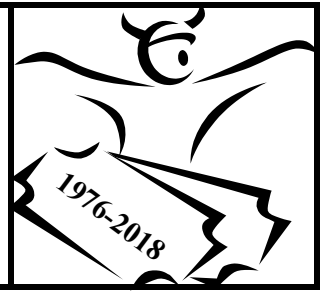




# THEATER BUS

For the "Over 55s"



**January-February 2018**

*Theater Bus, Inc. is a nonprofit organization committed to enriching the quality of life for all adults over 55 residing in the greater Madison community by providing safe, affordable, escorted outings to theatrical, cultural and social events.*

### **We are moving– New Year - New Office**

Theater Bus, Inc. is on the move. Beginning January 1, 2018 we will be in our new office, in the **Vantage Place II** building on the corner of Yellowstone Dr. and Enterprise Lane. (Suite 214). This will be our new pick-up point for weekend trips.

We will kick off our 2018 events at the Palace Theater in the Dells to see the Marvelous Wonderettes. This show featuring over 30 classic '50s and '60s hits will keep you smiling on a musical trip down memory lane!

Next, we are off to Sunset Playhouse for their very entertaining production of the 1930's comedy, Room Service. This trip includes lunch at the Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee.

For February, we have picked two shows close to Madison to support our local area community theaters.

Sunday, Feb. 11, we will head to Sun Prairie for lunch at Buck & Honey's, followed by Sun Prairie Civic Theater's performance of Noises Off. This is a rollicking backstage farce about a second-rate theatrical troupe.

Our second pick for February is Bus Stop, a 1955 comedy. It is presented by the Verona Area Community Theater in their new building. We will dine at Rex's Innkeeper in Waunakee before the show.

Enclosed with this bulletin is our **year end appeal**. Your tax deductible donation will brighten the life of an older adult and support the arts! Thank you and best wishes for 2018! ~ Bonnie

**P.S.** Our office will be closed Dec. 11 through Jan. 1, 2018. We will open Jan. 2, 2018 in our new office location.

**Theater Bus Inc.**  
**437 S. Yellowstone Dr. Suite 214**  
**Madison, WI 53719**



### **Directions to our new office:**

**Traveling west on Mineral Point Road** (from downtown): Go past Island Drive and past Oakwood Village (on your left). Turn left on Yellowstone Drive. Go one block on Yellowstone, to Enterprise Lane. **437 S. Yellowstone Dr.** is on the corner of Yellowstone and Enterprise. Turn left on Enterprise Lane to enter the parking lot. Parking is available on both sides of the building. **Suite 214** is on the second floor .

**Traveling east on Mineral Point Road** (from the Beltline): Go past West Towne Mall, and past the traffic light at Grand Canyon Drive; take the next right onto Yellowstone Drive. Go one block on Yellowstone, to Enterprise Lane. **437 S. Yellowstone Dr.** is on the corner of Yellowstone and Enterprise; Turn left on Enterprise Lane to enter the parking lot. Parking is available on both sides of the building. **Suite 214** is on the second floor.

# 1 Marvelous Wonderettes & Lunch

**Date:** Wednesday, January 24, 2018  
**Price:** \$80  
**Place:** Palace Theater, Wisconsin Dells  
**Time:** Lunch/Show: 12:00/1:00 p.m.  
**Deadline:** Dec 27  
**Pickup Points & Times (Bus pickup):**  
9:45 a.m.-West (Oakwood Village)  
10:00 a.m. -West (Cov. Pres. Church)  
10:30 a.m. -East (East Towne Shopko)  
Estim. Return to East side: 4:30 p.m.

This smash off-Broadway hit takes you to the 1958 Springfield High School prom where we meet four girls with hopes and dreams as big as their crinoline skirts! As we learn about their lives and loves, the girls serenade us with classic '50s and 60's hits.



At the time of printing this bulletin, the menu is yet to be determined. Meals typically include a salad, bread, a main entrée, starch, vegetable, and dessert.

# 2 Room Service & Lunch

**Date:** Sunday, January 28, 2018  
**Price:** \$75  
**Place:** Sunset Playhouse  
**Time:** Lunch/Show: 11:30/2:00  
**Deadline:** Jan. 8  
**Pickup Points & Times (Bus pickup):**  
9:45 a.m. -(West) Theater Bus Office @  
437 S. Yellowstone Dr.  
10:00 a.m. -(West) Oakwood Village  
10:30 a.m. - (East) East Towne Shopko  
Estim. Return to East side: 5:30 p.m.

A nimble-witted producer, living on credit with several actors in a Broadway hotel, is desperately in need of a good script. He finds one, and, by great good luck, he also finds an angel with \$15,000. Over the course of a hectic few days, the producer plays hide-and-seek with the angel who wants to withdraw his financial support. He outwits creditors, and at the very last moments, despite ludicrous and unexpected obstacles, manages to mount his play.



Lunch at Western Lakes Golf Club is your choice of :  
\*Grilled Chicken or \*Crab stuffed Sole or \*Garlic stuffed Pork Mignon.  
Dessert is Chef's Choice

## VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

**Our volunteers make Theater Bus possible. They are our CPA, Office Staff, Committees, Trip Leaders, Escorts, and the Board of Directors. And they pay the same price for our trips that participants pay.**  
**Thanks to all of you, Theater Bus succeeds!**



**We thank the Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation for their generous donation to underwrite the cost of printing this newsletter.**  
**This newsletter is printed by Thysse.**



## 3 Noises Off & Lunch

**Date:** Sunday, February 11, 2018

**Price:** \$65

**Place:** Sun Prairie Civic Theater

**Time: Lunch/Show:** 11:45/2:00 p.m.

**Deadline:** Jan. 31

**Pickup Points & Times (*Bus pickup*):**

10:45 a.m. -(West) Theater Bus Office @

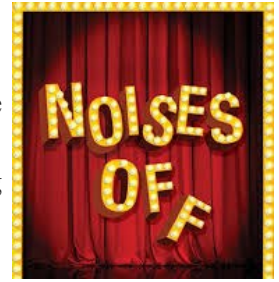
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11:00 a.m. -(West) Oakwood Village

11:30 a.m. - (East) East Towne Shopko

Estim. Return to East side: 4:30 p.m.

In Act I of Michael Frayn's farce, a second-rate company of British actors is rehearsing a touring company of a terrible sex farce. Act II reveals the backstage chaos that takes place during a performance. Act III follows the onstage performance in which everything goes wrong.



Lunch at Buck & Honey's is your choice of:

\* Stuffed Chicken Breast, lightly breaded stuffed with cheese, spinach and mushrooms or \*Baked Cod.

Dessert is Chef's Choice

## 4 Bus Stop & Lunch

**Date:** Sunday, February 18, 2018

**Price:** \$66

**Place:** Verona Area Community Theater

**Time: Lunch/Show:** 11:45/2:00 p.m.

**Deadline:** Jan. 31

**Pickup Points & Times (*Bus pickup*):**

10:45 a.m. -(West) Theater Bus Office @

437 S. Yellowstone Dr.

11:00 a.m. -(West) Oakwood Village

11:30 a.m. - (East) East Towne Shopko

Estim. Return to West side: 4:30 p.m.

In the middle of a snowstorm, a bus out of Kansas City pulls up at a small diner. All roads are blocked, and the travelers on board have to stay in the diner until morning. Cherie, a nightclub singer, is being pursued by a young cowboy. The cowhand is ready to sling her over his shoulder and carry her, alive and kicking, all the way to Montana. As a counterpoint to the main romance, the owner of the cafe and the bus driver who have previously only spent time in passing, find time to develop a friendship of their own. A middle-age scholar comes to terms with himself and a young girl who works in the cafe also gets her first taste of romance.



Lunch at Rex's Innkeeper is your choice of:

\* Prime Rib or \* Deep Fried Shrimp or \*Chicken Cordon Bleu or

\* Vegetable Stir-fry. Dessert is Chef's Choice

Our thanks to the Meriter Friends 4 Friends program for their generous donation to our Scholarship fund.

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The Theater Bus mission is supported by Oakwood Village University Woods.  
We thank them for their belief in our organization.

  
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VILLAGE**  
UNIVERSITY WOODS



# THEATER BUS

## For the "Over 55s"

Established 1976

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theaterbus@tds.net

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November 2017

Dear Friends,

Every year at this time we ask you, our participants and friends, to make a contribution to support Theater Bus, Inc. We hope you will be generous.

In 2017, Theater Bus hosted a wide variety of programs – 33 in all – that provided our participants with many enjoyable and enriching experiences. We are able to do this at a *minimum* charge, thanks to the generosity of time and effort by volunteers and through gifts from people like you.

Your gift this holiday season will make a difference in the coming year.

Help us to make Theater Bus and the arts a vital and viable part of more people’s lives with a special tax-deductible gift. We’ll invest your gift in events that are delightful, and entertaining. **Give now and enjoy your favorite venues in the months ahead!**

Every gift, no matter the size, helps to provide amazing benefits to area seniors and the arts community. On behalf of the Theater Bus Board of Directors, thank you. Your involvement and support means so much.

Sincerely,

*Bonnie Knuppel*

Bonnie Knuppel  
Executive Director

Theater Bus, Inc. is a nonprofit  
501 (c) (3) organization. Your  
gift is tax-deductible.

***I love Theater Bus!***

- I am enclosing my 2017 gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- I am enclosing \$\_\_\_\_\_ as a memory of \_\_\_\_\_.
- I am enclosing \$\_\_\_\_\_ in honor of \_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form  
with your gift to:**

**Theater Bus, Inc.  
517 N. Segoe Rd. Suite 200A  
Madison, WI 53705**

## Participant Policy

In order to assure a safe and pleasant experience for all participants, those attending our trips must be mobile and able to perform, without assistance, activities of daily living which include boarding and exiting the bus as well as navigating the venues, restaurants, bathrooms, boat docks etc. We cannot accommodate wheelchairs. Some trips may not be advisable for those with mobility issues requiring a walker. All coach buses have storage space and one seat for each passenger. If you take up more than one seat, you must pay for a second seat. We retain the right to refuse service to anyone exhibiting what we consider to be unacceptable behavior.

## Cancellation Policy

Your request for a refund must be received prior to the deadline date for the trip. Refunds will be issued for refundable expenses only, less a \$15 administrative fee. After the deadline date, you may find a replacement to fill your spot. Please let us know who that person will be. If you are unable to find a replacement and there is a wait list for the event, Theater Bus may be able to assign a substitute and issue you a refund less the administrative fee.

## Instructions for Completing the Reservation Forms

*Note: Some events fill well before the deadline. If more than two weeks have gone by after the bulletin mailing, please call the office before registering to ensure that there is still space available. Register early to ensure that you have a space. Registrations will not be taken over the telephone or spaces held unless payment has been received.*

1. Select the form for the event you wish to attend. Please complete providing the following information:
  - **Name and address**—Please use a return address label if you have one to ensure that we capture your information accurately. Otherwise, print your name and address clearly.
  - **Telephone number**—Your phone number is necessary in case we have questions. Our volunteers will call you prior to the event to confirm your attendance, pickup location and time. Please specify Home (H) or Cell (C).
  - **Number attending**—If you are registering just yourself, enter “1.” If you are registering more than one person, write the number attending and then write the name, address, phone number, pickup location, and meal choice, if required, of any others attending on the reverse side of the form.
  - **Additional contribution**—As a nonprofit organization, we provide scholarships and reduced-cost rides for participants in need. We depend upon donations to keep costs down and to include everyone. Thank you so much!
  - Indicate your preferred **pickup location**. Please be at the pickup location 15 minutes prior to the designated time.
  - If you wish to sit with a **friend** or group of friends, indicate the name(s) on line 4.
  - If you have special dietary needs, please call the office **in advance** to make accommodations.
  - If **meal selections** need to be made prior to the event, please indicate your meal preference on the form.
2. Theater Bus accepts checks, but not credit cards, as **payment**. Separate checks should be written for **each event**, although you may include registration fees for more than one person attending a single event on a single check. Checks should be made payable to **Theater Bus**.
3. **Mail** your registration form(s) and payment to: **Theater Bus, Inc., 517 N. Segoe Road, Suite 200A, Madison, WI 53705**. (Please note that we do not notify you of our receiving your reservation, but you can call to verify. Your cancelled check is your confirmation.)

*Note: All tips are included in the cost of the trip, to include a tip for the bus driver and wait staff.*

**During November and December 2017  
please mail your reservation forms to:**

Theater Bus, Inc.  
517 N. Segoe Rd Suite 200A  
Madison, WI 53705

**Beginning January 1, 2018 please mail your  
reservation forms to**

Theater Bus, Inc.  
437 S. Yellowstone Dr. Suite 214  
Madison, WI 53719

**Marvelous Wonderettes & Lunch 1**

Date: **Wed., Jan. 24, 2018** Cost: **\$80** Deadline: Dec. 27

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name & Address (Use a return address label)

2. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

- West—Oakwood Village (6205 Mineral Point Rd.)
- West—Covenant. Pres Church (Mineral Point & Segoe)
- East—East Towne Shopko

4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_

5.  See back of form for additional information

**Room Service & Lunch 2**

Date: **Sun., Jan. 28, 2018** Cost: **\$75** Deadline: Jan. 8

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name & Address (Use a return address label)

2. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

- West—Theater Bus (437 S. Yellowstone Dr.)
- West—Oakwood Village (6205 Mineral Point Rd.)
- East—East Towne Shopko

4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_

5.  See back of form for additional information

- Grilled Chicken
- Crab Stuffed Sole  Garlic Stuffed Pork Mignon

**Noises Off & Lunch 3**

Date: **Sun., Feb. 11, 2018** Cost: **\$ 65** Deadline: Jan. 31

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name & Address (Use a return address label)

2. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

- West—Theater Bus (437 S. Yellowstone Dr.)
- West—Oakwood Village (6205 Mineral Point Rd.)
- East—East Towne Shopko

4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_

5.  See back of form for additional information

6. Meal Choice:  Baked Cod  Stuffed Chicken Breast

**Bus Stop & Lunch 4**

Date: **Sun., Feb. 18, 2018** Cost: **\$66** Deadline: Jan. 31

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name & Address (Use a return address label)

2. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

- West—Theater Bus (437 S. Yellowstone Dr.)
- West—Oakwood Village (6205 Mineral Point Rd.)
- East—East Towne Shopko

4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_

5.  See back of form for additional information

6. Meal Choice:  Prime Rib  Chicken Cordon Bleu  
 Deep Fried Shrimp  Vegetable Stir-fry



**WE'RE ON THE MOVE!**

The Theater Bus office will be closed Dec. 11, 2017 through January 1, 2018.

We will open Tuesday, January 2 in our new office in the Vantage Place II building!

437 S. Yellowstone Dr., Suite 214  
Madison, WI 53719 Phone: 608-257-0003

Office hours: Mon-Fri. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

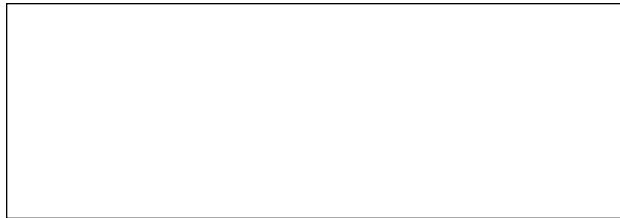


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Our trips fill quickly.  
Mail your  
reservation today!



**If you no longer wish to receive this mailing, please let us know: Call 608-257-0003 Thank you!**

### Reasons to Go with Theater Bus

**Premier Seats:** We obtain main floor seats whenever possible. **Round Trip Transportation:** We pick up from convenient Madison locations and return you to your car. **Escorts:** Escorts will be at each event to provide direction.

**Reminder Call:** We will call you with your pickup times and locations several days before each event.

**Smoke-Free Events:** Smoking is prohibited.

**Fun:** Great venues, great food and great people!

### Pickup Locations

Theater Bus provides the following convenient Madison pickup locations. Please arrive 15 minutes early.

**West**—Oakwood Village University Woods at 6205 Mineral Point Road (enter at Island Drive, stay left, turn right at first stop sign, entrance on right), Covenant Presbyterian Church located at the corner of Mineral Point & Segoe Roads (weekday events), Theater Bus Office, 437 S. Yellowstone Dr. (weekend events only starting in January 2018.)

**East**—East Towne Shopko, 2201 Zeier Road. Park in the Shopko lot furthest from the Shopko store, near East Towne Blvd., across from Firestone.

**Note:** Before each trip, our message at 257-0003 gives the pickup times and locations for each trip. Messages are checked the morning of our departure. Please let us know if your plans change.

### Contact Info

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After hours, please leave a message  
and your call will be returned.