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## CHRISTMAS IN MANHATTAN RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL ROCKETTES DINNER CRUISE

Wednesday, November 19 - Monday, November 24

See all the lights, windows & sights of the holidays in New York City. Our 5 nights will be in a small luxury boutique hotel right in the heart of Manhattan.

Trip includes roundtrip airfare from Alexandria, transfers, 5 night's hotel, portorage, 2 four hour tours, 5 breakfasts, Rockettes & dinner cruise.

This will be a small group personally escorted & planned by Nancy & Lou. Besides professional, private tours, we will accompany you to various places in Manhattan. Meals will be together unless you prefer otherwise. We assist with selection & purchase of Broadway tickets.

\$2100 per person, double occupancy

\$3000 per person, single occupancy

\$500 deposit

## Shangri La



Botanical Gardens  
& Nature Center

Orange, Texas  
Tuesday, October 7

Along with the amazing Botanical Gardens, Shangri La includes a world-class Nature Center. Great diversity of plants found throughout the world. Five garden rooms and 4 sculpture rooms allow you to see more than 300 plant species. Pontoon boat ride on Adams Bayou, boardwalks, bird blinds, cypress/tupelo swamp.

In February, Shangri La became the first project in Texas & the 50<sup>th</sup> project in the world to earn the U.S. Green Building Council's Platinum Certification. Be one of the first to see this brand new wonderful garden after its official opening on March 11. Gardens were designed by local landscape architect, Jeffrey Carbo.

**STARK MUSEUM OF ART -or- W. H. STARK HOUSE  
-or- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

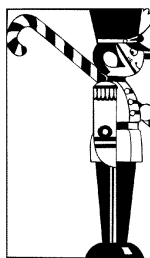
It's dome is the only opalescent glass dome in the U.S.  
(each person will have time to visit one venue before lunch)  
Luncheon at **OLD ORANGE CAFÉ**

Motor coach, tours, lunch, supper, refreshments, gratuity

\$95 per person

**RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR**  
starring the World Famous  
**ROCKETTES**  
launching its **BIGGEST** production ever!

Tuesday, December 16  
Bossier City



Afternoon / evening trip  
Includes motor coach, gratuity, refreshments,  
Rockettes tickets  
Dinner on-your-own at the Boardwalk

\$115 per person

\$50 deposit

Please hurry . . . only groups can purchase tickets - they will be on sale to individuals in mid-September . . . we can get excellent seats **NOW!**



You get personalized attention by reserving your cruise or riverboat through Cenla Travel. Internet booking may be tempting, but when something goes wrong or changes need to be made, you don't have a person to talk with directly. It costs you nothing to use an agent. Consider getting a group together . . . there can be some good savings and you might get your trip free.



## OHIO AMISH COUNTRY Sunday, April 26 - Sunday, May 2

Graceland in Memphis ? Derby Dinner Theatre in Louisville, Amish dinner & music in farmhouse ? Amish & Mennonite Heritage Center ? Wendell August Forge Walnut Creek ice cream ? Breitenbach Winery Trumpet in the Land Outdoor Drama ? Heinis Cheese & Kauffman Country Bakery ? Lehman's General Store & Old Fashioned Hardware ? Livestock auction day ? Yoder Farm Tour & Buggy Ride Candlelight dinner & tour of Warther Carvings, Gardens & Knife Shop ? Amish farm breakfast ? National Underground Railroad Freedom Center & Ohio River dinner cruise in Cincinnati ? Country Music Hall of Fame & Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, lunch & tour of Chaney's Dairy Barn

- 6 Deluxe Continental Breakfasts & 1 farmhouse breakfast
- 7 Dinners
- 1 Lunch
- Gratuity for all included meals
- 7 nights hotel (3 nights in Amish country at Carlisle Inn)
- Baggage handling in Amish country
- Four Seasons motor coach with restroom
- Accompanied & coordinated by Nancy Richards
- Driver's gratuity
- Step-on tour guide in Amish country
- Tour guide gratuity
- Admission to all places listed
- Bottled water throughout trip

\$1950 per person, single occupancy  
\$1500 per person, double occupancy  
\$1350 per person, triple occupancy  
\$1300 per person, quad occupancy  
\$500 deposit



## Have it Your Way . . . in . . . NEW ORLEANS

*Who knows - we might see Brad Pitt!*



**Tuesday, November 4**

Before Katrina, there were 809 restaurants in the Crescent City. Now you can select from 950!  
Look at [www.nomenu.com](http://www.nomenu.com)

Save gasoline & the hassle of parking & driving

Spend the day . . . here's some ideas . . .

National World War II Museum • Audubon Insectarium Aquarium (Imax - Hurricane on the Bayou) • Streetcar ride Ogden Museum of Southern Art • Old Mint • Cabildo Southern Food & Beverage Museum • Steamboat Natchez Presbytere • Mardi Gras Museum • French Quarter Riverwalk • Café du Monde • St. Louis Cathedral • Harrah's

Enjoy a wonderful meal at an incredible restaurant Beginning November 1, *Prospect.1 NO* will be the largest biennial of international contemporary art in the U.S.

Motor coach & driver's gratuity

\$75 per person

For trips that include shows, we do not purchase tickets until we have enough deposits to pay for the motor coach. The earlier that dates arrives, the better the theatre seats will be.



## BILTMORE ESTATE & ASHEVILLE Holiday Spirit & the Blue Ridge Mountains Sunday, November 9 - Friday, November 14

Biltmore Estate (House, Grounds, River Bend Farm & Winery) Grove Arcade • Historic Biltmore Village Blue Ridge Parkway • Pack Square Folk Art Center • Basilica of St. Lawrence

Options include Asheville Art Museum, Colburn Earth Science Museum, Thomas Wolfe House, Aspen Santa Fe Ballet, Asheville Art Museum, YMI Cultural Center, Blue Spiral Art Gallery & Grove Park Inn

Motor coach, 5 night's hotel (3 in Asheville), tours, 5 breakfasts, 3 dinners, gratuities

Trip is based on a minimum of 40 persons

\$700 per person, single occupancy  
\$525 per person, double occupancy  
\$480 per person, triple occupancy  
\$460 per person, quad occupancy

\$150 deposit per person

Accompanied & coordinated by Nancy Richards, Cenla Travel

## WASHINGTON DC & WILLIAMSBURG during Cherry Blossom Season Friday, April 3 - Thursday, April 9

National WW II Memorial ? US Capitol ? Washington Monument ? Lincoln & Jefferson Memorials Korean War, Vietnam Veterans, Iwo Jima & FDR Memorials Arlington National Cemetery ? Tomb of the Unknowns Changing of the Guards ? John F. Kennedy Memorial Smithsonian's American Indian and Air & Space Museums Newseum, new interactive museum of news Monuments Illumination Tour ? Powhatan Village Mount Vernon & Jamestown Settlement ? Williamsburg Colonial Tavern Dinner ? Cherry Blossom Parade

4 nights in Arlington VA & 2 nights in Williamsburg  
4 dinners & 3 breakfasts  
Airport transfers  
Professional tour manager



\$1987 land only (single occupancy)  
\$1398 land only (double occupancy)  
Call for roundtrip air from Alexandria



Have fun with your tax rebate check



**TAKE A TRIP**



When life hands us lemons, let's make lemonade. With diesel around \$5.00 a gallon, motor coach companies are having to quote higher prices.



But, when you compare taking an automobile trip with just a few people, traveling in a larger group is not only more economical and sensible, it is friendlier to the environment. When I had to price a day trip to New Orleans at \$75, I did some comparing to driving yourself. The federal government per diem is now \$.585 per mile. Multiply that times 436 miles (round trip from the Alexandria Mall to the French Quarter) and you get \$255, not counting the parking fee you'll have to pay. It just makes sense now, more than ever, that group travel is the way to go. It's also more fun and easier because the work is done for you.

**Thursday, October 30**

**CAROLINE DORMAN NATURE PRESERVE**

Guided tour includes the log cabin, Briarwood, iris bog garden, reflection pool and native plants & trees.

A limited number can ride on electric carts for tour.

Caroline Dorman was the 1st woman employed in forestry in the U.S. & worked to establish Kisatchie National Forest.

Her pioneering work continues today through the inspiration she had given to other professionals & thousands of others who love the beauty of Louisiana woodlands & native flora.

**FORT ST. JEAN BAPTISTE**

Earliest French settlement in the Louisiana territory brings to life the history of French Colonial settlers

**W. R. ATTERIDGE CIVIL WAR NAVAL SHIP MUSEUM**

115 wooden model ships are the life long works of nationally prominent hand crafter William R. Atteridge

**LUNCHEON AT MERCI BEAUCOUP**

Motor coach, luncheon, tours, driver's gratuity  
Shopping time along Front Street

\$65 per person    \$30 deposit per person

**BASK IN THE AFTERGLOW OF BEIJING**

**Tuesday, October 14 - Wednesday, October 22**

The Summer Olympics will have been held in Beijing & the weather will have moderated for your dream trip to China. This trip is 9 days with 15 meals included. Includes round trip air, an excellent hotel (one hotel throughout), local guide & sightseeing. Highlights include The Great Wall, Peking Opera, Beijing Zoo, Summer Palace, Temple of Heaven, Rickshaw Tour. Optional tour to see the Terracotta Warriors in Xian & the Beijing Acrobats

\$2189 per person, double occupancy  
\$2519 per person, single occupancy



**TRAINS OF THE COLORADO ROCKIES**

**Saturday, May 30 - Sunday, June 7**

Experience the majesty of the Colorado Rockies from 4 trains that celebrate the can-do spirit of the Old West. Scale Pike's Peak on the working 1881 steam train for a journey through the San Juan Mountains. Travel the Trail Ridge Road and reclaim culture of the Anasazi Indians at Mesa Verde National Park.

Relish cowboy culture in an evening of authentic dining & entertainment.

Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park, Georgetown Loop Railroad, Vail, Grand Junction, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Durango, Mesa Verde, Colorado Springs, Pike's Peak Cog Railway, Garden of the Gods, Royal Gorge Railroad

Four 2-night hotel stays, 8 breakfasts, 4 dinners, airport transfers

\$1799 land only

Call for roundtrip air from Alexandria

**OPRAH WINFREY PRESENTS THE COLOR PURPLE**

The Musical about Love

Tuesday, September 23 & Wednesday, September 24  
Houston

Shopping in Old Towne Spring, a quaint village

A soul-stirring musical, The Color Purple is an unforgettable & inspiring story of a woman named Celie who triumphs over tremendous odds to find joy in life & her true inner beauty. Its joyous score features jazz, gospel & blues.

Motor coach, hotel, breakfast, theatre ticket, driver's gratuity, refreshments

\$300 per person, single occupancy  
\$250 per person, double occupancy  
\$230 per person, triple occupancy  
\$220 per person, quad occupancy



On Thursday evening, December 18, Red River Chorale will present a special concert at Northwestern in Natchitoches. We will have a motor coach going up for dinner, Christmas lights & the concert. Mark your calendars & call (443.9038) or e-mail (nancy@cenlatravel.com) if you want your name on the list to go. I haven't priced the trip yet as I must wait to see about concert tickets.

Don't know what to give someone for Christmas??  
How about a gift certificate for travel.  
We make a nice card for your friend or relative.



If you don't travel and/or don't want to receive our mailed newsletter, please call or e-mail. We'll use the postage to send to someone else.

The best way to travel is in a group with a professional tour guide, especially if you haven't been to an area. We can book your trip with any company - Tauck, Globus, Perillo, Collette, etc.

We can help you with individual reservations for cruises & river boat trips. Also packages for Disney, Sandals & Beaches.

Call for reservations, even if you don't see the trip in this newsletter.

If you're planning to travel **anywhere** outside the U.S. via **any** mode of travel, we recommend that you have a valid passport.

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### **PICK UP LOCATIONS**

When we travel south on I-49, we pick up at Sammy's Truck Stop. When we travel west on Highway 28, we pick up at Holloway's Store. Out Highway 28 West, we pick up in Leesville. We can pick up in Oakdale when going that direction.

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