HERSHEY'S MILL BUS TRIPS CURRENTLY OPEN FOR SIGN-UPS

(New Trips & Updates Added)

Bus Trip Information can also be viewed online at www.hersheysmill.org/activities/bustrips/

<u>American Music Theatre – "Chubby Checker with Chris Ruggiero"</u>

Friday, March 28, 2025

Cost: \$105.00 Departs: 5:30pm

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

Join us at the American Music Theatre for a trip down memory lane, as we take in a special performance by Chubby Checker, who will be singing all of our favorite songs! Every time Chubby Checker steps onto a stage, he demonstrates charisma and a unique quality that can never be equaled. In 1960 he went on American Bandstand where he performed "The Twist." Those two minutes and 42 seconds forever changed the way we dance to the beat! He is the only artist to have 5 albums in the Top 12 all at once, and he remains one of the most exciting performers out there...and only gets better with time! Appearing with Chubby Checker is Chris Ruggiero, who takes his audiences on a journey through the golden age of rock and roll, breathing new life into the timeless music of the 1950's, 60's, and 70's. Chris has been described as an "old soul' at only 25 years old, whose approach to his concert appearances is more in line with that of a bygone era than it is the artists of his generation.

Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre – "Fiddler on the Roof"

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Cost: \$95.00 Departs: 10:00am Contact: Grace Reed

Set in a Russian village where Tevye, a husband and father, strives to uphold his family's religious and cultural traditions. The timeless score includes If I Were a Rich Man, Matchmaker, Matchmaker, Tradition, To Life, and Sunrise, Sunset. The trip includes an all-you-can-eat buffet lunch with a full salad bar and a variety of entrees and desserts.

Victor Café – Classical Italian Eats with a Side of Opera (WAIT LIST ONLY)

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

Cost: \$95.00 Departs: 3:45pm Contact: Priscilla Burt

Enjoy a special evening at South Philadelphia's historic Victor Café, a favorite rendezvous for music lovers and celebrities for decades. Our "Mozart" dinner selection will feature 4 courses with a choice of 5 entrees. Professionally trained vocalists will entertain throughout the evening. Dinner, tax, and gratuity are included in the cost. Sign up early, as this is a popular trip; and space is limited!

Mansions on the Delaware

Thursday, April 24, 2025

Cost: \$105.00 Departs: 8:15 AM

Contact: Susan Mojaverian

Historic Mansions along the Delaware River in Bucks County, PA: Join us as we take a guided tour through three centuries of gracious living along the beautiful Delaware River, beginning at Andalusia (1794), then Glen Foerd (1850), followed by a buffet luncheon at historic King George II Tavern, the oldest continuously operating tavern in the U.S. Our tour ends at Pennsbury Manor, a recreation of William Penn's 43-acre ancestral estate and museum depicting the founding of Pennsylvania. Price includes bus tour guide, restaurant costs, and all admission fees. This day will require much walking and getting on and off the bus, so be ready for a very active day!

Steel River Playhouse – "What the Constitution Means to Me"

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Cost: \$35.00 Departs: 1:00pm

Contact: Sharon Richardson

"What the Constitution Means to Me" was written in 2017. Based on a true story, Heidi Schreck addresses themes such as women's rights, immigration, domestic abuse, and the history of the United States. Schreck varies the time period in which the play takes place, performing some scenes as her modern self and others as her fifteen -year-old self, participating in Constitutional debate contests in VFW halls. "What the Constitution Means to Me" was nominated for Best Play for the 73rd Tony Awards.

Wheaton Arts

Thursday, May 1, 2025 Cost: \$35.00 + Lunch Departs: 9:45am Contact: Lynn Mander

If you are a Netflix subscriber, perhaps you've watched Blown Away, the glass blowing competition, now in Season 4. While it's a great show and somewhat nerve wracking watching the craftsmen make these wonderful works of art, you now have the opportunity to see glassblowing live. Wheaton Arts is a national cultural treasure located on 45 wooded acres in southern New Jersey. Wheaton Arts is home to the Museum of American Glass, an international Creative Glass Fellowship Program, the largest Folklife program in the Garden State, a Hot Glass Studio, several traditional Craft Studios, Museum Stores, an Event Center, Nature Trail, and a beautiful pond-side picnic grove – a true Pineland Sanctuary! We will take a guided tour of the Museum and see a live demonstration of glass blowing. We will have lunch beforehand at a classic New Jersey diner (not included in the price but separate checks), so you won't be hungry while we're visiting Wheaton.

Philadelphia Orchestra

Friday, May 2, 2025

Cost: \$25.00 Departs: 12:00pm Contact: Priscilla Burt

Enjoy a wonderful afternoon at the Kimmel Center for the Philadelphia Orchestra concert featuring Franz Liszt's symphonic poem, Piano Concerto No, 1. The program also includes Strauss, Dance of the Seven Veils, Salome and Wagner, Overture to Tannhauser. <u>Cost is for bus only</u>, and trip participants may purchase tickets online at www.philorch.org or by calling 215-893-1999.

The Morgan Library Museum

Saturday, May 3, 2025 Cost: \$75.00 + Lunch Departs: 8:00am

Contact: Pat Storlazzi, (after April 1) & Maria Edwards (before April 1)

Marking the 2024 Centennial as a public institution, the Morgan Library and Museum will present a major exhibition devoted to the life and career of its founding director, Belle Da Costa Greene, the personal librarian to J.P. Morgan. She is one of the most prominent librarians, and curators in American History and the world. She is widely recognized as an authority on manuscripts, rare, printed books, archival records and portraits. After the death of J.P. Morgan, she continued as the first director of the library. Her professional correspondence catalogued only recently, offers new insight into how Belle maneuvered in a world of books, manuscripts and paintings in a world dominated by men. Objects and letters on display document the experiences of Belle and other women who worked with Greene at the Morgan Library. Join us for a look into her distinguished life and career as a woman who devoted her life to what she believed was important to preserve. Lunch is on your own. The café is available for lunch; and within walking distance, you will find many restaurants. Please join us for this incredible celebration marking the Centennial of the JP Morgan Library.

Springtime at Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 (May 13 Rain Date)

Cost: \$35.00 Departs: 9:30am Contact: Jayne Lytle

Stoneleigh in Villanova, a spectacular 42-acre natural garden opened to the public in 2018, comes alive in springtime with trillium, dwarf iris, woodland phlox, trumpet honeysuckles, flowering dogwoods, redbuds and much more. Our staff-guided walking tour of the gardens will provide us with interesting facts about newly designed gardens and with an appreciation of the past landscape designs by the Olmsted Brothers. We will also tour the magnificent Tudor Revival-style mansion - which is usually only open for special events - so don't miss this opportunity for a peek inside! Expect extensive walking on paved pathways. Should weather prohibit our tour on May 6, we have booked a rain date of May 13. Be sure to mark your calendar for both dates.

Philadelphia Phillies

Friday, May 16, 2025 Cost: \$75.00 + Food Departs: 4:15pm

Contact: Marc Fraser, 610-431-4006

Join us on <u>Zach Wheeler Bobble Figurine giveaway night</u> for an evening of baseball at Citizen's Bank Park, as we watch our Philadelphia Phillies take on the Pittsburgh Pirates in a 6:45pm game. Seats are in Sections 329-331 (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.

American Music Theatre – "The Beach Boys – The Sounds of Summer"

Saturday, May 31, 2025

Cost: \$105.00 Departs: 12:00pm

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry

Join us for a "trip down memory lane!" The Beach Boys are one of the most critically acclaimed and commercially successful bands of all time with over 100 million records sold worldwide! They are led by lead singer and critically acclaimed chief lyricist Mike Love and longtime member Bruce Johnston. The concert will sell out, so be sure to make your reservations as early as possible, as the **deadline to sign up is April 28.**

SERIES TRIPS

2025-2026 Walnut Street Theatre Series

Thursday & Saturday Matinees Cost: \$300.00 (Entire Series)

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 2025-2026 Season includes the following shows for both series:

Thursday 10/30/25 & Saturday 11/1/25 – "Million Dollar Quartet"

Thursday 12/18/25 & Saturday 12/20/25 – "A Christmas Story" – The Musical

Thursday 2/12/26 & Saturday 2/14/26 – "Sherlock Homes: The Great Detective"

Thursday 3/26/26 & Saturday 3/28/26 – Edward Albee's "A Delicate Balance"

Thursday 5/14/26 & Saturday 5/16/26 – "1776" – The Musical

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.