill Cranes (and other surprisingly cool stuff)

It's Sandhill Cranes, Prairie Chickens and Kool-Aid
5 Days • March 22-26, 2021

Colorful Carolina Coast

Our signature vacation along the colorful coasts of the Carolinas and Georgia
9 Days • March 23 – April 1, 2021

Fixin' Up Texas

Three presidents, two Fixer Uppers and a million bats!
6 Days • April 15-20, 2021

Skagit Valley Tulip Festival

Celebrate the beauty of Spring in the lush Pacific Northwest
3 Days • April 15-17, 2021

Pathways of Patriots

Featuring the Virginia International Tattoo, a colorful display of pageantry and music
7 Days • April 26 – May 2, 2021

Moab, Gateway to Arches National Park

4 nights at the spectacular Red Cliffs Lodge on the banks of the Colorado River
5 Days • May 2-6, 2021

Springtime in Yosemite

Giant Sequoias, waterfalls and spring flowers
3 Days • May 11-13, 2021

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As part of our commitment to helping you select the right tour for your interests and physical abilities, check out the Activity Meter for each tour to get a feel for how it matches your interests, energy and fitness. It's important to note that more than one level may apply to a tour. For example, some will enjoy a visit to a national park by spending time in the visitor's center and taking a seat with a view. Others might prefer to hike on a nature trail. Same destination, same tour, two different levels of activity.

The letter abbreviations for each departure can be found in the Table of Contents listing for the tour. Where you see two letters, that indicates the ability to add activities or do optional things which increase the amount of physical activity (standing, walking, climbing stairs, etc.). The meter is a guideline. It is impossible to predict every situation on tour, since conditions may change before or during a trip which require itinerary adjustments.

L Leisurely – A tour that can be enjoyed by all. A minimal amount of required walking on city streets or generally level surfaces, with few stairs. A theater day trip might be an example.

M Moderate – A tour with some walking activities, and standing/strolling at attractions and museums and possibly some stair climbing. A day trip to the ballpark or a short regional trip (Monterey, CA Coast) might be examples. A moderate trip could include air transportation and navigating through airports; and some high altitudes.

A Active – A tour which includes longer walks (3-5 city blocks). Shorter walks could be on uneven surfaces. Days could be longer (including longer travel days with layovers). **Some of the trip could be at high altitudes.**

This would be the level for most of our longer distance domestic and Canadian tours, the minimum level for an overseas international tour. Tours which mention the ability to walk 3-5 city blocks **in a timely fashion** a couple of times a day fit into this category, as would most of our national park tours. You could find a flight of stairs without handrails. A tour with a seaplane or jeep ride, and the ability to climb into the plane/jeep, would be found in this category. Longer rail tours fit in this category.

E Energetic – A tour with an accent on opportunities for walking and other physical activities. Many overseas tours would fit in this category. Long plane flights, perhaps standing or walking longer distances. You might have to climb into a zodiac boat if you are with Ramona. If you need wheelchair assistance at the airport or other places, you should not consider a tour on this level.

C Challenging – Tours like these are designed with daily physical activities like hiking and other vigorous activities and can be great travel experiences, **but they are not typical of Sports Leisure Vacations trips.**

Niagara Falls, Naturally Awesome!

A million dollar view, your room overlooks The Falls
5 Days • May 17-21, 2021

Newfoundland

Featuring rugged coastlines, quiet beauty and friendly folks
August 30 – September 8, 2021



The Tour Calendar *(Previously Announced)*

Lassen Volcanic National Park



Featuring rivers, lakes and waterfalls

3 Days • July 8-10

★ Highlights ★

- Stay at Redding's newest hotel located on the banks of the Sacramento River
- Travel along the scenic Volcanic National Highway, picnic lunch at Manzanita Lake
- 4 meals: 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door service
- Motorcoach transportation
- 1200/1400 Gold Passport Points

A deep winter snow-pack altered our 2019 visit to Lassen Volcanic National Park yet we still enjoyed the beauty of the mountains, the power of the waterfalls, and peacefulness of the lakes. We return this year, in the hopes that the roads will be clear of snow.

\$1180 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1390 single

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The Sound of Music in Leavenworth



Take the Train to Washington's Little Bavaria

4 Days • July 14-17

One of our most popular getaways is back! It has a little bit of everything: live theatre, stunning outdoor views, a train through beautiful country, and the old world charm of Bavaria without a long plane ride!

The tour will include door-to-door airport service, roundtrip air, deluxe motorcoach service, passage aboard Amtrak's *Empire Builder*, accommodations, all attractions and shows listed, 7 meals (3FB,3L,1D), and the services of a **Sports Leisure Vacations** Tour Director. 1850/2050 Gold Passport Points

\$1810 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2035 single

6 spaces remaining

San Juan Island Explorer Cruise

Take in the beautiful Pacific Northwest with two nights in Friday Harbor.

4 Days • August 4-7

★ Highlights ★

- 2 days aboard a private nature cruise
- View lighthouses and hidden coves



- Tour upscale Roche Harbor and stunning Sucia Island State Park
- Evening accommodations in Friday Harbor and Mukilteo
- 9 meals: 3 full breakfasts, 4 lunches, 2 dinners
- Roundtrip air to/from Seattle
- Door-to-door airport transportation
- 2300/2600 Gold Passport Points

\$2260 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2590 single
1 space remaining

Mamma Mia! at Lake Tahoe

Presented by The Lake Tahoe

Shakespeare Festival



2 Days • August 9-10

A mid-day motorcoach departure gets us to South Lake Tahoe just in time to check into our hotel for the night, the **Lake Tahoe Resort**, before heading up the west side of the Lake to Sand Harbor for the performance of *Mamma Mia!* Sing along with hits like "Dancing Queen," "Super Trouper" "Mamma Mia" and more!

After breakfast, we travel to Zephyr Cove and board the *Dixie II* paddle wheeler for a cruise on the largest fresh water lake in the Sierra Nevada. A light (deli) buffet lunch is included onboard. We depart for Sacramento in early afternoon.

This overnight package includes deluxe motorcoach transportation, three meals (1FB,1L,1D), resort accommodations, all attractions and activities indicated and the services of a **Sports Leisure** Tour Director. 650/700 Gold Passport Points

\$615 p.p./dbl.occ., \$695 single

2 seats remaining

The Magnificent Mendocino Coast

Featuring Noyo Harbor, Ft. Bragg and the historic Skunk Train

4 Days • September 8-11



Our lodging for **two nights** will be overlooking Noyo Harbor at the familiar **Harbor Lite Lodge**. In the early morning, as you enjoy your first cup of coffee, watch as the fishing fleet heads out for the day. In the



evenings, enjoy the fresh catch of the day as we dine at some of the area's oldest and finest establishments.

This tour includes door-to-door service, motorcoach transportation, accommodations, all attractions as listed in the catalog, 9 meals (3B,4L,2D), and the services of a **Sports Leisure Vacations** Tour Director. 1500/1750 Gold Passport Points

\$1490 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1725 single

Save \$25 until May 26

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The Great Reno Balloon & Virginia City Camel and Ostrich Races!



3 Days • September 11-13

1. Our signature "door to door service" picks you up from your home and delivers you to the **Sports Leisure Vacation** office. Sleep in; we depart Sacramento at 12 noon with an arrival in Reno at 3pm. Light refreshments will be served on the coach. Your accommodations are located in the heart of "The Biggest Little City" and connected to the Eldorado and Circus Circus hotels. Your evening is at your leisure.

Silver Legacy – 2 nights

2. This morning is balloon mass ascension! You will have Cloud 9 VIP Club seating which includes heated indoor/outdoor seating on the field, a catered breakfast, a special addition champagne glass and a hosted bar with champagne, mimosas and Bloody Mary's. During the morning there will also be time to shop along Balloon Boulevard. Travel to Virginia City for the 61st annual Camel & Ostrich Races. Watch jockeys perched on



their beasts maneuver the track while the audience cheer! **(B,L)**

3. Check out of the Silver Legacy at noon and arrive back in Sacramento at 3pm. This package includes door-to-door service, deluxe motorcoach transportation, all attractions listed above. Balloon events may be cancelled due to bad weather. 1000/1100 Gold Passport Points

\$960 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1090 single

Capitol Reef National Park and Monument Valley

Featuring three nights at the new Dwellings Resort in Bluff Utah

6 Days • September 13-18



★ Highlights ★

- Tour Monument Valley with a Navajo guide
- Explore both the Valley of the Gods and Capitol Reef National Park in a 4x4 jeep
- Stand in four states at once at the Four Corners Monument
- Roundtrip air to Durango/from Salt Lake City, door-to-door airport service
- 12 meals: 5 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 2 dinners
- 3300/3700 Gold Passport Points

\$3280 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3685 single
2 seats remaining

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Baseball, History of America's Pastime

Yankee Stadium, Fenway Park, Cooperstown, Hoboken, Polo Grounds site



6 Days • September 22-27

1. Fly to Newark – 2 nights.
2. Hoboken (first baseball game site), Yogi Berra Museum, Polo Grounds site, Astros vs. Yankees.
3. Gates of Heaven Cemetery – Babe Ruth gravesite (plus Billy Martin and a host of others), travel to Cooperstown – 2 nights
4. Visit the Hall of Fame. Special program featuring artifacts not on display, presented by the museum curator.
5. Travel to Boston, stop in Mudville (Holliston, MA). Orioles – Red Sox at Fenway. Overnight.
6. Tour Fenway Park, fly home.

\$3985 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4555 single

See page 13 in our 2020 Dream Book

Bonjour, La Belle Québec!

Featuring Canadian Thanksgiving Day and fall colors



8 Days • September 24 – October 1 OR October 6-13

Its geography, history and culture give Québec a most unique identity. With fall colors ablaze, experience the warmth and authenticity of a Canadian Thanksgiving, Québécois style! *Rooms limited with one queen only remain.*

★ Highlights ★

- 2 nights in a French Bed & Breakfast with home cooked meals
- Brilliant fall colors in the beautiful Charlevoix Region
- Enjoy a Thanksgiving Dinner with a French flair
- 2 nights 4-star accommodations in Québec City
- Visit Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré Basilica & Montmorency Falls
- Tour Montreal, including Notre Dame Basilica
- 15 meals: 7 full breakfasts, 4 lunches, 4 dinners
- Door-to-door service
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Montreal
- 4250/4750 Gold Passport Points

\$4220 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4710 single

This vacation requires a valid passport!

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US 50, The Lincoln Highway, America's Loneliest Road

Journey across Nevada on the loneliest and most historic highway in America

5 Days • September 29 – October 3

★ Highlights ★

- Authentic Basque-style lunch
- Visit the ghost town of Cherry Creek
- Explore McGill Drugs, frozen in time from 50 years ago
- Ride the Ghost Train of Old Ely, visit a bordello and meet the ladies... optional, of course
- Tour Eureka & Austin, tiny historical outposts on the historic Lincoln Highway
- Visit the Nevada State Museum in the old Carson City Mint
- Lunch atop Harrah's Tahoe, 11 included meals: 3 breakfasts, 1 full breakfast,

5 lunches, 2 dinners

- Door-to-door service
 - 1550/1800 Gold Passport Points
- \$1530 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1775 single**
Save \$25 until May 26

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The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

Featuring reserved upgraded seating in the Chasers Lounge and Gondola Club

5 Days • October 6-10



★ Highlights ★

- 3 balloon events: Balloon Glow, Special Shapes and Mass Ascension
- Ride the Sandia Peak Aerial Tram
- Upgraded seating in the Chasers Lounge & Gondola Club
- Tour the Turquoise Museum Mansion
- Rio Grande Arts and Crafts Festival
- Door to door airport transportation
- R/T air to / from Albuquerque
- 8 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- 2550/2850 Gold Passport Points

1. Arrive in Albuquerque and enjoy lunch and a group before checking into your hotel.

Albuquerque Marriott – 4 nights (L)

2. The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta with over 600 balloons is the largest ballooning event on earth. We have upgraded your experience this morning to the Chasers Club Lounge which offers private seating on the field. Travel on the famous Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway. Enjoy the view and lunch on top of the mountain at Ten 3. This afternoon visit Old Town for shopping or head back to the hotel. **(B,L)**

3. This morning we are watching the balloons from another private venue on the other side of the balloon field the Gondola Club. Today is Special Shapes Day! This is a very popular ascension with approximately 100 special shape balloons. You might see Darth Vader and Yoda, a flying cow, maybe Smokey Bear, just to name a few. Take a decent tour of the Abruzzo Balloon Museum and learn about hot air and gas balloons from the first flight in 1783 to the present. **(B)**

4. Tour the Turquoise Museum which is housed in a mansion full of antiques; one of Albuquerque new top attractions, a must see! Tonight we re-group for the Fiesta's



“Glowdeo” a static display of the Special Shape balloons. Dinner will be held in the private Gondola Club with live entertainment and an open bar. Following dinner is the spectacular afterglow fireworks show! (Weather permitting, high winds could possible cancel any events) **(B,L,D)**

5. After a sleep in morning attend the Rio Grande Arts & Crafts Festival. 200 fine artists and craftspeople from throughout the U.S. come together each year for two weekends. Take a break from shopping and enjoy ongoing live entertainment, a food court and specialty food booths before heading to the airport for our flight home. **(B)**

\$2545 p.p/dbl.occ., \$2835 single

Relax on Catalina Island

Enjoy three nights in Avalon

4 Days • October 18-21



★ Highlights ★

- 3 nights at the Pavilion Lodge
- Sunday Brunch at Long Beach's elegant *Queen Mary*

Things to Know Before You Go:

Airfare: On all trips where air travel is indicated, airfares are included in the listed prices.

Home Pick-up: Our exclusive home pick-up is included on all trips listed here of three days or longer. **Baylight Transportation Services** and its partners provide transportation to/from the airport, Sacramento's Amtrak station or the **Sports Leisure Vacations** office.

Meals: Please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for a break down of the included breakfasts, brunches, lunches and dinners.

***Early Registration/Payment Discounts:** Trips with this note after the price indicate there is a discount available for Early Registration and Payment. Please refer to the back page of the newsletter for more details on Early Registration/Payment Discounts.

The Fine Print: Our **Special Tour & Vacation Notes** brochure contains the answers to many often-asked questions. A copy is sent with your reservations.

Sports Leisure online: You are invited to visit our website at www.sportsleisure.com for more information on any tour listed here, or call our office and we will be happy to send you a detailed itinerary.

- Be whisked away across “26 miles across the sea” on the high-speed *Catalina Express*
- *Twilight in the Casino* tour features wine and cheese on the balcony
- Explore the island with a scenic guided tour and special “undersea” experience
- 6 meals: 3 full breakfasts, 1 brunch, 1 lunch, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door service
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Long Beach
- 1950/2350 Gold Passport Points

\$1935 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2320 single
8 seats remaining

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Spectacular Sedona



Four nights at the Hilton Sedona Resort

5 days • November 1-5

★ Highlights ★

- Brunch at the Wrigley Mansion
 - Ride the Verde Valley Railroad
 - Visit the town of Jerome
 - Guided tour of the Copper Museum
 - Lunch and entertainment in Flagstaff
 - 8 meals: 4 breakfasts, 1 brunch, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
 - 2500/2900 Gold Passport Points
1. Fly direct on Southwest Airlines to Phoenix. Enjoy a lavish brunch at the Wrigley mansion. Dine in the breathtaking landmark constructed by chewing gum personality William Wrigley Jr. before arriving at the red rocks of Sedona. Your hotel has beautiful indoor and outdoor public spaces and your spacious hotel

room has a separate living room. **Hilton Sedona – 4 nights (BR)**

2. Start off today with a Trolley tour to the Chapel of the Holy Cross and the Mexican style Village of Tlaquepaque. This afternoon you may choose to browse the shops in uptown or for (extra cost), an off road jeep tour into the wilderness. A letter describing the options and pricing will be sent closer to departure. We will all meet tonight for a Mexican dinner. **(FB,D)**

3. At the Copper Museum learn why Arizona is nicknamed the Copper State, during your tour that combines history and stunning artifacts. Visit the historic copper mining town of Jerome. Once known as the wickedest town in the west; now it is a bustling artistic community. Board the Verde Valley Railroad on a fall foliage canyon tour. Gaze at the brilliant blue skies, red rock cliffs with amber, and gold Cottonwood and Sycamore trees along the Verde River. **(FB,L)**

4. Head north up scenic Oak Creek Canyon hoping to catch some fall colors making for a spectacular drive along the river with towering red rock views. In Flagstaff enjoy lunch with entertainment as your waiters and waitresses with serenade you while you dine. Get back to Sedona late afternoon. **(FB,L)**

5. Travel back to Phoenix this morning for your flight home. **(FB)**

\$2495 p.p/dbl.occ., \$2885 single
Save \$60 until May 26





EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT COUPON

Early Registration Payment Discounts listed here expire on **Tuesday, May 26th**; or may be withdrawn when 50% of the available space has been reserved. To receive the discount, you must pay in full within ten days of registration. If you accept this option, the monies paid (less \$20 administrative fee), including the cost of Cancellation Protection, are returned to you if you cancel more than 60 days prior to departure for US and Canadian tours or 75 days prior for International tours, regardless of the reason for cancellation. Within the time limits noted above, restrictions on refunds apply. See the **Special Vacation Notes & Information** brochure for complete details.

Sep. – The Magnificent Mendocino Coast – **Save \$25**

Sep. – US 50, The Lincoln Highway, America’s Loneliest Road – **Save \$25**

Sep. – Santa Cruz and Dream Inn – **Save \$50**

Oct. – New England Fall Foliage – **Save \$250**

Oct. – Ozarks Mountains – **Save \$150**

Nov. – Spectacular Sedona – **Save \$60**

VALUABLE COUPON

Save \$10–\$40 per person on Cancellation Protection

Valid only when used with Early Payment Discounts. **Your savings depend on the double-occupancy price of the tour. Save \$10** on tours priced from \$451-\$800, **Save \$20** on tours priced from \$801-\$2250, **Save \$30** on tours priced from \$2251-\$3500, **Save \$40** on tours priced at \$3501 or more. To receive the above discounts, you must pay in full within ten days of registration and purchase the protection at the time you pay for your tour.

TOUR UPDATE...

A brief list of tours which are sold out, or have only a limited amount of space (10 or fewer seats, number in parenthesis) remaining. Day trips are not listed.

Sold-Out Tours (waiting lists available)

Old West Mtn Mystery Puget Sound
Laguna Pageant (Aug) Michigan

Limited Space (10 or fewer seats)

Leavenworth (6) Niagara Falls – Sept. (5)
Laguna Pageant – Jul (3) Capitol Reef (2)
San Juan Cruise (1) Mamma Mia (2)
Maine (2) Reno Balloon (2)
Nat’l Treasures (2) Catalina Island (8)
Québec – Sept. (6) Tennessee (2)
Québec – Oct. (4)
Something to Talk About Mystery(5)

Temporary Office Hours:

9:00am – 3:00pm MON. thru FRI.

Closed weekends and major holidays

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