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TO MAKE RESERVATIONS - FIRST Contact the Tour Escort!, then send him your check made payable to the listed travel agency. Make sure your phone number, address and branch number are on the check. Reservations are on a first paid, first served basis. Your reservation is firm only when the Tour Escort has received your Payment.

BROCHURES - Brochures are available for most trips ask your Branch Travel Chairman for a copy.

REFUNDS - Refunds are made as outlined in the brochures.

RESPONSIBILITY - All travel events and other activities arranged for and by Sons In Retirement, Inc. and its Branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons In Retirement, Inc. and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of participants or passengers, or their property, in any manner pertaining to said travel or other activities.

YOUR TRIP NOT IN THE BULLETIN? - Trips that are full or are not available for sign up are not included in the Bulletin.

HANDICAPPED? Notify Tour Escort, before signing up, so suitable arrangements can be made.

DEPARTURE - Unless otherwise specified, trips depart from the South Light Rail Parking Lot G, located at Highway 87 and Capitol Expressway in San Jose. Check Brochure for your trip!

Please Note!!!

If you are not interested in travel get your name taken off our mailing list by contacting Bob Shields at (408) 268-4975, email rwshields@Comcast.net, or your branch Travel Chairman.

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*******NEW TRIPS*******

APRIL 30, 2010 ♦ DAY AT THE RACES, GOLDEN GATE FIELDS♦

Branch 32. Escorts: John Pletsch (274-2992) and Mike Console (246-1080). Place your bets, they are off and running. Enjoy the buffet lunch in the Turf Club as you watch and cheer your favorite horse across the finish line. Cost \$74 per person. Send Check and application payable to Frontier Tours Trust Acct and mail to John Pletsch, 2697 Suisun Ave, San Jose, CA 95121.

JUNE 18 ♦WALT DISNEY FAMILY MUSEUM AND SF BAY MODEL VISITOR CENTER♦

BR 32 Escorts: John Pletsch (274-2992) and Mike Console (246-1080). Located in the Presidio of San Francisco the Museum is dedicated to the life and history of Walt Disney. Also included is a visit to the SF Bay Model Visitor Center in Sausalito. Cost: \$52. Send application and check payable to Frontier Travel & Tours Trust Fund to John Pletsch, 2697 Suisun Ave, San Jose, CA 95121. Deadline is May 28.

Oct. 10, 2010 ♦ Fleet Week on the Jeremiah O'Brien ♦

Br 62 Escorts: Jim Hohenshelt 408-394-7226 and Roy Jordan 408-735-8765 Spend the day cruising the bay on the last operational World War II Liberty Ship, SS Jeremiah O'Brien. The trip is Fleet Week every year. The cost is \$260 per person, and includes round trip transportation from the South Bay, the 6 hour cruise (10 PM to 4 PM) , a BBQ lunch, drinks (beer, wine etc), live music, a tour of the historic ship, and the Bay Area's best view of the Blue Angels Air Show. Also included in the cost is a mandatory donation of \$150, for the care & maintenance of the Maritime Museum. The Maritime Museum requires that the tickets be paid in full reserve a spot on the ship and they give no refunds. Therefore, full payment for this trip is required by July 1, 2010 to assure a spot. A least 20 need to be signed up for their trip to happen. Call Jim or Roy for details.

Nov. 17-18, 2010 ♦ The Spirit of Christmas at The Eldorado, Reno ♦

Br.74; Escorts: Allen Daily 265-8140 & Don House 268-1703. Deluxe Coach to Reno for an evening extravaganza show of Christmas music, high kicking chorus girls and glittering costumes. Enjoy a private Cocktail Party, hosted dinner and breakfast. We will stop at The Nugget for fun and an \$8 cash bonus, Price is \$163 /p. dbl. occ. Make check payable to GGT Trust Acct. and mail with Application to Allen Daily, 1580 Trona Way, San Jose, CA 95125.

******* ONE DAY OUTINGS *******

May 20, 2010 ♦ SPRINGTIME AT FILOLI GARDENS & HALF MOON BAY ♦

Branch 21 Escorts: Bill Kurtz (268-8830) and Dick Kohl (268-0428). Enjoy a springtime morning at FILOLI gardens with a 2 hour Docent-led tour through the gardens and house; then journey up to Half Moon Bay for a hosted lunch at the PRINCETON SEAFOOD COMPANY with oceanview dining, just steps away from the fishing fleet at Pillar Point Harbor. Enjoy some free time to explore the Harbor and the Half Moon Bay area and a nursery before heading for home. The cost of the trip is \$118. Send application and check payable to Cruise Adventures Unlimited Trust Account and mail to Bill Kurtz, 1115 Olive Branch Ln., San Jose Ca, 95120.

*******OVER NIGHT AND LONGER TRIPS*******

April 28-May 2, 2010 ♦ The Kentucky Derby ♦ (Br. 39) Escorts: Neil Jameson 831-336-2476 & Wayne Dawson 408-972-1054. Fly SJ to Louisville for 4 days at the Sheraton Louisville Riverside Hotel. Breakfast at Churchill Downs, Wine & Cheese reception, city tour and a chance to watch the jockeys train. Grandstand seating for Kentucky Oaks (3 year olds) and then a full day with first floor Grandstand seating at Churchill Downs for the Kentucky Derby. All-day shuttles both days for your convenience. Check this one off your Bucket List! Includes airfare, 4 nights, 5 meals, reception and one dinner, admissions, taxes, gratuities, baggage handling, and Kentucky Derby souvenir package. \$2875 dbl., \$3675 single. Deposit \$350 payable to TALBOT TOURS TRUST ACCT. and mail to Neil Jameson, 390 Hallson Ln., Ben Lomond, CA 95005-9411. jamesons@pacbell.net.

May 17-20, 2010 ♦ Yosemite Spring Celebration ♦

(Br. #74) Escorts, Don House 268-1703 & Allen Daily 265-8140. Deluxe coach to Yosemite with stops at Merced Fruit Barn, hosted lunch at Tenaya Lodge and ride the Sugar Pine Railroad. Stay 3 nites at Yosemite Lodge with hosted daily breakfast, hosted lunches at Ahwahnee Hotel and Wawona Hotel and hosted dinner at Yosemite Lodge. Tour Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Grove (weather permitting). On the way home enjoy wine tasting and hosted lunch at Ironstone Winery. Price is \$1,050pp dbl occ. (add \$395 sgl supp.) payable to ALAMO WORLD TRAVEL & TOURS TRUST ACCOUNT and mail to Don House, 6770 Crystal Springs Ct., San Jose, CA 95120.

June 24 - July 3, 2010 ♦ DISCOVER TUSCANY♦

(Br. 153) Tour escorts Ralph Hunt (650-967-8467) and Alan Patmore (408-867-4197). An adventure that includes exploring this fabled Italian region from stem-to-stern. Highlights include Rome, Assisi, the Basilica of St. Francis,

Montecatini Terme, a Winery tour and historically significant Florence. A delightful Tuscan feast featuring traditional cuisine and savory wines while overlooking the magical Tuscan countryside is also included! Ten (10) days, 13 meals 8-breakfasts and 5-dinners pricing Double- \$3,769, Single-\$4069 and Triple-\$3,739. Included are Air/Taxes /fees/Surcharges of \$140, Hotel Transfers, and Round Trip Air from San Francisco International Airport. First deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Please make checks payable to : "Collette Vacations." and mail to Ralph Hunt 13158 Diericx Dr, Mountain View CA 94040

Aug. 24 - Sept 1, 2010♦Austrian Delight with Oberammergau's Passion Play♦

Escorts: Brian Serpa 227-7658 & Rollo Parsons 268-5245. Fly to Innsbruck, Austria to begin your memorable experience. A panoramic tour of Innsbruck, a tour of Bavaria, a tour of Salzburg (birthplace of Mozart) are just some of the highlights before we enter the Oberammergau region for the Passion Play, a powerful once-in-a-decade event. Costs are \$4099 pp/dbl occ, and \$4499 single. Price includes round-trip transportation, all transfers, air taxes/fees/surcharges of \$330, and all gratuities. Deposit is \$500 payable to Collette Vacations. Send reservation and deposit to: Brian Serpa, 6091 Pietz Ct, San Jose, 95123.

Sept. 7-18, 2010 ♦ PORTUGAL and SPAIN RIVER CRUISE♦

(Br. 114) Tour escorts Jim Stoner 238-8458 and Larry Martinson 528-0746. Spend 3 nights in Lisbon touring the area and then drive north to Porto to board the MS Amadouro where a luxury 7-night cruise awaits us. We will enjoy the beautiful countryside and rich vineyards of the Douro River Valley, stopping at picturesque towns along the way. Prices range from \$5280 to \$5860 pp dbl. occ. All outside staterooms. Group medical insurance and all gratuities included! Deposit of \$500 pp payable to Cruise Adventures Unlimited Trust Account should be mailed with applications to Jim Stoner, 8458 Traminer Ct., San Jose, CA 95135. Brochure available for this unique scenic adventure.

Sept 25-30, 2010 ♦Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup♦

(Br. 153) Tour escorts Ralph Hunt (650-967-8467) and Alan Patmore (408-867-4197). A visit to southwest South Dakota that will include stops at the Crazy Horse Memorial, Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park and many other notable features in the area highlighting the romantic Old-West. Five nights (...unpack only once) and eight meals are included. The Tour provides transfers/airfares from San Jose to Rapid City, SD. All applicable taxes and Gratuities for Drivers and Guides are included. This event will be a 'guaranteed-departure' and as a final attraction will include a Group Photo at Mount Rushmore. Cost \$1,407 dbl.and \$1,647 single. Deposit \$415 with Insurance or \$300 without payable to TALBOT TOURS TRUST ACCT. and mail to Ralph Hunt 13158 Diericx Dr Mountain View, CA 94040

**Oct.1-9, 2010 ♦ ALBUQUERQUE BALLOON FIESTA
& GRAND CANYON♦**

(Br.74) Escorts, Allen Daily 265-8140 Don House 268-1703. Fly San Jose to Albuquerque for 3 nite stay. See Balloon Glow, Dazzling Fireworks, and Mass Ascension of hundreds of hot air balloons. Visit Santa Fe; tour Canyon de Chilly by jeep; spend 2 days touring Grand Canyon; stay at Sedona and tour Verde Canyon by Railroad. Fly home from Phoenix. Price is \$2,925 pp, dbl. occ. Includes 18 hosted meals, all attractions, flights, tips and professional guide. Deposit of \$300/p is payable to Cruise ADVENTURES UNLIMITED TRUST ACCT. Mail with Application to Allen Daily, 1580 Trona Way, San Jose, CA 95125.

****COMING ATTRACTIONS*******

**Jun. 18, 2010 ♦Wonderful World of Walt Disney
Museum, San Francisco♦** John Pletsch 274-2992

Oct. 2010 ♦ Eastern Mediterranean Cruise ♦
Jim Hohenshelt 408-394-7226 and Roy Jordan 408-735-8765

Dec. 11, 2010 ♦BEACH BLANKET BABYLON ♦
Jim Stoner (408-238-8458) and Larry Martinson 528-0746
Brochure available soon.

Jan. 11-13, 2011 - ♦15th annual Reno Amtrak♦
Neil Jameson (831) 336-2476 and Wayne Dawson (408) 972-1054. Brochure available soon.

Aug. 15, 2011 - ♦ Grand Scotland and Ireland Tour ♦
To include Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Neil Jameson (831) 336-2476. Brochure available soon.