



## First National Bank of Waterloo Classic 55 Club Newsletter March — April 2021

FROM MARCIE'S DESK:

### Happy St. Patrick's Day and Easter to all our Classic 55 Members and Guests!

I hope this finds you healthy and happy and that you've been able to resume time spent with family and friends. If I've learned anything during this Pandemic, it's to cherish those times and not take anything for granted! I'm excited to be able to travel with you once again and, hopefully, continue our Bingo/Bank Days with our friends at the Senior Living Centers.

We have some great trips originating from the Stewardson/Effingham area beginning in July, and throughout the rest of the year. Please stay tuned to our next Newsletter for details!

I look forward to traveling with you!

From Darcy's desk -

My days are getting busier which means that we are back to **PLANNING TRIPS!** Are **YOU** ready to get out of the house & **TRAVEL?** *If you are ready—then we are ready too.*

Just as many things in life look a little different since last year—Traveling with Classic 55 Club will look a little different too—but you can expect the same quality tours and fun times as before. *If you aren't quite ready to travel, please know we will be ready when you are.*

Not only are we rescheduling most of our lost trips from last year, we have some **FRESH** and **EXCITING** destinations to introduce you to in 2021. A couple **NEW** trips are making their debut in this newsletter!

Make sure you bookmark our Classic 55 webpage [www.fnwaterloo.bank/55-club](http://www.fnwaterloo.bank/55-club) where you will find our current newsletter and brochures for our trips.

*The promise of spring's arrival is enough to get anyone through the winter.*

### Club News

- ◇ **On The Road Again** 🎵 *Just can't wait to be On The Road Again!* 🎵  
Our first trips are booking up and we are ready to roll in a few weeks! Take a look at our new offerings in this publication. We are slowly rolling out our remaining 2021 trips, so keep watching our FB page, newsletters and website!
- ◇ **Madison County Pickup Locations**  
We will be offering motor coach pick up at our Maryville Branch (2110 North Center Street) for select trips.
- ◇ Our Predator vs Prey Trip on March 22 has openings! **Pick ups will be at Maryville & Columbia\***. **\*Please note the addition of the Columbia pickup location.**
- ◇ **Rebooking your 2020 reservation**  
We have plans to reschedule the following trips from 2020 for later in the year, Fishes & Ferris Wheel, Predator vs Prey, Touchstones to the Past, Washington, MO, Hannibal, MO and French Lick, Indiana. You will need to call to reserve your seat on the rescheduled trips when they are announced. Past reservations will be given preference, but are NOT automatically transferred to the new 2021 date.
- ◇ **Reservation Changes**— Starting with trips scheduled in May, payment will be required to secure your reservation. The fastest and easiest way to make payment is to give permission to debit an FNB account. Mailing or dropping off payment at your local branch is also accepted.

### **CLASSIC 55 HAPPENINGS - Updates and Recaps**

#### **Magnolia Trail & The Heart of Texas - New Fall Date**

We have set a new date for our trip to Texas— November 6—10, 2021. All details remain the same, including the cost and \$200 per person booking discount. See details on page 3.

#### **Motorcoach Capacity**

At this time, we are only filling our motorcoach to 50% or less capacity, which means our trips will fill up quick. BUT, we are offering additional trips to try and accommodate more members. Know we are doing our best to accommodate everyone who want to travel with us. Thank you for your patience. We will return to normal capacity as soon as it is safe.



## 2021 Rescheduled Tours

TRIP	MAXIMUM TRAVELERS	PICK UP LOCATION(S) & TIMES	COST PER PERSON	PAYMENT DUE
Predator vs Prey (3/18)	19	Waterloo 7:45 AM/5:45 PM Columbia 8:00 AM/5:30 PM	\$129.00	3/10
<b>**PICK UP LOCATION CHANGE**</b> Predator vs Prey (3/22)	19	Maryville 7:45 AM/6:00 PM <b>Columbia 8:00 AM/5:30 PM</b>	\$129.00	3/10
Fishes & Ferris Wheel (4/14)	26 Limited availability	Waterloo 8:00 AM/2:00 PM Columbia 8:30 AM/2:00 PM	\$129.00	4/1
Fishes & Ferris Wheel (4/20)	26 Standby available	Waterloo 8:00 AM/2:00 PM Columbia 8:30 AM/2:00 PM	\$129.00	4/1
Touchstones to the Past (5/3)	26	Waterloo 8:45 AM/4:00 PM Columbia 9:00 AM/4:15 PM	\$83.00	<b>PAYMENT IS DUE WITH RESERVATIONS FOR ALL TRIPS SCHEDULED AFTER MAY 1, 2021</b>
Touchstones to the Past (5/18)	26	Waterloo 8:45 AM/4:00 PM Columbia 9:00 AM/4:15 PM	\$83.00	

Canadian Rockies by Rail scheduled for July 7—15 2021 is not currently open for new reservations.

**Predator vs. Prey (2 sneakers).** Enjoy a private two-hour guided tour of the Endangered Wolf Center. This tour is tailored to what you most want to see and learn, with insights gathered over four decades of working with and for wolves and other wild canids. Included in this tour is an inside look at three additional endangered species: African painted dogs, maned wolves, and the swift foxes. Plated lunch will be enjoyed at the Holiday Inn Express Six Flags. We will also enjoy a guided tour of the World Bird Sanctuary. Your cost includes deluxe motor coach, lunch, all attractions and gratuities including to our driver and our private tour guide.

NOTE: At the time of publication due to the venue's size limitation of this tour, we will be split into 2 groups rejoining for lunch.

**Fishes & Ferris Wheel (2 - 3 sneakers).** Enjoy a day at Union Station in downtown St. Louis. We will start our day visiting the St. Louis Aquarium at Union Station, an immersive and engaging experience offering unique perspective of our underwater world. From the local streams and rivers to the depths of the oceans, take a journey and explore the hidden treasures of the Missouri and Mississippi waterways. Then we will get a bird's-eye view of the Union Station train shed and the iconic St. Louis skyline when we board the 200-foot St. Louis Wheel. The observation wheel features 42 enclosed gondolas, each equipped with seating for eight adults. Ferris wheel passengers will take 3 to 4 rotations during a 15 minute ride. Our plated lunch today will be at Favazza's on "The Hill", there will be several tasty choices for you to choose from. Price includes motor coach transportation, guide, entrance fees to St. Louis Aquarium and The Wheel, inclusive lunch, gratuity to driver and guide, all reservations and arrangements.

**Touchstones to the Past (2-3 sneakers)** - This tour will visit four beautiful St. Louis cemeteries: Bellefontaine, Calvary, New Mount Sinai, and the Jefferson Barracks National Military Cemetery. We will visit some of the most famous gravesites in the area, including those of William Clark, Adolphus Busch, William Tecumseh Sherman, Tennessee Williams, and Dred Scott. Some of the largest family mausoleums and over 150,000 service persons will round out our tour. Lunch of sandwich, slaw, french fries & dessert will be served at The Lemp Mansion. Your price includes deluxe motor coach, driver tip, lunch, all other gratuities, and the services of Linda Koenig.

### SPECIAL NOTES

Motorcoaches will be limited to 24 – 30 travelers. Some venues are only allowing smaller amount of visitors (Predator vs. Prey). You can choose to sit with a friend or by yourself; please provide this information at your reservation. Masks must be worn on the bus and at venues and there will be assigned seating. Please let us know if you need to sit towards the front of the bus and we will try to accommodate you the best we can. All necessary precautions will be taken to keep our members safe. All state and local protocols will be followed.

### SNEAKER RATING

**1 Sneaker** = Easy, pace, mostly ramps, few or no stairs  
**2 Sneakers** = Moderate pace, 1 flight of stairs, few inclines  
**3 Sneakers** = Steady pace, 1-2 flights of stairs, some inclines

**4 Sneakers** = Periods of intense pace, uneven terrain  
**5 Sneakers** = Periods of strenuous pace, rough terrain conditions

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## 2021 NEW Tours

TRIP	MAXIMUM	PICK UP LOCATION(S) & TIMES	COST PER PERSON
Grafton by Land, Air & Water (5/6)	29	Waterloo 8:15 AM/5:45 PM Columbia 8:30/5:30 PM	\$124
Grafton by Land, Air & Water (5/11)	29	Maryville 9:00AM/5:30 PM Columbia 8:30 AM/5:30 PM	\$124

Let's think spring and enjoy this beautiful river town & its vibrant downtown district. Our first adventure will be on the brand new Grafton SkyTour to Aerie's Resort and Winery. At the top, enjoy breathtaking views overlooking the confluence of the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers. Explore the shops and grab a drink on the expansive deck and patio overlooking the Mississippi. A group wine tasting is included. We then head to Pere Marquette State Park Lodge for a delicious family-style fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings, a Classic 55 Club favorite!. The Grafton Harbor is the highlight of this trip. The Hakuna Matata riverboat will take us on a wonderful adventure on the Illinois & Mississippi rivers, you can choose to take in the sights from the upper open-air deck or the enclosed mid-deck seating. Price includes Motorcoach Transportation, professional tour guide, SkyTour ticket & wine tasting, inclusive lunch, cruise ticket, gratuity to driver and guide.

### Mackinac Island : A Step Back in Time

June 5—11, 2021 7 day/6 night Motor coach Tour

Mackinac Island is a unique and calm oasis without the hustle and bustle of automobile traffic. We stay at the Island House, across the street from the water, and the sounds of horse-drawn carriages and waves lapping along the shore will lull you to sleep. On our way, we will visit the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village for an entire day. Explore the collections started by Henry Ford as well as more recent acquisitions. Ride the classic vehicles around Greenfield Village with your ride pass and see the roundhouse for the train. On the way home, enjoy the most German city in Michigan, Frankenmuth. Cruise on the Bavarian Belle and enjoy the traditional treat of a family-style fried chicken dinner at Zehnder's of Frankenmuth.

**Activity Level—3 sneakers**

**\$1,766 pp triple/quad      \$1,958 pp double      \$2,571 single**

\$500 deposit per person due with reservation

**Group Travel Protection has been purchased for all tour participants by FNB of Waterloo.**

Join Dea from 'Are We There Yet?', LLC' on March 29th @ 6:30 PM to hear all the exciting activities planned for the island. In-person or ZOOM available. Limited space is available. Reserve your spot today.

**Find electronic copies of our newsletter and trip brochures at**

**[www.fnbwaterloo.bank/55-club](http://www.fnbwaterloo.bank/55-club)**

### The Magnolia Trail & Heart of Texas

*Magnolia Market at the Silos & HGTV Fixer Upper Tour, Waco, TX & "Presidential Day in Dallas"*

**November 6—10, 2021 4 nights/5 day Air and Motorcoach Tour**

Trip includes R/T Airfare, 4 nights of First Class Hotels, and remember the price includes your Travel Protection Plan, hotel transfers, baggage handling, tips & gratuities for our guides, & motor coach driver. We have thought of every detail for this trip—travel with us worry free! **Activity Level—2 Sneakers**

**Booking Discount**

**Make your final payment prior to August 23, 2021 & receive a \$200/person booking discount.**

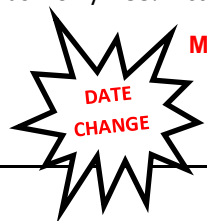
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\$2,729 - TRIPLE

\$2,759 - DOUBLE

\$3,334 - SINGLE

\$585.00 Deposit due with reservation



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