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Monthly general membership meetings are on the third Wednesday of the month
at 10 am at Atomic Bowl, 624 Wellsian Way, Richland

OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

ELECTED OFFICERS

President: Cyndi Kittson

Vice-President: Patrick Fleming

Secretary: Patricia Fleming

Treasurer: Claudia Theroff

Directors:

Marsha Hathcox

Jerry Robledo

Pat Landen

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Trip Coordinator: Pat Fuhrman, 539-3902

Trip Coordinator: Linda McCarty

Social Coordinator: Vel Wright, 521-7710

Member Connections Coordinator: Claire Schneck

Office Manager: Margaret Ault

OTHER

Attendance: Sharon Warren

Greeter: Barbara Strait

Tags & Togs Specialist: Christina Dammarell

Board Development Specialist: Dortha Backer, 539-4920

Membership Specialist: Karen Crawford

Website Specialist: Larry Smith

Newsletter Specialist: Pat Fleming

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Judy Backer	1
Michelle Gilbert	1
Randy Carter	2
Kathryn Baumgarten	3
Robin Eldhardt	3
Frances McGillis	4
Pam Adams	5
Marilyn Davis	5
Carolyn Romano	8
Debbie Kulm	10
Pauline Poire	10
Ruth Simpson	10
Jan Nelson	13
Rhondi Rezendes	13

Anita	Armstrong	14
Claire	DeSallier	16
Patti	Gunn	16
Ruth	Poorman	17
Marylee	Reynolds	18
Karen	King	20
Lorrie	Rogers	20
Kitty	Scott	20
Tom	Edwards	21
Barbara	Green	21
Pat	Mokler	21
Verna	Ballard	22
Nita	Rettinghouse	23
Rosemary	Bloyd	24
Grace	Bollinger	26
Shirley	Powaukee	31

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller

It's that time of year my friends. When we are looking for a volunteer for the Nominating Committee and names of those interested in running for the Board. We will have an opening for Secretary, and for Vice President. But any member can run for any of the offices: President, VP, Secty, Treas, Director. Just let the Chairman of our Nominating Committee know. She is DORTHA BACKER and her phone # is (509) 539-4920. Her email is

1942dortha@gmail.com

VERNA BOND REPORTS:

Food Bank total for September was 124 lbs to the food bank, 20 lbs to Martha's Cupboard YTD total is 1,386 lbs. Verna said the Food Bank thought the amount of cereal was fantastic.

Hey, members! Let's start saving and gearing up for a wonderful December meeting donations to both places!

RENEWING YOUR PASSPORT

A pilot program for online passport renewals has proved so successful, the State Department said, that it has increased the number of applications it can accept per day.

The State Department removed the time limits in place previously but warned that the system still might not be operational 24 hours a day.

To be eligible for the online system, travelers must be U.S. citizens and residents 25 and older who have already had a passport with a 10-year validity, among other requirements. Here are a few:

- Applicants can't request a change to their name, gender, date of birth or place of birth.
- Applicants cannot be traveling internationally for at least eight weeks from the day they submit their application.
- Applicants must be applying only for a regular passport, and they possess their current passport. (It can't be lost, stolen, damaged or mutilated.)
- Applicants can pay with a credit card or debit card, and are able to upload a digital passport photo in the JPEG file format.
- An applicant's recent passport must have been issued between nine and 15 years before the application date.

Those who do not qualify for the online renewal process can still apply by mail.

Online renewal takes about 15 minutes to complete, agency officials said. The biggest advantage is that it saves applicants a trip to the post office and the extra delays of the mail. Whether you send by snail mail or virtually, though, the processing time is the same: six to eight weeks for standard service.

Here is a link to: [US Dept of State](#) (if this doesn't open with a click, try right clicking and choose Open Hyperlink).

TOURS 2024-2025

FRIENDLY EXCURSIONS

New Year's Pasadena Rose Parade

December 29, 2024-January 2, 2025

\$300 Deposit, refundable until October 1, 2024

\$2999 per person

\$3799 Single Room

Final Payment October 1, 2024

THIS TRIP CLOSES ON OCTOBER 1, 2024

FRIENDLY EXCURSIONS

New Orleans Pre Mardi Gras

February 25-March 2, 2025

\$200 Deposit, refundable December 23, 2024

\$3399.00 per person

\$3999.00 Single Room

Final Payment due December 23, 2024

CALL: 818-353-7726

BOBBILONA TRAVELS

Palm Springs and Sunny San Diego

March 2-7, 2025

\$200 deposit, refundable until Jan 2, 2025

\$3299.00 per person

\$3999.00 Single Room

Final payment due on Jan. 2, 2025

CONTACT LINDA MCCARTY

FRIENDLY EXCURSIONS

Yosemite & Sequoia National Parks

June 8-12, 2025

\$300 Deposit, refundable until April 4, 2025

\$2799 per person

\$3359 Single Room

Final Payment due April 4, 2025

FRIENDLY EXCURSIONS

**Great Smokey Mountains, Nashville & Kentucky
w/ Noah's Ark.**

TBA September 2025----more info to follow!

FRIENDLY EXCURSIONS

New York City @ Christmastime

December 8-12, 2025

\$300 Deposit, refundable September 9, 2025

\$3,599 per person

\$4,599 Single Room

Final payment due September 9, 2025

OVERVIEW OF 2025 TRIPS & TOURS

Contact Linda McCarty @ **509-948-0545** or **linda.davis08@yahoo.com** if you'd like a flyer emailed to you or sent to you in the U.S. Mail. (Flyers are also available at the General Rovers Meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month). Please make note of the Final Payment due date. Trip closes on that date.



RAMBLING ROVERS TRI-CITIES

Private group · 239 members

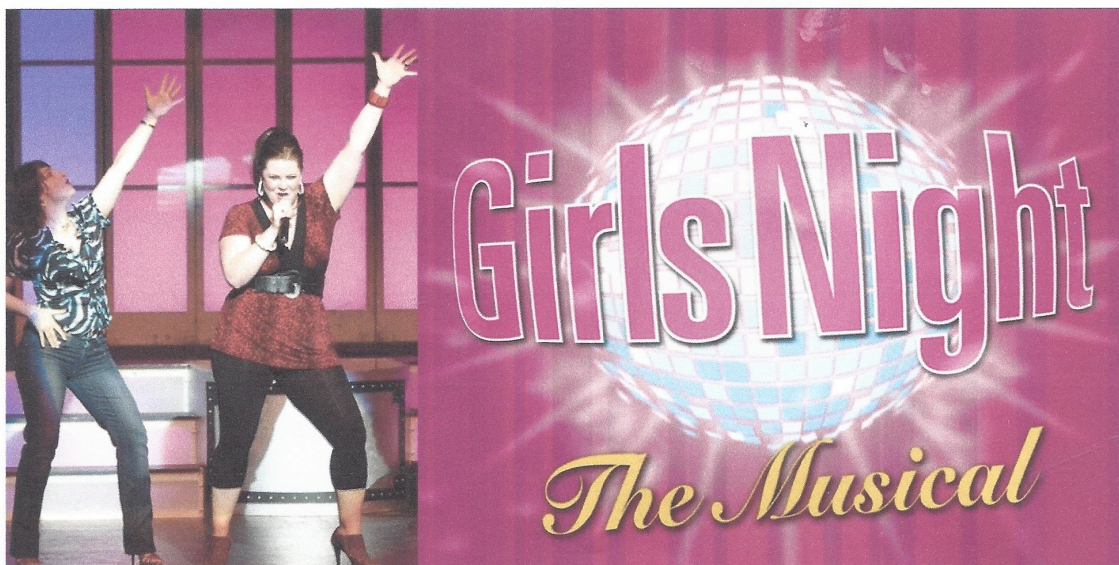


RAMBLING ROVERS TRI-CITIES

This is for you members who are not on our private Facebook page. Above is what it looks like. We have to invite you to join this group. Pat Fleming (She Pat) is the Facebook administrator and if you ask her, she will send you a link invite to join. Once she sees you have clicked on that link, she will approve your joining. Then in your browser look for **RAMBLING ROVERS** in all caps which is our page (versus Coeur d'Alene's page that has small letters). If you want a link invite, contact Pat at shepatfleming@gmail.com or call or text her at [\(509\)539-5459](tel:5095395459).

At meetings, Linda talks about trips that she puts on the Rover Facebook page but if you don't want to join Facebook at all, those same trips will be in the Rover Newsletter on the first of each month. You can find that Rover website by searching in your browser for **ramblingroverstravel.net**

Click on Newsletter and also, a pretty nice extra is that our website specialist, Larry Smith, also places each trip on the calendar there and when you click on the trip, you will see the full flyer. This is especially handy if the trip doesn't appear in the newsletter any more, but perhaps someone has cancelled their trip and you are wishing you had more details to decide if you want to replace that person. The flyers will always be on the calendar.



Oct. 22, 2024

7:30PM

at 4Th Street Theatre in Yakima

Share the fun and laughter in this off Broadway sensation in this feel good comedy as 5 girlfriends re-live the past, celebrate their present and look to the future on a wild night out. This musical comedy features the hits, Lady Marmalade, It's raining Men, Feel like a woman, I will survive, and many more.

We will stop at the 2nd St Grill for dinner before.

COST \$ 127 Includes \$10 towards your meal

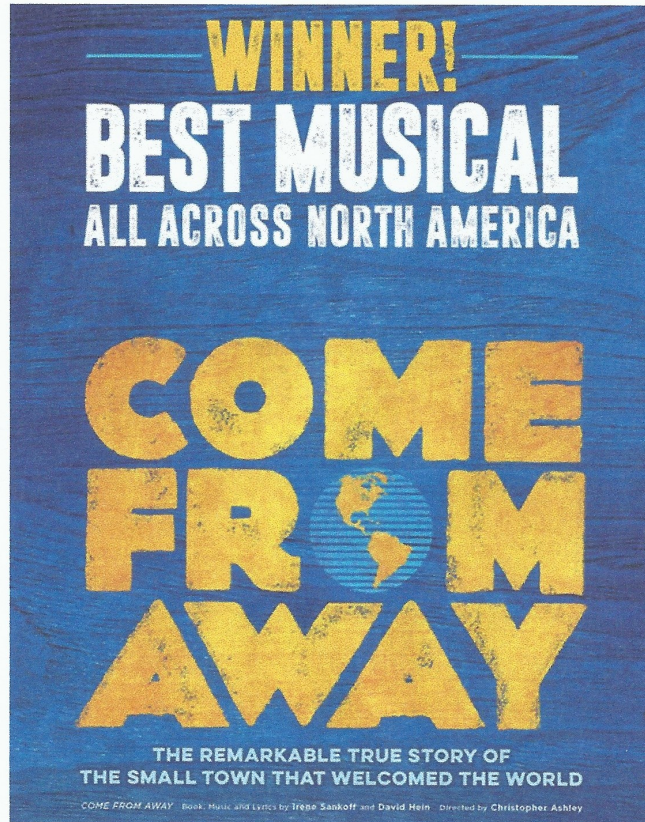
LV Kennewick: 2:45

LV Richland: 3:10

Deadline to sign up is

Oct 5 as

**Tickets need to be
purchased.**



Highly, Highly Recommended!!

Spokane Performing Arts Presents~~

COME FROM AWAY

Saturday, November 2nd @ 2:00 p.m.

This stirring and inspiring musical takes you into the heart of the remarkable true story of the small town in Newfoundland that opened their homes to 7,000 stranded travelers on 9/11. During that fateful week, cultures clashed and nerves ran high....but uneasiness turned into trust, and gratitude grew into enduring friendships. Celebrate the best of humankind and the best in all of us at COME FROM AWAY!!

PRICE: \$165.00

Kennewick=9:30 a.m.

Richland=10:00 a.m.

SACK LUNCH ENROUTE IS INCLUDED.

Led by Linda McCarty and Jim McCarty

509-948-0545

509-948-4171



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

PLEASE DO NOT MAIL OR TAKE
YOUR CHECK TO THE ROVER OFFICE

WHEN: Thursday, December 5th, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Red Lion in Kennewick

COST: \$25 per person. Members only. Sorry, no guests

SIGNING UP:

Checks only (no cash please) **made payable to Rambling Rovers** and mailed or given personally to:

VEL WRIGHT
4410 W. METALINE AVE
KENNEWICK WA 99336

In the memo line of your check, please indicate each person's preference (chicken, pork or salmon): for Sun-dried Tomato Pesto Oven Roasted **Chicken** breast with pesto cream sauce ; Slow Roasted **Pork** Tenderloin topped with cinnamon apples; Oven Roasted NW **Salmon** with Asian sweet heat glaze. (All meals are served with seasonal vegetables and Chef's choice of starch and include water, coffee service, house salad with Ranch & Vinaigrette on the side, dinner rolls and butter and Pecan Cheesecake. Soda and bar drinks must be purchased and paid for by the member.)

You may begin mailing your checks to Vel now or you can also give Vel your check at a General Meeting. The deadline for Vel to receive your check is **November 25th**.

It will not be deposited until after the event. If you can't make it because you are sick, please telephone Vel as soon as you know.





Count Down to Mardi Gras!

New Orleans & Cajun Country

February 25 - March 2, 2025



6 Days & 5 Nights
\$3,399.00 Per person, double occupancy
\$3,999.00 Per person, single occupancy

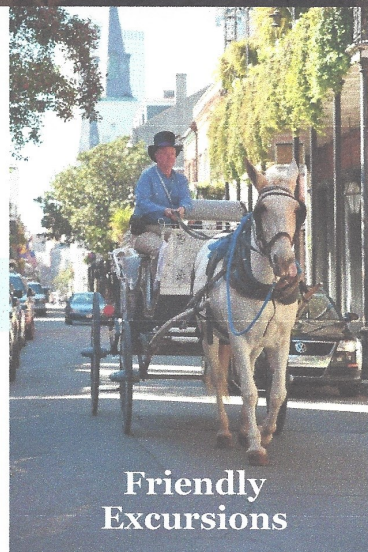
Sightseeing Highlights

- ♣ New Orleans City Tour
- ♣ Walking Tour of the French Quarter
- ♣ Pre-Mardi Gras Parades with Seating
- ♣ National WWII Museum and Movie
- ♣ Bayou Airboat Ride
- ♣ Baton Rouge Capitols
- ♣ Tabasco's Avery Island
- ♣ Vermilionville
- ♣ Nottoway Plantation

Itinerary

Day 1: Tuesday, 2/25 - We begin the tour by flying into New Orleans; the birthplace of Jazz, where European, Caribbean, African and Hispanic cultures blend together for variety and intrigue. The food, architecture, music, and traditions are so unique and they demand to be experienced and enjoyed. Staying at the Wyndham New Orleans French Quarter (3 nights) will place you near the center of New Orleans nightlife. Enjoy a welcome dinner, where you meet your fellow travelers in one of the country's best culinary locations. (D)

Day 2: Wednesday, 2/26 - Today we take the **New Orleans City Tour**, with a highly acclaimed local guide, who will bring life to the points of interest and reveal city secrets. The city tour will include a walking tour of the French Quarter, Bourbon Street; and your exploration will also include observing various exhibits in the **National WWII Museum**. The evening is yours and you'll have a chance to explore the vibrant night life of New Orleans. (B)



Friendly
Excursions

Tour Price Includes:

- ♣ Roundtrip Airfare
- ♣ Round Trip Airport
- ♣ Deluxe Motorcoach
- ♣ Professional Tour Director
- ♣ Local Experts
- ♣ Luggage Handling
- ♣ Meals: 5 Breakfasts
2 Dinners

Hotel Accommodations

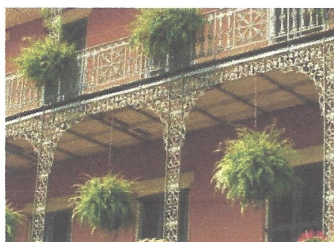
- ♣ 3 Nights in New Orleans
Wyndham New Orleans
French Quarter
- ♣ 2 Nights in Lafayette, LA
Springhill Suites Marriott

Moderately Active: Faster Pace,
Substantial distances covered,
extensive walking and stair
climbing.

Tour ID: **T451**

Day 3: Thursday, 2/27 - Start your morning off gliding through the bayou on an **airboat**. Get an up close look at the wild life in the swampland with your local guide. We then return to the hotel, giving you time to explore the tastes and sounds of the city on your own. During your evening, you will have time to enjoy one of the **Pre-Mardi Gras Parades** from reserved grandstand seats. (B)

Day 4: Friday, 2/28 - Heading Northeast, our first stop is **Nottoway Plantation**, the largest existing antebellum plantation home in the south. This home first built in 1859, is known for its beautiful architecture and oak draped lawns overlooking the Mississippi River. Continuing north along the river, we will explore the **old and new capitol buildings** in **Baton Rouge**. We then continue to Lafayette (2 nights). (B)



Day 5: Saturday 3/1 - Lafayette is considered the center of Acadian, the area of Cajun and Creole culture in Louisiana and the United States. Begin the day exploring **Vermilionville**, a living history museum and folk life park that promotes and propagates the cultural resources of the Acadian, Native American, and Creole people – from 1765 to 1890. Then **Avery Island**, the home of Tabasco Sauce and the beautiful **Jungle Gardens**. This is a chance to see how the famous hot sauce is made on their private island. We end the night with a local Mardi Gras celebration. (B, D)

Day 6: Sunday, 4/2 - As we fly home today, take some time to reflect on this amazing Mardi Gras and Cajun Country carnival experiences we had. (B)

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DEPOSIT: \$200 per person is required to hold your reservation. Your deposit is fully refundable up to December 23, 2024.

CANCELLATION: No Cancellation will be given after **December 23, 2024**.

Tour ID: **T451**



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San Diego & Palm Springs Delights

6 Days & 5 Nights
March 2 - 7, 2025

\$3,299.00 Per Person, Double
Occupancy

\$3,999.00 Per Person, Single
Occupancy

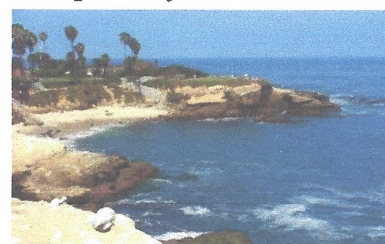
Tour Price Includes:

Roundtrip Airfare
Deluxe Motorcoach
Choice of San Diego Zoo, SeaWorld
or USS Midway
San Diego City Highlights Tour
La Jolla Cove and Coronado CA
Palm Springs Aerial Tramway
Palm Springs Tour
Palm Springs VillageFest
Tour Director Bobbi Lona
Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner

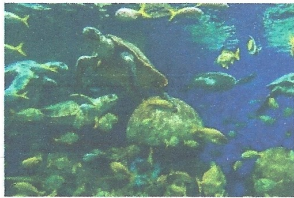


Day 1 Start this exciting tour with a flight to San Diego, "America's Finest City." A tour of this city introduces you to highlights such as Balboa Park, the Gas Lamp District and Old Town, the birthplace of California. We check into the Embassy Suites Hotel* for 3 nights and enjoy a Welcome Dinner. **D**

Day 2 See why San Diego is one of the top 10 tourist destinations in the U.S. In La Jolla we'll watch the kayakers rowing into the 7 underwater sea caves, be greeted by the pelicans, cormorants, sea lions and seals, stroll along La Jolla Cove and be inspired by the legacy of Ellen Browning Scripps. Then it's off to the renown Hotel del Coronado, its white sand beaches, world of luxury

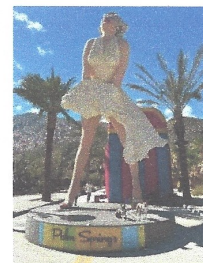


and fascinating history. We'll finish the day in Old Town San Diego, the birthplace of California. **B**



Day 3 Visitors come from all over the world to see San Diego with its perfect weather and fabulous attractions. Today is your choice. Select from a day at the world-famous San Diego Zoo, the excitement of visiting SeaWorld, or the USS Midway Aircraft Carrier Museum. Each of these venues has its appeal and unique story. **B**

Day 4 Today we journey to the Hollywood getaway town of Palm Springs CA beginning with a ride on the famous Palm Springs Aerial Tramway. A Swiss made rotating cable car whisks us up 8,000 feet to the top of Mt San Jacinto for beautiful views, to see the culmination of one man's impossible dream, and to enjoy a group lunch. Movie stars. and celebrities have left their mark for us to see in this desert town as we meander through the neighborhoods where they lived. Our hotel for the next 2 nights is the Courtyard by Marriott*. **B, L**



Day 5 Another day where you decide how to spend your vacation time. Choose one of the following: the Living Desert Zoo, Sunnylands Garden, Palm Springs Air Museum or the Palm Springs Art Museum. We will also have a shuttle to the Agua Caliente Casino. In the evening enjoy the festivities, food, entertainment and shopping at the Thursday night VillageFest on the main drag. **B**

Day 6 Today – Share your memories and photos with your friends as we make our way to the Palm Springs Airport for our flights home. **B**

* or similar property

DEPOSIT: \$200.00 due now to hold your place. Final payment is due Jan 2, 2025

CANCELLATION: Last day to cancel for a full refund is Jan 2, 2025

TRAVEL INSURANCE is highly recommended for Trip Cancellation, Accident, Life, and Luggage coverage during the tour. You can use the travel insurance company of your choice. For your convenience we have arranged for Sally McCay of MG Travel to assist you with acquiring insurance through Allianz. She can be reached at 760-754-7081 or sally@jazznuts.com

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda McCarty at 509-948-0545 or linda.davis08@yahoo.com

Yosemite & Sequoia National Parks



June 8 – 12, 2025

5 Days & 4 Nights

\$2,799 Per person Double Occupancy

\$3,359 Single Person Occupancy

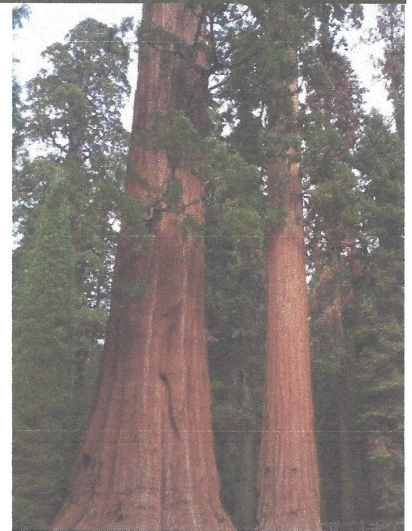
Sightseeing Highlights:

- Yosemite National Park
 - Yosemite Valley Floor Tour (2 Hours)
- Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks
- Chukchansi Gold Resort Casino
- San Francisco
 - Fisherman's Wharf and Pier 39

Itinerary

Day 1: Begin your adventure by flying to the California Bay Area. Enjoy a visit to the iconic **Fisherman's Wharf** and **Pier 39** in **San Francisco**, where you can see sea lions, shop at waterfront stores, and dine at various restaurants. Spend the evening on the waterfront at the Embassy Suites south of San Francisco.

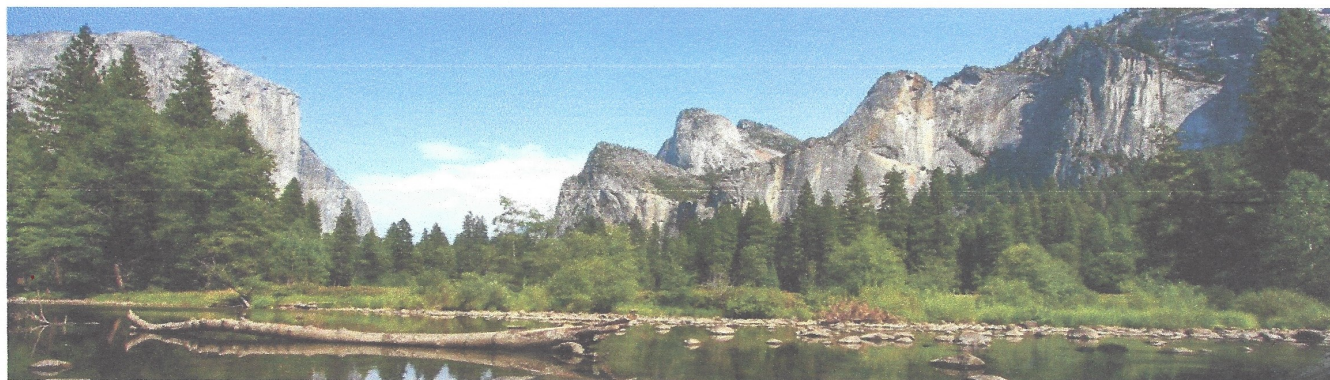
Day 2: Today we head towards the Sierra Mountains, stopping at the **Hilmar Cheese Factory** in the Central Valley along the way. See some of the historic sierra mountain mining towns founded during the height of the 1850's California Gold Rush. In the evening, stay at the world-class **Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino**, a four-diamond hotel. Enjoy the nightlife with 1,800 slot machines, 46 table games, and a variety of restaurants. B



Tour Price Includes:

- Round Trip Airfare
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- 1 Night Embassy Suites South San Francisco
- 2 Nights in Chukchansi Gold Resort & Casino
- 1 Night in Clovis—Courtyard by Marriott Fresno Clovis
- Luggage Handling
- Meals included:
 - 4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch,

Tour ID T453



Day 3: Travel to **Yosemite National Park**, a stunning landscape shaped by glaciers. Designated as the nation's first state park by Abraham Lincoln on June 30, 1864, Yosemite offers incredible sights. Take a two-hour **Valley Tram Tour** led by a park ranger, providing fascinating information about **El Capitan**, **Tunnel View**, **Yosemite Falls**, and more. Spend some leisure time exploring Yosemite Village, visiting its restaurants and shops. B

Day 4: On our final day, visit **Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks** to see some of the world's largest trees. Marvel at the groves of giant sequoias, including the **General Grant Tree**, the second largest sequoia in the world. B, L

Day 5: Today, we leave the beautiful Sierra Mountains behind and return home.

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DEPOSIT: \$200 due now to hold your place. Final payment is due on **April 4, 2025**.

CANCELLATION: Deposit is fully refundable up to **April 4, 2025**. No refund will be given after **April 4, 2025**.



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HEALTH ADVISORY: To ensure the safety and well-being of all members, we strongly encourage everyone to take necessary precautions to protect themselves and others from COVID-19 and other diseases. This includes not traveling or coming to a meeting when you are ill; wearing masks, and following all guidelines and regulations set forth by the relevant authorities.

TRAVEL ADVISORY: Any member needing assistance on a trip (i.e. caretaker) must provide the name of that person to the travel coordinator and their trip cost is to be paid by either the member or the caretaker. If a wheelchair/walker will be needed, the member will provide that. Caretaker will fill out and sign liability and medical information page required to travel.

WHEN CAN I SIGN UP FOR A TRIP? The first time you can sign up for a trip *is either at a meeting or after a trip appears in the newsletter — WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. You can sign up in the Rover office, you can mail your check in or you can sign up at general meetings.* Keep in mind the trip can fill up at any of those times. When you write a check for a trip, make it payable to Rambling Rovers and please include your phone number on the check and also the name of the trip in the memo line. Re Rover trips and not those arranged by a travel company like Friendly Excursions: If you ever cancel a trip and get a refund, you must cash it within 90 days or it is voided. When are refunds made? If you cancel a trip in less than twenty (20) days but more than three (3) days before departure and are not replaced by someone else, the prepaid expenses will be deducted from the total cost of the trip and the balance refunded. If you cancel within three (3) days of departure, there will be NO refund UNLESS the member is replaced by someone else, OR a letter is presented from the member's physician within thirty (30) days of the trip's departure date, verifying member's medical reason for canceling, OR there is a death in the member's immediate family (a person's immediate family is their smallest family unit). Refunds for ALL circumstances may be reviewed by the Board, if requested by the member or by the trip coordinator on behalf of the member.

Tipping the driver: A gratuity for coach drivers is included in the total price of the trip (\$2 per person) but if you feel generous, you can give him/her more as you leave the bus at the end of the trip. When bringing luggage to be loaded under the bus, please color code it with the school colors for your city which are: Kennewick - black/orange ; Richland - green/gold.