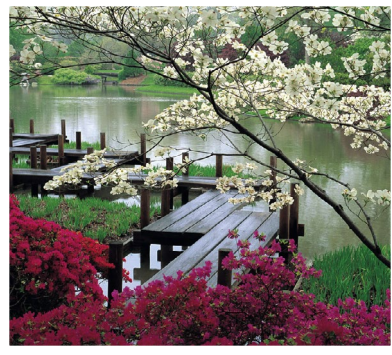
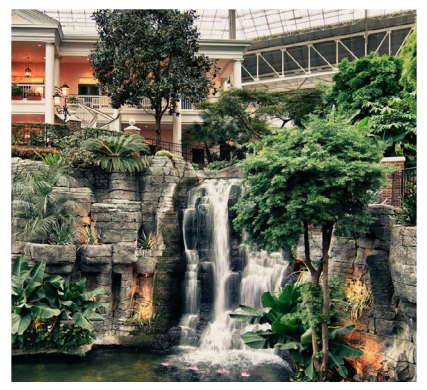
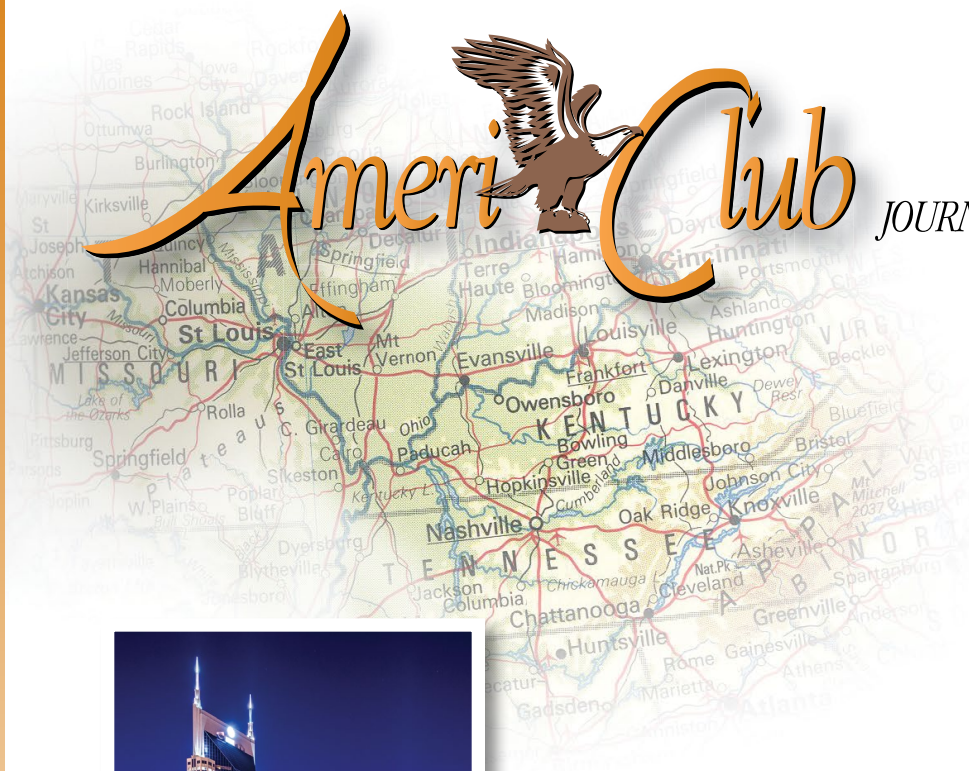


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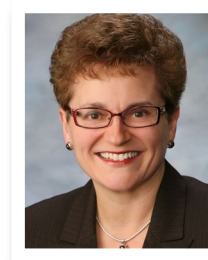
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Hello Everyone!

Is it possible that half of 2017 is already over? Time seems to pass more swiftly each year.



Notes
from
Julia

Our Chicago-area Spring Mystery Trip included the Tempel Lipizzan training and performance stables, Sanfilippo Estate’s massive collection of historic automated music machines, Volo Auto Museum and Antique Mall, a Loyola University master chef’s cooking demonstration with lunch, a meal in a landmark 1927 railroad dining car, great seats at the theater, Baha’i Temple and Lily Pool Garden visits, and even the opportunity to create our own painting in an art studio. If you missed this awesome trip, call soon for our Fall [My]stery Tour. Few seats remain.

On June 28, AmeriClub travelers will have enjoyed a trip to the Chicago theatrical production, “Aladdin.” Thanks to Dyersville and Farley staff for making this a reality. The support of those responding to this trip is appreciated, as it has increasingly become more challenging to fill a motor coach to Chicago theater and sports events.

July, August, and early September will find me out of the office many days as I accompany travelers to the Canadian Maritimes provinces and Scandinavia. Also on my calendar are a couple “familiarization” trips, to explore future tour destinations, and a family road trip. If you call during that time, you will be assisted by very capable Marketing Department staff, who can answer most questions and take reservations. I appreciate their wonderful support when I am on tour; and I am confident in the top-notch service they provide to you, our valued AmeriClub members.

Next January’s Mexican Riviera Cruise on the fabulous *Ruby Princess*, with an overnight stay on the historic *Queen Mary*, offers a wonderful opportunity for those who have cruised the Caribbean and wish to experience another beautiful destination. Register early to reserve the best cabins.

As we gather with family and friends to celebrate the Fourth of July, let us remember that this holiday is actually named “Independence Day.” It honors those who have earned for us freedoms and rights we often take for granted. In spite of the difficulties our nation faces, let us be proud to call ourselves Americans!

With warm regards,

Julia

Three Great Ways to Join

To become an AmeriClub member, you need to be age 40 or better and maintain qualifying account balances. Stop by any branch to request membership information. To be eligible you can choose to:

- Maintain at least \$5,000 in **one** of the following American Trust accounts: checking, savings, or money market account.
- Maintain at least \$10,000 in **any combination** of the following American Trust accounts: checking, savings, certificates of deposit, money market account, IRA, 401(k), personal trust services, or brokerage services.
- Qualify with an initial balance of \$50,000 on either a consumer or mortgage loan. (Loans cannot be combined.)

(A joint account relationship held by husband and wife qualifies both. No membership fees are involved.)

Refer-A-Friend Program

Refer family and friends to AmeriClub who do not already bank with American Trust, and if they join, we will send you a check for \$15. There is no limit to the number of referrals you can make. *(Husband and wife joining count as one referral.)*

Bring a Guest!

Members are encouraged to invite friends to experience the fun and benefits of AmeriClub. You may register one guest for each Club event. A couple may invite two individuals. As space becomes available, each AmeriClub member may invite more than one guest.

Worth Thinking About

“Travel is the only thing you buy that makes you richer.” ~Anonymous

Reservations and Information

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Cancellation Policy

If a cancellation is necessary, every effort will be made to provide either a partial or full refund. However, we cannot provide a guarantee of a full refund. Please be advised that there will be circumstances when refunds will NOT be possible due to ticket purchases, meal number guarantees, etc. If a tour is cancelled due to insufficient reservation numbers, you will be issued a full refund. On tours where an outside agent is used, we will adhere to the written cancellation policy of the agent.

Stand-By List

We always appreciate your willingness to be on the stand-by list for trips that are filled. Please call and add your name to any that interest you. You may get a call to join us.

AmeriClub Points for Travel Program

Each time you travel with AmeriClub, earn valuable points to redeem as cash discounts for future travel! Every travel day you spend with AmeriClub earns you 75 points, as of January 1, 2016. For every 300 points you accumulate, you earn a \$10 credit toward your next trip.

Incredible Iceland!

August 28–September 5, 2018

Iceland is one of the most sought-after destinations on the planet. AmeriClub is pleased to have secured space for a fantastic trip to this Nordic island defined by dramatic landscapes of glaciers, active volcanoes, lava fields, geysers, and hot springs. This most-sparsely-populated country in Europe, in the North Atlantic Ocean near the Arctic Circle, has a temperate climate, as it is warmed by the Gulf Stream. Join us on this fantastic nine-day adventure!

Highlights include Reykjavik, Reykjanes Peninsula, Kerid Crater and volcanic lake, Friðheimar’s Icelandic horses and horse show, geothermal greenhouse visit, culinary demonstration, Geysir Hot Springs, Gullfoss waterfall, Thingvellir National Park, Akureyri, Goðafoss waterfall, Húsavík fishing village, Lake Mývatn’s pseudocraters, Dimmuborgir’s lava labyrinth, nature baths and blue lagoon, Námaskarð’s hot springs, Dettifoss waterfall, Vatnajökull National Park, Hallormsstaði, Djúpivogur, Höfn, cruise on the Jökulsárlón Lagoon with its floating icebergs, Vatnajökull Glacier National Park, Kirkjubaejarklaustur waterfall, Eldhraun’s moss-covered lava rock, Dyrhólaey’s black beach and rock formations, and Skogafoss and Seljalandsfoss waterfalls. We’ll learn about the 2010 Eyjafjallajökull volcano eruption.

Trip pricing will be confirmed by late October, when airline prices are published. The tour flyer, complete with daily itinerary and pricing, will be available at the November 9 travel preview. A passport, valid through March 2019, is required for [this] tour.



Travel Preview

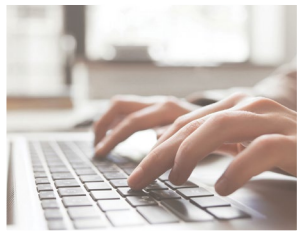
Thursday, November 9, 2017

1:30 p.m.

12th Floor, 895 Main Street
Dubuque, IA

Seating is limited.

RSVP to Julia at 563.589.0804 or
800.373.1841, ext. 7804, or email
jterwilleger@americantrust.com.



*This offer is exclusively for AmeriClub members not yet registered for these convenient services. Earn 300 Points for Travel (\$10 redemption value) for each new service.

After registering online or with the assistance of an American Trust banker between the specified dates, email eschumacher@americantrust.com to receive your points, noting your name, address, phone number, and new services for which you registered. After confirming your AmeriClub status and new services, you will be notified that your points have been added to your existing AmeriClub Points for Travel card. If you do not have a card, your new card with points added will be mailed to you. Each unique service may earn 300 points. Maximum points earned is 1,200 per account (\$40 redemption value). Employees of ATBancorp and their families are not eligible to participate.

Points for Travel Bonuses for AmeriClub Members!

Register for ID Theft Smart™, Online Banking, e-Statements, or Mobile Banking July 1-31, 2017 and earn valuable AmeriClub Points for Travel, to be redeemed for cash discounts toward AmeriClub trips, tickets, and events. This offer is exclusively for AmeriClub members not yet registered for these convenient services. Earn 300 Points for Travel (\$10 redemption value) for each new service.

ID Theft Smart—Protect your personal information with Restoration Coverage at \$2.99 per month or Credit Monitoring at \$5.99 per month. Speak with a banker at any office to register. Monthly payments are deducted from your American Trust checking account.

Online Banking—Access your American Trust accounts 24/7. See account activity, view cleared checks, pay bills electronically, transfer funds between accounts, and make loan payments, all at no charge.

e-Statements—Access your statements electronically anytime, anywhere and print them as desired. You must be registered for Online Banking. It's free!

Mobile Banking—Deposit checks, pay bills, view account balances, transfer funds, and view cleared checks from any location. This free service requires a mobile Internet connection, or text messaging capabilities for balances and transaction histories.

To obtain the step-by-step instructional guide detailing Online Banking, e-Statements, and Mobile Banking, contact Erin at eschumacher@americantrust.com or 563.582.1841/800.373.1841, ext. 7374.

Celebration Belle Classic Oldies Cruise

Wednesday, July 19, 2017

Port of Dubuque, Board 10:30 a.m.

Cruise 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Cruise down the Mississippi and reminisce with entertainers Ray and Jane to the 50s and 60s music of Elvis, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and others. Homemade sticky rolls and fresh fruit are available upon boarding. Later, a hot two-entrée lunch buffet will be served.

Pre-cruise check-in will take place for those registered at the AmeriClub table at the Port of Dubuque prior to the cruise. Please note that tickets will not be mailed and reminder calls will not be made.

AmeriClub price is \$57.95 per person, due at reservation.



“The Wizard of Oz”

Saturday, July 22, 2017, 2:00 p.m.

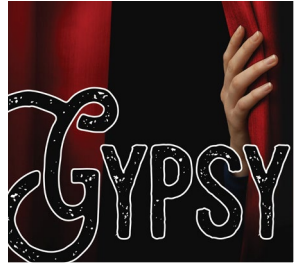
Five Flags Theater

405 Main Street, Dubuque, IA

There truly is no place like home as the greatest family musical of all time, the wonderful “Wizard of Oz,” twists its way near you! Travel down the Yellow Brick Road with Dorothy, Toto, the Cowardly Lion, Tin Man, and Scarecrow in this lavish production, performed by Dubuque’s Rising Star Theatre Company, featuring breathtaking special effects, dazzling choreography, munchkins, flying monkeys, and classic songs.

Your AmeriClub price is \$12 per ticket for main-floor seating.





“Gypsy”

Sunday, July 30, 2017, 2:00 p.m.
Grand Opera House
135 W. 8th Street, Dubuque, IA

The story of an aggressive stage mother, based on the memoirs of the queen of burlesque, Gypsy Rose Lee, “Gypsy” is counted among the greatest musicals ever written. Join Rose, daughters June and Louise, manager Herbie, and their troupe in a trip across America during the 1920s. Rose scrimps and schemes for bookings to maintain their hand-to-mouth existence. When headliner June elopes with a chorus boy, Rose focuses all her energy on making the shy Louise a star. Hits include “Let Me Entertain You,” “You’ll Never Get Away from Me,” “If Momma Was Married,” “Everything’s Coming Up Roses,” “You Gotta Get a Gimmick,” and others.

AmeriClub price is \$16 per ticket for main-floor seating.

“Fish on Friday”

Sunday, August 13, 2017, 2:00 p.m.
Bell Tower Theater
2728 Asbury Road, Dubuque, IA

A musical comedy by David Resnick, this re-imagined version of Robert Byrne’s book on growing up Catholic in Dubuque in the 1940s was written specifically for the Bell Tower Theater. Follow the antics of Tommy Shannon and his friends from church to class to confession to the school dance.

Your discounted AmeriClub price is only \$16 for main-floor seating.



“Evening of Wonders” with Vitaly Beckman

Tuesday, September 12, 2017, 8:00 p.m.
Heritage Center, University of Dubuque
2255 Bennett Street, Dubuque, IA

Master illusionist Vitaly has mystified fans all over the world, including Las Vegas superstars Penn & Teller, whom he successfully fooled in their hit TV show, “Fool Us.” From bringing pictures and drawings to life to erasing people from their own driver’s licenses, Vitaly’s signature illusions leave even the most jaded audience awestruck. He invented and designed every magical illusion in his show, treating spectators to entertainment not seen anywhere else in the world.

Your AmeriClub price is \$12 for main-floor seating.



“The Official Blues Brothers Revue”

...with Dan Aykroyd, Judith Belushi, &
Musical Director Paul Shaffer
Saturday, September 16, 2017, 7:30 p.m.
Heritage Center, University of Dubuque
2255 Bennett Street, Dubuque, IA

This live concert show combines comedy and hits from the original movie and pays homage to Chicago’s rich history of blues, gospel, and soul music. The duo don the official hat and sunglasses and walk in the legendary footsteps of Jake and Elwood Blues. You’ll enjoy laughter, dancing, and foot-stompin’ and hear “Soul Man,” Sweet Home Chicago,” “Rubber Biscuit,” and more.

Your AmeriClub price is \$31 for main-floor seating.



Celebration Belle Day-Long Cruise

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Port of Dubuque, Board 7:30 a.m.

Cruise 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



The Celebration Belle's Autumn Round-Trip Cruise features popular entertainers Ray and Jane! We depart from Dubuque's Ice Harbor, cruise upriver to Guttenberg, and cruise back to Dubuque on one of the most beautiful sections of the Mississippi River. Our relaxing day includes live entertainment, the Captain's narration of the area, full hot breakfast buffet, full hot lunch buffet, and the Celebration Belle's famous prime rib dinner!

AmeriClub price is \$154.95 per person, due at registration. A full refund is available for cancellations received by September 5.

"Standards & Stories" with Tony Danza

Friday, October 20, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

Heritage Center, University of Dubuque
2255 Bennett Street, Dubuque, IA



Beloved 1972 UD alum, Tony Danza, makes his debut on the Heritage stage. Known for his starring roles on TV's long-running series, "Taxi" and "Who's The Boss," Danza also received rave reviews for his performance in Broadway's "Honeymoon in Vegas." Combining timeless music with wit, charm, and storytelling, he is accompanied by his four-piece band. He performs favorites from the Great American Songbook and shares stories about his life.

Your AmeriClub price is \$44 for main-floor seating.

"Old Hams"

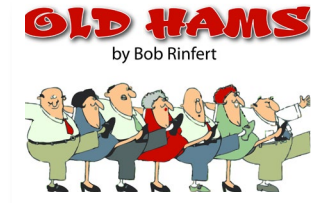
Sunday, October 29, 2017, 2:00 p.m.

Bell Tower Theater

2728 Asbury Road, Dubuque, IA

A colorful group of retired performers have lived at the Ophelia L. Davis Home for Actors, Musicians, and Singers for more than 40 years. Now, a scheming lawyer is trying to steal it out from underneath them. They will have to put on the performances of their lives if they hope to save their home.

Your discounted AmeriClub price is only \$16 for main-floor seating.



"Snowbiz" with the Mistletones

Thursday, December 7, 2017, 12:00 p.m.

Hotel Julien Dubuque

200 Main Street, Dubuque, IA

SNOWBIZ® is an old-fashioned Christmas variety show for all audiences— young and young at heart—performed by the critically acclaimed Mistletones®. With five incredible singers and an outstanding live jazz band, it's perfect for anyone who revels in the magic of the season.

Your \$45 price includes special AmeriClub VIP seating, the show, a full holiday lunch with dessert, and a complimentary drink (wine, soda, or tap beer). Check-in and cocktails are at noon, lunch is at 12:30 p.m., and the show is at 1:30 p.m.



“Carpenters Once More”

Saturday, July 29, 2017
 Old Creamery Theatre
 Amana, IA



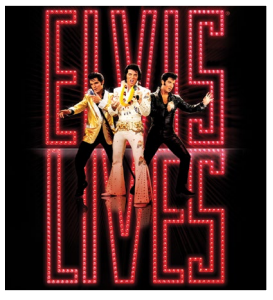
Join us as we celebrate one unforgettable brother/sister duo, featuring vocalist Diana Lynn, live from Branson. Enjoy hits including “Yesterday Once More,” “Close To You,” “We’ve Only Just Begun,” and others!

We depart Dubuque at 1:00 p.m., with pickups in Farley and Dyersville. Prior to a 5:00 p.m. dinner at the Ox Yoke Inn, we visit Amana shops. Showtime is at 7:30 p.m., with arrival back in Dubuque at 11:15 p.m.

Per-person trip price of \$92 includes transportation, family-style dinner with dessert at the Ox Yoke Inn, the show, and driver’s gratuity. Full payment, refundable until July 5, is due at registration.

“Elvis Lives”

Thursday, September 14, 2017
 Fireside Dinner Theatre
 Fort Atkinson, WI



This unique show features champions and finalists from Elvis Presley Enterprises’ worldwide Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest, a live band, singers, and dancers. Audiences “Can’t Help Falling in Love” with this phenomenal theatrical concert experience highlighting Elvis’ life.

Trip cost is \$112 per person and includes transportation from Dubuque, plated gourmet lunch, show, and driver’s gratuity. Full payment, refundable until August 8, is due with registration.

TransWorld Jewelry, Fashion & Accessories Show

Thursday, October 12, 2017
 Rosemont, IL

Explore over 600 vendors selling prized merchandise and the newest fashions at the Stephens Convention Center. Motor coach transportation will be included to the nearby Fashion Outlets of Chicago at a pre-determined time for those who wish to experience both venues.

This Dyersville/Farley-sponsored event offers passenger pick-ups in Dyersville, Farley, and Dubuque’s Plaza 20 Shopping Center. Meals are at passengers’ expense. Departure from Dyersville is at 6:30 a.m., with return at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Contact Sheila in Dyersville at 563.875.2491, Kristie in Farley at 563.744.3380, or Erin in Dubuque at 563.582.1841, ext. 7374. TransWorld requires names of all attending. Walking and standing are required for this event. Trip cost of \$55 per person includes transportation, entrance to jewelry show, and driver’s gratuity.

“Miracle on 34th Street: The Musical”

Wednesday, November 29, 2017
 Fireside Dinner Theatre
 Fort Atkinson, WI

Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade needs a new Santa. Enter Kris Kringle, a sweet, jolly old man who claims that he is the real Santa Claus. Kris must prove his claim in court and teach his cynical neighbor and her daughter to believe in the goodness and love of Christmas.

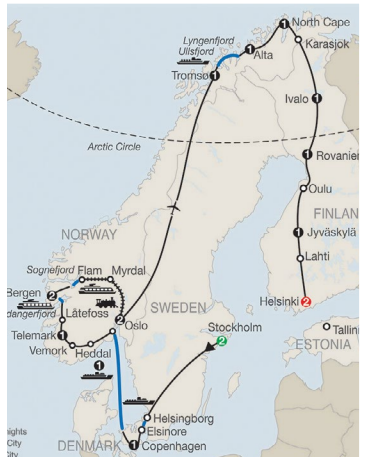
Trip cost is \$112 per person and includes transportation from Dubuque, plated gourmet lunch, show, and driver’s gratuity. Full payment, refundable until October 23, is due with registration.



The Grand Scandinavian Circle Tour

Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, and the Arctic Circle

August 10–28, 2017



Per-person price: \$7,999 (double), \$9,050 (single), and \$7,840 (triple) includes airport transfers from Dubuque; round-trip airfare from Chicago; Oslo-to-Tromsø flight; sightseeing, accommodations, and meals noted; headsets; baggage handling; gratuities; travel insurance; professional tour director; and AmeriClub travel leader. Call for availability!

Our dream vacation offers breathtaking scenery including crystal-clear streams, sparkling lakes, tundra, and forests; the Arctic Circle; Lapland; husky dog farm; train and ferry rides; cruises; guided sightseeing in Stockholm, Copenhagen, Bergen, Oslo, and Helsinki; and more!

Days 1 and 2: (D) Transfer to Chicago for our overnight flight to Stockholm, Sweden, where we meet our tour director and enjoy our welcome dinner. **Day 3:** (B) Stockholm sightseeing features the Royal Palace, Riddarholm Church, and City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize banquet is held. Optional excursions are available.

Day 4: (B) Enjoy beautiful Swedish countryside as we drive to Helsingborg. Cross by ferry to Denmark. Arrive in Copenhagen, Denmark's capital. **Day 5:** (B, D) Sightseeing features the Church of Our Savior, Stock Exchange, and Rosenborg Castle, where Denmark's crown jewels and Throne Chair, made from narwhal tusks, are held. Stop for pictures of the Little Mermaid statue. Board our ship for the overnight cruise to Norway.

Day 6: (B, D) Disembark. Visit the wooden Heddal Stave Church. Via Lake Tinnsjøen, where saboteurs sank a ferry and ruined Nazi hopes of winning the race for the atomic bomb. Enter the Rjukan Valley. Today's highlight is a guided visit of Vemork, scene of the daring sabotage action in the movie, "The Heroes of Telemark." Learn about dramatic events of 1943. Travel to rustic, unspoiled Telemark.

Day 7: (B, D) Drive along Lake Totak to the Haukeli Mountains, and admire thundering Låtefoss Waterfall. Cross Hardangerfjord by ferry, and arrive in picturesque Bergen.

Day 8: (B) Our Bergen tour introduces the city's 11th-century origins. Ride the funicular to Mount Fløyen. Optional excursions are available.

Day 9: (B, D) Cruise beautiful Naeroyfjord and Sognefjord. In Flam, experience the spectacular Flam Train ride and see the magnificent Kjosfossen Waterfall. Board the Bergen-Oslo Train and ride through Hardanger National Park to Oslo, Norway's capital.

Day 10: (B) Oslo sightseeing features the National Theater, Parliament, Royal Palace, Frogner Park's famous Gustav Vigeland sculptures, and more. The afternoon is free, with an optional excursion available.

Day 11: (B) Fly to Tromsø and arrive at the starting point for many great polar explorers. Here, summers are surprisingly warm due to gulf currents and the "Midnight Sun." Visit the Arctic Cathedral during our city tour. **Day 12:** (B, D) Enjoy ferry crossings on the Ullsfjorden and Lyngenfjorden, with breathtaking views of the Lyngen Alps, blue glaciers, and mountain peaks rising over 3,280 feet from the fjord. Arrive in Alta. **Day 13:** (B, D) Our Alta city tour includes the spectacular Rock Carvings, demonstrating a human settlement dating from 4,200 to 500 BC, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue to Honningsvåg,

the northernmost point of the North Cape. Stand at the cliff rising 1,000 feet from the Atlantic Ocean. Here, the sun never sets mid-May through the end of July.

Day 14: (B, D) Admire lakes, tundra, and forests as we head to Lapland. Visit Sven Engholm's husky farm and stay overnight in Ivalo, a Sami village.

Day 15: (B) Cross the Arctic Circle and stop at Santa Claus Village to see Father Christmas and receive our Arctic Circle Certificate. Continue to Rovaniemi for a tour. Tonight [is] an optional dinner at a Sami (Laplander) home.

Day 16: (B, D) Drive south via Oulu to Jyväskylä.

Day 17: (B) Stop in international ski resort Lahti to see enormous ski jumps. Continue to Helsinki, Finland's capital. Our guided tour features the Presidential Palace, Lutheran Cathedral, Olympic Stadium, Sibelius Monument, arts-and-crafts open-air market, and more.

Day 18: (B, D) A full day at leisure in Helsinki offers an optional excursion to Tallinn, capital of Estonia. Tonight, our farewell dinner is held.

Day 19: (B) After breakfast, depart Helsinki for home.

\$1,000
discount!



Romantic Rhine River Cruise

October 28–November 5, 2017

AmeriClub is excited to present a fantastic nine-day tour including a seven-night cruise on Europe's beautiful Rhine River, from Basel, Switzerland to Amsterdam, Holland, on Avalon Waterways' *Felicity*.

One of Europe's most legendary rivers awaits us on this mesmerizing journey along the Rhine. We will enjoy guided sightseeing in Strasbourg, Koblenz, and Cologne, Germany, as well as an excursion to Germany's Black Forest and Heidelberg. We will sail through the dramatic Rhine Gorge, the most beautiful stretch of river dotted every mile with castles. The scenery is breathtaking! We'll visit the Gutenberg Museum in Mainz, see the legendary Lorelei rock where siren song lured sailors to their doom, and enjoy a canal cruise in splendid Amsterdam.

The magnificent *Felicity* accommodates only 138 passengers, offering the intimate feeling of a small ship while providing the spaciousness passengers expect from the Avalon fleet. The ship offers fabulous meals with complimentary sparkling wine at breakfast, and wine, beer, or soft drinks with lunch and dinner; bicycles to check out at no cost; a fitness center; headsets for guided shore excursions; award-winning land programs led by expert certified local guides and VIP access to the "must sees"; onboard lectures, activities, and nightly entertainment that bring the local culture onboard; onshore experiences presented by entertainers, artisans, and experts; and more.



A \$1,000 per-person discount is available until July 25! Price before discount begins at \$5,149 per person for a Category E stateroom, double accommodations. Four stateroom categories are available. A \$929 per-person deposit* is required with registration and cabin selection. Final payment is due July 17, 2017. A passport, valid for six months after trip completion, is necessary. Tour price includes round-trip Dubuque-to-Chicago airport transfers, round-trip airfare from Chicago, cruise in passenger-selected cabin with sightseeing as specified on the itinerary, all onboard meals, port charges, gratuities, Travel Protection Plan, and services of a professional cruise director and AmeriClub escort. Call for availability.

*Per Avalon Waterways' cruise policy, \$250 paid at time of initial trip deposit is non-refundable or non-transferrable.

A Southern Country Christmas

St. Louis, Memphis, Nashville, and Louisville
December 4-11, 2017

Jump start your holiday season with this exciting motorcoach adventure. A highlight is our evening at Elvis Presley's Graceland mansion, adorned "Elvis style" for Christmas. Daily highlights are noted, and included meals follow daily descriptions.

Day 1: St. Louis—Guided tour of **Cathedral Basilica** with its impressive mosaics. Dinner at **Lucas Park Grille**. "Garden Glow" Christmas lights display at **Missouri Botanical Gardens**. We stay at the Drury Inn for one night. (D)

Day 2: Memphis—Southern BBQ Ribs lunch at **Central BBQ**. Guided tour of **Sun Studio**. Check into hotel for two nights. Southern meal and "**Elvis Holiday Tribute Show**," including one of America's best tribute artists, live band, and singers. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Memphis—**National Civil Rights Museum** at the former Lorraine Motel, the location of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination. Beale Street lunch on your own. Smithsonian Institution's **Rock 'n' Soul Museum**. Tour of **Graceland**, Elvis' home, decorated for Christmas, and the Graceland complex. Dinner buffet in Graceland Museum complex. (B, D)

Day 4: Nashville—Home of Country Music. Afternoon check-in at the fabulous **Opryland Hotel** for two nights with time to explore the hotel's gardens, shops, Delta Riverboat Ride, and Parade of Trees. Tennessee Performing Arts Center's performance of "**A Christmas Story**," the humorous 1940s tale



of young Ralphie Parker's quest for a Red Ryder BB gun. (B)

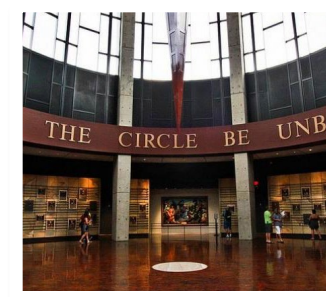
Day 5: Nashville—**Johnny Cash Museum**. Backstage tour of **Ryman Auditorium**. BBQ lunch and line dancing at **Wildhorse Saloon**. Free time before **Grand Ole Opry** show. (B, L)

Day 6: Nashville and Louisville—Self-guided tour of Nashville's **Country Music Hall of Fame**. Check-in at Louisville's beautiful **Galt House** for two nights. "**Lights Under Louisville**," an underground holiday-light spectacular with 850 lit characters. (B, D)

Day 7: Louisville—Guided tour of **Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory**. Self-guided tour of **Mohammed Ali Museum**. **Galt House's KaLightoscope** vignettes with beautiful luminary figures. **Derby Dinner Playhouse**. (B, D)

Day 8: Home—Depart Louisville, stop for lunch, and travel to Dubuque. (B, L)

Per-person price: \$2,775 (double accommodations), \$3,385 (single), \$2,595 (triple), \$2,495 (quad). A \$150 deposit is required with the balance due September 24. Price includes motor coach transportation from Dubuque, seven nights' deluxe hotel accommodations, luggage handling, 15 meals, admissions as noted in itinerary, gratuities, professional tour director, and



AmeriClub escort. Tour payments should be made to AmeriClub. Optional travel protection insurance is available from and payable to Tri-State Travel at the following rates: \$269 double and triple, \$279 single, and \$229 quad. Insurance payment check, payable to Tri-State Travel, should accompany trip deposit.

Mexican Riviera Cruise

with a pre-cruise night on the *Queen Mary*
January 11-20, 2018

Escape winter for ten fabulous days, and cruise round-trip from Los Angeles along the Mexican Riviera aboard Princess Cruise Line's beautiful *Ruby Princess*. Enjoy port calls in Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, and Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, plus three glorious days at sea!

Day 1: We transfer by motor coach to Chicago to stay at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel in Wood Dale, with a stop en route for dinner (on own).

Day 2: After our included breakfast at the hotel, we fly to Los Angeles and transfer to the historic Queen Mary Hotel. The *Queen Mary* was once the grandest ocean liner in the world. We learn of her astonishing history with an exclusive "Glory Days" tour and enjoy a relaxing evening.

Day 3: After an included breakfast on the *Queen Mary*, we explore the many shops and exhibits on the former ocean liner before transferring to the *Ruby Princess*. Lunch is onboard. We sail at 4:00 p.m.

Days 4, 5: During these carefree days at sea, we get acquainted with our floating resort, relax by the pool, take a class, shop in the boutiques, enjoy the cuisine, or try our luck in the casino.

Day 6: We visit the international resort of Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the location of the film, *Night of the Iguana*. A haunt of the rich and famous, travelers are drawn by its climate, excellent shopping—which offers great values on leather goods, jewelry, and handicrafts—and miles of palm-lined beaches. (10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.)

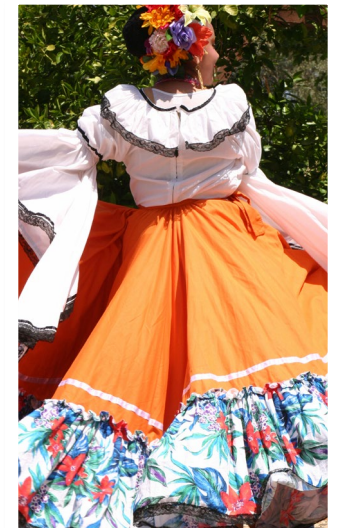
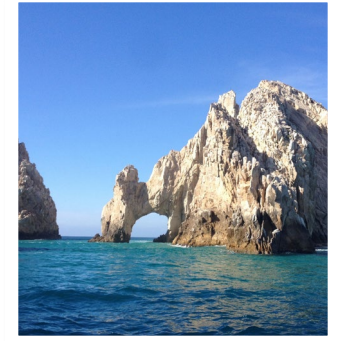
Day 7: Mazatlan's superb year-round climate, white-sand beaches, and world-class sport fishing have turned this commercial fishing port into a top resort destination. While visitors flock to the markets, bathe in the sun, or marvel at the airborne ballet of the famed Papantla dancers, Mazatlan remains one of Mexico's major ports, exporting over 40 million pounds of shrimp every year. (7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.)

Day 8: Cabo San Lucas is one of the world's premier resort destinations. Swim in the transparent waters, marvel at the wealth of marine life, relax on one of the white-sand beaches, or try your hand at some of the finest sport fishing in the world. (7:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.)

Day 9: Today, we enjoy our last day at sea on our winter escape! **Day 10:** Cruising into Los Angeles this morning, after breakfast onboard we disembark, fly to Chicago, and motor coach home.

Trip price includes seven-night cruise; round-trip air; all attractions on itinerary; motor coach transfers between Dubuque and Chicago and in California; one night Chicago hotel with breakfast; one night Queen Mary hotel with breakfast; all onboard meals; port charges, taxes, and custom fees (subject to change); travel insurance; luggage handling; gratuities, and AmeriClub escort.

Prices begin at \$2,799 per person for an inside stateroom, based on double occupancy. Ocean view, balcony, and mini-suite-with-balcony staterooms are also available. A \$500 deposit confirms your reservation, and final payment is due October 1. A passport, valid for six months after cruise completion, is required.



Fall Mystery Tour

September 20–22, 2017



Unique things are planned for your pleasure, including entertainment, history, social activities, delicious meals, great accommodations, and fun in our three-day Fall Mystery Tour.

Per-person trip price is \$669 for double, single, or triple accommodations. A \$100 deposit is required with registration. Final payment is due August 1, and all payments are refundable prior to this date. Price includes deluxe motor coach transportation from Dubuque; two nights' lodging at a one-year-old, four-star, all-suite hotel; luggage handling; two hot breakfasts, two lunches, three dinners; admissions to all included activities; and gratuities. Hurry! Only a few seats remain!

Missing Word Contest

Our Missing Word Contest winner for May/June was Thomas Bechen, who received a check for \$25. The missing word was either “Still” or “Heat,” and the song title was “In the Still (or Heat) of the Night.”

We have hidden another song title with a missing word in this issue. Read your AmeriClub newsletter carefully, looking for any words enclosed in [brackets] like this. Rearrange the words to form the title or extended title of a popular song. One word will be missing. Figure out the missing word, and write the missing word only on the Missing Word Contest form found below.

All correct entries received prior to the deadline indicated on the form are entered into the \$25 drawing. All entries received throughout the year are entered into a year-end drawing for a grand prize of \$100! Good luck!

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• **Entry Form** •

• Name: _____ •

• Address: _____ •

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• Phone: _____ •

• The missing word is: _____ •

• *(Entries must be received before July 31. Members only.)* •

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