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Fall 2011 Newsletter

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Bus tour to Mackinac Island



Land/cruise tour to Alaska

****PLEASE NOTE CHANGE****

Registration begins Friday, August 19, 2011. In an effort to provide the level of customer service you have come to expect, we will only accept registrations in person on Friday beginning at 8:30 A.M. Beginning Monday, August 22, we will process registrations in person or by phone.

Big "M" Casino

in Little River, S.C.

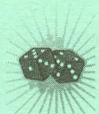
Date: Thursday, September 1, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:00am and return approximately 6:30pm

Cost: \$20.00 per person (\$25.00 out of county), which includes transportation, boarding pass for the cruise, choice of breakfast or lunch buffet, and a water and snack for ride home.

****All participants must have a picture ID to board the casino boat****

No refunds after August 25 unless seat is filled!



Duplin Winery

in Rose Hill, N.C.

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:00am and return approximately 7:00pm

Cost: \$15.00 per person (\$20.00 out of county), which includes transportation, wine tasting, guided tour of vineyards, and a water and snack for ride home.

Lunch will be on your own at the Bistro at Duplin Winery.

No refunds after September 1 unless seat is filled!

Marlboro County Historical Museums

in Bennettsville, S.C.

Date: Friday, September 9, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:00am and return approximately 2:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person (\$15.00 out of county), which includes transportation, guided tour of 4 houses and museums, and a tour of the Marian Wright Edelman Public Library.

Lunch will be on your own at Magnolia on Main restaurant

No refunds after August 25 unless seat is filled!

The Hunley Submarine Tour

in Charleston, S.C.

Date: Tuesday, September 20, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:30am and return approximately 5:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation and admission to the Hunley exhibit with private tour of museum.

Lunch will be on your own at S & S Cafeteria

No refunds after September 7 unless seat is filled!

****PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE 17 NARROW STEPS TO CLIMB IN ORDER TO SEE THE EXHIBIT****

Day at Broadway at the Beach

in Myrtle Beach

Enjoy a day at Broadway at the Beach to do *whatever!* Choose from shopping, restaurants, an aquarium, a cinema, an IMAX Theatre, Wonderworks and lots of walking.

Date: Friday, September 23, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:00am and return approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person (\$15.00 out of county), which includes transportation.

Lunch will be on your own

No refunds after September 14 unless seat is filled!

Southern Women's Show

at the Merchandise Mart in Charlotte, N.C.

Date: Friday, September 16, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:00am and return approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation, biscuit and juice for the ride, and admission to show.

Lunch will be on your own at the show

No refunds after September 7 unless seat is filled!

Fort Jackson Museum

in Columbia, S.C.

Date: Thursday, September 22, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:30am and return approximately 4:00pm

Cost: \$15.00 per person (\$20.00 out of county), which includes transportation, guided tour of Chaplain Museum, Finance Corps Museum, Adjutant General Corps tour, and lunch on the base.

*****ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A PICTURE ID TO GO ON TRIP AND PROVIDE PROPER NAME WHEN REGISTERING*****

No refunds after September 7 unless seat is filled!

Billy Graham Library and the Carolinas Aviation Museum

Date: Monday, September 26, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 7:30am and return approximately 7:00pm.

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation, snack and water, and admission to the library and the museum.

Lunch will be on your own at the Billy Graham Library

No refunds after September 14 unless seat is filled!

Day on the Barefoot Princess

at Barefoot Landing in Myrtle Beach

Date: Wednesday, October 5, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:30am for Barefoot Landing and return approximately 5:00pm
Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes free time for shopping and a sight-seeing cruise on the Intracoastal Waterway.

Lunch will be on your own at Barefoot Landing

No refunds after September 14 unless seat is filled!

Boone Hall Plantation

Date: Friday, October 7, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:30am and return approximately 7:30pm
Cost: \$40.00 per person (\$45.00 out of county), which includes transportation, a guided tour, a Gullah Culture presentation, lunch at Gullah Cuisine Lowcountry Restaurant, and snack and water for ride home.

No refunds after September 21 unless seat is filled!

The Gullah presentation is a live presentation of a unique culture adapted by African slaves. We will have a guided house tour and have self-guided tours of the gardens and the cabins.

Hyman Vineyards

in Conway, S.C.

Date: Friday, October 14, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:30am and return approximately 4:00pm
Cost: \$15.00 per person (\$20.00 out of county), which includes transportation, talk on the health benefits of the Muscadine grapes, wine tasting, and a souvenir glass.

Lunch will be on your own at the Crafty Rooster Restaurant in Conway

No refunds after September 27 unless seat is filled!

President James K. Polk Museum and Historic Site

in Pineville, N.C.

Date: Wednesday, October 19, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:00am and return approximately 5:00pm
Cost: \$15.00 per person (\$20.00 out of county), which includes transportation, guided tour of 2 buildings, video, and self-guided museum tour.

Lunch will be on your own at Waldhorn Restaurant

No refunds after October 5 unless seat is filled!

Shopping at Smithfield Outlets

in North Carolina

Date: Thursday, October 20, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:30am and return approximately 5:00pm
Cost: \$10.00 per person (\$15.00 out of county), which includes transportation.

Lunch will be on your own

No refunds after October 13 unless seat is filled!

The outlets are located off of I-95 and they include Nike, Yankee Candle, Croc, Carolina Pottery, and many more!

Pirates Voyage

in Myrtle Beach

Guests will experience the spirit and swashbuckling excitement of the pirates who called the Carolina coast home. The Crimson and Sapphire pirates battle each other on deck, in the water, and in the sky above their full sized pirate ships in a 15-foot-deep indoor lagoon.

Date: Friday, November 4, 2011
Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 3:00pm and return approximately 9:30pm
Cost: \$50.00 per person (\$55.00 out of county), which includes transportation, dinner at the theatre, and admission to the show.

No refunds after October 12 unless seat is filled!

Dolly Parton's newest adventure dinner show

**Shopping trip to
Coastal Grand Mall**
in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:00am and return approximately 5:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person (\$15.00 out of county)
Lunch will be on your own

Come join us for a day of pre-Thanksgiving shopping at Coastal Grand Mall. They have over 150 stores and eateries including Belk, JCPenney, Dillard's, and Dick's Sporting Goods just to name a few!

No refunds after October 26 unless seat is filled!

Cypress Bend Vineyards
in Wagram, N.C.

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 10:00am and return approximately 4:30pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation, lunch at General McArthur's, wine tasting, guided tour of winery, and a souvenir glass.

No refunds after October 19 unless seat is filled!

Southern Christmas Show

at the Merchandise Mart in Charlotte, N.C.

Date: Friday, November 11, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 8:00am and return approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation, biscuit/juice, and admission to the show.

Lunch will be on your own at the show

No refunds after October 26 unless seat is filled!



Holiday Show at Alabama Theatre

Enjoy a holiday feast with all your friends and a surprise guest appearance during lunch. Door prizes will be drawn.

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:00am and return approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$60.00 per person (\$70.00 out of county), which includes transportation, admission to the matinee show, and a Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Marriott Resort at the Grande Dunes.

No refunds after October 19 unless seat is filled!



Legends in Concert

Join us at the brand new theatre in Broadway at the Beach. Performing at Legends will be Buddy Holly, Tim McGraw, Liberace, Marilyn Monroe, Elvis, and Michael Jackson.

Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 10:00am and return approximately 6:00pm.

Cost: \$45.00 per person (\$50.00 out of county), which includes transportation, lunch at Carolina Roadhouse, and admission to the show.

No refunds after November 2 unless seat is filled!

The Carolina Opry

Christmas Special

Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 10:30am and return approximately 8:00pm

Cost: \$55.00 per person (\$65.00 out of county), which includes transportation, admission to the matinee show, and dinner at the Chesapeake House.

No refunds after November 15 unless seat is filled!

The Chesapeake House sits on a beautiful lake on Restaurant Row and has one of the best views on the beach.

Christmas on Ice

at the Palace Theatre

From the creators of the international smash hit show "Spirit of the Dance" comes this new and exciting show featuring previous winter Olympic skaters, the best high kicking dancers this side of New York, and all your favorite Christmas songs sung by the best of Broadway and London's West End in one big magical Holiday Season Show.

Date: Thursday, December 1, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 11:30am and return approximately 7:30pm

Cost: \$50.00 per person (\$55.00 out of county), which includes transportation, dinner at T-Bonz, and admission to the matinee show.

No refunds after November 9 unless seat is filled!

American Music Jubilee

Christmas Show

in Smithfield, N.C.

This Christmas Show is a very special treat and is guaranteed to get you in the spirit of the holidays. Sing along with traditional Christmas favorites and laugh until you cry at the antics of our comedian.

Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 9:00am and return home approximately 6:00pm

Cost: \$45.00 per person (\$50.00 out of county), which includes transportation, lunch at Cracker Barrel, and admission to the show.

No refunds after November 9 unless seat is filled!

Riverbanks Zoo

"Lights Before Christmas"

Date: Monday, December 12, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 3:00pm and return approximately 10:00pm

Cost: \$30.00 per person (\$35.00 out of county), which includes transportation, dinner at Little Pigs Barbecue, and admission to the zoo.

No refunds after November 30 unless seat is filled!

Nights of Wonder and Holiday Lights on the River at Saluda Shoals Park

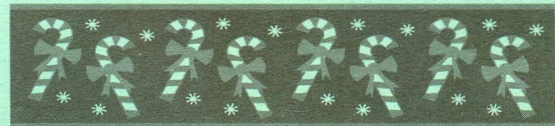
Date: Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Parks and Recreation at 2:00pm and return approximately 10:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person (\$15.00 out of county), which includes transportation, admission to the park, and the wetland walking trail.

Dinner will be on your own at Carrabba's Restaurant in Columbia

No refunds after December 1 unless seat is filled!



Nights of a Thousand Candles

at Brookgreen Gardens

Date: Thursday, December 15, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 2:00pm and return approximately 10:30pm

Cost: \$35.00 per person (\$40.00 out of county), which includes transportation, dinner (*choice of either: Seafood platter, BBQ platter, Lowcountry Shrimp and Grits, Vegetable Lasagna, or Vegetable Soup plate*), admission to the gardens, and music.

No refunds after November 9 unless seat is filled!



Theatre of the Republic in

in Conway, S.C.

presents: "*Holiday on Main Street*"

Holiday on Main Street is a play that has been delighting audiences since 2002. This original holiday story is written with love and joy that only Christmas can bring.

Date: Saturday, December 17, 2011

Time: Depart Florence County Recreation at 10:30am and return approximately 7:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person (\$30.00 out of county), which includes transportation, and admission to the matinee show.

Lunch will be on your own

No refunds after November 9 unless seat is filled!

2011 SCRPA Senior Beach Retreat

October 24 - 27, 2011

\$295.00 per person based on double occupancy (\$395.00 single rate)

Price includes: transportation, 3 nights hotel accommodations at Springmaid Resort, 3 full meals (buffet) daily, a South Carolina history presentation with Dr. Joseph Stukes, masquerade ball, entertainment outing to Legends in Concert, and activities galore!!

Cambridge, Ohio (Dickens Victorian Village Christmas)

November 14 - 17, 2011

\$499.00 per person based on double occupancy (\$648.00 single rate)

Price includes: motorcoach transportation, 3 nights hotel accommodations, 6 meals (3 breakfasts and 3 dinners - 1 dinner to be at the Colonel Taylor Inn after a candlelight tour), guided tour of the Dickens Victorian Village display, "A Coal Miners Christmas" presentation and train ride, visit to National Museum of Cambridge Glass, tours of the Georgetown Winery and the Living Word Presentation, a character guide for the entire tour, taxes, meal gratuities, and baggage handling.

****Out of county residents please add \$20.00 per person****

Biltmore Estate in Asheville, N.C.

November 30 - December 2, 2011

\$339.00 per person based on double occupancy (\$409.00 single rate)

Price includes: motorcoach transportation, 2 nights hotel accommodations, 4 meals (2 breakfasts and 2 dinners - 1 to be a holiday dinner at the Biltmore), self-guided candlelight tour of the Biltmore House, wine tasting at the Biltmore Winery, admission to the Biltmore Estate and Gardens, view the gingerbread house competition entries at Grove Arcade, visit the N.C. Farmers Market, taxes, meal gratuities, and baggage handling.

****Out of county residents please add \$20.00 per person****

New York City at Christmas

December 5 - 9, 2011

\$769.00 per person based on double occupancy (\$849.00 single rate)

Price includes: motorcoach transportation, 4 nights hotel accommodations (3 in the New York City area), 7 meals (4 breakfasts and 3 dinners), guided tour of New York City, performance of the Radio City Rockettes Christmas Show, Broadway Show (Wicked), free time for shopping in the city, taxes, meal gratuities, and baggage handling.

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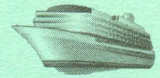
8 day/7 night Southern Caribbean Cruise

on Royal Caribbean's "Adventure of the Seas"

Date: February 4 - 12, 2012

Cost: \$1,449.00 per person (\$1,469.00 out of county) Inside Cabin—Category Q
\$1,549.00 per person (\$1,569.00 out of county) Inside Cabin—Category N
\$1,649.00 per person (\$1,669.00 out of county) Promenade Cabin—Category PR
\$1,649.00 per person (\$1,669.00 out of county) Outside Cabin—Category I
\$1,949.00 per person (\$1,969.00 out of county) Balcony Cabin—Category E2

For single occupancy please call for pricing



Price includes: Transportation to and from airport for the first 20 paying passengers, 1 night hotel accommodations in Charlotte (Feb. 4), round-trip airfare to and from San Juan, Puerto Rico, cruise, cabin, shipboard meals, port charges, and taxes.

Ports of Call: Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas; Basseterre, St. Kitts; Oranjestad, Aruba and Willemstad, Curacao

Bingo for Senior Adults

Join Florence County Parks and Recreation for mornings of fun, laughter, and conversation while playing the game of Bingo.

The dates are as follows:

Monday - September 12 & 26

Monday - October 17 & 31 - The 31st will be a Halloween Party... Please come in costume if you like!!

Monday - November 14 & 28

Monday - December 12 - This will be our Christmas Bingo Party... Please bring a covered dish as we will play Bingo for one hour and then enjoy entertainment and good food.

Time: 9:00am until 11:00am

Location: Florence County Recreation
710 South Irby Street, Florence

Cost: \$2.00 per person - No pre-registration is required. Snacks and coffee always available!



Extended trips for 2012

Call after September 15 for pricing!



- * Chattanooga, Tennessee - April 24 - 27, 2012
- * Outer Banks, North Carolina - May 29 - 31, 2012
- * Williamsburg, Virginia - June 12 - 14, 2012
- * Mackinac Island, Michigan - July 14 - 22, 2012
- * Tunica/Memphis - September 16 - 22, 2012
- * Mediterranean Cruise - November 2 - 10, 2012
- * Atlanta, Georgia at Christmas - December 3 - 7, 2012



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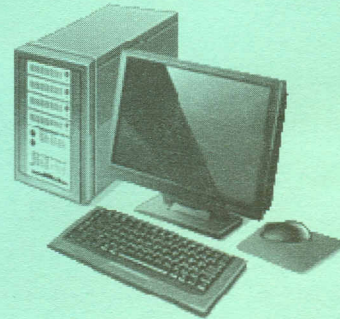
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WE NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS!

Don't miss out on any new trips at the Florence County Parks and Recreation Department.



We will be adding new day trips and extended trips that may not make it into our semi-annual newsletter.

Please e-mail Lori (ldavis@florenceco.org) or Laura (ladriggers@florenceco.org) with your e-mail address.

We want to keep you informed.