

2018 Schedule of Activities

February 16 – Artistic Endeavors at the DSO & DIA

We will attend a Detroit Symphony mid-morning concert featuring Gershwin favorites including "An American in Paris"; then we'll be off to the Detroit Institute of Arts for lunch in the café and a tour of the Monet exhibit, "Framing Life." Register by 1/21. (\$55)

March 23 – Grand Rapids Grandeur

In the morning we will visit the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum. Lunch will be on your own at the Big Old Building (housing four restaurants). In the afternoon we will visit the Grand Rapids Art Museum with a docent-led tour of an exhibit of Great Lakes paintings and an opportunity to view other parts of the museum. (\$70)

April 21 – London (ON) for the play, Chariots of Fire

Chariots of Fire has been made into a stage play, complete with utilizing the theatre as part of the running track. The story of a Christian runner, Eric Liddell, who took a stand in the 1924 Olympics will be sure to thrill us all. We'll enjoy lunch in an area restaurant before the show. Passport or enhanced driver's license required. (\$100)

May 12 - Majestic costumes and music in The King and I at the Fox Theater

We will travel to the magnificent Fox Theater to enjoy the delightful musical, *The King and I.* Reservations for this show will be due by mid-March. (\$55)

June 20 – 23 – Highlights of Pennsylvania including a return to Lancaster, PA

We will be returning to Lancaster, PA and Sight and Sound Theater to view the newest musical spectacular, **Jesus**! We'll include some new stops including the beautiful Heinz Chapel on the campus of Un of Pittsburgh and a visit to one of Frank Lloyd Wright's most spectacular homes, Falling Water – constructed over a waterfall. You will enjoy several other new unique additions to this trip. (\$475)

July 17 – A Tour of the Little Caesar's Arena

The new Little Caesar's Arena is receiving rave reviews. We'll tour this spectacular building and have lunch at one of the restaurants in the building. We'll complete the day with a visit to the Detroit Water Ice Company. (\$45)

August 21 – 22 – Adventures in Alpena, MI

We'll travel to Alpena, MI, for several unique experiences. We'll tour the Thunder Bay Maritime Museum which includes a history of shipwrecks in Lake Huron. The evening's dinner will be at the Thunder Bay Resort for elk-viewing and a five-course dinner. We'll enjoy a visit to a state park to view a "Dark Sky" spectacle of the night skies without the interference of city lights. We'll top it off by observing shipwrecks on the bottom of Thunder Bay from a glass-bottom boat. (\$250)

September 12 – Detroit Historic Beauties

In the a.m., we will tour the beautiful Detroit Opera House; then we'll cross the street to the historic Detroit Athletic Club for lunch and a tour of the facilities, noted for its art collection. From the view of the newly- constructed rooftop restaurant, we can peer into Comerica Park to see how the Tigers are doing vs. the Astros. (\$55)

October 24 – Ann Arbor Adventure

The trip will include a tour of Michigan Stadium including the field, the press box and suites, lunch at the Gandy Dancer, and a narrated tour of the city including downtown, U of M central and north campuses, and the medical center area. We'll finish the day at Zingerman's Deli. (\$80)

November 10 – "Christmas All Year Long"

We will venture to Hartland, MI, to enjoy a really "BIG" Christmas show featuring a 250-voice choir, pageantry, and excellent musical talent. Produced and directed by Thurlow Spurr and his wife Kathey, the show also features the Spurrlow Singers. We'll also enjoy brunch together before the show at The Laundry in Fenton (\$75).

You will be given full information about each event and registration materials well in advance of the activity. ** All trip costs have been approximated and are subject to change.

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