District 214 Community Education Travel Newsletter



October-December 2019

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Travel Talks!
September 19 from 1-4 p.m.

Community Education Travel's (CET) next *Travel Talks!* is Thursday, September 19, from 1:00-4:00 pm, at Forest View Educational Center, 2121 S. Goebbert Rd, Arlington Hts. Enter through Door 2 by the flagpole (park in Lots A or B).

CET staff, volunteers and Travel Partners will be on hand to answer questions on all upcoming air tours, day trips and motorcoach tours, as well as 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.

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# Europe on the Horizon for 2020

**SPAIN May 18-26** Spain is a country steeped in history, so you'll see its historical sites as well as its well-known museums and churches. Special tour highlights include the Sagrada Familia Basilica, Gaudi's masterpiece, and the Prado Museum in Madrid. Enjoy an exciting ride on the high-speed AVE train from Barcelona to Madrid. In Granada, visit the Alhambra Complex, once a palace for the Nasrid sultans. Time on the Costa del Sol gives you a chance to relax, enjoy the sandy beaches, and browse the trendy boutiques. Visit beautiful Málaga and enjoy a traditional tapas-tasting. You may even learn a few words of Spanish!

**ICELAND June 3-11** An island of dramatic contrasts, Iceland is a landscape forged by ice and fire. Its volcanic nature is reflected in steaming lava fields and hot pools. Massive glaciers continue to sculpt the mountains and valleys, leaving behind thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. Travel the "Golden Circle" – an epicenter of natural scenic wonders. Whether it's a soak in the Blue Lagoon, a whale-watching cruise, lava cave hike, or admiring the natural wildlife, you'll discove spectacular landscapes and incredible culture on this fascinating Icelandic journey. (cover photo)

**SCOTLAND July 10-24** On this comprehensive Scotland tour, you'll visit historical castles; witness unspoiled, breathtaking scenery; experience cities and small towns; and learn some fascinating history. See Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels; Brodie Castle, with its outstanding art collection and library; and Dunrobin Castle with its formal gardens. On the Orkney Islands, visit Skara Brae, with remains from a 5,000-year-old Neolithic village. Learn of clan history at the Museum on the Isle of Skye. Outlander fans will be treated to visits to Doune Castle and the Royal Burgh of Culross, once a port city on the River Forth.

### **ENGLAND September 16-27** Sail the

picturesque Lake District, made famous by poets and artists. Spend three nights in the resort town of Bath. Learn about Liverpool's rich history. Savor a relaxing two-night stay in peaceful Cornwall. Experience the wonder of Stonehenge. Visit Glastonbury Abbey to view the reputed resting place of King Arthur. Enjoy a winepairing dinner in the Cornish countryside. Explore the charming village of St Ives, the popular artist colony. Journey by train through beautiful countryside from Cornwall to London's Paddington Station.



Park Güell, Barcelona Spain



Scotland



Stonehenge, Wiltshire, England

—programs and discounts for those over 62 who live in District 214—free

membership. Gold Card members receive \$50 off CET multi-day Tours over \$2500, \$25 off multi-day trips \$750-\$2499 and \$10 off multi-day trips under \$750 (not combinable with CET Rewards)

## CE Travel and Events Calendar

#### 2019-20 Extended Air and Motorcoach Tours

#### 2019

#### **October**

8-10 Cranberry Harvest

#### **December**

2-6 San Antonio Christmas

3-6 Hallmark Christmas Kansas City

4-8 Christmas in New York City

#### 2020

#### **January**

11-22 Caribbean Cruise 27-Feb 4 Costa Rica

#### **February**

1-14 India & Ganges River Cruise 6-12 Key West & Miami

#### March

20-27 Flyaway Mystery Tour 23-Apr 7 S. America & Easter Island 24-31 Savannah & Charleston

#### **April**

25-May 3 California Coast

26-May 2 Biltmore Estate, Asheville, NC

#### May

13-17 New York City

13-21 Yosemite, Seguoia & Kings Canyon

18-26 Spain

#### June

3-11 Iceland

6-14 Germany featuring the Oberammergau Passion Play

8-16 Paris/Normandy River Cruise

16-29 Alaska Land & Sea

17-19 Mississippi River Magic

20-30 Rome, Paris & London

#### July

10-24 Scotland

#### **August**

1-8 Idaho

15-23 Pacific Northwest

#### September

8-15 Yellowstone, Glacier & Grand Tetons

14-19 Cape Cod

15-24 Canadian Rockies

16-27 England

19-27 Southwest National Parks

30-Oct 5 Black Hills & Mt Rushmore

#### **October**

7-9 Door County

10-20 Burgundy/Provence River Cruise

20-22 French Lick

#### **November**

1-14 Mekong River Cruise

9-14 Smoky Mountain Christmas

#### December

28-Jan 2, 2021 Tournament of Roses Parade

#### 2019-20 Theatre/Opera/Ballet Trips with Lunch

#### 2019

#### **November**

13 *A Christmas Story* at Fireside Theatre

20 Don Giovanni at the Lyric Opera

#### **December**

8 Joffrey Ballet's *The Nutcracker* at the Auditorium Theatre

#### 2020

#### **February**

- 6 Duke Ellington's *Sophisticated Ladies* at Ruth Page
- 13 Summer—The Donna Summer Musical at the Nederlander

#### March

- 5 Madama Butterfly at the Lyric Opera
- 8 *Teatro Zinzanni* at Cambria Hotel

Day Trips for January-June 2020 will be announced at the September 19 *Travel Talks!* If you cannot attend the Talks, call 847-718-7709 or email *cetravel@d214.org* and we will send you the list on September 20.

#### **April**

26 Joffrey Ballet's *Don Quixote* at the Auditorium Theatre

#### **June**

10 42nd Street at the Lyric Opera

#### September

9 *Dear Evan Hansen* at the Nederlander Theatre

#### November

4 Frozen at Cadillac Palace

### **Help Wanted**

CET is looking to fill the following positions:

- Tour Director for Day and Extended Tours—must have travel experience, be organized and be willing to travel long hours
- Volunteer (unpaid) for clerical help in office as well as help at Travel Talks! and Reunions

Indicate interest by emailing or mailing a note, letter or resume to linda.kerr@d214.org or CET 2121 S. Goebbert Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005.

NO PHONE CALLS ACCEPTED.

# **Travel** TalkS! Thursday, September 19 from 1-4 p.m.

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#### **Breakout Sessions:**

**1:15-1:45** River Cruises: Paris/Normandy | Burgundy/Provence | Mekong River

2:00-2:30 CET January-June 2020 Day Trips

2:45-3:15 California Coast | Yosemite, Sequoia and Kings Canyon | Alaska Land and Sea

3:30-4:00 | Iceland | England

Hope to see you there!



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#### Mark your calendar: *Travel Talks!* on September 19 from 1-4pm

#### **Testimonials**



- "This was spectacular, so well organized and interesting! I'll be back to Ireland."
- Andee Chestnut,Ireland Tour



- "Fellow travelers are the most fun to be with, as always. Keep up the good work!"
- Pat Dormann, Mackinac Island Lilac Festival Tour



- (I learned) "the history of its people, its government—a very well-run country. People all seemed content with their homeland."
- Dot Wilson, Nova Scotia Tour

## Last call—Don't miss out on saving money!

Early Booking Discounts end:

9/25/19 for Spain, South America/Easter Island

**11/1/19** for Southwest National Parks, Rocky Coast of Maine

Reminder—If you see or receive an email about a tour offered by any of our travel partners (American Classic Tours, Globus Family of Brands or Collette) that is not on our Travel Calendar, simply contact us and we can book it for you. That way you earn and can use CET Rewards and we get the credit. Win, win!

#### **Under Construction**



CET is installing a new registration system.

Please be patient with us as we navigate our way through the new improvements and advise you of any future changes with our confirmation and invoicing procedures. Thank you!





