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Groundhog Day, When Hollywood came to Woodstock! Saturday February 4, 2017 \$99

Travel to Woodstock, IL for the annual Groundhog Days Festival, celebrating the 1993 movie classic *Groundhog Day*, filmed primarily in Woodstock, posing as Punxsutawney, PA. We start at what was once the movie set on the Historic Woodstock Town Square, with its brick-lined streets and 19th century Victorian buildings. At the Woodstock Theater, (the movie's Alpine Theater) we begin our tour with a big screen viewing of this comedy classic directed by Harold Ramis. The stars are Andie McDowell and Bill Murray who plays Phil Connors, an arrogant Pittsburgh TV weatherman who, during an assignment covering the annual Groundhog Day event in Punxsutawney, finds himself in a time loop, repeating the same day again and again. Lunch is at the Woodstock Public House in the old McHenry Co. Courthouse, an imposing Italianate structure built in 1857 and the setting for the movie's bar scenes. Following lunch, we join guide Bob Hudgens on a walking tour of the former movie set. Bob was the location manager of the film and will tell inside stories about the filming, its challenges and how it brought Woodstock into national prominence. His hilarious stories about how scenes were conceived by Ramis and Murray, who worked together from the dawn of their careers at Chicago's Second, will amuse you. See the Opera House, an architectural wonder which served as the fictional Hotel Pennsylvania, "Gobbler's Knob", and the building that served as the Tip-Top Cafe, in front of which Bill Murray's puddle scene played out. Also see the Bed & Breakfast which was the Cherry St Inn featured prominently in the movie. Don't miss this Behind the Scenes tour when Hollywood came to Woodstock!

Place de la Musique-The Sanfilippo Mansion Wednesday March 15, 2017 \$101

A spectacular morning is in store for you on the 57-acre Sanfilippo Estate in Barrington Hills, known as "Place de la Musique." Jasper Sanfilippo, the snack food and nut magnate known for his Fisher and Evon's products, spent over 30 years assembling one of the world's greatest collections of restored antique music machines. As you tour the incredible mansion, you'll step into the Music Room, described by some as "unequaled in the world", see the world's largest theatre pipe organ and marvel at the collection of chandeliers, tiffany-style lamps, and phonographs. See the Weltre Wotan Brass Orchestrion, the largest known to exist. In the Carousel Building see the "Eden Palais" carousel, the only complete European Salon carousel in the world. With an 89-foot wide and 42-foot-tall carved façade with life-size carved horses, giant art glass butterflies, and an 89-key gavioli band organ, it is a masterpiece not to be missed! For lunch, enjoy another unique experience as we step into yesteryear at Chessie's Restaurant and dine inside a vintage 1927 rail car!

Backstage at the Lyric & the Union League Club Tuesday March 28, 2017 \$106

Go backstage at the Lyric and, by special invitation to CET, have lunch and a visit to the famous Union League Club of Chicago! At the Civic Opera House, opened in 1929, we take part in a behind-the-scenes tour for insights into the world of the grand opera. Start in the Grand Foyer to learn about this architectural wonder and its art deco features. Tour the incredible 3,563-seat theatre including the famed orchestra pit. Go backstage where you'll learn about the vast array of skilled professionals who bring operatic stagecraft to life. Our buffet lunch is at the historic Union League Club, a private club dating back to the 1800s. Its members have been instrumental in establishing many of Chicago's

cultural icons including Orchestra Hall, the Field Museum, the Art Institute and were the driving force for the city to host the 1893 Columbian Exposition. During our visit we'll also tour the club's incredible art collection. With over 800 works, the art collection is one of the oldest and most important private collections of American art in the Midwest. **IMPORTANT NOTE** *Union League Club Dress Code: Business Casual Attire defined as Collared shirt and slacks (no dress denim) for men and Slacks or skirt with blouse or sweater for women. Jeans, T-shirts, sweatshirts and athletic attire including running or tennis shoes are prohibited.*

An Evening at Chicago's Legendary Second City Monday April 10, 2017 SOLD OUT
SECOND DATE Monday April 24, 2017 \$105

Since The Second City opened on a snowy Chicago night in December of 1959, it has grown to become the world's premier comedy theatre and school of improvisation. If you have never been to this Chicago institution, this is your chance! The Second City continues to be a launching pad for comedians, actors and others working in show business. Some of the famous Second City Alumni include Alan Arkin, Dan Aykroyd, Jim Belushi, John Belushi, John Candy, Chris Farley, Tina Fey, Jeff Garlin, Bill Murray, Mike Myers, Gilda Radner, Harold Ramis, Joan Rivers, Martin Short and George Wendt! Tonight we'll see *Best of The Second City*. This show features some of the best sketches, songs, and improvisations from their fifty-plus year history performed by The Second City Touring Company. Before the performance we'll enjoy dinner at Marcello's in the Old Town neighborhood of Chicago before embarking on a guided tour of Old Town and the Second City neighborhood. Led by Margaret Hicks, a Chicago tour guide and author of two books about Second City, the tour will highlight the architecture, history and development of Old Town. Margaret will also show you various Second City alumni haunts and tell the legendary stories that go with them.

Dancing Horses of Lake Geneva Wednesday April 19, 2017 \$113

Just outside beautiful Lake Geneva is the dazzling performance of the Dancing Horses! This enchanting extravaganza features an array of horse breeds that perform alongside their trainers in this cavalcade of equestrian artistry. Visually stunning, and performed in a state-of-the-art, indoor 300-seat theatre, this live show is truly a must-see for any horse lover. The show includes the Dancing Waters, which features hundreds of water jets that are choreographed to music and presented in a brilliant kaleidoscope of changing lights. A visit to the Animal Gardens is included, where you'll enjoy an exotic bird show and meet amazing parrots! These tropical treasures can roller skate, play basketball and sing. Meet Echo, the talking parrot once featured on the *Jay Leno Tonight Show* and *Animal Planet*. More recently, Echo appeared on *America's Got Talent*. Visit the Baby Barn to meet the new additions and enjoy a country wagon ride around the pristine pastures! A Roast Chicken and BBQ Ribs lunch is also served today at the Dancing Horses Theatre.

The Enchanting Ten Chimneys Friday May 5, 2017 \$118

The day starts with a ride to Genesee Depot, Wisconsin for Ten Chimneys, the restored estate of actors Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontane and a world-class museum and center for the arts. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the estate was home to one of the most revered acting teams in American Theatre. The diverse collections and enchanting décor were hand-picked by the Lunts throughout their lifetime. We'll tour the 18-room main house, the cottage and the log cabin located on 60-acres of scenic countryside. We'll hear the fascinating stories about frequent guests such as Katherine Hepburn, Helen Hayes, Sir Laurence Olivier and Noel Coward. The tour is barrier-free and overflows with the romance of the Golden Age of theatre. Lunch today is at the historic Union House Hotel in Genesee Depot. The Union House dates back to the 19th century and is now a great restaurant opening especially for our group this afternoon. En route home we stop at the Elegant Farmer market

in Mukwonago, WI. The Elegant Farmer has been featured on The Food Network and is nationally known for its "apple pie baked in a bag"!

Watson's Wild West Show! Thursday May 18, 2017 \$92

Step back in time to the days of the Wild West as we travel to Elkhorn, WI to Watson's Wild West Theater and Museum. Be ready for a fun-filled day as we enjoy a Broasted Chicken Cowboy lunch, a rousing show and a visit to their Western Museum. In the General Store see cowboy artifacts of the 1880s including saddles, branding irons, firearms, bear traps, mounted game, western antiques and more. At Watson's you can pan for gold, visit the old Post Office and, if you're a whippersnapper, barge through the saloon doors and belly up to the bar for a cold Sarsaparilla (Root Beer)! The show features KG and the Ranger, an award-winning singing duo performing vintage songs from the old west. Their amazing harmonies and yodeling will take you back to the days when cowboy heroes rode the silver screen. Cowboy Doug will also entertain you with tall tales, cowboy poetry, humor, a bit of history and showcase Dr. Quigley's Medicine Show. So, ride on in with CET and bring your cameras for this fun, old west adventure!

**Horicon Marsh-Little Everglades of the North Wednesday May 31, 2017 SOLD OUT
Second Date Tuesday, June 13 \$109**

Discover the beauty and natural wonders of the largest cattail marsh in the United States, the Horicon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. This Wisconsin paradise, encompassing over 32,000 acres, is recognized as a wetland of international importance and provides critical habitat for over 300 species of birds as well as muskrats, red fox, turtles, frogs, dragonflies, fish and many more. Upon our arrival, board a 50-passenger pontoon boat for a narrated cruise on the marsh. Learn how the marsh was created in the last ice age and see nesting areas for various waterfowl and resting areas for migratory birds such as the Great Blue Heron. It's a nature photographer's dream! Lunch is in the town of Horicon at Ginger's Hideaway before we visit the new Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center, providing state of the art displays and boardwalks onto the marsh. We conclude with a narrated driving tour around the perimeter areas of Horicon Marsh. Don't miss this great adventure to "the Little Everglades of the North"!

Janesville's Rotary Gardens & the Wisconsin Wagon Company Tuesday June 6, 2017 \$101

In beautiful Rock County Wisconsin sits the community of Janesville, where we'll visit three of this community's gems! At Rotary Botanical Gardens, enjoy a guided tour of this stunning showcase featuring 24 different garden areas and more than 4,000 plant varieties! The Garden is home to many dramatic and internationally-themed gardens including Japanese, Scottish, French Formal, Italian and English Cottage Gardens. See the spectacular Sunken Gardens where large cottonwoods and honey locust overhang planting beds filled with drifts of colorful blooms from bulbs, perennials and annuals. Enjoy a delicious catered lunch at the Armory, a premier event and celebration venue which hosts live theatre, concerts, corporate events and the recent presidential candidate town hall meetings. Before departing Janesville we will tour the Wisconsin Wagon Company to see how hand-made Coaster Wagons, first designed in 1915, are produced. Follow the manufacturing process from the lumber delivery area, through manufacturing and assembly, ending ultimately in the display and shipping area. The company builds and sells about 13 different handmade wooden products. All of the employees at the wagon works are part-time, retired master craftsmen.

Lake Michigan Fireworks Cruise Wednesday June 21, 2017 SOLD OUT Second Date
Wednesday, June 28 \$100

It's summer in the city--time for food and fireworks! Depart late afternoon before enjoying dinner at Pompei on Taylor Street. Pompei is a Chicago landmark in the Little Italy neighborhood. Dine on your choice of several Italian entrees from a special menu. Afterward we board a beautiful excursion boat on the Chicago River and cruise thru the locks onto Lake Michigan for an evening fireworks cruise off Navy Pier with the spectacular Chicago City Skyline as your back-drop! You'll be provided complimentary 3D glasses to see the fireworks in an even more exciting way! This cruise also showcases the incredible colors of Buckingham Fountain and the illuminated Museum Campus.

Wandering Tree Estate & the Gold Pyramid House Tuesday June 27, 2017 \$127

By special invitation Community Education Travel will visit two of the most exciting and unusual homes in the Midwest: Wandering Tree Estates and the Gold Pyramid House! At Wandering Tree Estate in North Barrington, visit the incredible home of Elaine Silets, internationally recognized Artist, designer and manufacturer of Model Railroads & Garden Railways. Her work has been featured in the John Hancock Center and the Christmas windows at Tiffany & Co and she has appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show. You'll be transported into one of the most uniquely beautiful private event venues in the country. In this ten-acre garden you will experience: The Shabui Railway Garden, a Japanese water garden and the Gloree and Tryumphant Railway Gardens, which includes 1500 feet of linear track, bridges, trestles, waterfalls all among beautiful flower gardens! The grounds also feature a greenhouse and an incredible miniature railroad display in a recreated train depot. At the Gold Pyramid House in Wadsworth, tour one of the most unusual private residential homes in the world! The tour includes a peak inside the public areas of the 6-story pyramid house, a walk through the replica of King Tut's tomb, and an exciting presentation on the pyramid and its history. The 17,000-foot interior has been lavishly designed befitting wealthy Egyptian Pharaohs. Enjoy a catered buffet luncheon at the Gold Pyramid House.

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Rates are per person. Full payment should be received at least 60 days or sooner prior to date of the trip! Don't delay, book today! These trips are very popular. Once you sign up you will receive a yellow postcard as confirmation with cost, payment due date and cancellation information. Rates include free parking at Forest View Educational Center, 2121 S Goebbert Rd, Arlington Hts on day of tour; transportation on restroom-equipped motorcoach; sightseeing, admissions, meals as described; City guide on all Chicago itineraries, guide/driver gratuities, CET Host and CET Rewards. Gold Card discounts and earned CET Rewards cannot be applied to day trips. All cancellations will be charged a \$10 administration fee.

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Opera at the Lyric in Chicago \$158

All performances are matinees preceded by a three-course lunch at Petterino's (unless noted differently) and include the pre-Opera Talk when offered and Gratuities for the Driver and Guide. Seats are Main Floor Rear to Middle.

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 "Carmen"

Opera has plenty of femmes fatales, but there's only one Carmen. Her allure proves spellbinding as she seduces a hapless corporal and then a dashing bullfighter. You'll feel the heat as you're captivated by Bizet's bewitching melodies--the smoky Habanera, the playful Seguidilla, the provocative Gypsy Song. Every single melody in this ever-popular opera is a beloved hit, and each is brought to life by a cast of spectacular leading artists. Join us for this production never before seen in Chicago and find out why it's the perfect work to see again and again, and the ideal opportunity to introduce new fans to the thrill of opera. Performed in French with projected English translations.

Thursday, May 4, 2017 "My Fair Lady"

When it opened on Broadway, it swept the Tony Awards. When it premiered as a film, it won eight Oscars. Now, this classic that is packed with love, laughter, and your favorite songs comes to Lyric in a grand-scale production! The charming story of Eliza Doolittle, a young flower seller with a strong Cockney accent, and Professor Henry Higgins, the phonetics professor who believes he can teach her to speak like a proper lady, *My Fair Lady* is guaranteed to capture your heart. An all-star cast, plus the Lyric Opera Orchestra and Chorus, will charm you with favorite tunes including "On the Street Where You Live," "Get Me to the Church on Time," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely," "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face," the delightful and infectious "I Could Have Danced All Night," and more! Lyric stages the American debut of a grand production from Theatre du Chatelet and director Robert Carsen, featuring sets by Tim Hatley and costumes by Anthony Powell.

Chicago Theatre

All performances are Matinees with Dress Circle seats (when available), preceded by Lunch and include Gratuities for Guide & Driver.

2017 Schedule to be released soon.

Indiana's Theatre at the Center Thursday February 23, 2017

\$109

My Way, A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra

The Theatre at the Center begins its 27th year as they open the 2017 season with *My Way, A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra*. This lovely intimate 400-seat theatre, located at The Center for Visual and Performing Arts, is northwest Indiana's premier venue for the arts. Dine in the Center's elegant dining room for lunch with choice of entree before seeing a first-class theatrical production! Relive the legendary career of Frank Sinatra as four actors share more than 50 of his beloved hits. "Fly Me to the Moon," "Chicago," "New York, New York," "The Way You Look Tonight," and "That's Life" are just some of the tunes showcased in this musical tribute to the iconic success story of Ol' Blue Eyes.

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- _____ *THE MAGIC FLUTE AT THE LYRIC OPERA (1/12/17) \$158*
- _____ *GROUNDHOG DAY (2/4/17) \$99*
- _____ *CARMEN AT THE LYRIC OPERA (2/15/17) \$158*
- _____ *MY WAY-A TRIBUTE TO FRANK SINATRA THEATRE AT THE CENTER (2/23/17) \$109*
- _____ *PLACE DE LA MUSIQUE--SANFILIPPO MUSEUM (3/15/17) \$101*
- _____ *BACKSTAGE AT THE LYRIC (3/28/17) \$106*
- _____ *CHICAGO'S SECOND CITY (4/24/17) \$105*
- _____ *DANCING HORSES OF LAKE GENEVA (4/19/17) \$113*
- _____ *MY FAIR LADY AT THE LYRIC OPERA (5/4/17) \$158*
- _____ *ENCHANTING TEN CHIMNEYS (5/5/17) \$118*
- _____ *WATSON'S WILD WEST SHOW (5/18/17) \$92*
- _____ *HORICON MARSH--EVERGLADES OF THE NORTH (6/13/17) \$109*
- _____ *JANESVILLE'S ROTARY GARDENS & WAGON COMPANY (6/6/17) \$101*
- _____ *LAKE MICHIGAN FIREWORKS (6/28/17) \$100*
- _____ *WANDERING TREE ESTATE/GOLD PYRAMID HOUSE (6/27/17) \$127*

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