



TRIPS & TOURS

February 2012 Issue



✿ DAY COACH TRIPS ✿

All of our day trips depart and return to the Peninsula Center (On Crossfield Drive near the Norris Theater)

Bowers Museum

Warriors, Tombs and Temples

Wednesday, 2/15/12

Enter the great tombs and temples of the powerful, and the cunning men and women who ruled imperial China. “Warriors, Tombs and Temples: China’s Enduring Legacy” is a landmark exhibition drawn from China’s most important archaeological excavations assembled in cooperation with seven leading Chinese institutions. Prior to visiting the museum you will enjoy a fabulous lunch at the famous **Anaheim White House** restaurant.

- **Early Bird:** 1/21/2012
- **Check in:** 10:00 PM **Return:** 5:00 PM
- Member cost: E.B. = \$84, Regular = \$89
- Non member: E.B. = \$94, Regular = \$99

St. Patrick’s Day

With Included Lunch & Wine

Saturday, 3/17/12

Don’t forget to wear green today when you join us and the talented, professional cast of “Colorful Songs of Broadway” as they salute St. Patrick’s Day with many popular Irish folk songs and sing-alongs. You’ll see and hear *Danny Boy* and scenes from the Irish musicals including *Finian’s Rainbow* and *The Music Man* as well as selections from musicals with European themes such as *Brigadoon*, *Fiddler*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Man of La Mancha* and more. Enjoy an included three-course, waiter-served luncheon with wine and dessert, presented in a beautiful ballroom in Alhambra, overlooking a lake and golf course.

- **Early Bird:** 2/16/12
- **Check in:** 9:15 AM **Return:** 5:15 PM
- Member cost: E.B. = \$104, Regular = \$109
- Non member: E.B. = \$114, Regular = \$119

The Golden Nugget-Las Vegas

3 Days and 2 nights

April 3-5, 2012

The package includes: 3 days and 2 nights with four diamond accommodations in the Carson Tower, baggage service, and all gratuities. Also included are a \$20 on-board cash raffle (4 persons win \$5 each) and a Golden Nugget Hotel \$250 Value Coupon book (One Per Room.) Book contains two “2 for 1” breakfast or lunch buffets, \$5 off lunch / dinner in the Grotto Restaurant, \$5 off lunch / dinner at the Chart House and much more. Bingo with prizes and cash raffle on the bus to Vegas! Baggage service from the Norris Theatre and driver gratuity included.

- **Early Bird:** 2/10/12
- **Check in:** 8:30 AM **Return:** 6:00 PM
- Member cost: E.B. = \$179, Regular = \$199
- Non member: E.B. = \$199, Regular = \$219

Add \$50 for single occupancy.

Dining with the Duke

Sunday, 5/6/12

Come join us for a Champagne Brunch aboard *John Wayne’s Yacht “Wild Goose”*. Brunch includes croissants & muffins, breakfast potatoes, bacon & sausage, scrambled eggs, salads, French Toast, cakes, assorted pastries, and beverage. While enjoying this feast the yacht will cruise the tranquil waters of Newport Harbor.

- **Early Bird:** 3/23/12
- **Check in:** 10:00 AM **Return:** 3:30 PM
- Member cost: E.B. = \$109, Regular = \$114
- Non member: E.B. = \$119, Regular = \$124

Billy Elliot

Saturday, 5/12/12

Billy Elliot is a winner of **10 Tony awards**, including **Best Musical!** It has been described as a modern day fairy tale. It is the heart-warming story of a young boy whose life has changed forever when he discovers an unexpected passion for dance. Billy secretly joins a dance class which causes sparks to fly when his dad finds out his hard earned money has been spent on dance lessons instead of boxing lessons! Billy takes up his teachers offer of secret free private tuition to prepare for an audition to the Royal Ballet School. This is the story of a young boy who reaches beyond his place in the world to follow his heart's desire and fight for his dreams.

Early Bird: 2/28/12

Check in: 12:00PM **Return:** 5:30PM

Member cost: E.B. \$121, Regular:\$126

Non member: E..B. \$131 Regular: \$13

TOURS FOR 2012

ALL OUR TOUR PRICES INCLUDE TRAVEL INSURANCE AND DOOR TO DOOR PICK-UP

America's Canyonlands

8 days only \$2219 per person Dbl Occ.

Departs: 3/29/12

Check for availability

Highlights: *Three National Parks (Grand Canyon, Zion Canyon & Bryce Canyon), *Scottsdale, AZ, *Zion Park Tram Tour, *Sedona Trolley Tour, *Oak Creek Canyon, *Cameron Trading Post, *Lake Powell Cruise, *Monument Valley Scenic Drive, *Las Vegas, *2 Nights - Grand Canyon & 2 Nights - Lake Powell.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip Airfare from LAX, 13 meals (7 B, 1 L & 5 D), Hotel Transfers, admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach, tour guide.

Accommodations: 7 Nights Hotel Accommodations (1-Millennium Resort, Scottsdale, 2 Grand Canyon Lodges, 2 Lake Powell Resort, Zion Park

Inn & 1 Monte Carlo, New York, New York!, or Luxor Resort & Casino, Las Vegas.

Charleston & Savannah

6 days for only \$1919 per person Dbl Occ.

Departs: 4/15/12

Check for availability

Highlights: *Charleston City Tour, *Boone Hall Plantation, *Fort Sumter Boat Tour, *Beaufort, *Jekyll Island Trolley Tour, *Lunch at Jekyll Island club, * Savannah City Tour, * and *Dinner - Paula Deen's Lady & Sons.

Tour includes: Roundtrip Airfare from LAX, 9 meals (5-B, 1-L & 3 D), Hotel Transfers, admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach, tour guide.

Accommodations: 2 nights- Charleston , 3 Nights - Sheraton Four Points, Savannah.

Netherlands, Belgium & Paris

11 days only \$4599 per person Dbl Occ.

Departs: 4/30/12

Check for availability

Highlights: *Amsterdam, *Candlelight Cruise, *Keukenhof Gardens, *Floriade horticultural exhibition, *Brussels, *Bruges (One of Europe's most perfectly preserved medieval cities), *Paris, *Giverney, *Eiffel Tower Dinner, *Seine River Cruise, *Notre Dame, *Arc de Triomphe and *Optional excursion to the world-famous Louvre or Palace of Versailles.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip airfare from LAX, 13 meals (9 B & 4 D), Hotel Transfers, admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach, tour guide.

Accommodations: 3 nights at the Convent Hotel, Amsterdam, 3 nights at the Crowne Plaza, Brussels and 3 nights at the les Jardins du Marais, Paris.

Cape Cod & the Islands

7 days only \$2069 per person Dbl. Occ.

Departs: 6/10/12

Highlights: 6 nights at 1 hotel. Cranberry Bog Tour, Provincetown, Boston City Tour, Plimoth Plantation, Mayflower II, Hyannis, Cape Cod National Seashore, Martha's Vineyard Tour, Newport's Ocean Drive, Breaker's Mansion Tour, Heritage Plantation, Sandwich, & New England Lobster Dinner.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip from LAX, 9 meals, Hotel Transfers, admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach, & tour guide.

Accommodations: 6 nights at the 1st class Radisson Hotel Hyannis in Hyannis, MA.

Discover Cuba

9 days for \$3849 per person Dbl. Occupancy

Departs 9/6/12

Highlights: Old Havana, the Cathedral de la Havana, The Museo Fine Arts, Pinar Del Rio/Vinales, the prehistoric Painted Caves, Cienfuegos, Jagua Castle, Trinidad, The Church of Trinidad, Sugar Mill Valley, The Partagas Cigar Factory, Playa Giron/Bay of Pigs Museum, Hemingway's Farm-Finca La Vigia, and the Cojimar Fishing Village.

Tour Includes: roundtrip from LAX, , most meals, baggage handling services, airport transfers, professional drivers and guides, deluxe motor coaches, a required entry Visa and Cuban medical insurance.

Accommodations: 8 nights in first class hotels.

Mackinac Island

Featuring the Grand Hotel

9 Days only \$3079 per person Dbl. Occupancy

Book Now & Save \$100!!!

Departs: 9/25/12

Highlights: Chicago City Tour, Field Museum, Millennium Park, Mackinac Island, The Grand Hotel which is a Victorian, National Historical Landmark, Frankenmuth, a unique Bavarian Village. Visit Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum. There you will visit famous homes and workshops of the Wright Bros., Thomas Edison, Henry Ford & Robert Frost. Complete your trip with an elegant farewell dinner at the exquisite home of Edsel & Eleanor Ford.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip Airfare from LAX, 12 meals, hotel transfers, admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach & Tour Guide.

Accommodations: Courtyard by Marriott, IL, Tundra Lodge, WI, The Grand Hotel, MI, Bavarian Inn or Springhill Suites, MI and Westin, MI.

Albuquerque Balloon Festival

6 Days only \$2119 per person Dbl Occupancy

Departs 10/12/12

Highlights: Albuquerque International Balloon Festival including a city tour, experience the mass ascension at Dawn Patrol of over 100 balloons from all over the world and witness the Balloon Glow, where just before dusk, burners from 100's of balloons light

up the evening sky. Visit Old Town Albuquerque, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Bandelier Nat. Monument, Los Alamos Science Museum, Santa Fe City Tour, Taos Pueblo & City Tour and the High Road to Taos. 3 nights in Santa Fe.

Tour Includes: Roundtrip Airfare from LAX, 7 meals, Hotel Transfers. Admission & sightseeing per itinerary, deluxe motor coach & tour guide.

Accommodations: Albuquerque Marriott & Inn of the Governors or Hilton in Santa Fe.



Grandfather and the Old Fellow (From page 1)

Until that day, however, I hadn't realized that Granddad also sometimes came across Indian bones.

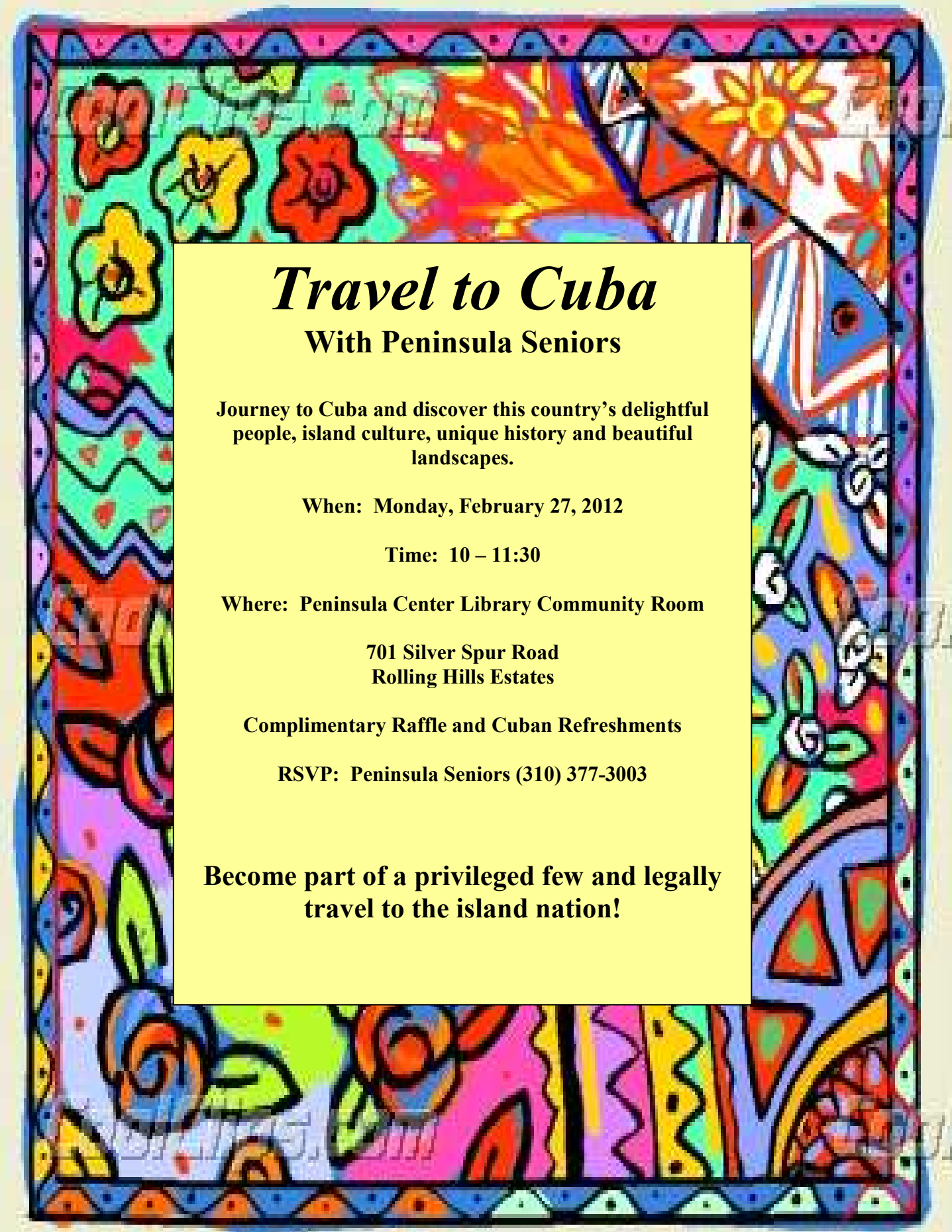
"He brings home arrowheads that he finds, doesn't he?" I said. "What does he do with them?"

"Oh, he's been throwing them in a drawer there by the clock. Maybe we should do something with them," she answered.

Grandmother and I often would spend time knitting or sewing when she was free from household chores. That day we began washing and sorting Granddad's collection of arrowheads. We lined a shallow box with cotton and carefully placed each arrow where it could be compared with the others. Some were just fragments but many were bright and shiny as the day they'd been made by some Indian.

"Sure makes it a pretty sight, doesn't it?" said my Grandfather as he sat down with us for supper that evening.

Years later, as a teenager, I would pay Cousin Don Dickson a dime to look at the skeletons he had excavated and enclosed under a simple shed. Today everybody can visit the "on-site archaeological museum exhibiting the world of the American Indian through 12,000 years of human experience in the Illinois River Valley." It all started with Don's early curiosity. (See www.museum.state.il.us/ismsites/Dickson)



Travel to Cuba

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When: Monday, February 27, 2012

Time: 10 – 11:30

Where: Peninsula Center Library Community Room

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