

SENIORS ON THE ROAD

LOCAL DAY TRIPS

Meals on the trips will be on your own, unless otherwise stated.

Trip Registration - Please Read Carefully

Registration for the following trips will be taken on, or after, Mon, Feb 23. To register, call the Central Orange Senior Center at 919-245-2015. **You may register yourself, and ONE other person, with addresses and phone numbers. Payment must be received within one week, or you will forfeit your spot and be moved to the waiting list.** Please make checks payable to: Orange County Dept on Aging and mail to: Central Orange Senior Center, PO Box 8181, Hillsborough, NC 27278, or to the Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill, NC 27516. Please inquire regarding accessibility for assistive walking devices. Remember, trips fill quickly! Transportation refunds will be made only if you call the center and cancel your reservation three (3) working days before the trip. If the minimum number of people doesn't register for a trip, by one week prior to the trip's departure, it will be cancelled and refunds will be issued for the full amount.

Please arrive 15 minutes before the bus is scheduled to depart so it can be loaded and ready to leave on schedule.

Trips leave from the Central Orange Senior Center, 103 Meadowland Dr, Hillsborough, and from the Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill. Return trip times are approximate.

Thurs, Mar 12 (216007-01)

Temple Theatre in Sanford - *Ring of Fire*

This musical takes you into the world Jonny Cash created in his songs. Three dozen songs from the Man in Black's songbook are stitched together to depict the rough-hewn fabric of rural Americana. From the heart of the songs comes a show about love and faith, struggle and success, rowdiness and redemption. We will enjoy lunch at the Flame Steakhouse in Sanford prior to the show.

Cost: \$37 (Tickets & Transportation only)

Central Orange SC

10 am - 5:30 pm

Seymour Center

10:30 am - 5 pm

Fri, Mar 20 (226001-01)

Butner, NC: A Rural Southern Town with a Unique History

Butner has a rich history of agriculture, military and institutions. It was a training camp during WW II. Over time three large institutions: John Umstead Hospital, the Federal Correction Complex and the Murdoch Residential Center for developmentally disabled people were built in and around this quiet rural community. We will explore Butner in the morning and then in the afternoon travel to the nearby town of Creedmore for lunch at Bob's Barbeque and a visit to the Cedar Creek Gallery, filled with jewelry, pottery, blown glass and much more.

Come for a day of exploration and learning.

Fee: \$15 for transportation

Central Orange SC

9 am - 4:30 pm

Seymour Center

9:30 am - 4 pm

Fri, Apr 10 (226002-01)

Three Treasures on Beryl St in Raleigh

Winding behind the Waffle House, and not far from the State Fair Grounds, is a street full of surprises. Amid industrial buildings are found the Ralston Arboretum, the storage building for the art collection of the NC State Gregg Museum, and a wonderful Middle Eastern restaurant, Neomonde. Let's explore these three treasures together. The arboretum is not well suited for wheel chairs or walkers. A collection will be taken up for the arboretum tour and you are invited to contribute.

Fee: \$15 for transportation

Central Orange SC

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Seymour Center

9 am - 4 pm

Tues, Apr, 28 (226003-01)

PTA Thrift Stores - Deals Galore!

Back by popular demand! We will begin our trip with a stop at the PTA Thrift Shop in Siler City followed by lunch at the Bestfood Cafeteria before heading to the PTA Thrift Shop in Pittsboro. We will complete our shopping outing at the PTA Store in Cole Park Plaza. Come prepared to find deals on clothes and other items.

Fee: \$15 (lunch is extra)

Central Orange SC

9 am - 4:30 pm

Seymour Center

9:30 am - 4 pm

Fri, May 1 (226004-01)

NC Symphony in Raleigh

Grant Llewellyn will conduct this concert. The program will consist of Copeland's Appalachian Spring, two works by Samuel Barber and a world premier orchestration by Judd Greenstein: Change. We will arrive in time for the pre-concert lecture at 11 am and have lunch at the Irregardless Café following the concert.

Fee: \$31 for ticket and transportation

Central Orange SC

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Seymour Center

10 am - 4 pm

Thurs, May 14 (226005-01)

Temple Theatre in Sanford - *Hairspray* the musical

Hairspray won 8 Tony Awards and includes some of the most iconic characters in stage history. Tracy Turnblad, a large girl with big hair and a kind heart has only one passion - to dance. She wins a spot on a local TV dance program, and is quickly transformed into a teen celebrity. She sets out to vanquish the program's reigning princess, win the heart of the super handsome Link Larkin, and racially integrate the television show. This musical has great music and humor; however, it is a social commentary on the injustices of parts of American society in the 1960's. We will enjoy lunch prior to the play.

Cost: \$37 (Tickets & Transportation only)

Central Orange SC

10 am - 5:30 pm

Seymour Center

10:30 am - 5 pm

Wed, Jun 24 (236001-01)

Durham Bulls Game

Join us for an afternoon of baseball as we watch the Durham Bulls take on the Toledo Mud Hens. We have great seats behind home plate. Lunch will be at the stadium so you can grab a hot dog, peanuts and popcorn while enjoying the game. Game starts at 1:05 pm. Seats go fast! Return time may vary if the game goes into additional innings.

Fee: \$15 (includes ticket and transportation)

Central Orange SC
Seymour Center

11 am – 5 pm
11:30 am – 4:30 pm

SATURDAY GETAWAYS and EXTENDED TRIPS

If you desire further information, including deposits and final payment dates, payment arrangements, cancellations, travel insurance, travel agent's policies or other questions contact Cydnee Sims at 919-245-4250. If you have no questions or concerns and just want to register for a tour, call the main number of the Seymour Center at 919-968-2070. Our refund policies are as follows: To receive a refund on Extended Trips, cancellations must be made 21 days before the balance is due. If a cancellation is made after the balance due date, full or partial refunds will be offered **only** if someone can be found to replace you. Payment arrangements will be considered for trips of \$500 or more. To receive a refund on the Saturday Getaways, cancellations must be made 7 days before the trip leaves.

Tues, May 12 - Sun, May 17 (316007-01)

Hudson Valley & New York City, NY

Be a part of it...and take a bite of the Big Apple! Frank Sinatra immortalized it in song. Let's experience the best of this vibrant city which will capture the very heart of it during highlighted tours listed. This package includes: 5 Nights Lodging, 5 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners, 1 Dinner Cruise, Broadway Show, United Nations Tour, Lincoln Center Tour, Empire State Building, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Fifth Avenue/Rockefeller Center Shopping, Tour of Rockefeller Center and NBC Studios, Lunch. Tour of the Culinary Institute of America, Hudson River Cruise, US Military Academy at West Point, Franklin D Roosevelt's Home & Library, Vanderbilt Museum, Purple Heart Hall of Honor, Woodbury Common, Guided Tours of Upper & Lower Manhattan, including 9/11 Memorial Site Visit and Memorial Museum, Ferry Ride to Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island with Audio Tour and South Street Seaport. Tour also includes Souvenir Gift, Luggage Handling, All Taxes & Meal Gratuities. **Driver, step-on-guide, and hotel housekeeper gratuities not included.** The recommended gratuity for driver is \$3 - \$5 per person per day, each step-on-guide is \$2 - \$4, and each hotel housekeeper is \$2 - \$4 a day. **Checks should be made payable to OCDOA and received on or before Fri, Mar 27. We must have 40 participants for this tour to take place.** Travel Insurance available.

Tour Cost: \$989 per person double occupancy; \$1,258 per person for single occupancy

Seymour Center

7 am - 6:30 pm

Central Orange SC

7:30 am - 6 pm

Sat, May 30 (326034-01)

Historic Gems in Coastal North Carolina!

If you are a history and culture buff, you will enjoy touring the **Bellamy and Latimer Mansions** located in Wilmington, NC. Both mansions are best described here via Wilmington-NC.com website. Steeped in local history and serving as one of NC's best examples of antebellum architecture, the Bellamy Mansion is a rare antique treasure in Wilmington. With acres of exhibits to explore, visitors are invited to dive into a different time, and explore the Cape Fear region's rich cultural heritage. The Latimer House Museum and Gardens are one of Wilmington's many architectural and historical treasures, gliding its guests away to a bygone era of southern culture and opulence. A tremendously popular attraction and the home of the region's foremost Historical Society, the Latimer House Museum and Gardens is a worthy afternoon excursion for any visitor who wants to take a step back in time, and be utterly charmed in the process. If this getaway peaks your interest, sign up today!! Lunch is included in the cost of tour. **Driver gratuity is not included.** The recommended gratuity for driver is \$3 - \$5 per person per day. **Checks should be made payable to OCDOA and received on or before Sat, Apr. 18. We must have 25 participants for this tour to take place.**

Tour Cost: \$65

Seymour Center

8:30 am- 7 pm

Sun, Jul 12 - Sat, Jul 18 (316008-01)

Mackinac Island & Upper Peninsula, Grand Traverse Bay, and Frankenmuth, Michigan

Breathtaking forests and floral vistas! Climb aboard a horse-drawn carriage on beautiful Mackinac Island, and clippity-clop through breathtaking forests and floral vistas to view the sparkling water from the Arch Rock overlook. View the magnificent gardens from a rocking chair on the porch of the Grand Hotel. Taste your favorite flavor of fudge in one of the many shops that line the harbor area. Find treasures in Frankenmuth, Michigan's "Little Bavaria" and the home of Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, the world's largest Christmas store. You'll find pleasure on whichever tour you choose! This package includes: 6 Nights Lodging, 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch at Tahquamenon Falls Pub, 4 Dinners, including Soo Locks Dinner Cruise, Mackinac Island Horse-Drawn Carriage Tour, Hydro-jet Ferry Ride, Visit to Grand Hotel, Frankenmuth "Little Bavaria", Bronner's Christmas Wonderland, Great Lakes Shipwreck, Tahquamenon Falls, Tour Gift for All, Luggage Handling All Taxes and Meal Gratuities. **Driver, step-on-guide, and hotel housekeeper gratuities not included.** The recommended gratuity for driver is \$3 - \$5 per person per day, each step-on-guide is \$2 - \$4, and each hotel housekeeper is \$2 - \$4 a day. **Checks should be made payable to OCDOA and received on or before Fri, May 29. We must have 40 participants for this tour to take place.** Travel Insurance available. Departure times to be announced in summer newsletter.

Tour Cost: \$739 per person double occupancy; \$978 per person for single occupancy

Mon, Aug 30 - Thurs, Sept 3 (316008-01)

Pennsylvania Dutch Country

Homegrown and delicious! Experience the wonders of Lancaster County, known for its beautiful and bountiful, well-tended farmland. A patchwork quilt of historic buildings, Old Order Amish communities, unique shops and delectable food awaits our visit. Watch Elva in the gallery at her farm as she transforms a blank canvas into "Chalk Art." See the Micro-Mooery operation at Kreider Farms, and get a bird's eye view of the cow merry-go-round. Enjoy lunch on your own in Lititz, one of America's coolest towns, and browse the unique shops. Sample a Wilbur Chocolate "bud," and watch, learn and taste Intercourse Canning's delicious kitchen recipes and much more! You will absolutely love Pennsylvania's Amish Lands and Dutch Country after this visit. This package includes: 3 Nights Lodging, 3 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners, including one family-style and Shady Maple Smorgasbord and Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre, Kreider Farms "Farm Tour", Wilbur Chocolates, Downtown Lititz Shops, "Chalk Talk" with Elva Hurst, Intercourse Canning "Canarama Demonstration", Guided Tour of the Amish Lands, with stops at an Amish farm and a bake shop, Kitchen Kettle Village, Bird-in-Hand Farmer's Market, Amish Buggy Ride, Landis Valley Village and Farm Museum, Gift for All, Luggage Handling, All Taxes and Meal Gratuities. **Driver, step-on-guide, and hotel housekeeper gratuities not included.** The recommended gratuity for driver is \$3 - \$5 per person per day, each step-on-guide is \$2 - \$4, and each hotel housekeeper is \$2 - \$4 a day. **Checks should be made payable to OCDOA and received on or before Fri, June 26. We must have 40 participants for this tour to take place.** Travel Insurance available. Departure times to be announced in summer newsletter.

Tour Cost: \$ 449 per person double occupancy; \$558 per person for single occupancy

MORE TRIPS

Sept 21 - Oct 1

DANUBE RIVER CRUISE

Experience Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary by land and the Danube River. Enjoy small group travel aboard new, luxurious Lueftner ship, Europe's #1 cruise line. If you have never experienced a river cruise, you are in for a treat - intimate, comfortable, easy to navigate, and uncrowded dining. Imagine sitting on deck, soaking up foreign everyday life along the river bank aboard this 150 passenger vessel, not gazing into a wide expanse of water as with ocean cruises. Daily guided land tours, during daytime hours, to visit treasures in four different countries. Opportunity to explore on your own or take optional side trips.

Tour begins in Wurzburg, Germany (2 night stay); you're jumping off place to discover Wurzburg, Rothenburg (medieval walled town) and Munich. On to Passau where you board this up-scale ship with newest technology, panoramic deck, terrace cafe, wide-view salon and bar, fitness center, excellent cuisine and outstanding service.

Sail to Regensburg, Germany, a grand medieval city with over 1,400 historical buildings, bridges, Roman gate, and 12th century stone bridge. Wake the next morning surrounded by scenic valleys and charming riverside towns. Enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour of 2000 yr old Passau, with its cobbled stone streets.

View the picturesque landscapes as you cruise to the charming town of Emmersdorf. In the afternoon, continue cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with castles, to arrive in Vienna, Austria. Join a local expert to explore the lavish Hofburg Palace, opera house, and more. Stroll along the Kartnerstrasse or sample Vienna's famous pastries.

On to Bratislava, Slovakia's remarkable capital, discovering the city's most celebrated sites. After the captain's gala dinner, depart for Hungary where you tour Budapest's historic Buda castle area and enjoy splendid views of Buda and Pest, spread over both banks of the river. A fun-filled folklore show for your last evening.

We are guaranteed only 20 spots, so if you intend to go, book soon for a choice of cabins.

Cost: Cabins range from \$4,549 - \$4,999 (11 days, including 7 day Danube cruise, 23 meals with unlimited wine, 8 guided tours, round trip airfare, taxes and fees, to & from RDU, baggage handling, all tips except tour director and bus driver (optional). Insurance & cancellation waiver: \$345.

Trip offered by Friends of Seymour Center

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