### Gladstone Parks & Recreation

## **GLADSTONE 50+NEWS**

November & December 2020

# Day trips are resuming and we are taking several steps to ensure your safety. Here's what we are doing to keep you safe:

- The trip will operate with a reduced number of participants to allow for social distancing on the bus.
- Face masks will be required on the bus at all times.
- We will take your temperature before you board the bus.
- Hand sanitizer will be available on the bus.
- Regular cleaning and disinfecting after each trip.
- Trips will be canceled if we deem it unsafe to travel, or if the venues we are visiting decide to close due to Covid 19.

#### What you need to do:

- Physically distance from others while waiting to board the bus and while on trips and at events.
  Keep in mind that distancing may be difficult at restaurants and at some attractions.
- Do not go on a trip or attend an event if you are sick or if you have been in contact with someone with Covid 19.
- Prior to each trips departure, you will be required to sign a liability waiver.

#### **DAY TRIPS**

**LUNCH OUT AT CHEESECAKE FACTORY** - **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4** - This popular restaurant is at the Country Club Plaza. With more than 250 menu items and more than 50 signature cheesecakes and desserts, there is truly something for everyone. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Lunch is on your own. Bus departs at 10:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 1:30 p.m. Registration deadline: October 29th.

LUNCH OUT AT JASPER'S RESTAURANT & BROOKSIDE SHOPPING - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 - Jasper's is considered one of America's top 25 Italian Restaurants and has been serving Kansas City for 66 years! Lunch is on your own here. After lunch you'll enjoy shopping in the Brookside shopping district where you'll find eclectic to elegant in over 20 shops & boutiques. Here you'll find jewelry & accessories, handmade art, women's clothing, home furnishings, baby clothes, spices, candles, and of course...The New Dime Store! Cost: \$15.00 includes transportation. Bus departs at 10:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Registration deadline: November 4th.

POWELL GARDENS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS -FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - More than 20 miles of holiday lights comprise installations that highlight the natural forms of Powell Gardens' tree collection, show off the exceptional architecture and landscape design of the Gardens, and transport visitors to enchanted wonderlands, with plenty of Instagram and holiday card-worthy photo stops along the way. Festival goers will walk a mile-long path spread out over 25 acres through the Gardens featuring a variety of immersive light displays. Tram rides from the Missouri Barn to the Visitor Center will be available. Before your visit you will enjoy a delicious dinner at Summit BBQ in Lee's Summit. Cost: \$70.00 includes transportation, dinner and festival admission. Bus departs at 4:15 p.m. and will return at approximately 9:30 p.m. Registration deadline: November 6th.

## HENRY'S ANTIQUES & GREENWOOD ANTIQUES & TEA ROOM - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4 -

Henry's Antiques is housed in an old church near downtown Lee's Summit. Stroll throughout three floors of this historic building to find affordable furniture, clothing, home décor, and more. They've recently expanded to the lower level and added 1500 square feet! The main street strip of Greenwood, Missouri is home to seven antique and resale stores. The stores make up the "Greenwood Missouri Antique & Vintage District". All the stores are in walking distance of each other on Main street and each store has its own style and ambiance, from very primitive to very vintage and everything in between. You will enjoy lunch at the Greenwood Country Tearoom located in the heart of the Greenwood Antique District. \$35.00 includes transportation and lunch. Bus departs at 9:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Registration deadline: November 20th.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS TOUR & BRIO - TUESDAY. **DECEMBER 8** - Board the bus for a tour of some of Kansas City's prettiest holiday lights. Winter Magic is the new drive-thru experience in Swope Park and features a nearly mile-long drive of displays, including a light tunnel, spinning trees and plenty of elves. You will visit the Country Club Plaza, the wiring of the Plaza Lights spans 80 miles and has nearly 280,000 jewel-colored bulbs in a 15 block area. Dinner is included at BRIO Tuscan Grill You will also visit Crown Center where on the Plaza. you'll see the Mayor's Christmas Tree, and see the areas largest indoor holiday tree at Union Station. Bus departs at 5:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 9:30 p.m. Cost: \$57.00 includes transportation, dinner, and Winter Magic at Swope Park. Deadline: November 29th.

#### TRIP PARKING

All day trips depart from the parking lot on Campbell Street between 69th & 70th Street (next to the Community Center parking lot).

WESTON HOLIDAY SHOPPING - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10 - Shopping has been a tradition in Weston since 1837 and it gets better every year. The shop owners in the Historic District are preparing a unique shopping experience and creative holiday window displays. Weston's store and window decorations are always dazzling. The town is creating an old fashioned wonderland of trees, decorations, and ambiance for you to enjoy as you stroll through the downtown shops. We'll also drive through Weston's neighborhoods to enjoy the historic homes decorated for the holidays. Lunch is on your own in downtown Weston. Cost: \$15.00 includes transportation. Bus departs at 10:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:00 p.m. Registration deadline: December 2nd.

**LUNCH OUT AT THE CLASSIC CUP - WEDNES-DAY, DECEMBER 16** - The Classic Cup has been a staple on the Country Club Plaza since 1977. They are known for their delectable food served with fresh local ingredients. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Lunch is on your own. Bus departs at 10:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 2:00 p.m. We're giving you a little time to shop too! Registration deadline: December 9th.

#### **OVERNIGHT & EXTENDED TOURS**

HAWAII 3 ISLAND ADVENTURE – FEBRUARY 16-25, 2021 – Join us for a trip presentation on Tuesday, November 10th at 2:00 p.m. at the Gladstone Community Center. You must call 423-4086 to register. Masks are required.

You will visit three Hawaiian Islands on this exciting tour. Oahu: Visit Pearl Harbor and take a Navy launch out to the USS Arizona Memorial to pay tribute to the fallen heroes who lost their lives on December 7, 1941. Enjoy a Honolulu City Tour and visit Punchbowl Crater to take a drive through the National Cemetery of the Pacific, see the State Capitol, the Governor's Mansion, China Town and view King Kamehameha's statue. Hawaii (the Big Island): Visit Volcanoes National Park where you'll see a real, smoking and steaming volcano as you look out across the Kilauea Caldera within which lies the Halemaumau Crater. You'll visit the Jaggar Museum & Visitor Center to learn about the geology and history of the volcano. Walk through Thurston's Lava Tube and see the Punaluu Black Sand Volcanic Beach. Maui: Visit majestic Mount Haleakala National Park and travel to the top of Haleakala, Maui's massive dormant volcano. Visit Iao Valley where spectacular waterfalls and lush tropical foliage surround the Iao Needle, a rock formation rising over 2,000 feet from the valley floor. Explore the small town of Lahaina, the picturesque old whaling capital of the Pacific. Experience the 64-mile Road to Hana filled with spectacular waterfalls, rainforest flora and fauna as well as pristine beaches. On your last night in Maui you will enjoy a Hawaiian Luau featuring traditional food, dancing and music. Cost: \$5299 includes air, hotels, tours, 12 meals, and cancellation insurance. Single occupancy add \$1875. A \$585 deposit will hold space. Cancel before December 4th and receive a full refund.

MUSIC CITIES - MARCH 22-27, 2021 - This trip is full. Call to be placed on the wait list. This Nashville and Memphis tour is the perfect vacation for music fans who want to see and experience America's musical heritage. You'll enjoy a 3-night stay in Memphis at the Guest House at Graceland, just steps away from the Graceland mansion, the private retreat of the King of Rock 'n Roll. You'll walk among some of Elvis' favorite automobiles, including his iconic Pink Cadillac, and step aboard Elvis' customized airplanes to see how he traveled in luxury. Memphis is the Home Of Blues, Soul And Rock 'n' Roll. You will visit Sun Studio, known worldwide as "The Birthplace of Rock'n'roll". It is the discovery location of musical legends and genres of the 50's from B.B. King and Elvis Presley to Johnny Cash and Jerry Lee Lewis. You will also enjoy visits to the National Civil Rights Museum, Slave Haven Underground Railroad Museum, and Stax Records Museum and experience a guided tour of Memphis, the famed Peabody Duck March, and the original BB King's Blues Club. In Nashville—the city that "music calls home"—visit the Country Music Hall of Fame, RCA Studio B, the Ryman Auditorium, and enjoy reserved seats for a show at the Grand Ole Opry. Cost: \$1590 includes motorcoach transportation, hotels, tours, nine meals, and driver's gratuity. Single occupancy add \$500. A \$100 deposit will hold space. Cancel before January 8th and receive a full refund.

ALASKA LAND & CRUISE - MAY 19-30, 2021 - Register before October 31st and receive FREE drinks, FREE gratuities, FREE Signature Dining Package & 20% off all shore excursions booked by October 31st.

Imagine majestic tidewater glaciers, iconic animals roaming freely, breaching whales, colorful Klondike Gold Rush history and wide-open spaces of incomparable beauty. You will experience must-see sights by ship, train, and a multi-night land tour. Highlights of your land tour include a ride on the Sternwheeler Discovery in Fairbanks, two days at Denali National Park where you'll experience a Tundra Wilderness Tour allowing plenty of opportunity to look for Dall sheep, moose, caribou, wolves and grizzly bears. Ride the luxurious domed rail cars of the McKinley Explorer from Denali to Anchorage and experience another scenic rail journey from Anchorage to Seward. Relax for 7-nights and enjoy the epic Alaskan scenery from aboard The Holland America Noordam. Cruise itinerary includes Hubbard Glacier, Scenic cruising Tracy Arm, Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan, and cruising the scenic Inside Passage. Cost: Inside cabin - \$4625, Oceanview cabin - \$5188, Balcony cabin - \$5508. Cabin space is limited! Hold cabin space with a \$1050 deposit. Final payment is due January 18, 2021.

#### **FACEBOOK**

Find us at Gladstone Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts 50+ Programs. Like our page to keep up with all of our activities.

SPOTLIGHT ON LONDON - JULY 22-28, 2021 - Join us for a Zoom Tour Presentation on Friday, December 11th at 1:00 p.m. Call 423-4086 to register.

Highlights include a panoramic city tour to see Trafalgar Square, St. Paul's Cathedral, the Tower of London, and Buckingham Palace, the London home to Britain's royalty since 1837. At Westminster, see the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben. Travel across England's beautiful countryside en route to the historic city of Oxford, one of the world's most famous university cities. Enjoy a guided tour of Blenheim Palace, one of England's most magnificent homes and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. Choose between a visit to Kensington Palace, once the home of Queen Victoria and Princess Diana - or - catch a glimpse of 10 Downing Street before visiting the Churchill War Rooms. You will also enjoy a matinee performance at a London Theatre. Cost: \$3499 includes air, hotel accommodations, theatre, tours, cancellation waiver and 8 meals. Single occupancy add \$500. This rate is an early bird discount rate. Rates will go up after January 23rd. A \$815 deposit will hold space. Deposits are refundable up until January 23rd. Cancel for any reason up until trip departure and only lose the insurance premium of \$315.

THE BLACK HILLS & THE BADLANDS - AU-GUST 16-21, 2021 - Badlands National Park is a 244 acre landscape featuring deep gorges and jagged saw tooth ridges with rock layers painted in subtle hues of sand, rose, gold and green. The mountains and forests of the Black Hills of South Dakota include a treasury of six national parks, 101 miles of National Scenic Byways, waterfalls and watchable wildlife. The Black Hills provide the backdrop for Mount Rushmore, the world's greatest mountain carving featuring the faces of four exalted American presidents: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln. You will see the progress of the largest sculpture in the world—Crazy Horse Memorial. You will also visit Wall Drug Store, Corn Palace, experience a Buffalo Jeep Safari in Custer State Park, visit Black Hill Wild Horse Sanctuary, enjoy a Chuck Wagon Supper & Cowboy Music Show, and visit The Mammoth Site. More details coming soon!

PAINTED CANYONS OF THE WEST - SEPTEM-BER 13-21, 2021 - On this 9-day trip you will venture across the West as you take in the sienna-colored canyons, towering spires and still desert landscapes found in Utah's five national parks. The backdrop of Denver's Rocky Mountains is the starting point of your journey through the mystic color wheel of America's canyon lands. Among vistas that evoke the spirit of the old west, marvel at the unspoiled beauty of Utah's five national parks as you cross its scenic byways from Arches to Canvonlands to Dead Horse, Zion, and Bryce National Park. Stay on the Colorado River in Moab, the gateway to Utah's Red Rock country, and have a full day in Zion to From stark landscapes to the bright lights of Vegas, discover the painted canyons of the American West - up close and in all their glory.

PAINTED CANYONS OF THE WEST continued... Behold beautiful views at Dead Horse State Park in Moab. Explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park, known as the hoodoos. Marvel at the Castle, an iconic feature at Capitol Reef National Park. Cost: \$3869 includes air, hotel accommodations, tours, 11 meals and cancellation insurance. Single occupancy add \$900. This rate is an early bird discount rate. Rates will go up after March 12th. A \$899 deposit will hold space. Deposits are refundable up until March 12th.

LANDSCAPES & LIGHTHOUSES OF COASTAL MAINE - OCTOBER 9-15, 2021 - Featuring five nights in Kennebunkport! You will fly to Boston and enjoy a city tour featuring Boston Commons, the Old State House, the Old North Church from where Paul Revere got the signal to start his legendary ride, the Old South Meeting House, Beacon Hill, Old Ironsides and a tour of historic Fenway Park. You will visit Portland, Maine's largest city, and enjoy a scenic Casco Bay Cruise to see lighthouses, forts, lobster boats and seals. Travel to Cape Elizabeth for a visit of the Portland Head Lighthouse & Museum. In Kennebunkport see the Wedding Cake House, Seashore Trolley Museum, and Walker's Point which is the longtime summer retreat of George H.W. Bush and family. Board a working Lobster Boat for an authentic hands-on experience of a lobster haul. Travel to the White Mountains of New Hampshire and board the Conway Scenic Railroad for a nostalgic ride through the scenic Mt. Washington Valley country side. Stop at a local Maple Sugar House to learn how sap is transformed into syrup. You can't travel to this area without experiencing a traditional Lobster Clambake and a chance to try some delicious Main lobster. Cost: \$3275 includes air, hotel accommodations, tours, nine meals and cancellation insurance. Single occupancy add \$950. A \$585 deposit will hold space. Cancel before July 16th and get a full refund.

EGYPT-THE LAND OF THE PHARAOHS - OCTO-**BER 22-31, 2021** - We invite you to join us on a 10-day journey to Egypt, a nation of biblical proportions and epic history. Highlights include the Great Pyramid of Giza, visit the iconic Sphinx, explore the Valley of the Kings, the stunning temples of Karnak & Luxor, marvel at the beautiful Temple of Horus in Edfu, gaze upon Ptolemaic Temple of Sobek and Haroeris in Kom Ombo. Visit the Aswan granite quarry, see the unfinished obelisk and Temple of Philae, marvel at the monumental Aswan High Dam, sail in a felucca, tour Cairo, see Tutankhamun's priceless treasures, haggle for bargains at the lively Khan El-Khalili Bazaar, spend 4 nights at a luxury hotel in cosmopolitan Cairo, and in the company of an expert Egyptologist guide, cruise the mighty Nile River aboard a firstclass vessel. Cost starts at \$4096 and includes air, hotel accommodations, Nile cruise, tours, cancellation waiver and 18 meals. A \$500 deposit will hold space. The price goes up after March 22nd. Cancel by June 24th and receive a full refund.

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#### **LINE DANCE CLASS**

Line Dance is moving back indoors in November! You will pay for individual classes.

Classes are \$5.00 each

All classes are on Mondays from 1:00-1:45 p.m.

November 2 November 9

November 16

November 23

#### **REGISTRATION**

All programs must be paid at the time of registration unless otherwise noted.

By Mail - Make checks payable to City of Gladstone and mail to 6901 N Holmes, Gladstone, MO 64118.

By Phone - (816) 423-4086 or 423-4200 with Visa, MasterCard Or Discover.

**In person -** at the Gladstone Community Center, 6901 N. Holmes.

On-line - Go to www.gladstonemo.activityreg.com.

<u>Cancellation Policy</u>: A full refund will be issued in the event of a trip cancellation due to insufficient enrollment. Refunds are available up to the registration deadline. If a refund check is required, a \$5 processing fee will be deducted. If participant desires, a credit will be issued for the entire amount for use in future programs. After registration deadline, a refund will be issued only if the participant can be replaced. Extended tour cancellation policy's may be different and are explained on the tour brochures.