

SIR Travel Opportunities 2017/2

Dec 30-Jan 9,2016: New Year Mexico Cruise. RT from SF aboard the Grand Princess celebrating New Years at sea. You will visit the ports of Puerto Vallarta, Manzanillo, Mazatlan and Cabo San Lucas. Cost of \$2140 to \$3255 include bottle of wine, transportation to and from SF pier from Villages & Capital Light Rail Station. Port taxes, group protection plan and porter tips. Bill Rodman, Br 38, San Jose, 408-274-4521, or Hank Clark, 408-223-6466.

Feb 3-18, 2017: Hawaii Grand Princess Cruise. RT from SF on a 16 day cruise to Hawaii stopping at Hilo, Honolulu, Lahaina, Nawiliwili and Ensenada. Cruise includes home pick up, gratuities for drivers, porters, and port taxes, all meals on board and return transfers to your home. Costs range from \$1695 to \$3095 depending on Stateroom. Brian Serpa, Br 141, San Jose, 408-227-7658 or Rollo Parsons, 408-268-5245.

Mar 6-12, 2017: Spring Training and Southwest Adventure. Fly to Phoenix and enjoy 2 spring training games and visit the Desert Botanical Gardens and Frank Lloyd Wrights Tallesin West. Day 4 travel from Scottsdale to Sedona and tour Sedona and the Grand Canyon area. Tour includes home pick up and RT airport transfers, professional guide, 6 nights accommodations, admission fees, baggage handling for one suitcase and all taxes .Cost \$2495 Brian Serpa, Br.141, 408-227-7658 or Rollo Parsons, 408-268-5245.

May 10-25, 2017: 100th Birthday of JFK on Cape Cod. Tour highlights include JFK Presidential Library, tour of Hyannis ,JFK Museum, Hyannis Harbor cruise, Cape Cod Maritime Museum, Whale watching cruise and tour of Nantucket. Cost \$2395.00 includes RT airfare, deluxe motor coach, 8 meals, tours and 5 night accommodations .John Pletsch Br.32,San Jose, 408-274-2992 or Mike Console, 408-246-1080.

June 11-17, 2017: Southern Charm. A 7 day trip to the south visiting Charleston, South Carolina, Savannah, Georgia, Jekyll Island, St. Simons Island and St Augustine. Cost of \$2989 includes 9 meals and 3 dinners, Cancellation Waiver insurance, RT airfare, all taxes , fees and hotel transfers. Bill Britton, Br 101/121 925-443-9913

June 17-25, 2017: The Colorado Rockies. 9 day escorted tour including Denver, Rocky Mt. Natl Park, Grand Junction, Arches Natl Park, Canyonlands Natl Park, Colorado Natl Monument, Durango & Silverton Narrow gauge railway, Garden of the Gods, Mesa Verde Natl Park, Pikes Peak Cog Railway. Cost \$3159. Including air taxes

& fees RT air, hotel transfers and gratuities. Bill Rodman, San Jose, Br.38, 408-274-4521 or Alan Patmore, 408-867-4197.

June 19-25, 2017: Yellowstone Wildlife Safari. 7 day land trip to Yellowstone Park with over sixty species of mammals, untamed landscapes and geothermal features. You will visit West Yellowstone, Old Faithful, Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center, Yellowstone Wildlife Safari, Grand Teton National Park, Salat Lake City and Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Tour cost is \$2795 which includes Professional Guide, Hotel Accommodations, Meals, RT air, transportation on the tour, all taxes and gratuities. Tom Duncanson Br 20, 831-662-8605.

July 3-15, 2017: Alaska Yukon Land & Sea. 7 night land tour of upper Alaska and Yukon Territory. Followed by 4 night cruise through the Inside Passage on Holland America M/S Nieuw Amsterdam. Tour features include Anchorage, Domed Rail Cars, Tundra Tour to Denali, Fairbanks, Klondike Spirit Paddle –wheeler Cruise, Dawson City, Cruise includes Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan and Vancouver. Cost range from \$5150 to \$5895. Mike Console, Br. 54, San Jose, 408-246-1080 or John Pletsch, 408-274-2992.

July 20-Aug 5, 2017: Ring of Kerry Land Tour & Princess Cruise. 4 day land tour of Ireland and 12 days Princess cruise around the British Isles visiting 10 ports, including France. Trip includes beverage package worth \$676.20 if you sign up by Aug 20 for a balcony or mini suite. Prices range from \$4999 to \$6299 not including airfare. Tom Molinari, Br 147, Petaluma, 707-762-1880. Sold out, Standby only.

Aug 14-22, 2014: US & Canadian National Parks. Explore 7 spectacular including Glacier National Park, Banff National Park, Kootenay National Park, Waterton National Park. You'll also visit Lake Louise, Emerald Lake, Silverado Silver Mine, and Spokane. Cost of \$3250 includes RT Air, Tour Transportation, Lodging, Meals, Taxes and Gratuities. Tom Duncanson, Br.20, 831-662-8605.

Aug 14-18, 2017: Ashland, Shakespeare Festival. 5 day tour featuring the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Jacksonville Belle Fiore Winery, Harry & David's Dinner Cabaret Show, Country Village, and Kitchens of Harry and David before returning to Ashland for a visit the Oregon Cabaret Theatre. Cost of \$1450 includes Deluxe Motorcoach, 4 nights lodging, 9 meals, 3 performances and Tips. Bill Rodman, Br 38, San Jose, 408-274-4521.

Sep 6-19, 2017: Atlantic Isles Cruise. This 13 day luxury cruise aboard the Crystal Symphony begins and ends in Lisbon, Portugal, with several exotic ports of call in the

Azores, Madeira, Canary Islands, and Morocco. Crystal distinguishes itself from other cruise lines by offering the very best in service, food, entertainment and cultural programs. All beverages are included. Prices start at \$8095 and include deluxe stateroom, \$250 shipboard credit, RT Air, all gratuities, port charges and transfers in SF. Larry Martinson, Br. 114, San Jose, 408-238-0746 or Jim Stoner, 408-238-8458.

Sep 7-20, 2017: Prague, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. This itinerary offers sights that will delight your senses. Highlights include: Prague, Rothenburg, Munich, Salzburg, Hitler's Eagles Nest, Oberammergau, Kleine Scheidegg, Black Forest, Rudesheim and the Rhine River Cruise. The deluxe tour RT Air, most meals, accommodations, tour manager, admission to all activities, luggage handling, and all taxes. Cost \$5495 including air. Lee Suess, Br 96, Jackson, 209-296-2235.

Sep 10-23, 2017: Southern Italy & Sicily. A 14 day trip touring Palermo, Monreale, Agrigento, Valley of the Temples, Giardini, Naxos, Taormina, Catania, Matera, Alberobello, Amalfi Coast, Sorrento and Pompeii. The cost of \$4,849 pp includes Cancellation Insurance, RT airfare, all taxes, fees and surcharges. Bill Britton, Br 101/121, 925-443-9913

Sep 28-Oct 6, 2017: Norman Rockwell New England. Tour through the backroads of the Berkshire and Adirondack Mountains as you admire the fall foliage and visit the life memories of Norman Rockwell. The tour includes Boston City Tour then ferry cross Lake Champlain to Burlington VT and into the Green Mountains. Then cross the Connecticut River in New Hampshire into the coastal town of York Beach, Maine. Price is \$3385, John Pletsch, Br 32, San Jose, 408-274-2992 or Mike Console, 408-246-1080 or Tom Duncanson Br. 20, 831-662-8605.

Nov 9-20, 2017: Florida's Sunshine Trail. This 12 day trip spotlights Florida's top attractions including Orlando, St Augustine, Cocoa Beach, Kennedy Space Center, West Palm Beach, Key West and Miami. Air Boat experience through the Everglades, Naples, and Fort Myers. Cost \$4250, Mike Console, Br 32, San Jose, 408-246-1080 or John Pletsch, 408-274-2992.

Send your brief trip information to Bob Spellman at bobjo@astound.net by the 25th of the month.

Only trips of at least 4 days or more in length will be listed