

TRAVELIN'

Community Education Travel Newsletter



September - December 2018

Join CET Sept. 27 for next Travel Talks!

Finalize your 2018-19 travel plans at Community Education Travel's (CET) Travel Talks! scheduled for Thursday September 27 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Forest View Educational Center, 2121 S. Goebbert Road, Arlington Heights. Attendees should enter through Door 2 at the front of the building by the flagpole (park in Lots A or B). There will be several breakout sessions providing more in-depth information on several CET destinations (see box below).

CET staff, volunteers and travel partners will be on hand to answer questions on upcoming tours, day trips and motorcoach tours, and supply informational brochures. Special travel discounts will be offered throughout the day. For questions or further details call 847-718-7709 or email cetravel@d214.org.

September 27 Breakout Sessions:

- 1:15-1:45 p.m. • Washington, D.C. • Chesapeake Bay
• Amish Traditions • Mackinac Lilac Festival
- 2:00-2:30 p.m. January - June 2019 Day Trips
- 2:45-3:15 p.m. Italy • Oberammergau
- 3:30-4:00 p.m. France • Egypt

Customized travel: how CET can help with your travel plans

CET prides itself in providing a full-service group experience and top-notch quality tours. But did you know there are other forms of travel CET can assist you with?

With a combined travel experience that spans several decades, CET's staff can plan your next big family reunion, your organization or group's next day trip or help you turn a travel idea into a checked item on your travel bucket list.

CET can provide you with your very own customized or personalized tour. You don't have to worry about set dates because CET will work with your schedule.

Whether there's two or twenty in your group, CET will do all the planning for you!

Also, you may receive information from CET's travel partners such as Globus, Collette or American Classic Tours with offers of other destinations, dates or special pricing. They offer great rates for off-season travel, such as Rome, Venice and Florence from \$1399 if you go in late November through February. Make sure to call CET at 847-718-7709 and we can book you on those while you earn valuable CET Rewards.

Destination: Portugal



Discovering Portugal in Depth

CET travelers explored the beautiful country of Portugal on an early May trip and visited many places including the lighthouse at the "end of the earth."

In photo, from left to right, are Andy and Carol Kantoris, Terry and Dee Mielzynski, Marlene Rosenberg, Mary Odishoo, Dawn Overend, Linda Kerr, Nancy and Bill McCully.

SPOTLIGHT: Early 2019 Tours

Feb. 22-March 4 Alaska Iditarod with Northern Lights This tour through Alaska focuses on two of the events that make Alaska so unique—the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) and the Iditarod. In Fairbanks, when conditions are right, one of nature's most breathtaking shows, the Aurora Borealis, lights up the sky. You've heard of it and now you have the opportunity to see it on this Alaska winter tour! Your time in Anchorage focuses on the Iditarod, Alaska's best-known sporting event. Meet four-time Iditarod Champion Martin Buser at his kennels—a special experience—and visit the Iditarod Headquarters. Another out-of-the-ordinary adventure is dinner and Iditarod festivities at the Musher's Banquet, where you'll see the musher's draw for starting position in the race and perhaps meet them for photos and autographs. Witness the ceremonial start of the race in Anchorage and the official restart of the race in Willow, where you can cheer on your favorite mushers as they head off into Alaska's wilderness on this 1,049-mile journey to the finish line in Nome. For a chance to see grizzly and black bears, moose, and caribou up close, you'll visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center.

Feb. 24-March 1 Colonial St. Augustine This Florida city is a treasure trove of Spanish Colonial history. The carefully preserved historic district features quaint brick streets, Spanish-influenced architecture of red-tiled rooftops and towers, the classic Bridge of Lions, charming St. George Street, and magnificent churches all amidst stately palm trees and majestic oaks. Highlights: Guided city tour, Flagler College, Fountain of Youth, Castillo de San Marcos Fort, St. Augustine Scenic Cruise, Lighthouse, Spanish-inspired Columbia Restaurant, Dinner Theater, Alligator Farm Zoological Park, Marineland Dolphin Adventure and more! Stay all five nights at the brand new Embassy Suites St. Augustine Beach Oceanfront Resort.

March 3-12 Fascinating Israel On this Israel tour, start in Tel Aviv and end in Jerusalem with overnights also in Haifa and Kibbutz Lavi. Along the way, you'll visit its most famous UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Baha'i Shrine, the world center of Baha'i faith; Acre, a historic walled port-city where you'll tour the excavated part of the immense underground Crusader City, dating from 1104-1291; and Masada, a rugged cliff-top fortress where 960 people chose death



Explore the well-known sites of Holland, plus some off the beaten path, for a unique and fascinating river cruise experience! Visit the colorful fields of tulips and take in the beauty of its picturesque canals. Don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime trip!

rather than slavery to the Romans. Also visit Cana, site of the first miracle; Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus delivered his Sermon; Capernaum, where Jesus recruited his first followers among the fishermen; the Garden of Gethsemane; the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, erected over the site of the crucifixion; and the Church of the Nativity. You'll also visit the Wailing Wall, the Jewish religion's most holy shrine; the Israel Museum, with the Dead Sea Scrolls; and much more. Enjoy a cruise on the Sea of Galilee and a lecture on kibbutz life. Additionally, you'll travel to the Dead Sea so you can experience the buoyancy feeling in the water. Option to add Jordan also available.

April 24-May 5 Holland Tulip River Cruise In Northern Holland, you may opt to see the colorful fields of tulips that make this part of the country so beautiful. Alternatively, in Enkhuisen, you may prefer to visit the Zuiderzee Museum to experience the local culture and history. Also, there's an opportunity to meet some of the locals before continuing your river cruise through the area of Friesland. Here, you'll visit the Royal Planetarium, nominated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You'll visit Lelystad's, the Batavia shipyard, and board an exact replica of the Batavia ship itself. Get a true taste of the culture with an introduction to local cheese and Genever! Cruise through the modern harbor of Rotterdam and go on a guided excursion to Gouda, famous for its cheese of the same name. For garden enthusiasts, you may, instead, choose to see the breathtaking colors of Keukenhof, also known as the "Garden of Europe."

June 10-22 Shades of Ireland with Northern Ireland From vibrant and history-filled Dublin, across rolling green hills to the dramatic coast and onwards to Derry, experience all of the charms of Ireland on this magical tour of the Emerald Isle. Live like royalty during an overnight stay on the grounds of a castle. Uncover the legend of the Titanic at Belfast's famed Titanic Experience. Choose from a selection of Derry's best restaurants with our Diner's Choice program. See the Atlantic from the stunning 700-foot Cliffs of Moher. Tour the walled city of Derry. Stand on the awe-inspiring Giant's Causeway. Experience the world-famous beauty of the Ring of Kerry. Enjoy tea and scones on a traditional family farm. Explore Dublin with a local guide – either by foot or on a panoramic city tour – it's your choice! See beautiful Killarney from your seat on an Irish jaunting car. Journey to historic Blarney Castle, lean back and kiss its famous stone!



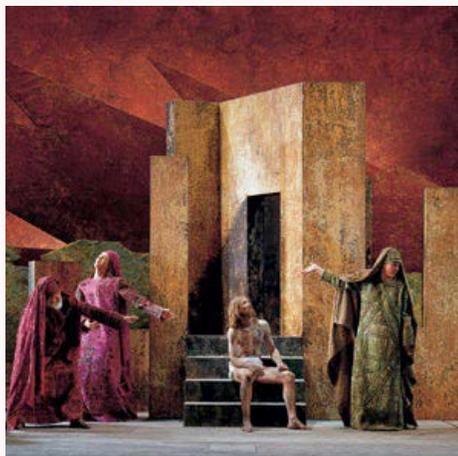
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TRAVEL CALENDAR



2018 Day Trips (Includes Lunch)

- Nov 9 Hardy's Reindeer Ranch*
 - Nov 27 Illumination & White Fence Farm*
 - Nov 29 Dickens Village & Wonderland Express
 - Dec 6 Lawry's, Christmas Around the World & Christkindlmarket
- *Call to be placed on waitlist

Day Trips for Jan-Jun 2019 will be announced at Sep 27 Travel Talks! If you cannot come, call and we will send you a new Day Trip brochure.

2018-19 Theatre/Opera Trips (Includes Lunch)

- Nov 7 Hello Dolly! at Oriental Theatre
- Nov 21 Miss Saigon at Cadillac Palace
- Dec 2 Joffrey's The Nutcracker Ballet at Auditorium Theatre
- Feb 6, 2019 Elektra at the Lyric
- Mar 6 Dear Evan Hansen at Oriental Theatre
- May 15 West Side Story at the Lyric

2018-19 Motorcoach Tours

- Nov 15-19 Nashville Country Christmas
- Dec 6-8 Amish Country Christmas
- Mar 22-28, 2019 Nashville & Memphis
- May 9-11 Holland, MI Tulip Time
- May 21-25 Amish Country Traditions
- Jun 13-18 Mackinac Lilac Festival
- Jul 30-Aug 1 Lake Michigan Summer
- Aug 5-8 Mini Mystery Tour

**Now taking reservations
June 16-24, 2020
Germany, featuring the
Oberammergau Passion Play**

2018-19 Extended Air Tours

- Dec 28-Jan 2, 2019 Tournament of Roses Parade & LA
- Jan 22-Feb 3 Southern Caribbean Cruise
- Feb 22-Mar 4, 2019 Alaska Iditarod with Fairbanks' Northern Lights
- Feb 24-Mar 1 Colonial St Augustine
- Mar 3-12 Fascinating Israel
- Mar 8-14 Flyaway Mystery Tour
- Mar 9-18 Peru with Machu Picchu
- Apr 4-11 Northern Lights of Finland
- Apr 7-11 New Orleans
- Apr 12-17 Washington D.C.
- Apr 23-30 Chesapeake Bay & VA
- Apr 24-May 5 Holland Tulip River Cruise
- Jun 10-22 Ireland
- Jun 15-24 Canadian Rockies
- Jul 9-27 Greenland & Iceland Cruise
- July 17-24 Nova Scotia
- Aug 20-30 Tanzania
- Sep 4-9 North Dakota
- Sep 18-25 Colorado Trains
- Sep 19-29 France
- Oct 4-13 Italy
- Nov 6-18 Egypt

Call CET at 847-718-7709 to book your trip, ask questions or for dates not available at press time.

Testimonials

"Linda (Kerr) is so thoughtful, made the trip very enjoyable—didn't have to worry about a thing. This was our first trip to Europe and she guided us with no worry." Carol and Andy K—Portugal

"I learned that I would never be able to drive in New York City! Seriously though I learned so much about Ellis Island, United Nations, and the 9/11 Museum. Your tours are the best! You are always so well organized and keep us well informed. You always choose wonderful sights to see and are most knowledgeable about each place". Donna A—New York in Spring

"Suzette (Horyza) is such a wonderful guide and helpful. Along with Pat (Davidson) who was the same—these two women made my first CET Tour a wonderful time!" Alyce W—New York in Spring

"Fell in love all over again with the Mississippi River and the River Valley." Erik J—Mississippi River Magic

Destination: New Orleans April 7-11, 2019



More than just Bourbon Street!

Enjoy five days in New Orleans, a beautiful city steeped in history with influences from Europe, the Caribbean, Africa and beyond. It's a brilliant mosaic of culture, food and music. Join CET on this trip and discover there's more to New Orleans, like Jackson Square (photo), than the French Quarter.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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CET Tours are hassle-free! We provide parking in our lot during the tour and take you to and from the airport. We have a meeting before the tour to discuss money, temperature, packing, etc. We help you through airport check-in and explain security procedures. We obtain seat assignments and pay the fees to check your bag. If the place you visit requires a visa, we obtain it for you. You just have to book early, relax and enjoy the trip!

**District 214 Community Education
presents
The Concert Series at Forest View**

■ **Dancing Queen, A Tribute to the Music of ABBA**
Sunday, October 7, 2018 • 3 p.m.

Calling all Super Troupers, Chiquititas and Dancing Queens, get ready to dance the afternoon away! Dancing Queen (#ABBASalute), the best ABBA tribute band in the country, will be at Forest View for the first time. Dancing Queen will recreate an ABBA experience that you won't forget. Fronted by two dynamic ladies with angelic voices and backed by a group of world-class musicians, the music of the greatest pop band in history comes to life in a Las Vegas-type show that will have the audience dancing.

Tickets: \$15-GC | \$18-Adv | \$20-Door

