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MARCH

ROCKIN' & SWINGIN 'FROM THE 50's
TO THE 90's with COLLEEN RAYE

March 22nd

\$149
9:30AM
Please RSVP Immediately

We have seen several performances by Ms. Raye and we've never been disappointed. Colleen will be performing with friends and her 10-piece band. This energetic musical revue takes place at the Sheldon Theater in Red Wing. She'll be performing hits from The Temptations, Burt Bacharach, Michael Jackson, Sinatra, Judy Garland, Bonnie Raitt, Shania Twain, and many others. With this multi-media presentation, this engaging, charismatic crew will have you laughing, crying and everything in between. We'll grab a quick bite (on your own) prior to the performance and after the show, we'll feast at the Lake Elmo Inn.



APRIL

GALLERIA SPRING FLOWER SHOW
& BACHMAN'S

April 5th

\$129
Please RSVP by March 18th

Welcome spring with a trip to the Galleria and Bachman's. We'll have plenty of time to view the beautiful floral displays at the Galleria and do a little retail therapy. After a touch of spring, we'll dine at Q.Cumbers in Edina with their fantastic buffet. Then we're off to Bachman's flagship store in Bloomington for even more beautiful viewing.

Bachman's

NASHVILLE, SMOKY MOUNTAINS
NATIONAL PARK & BLUEGRASS

April 24th-May 1st

\$3849 Double \$4724 Single
Please RSVP Immediately

We'll arrive in Louisville, Kentucky and meet our fellow travelers at our welcome dinner. In Louisville, we'll tour Churchill Downs, the Louisville Slugger Museum



& Factory, and the Evan Williams Bourbon Experience before heading to the Arc Encounter. As we travel through Kentucky, we'll stop in Lexington and visit the Kentucky Horse Park. This horse park is a working horse farm and the only park dedicated to man's relationship with the horse. Smoky National Park is next on the agenda and the Biltmore House in Asheville, NC. The Biltmore is the largest home in the United States and built for the Vanderbilt family during the Gilded Age. This house boasts 250 rooms, 65 fireplaces and 75 acres of formal gardens. Before heading home, we'll enjoy Dollywood and Nashville.

MAY

PELLA IOWA TULIP FESTIVAL

May 1st-3rd

\$529 Double \$669 Single
Please RSVP by April 1st

This annual trip is always a hit and a fun way to kick off spring. We'll be staying at Meskwaki Casino for two nights and you'll receive a \$20.00 gift card for dining. We enjoy a Pella guided tour and watch the parade from reserved seats in the grand stand. You'll have time to tip toe through the tulips while you explore the city. Make sure to sample some of their tasty baked goods and do a little shopping.



BEAUTIFUL, THE CAROL KING MUSICAL

May 15th

\$129
10AM
Please RSVP by April 30th

Due to popular demand, we've added an additional outing the Chanhassen Dinner Theater. Arguably one of the greatest songwriters of all time, Ms. King has given us the soundtrack to our lives. Carol wrote a string of pop classics for singers from Aretha to James Taylor. Beautiful takes you back to when it all began; on the joy-filled and emotional ride of a lifetime. Lunch is included at the Chanhassen.



DAKOTA GAMBLER & THE BLACK HILLS

May 20th-24th

Double \$629 Single \$829
Please RSVP by April 19th

We're packing up our game and we're heading out west. This deluxe motorcoach trip will take us to Royal River Casino for the first and forth night. The two nights in between will be spent at First Gold Casino. If you are feeling lucky, you can try your hand with the included \$80.00 slot



play. Along the way, we'll stop at Wall Drug and Mount Rushmore. (Make sure to pick up some rhubarb wine) Several meals are included with this trip.

MACKINAC ISLAND,
THE GRAND HOTEL
& NIAGARA FALLS

May 31st- June 7th

\$3725 Double \$4600 Single

Upon arrival in Michigan, we'll spend the first two nights in Dearborn. We'll tour the famous River Rouge Plant. This plant is a modern marvel of the 21st century manufacturing where the Ford F-150 trucks are built. Next, it's the Henry Ford Museum. This museum is known to hold the greatest auto collection in the USA. We'll also tour Greenfield Village, which was established by Mr. Ford in 1929. This living history museum celebrates American spirit from pioneer days to modern times. On the third day, we'll arrive on Mackinac Island and check into the luxurious Grand Hotel for two nights. Frankenmuth is next and we'll enjoy this small-town city settled by the Germans from the Bavarian region. Also in this small town is Bronner's Christmas Wonderland and we'll be shopping. Our final destination will be Niagara Falls.



JUNE

ALASKA: AMERICA'S
LAST FRONTIER

June 13th-21st

\$5999 Double \$7599 Single
Please RSVP Immediately

Alaska is simply magnificent! This spectacular trip begins in Fairbanks where we'll spend our first couple of days exploring. We'll try our hand at gold digging, meet the adorable pups at Trail Breaker Kennels and learn about the Alaskan pipeline. Denali



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National Park welcomes us as we continue to tour. Here, we'll discover wildlife and wildflowers on a hike or take a scenic bus tour throughout the park. We'll say goodbye to Denali and head to Talkeetna, the Musk Ox Farm, dive into the Alaska Native Heritage Center and cruise through a geological wonderland.

JULY

CELEBRATION BELLE'S 100 MILE RIVER CRUISE ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

July 17th-19th

\$799 Double \$899 Single
Please RSVP by June 17th

This delightful, relaxing trip begins in Dyersville, Iowa, the site of the movie, "Field of Dreams." You'll have time to walk the field, throw out a ball and swing the bat. Our first night will be in Dubuque and then we'll board the Celebration Belle for our 100 mile cruise down the Mississippi River. Our day will include entertainment, music, games, buffet breakfast, lunch, afternoon appetizers and dinner. The boat has both indoor and outdoor seating so you'll be able to enjoy the cruise as we travel through several locks and dams and take in the wonderful river scenery and wildlife. We'll arrive in Moline, IL, where we'll spend the night. As we journey home, we'll stop in Galena and tour the Ulysses S. Grant's home and explore the city.

GREAT CANADIAN CITIES

July 17th-26th

\$4099 Double \$5224 Single

Montreal welcomes us with a tour of the Notre Dame Basilica, the St. Joseph's Oratory, Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University and a panoramic view of the city from atop Mount Royal. That night, we'll meet new friends at our welcome dinner in Old Town Montreal. The morning greets us with a train ride via Rail Canada for a relaxing ride to the "Paris of North America," Quebec City. Carved into the bluffs overlooking the St. Lawrence River, Quebec City is the provincial capital and probably the best-preserved city in North America. Ottawa is next on the itinerary. We'll cruise the 1000 islands area and travel to Toronto and Niagara Falls.



SEPTEMBER

NORTHERN EUROPE:

ICELAND & NORWAY TO LONDON CRUISE

Starting at \$6885, depending on cabin selection.

We'll fly to Reykjavik, Iceland and board the Norwegian Prima for an eleven-day cruise. We'll sail to Isafjordur, Akureyri, Alesund, Geiranger, Bergen, Amsterdam, Brussels and end in London.

CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS

September 21st-27th

\$3275 Double \$4125 Single

Our adventure begins in Boston. We'll tour this historic city, the Faneuil Hall Marketplace and Plimoth Plantation. This plantation is an accurate recreation of the Pilgrim's 1627 village where costumed interpreters portray colony residents in this living history museum. Then we'll celebrate the journey that brought pilgrims to the new world as we visit the Mayflower II. The Mayflower II was recently renovated for the 400th Anniversary of the voyage. We'll also see the historic Plymouth Rock. We'll spend the next five nights in Hyannis Port/Yarmouth where we'll tour Martha's Vineyard, the Breakers Mansion, Nantucket Island, the Nantucket Whaling Museum, and the Cape Cod National Seashore.

COUNTRYSIDE OF THE EMERALD ISLE

September 22nd-

October 1st



TIDBITS AND TRIVIA

The Hotdish

If you live in Minnesota, chances are, you are quite familiar with the "Hotdish." Now, I'm not referring to the compliment of being a hot dish, but the stick- to- the ribs kind of meal that is hot and bubbly.

There is a little controversy in our country as to what you call this complete meal in a dish. Some call this a casserole, some call it hotdish. One may even refer to it as goulash. We do know this all-in-one meal was created in the Midwest during the Great Depression to stretch their food into a fulfilling meal.

The first published recipe for this Midwest creation was in a 1930's cookbook. This cookbook was published by Grace Lutheran Church in Mankato, Minnesota, by Mrs. C. W. Anderson. We all know the joys of a good church cookbook. The recipes are tried and true by some excellent domestic engineers who know their way around the kitchen. The recipe Mrs. Anderson submitted was a mixture of hamburger, canned tomato soup, peas, Creamette brand elbow macaroni and celery. I would say this is more of a goulash but still qualifies as a hotdish.

The hotdish has evolved into many different versions. We have Italian, chicken, rice and even Spam hotdish. Our family favorite happens to be the tater tot hotdish. This savory beef and vegetable dish is held together with a binding agent, cream of mushroom soup. Top this baby off with tater tots and you'll have one happy tummy. Some chefs sprinkle cheese on top of their tots, scandalous! Not for this girl, the original dish will do. Simply delicious! Now if you really want to be adventurous, whip up some lime Jello with pears and you'll have quite the feast. Church basement style.



\$4599 Double \$5299 Single \$4549 Triple

Our overnight flight takes us to Dublin, Ireland. This trip highlights the following: the Irish National Stud, Rock of Cashel, Old Middleton Distillery (home of Jameson), Kinsale, Garnish Island, Dingle Peninsula, East Cork, the Aran Islands, Cliffs of Moher, and so much more.

DAKOTA GAMBLER & THE BLACK HILLS

September 23rd-27th

\$649 Double \$829 Single

Perhaps springtime doesn't work well for you to visit the Black Hills. Fall is a perfect time to go. This is the same itinerary as the May trip. We have complete itineraries at the banks.



NEW ENGLAND RAILS & TRAILS

September 28th-October 5th

\$3999 Double \$5149 Single

This train trip kicks off in Boston. We'll enjoy Boston for a couple days before we board the Conway Scenic Railroad for a nostalgic ride through the scenic Mt. Washington Valley countryside. This three-hour rail experience aboard the world's first mountain climbing cog railway, brings us to the top of the highest peak in Northeast: Mount Washington. The view will leave you breathless! Next, we'll board the motorcoach and travel along the Kancamagus Highway and continue to Quechee Gorge and end at Billings Farm and Museum. We'll call Vermont and Maine home for a couple days before returning home.

OCTOBER

ADRIATIC & IONIAN PORTRAIT

October 24-November 4th

Starting at \$5379 depending on cabin selection

This is a new trip for us. Our overnight flight takes us to Venice, Italy where we'll board the Oceania Riviera. On this voyage, our first ports of call are in Croatia. Here we'll explore Zadar, Split, and Dubrovnik. The next two ports of call are in Greece: Corfu and Katakolon. After a leisurely day of sailing, we'll disembark on the quaint island of Malta. Italy will welcome us for a tour of Messina (Sicily), Sorrento/Capri and end our tour in Rome. We have full itineraries at the banks. Space is very limited on this trip, so please don't hesitate if you are interested.

NORMANDY, PARIS & THE SEINE RIVER CRUISE

October 29th-November 8th

Starting at \$4795 depending on

your cabin selection

Paris, the "City of Lights," is the world's most visited capital. We'll tour Paris and see the beloved landmarks that line the Seine, including the Notre Dame Cathedral, the Louvre, and the Eiffel Tower. We'll see the majestic Arc de Triomphe and ride along the Champs-Elysees. We've set aside a full day



to tour Normandy and Omaha Beach. Over 9,000 American troops are laid to rest at Colleville Sur Mer and we will pay our respects. Before flying home from Paris, we'll stop in the little town of Les Andelys in the shadow of Chateau Gaillard. A two-night post cruise extension to London is available also.

NOVEMBER

SUNNY SAN DIEGO

& SO. CALIFORNIA HIGHLIGHTS

November 1st-6th

\$3499 Double \$4299 Single

Sunny San Diego is calling us. Our trip begins with a tour of the city, the USS Midway Museum, a harbor cruise and welcome dinner. Palm Springs and Temecula Valley Winery will follow on day three. Day four takes us to the San Diego Zoo. Over 4,000 animals call this zoo home. Our last day is spent aboard the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner Train and the Mission San Juan Capistrano.



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