

## Special Tour Events for 2017 World Show

### **Sunday, September 24, 2017 “Tour of Washington, DC”**

8:00 a.m. pick up at Fredericksburg Hospitality House, Tour includes: Arlington Cemetery, WWII Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, FDR Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Korean Memorial, Ford’s Theatre, US Capitol, The White House (photo opportunity only), the Smithsonian Institute Museum and Washington Monument. Return to hospitality house. Cost is \$75 per person, minimum 30 people – licensed sightseeing driver guide - 2 week deadline

### **Monday, September 25, 2017 “Civil War Battlefield Tour”**

In this area, on the direct route between Washington and Richmond, were fought four major battles of the Civil War. Two of the battles – Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville – are considered to be among Confederate General Robert E. Lee’s most brilliant victories. Yet after the battles of Spotsylvania and the Wilderness, Union General U.S. Grant destroyed the offensive power of the Confederates in the relentless push, “On to Richmond!” 9:00 am - Passengers load at Fredericksburg Hospitality House, 9:15 am - Arrive at **Chatham**, a Georgian plantation home, served as a vital Federal headquarters, communications center and hospital during the Battle of Fredericksburg. From its elevated vantage point in Stafford, Union artillery at Chatham bombarded the town before Union troops advanced over the Rappahannock River into the streets of Fredericksburg. Allow 45 minutes. No entrance fee.

10:15 am – Arrive at **Fredericksburg Battlefield Visitor Center** features museum exhibits and a film that vividly portrays the life of the citizens and soldiers who lived and fought in the Fredericksburg area during four major Civil War battles. Allow 30 minutes. Opt for a short guided walk along Sunken Road where Confederate troops securely positioned behind the famous “Stone Wall” dispatched more than 8,000 Union soldiers during the Battle of Fredericksburg, and through the National Cemetery, where 15,000 Union troops are buried. Allow 30 minutes. 11:30 am – Arrive at the **Chancellorsville Battlefield Visitor Center** is located 13 miles west of Fredericksburg and is the site where Confederate General Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson was mistakenly and mortally wounded here by his own troops in May, 1863. The battle is known as Robert E. Lee’s greatest victory. Museum exhibits, dioramas, and a film provide an orientation to the battlegrounds. Allow 30 minutes. \$2 fee for movie. 12:30 pm – Cost is \$48 per person - minimum of 15 persons – Guided tour.

### **Monday, September 25, 2017 – “Tour of Colonial Williamsburg”**

8:30 am – Passengers load coach for Colonial Williamsburg, 10:00 am – Arrive Colonial Williamsburg and begin your three hour guided tour of the Revolutionary City. Meet the townspeople, tradespeople, shopkeepers, political figures, women, and the enslaved who call Williamsburg home – and learn of their hopes, struggles, and fears in these uncertain times. As you explore the challenges of daily life set against the backdrop of revolution, look for the many opportunities to play your role as a citizen of the Revolutionary City. 1:00 pm – Lunch on own and shopping in Merchants Square. Located adjacent to Colonial Williamsburg’s Historic Area, Merchants Square is an 18<sup>th</sup> century style retail village with over 40 shops and restaurants. Visitors and local residents alike regularly experience the Square’s unique shopping, dining and special events offerings in a setting of unrivaled beauty. 2:30 pm – Passenger load coach and depart for Yorktown Battlefield’s, 3:00 pm – Discover what it took for the United States to be independent as you explore the site of the last major battle of the Revolutionary War. Here at Yorktown, in the fall of 1781, General George Washington, with allied American and French forces, besieged General Charles Lord Cornwallis’s British Army. On October 19, Cornwallis surrendered, effectively ending the war and ensuring independence. 4:00 pm. – Depart for Fredericksburg, VA Cost is \$125 per person - Minimum of 30 persons, includes transportation; admissions to Colonial Williamsburg and the Colonial National Park service in Yorktown, VA – guided tour.

### **Tuesday, September 26, 2017 “Tour of National Museum of the Marine Corps”**

9:30 am – Pick up at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House. The National Marine Corps Museum – A monument to honor, courage, and commitment, the museum is a lasting tribute to U.S. Marines – past, present and future. World-class, interactive exhibits, using the most innovative technology, surround visitors with irreplaceable artifacts and immerse them in the sights and sounds of Marines in action. Visiting the museum is on your own, however there are docents throughout the museum to answer questions. Two lunch options are available in the museum: Devil Dog Dinner and the Tun Tavern. 2:00 pm – Depart museum back to the Fredericksburg Hospitality House. Cost is \$45 per person - 15 person minimum. Guided tour.

### **Wednesday, September 27, 2017 – 9:00 am to 10:30 am “Old Town Fredericksburg” or Saturday, September 30, 2017 – 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm “Old Town Fredericksburg”**

75 minute trolley tour to see some of Old Town Fredericksburg’s most historic sites and streets with a trained, licensed guide. Learn about the many famous and interesting people and events that have taken place since the city was established in 1728. If you listen closely, you may even pick up a few amusing and not-so-well known facts about the people and places that you will see along the way! The kind of things you won’t learn just walking around on your own. After your tour, you will have a better idea of the local history and the many attractions Fredericksburg has to offer. You will also have a better idea of where you want to start as you go back to visit the many living history museums, homes and businesses of Fredericksburg most famous residents. People like George Washington, Mary Washington, and James Monroe. Places like the Rising Sun Tavern, Fredericksburg’s only proper tavern and the former home of Charles Washington, Dr. Hugh Mercer’s apothecary shop, the Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center, Kenmore Plantation and many more. Cost is \$25 per person - 20 person minimum, 32 person maximum

