# Gladstone Parks & Recreation GLADSTONE 50+NEWS September & October 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:

- Practice social distancing while on trips and at events.
- Do not go on a trip or attend an event if you are sick or if you have been in contact with some-one with Covid 19.
- Prior to each trips departure, you will be required to sign a liability waiver.

## DAY TRIPS

DINOSAUR ROAD TRIP AT UNION STATION -WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 - It's time to buckle up for the ultimate adventure along historic Route 66. Make sure your camera is charged and ready for some great pics, and maybe even throw in an old-school map to help guide you along a journey filled with "Highway of Dreams" famous roadside attractions and hidden gems, including the world's largest cowboy boots, teapot, beagle, donut and more. Oh, and let's throw in a couple dozen life-size dinosaurs. Yep, that's right, you'll come faceto-face with the most amazing North American dinosaurs along the way. Fully animatronic, they move and make all sorts of realistic noises. T-Rex, Allosaurus, Triceratops, Utah raptor... the list goes on. From the kindafriendly to the most ferocious, they'll all come to life during your coast-to-coast adventure. It's a little science, a bit of geography, a smidge of history and a whole lotta fun! Lunch is on your own at Union Station. Cost: \$19.00 includes transportation and admission to Dinosaur Road Trip. Bus departs at 9:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 1:30 p.m. Registration deadline: August 19th.

## LUNCH OUT AT VIVILORE - THURSDAY, SEP-

**TEMBER 17** - Vivilore is where elegant dining, American modern cuisine, fine art, antiques and upscale home decor come together for a unique, inviting dining and shopping experience. If the weather is nice you can dine in their beautiful courtyard. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Lunch is on your own at the restaurant. Bus departs at 10:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 2:00 p.m. Registration deadline: September 10th.

**GREENWOOD ANTIQUES & TEA ROOM - FRI-DAY, SEPTEMBER 25** - 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. You will also stop at Cockrell Mercantile Company where you will find Housewares, Bakeware, Gourmet Foods and Unique Gifts in their quaint Country Village Cost: \$35.00 includes transportation and lunch. Bus departs at 9:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:30 p.m. Registration deadline: September 11th.

KANSAS CITY ZOO - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - Explore more than 200 acres of adventure filled with more than 1,700 animals. Watch king and Gentoo penguins torpedo through the water in their 100,000 gallon cool pool and see the Humboldt penguins bask in the sun and get their flippers wet in the 25,000 gallon warm water pool. Dip your hands into a shallow pool and discover the unique texture of stingrays and bamboo sharks at Stingray Bay. Journey to the Polar Bear Passage and marvel at the polar bears' beauty and strength. Swing into the Orangutan Canopy and get nose to nose with these orange apes. Take a walk-about through a mob of kangaroos. Get a birds-eye view of zebras, giraffes and rhinos on the African Sky Safari. Visit animals from the tropical rainforest, the African Savanna, the Australian Outback, the Asian mountainside, the north and south pole and everywhere in between. Cost: \$15.00 includes transportation and zoo admission. Bus departs at 9:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:00 p.m. Registration deadline: September 18th.

## TRIP PARKING

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

THE NEW THEATRE "MENOPAUSE THE MUSI-CAL" - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 14, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 OR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 - Four women at a lingerie sale have nothing in common but a black lace bra and memory loss, hot flashes, night sweats, not enough sex, too much sex and more! This hilarious musical parody set to classic tunes from the '60s, '70s and '80s will have you cheering and dancing in the aisles! See what more than 17 million women and fans worldwide have been laughing about for 19 years! It's the hilarious celebration of women and The Change! Cost: \$50.00 includes transportation and dinner show. Bus departs at 11:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m. Registration deadline: September 4th, September 11th, September 25th and October 2nd. For those who would prefer to drive themselves, the cost is \$45.00. Tables will be sold in groups of 2, 4 and 6.

Here is what The New Theatre is doing to keep you safe:

- The culinary staff will be serving at the buffet to prevent cross-contamination.
- Every surface in every area of the building will be sanitized before each performance and the restrooms will be sanitized four times each day.
- Hand sanitizing stations have been installed at the beginning of every buffet line and in the restrooms.
- The entire staff will wear face masks and have their temperatures taken before entering the building each day.

KANSAS CITY TOUR WITH OCTAVE CHANUTE -THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 - Octave Chanute was the designer and builder of the Hannibal Bridge, the first Railroad Bridge over the Missouri River, and a mentor to the Wright Brothers. He is also the namesake of Chanute, KS., and he founded Lenexa, Coffeyville, Cherryville and Dwight, IL. Octave (Bill Nicks) will be our guide as we travel to many interesting KC spots, all while learning interesting Kansas City facts. You will enjoy some photo stops along the way. You'll find out why Kansas City is the BBQ Capital of the World and have lunch at the original Arthur Bryant's BBQ Restaurant. Cost: \$53.00 includes tour and lunch. Bus departs at 8:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Registration deadline: October 2nd.

LUNCH OUT AT BRISTOL SEAFOOD RESTAU-RANT - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20 - Located in the Power & Light District, when the occasion calls for fresh seafood, and other delicious foods, look no further than the Bristol. Lunch is on your own. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Bus departs at 10:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 1:00 p.m. Registration deadline: September 25th.

#### **FACEBOOK**

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## **OVERNIGHT & EXTENDED TOURS**

HAWAII 3 ISLAND ADVENTURE – FEBRUARY 16 -25. 2021 – 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 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 -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 McKinlev 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, Balconv cabin - \$5508. Cabin space is limited! Hold cabin space with a \$1050 deposit. Final payment is due January 18, 2021.

SPOTLIGHT ON LONDON - JULY 22-28, 2021 -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 Oueen 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.

PAINTED CANYONS OF THE WEST—APRIL 18-26, 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 Canyonlands 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 explore. From stark landscapes to the bright lights of Vegas, discover the painted canyons of the American West - up close and in all their glory. Behold beautiful views at Dead Horse State Park in Moab. Explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park, known as the hoodoos.

**Painted Canyons of the West continued**...Marvel at the Castle, an iconic feature at Capitol Reef National Park. *Cost:* \$3969 includes air, hotel accommodations, tours, 11 meals and cancellation insurance. Single occupancy add \$1100. This rate is an early bird discount rate. Rates will go up after October 19th. A \$799 deposit will hold space. Deposits are refundable up until October 19th. Cancel for any reason up until trip departure and only lose the insurance premium of \$299.

**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.

> There are more extended trips to come in 2021! Watch for new trips in future newsletters.

#### **SPEAKER SERIES**

Bruce Mathews Wednesday, August 26 1:00 p.m. Gladstone Community Center Cost: \$5.00 includes a sweet treat!

Bruce Mathews is a professional photographer, author and historian from Kansas City. Bruce has co-authored three award winning books:

#### Elmwood Cemetery: Stories of Kansas City, The Kansas City Spirit: Stories of Service Above Self, Windows of Kansas City: As Art, History and Inspiration

In 2016 Mathews published the first volume of a five volume series, *Kansas City: Our Collective Memories.* This book presents a unique view of the history of Kansas City by taking a look at the things we collect. It takes us on a journey of memories formed by each of us, to be cherished by all of us. The vast majority of items in the book have come from the Kansas City community, your neighbors or members of your own family. Many are unique, one of a kind. Some of these treasures bring tears to our eyes. Others make us laugh out loud. They are, after all, the fabric of our community. You'll hear about this book and more from the author! *Masks are required and we will be social distancing.* 

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## Line Dance

We are offering Line Dance outside at Linden Square for the months of August and September. You will pay for individual classes. Classes are \$5.00 Call for details.

### **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.

**<u>By Phone</u>** - (816) 423-4086 or 423-4200 with Visa, MasterCard Or Discover.

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

**<u>On-line</u>** - 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.

Questions?? Call 816-423-4086 or 816-423-4200