

HERSHEY'S MILL BUS TRIPS
CURRENTLY OPEN FOR SIGN-UPS
(New Trips & Updates Added)

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www.hersheysmill.org/activities/bustrips/

Ocean City, NJ – Spring Block Party

Saturday, May 4, 2024

Cost: \$35.00 + Lunch

Departs: 9:00am

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

Join us for a fun day at the Spring Block Party in downtown Ocean City, NJ, on Asbury Avenue from 5th Street to 14th Street. There will be sidewalk sales, over 350 crafters, lots of vendors, music in the air, and lots of fun, food, and sweet treats. You can take a walk on the boardwalk and enjoy the ocean view, too! Lunch is on your own at one of the many restaurants/vendors; and we will leave Ocean City at 4:00pm to return to Hershey's Mill.

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Cost: \$35.00

Departs: 9:00am

Contact: Jayne Lytle

With springtime comes sunshine and wildflowers. An excellent time to join the Nature Group on a visit to the Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve (BHWP) located in New Hope, PA. This 134-acre Preserve hosts a native plant collection featuring over 700 of Pennsylvania's 2000 native plant species. BHWP's mission—to increase the knowledge and use of native plants—serves as an educational resource and destination that inspires conservation action. Preserve trained naturalists will serve as guides as we discover the flowers and fruits in season, as well as the habitats and important plant-animal interactions while enjoying the beauty of the trails. Our tour will take approximately one hour. The pathways are not handicapped accessible. After the tour, we'll have free time to enjoy the picnic area so bring a lunch or snack and a folding chair. A gift shop and restroom will also be available. We will leave Bowman's about 1:30 p.m.. Should weather prohibit our tour on May 7, we have booked a rain date of Thursday, May 9. Be sure to mark your calendar for both dates.

Cape May, NJ

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Cost: \$35.00 + Lunch

Departs: 8:30am

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

Join us as we go "On The Way to Cape May" for a day of shopping and strolling along Washington Square Mall, walking along the beach and seaside, and dining at one of Cape May's popular restaurants. An optional 45-minute Victorian Cape May Trolley Tour is also available at an additional cost of \$20.00.

HM Discoverers Road To Freedom Series – Battle of Brandywine

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Cost: \$55.00

Departs: 10:00am

Contact: Priscilla Burt

Join the Hershey's Mill's Discoverers for the second installment of the "Road to Freedom" series. This tour will explore the area of Chester and Delaware counties connected with the American Revolution's Battle of Brandywine, the largest land battle of the war. The battle was fought on September 11, 1777. Hershey's Mill's own author Bruce E. Mowday will guide the tour. Bruce has written three books on the Battle of Brandywine, including the first history of the battle and two books on Lafayette and his participation in the battle. The bus will make stops at vital points where George Washington, Lafayette, and Alexander Hamilton stood during the battle. A lunch at the historic Chadds Ford Tavern is planned where Bruce will be available for questions. If interested, quickly make reservations. The first tour of the Road to Freedom series sold out within days of being posted. The walking difficulty for this trip will be moderate, with stops at various vista points. Lunch is included in the cost of the trip.

Philadelphia Phillies

Friday, May 17, 2024

Cost: \$75.00 + Food

Departs: 4:15pm

Contact: Marc Fraser

Join us on Bryson Stott Bobble Figurine giveaway night for an evening of baseball at Citizen's Bank Park, as we watch our Philadelphia Phillies take on division rival Washington Nationals in a 6:40pm game. Seats are in Section 327 (similar to last season), and food is on your own at one of the many ballpark concessions. Call right away, as we expect our trips to see the Phillies this season to again sell out quickly! Children age 12+ are welcome.

Delaware Park

Thursday, May 30, 2024

Cost: \$20.00 + Lunch

Departs: 10:00am

Contact: Marge Bach

Join us at Delaware Park for an exciting day at the races! Watch the horse racing or try your luck at slots and table games. Lunch is on your own.

Ocean City, NJ - Grace Kelly High Tea @ Flanders Hotel

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Cost: \$90.00

Departs: 11:00am

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

Join us at the Flanders Hotel in Ocean City, NJ for the "Grace Kelly High Tea." From 2:00pm to 4:00pm, we will be dining on elegant finger foods, small tea sandwiches, dessert, and tea while enjoying a presentation on "Her Legacy." This event benefits the Ocean City Historical Museum, and you will have free time to stroll the town or boardwalk from 4:00pm until the bus leaves at 5:00pm to return to Hershey's Mill.

Philadelphia – Underground Railroad

Thursday, June 6, 2024

Cost: \$45.00 + Lunch

Departs: 9:15am

Contact: Susan Mojaverian

Join us on visits to Underground Railroad sites in Philadelphia, as described in Andrew K. Diemer's, "Vigilance: The Life of William Still." (The HM Book Club's May selection.) We will enjoy lunch (not included in cost) overlooking the Dock Street pier area at Keating's Rope and Anchor Bar & Kitchen, then visit the newly re-opened Belmont Mansion Underground Railroad Museum. Our guided tour will begin at the Mother Bethel AME Church and proceed through the historic 7th Ward areas, where walking up to 1.5 miles may be required. The museum is viewed as a guided tour which will take an hour.

American Music Theatre – "The Lettermen With The Buckingham"

Sunday, June 9, 2024

Cost: \$95.00

Departs: 1:00pm

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

The dictionary defines harmony as "a combination of musical sounds considered to be pleasing." The music world could define harmony as "The Lettermen." Donovan Tea, Bobby Poynton, and Rob Gulack have kept the meaning of harmony alive with their soft, romantic blend of music. The Lettermen have a myriad of hits including "The Way You Look Tonight," "When I Fall in Love," "Theme From A Summer Place," "Goin' Out of My Head/Can't Take My Eyes Off of You," "Put Your Head on My Shoulder," and "Hurt So Bad."

For the past four decades, The Buckinghams have toured the nation with their signature pop and rock chart hits from the '60s and '70s. Just a few of their Billboard Top 40 hits include "Kind of a Drag," "Don't You Care," "Susan," and "Hey Baby (They're Playing Our Song)."

Road To Freedom Series - Philadelphia

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Cost: \$40.00 + Lunch

Departs: 9:30am

Contact: Priscilla Burt

Join the Hershey's Mill Discoverers for the 3rd installment of the "Road to Freedom" series. This tour will explore the Museum of the American Revolution and historic Independence Mall in Philadelphia. Hershey's Mill's own author, Bruce F. Mowday, will provide information on Philadelphia becoming the Revolution's Capital City through the occupation of Philadelphia by British General William Howe during the winter of 1777-1778. Located in the heart of Historic Philadelphia, the museum explores the dramatic, surprising story of the American Revolution and its enduring legacy. The museum is handicapped accessible and has elevators between floors. For those interested, there will be a brief walking tour around Independence Hall before the bus departs for Hershey's Mill. Lunch is on your own at the Cross Keys Café at the museum. In interested, quickly make reservations, as previous "Road to Freedom" excursions were sold out within days of being advertised.

Stone Harbor

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

Cost: \$35.00 + Meals

Departs: 9:00am

Contact: Joan Bove,

Enjoy a day on your own at the beautiful seaside town of Stone Harbor. With the Intercoastal Waterway to the West and the Atlantic Ocean to the east, visitors can enjoy peaceful beaches, a quaint downtown, and exceptional restaurants on this barrier island. The shopping district is home to a variety of boutiques and shops that offer seashore chic clothing, jewelry, gifts, and home decor. There is a wide variety of restaurants for lunch and dinner. NOTE: Rain date is Tuesday, June 25, so be sure to mark your calendar for both dates.

American Music Theatre – “The Beach Boys”

Saturday, June 29, 2024

Cost: \$115.00

Departs: 5:30pm

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

The Beach Boys are one of the most critically acclaimed and commercially successful bands of all time. For more than six decades, The Beach Boys' music has been an indelible part of American history. Between the 1960s and today, the group has had over 80 songs chart worldwide, 36 of them in the US Top 40 (the most by a US rock band,) and four topping the Billboard Hot 100. Since the band's co-founder, lead-singer, and chief lyricist Mike Love penned the lyrics to The Beach Boys' first hit, "Surfin'" (1961,) dozens of the band's chart toppers have become eternal anthems of American youth: "Surfin' USA," "Surfer Girl," "Fun, Fun, Fun," "I Get Around," "California Girls," "Help Me Rhonda," "Barbara Ann," "Good Vibrations," "Wouldn't It Be Nice," "Rock and Roll Music," and "Kokomo." Inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 1988 and recipients of The Recording Academy's Lifetime Achievement Grammy Award in 2001, The Beach Boys are a beloved American institution that remains iconic around the world. Join us for a fun trip down Memory Lane. **NOTE: This is the actual Beach Boys – not a cover band.**

Philadelphia Museum of Art – Mary Cassatt, American Impressionist

Thursday, July 11, 2024

Cost: \$50.00 + Lunch

Departs: 9:00am

Contact: Priscilla Burt

The exhibition will present over 130 works of Mary Cassatt's evolving practice and work of artmaking. A native of Pennsylvania, Mary first studied in Philadelphia, and later France, where she spent most of her adult life. She is most famous for her impressionistic paintings depicting women in the late 19th century. In addition to the audio tour of the Cassatt exhibit, there will be free time to explore throughout the Museum and visit the gift shop. Lunch is on your own at the Café or the Stir Restaurant. There is a reduced fee for museum members.

SERIES TRIPS

2024-2025 Walnut Street Theatre Series

Thursday & Saturday Matinees

Cost: \$295.00 (Series) or \$60.00 (Per Show)

Departs: 12:30pm

Thursday Series Contact: Jayne Lytle (Wait List Only)

Saturday Series Contact: Priscilla Burt

We encourage you to sign up right away, as these series fill up very quickly! Cost reflects both per person admission and bus fee for all five shows in the series. The Walnut Street Theatre's 2024-2025 Season includes the following shows for both series:

Thursday 10/24/24 & Saturday 10/26/24 – "JERSEY BOYS"

Thursday 12/12/24 & Saturday 12/14/24 - "ELF – The Musical"

Thursday 1/30/25 & Saturday 2/1/25 – "DRIVING MISS DAISY"

Thursday 3/6/25 & Saturday 3/8/25 – "Noel Coward's HAY FEVER"

Thursday 4/17/25 & Saturday 4/19/25 – "DREAMGIRLS"

NOTES:

1. Prior to making payment, anyone who wishes to participate in a bus trip must first call the contact person to ensure that there is still room on the bus.
2. All bus riders must be aged 18 or older unless otherwise noted in the trip write-up.
3. Trip payment checks should be made payable to "HERSHEY'S MILL HOA", sealed in an envelope (noting trip name and date), and placed in the maroon "Customer Service" mailbox next to the Security Center in the exit lane at the Main Gate.
4. Refunds are only granted if (1) the trip is canceled, or (2) the trip has a wait list from which another passenger can fill the vacated spot.
5. Bus leaves promptly at the scheduled Leave Time. Please plan to arrive at the Recreation Area parking lot 10 minutes early for boarding.
6. The Hershey's Mill Bus Committee is always looking for more volunteers to help share ideas and plan bus trips! If interested, call Marc Fraser at 610-431-4006.
7. Hershey's Mill residents can rent the bus to take groups of other residents (primarily) and guests on private trips to various regional locations of their choice. For more information, contact Marc Fraser at 610-431-4006.