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Two Off-Season Ideas for You to Consider...

We have two outstanding trips coming up in January, each with limited space available. While they are very different tours, both have been very popular and offer you unique travel/spectator opportunities. If one of these trips is of interest, call today and get registered!

The Keys are Back in Business

Hurricane Irma did a number on parts of the Florida Keys. Wind damage was heavy in some parts of the islands, but Key West was largely spared, due to a last minute turn by the hurricane; a turn, residents say has protected them for decades. Luck? Meteorological science? Who knows? But Key West, Key Largo and the other destinations on our trips are ready for visitors.

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January is a great time to visit the keys, as the weather is cool and the humidity is non-existent. Our itinerary features the "local" residents, including a chance to meet alligators on an air-boat ride in the Everglades and a guided visit to The Turtle Hospital in Marathon (wait until you hear their Hurricane Irma stories). Great food, including lunch on a private island; and a foodie tour including all the fun foods of Key West (key lime pie anyone?) Have you ever seen a female impersonator **perform live?** You will on this trip!

Our trip to the keys started ten years ago. We only take 25 each year. Because a few folks got cold feet or had other reasons to postpone their trip, we have **four seats available.** Mark and Chris are your Tour Directors and how could you not have a great time with those two cut-ups in charge? The 7-day trip departs January 20. The cut off for registration is early December. If the Keys are on your bucket list, here's a chance to cross them off. Besides, until you've met **Louie** the trolley driver in Key West, you really haven't lived. Just one of the many characters who drop in on our travels.

U.S. Skaters for the Winter Olympics

Indeed, 2018 is an **Olympic** year. Figure Skating is always one of the most watched Olympic sports. So the opportunity to watch our nation's best skaters compete for the opportunity to represent the United States in Korea should be a great experience.

This year, the U.S. Championships are being held right in our own backyard, in San Jose. The competition is

spread over two weeks, and includes junior skaters and the "senior" skaters who will compete for a spot on the Olympic Team.

We have secured rooms just minutes from the arena at the **Embassy Suites** in Milpitas. Your tickets are "all event," so you can see skating during the day as well as each evening. Transportation will be provided. For those who don't want 8-10 hours of skating each day, we have a city tour of San Jose and the Silicon Valley, a Sunday Brunch, and optional visits to local museums (including the Tech Museum, which is well received by visitors of all ages. We have even included seats to the **Smucker's Skating Spectacular** on the final night, which features all of the winners from the competition.

Seating in the arena (we have **three seats available**) is at the top of the **lower** level, near center ice. They are in an **excellent location**, providing a great view with a minimal number of steps, and great access to rest rooms and concessions. Travel by coach to/from San Jose, making this the easiest way ever to see the best skaters in the country compete.



We choose award-winning hotels for our travelers. Here, the Hampton Inn on the waterfront in Marquette, MI displays its "hardware," top 5% of Hampton Inns every year they have been open. Part of our **Pure Michigan** tour.

Where Does the Bus Stop?

One of the biggest challenges in our 38+ years of business has been finding locations where *SuperCoach* can stop and pick up travelers. The bus stops need to be in places that are easy to access with a 45-foot vehicle, offer parking that isn't generally in use at any other time and be in a location considered safe.

We have been asked to leave dozens of parking lots over the years, for a variety of reasons. The bottom line is, we are dependent on the kindness of others for parking, and that kindness is becoming harder to come by. Below is a quick update on our current stops.

Roseville – In Saugstad Park. While this is a public park, making it harder to ask us to leave, it has its challenges. Commuters park there, which makes parking for later departing trips on weekdays problematic; and the lighting isn't the best. For now, it's solid, with its limitations.

Antelope – Our most recent addition. In front of the Raley's store. We have permission from Raley's to park, although the security guard continues to warn our people against parking overnight there. There have been no issues at this location.

Arden & Watt is now Howe & Hallmark – Due to construction in the lot we were using at Rite Aid, we have moved to a new location. The new pickup is on Hallmark Drive between Howe and Ethan, one block south of Arden. On-street parking is available adjacent to IRC & Associates.

South Hills – Hard to believe we haven't been asked to move on from this spot. Because Thunder Valley Casino uses the lot (without permission, it should be noted), and letter carriers for the post office park there during the day, some mornings there are quite a few vehicles in this lot. The grocery store is soon to reopen. We expect to be asked to move at any time.



Where do we go from here? We are adopting a new strategy when it comes to parking places. **We are willing to pay a modest sum for the right to park.** I'm thinking there are places that could really use a steady stream of income. **Churches** come to mind. Their full parking lot is only used once or twice a week, and many churches do not fill the lot, even on Sunday. We need only 10-12 spaces at the most. Specifically, we are looking for churches convenient to our route. **We are willing to pay \$100-\$200 a month** to secure parking.

If you live in the Arden-Arcade/Town and Country area, or in the Freeport/South Hills/Land Park neighborhoods, we would love to follow up on any suggestions you might have for parking lots. Perhaps other non-profits would be interested in adding \$1,000 – \$2,500 a year to their revenues. Please call me directly with any suggestions, or drop me an email at Markslt@aol.com.

One other important point. Really important. **Please do not suggest our pick up points to your club or organization for your group's bus trip.** This happens pretty regularly. One of our members, not realizing the repercussions of their suggestion, tells their group they know of a great location to park. As time goes by, more and more groups use that location, and ultimately, we are asked to move. **Please protect our locations by NOT suggesting their use to others.**

Meanwhile, what are The Travel Guys up to on the Radio?

Indeed, every Sunday from 3-4pm, I slide into a chair in the studio at KFBK, and joined by **Tom Romano**, we attempt to make sense of the world of travel for an hour. We give the **Travel News**, dedicate a segment to making you a smarter traveler and often have guests from destinations or just folks who can give you ideas and information to help you when you travel.

Recently, we have given away tickets to see **Andre Rieu**, the hit show **Beautiful** and **Rick Steves** at the Crest Theater. (We call ourselves the "Travel and Entertainment Guys," because entertainment is often part

of travel.) Stop by some Sunday afternoon and check it out. 1530 AM or 93.5 FM on your radio dial...

Our Facebook Page Could Save You Money Soon

If you haven't "liked" us yet, you might not know **Sports Leisure** has a great Facebook page (thanks mostly to **Donnie** and the other staff members who post cool pictures). You should head over and become part of our Facebook family. Starting in January, we are going to offer special discounts and other benefits on our Facebook page. (It's a great way to keep up with your **Sports Leisure** friends on the road.)

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Records Broken... and We Say Thank You

If you attended **Tour Preview Day**, you know we had big crowds at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Those crowds produced record sales (shattering the old records) on the days which followed. For that we humbly thank everyone. A number of tours are already sold out or are very close. Check the back of this newsletter and make sure you don't miss out on a "bucket list" trip. New departures to Newfoundland and Scotland have been added since the catalog was announced. Details can be found on these pages. We have **two** ballpark trips for next year, and you can add your name to the **Priority List** now. The baseball info will be out in December.

Some of you who received your catalog in the mail experienced our poor telephone service in the second week after Preview Day. AT&T really put the screws to us as we tried to upgrade our system. For three days, we had only one incoming line. We sincerely thank those who drove to our office to conduct business, patiently redialed our number a zillion times or sent us emails. *See you on the road or radio. And so it goes...*

Mark Hoffmann, CTP
Owner/Founder

Hello Friends!

E Pluribus Unum, Latin for “from many, one,” is the unofficial motto of the United States of America. It has countless meanings – from many backgrounds, nationalities, religions and ideologies, one citizenry, one vision, one past and one shared future. In addition to people, the motto can also rightly refer to the states that make up our country’s vast landmass. Did you know the US covers 3.797 million square miles making ours the third largest country on the planet? To put that in prospective, China (#4) is a wee bit smaller, Canada a wee bit bigger and the world’s largest country, Russia, almost twice our size.

Look at a map of our country and you’re quite literally seeing a patchwork quilt. The boundaries, whether straight or irregular, tell the stories of a time, a place and a people. Each is distinctively different from the state(s) it bounds. Our curiosities about these differences are what incline many to



travel. We know the area in which we live, but we want to experience the whole of this place we are all blessed to call home.

If merit badges were awarded for travel, certainly the most coveted would be given to those who visit all 50 states. I remember the thrill when I arrived in South Dakota for the first time – my 50th. I decided to toast my accomplishment with a grand meal. But accounting to the fact I was in North Sioux City I ended up at a Dairy Queen. A chilidog has never tasted so good!

Those on this year’s “New England Fall Foliage Spectacular” joined in the celebration when **Elda Troup** arrived in Vermont, her 50th state. If you don’t know Elda, let me just tell you she’s a Very Special Person to the *Sports Leisure* family, as well as everyone who knows her. This nonagenarian (bet some of you will have to look that up – I did!) has been traveling with us for nearly 30 years. She started out doing baseball trips with the late **Mary Moore**, then began traveling with former work and carpool mate **Penny Helfrich** 17 years ago. We’ve had the pleasure of taking her to a number of states, but the stakes got high as she moved through the 40s. Upon reaching 48 with only New Hampshire and Vermont to go, the Spectacular filled the bill perfectly. When asked “what’s next?” she said there were still a few ballparks she’s yet to explore. Well Elda, if you want ballparks, we’ve got ballparks (see page 11)!

For me, Canada was next. I visited each of the 12 provinces, but the brag was short-lived because they created a 13th – Nunavut. I’ve got to get there one of these days. Now I’m on a quest to visit every country. Maybe you are as well. Considering international travel, especially if for the first time, can be a daunting process. Where does a person begin? I might suggest the British Isles. They are So Very Foreign, but speak the same language – sort of – which makes things easier. Of course there is that little thing about

them driving on the wrong side of the road. Here’s an idea: Travel with **Sports Leisure** and you can leave the driving to us.

The 2018 Dream Book introduced “**Scottish Tales and the Beatles Trail**” (p. 47), a 12-day adventure through Scotland and northern England. The price is now available and included in these pages. It’s not cheap (not that any international travel is). The Pound Sterling remains strong against the dollar, and travel costs across the UK spike in August because of Scotland’s famous Tattoo. Now this might be another word you need to look up! None of you will come home with permanent ink on your arm – promise. **The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo** is one of the grandest spectacles I’ve ever had the honor to witness. Held on the grounds of Edinburgh Castle, the Tattoo is an unforgettable performance of music and dance by military units from all over the world, but with a decidedly Scottish flair. Will there be bagpipes? You bet. Hundreds of them! Learn more at www.edintattoo.co.uk. YouTube is another great place to catch the spirit.

“Your Tour Guy,”

Clayton

Clayton Whitehead, CTP
Vice President



Elda is all smiles upon arriving in Woodstock, Vermont – her 50th state!



This month’s Blueberry Photographic Society winner is Rick Maness. He entitled this photo “The Big Guy and the Blue Guy.” Well said! Here Rick, Blueberry and the gang are in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee on Chris’ popular “Autumn in Appalachia, from Asheville to Nashville” tour.

The Customers Always Write

Dear Chris,

You are my kind of "go to" guy. Thank you so much for all your help with Hugh. I did not anticipate the physical difficulty with parts of the trip as well as Hugh's physical weakness. You anticipated possible problems and met them. Not only are you proactive, but you are such a sweetheart about it. Thank you so very much. We hope to be able to travel again with you. Sincerely,

Donna Duberly, Postcards From Puget Sound

Dear Clayton,

What an honor to be chosen this year's grand prize winner for your annual Blueberry Photographic Society! When you called wanting a larger image of the picture I thought you would use it for advertising Hansen's Green Bluff Orchard in Colbert, WA. Never in a million years did I think I may have won the years' contest! As I was looking at this year's spectacular Dream Book, I was shocked and amazed to find MY picture! You could have knocked me over with a feather as a tear or two formed in my eyes! Thank you so much! Hugs and Blessings to you and the **SLV** family,

Mary V.

Dear Mr. Hoffmann:

A little bit of praise for a very enjoyable and fun trip – The Mystery Casino Overnighter. It was a well planned trip with Jim Pelley and Diana keeping us in suspense and everyone trying to guess where we would wind up spending the night. Jimmy and Diana took good care of everything to make it just fun, fun, and fun. If you decide to do another mystery casino trip, sign us up. Sincerely Yours,

Vida and Gordon Adelman

Dear Sports Leisure Vacations,

Since we are not able to travel with you anymore, we are returning this "package" with items still useful. We traveled about 21 years with you. It was great!

Muriel & Dick Chiolis

Ed. Note: (Enclosed with the note were

some old name badge holders and a complimentary travel document holder we gave out many years ago.) Dick and Muriel, I've been looking for one of those for a long time, and now I have one to replace mine, which is wearing out. We are going to miss you both. You have been a part of our travel family for a long, long time. Be well, and maybe one evening you will be sitting together, sharing one or two of your **Sports Leisure** memories. Thank you for the travel folder and your friendship all these years.

Mark Hoffmann and Company

RE: KUDO's

My friend Louise Martin and I have been on several trips over the last couple of months: Oakland museum, with **Ramona**; SF Asian art Museum with **Pat**; and most recently Catalina with **Jim**. All 1st rate and greatly appreciated. **Greg** the bus driver did a superb job of getting us out of Sacramento when he faced two freeway back-ups with major stop and go traffic during morning rush hour (Oakland trip).

Thanks to all for your service and appreciate the thoughtful, informative and well done "preview day" and newsletters. Please, do not switch to email. I like the hard copy in the mail and I keep it by my chair for ready reference. I heard you are considering a trip to South America, including the Galapagos. I would be interested in that, say a year out. Sincerely,

Gail James... Happy Day!

Dear Sports Leisure:

THANK YOU for last night's magnificent trip to Andre Rieu's show. It was incredibly filled with superb talent, excellent music and wonderful humor. Hope you'll offer similar outings in the future.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

Margaret Jarvis

Dear Mr. Whitehead,

On behalf of Bev's Angel Project, I would like to thank you for your generous donation (this is one of our Preview Day charities). Because of you we are able to

continue to serve under privileged children and families in the Sacramento and Placer area throughout the year and the upcoming holiday season.

Thank you for investing in our organization and in the families we serve. Your generous gift will go to good use at local elementary schools, organizations, veterans, women and children shelters and churches in low income areas of Sacramento.

Your generosity is invaluable to Bev's Angel Project. Sincerely,

Patricia E. Johnson, Vice President

Mark,

Thank you so much for including Capital Public Radio in the **Sports Leisure Vacations'** Laguna Beach Pageant of the Masters experience. The show was magical and the entire trip was delightful. Your staff, **Donnie** and **Patricia** (and **Donna**), were terrific to work with; they are knowledgeable, efficient, genuinely love to travel, they loved our guests and our guests loved them. I truly enjoyed working with them.

I received a note of thanks from our winners, Carl & Ann Franke, praising the trip and grateful for being included. They had never participated in group travel before and found it to be an enlightening experience – I think they will travel again with **Sports Leisure Vacations**. I've had contact with other guests as well. Everyone

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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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Customers Always Write – Cont

I heard from really enjoyed the trip and look forward to future events.

Thank you, again, Mark, for the opportunity for Capital Public Radio to experience the Pageant of the Masters. I wish you all the best and hope that your relationship with Capital Public Radio will continue to grow and flourish. Warmest regards,

Arla Gibson, Director of Development, Capital Public Radio

Ed. Note: The added **Laguna** trip was a virtual sell out and NPR received a check for \$3,700 as a donated part of the proceeds from the trip. We look forward to continuing our relationship with NPR.

Dear Mark,

Thank you so much for your support of our 2017 Back to School Drive! We were thrilled to receive your generous donation of \$800 on August 10th.

Thanks in part to your support, we will be able to provide over 750 fully stuffed backpacks to youth in need in our community. Many of the youth we serve have never had a backpack to call their own or started a new school year with new supplies. Your donation helps ensure that children have their basic needs met and the tools they need to succeed.

Thank you for being a champion for foster youth in our community and for being a vital partner in the effort to ensure that every child has a chance at a healthy, productive life. Sincerely,

*Laura Heintz Psy. D, Chief Executive Officer
Carrie Johnson, Development and
Marketing Director
Stanford Youth Solutions*

Ed. Note: I can't imagine what it must be like to be a foster child, perhaps a child who moves from home to home on a regular basis. It's hard enough being a kid today, but working from a position of serious disadvantage must be pretty darned overwhelming. The folks at Stanford work hard to make life a little better for the kids, so it's easy to support them.

Baseball Adventures

Two great baseball adventures are on tap for the regular season next year, in addition to our Spring Training tour in March. Pricing for these two additional trips will be available in December. Request your choice of trip(s) now and get your name on the list. We will notify you by mail when the trip is announced (we are waiting for tickets to go on sale).

It's All About The Ballparks

5, 8 or 11 Days • May 5-12, 5-15 or 11-15

Three different options on this trip. Take the entire trip, or leave off Cooperstown and Fenway, or **just see** those two, plus a game in Pittsburgh.

May 5 Fly to Washington, DC, 2 nights Hampton Inn, **across the street from the park**

May 6 Morning touring in DC, evening game, **Phillies vs. Nationals**

May 7 To Baltimore, lunch in Babe Ruth's childhood home, tour of Camden Yards, 2 nights Marriott Hotel, **2 blocks from the park**

May 8 National Aquarium during the day, **Royals vs. Orioles** in the evening

May 9 Travel to Philly by coach, historical sites tour in AM, **Giants vs. Phillies** in the evening, 2 nights Holiday Inn Stadium, **one block away**

May 10 **Giants vs. Phillies**, day game

May 11 Travel by coach to Pittsburgh, overnight Marriott airport (no walk to the park); those on the 5 day trip fly into Pittsburgh and attend the game tonight, **Giants vs. Pirates**

May 12 Our 8 day folks depart this morning on a return flight home, the rest go on by coach to Cooperstown, 2 nights Otesaga Hotel on the lake

May 13 Visit Cooperstown, special artifacts presentation (awesome)

May 14 Travel by coach to Boston, **A's vs. Red Sox** at Fenway tonight, overnight Boston Park Plaza Hotel

May 15 Tour Fenway in the morning, then board a flight to Sacramento

The Giants in The Emerald City

3 Days • July 24-26

July 24 Fly to Seattle mid-morning, lunch and sights in Seattle, 2 nights **brand new** Embassy Suites, ½ mile from the park, **Giants vs. Mariners** tonight

July 25 **Giants vs. Mariners** this afternoon, morning tour of old Underground Seattle (walking from the hotel)

July 26 Foodie Tour of Pike Place Market this morning and then mid-afternoon flight back to Sacramento

We appraise and/or buy old coins

Just about everyone has a jar of old coins sitting around. Turn those coin collections, big and small, into cash. Mark was a coin dealer in his previous life and is interested in expanding his collection. Call for an appointment to have your coins appraised and/or purchased. If you have a large collection, Mark can come to your home. Call **916-361-2051** and ask for **Bob** or **Mark**.



Day Trips & Theatre Outings

Christmas Shopping in the City

Monday, December 4 or
Tuesday, December 5

Join our annual trip to downtown San Francisco to browse, shop, or just enjoy the festive window displays and store decorations. Lunch is at your leisure in Union Square with an optional shuttle in the afternoon to Pier 39 before returning home to Sacramento. **\$86**

Another Night Before Christmas

East Sonora Theatre
Saturday, December 9

The cast of the Sierra Repertory Theatre brings you a new poignant look at Santa Claus and what we believe about Christmas. In this funny, touching musical a woman is forced to confront her cynical ideas about the season when a "homeless" man shows up at her apartment claiming to be Santa. Lunch is included at the City Hotel prior to the 2pm matinee performance. **\$149**

Holly Jolly Pops

Luther Burbank Center, Santa Rosa
Sunday, December 10

Maestro Berkowitz and the Santa Rosa Symphony celebrate "the wonderful time of the year" with holiday favorites "Sleigh Ride," "We Need a Little Christmas," "White Christmas," along with dancing Santas! This is a joyous afternoon of music when the symphony is joined by guests from the Roustabout Theatre, the Santa Rosa Symphonic Chorus, and several Bay Area vocalists. Lunch is included at Dempsey's in Petaluma prior to the 3pm matinee and we've also included a light dinner snack for the ride home. **\$176**

Christmas Lights in San Francisco

Thursday, December 14

Our annual trip to San Francisco welcomes Christmas with a narrated tour of the city dressed up and decorated in celebration of the holidays. With views and

some stops along the way through Civic Center, Union Square, the Financial District, Nob Hill, and the Embarcadero, the bright and colorful lights of the skyline, bridges, and city, will put you in the spirit of this festive season. An early dinner is included at Fog Harbor Restaurant on Pier 39 before the tour. Limited space available. **\$133**

Klimt & Rodin: An Artistic Encounter

Legion of Honor Museum, San Francisco
Thursday, January 18

Second departure! The first exhibition on the West Coast to assemble a collection of works by Austrian master Gustav Klimt features approximately 20 paintings and 20 works on paper by Klimt alongside sculpture of Auguste Rodin. On the commemorative 100th anniversary of the death of both artists, the exhibition celebrates each as a pioneer who set new standards in their own media and provides a rare opportunity to view the beautiful artistry of Klimt alongside the strong and powerful works of Rodin. In the afternoon, the option to visit the de Young Museum for its special exhibit *Teotihuacan: City of Water, City of Fire* will be available. Featuring artworks from the ancient city and archaeological site outside Mexico City, it will require an additional but nominal fee to visit. Lunch is on your own at either of the museum cafés. Limited space available. **\$105**

Vicki Lawrence & Mama!

Bankhead Theater, Livermore
Friday, January 26

One of the most beloved television personalities of her generation, Vicki Lawrence is best known for her endearing character "Mama" from the legendary "Carol Burnett Show" and the top-rated, long-running spin-off "Mama's Family." On stage, the multi-talented entertainer easily demonstrates her versatility – she earned a gold record for her 1973 recording of "The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia" – and shares her comic gifts both as herself and the hilarious, opinionated "Mama." Dinner

precedes the 8pm show at Campo di Bocce. **\$210**

It's a Symphonic Surfin' Safari

At the Luther Burbank Center
Sunday, February 18

The legendary Beach Boys tribute band, *Papa Doo Run*, join the Santa Rosa Symphony for an afternoon of fun classic rock from the 60's and 70's. Hear all your favorites including "Surfin' Safari," "Help Me Rhonda," "Fun, Fun, Fun," and, of course, "Wipe Out." Lunch is included at Dempsey's prior to the 3pm performance and a light dinner snack will be served on the way home. **\$179**

A Magical Luncheon

Thursday, February 22

First presented as a mystery daytrip last summer with three departures, this "Magical Luncheon" received rave reviews! Host Gerry Griffin welcomes you to his house of fun and illusion for the afternoon. A very tasty pre-set menu is served with tableside magic and humor. Then sit back and enjoy the show that is filled with laughter and illusion. You will come away mystified. **\$159**

ABBA Mania

Gallo Center, Modesto
Friday, February 23

Seven performers and musicians bring to life the very best of the legendary Swedish group. Get your bell bottoms out for two hours of hits ranging from "Dancing Queen" to "Waterloo" to "Fernando." Dinner is included at the Canal Street Grille prior to the 8pm show. **\$162**

Rhapsody & Rhythm: The Gershwin Concert Experience

Gallo Center, Modesto
Sunday, February 25

This is the official, Gershwin-family authorized multi-media concert event celebrating the music and the legacy of brothers George and Ira. Three incredible



singers/musicians will remind you of why the Gershwin brothers will forever be one of the most respected and beloved songwriting teams. The performance begins at 4pm with dinner to follow at the Canal Street Grille. **\$149**

Behind the Scenes at the NEW Golden 1 Center

Tuesday, March 6

Second departure! Enjoy a 90-minute VIP walking tour of our new, exciting, and impressive Golden 1 Center in downtown Sacramento. As a venue not only for the Kings, the center has set a new standard as a modern, state-of-the-art sports complex and has energized our community with its performances thus far. The private walking tour includes the art and architecture of the multi-level interior, highlights local food venues that promote farm-to-fork dining, and provides a history of Sacramento, and of course, our own Kings! Following the tour, relax and enjoy an included lunch at nearby Il Fornaio Restaurant. **\$131**

Dancing With The Stars' Light Up The Night Tour

Stockton Arena

Thursday, March 8

Pros from the hit ABC dance competition show *Dancing With The Stars* are bringing their *Light Up The Night Tour* to Stockton! Scheduled professional dancers include Sharna Burgess, Emma Slater, Lindsay Arnold, Witney Carson, Sasha Farber, Artem Chigvintsev, Gleb Savchenko and many more! Well choreographed numbers along with some of the most bedazzling costumes are sure to entertain and excite the most loyal of fans. An included dinner at Angelina's Italian Restaurant precedes the 7pm show. **\$188**

The Ten Tenors

Gallo Center, Modesto

Sunday, March 11

Hear the power of *Ten* as the guys soar through rock and pop anthems with their unmistakable style and sound. They will woo you with some of the most romantic love songs and arias of all time with classics from Puccini, Rossini, David Bowie, Queen and

Leonard Cohen. Dinner is included after the 4pm performance at the Canal Street Grille. **\$171**

Casanova and Bouquets to Art

Legion of Honor and de Young Museums of San Francisco

Thursday, March 15

Begin the day at the Legion of Honor exploring the world of the man and adventurer recognized by just his last name, "Casanova." Born in 1725 in Venice, Giacomo Casanova was a man of many talents including essayist, playwright, librettist, gambler, traveler, spy, and compelling character. The exhibit *Casanova: The Seduction of Europe*, charts his exploits and life through paintings, sculptures, decorative arts, drawings, musical instruments, and costumes as evoked by the art of his contemporaries including Boucher, Canaletto, and Fragonard. In addition to their artistic works, three-dimensional tableaux of costumed mannequins amid period furniture brings the colorful and lavish style of his world to life. An audio guide is included for your enjoyment of this unique and special exhibit. In the afternoon, travel to the de Young Museum in Golden Gate Park for *Bouquets to Art 2018*. This popular annual event features galleries of fresh floral arrangements inspired by paintings and works of the permanent collection. Designed by top arrangers from the Bay Area and beyond, these floral artists draw their inspiration from the museum works in imaginative and intricate creations that enhance and highlight the art in a new way. Lunch is on your own at either of the museum cafes. **\$116**

Gold Card Members...

...who would like to have an updated statement of their Gold Passport Points, should email res@sportsleisure.com and put the words "Gold Card Statement" in the subject line. You can also find your Gold Passport Points balance on the back of any tour confirmation you receive by mail.

Cirque du Soleil's Crystal

SAP Arena, San Jose

2 Days • March 29-30

Crystal is not just an ice show...it is the very first experience on ice from Cirque du Soleil. Watch world-class ice skaters and acrobats claim their new frozen playground with speed and fluidity as they challenge the laws of gravity with never-before-seen acrobatics. This is a new kind of performance as Cirque du Soleil meets the ice to defy all expectations. Please note: stairs are required to access your seat.

Travel to San Jose and check into the Embassy Suites in Milpitas. Enjoy an early dinner at Original Joe's Restaurant prior to the 7:30pm show at San Jose's SAP Arena. Enjoy a full, cooked-to-order breakfast at your hotel prior to returning to Sacramento.

The tour includes deluxe transportation, accommodations, 2 meals, (1FB,1D), a ticket to the performance and a **Sports Leisure** Tour Director. 500/600 Gold Passport Points

\$495 p.p./dbl. occ., \$580 single

Save \$15 until December 12

Add door-to door service for \$80 p.p.

A Message for our Casino Patrons

We were recently contacted by Harvey's at Tahoe and informed the casino will no longer be providing cash bonuses for motorcoach groups. It's truly the end of an era, as casino trips were the heart of this company in its earliest days. This has been a trend over the past several years. In fact, **Sports Leisure** was one of only three remaining companies to which Harvey's provided this benefit based on our many years of loyalty. Without a bonus program, we have decided to stop offering gaming trips to South Lake Tahoe. We will continue to offer non-gaming daytrips to Lake Tahoe and may decide to offer passengers the option of choosing an activity or a visit to a casino. Keep your eye on future newsletters for these daytrips to be announced.

Thoughts for the Day

My Living Will

Last night, my kids and I were sitting in the living room and I said to them, "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependant on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."

They got up, unplugged my computer and threw out my wine!

The little brats.

One More Regarding the Wine

An older woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, "I don't know how I could ever live without you."

Her husband asks, "Is that the wine talking?"

She replies, "It's me... talking to the wine"

Remebering Our Friends

In this space, we honor traveling friends who have recently taken their last trip on this earth. Roberta and Clayton celebrated her 90th birthday together with a dinner at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse. When they got there, Roberta confessed she didn't eat steak, but wanting to be a good dinner guest, accepted the invitation anyway. Clayton relates they had a lovely dinner (Roberta had chicken) and Roberta shared many stories of her **Sports Leisure Travels**. Now Roberta, and the others listed here, make their reservations with the angels.

All of the folks here were a part of our extended **Sports Leisure** family and we will miss them. If you know of someone who should be included here, please contact our office or send a note to Donnie@sportsleisure.com.

Roberta Bagwell

Liz Angell

Andeen Lovett

Barbara Marre

Angie Horman

Godspeed

A spectacular dinner idea from one of our friends at Sheffield Spice & Tea Co. in Las Vegas, find them at www.sheffieldspices.com

Chicken with Prosciutto and Sundried Tomatoes

Makes: 4 Servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cooking Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 2 Medium to Large Chicken Breasts (about a pound). Cut into Bite Sized Pieces
- 4 Oz Prosciutto Sliced Very Thin and Cut into 1/2" Pieces
- 2 Teaspoons Olive Oil
- 1 Cup Finely Diced Red Onion
- 12 Oz Package Sliced Mushrooms (1 package)
- 1/4 to 1/2 Cup Chopped Sundried Tomatoes
- 2 Cloves Garlic, Minced
- 1 1/2 Cups Half-and-Half
- 1 Tablespoons Butter
- 1/2 Cup Freshly Grated Parmesan or Romano Cheese
- 1 Teaspoon Freshly Ground Black Pepper
- 1 Teaspoon Sea Salt (or to taste)

- 1 Tablespoons Dried Basil
- 1 Pound Farfalle Pasta

Directions:

Cook the pasta according to the package directions. In a large frying pan, heat olive oil over medium high heat. Add chicken and cook for 6-8 minutes, or until chicken is cooked through. Remove from pan, set aside and cover to keep warm.

Using the same pan on medium heat, add red onion, mushrooms, garlic, and sundried tomatoes. Cook until the mushrooms are golden and the onions are cooked but not too soft. It's alright if they still have a bit of a crunch. Add Prosciutto and cook for another minute. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Add chicken back to the pan.

In a mixing bowl, add the half-and-half, butter, cheese, black pepper, and basil, stirring to combine. Pour over chicken mixture. Heat to a simmer, stirring gently to mix all together. Cook for 3-4 minutes until everything is heated through.

Add cooked pasta to the pan, and toss to coat. Serve immediately and grate additional cheese on dish if desired. A mixed greens salad with our Italian Salad Dressing makes a great accompaniment.



On One of Our Mystery Tours...

...next year, you will visit a place with these TWO oddities. A giant talking Campbell's soup can; and full sized rest rooms that have "port-a-potty" entrances. Mystery Tours aren't for everyone, but if you like soup and honey buckets (did we really put those in the same sentence), you might fit right in.



The Sound of Music in Leavenworth

Take the Train to Washington's Little Bavaria

4 Days • August 6-9

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! Combine this tour with **Planes & Trains of the Pacific Northwest**, August 3-6! See page 19 for more details.

1. Fly to Seattle, where lunch is included on the waterfront. Just adjacent to the restaurant is famous Pike Place Market. Shop for a few goodies found in the Pacific Northwest or perhaps just watch the flying fish! In the late afternoon, board Amtrak's *Empire Builder* for a short journey into the majestic mountains of Washington. At the heart of the state you'll find Leavenworth, Washington's own *Little Bavaria*. Your accommodations are located close to the center of the village with a full breakfast included each day. **Bavarian Lodge – 3 nights (L)**

2. Surrounded by orchards in the heart of the Wenatchee Valley, the community of Cashmere is the home of Liberty Orchards, makers of "Applets and Cottlets," the fruit and nut confections. Enjoy complimentary samples, time for shopping and tour the factory. Learn the history of the region on a docent-guided tour of the Cashmere Pioneer Village and Museum. Back in Leavenworth, enjoy lunch at your leisure and an optional walking tour of historic downtown. Dinner is included at King Ludwig's German Restaurant, served family-style, prior to tonight's performance of the popular musical *The Sound of Music*. Performed outdoors with the mountains of the Wenatchee Forest in the background, you'll feel like you're in the hills of Switzerland with the Von Trapp Family! **(FB,D)**

3. Discover Rocky Reach Dam and the Columbia River Museum on a tour today. After an included lunch visit Ohme Gardens, situated on top of a large bluff overlooking the Columbia River. This evening, *My*

Fair Lady is performed under the stars at Hatchery Park. **(FB,L)**

4. Bid farewell to Leavenworth and begin your journey westward with lunch in the small town of Snohomish. Conclude your visit to the *Evergreen State* with a stop at the Boeing Museum of Flight. A return flight from Seattle returns you home in the early evening. **(FB,L)**

The tour includes door-to-door airport service, roundtrip air, 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. 1950/2200 Gold Passport Points

\$1925 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2190 single
Save \$60 until December 12

Scottish Tales and the Beatles Trail

The best of Scotland, the English Lakes and the Fab Four's Liverpool

12 Days • August 9-20

- 3 nights Edinburgh, Scotland's Capital City
- 2 nights each Inverness, Lake District National Park, Manchester
- Overnight on the shores of Loch Lomond
- Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, Palace of Holyrood House, Edinburgh Castle, Royal Yacht *Britannia*

- Dalwhinnie Distillery, Urquhart Castle, Isle of Skye, Inveraray Castle
- Gretna Green, Beatrix Potter's Hill Top, The Beatles Story
- Manchester's Cathedral and Chetham's Library
- Roundtrip air to Edinburgh/from Manchester
- 20 meals: daily breakfast and dinner
- Door-to-door airport service
- 7600/9200 Gold Passport Points

1-2. Fly to Edinburgh and begin your exploration of Scotland's principal city, a largely unsung treasure among European capitals, but a treasure nonetheless!

The Principal Edinburgh – 3 nights (D)

3. Edinburgh Castle and the Palace of Holyroodhouse anchor opposite ends of The Royal Mile, and you'll visit both! Return to the castle in the evening for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, the most fabulous of all Scottish musical spectacles featuring performers from all over the world and literally hundreds of bagpipes. Our exclusive "Jacobite Experience" includes a pre-show dinner with libations and the Toast to the Haggis. **(FB,D)**

4. Explore the Royal Yacht *Britannia* which served the Royal Family over 44 years of distinguished service. In the evening, Prestonfield House plays host to the Taste of Scotland Show featuring a mix of traditional



Take the high road or the low road to discover Inveraray Castle in Scotland

music, dance and dishes. **(FB,D)**

5. The route north into the Highlands takes you to Dalwhinnie Distillery for a tour and wee dram, then to Urquhart Castle. Among the largest ever built, the 16th-century castle today exists largely in ruins on the shores of Loch Ness. **Kingsmills Hotel Inverness – 2 nights (FB,D)**

6. Rich in history and natural beauty, spend the day exploring the Isle of Skye, the home of Clans MacDonald and MacLeod. Skye played a big role in the Jacobite Rebellion and Scotland's dramatic, though failed attempt to regain its independence from England and place Bonnie Prince Charlie on the throne. **(FB,D)**

7. Inveraray has been home to the Duke and Duchess of Argyll since the 15th Century. The present castle dates to the mid-18th Century and is famous for its collections of armor, decorative arts and French tapestries. Will you take the high or low road to Loch Lomond? Either way, a wonderful night awaits. **Cameron House Hotel (FB,D)**

8. The border town of Gretna Green was famous for secret marriages of underage English youth. There you'll say goodbye to Scotland (and perhaps tie the knot?) as Lake District National Park welcomes you to England. **Macdonald Leeming House – 2 nights (FB,D)**

9. Today you'll explore the Lake District by land and water, and visit Hill Top, the home of Beatrix Potter. England's beloved author and artist breathed life into Peter Rabbit,

Tom Kitten and Jemima Puddleduck at this lovely cottage estate. **(FB,D)**

10. Travel to Manchester via Liverpool, hometown of the "Fab Four." The Beatles Story offers up the world's largest collection of memorabilia focused on the lives, times, culture and music of The Beatles. **Crowne Plaza Manchester – 2 nights (FB,D)**

11. It's Sunday, your well-earned day of rest. Perhaps you'd like to attend services at Manchester Cathedral. In the afternoon a walking tour includes a stop at Chetham's Library, the oldest in the English-speaking world. **(FB,D)**

12. Return to America on a morning flight with happy memories of a grand visit to the United Kingdom. **(FB)**

\$7570 p.p./dbl.occ., \$9155 single

\$ave \$200 until December 12

This tour requires a valid passport!

Newfoundland, Where the Sun Meets the Sea

Featuring breathtaking natural beauty

11 Days • August 10-20

- Visit L'Anse Aux Meadows National Historic Site
- Explore Gros Morne National Park
- Stay 2-nights in the oceanfront capital of St. John's, NL
- Experience scenic boat tours
- 21 meals: 10 breakfasts, 1 box lunch, 9 dinners
- Roundtrip airfare to Deer Lake/from St. John's, NL



See that small speck in the water? That's you on a cruise through Western Brook Pond Fjord in Newfoundland

- Door-to-door airport service
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**
- 6400/6900 Gold Passport Points
- 1. Fly Delta Airlines to Toronto via Salt Lake City. **Hilton Garden Inn Toronto Airport**

2. Fly this morning to Deer Lake, Newfoundland. Travel along the Northern Peninsula to your accommodations in Hawkes Bay. **Torrent River Inn (FB,D)**

3. L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site is the first cultural discovery in the world to receive recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hear of the Vikings who walked here over a thousand years ago before continuing on to your accommodations in St. Anthony for the night. Tonight is an evening of food and fun at the Great Viking Feast at Leifsbudir. **Haven Inn (FB,D)**

4. A morning whale watching tour (weather permitting) with a local biologist and wildlife expert will give you the opportunity to see whales, dolphins, sea birds and sea caves. At the Grenfell Interpretive Centre & House Museum, learn about the famous medical missionary, Sir Wilfred Grenfell, before traveling to Cow Head in Gros Morne National Park for a two-night stay. **Shallow Bay Motel – 2 nights (FB,D)**

5. Discover why Gros Morne National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is truly one of the highlights of your trip with a scenic boat tour on Bonne Bay. Be on the look-out for the bald eagles that frequent the deep waters of the fjord. Also visit the Tablelands; this mountain of flat-topped rock of a kind usually found only deep in the earth's mantle is an awe-inspiring sight. Today will be an unforgettable experience; some say the scenery that Gros Morne offers is unequalled in Eastern Canada. **(FB,BL,D)**

6. Have your camera at the ready as your time in Gros Morne National Park draws to a close. Later, travel through Central Newfoundland on to Gander where you will spend the night. This afternoon visit the North Atlantic Aviation Museum, which hosts a variety of artifacts and displays chronicling Gander's role in development of transatlantic aviation. Learn about its unique role in hosting our "Come From Away" during America's 9/11 tragedy. **Sinbad's Hotel & Suites (FB,D)**

7. A scenic drive along the rocky coast

of Notre Dame Bay leads to the beautiful outport of Twillingate where you will visit Long Point Lighthouse and the Prime Berth Fishery & Heritage Centre. Keep your eyes open for wildlife as you drive through Terra Nova National Park and on to Clarenville, your home for the next two nights. **St. Jude's Hotel – 2 nights (FB,D)**

8. Today you will experience two quaint, historic towns. First, visit Bonavista, where John Cabot first arrived in North America in 1497. Learn about the hard life of the light keepers at Cape Bonavista Lighthouse Provincial Historic Site before continuing on to charming Trinity. Stroll the lanes and explore the many historic buildings preserved from the 18th Century. **(FB,D)**

9. Continue on to the intriguing old seaport of St. John's, your home for the next two nights. North America's oldest city, and Newfoundland's capital, boasts a stunning location in the granite cliffs and slopes of the Avalon Peninsula. Enjoy a city tour featuring the Victorian architecture of the downtown area, the busy modern waterfront, the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Confederation Building, and the panoramic view from Signal Hill. **Delta St. John's – 2 nights (FB,D)**

10. This morning, visit Bay Bulls for one of the highlights of your trip, a boat tour in the Witless Bay Ecological Reserve to search for puffins and other seabirds. Next is a visit to the most easterly point in North America, Cape Spear National Historic Site. The afternoon is yours to explore St. John's at your leisure. **(FB,D)**

11. Transfer to the St. John's International Airport for your return flight home with many fond memories of your time in Newfoundland. **(FB)**

\$6390 p.p./dbl.occ., \$6885 single
Save \$200 until December 12

A Scandinavian Holiday

Featuring Stockholm, Helsinki, Oslo, Lapland and a 6-day cruise through the fjords of Norway

18 Days • September 18 – October 5

Discover scenic wonder in the northern countries of Scandinavia. This land and sea package features visits to the capital cities of Stockholm, Helsinki and Oslo. Stay two

nights in Lapland, above the Arctic Circle, in Finland before boarding a Hurtigruten cruise from Kirkenes all along the Norwegian coast south to Bergen. Travel aboard the world-famous Flam Railway in the heart of Norway.

Encompassing 14 islands and 50 bridges, Stockholm is both a historic and modern city located on an extensive archipelago of the Baltic Sea. Tour Gamla Stan, the old town, and see Storkyrkan Cathedral from the 13th Century. The city is also home to a colorful cornucopia of museums. In 1628 the Swedish warship *Vasa* sank shortly after she was launched. Lost to history, the ship was discovered in 1961 almost fully intact and is now housed in its own museum. Not far away, both the Nobel Museum and the ABBA Museum, dedicated to Sweden's most popular band, are also worthy of visits.

Across the Gulf of Bothnia, Finland's capital city Helsinki is regularly lauded as one of the world's most liveable cities and home to unique architecture. Originally part of Sweden and then Russia, Finland finally gained independence in 1917 but the influences of both mother countries are still present and can be seen throughout Helsinki. Visit the National Museum and the Fortress of Suomenlinna, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the far north we'll spend two nights in Lapland, a region north of the Arctic Circle and home to a hardy people who still herd reindeer.

At the far northeastern corner of Norway, we'll board our ship in Kirkenes for a 5 night cruise in and out of the island and

fjords along the coastline. A cruise on the Hurtigruten line is a unique voyage. Don't look for formal nights or masquerades. This is a ship for both tourists and locals who ferry between towns. In all, we will stop at 34 ports in 6 days. And because this is the land of the Midnight Sun, you can see them all in sunshine! The atmosphere onboard is more casual compared to most ships, but all staterooms offer picture windows and cozy accommodations. Optional shore excursions are offered.

Once in Bergen, we'll travel to the interior of Norway and experience a ride on the scenic Flåm Railway. Named one of the most beautiful train journeys in the world, it runs from the end of Aurlandsfjord, a tributary of the Sognefjord, up to the high mountains at Myrdal Station. The journey displays the very best aspects of Western Norway's stunning scenery. Finish the tour in Oslo, home of the Edvard Munch Museum, and Norwegian Museum of Cultural History, along with Akerhus Castle and Fortress.

The tour will include air to Stockholm, Helsinki, Lapland and from Oslo, rail from Bergen to Oslo, select meals, deluxe motorcoach transportation, accommodations, and the services of a **Sports Leisure Vacations** Tour Director. Gold Passport Points based on cabin.

Prices available December 5.

Call and place your name on the Priority Notification List today!

This tour requires a valid passport!

The Travel Guys *Radio Show*

*Making you a
smarter traveler...*

Every Sunday 3-4pm

KFBK, 1530, 93.1FM



Tom Romano and Mark Hoffmann



The Barber Pole, or Once Over Lightly

Items to help make you a smarter and better informed **Sports Leisure Traveler**.

How We Pick The Airlines We Fly On

This question is often asked. Of course, many have a favorite airline and almost as many have an airline they would prefer **NOT** to fly on ever again. So how do we decide?

Schedules are probably the most important consideration. We would all love a non-stop to our destination leaving about 9am in the morning. But we live in a secondary city with service mostly to hub airports once you leave the west coast. First, who flies when we want to fly? Next, how does that airline perform when the chips are down? Will they hold an airplane for a group running through the airport like **United** and **Southwest** have done on numerous occasions? Or will they close the door and create problems for everyone involved? How about the airline's phone staff? Will they be responsive in a tight situation? After Hours? For 25 people?

Another consideration is Frequent Flyer programs. For many years, a large majority of Sacramento-based travelers were members of **United's** program. So choosing United meant more of our travelers would get miles that they valued for future travel. For a long time, United had more long distance lift than anyone else in Sacramento.

Comfort. The airlines keep putting the seats closer and closer together. People aren't getting any smaller. On **Southwest**, the seats are two inches further apart than standard seating on United, Delta and American. Of course, there's no way to buy extra legroom on Southwest, whereas you can do that on the other carriers. But that extra space comes at a price, generally about \$100-\$150 to fly cross country with only a little more comfort.

Assigned Seats. On Southwest, it's grab a seat on the plane. Not everyone likes that. Plus, even though **Michael** checks us in exactly 23 hours and 59 minutes before departure, we often end up with B and C boarding passes, which makes getting the

seat you want tougher. With other airlines, you know where you are sitting. There are fans of both systems.

Attitude. It has been this writer's observation the general attitude of Southwest staff is **far superior** to any other airline. The on board service is better also. To us, these things matter. We are a company that prides itself on good service. We like companies that take the same approach. People **laugh more** on Southwest planes, in part because of the attitude of the staff on board.

Price. Believe it or not, this isn't on the top of the list. While we love getting great fares, because it helps keep the price of the trip lower, it isn't a huge factor. **Schedules** are more important.

If you ever have questions about the airlines we choose and why, drop **Mark** a note or give him a call. He is always happy to answer your questions.

Watch Our Videos on You Tube

Did you know we have our own **You Tube** channel? Just go to www.youtube.com and type in "**Sports Leisure Vacations**" in the search bar at the top of the page. You will be taken to our page of videos (there are a couple of them that aren't ours, but You Tube puts them under the "**Sports and Leisure**" header). There you can **see** our trips to Michigan, New York, Moab, the Laguna Pageant, the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, Wildlife in British Columbia, Ferries and

Towns of Puget Sound, Leavenworth, Key West and a few more. Spend an evening web surfing for your next destination.

One Bed or Two

When registering for one of our trips which is two days or longer, if you are traveling with someone, you **might** have a decision to make: One bed or two. We say **might**, because if you are traveling with someone (husband, friend, relative) and you don't give us any specific instructions, you will **automatically** receive a room with two beds. If you are traveling alone, we will request a room with one bed.

The only time you have a decision to make is if you have a traveling companion and wish to share the same bed. Then, just tell us and we will **request** a single bed for you. Like all hotels, bedding requests are just that: a **request** the hotel will attempt to honor. Not every hotel has king-sized beds. Many older, boutique properties, have only queen beds. Or some king and some queen single bedded rooms. So remember that king bed request is not guaranteed, or that if you request a room with one bed, you should be prepared to share a queen bed if that's all that's available at your hotel.

Questions about beds? Just inquire **at the time of reservation**. Rooming lists are sent to hotels 4-6 weeks prior to arrival, so avoid last minute requests, as those have a lesser chance of being honored.



The new "employee disciplinary program" has started at **Sports Leisure Vacations**

The Tour Calendar *(Previously Announced)*

U.S. Figure Skating Championships

Four seats remaining- watch future

Olympians in action

5 Days • January 4-8

..... Highlights

- 4 nights at the Embassy Suites Milpitas, includes breakfast each morning
- All event skating tickets, allowing you to see shows in the evening and the afternoon if you wish
- Sightseeing tour of Silicon Valley, Sunday Brunch at the Hayes Mansion, guest skating speaker
- You will have the opportunity to see the following: Opening Ceremonies, Championship Pairs Short Program, Junior Free Dance, Junior Men's Free Skate, Championship Short Dance, Championship Ladies Short Program, Championship Pairs Free Skate, Championship Men's Free Skate, Championship Free Dance, and Championship Ladies Free Skate
- Just added – tickets to the Smucker's Skating Spectacular on Sunday night, where all the winners, the new members of the U.S. Olympic Team, will skate
- Tour Director: **Chris Galloway**
\$2449 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2679 single

Key West, Miami and The Everglades

Key Largo and 4 nights in Key West

7 Days • January 20-26

..... Highlights

- Florida Everglades, air boats and alligators
- History – the Hemingway Home, The Aquarium and Truman's "Little White House," *Old Town Trolley* island tour
- Exclusive lunch on private Sunset Key
- "Taste of Key West" food tour by trolley; sample local culinary treats (including Key Lime Pie, Conch Fritters, Cuban Sandwiches)
- Sunset at Mallory Square meet one of the street performers for a closer look at his craft
- Day cruise on an authentic clipper ship

(optional), visit the Butterfly and Nature Conservatory

- Cabaret Dinner Show at *La Te Da*; lunch at Hemingway's Sloppy Joe's, a local landmark
- Overnight Ft. Lauderdale – Miami city tour featuring South Beach and Coral Gables; overnight in Key Largo; 4 nights Key West
- Tour the Turtle Hospital in the Keys
- Roundtrip air to Ft. Lauderdale/from Key West
- 14 meals, door-to-door airport service
- Tour Directors: **Mark & Chris**

Key West has become one of our most popular destinations with our annual tour selling out every year, months ahead of departure. Key West is a pedestrian-friendly destination, and because of that we walk to many attractions. During your extended stay in Key West, your accommodations are in the very best location in town, at the historic **La Concha Crowne Plaza**. The hotel is a landmarked building and it's right in the middle of famous Duval Street, allowing you to make the most of your free time in town, because you can walk to just about everything. Restaurants and shops are close and best of all, your breakfast is included every morning! We **do not** recommend this

tour for travelers with serious mobility issues.

\$3895 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4450 single

The Path Between the Seas

Cruise the Panama Canal aboard Holland America's ms Westerdam

17 Days • February 3-19

..... Highlights

- Pre-cruise overnight stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Plantation
- Bon Voyage Dinner at Texas de Brazil Restaurant in Fort Lauderdale
- All meals included on board the *ms Westerdam*
- Prices include all transfers, port taxes
- Roundtrip air to Ft. Lauderdale/from San Diego
- Door-to-door airport service
- **Sports Leisure** Cruise Director is **Ramona Goodge**
- Gold Passport Points based on cabin
Sail from Florida to California on one of Holland America's best-known ships, the *ms Westerdam*. More information on page 45 of the catalog. Only inside cabins are available at this time. Call our office to check space.

Inside cabins start at:

\$4095 p.p./dbl.occ., \$5610 single

This vacation requires a valid passport!



Our Key West trip always tours The Turtle Hospital to learn how we can be better friends to marine life



It's All About The Water

A Mystery Tour that evolves around... water (but is NOT a cruise)

6 Days • February 4-9

Call to place your name on the waitlist for this trip. Information can be found on Page 9 of the catalog. Tour directors: Chris & Mark

\$2940 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3335 single

Take the Snow Train to Reno

A train ride through the Sierra Nevada

2 Days • February 14-15 or

February 28 – March 1

Experience a High Sierra winter wonderland as Amtrak's *California Zephyr* climbs through the mountains, providing magnificent winter vistas. Your journey begins from one of our convenient pickups and the train departs from Roseville. Enjoy a free morning at leisure on the second day.

The package includes one-way rail passage on Amtrak's *California Zephyr*, a boxed lunch, hotel accommodations at the Silver Legacy, casino bonuses (subject to change), and return transportation by motorcoach. 275/300 Gold Passport Points

\$269 p.p./dbl.occ., \$299 single

Add door-to-door service for \$80 p.p.

Passage to South America

Holland America's ms Zaandam

17 Days • March 2-18

Only inside cabins are left at this time. Begin in Argentina with two days to explore Buenos Aires while staying aboard ship. Then visit Uruguay, the Falkland Islands, Cape Horn, Glacier Alley and finally Chile. Catalog page 45.

The tour includes door-to-door airport service, roundtrip air to Buenos Aires/from Santiago, all meals onboard ship, and the services of a **Sports Leisure Vacations** Tour Director. Gold Passport Points based on cabin. Your **Sports Leisure** Cruise Director is **Michael Downer**.

Inside Cabins start at:

\$5065 p.p./dbl. occ., \$6350 single (inside)

This vacation requires a valid passport!

**Visit us on the web at:
www.sportsleisure.com**

25th Annual Spring Training in Arizona

4 nights in a luxurious Marriott Hotel, ballgames every day

5 Days • March 15-19

..... Highlights

- 4 nights at the Phoenix Airport Marriott
- Tickets to 5 Cactus League games – Giants/Padres, Indians/A's, Giants/Reds or A's/Giants, Giants/Rockies, Indians/Giants (tentative schedule)
- Lunch en suite or on the patio for one game
- Baseball Banquet, featuring a former or current player, coach, broadcaster or umpire
- A fabulous Sunday Brunch at the historic Wrigley Mansion
- 8 meals: including daily buffet breakfast
- Airfare, door-to-door service
- 2300/2600 Gold Passport Points

We'll catch a game every afternoon or evening, a total of 5 games in all. The trip features Sunday Brunch at Wrigley Mansion and a dinner at Rustler's Roost (a **Sports Leisure** tradition). The centrally located **Marriott Hotel** we call home provides a great buffet breakfast each morning. Tickets for the games are almost always located in the shade. (You'll see how important this is once we get to Arizona.) Your Tour Director(s): **Mark & Chris**

\$2275 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2565 single

Desert Beauty: Anza-Borrego and Joshua Tree National Park

Springtime wildflowers, majestic landscapes, and splendid beauty

5 Days • March 19-23

..... Highlights

- Anza-Borrego State Park, Joshua Tree National Park and the gardens of Sunnyland provide spectacular examples of desert beauty
- Experience the desert first-hand with a jeep ride, tram ride and guided tour of the region
- Stay 3 nights at the Agua Caliente Resort
- Roundtrip airfare to San Diego/from Ontario
- 5 meals: 1 full breakfast, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2150/2400 Gold Passport Points

Find the full tour description on page 15 of the catalog. The desert is a place of silence, light and space with beauty in its arid landscape, and wildflowers tucked into its crevices. Spend enough time here and the desert will weave a spell upon you. Experience the beauty and grandeur for yourself in this springtime expedition. Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**

\$2105 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2380 single

\$ave \$40 until December 12



Stay three nights surrounded by luxury in the desert at the Agua Caliente Resort

On the Central Coast

Featuring oceanfront accommodations in Avila Beach

4 Days • April 10-13

..... Highlights

- Wonderful oceanfront accommodations at Avila Lighthouse Suites
- Visit Morro Bay and Arroyo Grande
- Shop San Luis Obispo's Thursday Night Farmers Market
- 7 meals: 3 breakfasts, 4 lunches
- Door-to-door service
- 1500/1750 Gold Passport Points
- Find the full description on page 16 of the 2018 Tour Catalog
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**
\$1460 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1750 single

Route 66, The Main Street of America – Part I

The repeat of a classic Sports Leisure adventure – our 9th journey down the classic highway

Chicago to Oklahoma City

11 Days • April 13-23

..... Highlights

- Overnights in Chicago, Pontiac (IL), Springfield (IL), Springfield (MO), Tulsa, Oklahoma City, 2 nights in St. Louis, 2 nights in Miami (pronounced Mi-am-ah), (OK)
- Meet the people of Route 66 – special guides, speakers and guests; lots of quirky attractions
- Including airfare and door-to-door airport service if departing from Sacramento
- Featuring the services of **Sports Leisure** Tour Directors (**Chris & Mark**) and 26 meals
- For our frequent travelers, 3550/4050 Gold Passport Points

Full tour description can be found on pages 32-33 of the catalog. A journey down

Route 66 is like cutting yourself a slice of All-American Pie. You'll discover people and places you didn't know existed – like the murals that line the walls of Pontiac, IL and Cuba, MO; Ted Drewes Frozen Custard in St. Louis and the magnificent Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum in Springfield, IL. Meet published Route 66 authors and experts, roadies and characters. If you love "off-the-beaten-track," you've found your

trip! Only limited space remains in our group of 30 travelers.

\$3545 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4035 single

Beautiful Bodega Bay, Tiburon and The Coast

Featuring the Sonoma and Marin Coastlines

3 Days • April 29 – May 1

..... Highlights

- Relax in comfort and enjoy the hospitality of Bodega Bay Lodge & Spa, overlooking Dorian Beach
- Browse the eclectic shops of Tiburon
- Dine at the Occidental Union Hotel
- Visit Korbel Champagne Cellars and Gardens
- Enjoy the views from Tiburon's Shoreline Park and visit the Railroad & Ferry Depot Museum
- 4 meals: 2 full breakfasts, 1 brunch, 1 lunch
- Door-to-door service
- 1100/1300 Gold Passport Points
- Find the complete tour write up on page 19 of the 2018 Tour Catalog

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. This leisurely visit to the coast allows you time to sit back and enjoy springtime on the coast.

Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**

\$1075 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1255 single

Save \$25 until December 12

NYC – Behind Broadway and The Bronx

Two nights of Broadway theatre and a pops concert at Carnegie Hall

6 Days • April 29 – May 4

Just Announced: Our Carnegie Hall NY Symphony Pops Concert will honor Alan Menken, the Oscar/Tony Award-winning composer (*Beauty and the Beast*, *Sister Act*, *The Little Mermaid*, among others). We will have dress circle seats for a great evening at Carnegie.)

..... Highlights

- 5 nights at the **Marriott Marquis Times Square**, New York's best location

- 3 nights of entertainment – 2 Broadway shows (Disney's newest Broadway smash *Frozen* and one **you** choose – an exclusive **SLV** feature); plus a Carnegie Hall concert featuring the New York Symphony Pops Orchestra
 - A Day Downtown – High Line Park, Wall Street, Federal Hall, the 9/11 Memorial/Museum/Observation Deck (all 3 experiences included)
 - A Day in The Bronx – stop in at a police and a fire station and meet the first responders, lunch in The Bronx with a variety of stops in "Little Italy"
 - Behind Broadway – visit a rehearsal hall and learn how a show comes together, meet a Broadway performer, dine with a theater reviewer (**Peter Filichia**) – fun and educational
 - Tour of the headquarters of the United Nations
 - Free day to visit Ellis and Liberty Islands, museums, shops, etc.
 - Roundtrip air to/from NYC
 - 7 meals: 4 lunches, 3 dinners
 - Door-to-door airport transfers
 - 4000/4550 Gold Passport Points
- We will take you behind-the-scenes on Broadway and show you how it all works. Another day finds you in Little Italy, the real Little Italy, not some Manhattan substitute. For the first time, a short tour of High Line Park is featured, along with the opportunity for an optional in-depth tour on Ellis Island. Find the complete tour description on page 6 of the catalog.

\$3995 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4530 single

Save \$50 until December 12

Off on Another Mission

A continuation of our 2017 tour visits six more California Missions

3 Days • May 8-11

..... Highlights

- Discover six of California's historic missions
- 2 nights at The Dream Inn Santa Cruz
- Dinner waterside at The Crow's Nest
- Visit secluded and peaceful Mission San Antonio de Padua with a casual lunch
- 6 meals: 2 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door service



- 1200/1400 Gold Passport Points
- Find the complete tour description on page 16 of the Tour Catalog

\$1185 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1365 single

Japan: Land of the Rising Sun

The best of the traditional and modern

12 Days • May 12-23

..... Highlights

- Enjoy a full and comprehensive, yet relaxed itinerary
- Dine on local fare with access to familiar tastes as well
- Stay in thoughtfully chosen and well-positioned hotels
- Roundtrip airfare to Osaka/return from Tokyo
- 21 meals: daily breakfast, 4 lunches, 7 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- Services of an English-speaking local guide and **Sports Leisure** Tour Director
- 7850/8600 Gold Passport Points

An incredible opportunity to visit this pearl of the East. View the full itinerary that includes Osaka, Hiroshima, Kyoto, Takayama, and Tokyo at www.sportsleisure.com. The tour had been sold out but we now have **two seats available!** Don't wait too long to call!

\$7850 p.p./dbl.occ., \$8575 single

This tour requires a valid passport!

Springtime in Yosemite

Featuring the best of Mother Nature: waterfalls and spring flowers

3 Days • May 15-17

..... Highlights

- 2 nights at the new Rush Creek Lodge
- Free time to visit Yosemite Falls, the Ansel Adams Gallery, and the Yosemite Museum
- Guided tour highlighting the history and points of interest throughout the valley
- Walk through the Big Trees of the restored Mariposa Grove
- 2 meals: 1 lunch, 1 dinner
- Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- Door-to-door service
- 1450/1750 Gold Passport Points

Springtime is the optimum season to view Yosemite's magnificent waterfalls, get a peek at its display of spring flowers and avoid the huge summer crowds. During our time in the park, visit the area around the newly restored Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoia trees. Closed since 2015, this area has undergone major reconstruction with new walkways and the removal of its concessions facilities.

On your full day in the park, the morning will consist of a fully narrated Valley Floor Tour to discover the history, geology and people of Yosemite. The afternoon is your time to explore the valley as you wish. In the evening, return to your mountain resort for quiet reflection upon the day.

Rush Creek Lodge, located just one mile from the Big Oak Flat entrance to Yosemite National Park on Highway 120, is the newest mountain resort in the Sierra in over 25 years. It features a contemporary, rustic sensibility inspired by the breathtaking nature surrounding its 20-acre wooded hillside setting. While not inside the park, its location provides an opportunity to enjoy both the park and the serenity of the lodge in comfort and away from the crowds. If you have stayed in the park over the past few years you are aware its motel rooms have become a little tired. While we will be

entering and exiting the park several times, we are confident you are going to love the improved, upscale accommodations. Tour

Director: **Ramona Goodge**

\$1430 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1735 single

\$ave \$40 until December 12

Philadelphia Freedom!

Featuring the new Museum of the American Revolution

6 Days • May 19-24

..... Highlights

- 5 nights at the Wyndham Philadelphia Historic District in the heart of Philadelphia
- History abounds: The Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Ben Franklin Ghost House and gravesite
- Discover the NEW Museum of the American Revolution and National Constitution Center
- Your choice of the Franklin Institute or Philadelphia Art Museum
- Explore beyond Philly: Princeton University in nearby New Jersey and Longwood Gardens at their springtime best
- Roundtrip air to/from Philadelphia
- 10 meals including a *Philly Foodie Tour* and visit to Reading Terminal Market
- Door-to-door airport service



Experience the newest mountain resort in the Sierra Nevada during your visit to Yosemite

- 3000/3450 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Kevin Murphy**
- 5 seats available at press time

So where exactly is America's "Cradle of Liberty?" Some believe it's in Philadelphia. After all, it's here the Founding Fathers gathered at Independence Hall to write the Declaration of Independence and those who first called themselves "Americans" wrote the Constitution just 13 years later. It's the home of the Liberty Bell and the recently opened Museum of the American Revolution. Judge for yourself if Philadelphia owns this patriotic title during this tour focused on one of America's great cities. Find the complete tour write up on page 5 of our 2018 Tour Catalog.

\$2998 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3430 single

Memorial Day in Washington, D.C.

Our nation's capital is yours to explore from top to bottom

6 Days • May 24-29

..... Highlights

- 5 nights at the Hilton Hotel Arlington
- Tour Washington, D.C. by day and night
- Visit Arlington National Cemetery, Mt. Vernon, the U.S. Capitol, Ford's Theatre and Kennedy Center, and the White House*
- Explore the Smithsonian Institution and National Museums on the Mall
- See National Monuments including Lincoln, Jefferson, FDR, MLK, WWII, Vietnam, Korea and more
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Washington National
- 9 meals: daily breakfast, 1 lunch, 3 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2800/3100 Gold Passport Points
- See page 7 of the catalog for a complete write up of the tour
- Tour Director: **Clayton Whitehead**

\$2780 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3060 single

**Those making reservations at least six months prior to the trip (before November 24) will be submitted for a security screening to visit The White House. This will require your full name, country of citizenship, birthday, city of residence and Social Security number. Please be advised those making reservations after this date are less*

likely to receive clearance. Questions? Please contact our office.

There is no guarantee of a White House Tour. The current administration is not fully staffing the White House Visitors Center (only 4 of 18 administrative positions are currently filled) and therefore they do not have enough staff to respond to all of the visitation requests for "The People's House." "Not enough staff" is a direct quote from the WHVC.

Stories of Santa Fe and Taos Vol. II

The views, the food, the people... a city truly unlike any other.

5 Days • May 28 – June 1

..... Highlights

- 3 nights City Center in Santa Fe at the Drury Inn: large rooms, free drinks and snacks each evening
- Visits to Santuario de Chimayo and Taos Pueblo
- A free day to enjoy as you please with included transportation to/from famous Canyon Road
- Shop/explore in Madrid, New Mexico
- Roundtrip air to/from Albuquerque
- 8 meals: 4 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2150/2400 Gold Passport Points

Being the oldest capital city in the country, Santa Fe has it all: A long and storied history, breathtaking scenery, fine Southwestern cuisine, and tons of shopping opportunities! Stay downtown at a beautiful, conveniently located hotel only two blocks from all the museums, shops and restaurants of the plaza. It's the perfect balance between city and nature with a splash of decadence. Indulge yourself! Find out more about the trip on page 35 of the catalog. Tour Director:

Chris Galloway

\$2110 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2375 single

Skamania Lodge and The Columbia River Gorge

Getaway to a beautiful retreat, nestled near the Columbia and the Cascade Mountains

4 Days • May 29 – June 1

..... Highlights

- 3 nights at Skamania Lodge, just off the Columbia River Gorge at the foot of the

Cascades, lots of onsite activities, or just relax and enjoy the view

- See towering Multnomah Falls and other waterfalls in the gorge
- Visit the Maryhill Museum of Art and the Stonehenge Memorial
- Private tasting at Maryhill Winery
- Guided Art Tour at the lodge (they have quite a collection on the walls)
- Optional zipline (additional charge) and guided nature walk
- Roundtrip air to/from Portland
- 8 meals: 3 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners (Including a special anniversary dinner celebration)
- Door-to-door airport service
- 1700/1900 Gold Passport Points

Just an hour's drive from Portland, situated in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, is a majestic lodge. Skamania, which opened in 1993 just seven years after Congress created the national scenic area, is a four-story Cascadian-style lodge. Some of the timbers used in the construction are over 100 years old. The rooms are beautiful, the views breathtaking and the setting serene. Come with us and discover this magical place in springtime, at the beginning of the season, when the gorge is fresh and renewed. Complete details can be found on page 27 of the catalog. Tour Directors: **Clayton & Mark**

\$1685 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1895 single

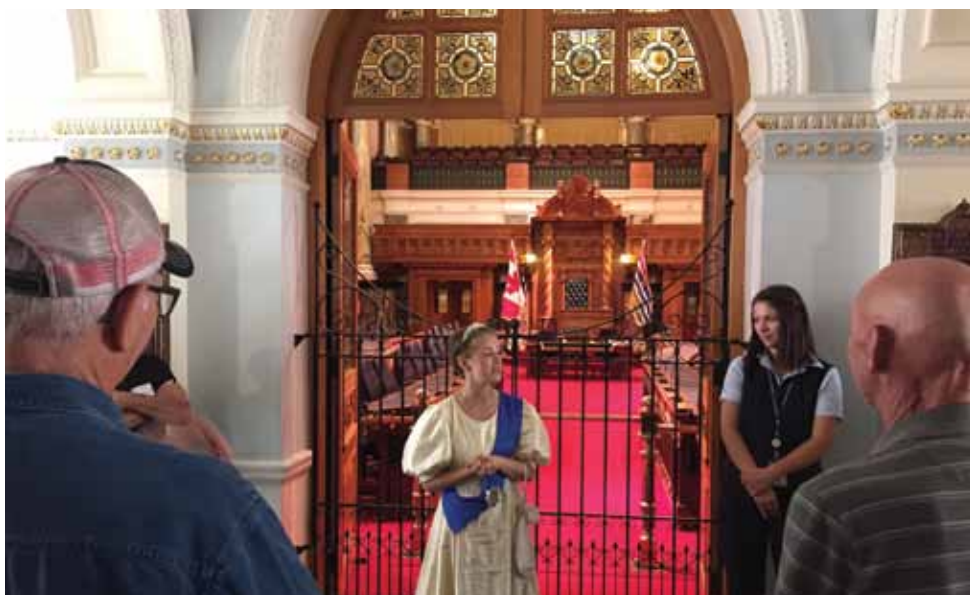
The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe

Featuring luxurious accommodations in a mountain setting

2 Days • June 3-4

1. Travel Highway 80 to the snow-capped mountains, pause in Truckee for a hosted brunch and free time to browse the shops, before arriving at your mountain retreat. To experience the luxury of a Ritz-Carlton is unlike any other accommodation. The AAA Five Diamond service and attention to detail is phenomenal. Furnishings are rich; warm woods and textured fabric reflect Northern California contemporary mountain design. Enjoy an optional private art and architecture tour where you will learn about the unique design elements and highlights of the more distinctive works of art throughout the resort.





Queen Victoria greets our group at the iconic Parliament Building in Victoria, B.C.

Your accommodations also include in-room fireplaces and floor-to-ceiling windows.

Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe (BR)

2. Today travel along the Lake Tahoe shore on a guided tour with "Mr. Tahoe!" You will have so much fun learning about the lake hearing stories on the way to the west shore where lunch is hosted at Sunnyside before returning to Sacramento. (L)

\$585 p.p./dbl.occ., \$698 single

Add door-to-door service for \$80 p.p.

Bloomin' Victoria

The very best of Canada's Garden City

5 Days • June 15-19

..... Highlights

- Enjoy High Tea at the Empress Hotel
- Experience Victoria on a double-decker bus tour and seaplane flight
- Visit famed Butchart Gardens to enjoy the blooms and lunch
- Spend a day exploring and tasting your way through the Cowichan Valley
- 5 meals: 1 high tea, 4 lunches
- Roundtrip air to/from Victoria, B.C.
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2300/2550 Gold Passport Points

Enjoy an extended stay in one of North America's most beautiful cities. Victoria is everything you always imagined it to be. A bit British, full of magnificent hanging flower pots and the floral beauty of the Butchart Gardens, teeming with museums and history. (Heck, you'll even meet a bit of royalty along the way.) Complete details

on page 50 of our 2018 Tour Catalog. Your Tour Director is our own Victoria man. **Chris Galloway** has been there a half dozen times in recent years.

\$2285 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2540 single

Save \$50 until December 12

This tour requires a valid passport!

Oregon's Coast, Carousels and Covered Bridges

Walk in the steps of Lewis & Clark, enjoy the spectacular coast, dine on a covered bridge

6 Days • June 24-29

..... Highlights

- 2 nights Astoria, 2 nights Newport (4 nights on the water), overnight Eugene
- Lewis & Clark history, including stops at Cape Disappointment and Fort Clatsop, their two "mid-journey" coastal homes
- Long Beach, WA – America's longest beach and kite capital, hosted lunch at the Cranberry Research Foundation
- Ride carousels in Seaside and Albany, learn how the horses are made
- Tour the Tillamook Cheese Factory, visit Yaquina Head Lighthouse
- Marine Discovery Cruise on Newport Bay, one of the best educational cruises in the country
- Admission to The Oregon Aquarium
- Roundtrip air to/from Portland
- 12 meals, featuring fine dining at Clearwater, overlooking Newport Harbor and lunch on a covered bridge

- Door-to-door airport service
- 2250/2550 Gold Passport Points
- See page 25 of the catalog for more details
- Tour Directors: **Mark & Chris**
\$2215 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2520 single

Crater Lake and the Umpqua National Scenic Byway

Featuring natural scenic wonder in Oregon

6 Days • July 3-8

..... Highlights

- Visit Crater Lake National Park with lunch at Crater Lake Lodge
- Up close animal encounters at Wildlife Safari
- Hellgate Jet Boat tour
- Stay in the charming town of Ashland
- Optional (add'l cost) performance at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival
- Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- 11 meals: 5 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door service
- 2000/2250 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**

An all-coach tour which includes a national park and the wild and scenic Rogue River. It's southern Oregon at its best. You'll find the complete description on page 26 of the catalog.

\$1880 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2230 single

Save \$50 until December 12

Ferries and Towns of Puget Sound

Ride ferries, explore unique small towns, enjoy a room with a view

4 Days • July 8-11

..... Highlights

- 4 ferry rides on Puget Sound, including the longest route, Seattle to Bremerton
- Visit the villages of Poulsbo, Port Townsend, Sequim, Port Gamble, Mukilteo and Langley as you make your way around the sound
- Guided tours: Poulsbo, learn about the town's Norwegian heritage; Port Townsend, this was once a bawdy port on the sound
- 3 nights Clearwater Casino Resort in Suquamish – gaming for those who enjoy

it, beautiful views for those who don't – the hotel and casino are in separate buildings

- Visit the Mukilteo Lighthouse Park
- Roundtrip air to/from Seattle
- 7 meals, including Sunday Brunch in Seattle
- Door-to-door airport service
- 1900/2100 Gold Passport Points
- Complete day-by-day itinerary is on page 24 of the catalog

Really and truly, this is one of the best trips **Sports Leisure** offers. It's even better this year, as we've added a day to allow you more time to enjoy your beautiful accommodations on the waters of Puget Sound. Tour Director: **Mark Hoffmann**

\$1885 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2080 single

Iceland, Land of Fire and Ice

A full exploration of the volcanic island

10 Days • July 14-23

..... Highlights

- See mountains, beaches, fjords, volcanoes, hot springs, geysers and bountiful wildlife
- Visit historic sites, tiny villages and meet the real people of Iceland
- Visit and take in the waters at famous Blue Lagoon
- Fly to the Westman Islands for a tour by land and sea
- Cruise between icebergs at Jökulsárlón
- Walk behind the Seljalandsfoss Waterfall
- Roundtrip air to/from Reykjavik
- 16 meals: 9 full breakfasts and 7 dinners
- Door-to-door airport transportation
- 7650/8800 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**
- Complete itinerary on page 46 of the catalog

\$7630 p.p./dbl.occ., \$8795 single

Save \$125 until December 12

This tour requires a valid passport!



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Planes and Trains of the Pacific Northwest

Discover rail and aviation history and industry in Oregon & Washington

4 Days • August 3-6

..... Highlights

- Ride the Oregon Pacific Railroad along the Willamette River and the Snoqualmie Valley Railroad near Seattle
- Travel from Vancouver to Tacoma on board Amtrak's *Cascade*
- Visit the Pearson Air Museum and Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, home of Howard Hughes' *Spruce Goose*
- Discover aviation history brought to life at the Flying Heritage & Combat Armor Museum
- Watch wide body jets assembled before your eyes at Boeing's Future of Flight Center
- Roundtrip airfare to Portland/from Seattle
- 5 meals: 2 brunches, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2000/2200 Gold Passport Points
- Find the detailed itinerary on page 28 of the catalog

Please note: This tour has been planned to compliment our annual tour to Leavenworth, Washington for performances at Leavenworth's Summer Theater Festival. The final day of this tour will be the first day of the Leavenworth tour. Passengers registered for our Planes and Trains of the Pacific Northwest tour will be provided the option of adding the Leavenworth tour when reservations are available. It includes travel on Amtrak's Empire Builder. Please see page 9 for more details.

\$1955 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2175 single

Save \$40 until December 12

A Port, A President and The Pageant of the Masters

Art comes to life at one of the world's most unique festivals

3 Days • August 5-7 or August 19-21

..... Highlights

- Two nights at the luxurious Newport Beach Marriott
- Tickets to the Pageant of the Masters (center seating, excellent location)
- Pre-show dinner at Tivoli Garden, time

to explore the Festival of the Arts show, featuring hundreds of original works, all for sale by the artist

- Exclusive Pageant "talk-back" the morning after the show, a behind-the-scenes look at the Pageant
- Cruise the Newport coast on a Hornblower Yacht Champagne Brunch Cruise
- Visit the Nixon Presidential Library
- 3 meals and round trip air included
- 1550/1750 Gold Passport Points
- More Itinerary information is on page 18 of the catalog

Please note the Newport Beach Marriott is not on or near the beach. You will likely have a view of the distant beach from your room, but the hotel is not on or near the water. Having said that, it is a beautiful place to stay and it has been our exclusive Pageant hotel for over a decade.

\$1525 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1730 single

Great Cities of Canada

Ottawa, Quebec City and Montreal are yours to discover

7 Days • August 10-16

..... Highlights

- 2 nights Ottawa, Canada's Capital City
- Ottawa tour with the Changing of the Guard on Parliament Hill
- 3 nights Québec City
- Québec City tour, Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré and Montmorency Falls
- Overnight Montréal to see Notre-Dame and the Biodome
- Roundtrip air to Ottawa/from Montréal
- 12 meals: 6 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 3150/3500 Gold Passport Points
- Complete itinerary on page 51 of the 2018 Tour Catalog

\$3135 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3460 single

Save \$60 until December 12

This tour requires a valid passport!

OFFICE HOURS:

9:00am – 4:30pm MON. thru FRI.

Closed weekends & major holidays

CLOSED TUES. 12:00pm – 1:15pm



O Magazine Presents the Alaskan Explorer Cruise

Featuring Life-changing seminars and workshops

8 Days • August 10-18

..... Highlights

- Pre-cruise overnight stay in Tacoma at the Hotel Murano
- Visit the LeMay Auto Museum or Museum of Glass
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Seattle
- All meals included aboard ship, add'l lunch in Seattle
- Door-to-door airport service
- Gold Passport Points based on cabin location/price

To celebrate Oprah's Year of Adventure, Holland America Line and *O, The Oprah Magazine* have partnered on an exciting initiative to pair the life-changing wonder of travel with the soulful, inspiring content found in every issue of the magazine. This cruise is specifically themed to invite guests to open their minds, change their perspectives and uncover their potential.

The cruise will feature special appearances by contributors from *O, The Oprah Magazine* as well as thought leaders from The SuperSoul 100. A list of guest speakers and hosts will be announced closer to departure. In addition, you will experience the transformative power of travel, enriched and enhanced by activities such as morning meditation, healthy eating guidance and travel-friendly fashion advice.

Our cruise/tour package will include a pre-night stay in Tacoma at the Hotel Murano, host of museum-quality works of glass art. A choice of a visit to either LeMay – American's Car Museum or the popular Museum of Glass are included along with lunch on arrival day in Seattle. More information can be found on page 43 of the catalog.

Inside cabins start at:

\$2280 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3475 single

Outside cabins start at:

\$2670 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4220 single

Save \$75 until December 12

This vacation requires a valid passport!

**Visit us on the web at:
www.sportsleisure.com**

The Magnificent Mendocino Coast

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

4 Days • August 14-17

..... Highlights

Begin with a visit to the home and museum of early California artist, Grace Hudson, followed by an overnight stay in Ukiah. The next morning travel across the coastal range. The Mendocino Botanical Gardens, one of the finest on the West Coast, offers beautiful display gardens, and its trail to the ocean bluffs is spectacular. At Point Cabrillo Lighthouse, the docents are prepared to share stories of the keepers and the surrounding community. In Fort Bragg, the old mill site is being restored into Noyo Headlands Park with the Noyo Marine Center offering visitors educational talks and walks. After a couple of years of challenges, the historic *Skunk Train* now offers an abbreviated journey along Pudding Creek Estuary. Step back in time as you travel over some of the first tracks laid down by the California Western Railroad in 1885.

Our lodging for **two nights** will be overlooking Noyo Harbor at the familiar **Harbor Lite Lodge**. See page 18 of the catalog for the complete itinerary.

This tour includes door-to-door service, motorcoach transportation, accommodations, all attractions as listed above, 9 meals (3 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 2 dinners), Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**, 1450/1700 Gold Passport Points

\$1440 p.p./dbl.occ., \$1670 single

Save \$35 until December 12

The International Selkirk Loop

Featuring a breathtaking drive through the Selkirk Mountains

7 Days • August 20-26

..... Highlights

- Multiple-night stays in waterview rooms: 2 nights in Bonners Ferry, ID and 3 nights in Nelson, BC
- Visit restored *SS Moyie* and step back to the era of the sternwheelers
- Learn about the culture of the Doukhobors at Castlegar
- Enjoy a night of contemporary luxury at the Davenport Towers, and a decadent Sunday Brunch at the Davenport Hotel
- Roundtrip air to/from Spokane
- 11 meals: 5 full breakfasts, 1 brunch, 5 lunches
- Door-to-door airport service
- 3300/3750 Gold Passport Points
- Detailed itinerary on page 52 of our catalog
- Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**

The Selkirk Loop is a 280-mile international scenic drive encircling the Selkirk Mountains of eastern Washington, northern Idaho and southeastern British Columbia. The entire loop follows alongside a river or lakeshore, with vast views of the valleys and mountains one minute, intimate water scenes or dense forest the next. The Selkirk Mountain Range, with peaks towering over 11,500 feet, are just one of the many ranges comprising the Rocky Mountains.

\$3270 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3745 single

Save \$60 until December 12

This vacation requires a valid passport!



The quaint village of Mendocino rests on a high bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean

Olympia, the Sound and The Mountain

Experience the greatness of a small city, Puget Sound and Mt. Rainier

4 Days • August 31 – September 3

..... Highlights

- 3-night stay on the waterfront overlooking Budd Bay
- Lunch in the grand Paradise Inn Dining Room at Mt. Rainier National Park
- Cruise aboard the historic steamboat, *Virginia V*
- Enjoy the festivities of Olympia's Harbor Days
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Seattle
- 8 meals: 3 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2100/2350 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**
- Detailed itinerary can be found on page 13 of the catalog

Tucked alongside Budd Bay on Puget Sound, Washington's capital city is a sparkling gem in the Evergreen State. With a rich history, vibrant culture and a beautiful setting, Olympia is a great place to visit...

The highlight of our stay will be Harbor Days, a festival celebrating the vintage tugboats of the Sound. Take a tour of these mighty little tugs, watch them race in the bay, and learn a little history along the way. Interspersed with the festival activities, experience the best of the region... in true **Sports Leisure** fashion "tour the farms, taste the bounty, and meet the locals."

\$2065 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2320 single

Zion and Bryce National Parks

Featuring landscapes from another world

5 Days • September 16-20

..... Highlights

- Tram tour at Zion National Park
- Rim tour of Bryce Canyon National Park
- Performance at Tuacahn Amphitheatre
- Roundtrip airfare to/from Las Vegas
- 8 included meals: 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2100/2350 Gold Passport Points
- See page 11 of the catalog for details
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**

Visit two of Utah's spectacular National Parks on this scenic getaway. Even the travel between the two parks is beautiful. Explore both parks and enjoy first-rate theater near St. George.

\$2060 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2345 single
Save \$40 until December 12

Rails Around Colorado

Three scenic train rides during fall foliage

7 Days • September 22-28

..... Highlights

- Three scenic trains: Royal Gorge, Cumbres & Toltec, Durango & Silverton
- Royal Gorge Bridge and Park
- Great Sand Dunes National Park
- Explore the San Juan Mountains by Jeep
- Fly high above Telluride on a gondola ride
- 11 meals: 3 breakfasts, 3 full breakfasts, 5 lunches
- Roundtrip airfare to Denver/from Durango
- Door-to-door airport service
- 3600/4000 Gold Passport Points
- Find the complete itinerary on page 29 of the Tour Catalog

\$3590 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3995 single
Save \$60 until December 12

Moab, Gateway to Arches National Park

3 nights at the spectacular Red Cliffs Lodge on the banks of the Colorado River

5 Days • October 1-5

Our May departure sold out within days of the catalog's release, the second year in a row that has occurred. To allow more people to experience these amazing parks, we have added a second departure. Like our May visit, this trip is planned for the "shoulder season," when the parks should be less crowded and the weather still good. This makes for a better park experience.

..... Highlights

- Explore majestic Arches National Park
- Visit Dead Horse State Park (the most amazing view in the Southwest!)
- Thrill on a jet boat tour on the Colorado River
- Experience flightseeing over Canyonlands National Park
- Discover Gateway Canyons
- Roundtrip air to/from Grand Junction, CO

- 9 meals: 4 full breakfasts, 5 lunches
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2600/2900 Gold Passport Points
- See the complete itinerary on page 10 of the catalog
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**
\$2575 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2895 single
Save \$75 until December 12

Wildlife Viewing in British Columbia

Featuring Knights Inlet Lodge and Grizzly Bears

6 Days • October 4-9

..... Highlights

- 3 nights at the Knight Inlet remote floating wilderness lodge in a comfortable room with private washroom and shower
- 2 full days of guided wildlife viewing, including watching Grizzly Bears from nearby viewing platforms
- Evening interpretive programs
- Marine wildlife viewing excursions as weather allows
- Seaplane to/from Campbell River
- Roundtrip air to/from Vancouver
- 12 meals: 1 breakfast, 4 full breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 6150/7150 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Ramona Goodge**
- Day-by-day itinerary can be found on page 53 of the catalog

Our third year for this offering, and it's quickly become a **Sports Leisure** favorite! Enjoy an awesome wilderness experience with all the comforts. It provides a glimpse into the life of some of our continent's most iconic animals... Grizzly Bears and Bald Eagles, and it's just an absolutely fantastic good time! Glendale Cove in Knight Inlet is home to one of the largest concentrations of Grizzly Bears in British Columbia. With ample seafood and other food sources, these grizzlies are magnificent! During the fall salmon run, bears are observed from viewing platforms filling up on fresh salmon. Bring your cameras and binoculars for spectacular viewing! We are the only tour operator with premier fall viewing season access!

The Knight Inlet Lodge is a **remote floating lodge in the wilderness**, accessible only

by seaplane or boat; and many activities include climbing into marine vessels or walking on uneven surfaces. For these reasons, ***you must be in stable physical condition, with good mobility.*** We ***do not*** recommend this tour for travelers with moderate to serious mobility issues. ***Space is limited, with only 4 rooms available for single occupancy.***

\$6150 p.p./dbl.occ., \$7120 single

Save \$75 until December 12

This vacation requires a valid passport!

Oktoberfest, Canadian Thanksgiving and Niagara Falls

Festive celebrations of Canada

6 Days • October 5-10

..... Highlights

- Dine high above Toronto at CN Tower
- Join the fun at a German Festhalle to celebrate Oktoberfest
- Enjoy a Thanksgiving feast featuring local farm fresh ingredients
- Sample ice wine during a winery tour
- Take a cruise to the base of Niagara Falls
- Roundtrip airfare to Toronto/from Buffalo
- 12 meals: 5 full breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 2900/3250 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Chris Galloway**
- See the complete itinerary on page 54 of the catalog

The Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving a bit earlier than we do here in the states, on Columbus Day weekend in October. This trip combines a small town holiday parade with "north-of-the-border" fun and a visit to spectacular Niagara Falls (where you will enjoy a room with a view).

\$2880 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3230 single

Save \$60 until December 12

This tour requires a valid passport!

New England Fall Foliage Spectacular

Leaf peeping in Vermont, New Hampshire, Portland and Boston

8 Days • October 6-13

..... Highlights

- 2 nights at the Basin Harbor Resort and in Portland, Maine

- 1 night each: Manchester, Quechee and Loon Mountain
- Canterbury Shakers, Saint Gaudens, Rock of Ages and the Shelburne Museum
- Mount Washington Cog Railway and the *Café Lafayette Dinner Train*
- Loon Mountain Aerial Tram and Norlands Living History Center
- Roundtrip airfare to Manchester/from Boston
- 14 meals: 7 full breakfasts, 2 lunches, 5 dinners including a real Maine "lobstah suppah"
- Door-to-door airport transportation
- 3900/4500 Gold Passport Points
- See the complete itinerary on page 37 of the catalog
- Tour Director: **Clayton Whitehead**

\$3890 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4480 single

Save \$100 until December 12

New Mexico, Land of Enchantment

Carlsbad Caverns National Park and the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

7 Days • October 9-15

..... Highlights

- Private lounge access to the Albuquerque Int'l Balloon Fiesta: Balloon Glow, Special Shapes and Mass Ascensions
- Go deep into Carlsbad Caverns Nat'l Park
- Explore the unique landscape of White Sands National Monument
- Roundtrip air to Albuquerque/from El Paso
- 13 meals: 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 2 dinners
- Door-to-door airport service
- 3000/3400 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Director: **Scott Angeletti**
- Complete itinerary can be found on page 36 of the catalog

By request, we bring back our week-long tour of the state of New Mexico. From Carlsbad and the magnificent mountains in the south (visit the tiny hamlet of Sacramento, New Mexico...in the Sacramento Mountains, of course); to the balloons floating through the sky in the north, this is a great adventure.

\$2955 p.p./dbl.occ., \$3385 single

Save \$75 until December 12

Leafin' on a Jet Plane

A Mystery Tour that's all about fall colors

6 Days • October 14-19

There are lots of great places to catch the changing of the colors each year. Fall foliage is one of nature's most spectacular shows and we think we've found a great place to see the leaves. New England? Too common and too easy to guess. Upper Michigan? Great guess, but we go to Mackinac Island most every year. No mystery there!

Here are some clues to help you: Let's all pray for world peace, then it's "down the hatch!" It's kinda chilly in here, maybe it's a SIGN. Whole Foods is selling their ice cream. Pretty hot in this tavern and everything is brown, maybe gangsters hung out here? Hey, stop horsing around, because we can't track that sort of behavior. OK, by now, you all know where we are going... or maybe not.

The hotel pattern for this trip is 4 nights and one night, two hotels, BOTH Embassy Suites. We will include airfare and 12 meals. Tour Directors: **Chris & Mark.** 2650/3000 Gold Passport Points

\$2635 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2965 single

Save \$60 until December 12

Route 66 – Western Side

Oklahoma City to Santa Monica

9 Days • October 24 – November 1

The second half of your journey down **The Mother Road** is very different from the eastern side. The spaces are more wide open in the west. There are national parks and the little towns are further apart and have a different personality. **For the first time**, the western half of the trip features **two 2-night stays, in Albuquerque and Winslow.**

Whether you choose only this half of the journey, or combine it with the eastern side, you will discover the heartbeat of our country. It's the opportunity to learn how other people in other places live and what they think. It's a slice of America you will never, ever forget.

Prices available December 5.

Place your name on the Priority Notification List today!



Death Valley and Nevada Ghost Towns

Two nights in Death Valley, be a part of an authentic ghost hunt

6 Days • November 7-12, 2018

..... Highlights

- 2 nights Furnace Creek Ranch in Death Valley
- 2 nights in the haunted Mizpah Hotel in Death Valley
- Overnight Golden Nugget Las Vegas
- The Goodsprings Ghost Hunt – Walk the ghost town and sit in the Pioneer Saloon, “speak” to the ghosts that inhabit the old mining town
- Belmont – A “semi-abandoned” ghost town to explore near Tonopah
- Ghost stories at the Mizpah; visits to the ghost towns of Goldfield, Gold Point, and Rhyolite, all with ghosts of their own
- Travel the Extraterrestrial Highway and stop at Little Ale-ee-Inn for refreshment and unique souvenirs
- Full day of Death Valley touring, featuring the Amargosa Opera House, Zabrinski Point, Badwater Salt Flats and the Devil’s Golf Course
- Roundtrip air to/from Las Vegas
- Door-to-door airport service
- 14 meals: 5 full breakfasts, 5 lunches, 4 dinners

- 2400/2650 Gold Passport Points
- Tour Directors: **Ramona & Mark** (How’s THAT for an interesting combination?)
- See the complete itinerary on page 21 of the catalog

\$2355 p.p./dbl.occ., \$2645 single
Save \$50 until December 12

Christmas Markets on the Mighty Mississippi

Cruise aboard the grandest paddlewheeler ever, the American Queen

9 Days • December 9-17, 2018

..... Highlights

- 7-night Christmas-themed cruise aboard the *American Queen*
- Ports of Call: Greenville, Vicksburg, Natchez, St. Francisville, Baton Rouge and Nottoway Plantation
- All basic shore excursions included
- Showboat-style entertainment and dancing nightly; daily talks by a *Riverlorian*
- Overnight with attractions and meals in Memphis
- Airfare to Memphis/from New Orleans
- 22 meals: 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners
- Beer and wine included with onboard dinners; all-day complimentary bottled water, sodas, coffee and snacks

- Door-to-door airport transportation
- Gold Passport Points based on cabin category
- Complete itinerary on page 31 of the catalog
- Cruise Director: **Clayton Whitehead**

Already nearly 50 Sports Leisure Travelers have registered to cruise with us NEXT YEAR. AT this time, the single cabins are all spoken for. There are some double cabins (which can be occupied by one person at single prices) remaining. We strongly recommend if you plan to join us that you register now, as the ship will sell out soon.

Inside:

\$3245 p.p./dbl.occ., \$4395 single

Outside:

\$4930 p.p./dbl.occ., \$7305 single

Recommended onboard gratuity is \$17.50 p.p./day

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. **Coastal Breeze Limousine** 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.



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Early Registration Payment Discounts listed here expire on **Tuesday, December 12, 2017**; 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, including the cost of Cancellation Protection, are returned to you in full 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.

Mar. – Cirque du Soleil's *Crystal* – **Save \$15**

Mar. – Desert Beauty: Anza Borrego & Joshua Tree – **Save \$40**

Apr. – Beautiful Bodega Bay – **Save \$25**

Apr. – NYC: Behind Broadway and The Bronx – **Save \$50**

May – Springtime in Yosemite – **Save \$40**

Jun. – Bloomin' Victoria – **Save \$50**

Jul. – Crater Lake & the Umpqua Scenic Byway – **Save \$50**

Jul. – Iceland, Land of Fire & Ice – **Save \$125**

Aug. – Planes & Trains of the Pacific Northwest – **Save \$40**

Aug. – Scottish Tales and the Beatles Trail – **Save \$200**

Aug. – Newfoundland, Where Sun Meets Sea – **Save \$200**

Aug. – Sounds of Music in Leavenworth – **Save \$60**

Aug. – Great Cities of Canada – **Save \$60**

Aug. – The International Selkirk Loop – **Save \$60**

Aug. – Magnificent Mendocino Coast – **Save \$35**

Aug. – *O Magazine's* Alaskan Explorer Cruise – **Save \$75**

Sept. – Rails Around Colorado – **Save \$60**

Sept. – Zion and Bryce Canyon Nat'l Parks – **Save \$40**

Oct. – Moab, Gateway to Arches National Park – **Save \$75**

Oct. – New England Fall Foliage Sampler – **Save \$100**

Oct. – Leafin' on a Jet Plane – **Save \$60**

Oct. – New Mexico, Land of Enchantment – **Save \$75**

Oct. – Oktoberfest, Thanksgiving & Niagara Falls – **Save \$60**

Oct. – Wildlife Viewing in British Columbia – **Save \$75**

Nov. – Death Valley & Nevada Ghost Towns – **Save \$50**

VALUABLE COUPON

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

Valid only when used with the adjacent coupon on the tours listed. 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. The regular cost of this protection is **\$15–\$295**, depending on the tour price. 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. Within 60/75 days of departure (see adjoining coupon), coverage is limited to verified medical emergencies. Please refer to the **Special Vacation Notes & Information** brochure for details, or call our office.

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)

It's All About the Water Mystery	Winter at the Ahwahnee
Oregon Chocolate Festival	Alaska's Aurora Borealis
Tulip Time in Holland and Belgium	San Antonio
Odds and Ends Mystery Tour	National Treasures of the West
Ice Magic in the Canadian Rockies	Moab – May Departure
Key West, Miami & The Everglades	Boston to Bar Harbor
Cruising the Panama Canal	Pure Michigan

Limited Space (10 or fewer seats)

A Coos Bay Christmas (4)	Off on Another Mission (10)
Christmas Lights Mystery (2)	Route 66 – Part I (7)
US Figure Skating Championships (6)	Japan, Land of the Rising Sun (2)
Eagles, Owls & Agriculture (2)	Philadelphia Freedom (3)
Key West, Miami & The Everglades (5)	Skamania Lodge (10)
Passage to South America (5)	Bloomin' Victoria (6)
On the Central Coast (8)	Rails Around Colorado (6)