# UPCOMING TRIPS

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**FUNNY GIRL** 

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CARNIVAL
TREATS: MARDI
GRAS IN
LAFAYETTE

**ITALIAN VISTAS** 



# Gems of Iowa - July 25th, 2024

We will visit a little-known POW camp that existed in Algona from 1943 to 1946. Camp Algona was home to 10,0000 German prisoners from April 1944 to February 1946. We will also visit the Algona Nativity Scene, which has 65 lifesized figurines made of cement, built by the German prisoners. Included in this day trip is a delicious lunch at *Emeralds* in Algona. We will travel to the Shrine of the Grotto of the Redemption in West Bend, widely considered to be the "Eighth Wonder of the World". This includes a conglomeration of nine grotto's depicting scenes in the life of Jesus and contains a large collection of minerals and petrifications. It is believed to be the largest grotto in the world! We will have pickups in Spirit Lake at 6:00 a.m. Cherokee at 7:15 a.m and Storm Lake at 8:00 a.m. Members from other locations are welcome to meet us at one of the departure locations! Cost of this Day Trip is \$95 per person







# Beautiful - The Carole King Musical -August 8-9, 2024

Long before she was Carole King, charttopping music legend, she was Carol Klein, Brooklyn girl with a passion and chutzpah. This trip is currently sold out\*\*

# Fall Feels and Train Wheels - October 2, 2024

Join us for a day trip to Boone where we will enjoy a train ride, including a lunch on board. After our train ride, we will tour an orchard and enjoy fresh-baked apple pie! This trip really will give you all the "Fall Feels"! We will have pickups in Spirit Lake, Cherokee & Storm Lake. Members from other locations are welcome to join us at one of those pickup points.

Cost of this trip is \$155 per person





# Funny Girl at the Orpheum Theater in Omaha - November 12-13, 2024

The sensational Broadway revival dazzles with celebrated classic songs. This bittersweet comedy is the story of Fanny Brice, a girl from the Lower East Side who dreamed of a life on the stage. Everyone told her she'd never be a star, but she became one of the most beloved performers in history!

We will have pickups in Brookings, Sioux Falls and Sioux City!

Final details will be available soon!



# Irving Berlin's White Christmas at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater! - November 14-15, 2024



Join us for a 2-day adventure to! This song & dance musical spectacular will delight you! Based on the beloved, timeless film, this heartwarming adaptation features 17 Irving Berlin songs. White Christmas is a festive celebration of romance, friendship and the magic of Christmas.

We have included a tour of the Faribault Mill, founded in 1865. The tour will take us through the entire wool manufacturing process, from raw wool to the finished product....and don't worry, there will be time for a little retail therapy at the end of the tour!

# Spotlight on San Antonio Holiday - December 5-9, 2024

Enjoy the holiday spirit Texas-style as you settle into your River Walk hotel on this Southwestern getaway. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage sites of the legendary Alamo and Mission San José. Discover the bold flavors of Texas during dinner at a restored convent in the historic King William District. Visit the National Museum of the Pacific War when you venture to charming Fredericksburg nestled in the Hill Country, rich with German heritage. Cruise along the Paseo del Rio. Take in the holiday sights during an evening stroll with over 120,000 lights illuminating the River Walk during holiday season. Immerse yourself in the laid-back atmosphere of this vibrant city.









<u>Cajun Beats & Carnival Treats - Mardi Gras in Lafayette - March 1-9, 2025</u> Join us to celebrate Mardi Gras like only the Emerald Club can do!! Highlights of this trip include tours of the Tabasco Factory, the jungle, and the swamp! We will also have reserved seating for a Mardi Gras parade! You will get to experience southern food at its finest, including **Spuddy's Cajun Cooking Experience!** We have two special musical experiences planned, as well. We will tour two incredible plantations to give you some different perspectives on the lives of those living in the south during that time.

You cannot travel that far without spending some time in New Orleans, so we will end our trip there with the WWII Museum, the Steamboat Natchez and some time to explore the French Quarter! Final details will be available by the time this Newsletter arrives in your mailbox!

#### Italian Vistas - April 5-17, 2025

Extension in Taormina! Ask for details!

Join the Emerald Club as we explore Italy on this 13-day adventure! Highlights include Rome, Colosseum & the Ruins of Pompeii! You have choice on tour: Iconic Pompeii walking tour or leisurely Pompeii walking tour, Sorrento, Florence, Strue of David, Leaning Tower of Pisa, Tuscan Winery & Pisa. You will also experience Venice, Murano Island, Verona, Lake Maggiore, Stresa & another choice on tour: Isola Bella & Palazzo Borromeo Tour or Simplon Pass Day Trip!

Cost of this trip is \$6,249 for double occupancy, with a \$100 discount if you book before
October 6th, 2024! Add \$1,000 for single occupancy. There is an optional 3-night Pre Tour





For our members in Brookings, Sioux Falls and Sioux City: We have added a trip to Omaha with pickups in your towns! See page 2 for the details.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Brookings**

<u>Coffee & Conversation</u> - Join Amy at Kool Beans the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. RSVP to Amy at 605-696-3416

#### **Sioux Falls**

<u>Coffee & Conversation -</u> Join Jessica at SF Western Branch - July 25th - August 22nd - September 26th Please park in the back lot. RSVP to Jessica at 605-782-0819

# Sioux City & Dakota Dunes Lewis & Clark/Betty Strong Museum Tour -

<u>August 15th</u> Meet at Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center at 1:00 p.m. RSVP to Nancy at 605-540-4335

# **Coffee & Conversation**

Hamilton on September 4th at 10:00 a.m. Morningside on October 2nd at 10:00 a.m. RSVP to Nancy at 605-540-4335

<u>Talent Search</u> - Do you have a talent that you would like to share at a coffee? If it is a tangible item, it could be something you or someone else made.... perhaps a grandparent, spouse or child. Please let Nancy know, as it would be great to share!

<u>Cirque Dreams Holidaze at the Orpheum - November 27th</u> - Please join us at 7:00 p.m. for this appreciation event! We want to thank our members for your loyalty to Central Bank. This event is free to Emerald Club members. RSVP is required, as space is limited! 605-540-4335

#### **Spirit Lake**

# Coffee & Conversation at the Well - 10:00

July 10th - August 14th - September 11th RSVP to Tammy at 712-203-2125

# **Annual Dinner and Concert - August 15th**

Majestic Pavilion in Arnolds Park Doors open at 4:45 with a catered buffet meal served at 5:00. You will then have the opportunity to go next door to the Roof Garden for the Richie Lee concert beginning at 6:00.

RSVP is required, as space is limited!

#### Cherokee

# Coffee & Convo at Mud on Main - 2 p.m.

July 23th - August 20th - September 17th - October 15th November 19th & December 17th Please RSVP to Debbie at 712-225-9039

#### Picnic in the Park at the Yacht Club - July 31st

Doors open at 11:00. please bring a salad or dessert. Central Bank will provide chicken, lemonade & iced tea.

# **Harvest Banquet - October 24th!**

Little Sioux Event Center - doors open at 5:30. Entertainment will be Comedian Kyle Bush!

## **Storm Lake**

#### **Dutch Treat Luncheons at 11:30**

Someone will win a free lunch.....will it be you? July 17th at King's Pointe - August 15th at Villager -September 11th at Lakeshore RSVP to Stacy at 712-638-0013

# Community Ed's Prime Time at Storm Lake High School

- July 31st - Doors Open at 8:00 AM.

This fun morning includes breakfast, lunch and break-out sessions that you get to choose! In one of the sessions, Jerry Johnson will present his collection of memories, stories and historical documentation about the iconic Cobblestone Ballroom. Another session is *How to Avoid Scams*. Be sure to stop by the Emerald Club booth to get your activity card signed!

You can pre-register at Community Ed and pay \$10, or pay \$15 at the door that morning.

Movie in the Park - August 17th - Donations will go to Upper Des Moines. Enjoy an outdoor movie at the bandshell in Sunset Park complete with popcorn! Bring your lawn chair or blanket. The movie starts at dusk, no need to sign-up.

# Harvest Banquet at The Cobb - September 21st

Come and go from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Join us for a fun evening of food, refreshments, and live music by *The Expressions* beginning at 6:00 PM! This is a free event for all Emerald Club members, please call Stacy to sign-up!





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