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NOTES FOR TRAVEL CLUB MEMBERS:

>>> Please note NEW <u>location information</u> on the upcoming <u>Travel Club 1:30 PM meeting</u> <u>below and NEW TIME for Freedom Square meeting will now be held at 10:00 AM</u>. <u>TRAVEL CLUB MEMBERS</u>: \$15 WILL RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025.

The next <u>Monthly</u> Travel Club Meeting on January 8th is held at FREEDOM SQUARE Roskamp Auditorium at 10901 Johnson Blvd. Seminole FL 33772 at 10:00 AM & <u>BUFFET CITY (new ownership) at 1:30 PM in Tyrone Gardens Shopping</u> <u>Center at 1030 58th Street N. Petersburg FL 33713 ON WED. January. 8th and will also be presented on YOU TUBE LIVE!</u> at 1:30 PM, don't miss it!! A link for the YouTube Live! presentation will be posted on our website at <u>WWW.TIFTOURS.COM</u> Come & enjoy a presentation on tours, fun & prizes! Our pickup location for <u>both</u> single & multi-day tours in Seminole is at **Home Depot at 10550 Park Blvd Seminole FL 33772**, or parking/pickup for all tours at **Winn Dixie** in **South Pasadena** at the west end of the parking lot, away from the store. This Winn Dixie is just across Gulfport Blvd from our new location in South Pasadena.

<u>JANUARY 2025</u>

JAN. 6, MON. - TARPON SPRINGS EPIPHANY CELEBRATION (Diving for the Cross) lunch is included at HELLA'S, next, the ceremony of the "Diving for the Cross" can be viewed from water's edge at Spring Bayou and finally, we will visit St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, if time allows...\$89

<u>JAN. 16, THURS.</u> – LUNCH BUNCH with TODD at CLEAR SKY on CLEVELAND in Clearwater Meal choices include a Cuban, Downtown Philly, Rueben, Crispy Duck Tacos, Angus Burger or Chicken Sandwich...\$69

<u>JAN. 18, SAT.</u> – SHEN YUN, a beautiful presentation of China Before Communism, at the Mahaffey Theater in St. Petersburg. This pricing is for Balcony seating...\$139

JAN. 19, SUN. – **FLORIDA MANATEE FESTIVAL** Located in the "Manatee Capital of the World". This is an annual event held in downtown Crystal River and features live entertainment, a discounted opportunity for guided manatee boat tours in Kings Bay as well as children's activities, delicious food and hundreds of vendors selling their wares...\$79

<u>JAN. 23, THURS.</u> – Shopping with Wendy at St. Armands Circle in Sarasota with time to browse and have lunch on your own...\$59 Lunch on your own at St. Armand's combined with a visit to **Marietta Museum of Art & Whimsey** for a total cost of \$69

<u>JAN. 28, TUES.</u> - MARINA JACKS LUNCHEON CRUISE on BEAUTIFUL SARASOTA'S BAY FRONT This is a narrated, sightseeing cruise in the calm waters of Sarasota Bay featuring a **terrific lunch buffet w/dessert table too**, aboard **Marina Jack II**, a beautiful 96' Cruise Vessel! Enjoy views of the Ringling property, Bird Key celebrity homes & more!... \$89

JAN. 29, WED. – "JERSEY BOYS" at Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater, Matinee Show in Hudson. This matinee show includes a delicious buffet lunch and a served dessert. "JERSEY BOYS is the electrifying Broadway phenomenon that takes audiences on an unforgettable journey through the captivating story and timeless hits of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons. Set against the backdrop of their rise to fame, this Tony Award-winning Best Musical is a high-energy celebration packed with 25 chart-topping tunes like "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You", and so many more! Experience the raw talent, the gripping narrative, and the pulsating beats that defined an era. Join us for an exhilarating night of music, memories, and a show that'll have you singing and dancing in your seat!"...\$119

<u>JAN. 31, FRI.</u> – HERMANNS ROYAL LIPIZZAN STALLIONS Take the rare opportunity to witness the beauty and grace of the magnificent Lipizzan Stallions performing their classical equestrian moves at their winter training home in Myakka City. After the majestic Stallions, we will go to **Der Dutchman Amish Buffet** for lunch (included)...\$89

JAN 31, FRI. – **Big Cat Habitat Conservation and Education Center** is a diverse zoological park located just minutes from historic downtown Sarasota. On a lovely setting of 20+ acres they've welcomed over 50,000 visitors to encounter, experience & fall in love with over 350 animals spanning more than 60 different species. Be sure to check the schedule for animal presentations & opportunities to interact with an animal (for a small fee). Lunch available at Big Cat Bistro (on your own)...\$89 or \$59 for Vets w/ID

FEB. 1, SAT. – **RIVERDANCE, 2 PM AT THE MAHAFFEY THEATER** "To celebrate this incredible 30th year milestone, Riverdance will embark on a special anniversary tour, bringing its magic to audiences around the world. This spectacular production rejuvenates the much-loved original show with new innovative choreography and costumes and state of the art lighting, projection and motion graphics. And for the first time Riverdance welcomes "The New Generation" of performers, all of whom were not born when the show began 30 years ago."...\$99

FEB. 8, SAT. – **TAMPA HARD ROCK CASINO** – Easy drop-off and pick-up at Casino entrance, time for lunch on your own with many choices available – The Rise (deli, bakery), The Pool Bar (great food & ambiance), Sugar Factory. The casino now features **Live-Action Roulette and Craps tables** as well as 1000's of **Slot Machines, Poker & Black Jack too!**...\$33

FEB. 8, SAT. – **FLORIDA STATE FAIR in TAMPA** Don't miss the Fair Food, Livestock, Entertainment, Cracker Country & fun! Our low price includes only round-trip transportation, your tickets may be purchased on arrival...\$33

FEB. 14, FRI. – VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON CRUISE ABOARD the STARLITE SAPPHIRE DINING YACHT Ultimate Cruise, Unparalleled Views! Departing from the Corey Causeway. You'll enjoy a leisurely cruise and informative narration by the Captain along Florida's beautiful inland waters aboard the StarLite Sapphire. Sightseeing & (included) luncheon service with a number of choices for your lunch order in the climatically controlled dining areas will make this a cruise to remember...\$89

FEB. 16, SUN. – **BOK TOWER** An early springtime visit to Bok Tower with its beautiful gardens in Lake Wales! This is your opportunity to see and hear the great Carillon Tower, one of about only 600 in the world. A Carillon is an instrument of at least 23 tuned bells in chromatic series. Cast from bronze, which is composed mainly of copper and tin, and then specially tuned. The bells do not swing, only the clappers move, which is controlled by a keyboard played within the tower. The instrument is fully mechanical (there are no electronics). During our visit you can enjoy a 30-minute concert of the enchanting Carillon bells. Also, while here <u>lunch is included</u>, the choices are - Chicken Blueberry Salad, Turkey & Smoked Gouda Sandwich, Chicken Salad Croissant Sandwich or Veggie Wrap. You may also visit/tour **El Retiro** at Pinewood Estates (entrance is included) - an enchanting 20-room Mediterranean-style mansion that transports visitors back in time to the 1930's. Don't' miss your chance to visit this historic, beautiful Tower, Gardens & Estate...\$109

<u>FEB. 20, THURS.</u> – LUNCH BUNCH with TODD at the ANNA MARIA OYSTER BAR on the PIER – BRADENTON BEACH Let's go to this lovely location together and enjoy a delicious lunch!...\$69

EEB. 21, FRI. – **PEACE RIVER BOTANICAL GARDENS & FISHERMAN'S VILLAGE** We'll kick off our trip with an exciting visit to the **Peace River Botanical and Sculpture Gardens!** Neighboring the Peace River, this 30-acre waterfront oasis encompasses the diversity of five ecosystems including marshlands, wetlands, mangroves, uplands and tidal basin. Flowering trees and plants bloom throughout the year, and more than 15,000 sq. ft. of boardwalks and docks provide optimum viewing of the Garden's **vast sculptures.** Then, over to **Fisherman's Village**. A waterfront shopping, entertainment, and resort complex located along Charlotte Harbor in Punta Gorda, Florida. It includes over 30 shops and restaurants and frequently live entertainment! (While here, enjoy lunch on your own)...\$94

<u>FEB. 22, SAT.</u> – "CRAZY FOR YOU, a GERSHWIN MUSICAL COMEDY" at the Broadway Palm dinner Theater in Fort Myers, <u>Matinee show</u> w/a delicious, complete buffet lunch, with soup and full salad bar + hot entrees & sides + dessert table & cash bar. "This Tony Award-winning musical comedy follows Bobby Child, a young banker who dreams of being a star. Sent to foreclose on a failing theater, Bobby falls for the Theater owner's daughter. To win her heart and save the theater, Bobby disguises himself as a famous Broadway producer, but confusion and hilarity ensue when the real producer shows up, along with Bobby's fiancée. Gershwin's hits include *I Got Rhythm, Embraceable You, Someone to Watch Over Me and more!...*\$149

<u>FEB. 22, SAT.</u> – "CAUGHT IN THE NET the sequel to RUN FOR YOUR WIFE" at the Off-Broadway Palm dinner Theater in Fort Myers, <u>Matinee show</u> w/a delicious, complete buffet lunch, with soup and full salad bar + hot entrees & sides + dessert table & cash bar. "The sequel to Run For Your Wife finds taxi driver John Smith still keeping his two families living separately, both blissfully unaware of each other. However, his teenage son from one family and daughter from the other have met online and made a love connection! The situation spirals hysterically out of control as John tries to juggle the truth."...\$139

<u>FEB. 23, SUN.</u> - PASCO COUNTY FAIR in DADE CITY – Terrific entertainment including a Circus featuring some younger members of the Wallenda family, Magic Show, Glass Blowing, Published: 12/17/2024

plenty of Livestock – including Racing Pigs, Live Music! Get all of your Fair Food Favorites too! The Midway with Rides and Games, for the adventurous. Admission included...\$69

FEB. 27, THURS. – **SNOOK HAVEN Legendary Riverside Eatery in Venice.** Come enjoy good food, great barbeque, full cash bar and the **Suncoast Banjo Society.** American music featuring banjos, saxophones, violins, harmonicas, horns & vocals. Enjoy the rustic setting with seating indoors or out. (lunch on your own)...\$59

MARCH 2025

<u>MARCH 1, SAT.</u> – "SAVANNAH SIPPING SOCIETY" at the <u>Off-Broadway Palm Dinner Theater</u> in Fort Myers, <u>Matinee show</u> with a delicious, complete buffet lunch, with soup and full salad bar + hot entrees & sides + dessert table & cash bar. "This laugh-a-minute comedy follows four Southern women who are drawn together by fate. They turn weekly happy hours into a new mission to renew the enthusiasm for life they've lost through the years. Their raucous humor and collective strengths see them through unexpected challenges and to their surprise, they realize it's never too late to make lifelong friends."...\$139

<u>MARCH 3, MON.</u> – THE FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL in Plant City! The festival is considered one of the best in Florida and ranks among the Top 40 Fairs in North America. This is a venue for fleamarket style craft and item sales, various free entertainment acts/events, a very large midway, plus musical concert performances. Today's concert, at 3:30 PM features **Cornell Gunter's Coasters, the Drifters & the Platters!** This tour includes festival admission (the concert is an additional \$35 per ticket) and we can assist you with purchasing your concert ticket...\$69 (incl. r/t bus transportation & Festival

admission)

MARCH 8, SAT. – **SHOPPING with WENDY!** Enjoy your day visiting 3-4 Thrift Stores. Lunch on your own at surprise location...\$64

MARCH 13, THURSDAY – LUNCH BUNCH with TODD at FOODY'S in Tampa Where every bite feels like home. Enjoy Breakfast, Burgers and Beyond. Come out and try something new with the Lunch Bunch crowd!...\$69

<u>MARCH 15, SAT.</u> – DISNEY SPRINGS – Shopping, Dining & Entertainment Discover an eclectic mix of unique shops, One-of-a-kind restaurants and lively entertainment. Enjoy all the Disney surroundings, get lunch on your own, shop 'til you drop!...\$59

<u>MARCH 17, MON.</u> – ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION in DUNEDIN at Flanagan's Irish Pub and Beyond - Nestled in the heart of beautiful Downtown Dunedin on Main Street. Here, you'll find music, vendors, food trucks and a variety of restaurants to make your St. Patrick's Day celebration fun and unforgettable. Lunch is on your own, lots of delicious choices....\$49

<u>MARCH 20. THURS.</u> – "WAITRESS The MUSICAL" at Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater, Matinee Show in Hudson. This matinee show includes a delicious buffet lunch and a served dessert. "Based on the 2007 film and featuring stunning music and lyrics by Grammy Award-winning recording artist Sara Bareilles. WAITRESS is the story of , Jenna, an expert pie maker stuck in a small town and a loveless marriage. When a baking contest in a nearby county – and a satisfying encounter with someone new – show Jenna a chance at a fresh start, she must find the courage to seize it."...\$119

<u>MARCH 21, FRI.</u> – "DISNEY ON ICE Presents: FROZEN & ENCANTO" 3:00 pm show at the AMALIE ARENA in Tampa "Step inside Disney stories like never before! Dazzling ice-skating transports you to Arendelle to be a part of Anna's adventure to find Elsa in a wintry race to bring back summer. Then, enter the Casita Madrigal to join Mirabel's journey to save her enchanted home alongside her sisters, Isabela and Luisa. Hosted by Mickey & Minnie, sing along and celebrate the power of love at Disney On Ice – the show everyone will be talking about!" Lower-Level seats, plenty of food offerings available too! (on your own)...\$TBA

MARCH 22, SAT. – TAMPA HOT AIR BALLOON & KITE FESTIVAL at the Tampa Fairgrounds 5:00PM – 11:00PM, lots of fun events and sights to see in the evening sky, tethered Balloon Ride (\$35 additional), 9:00 PM Glow & Laser Show. You may want to bring a chair & blanket. Also featuring Craft & Retail Booths as well as Food Trucks, includes festival admission...\$79

<u>March 22, SAT.</u> – TAMPA HARD ROCK CASINO EVENING VISIT Have you always wanted to see the Hard Rock Casino on a Saturday night? This is your chance. We will visit from 5:00 to 10:00 PM, get a fancy dinner, enjoy the slots & games...\$39

MARCH 23, SUN. – "ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S SCHOOL OF ROCK the MUSICAL!" at STAGE WEST PLAYHOUSE IN SPRING HILL 2:00 PM show, we stop for lunch at Golden Corral (on your own). Next, to the Theater to enjoy the show....\$94

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MARCH 23, SUN. – WEEKI WACHEE SPRINGS STATE PARK Enjoy the Mermaid Show & River Boat Cruise. Manatees?...\$79

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CALL OR STOP BY FOR YOUR BROCHURE WITH ALL OF THE EXCITING DETAILS FOR THESE TOURS! <u>DEC. 25, 3 DAY</u> – A TROPICAL CHRISTMAS Includes: 6 Meals (2B, 2L, 2D) PLUS, two night's hotel accommodations at the Holiday Inn Express in Fort Myers with a full, hot buffet breakfast, included daily, Broadway Palm Dinner Theater for Christmas dinner and "A CHRISTMAS CAROL - THE MUSICAL." NAPLES PRINCESS Luncheon/Sightseeing Cruise & an Amish buffet midday meal at Der Dutchman in Sarasota...\$610*/\$719

DEC. 30, 3 DAY – NEW YEAR'S EVE SPECTACULAR, 2025! Includes: 5 meals (2B, 1L, 2D) & much more!...\$689*/\$789 W/L JAN. 21, 4 DAY – KEY WEST, THE EVERGLADES & MIAMI Incl. 3 nt accommodations at Best Western Plus, Kendall, an Airboat Ride and Alligator & Wildlife Show in the Everglades plus a visit to the Ranger Station & Welcome Center in the Everglades! Plus a full day of touring the Keys and Key West made easier with the free Duvall Loop bus service in Key West! Plus a day in Miami including Zoo Miami and the Gold Coast Railroad Museum A great little get-away for you!....\$729*/\$989

JAN. 26, 2 DAY – **MURDER MYSTERY DINNER TRAIN and SEMINOLE CASINO IMMOKALEE** Incl. a one-night stay at the **Holiday Inn Express** in Ft. Myers. A four-hour minimum visit to the Seminole Casino in Immokalee. For those choosing to add the option of the Murder Mystery Dinner Train please add \$135 per person to cover the cost of the Train Ride/Show and delicious dinner with tax and gratuity included. On Day two we will have another four-hour minimum visit to the Immokalee Casino...\$279*/\$349

FEB. 4, 3 DAY – **SPACE COAST, KENNEDY SPACE CENTER & LUAU** 2 nt. stay at the Titusville Comfort Suites (breakfast included at hotel). Spectacular, authentic Hawaiian Luau at Horsepower Ranch, Lunch at **Fishlips**, then a tour with a local, expert step-on guide, free time for shopping, an <u>optional</u> visit to the Titusville **"Wizard of Oz" Museum**. Full day at the **Kennedy Space Center** including the new Space Shuttle Atlantis Exhibit, Shuttle Ride experience & brand-new **SpaceX Falcon 9 Booster**...\$629*/\$749

FEB. 10, 3 DAY – **AMELIA ISLAND & FERNANDINA BCH** 2 nts. Hampton Inn Harbor Front with hot breakfast included each morning, Guided Historic tour, Cumberland Coastal Boat Tour near Cumberland Island (we may see the Wild Horses), enjoy this quaint town with great shopping, dining & more within reasonable walking distance at your leisure...\$489*/\$639

<u>FEB. 24, 6 DAY</u> – NEW ORLEANS Incl. 5 nights lodging including **3 consecutive nights in the New Orleans area**, 8 meals (5B, 3D), **guided tour of New Orleans**, Admission/visit to the **National WWII Museum**, **guided tour of a Louisiana Plantation**, admission/visit to **Mardi Gras World** (where the floats are built & stored), relaxing Mississippi Riverboat cruise, enjoy visiting the **Historic New Orleans French Quarter**...\$848*/\$1078 **W/L**

MARCH 26, 5 DAY – BLOSSOMS OF THE SOUTH with Historic Macon, Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca Cola, Hay House Dinner & Tour. TOUR INCLUDES: 8 Meals (4B, 4D), 2 night stay at Hilton Garden Inn in Macon during the Cherry Blossom Festival with 100 times more Cherry Blossom trees than Washington DC, with guided tour and dinner visit to the Hay House, Two Drury Inn Nights, Drury Atlanta Airport & Drury Valdosta GA. Each area we visit will be in full bloom with flowers indigenous to that region. Plus, a day at the Georgia Aquarium & World of Coca Cola & much more!...\$1099*/\$1429 MAY 15, 12 DAY – MONTREAL, QUEBEC CITY & Canada's Capital OTTAWA 5 consecutive nts. in Canada.....\$2238*/\$2707

SEPT. 26, 11 DAY – **BEAUTIFUL MAINE** Incl. 5 consecutive nts. lodging in Maine, 18 meals (10B, 8D)......\$2015*/\$2560 JAY GETMAN of <u>CUTTING EDGE TRAVEL CRUISE & TOUR EXPERTS</u>

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