

The Classics Courier

Autumn 2018

Dear Classics,

It has been a beautiful summer this year, but even so, there are always things to look forward to in the fall as we say goodbye to the hot weather and begin thinking about cooler temperatures and crunchy leaves. The Classics Club has your autumn covered with several fall socials and trips. Take a look inside to see what we have in store!

We had the opportunity to chat with Ron and Ruth Anthenat and hear about their memorable travels with the Classics Club. Ron and Ruth joined the Classics in 2014 when the Somonauk branch opened and have accompanied the Classics on many excursions ever since. They have gone on trips to many marvelous places such as Nashville, Branson, Colorado, West Virginia, Lake Michigan, and a handful of intriguing day trips.

The Anthenat's shared that their favorite types of trips are the Mystery Trips, as they have attended each surprise adventure. "You never know where you are going, and it is something new every time," said Ruth. "Even if we have been there before, it is nice to go back to places we haven't visited in years."

When asked what they would consider their favorite surprise destination on a Mystery Trip, Ron said, "We can't pick a favorite, we enjoy everything!" Ron said to anyone unsure of taking a trip with the Classics, "Try it once and see if you like it! You'll never know until you do it."

Ruth shared, "It's very relaxing, and we don't have to worry about going here or going there because the bus driver takes you where you need to go. It's very pleasant."

Ron and Ruth love to travel and enjoy the accommodations that the Classics Club provides. Ron said, "People ask me if we go on bus trips, and I say yes! I don't have to drive, I don't have to worry about traffic, and I get to see the scenery! We used to camp, for thirty-some years, and I looked at a lot of roads while I was driving. Now I can sit back and see all the scenery that I missed."

Ruth said, "You meet people and get to know those who travel the same trips that you travel." Ron and Ruth have many terrific memories of destinations from the past and are looking forward to fantastic trips that are to come!

We look forward to traveling with you in the next year, and we hope our exclusive itineraries will entice you to come aboard!

The Classics Team
Danette Hayes & Biljana Jovanovic

Entertaining Events in the Community Rooms

(HearthStone Center is located at 625 Bethany Road, DeKalb, IL 60115)

Rhine River Cruise Trip Presentation - Thursday, September 27, 2018

HearthStone at 10:00 a.m. & Somonauk at 3:00 p.m.

Activity Level 1 - Come hear all about our Rhine River Cruise. We will explore the Rhine Valley's Charmed History cruising through Holland, Germany, France, and Switzerland! **RSVP by September 24.**

"Drift Away Into Fall" - Saturday, October 20, 2018 - HearthStone Center*

Activity Level 1 - Kevin Miller and Brien Prenevost, two local gentlemen from Hampshire, IL, have been entertaining the Chicagoland area since their first sock-hop in the 6th grade. They can also be found playing with Miller's Hometown Band which they co-founded in 1979. Their music is played in wide variety from the 1960's through today. Come join us as Drift Away gets our toes tapping and enjoy a scrumptious meal catered by Lincoln Inn. Dinner starts at 5:00 p.m. with the doors opening at 4:30 p.m. **RSVP by October 15th. Members: \$35.00 • Guests: \$38.50**

Trip Presentations - Wednesday, October 24, 2018

HearthStone Center *at 10:00 a.m. & Somonauk at 3:00 p.m.

Activity Level 1 - Join us to see what fun and exciting trips and events we have planned for you in 2019! **RSVP by October 22nd.**

Holiday Party at HearthStone Center* - Saturday, December 1st, 2018

Activity Level 1 - Join us for a charming afternoon as we are served a delectable dinner by Headon and Sons and enjoy wonderful entertainment. We will be drawing the winner for The Classics Garden Path Quilt. You may purchase tickets at any of our 11 convenient locations. Proceeds from the quilt will go to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Sycamore. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. **RSVP by November 26th. Members: \$35.00 • Guests: \$38.50**

Day Trips

Ernest Hemingway Birthplace and Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio - Thursday, October 4th, 2018

Activity Level 4 - Spend the day with us as we travel to Ernest Hemingway's Birthplace Home. It is here that Ernest Hemingway was born in a second floor bedroom on July 21, 1899. For lunch, we will enjoy a tasty Italian feast at Lou Malnoti's, famous for their pastas and deep-dish pizzas. In the afternoon we will visit the Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio. After we tour the home, a step-on guide will join us on our coach and show us other homes designed by Frank Lloyd Wright that are now residential homes in the area. Take in the amazing architecture and history of each site. We hope you will join us for a fascinating day and learn more about these two "local" historical figures! **RSVP by September 24th. Payment is due upon registration. Members: \$130.00 • Guests: \$143.00**

Puccini's *La Boheme* at the Lyric Opera House in Chicago - Sunday, January 13, 2019

Activity Level 2 - *La Boheme* is one of world's most popular operas. Don't miss this timeless story of love among young artist in Paris. Experience the joy, love, heartbreak, and unforgettable music. Price includes tickets, lunch at The Sarah and Peer Pederson Room, transportation, and all tips and gratuities. **We have a limited number of tickets, so please call Classics as soon as possible!** **RSVP by October 20. Members: \$275.00 • Guests: \$297.00**

Extended Trips

Branson, MO - November 6th - 10th, 2018

Activity Level 6 - If you are interested in joining us for Branson, please contact us as soon as possible. We are offering a \$25.00 discount to our Veterans who join us. Price includes transportation, hotel accommodations, all shows, tours, taxes, tips, and gratuities. **Extended Deadline: September 17th, 2018. Payment is due upon registration.**

Hooray for Hollywood! December 28th, 2018 – January 2nd, 2019

Activity Level 6 - If you are interested in joining us for our trip to Hollywood, please contact us as soon as possible. **RSVP by September 19, 2018. Payment is due upon registration.**

St. Augustine - February 25th - March 2nd, 2019

Activity Level 6 - Want to get away to someplace warm during the cold winter months? Come with us as we spend a night in Jacksonville and 4 nights in St. Augustine where we will explore Amelia Island, take an airboat ride, board the Sunset Schooner for a dinner cruise, take a walking tour of St. Augustine, tour St. Francis Barracks, and spend the day at the Kennedy Space Center where we will enjoy lunch with an astronaut and much, much more!!

Please note: we must have a minimum of 20 people sign up to take this trip. \$50.00 discount if you sign up by November 1st! Contact Classics for details and pricing. RSVP by November 23rd.

Hooray for Hollywood! December 28th, 2018 – January 2nd, 2019

Activity Level 6 - Save the date for this once-in-a-lifetime moments tour. This trip will include: Rose Parade reserved seating, a Warner Bros VIP Tour, the Getty Museum, a Hollywood insiders tour, the Reagan Presidential Library, float decorating, and a New Year's Party! **Call Classics for pricing and details!**

Washington, D.C. - Embassy Week!

May 2-7, 2019

Activity Level 6 - We had so much fun on our last trip to Washington, D.C., and there is more we want you to see, so we are going back! This time we will be flying to Washington D.C. to experience Embassy Week! We have arranged a very special evening for our guests to enjoy a dinner in a Foreign Embassy as well as tour many of the embassies! You'll also tour Arlington National Cemetery and Monticello, home of our third President and author of the Declaration of Independence. Enjoy a performance at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, enjoy a tasty brunch aboard the Odyssey Cruise Ship while floating down the Potomac River; visit the Library of Congress, the Supreme Court Building, Washington National Cathedral, and so very much more!! *Trip will include round trip transportation, airfare, portage and transfers; five nights lodging, breakfast daily, one brunch, and five dinners, and all admissions and tours as described in the detailed itinerary.* **Please note: we must have a minimum of 25 people sign up to take this trip. \$50.00 discount if you sign up before December 1st! Contact Classics for more details and pricing. RSVP by January 11th, 2019.**

Activity Levels

Activity Level 1: No stairs.

Activity Level 2: A little walking, possible stairs.

Activity Level 3: Walking, getting on & off the coach, and possible stairs.

Activity Level 4: Walking, getting on & off the coach several times and stairs.

Activity Level 5: Walking distances which might be on non-flat surfaces, getting on & off the coach multiple times, and stairs.

Activity Level 6: All of the above, including multiple flights of stairs and activities requiring a higher level of stamina.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation policy on an extended trip is outlined by the tour company as stated in their trip brochure.

If you cancel a day trip or event after the date of the final payment and if we/you can find a person to take your place we will provide you with a full refund. In the event we don't have a wait list or you can't find a replacement, you will not receive any refund.

If the trip is scheduled with another tour company, then the trip cancellation policy is outlined by the tour company as stated in their trip brochure. If the trip is scheduled by the Classics Club then the cancellation policy will be listed on the Classics Club brochure/registration form for the specific trips.

CALENDAR

2018

SEPTEMBER

27 Rhine River Cruise Presentation at HearthStone & Somonauk

OCTOBER

4 Ernest Hemingway's Birthplace Museum & Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio

20 Drift Away Into Fall at HearthStone

24 2019 Trips Presentation at HearthStone & Somonauk

NOVEMBER

6-10 Branson, MO

DECEMBER

1 Holiday Party

28-Jan 2 Hooray For Hollywood

2019

JANUARY

13 Puccini's La Boheme at the Lyric Opera House

15 Soup Sampling at Somonauk

17 Soup Sampling at HearthStone

FEBRUARY

2 Social

25-Mar 2 St. Augustine/Jacksonville, FL

MAY

2-7 Washington D.C.

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