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For the "Over 55s"



March—April 2022

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.



Welcome Spring!



Spring is on the horizon and I think we are all ready for some fun! We are planning many exciting trips for this spring and summer.

On some trips we will be using Badger Coaches and on some we will be using GoRiteway, Lamers or Kobbeson. There is a nationwide bus driver shortage that makes it difficult to only use one service. The trips will go on!

Restaurants are having a hard time getting deliveries of products. Please remember that there may be last minute meal substitutions because of this difficulty.

You might also see an increase in the cost of trips. As the cost of food and gas and expenses for venues rise, so will the cost of our trips. We try our hardest to keep the cost of trips below \$100, but you will notice that some trips are now over that mark as bus, food and theater prices are rising.

Our first trip in March is to the Sunset Playhouse on March I look forward to seeing you all.

6th to see Barefoot in the Park. This is Neil Simon's 1st Broadway play. This Romantic Comedy set in NY should be quite entertaining.

Then on to see Clue on Stage at the Racine Theater Guild. Slapstick with murder, mystery and mayhem!

Our last trip in March is to see the Broadway play The Producers at the Stage Coach Players Theater in Dekalb. The film is about a theater producer and his accountant who, as part of a scam, have to stage the worst stage musical they can create.

April will be busy with FIVE shows! Bad Year for Tomatoes at Memories, The Hits of Bobbie Darrin at the Palace Theater in the Dells, Psych, a thriller, at Waukesha Civic Theater, and we will wrap up April with the country/comedy show, Riders in the Sky at the Schauer Arts Center in Hartford. ~ Ruth

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.

Tickets: Escorts distribute tickets at all events.

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.)

East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd., park in stalls at far end of lot, away from the entrance of the store.

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.

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



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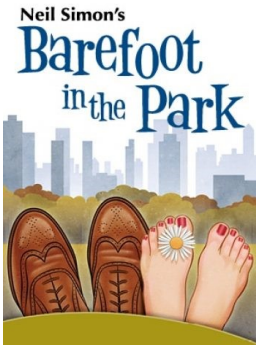
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Required at the theater.

Thank you!

4 Barefoot in the Park

Date: Sunday, March 6th 2022
Price: \$90 tips included
Place: Sunset Playhouse
Elm Grove, WI
Time: Lunch/Show 11:30/2:00
Deadline: February 21st
Pickup Points & Times (GoRiteway Bus pickup):
9:45 a.m. - West –Theater Bus
10:00a.m. - West –Oakwood Village
10:30 a.m. - East –Marshalls
Estim. Return to East side: 5:30 p.m.

Paul and Corie Bratter are newlyweds in every sense of the word. He’s a stuffy, ambitious young lawyer and she’s a romantic, free spirit. After a six-day honeymoon, she’s found the perfect apartment, a tiny fifth floor walk-up in Greenwich Village. Neil Simon’s first play and launchpad for his reign as the king of Broadway comedies. Lunch at Aliotos is a choice of Baked cod with potatoes and vegetables, Chicken Normandy w/whipped potatoes and gravy and dressing , Tenderloin tips on noodles or Vegetarian Chef’s choice. All meal’s are served with salad, bread, coffee, tea and sherbet for dessert.



5 Clue on Stage

Date: Saturday, March 20th, 2022
Price: \$95 tips included
Place: Racine Theater Guild
Time: Lunch/Show:
Deadline: March 4th, 2022
Pickup Points &Times (GoRiteway Bus pickup):
9:15 Theater Bus Office
9:30 Oakwood Village
10:00 Marshall’s East
Estimated return to East side: 6:00pm

Thunder crashes and lightning flashes as a cast of mysterious characters gather for a dinner party with murder on the menu in a race around the board to solve the puzzle as the body count continues to rise. Lunch at Infusino’s is your choice of: Rotisseri Chicken with vegetable and mashed potatoes, Lasagna, or Perch Dinner. Vegetarian option is Cheese Tortellini. Coffee and Tea included and dessert.



6 The Producers

Date: Sunday, March 27th 2022
Price: \$101 tips included
Place: Stage Coach, Dekalb
Time: Lunch/Show: 11:15/2:00
Deadline: March 11th, 2022
Pickup Points &Times (GoRiteway Bus pickup):
9:15 Theater Bus
9:30 Oakwood Village
10:00 Marshall’s east

Estimated return to east side 5:45

The play is about a theater producer and his accountant who, as part of a scam, have to stage the worst stage musical they can create. They eventually find one centering around Adolf Hitler and the Nazis. The partners find the ideal play for their scheme: Springtime for Hitler: A Gay Romp with Adolf and Eva at Berchtesgaden Because of this theme, *The Producers* was controversial from the start and received mixed reviews before it became a cult film and found a more positive critical reception later. *comedy with mature themes

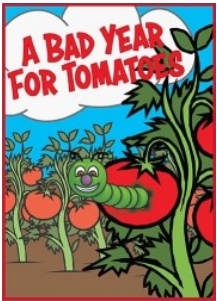
Lunch is at The Butterfly Club in Beloit . Choose between a full turkey dinner, Broiled Salmon or Chicken Monterey. All dinners come with house salad and baked potato and coffee or tea. Vanilla ice cream for dessert. PLEASE NOTE: We are not offering Prime Rib due to the cost of this meal.



7 Bad Year for Tomatoes

Date: Saturday, April 9th 2022
Price: \$99 tips included
Place: Memories Ballroom
Time: Lunch/Show 12:30/2:00
Deadline: February 21st
Pickup Points & Times (GoRiteway Bus pickup):
9:15 a.m. - West –Theater Bus
9:30a.m. - West -Covenant Church
10:00 a.m. - East –Marshalls
Estim. Return to East side: 6:00 p.m.

Fed up with the pressures and demands of her acting career, the famous Myra Marlowe leases a house in the tiny New England hamlet of Beaver Haven and settles down to write her autobiography. She is successful in turning aside the offers pressed on her by her long-time agent, but dealing with her nosy, neighbors is a different matter. In an attempt to gain some privacy, Myra invents a mad, homicidal sister—who is kept locked in an up-stairs room. Complications result when the local handy-man develops an affection for “Sister Sadie” (really Myra in a fright wig) and some of the more officious ladies decide it is their Christian duty to save the poor demented Sadie’s soul. In desperation, Myra announces that her imaginary sibling has suddenly gone off to Boston—which brings on chaos! Lunch is baked pork chops with apples, wild rice, steamed veg blend, dinner salad, rolls, and Memories famous Fluff for dessert. Coffee and Tea included.



8 Music of Bobby Darrin

Date: Thursday, April 14th, 2022
Price: \$98 tips included
Place: Palace Theater Wis. Dells
Time: Lunch/Show: 12:00/1:00 p.m.
Deadline: March 24th

Pickup Points & Times (Badger Bus pickup):
9:45 Oakwood Village West
10:00 Covenant Church West
10:30 Marshall’s East

In this special show, Vegas entertainer Ron Gartner honors the Darin legacy... singing the songs of the swingin-est guy who ever put on a tux...in a show that covers everything from Darin’s rock ‘n’ roll days to the evening at the Copa (with a slight detour into Country, Folk and Political Activism). Finger-snappin’ songs like Mack The Knife, Dream Lover, Beyond the Sea, Artificial Flowers, If I Were a Carpenter, Clementine, That’s All, and many many more! Menu to be announced.



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

9 Let Me Be Frank - Comedy Musical

Date: Thursday, April 21st, 2022
Price: \$97 tips included
Place: Meyer Theater, Green Bay
Time: Lunch/Show: 11:30/1:00 p.m.
Deadline: March 31st

Pickup Points & Times (Badger Bus pickup):
8:00 a.m. Oakwood Village West
8:15 Covenant Church West
8:45 Marshall’s East

Estim. Return to East side: 5:30 p.m.

WOMA Algoma- You’ve Struck Gold
It’s WKRP but at WOMA in Algoma. Hits from the 1960s and 1970s.

Lunch is at the Stadium view . Choices include Deep Fried Shrimp, Vegetable Pasta Marinara and Chicken Cor Don Blue. All meals come with dinner salad, vegetable and choice of potato. Coffee and Tea and dessert included.

10 Psych

Date: Sun, April 24th, 2022
Price: \$94 tips included
Place: Waukesha Civic Theater
Time: Lunch/Show: 11:30/2:00 p.m.
Deadline: April 4th

Pickup Points & Times (*GoRiteway Bus pickup*):
8:45 a.m. Theater Bus West
9:00a.m Oakwood Village
9:30 a.m. Marshall’s East

Estim. Return to East side: 5:30 p.m.

Edward Baxter was a successful psychiatrist, beloved by his many patients. Until he was framed for murder. Now on the run with an assumed identity and a suspicious new wife, his luck is running out. Edward seeks help from Dr. Robert Smith, a fellow psychiatrist and a man with inner demons of his own.



Lunch at the Oconomowoc Golf Club is your choice of Sauteed Chicken Breast with Sherry mushroom sauce or roasted pork loin with gravy. Chef’s choice dessert. Coffee and Tea included.

11 Riders in the Sky

Date: Fri, April 29th, 2022
Price: \$105 tips included
Place: Schauer Arts Center, Hartford
Time: Lunch/Show: Noon/2:00 p.m.
Deadline: April 11th

Pickup Points & Times (*Badger Bus pickup*):
8:45 a.m. Oakwood Village West
9:00a.m Covenant Church West
9:30 a.m. Marshall’s East

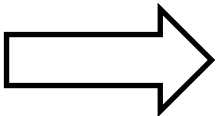
Estim. Return to East side: 5:30 p.m.

Winners of two Grammy Awards, Riders in the Sky stand “hats and shoulders” above the rest of the purveyors of “Comedy & Western!” For more than 30 years, they have kept the flame passed on by Gene Autry and Roy Rogers, becoming modern-day icons with their wacky humor, western wit, and cowboy way of life.



Lunch at MJ Stevens in Hartford with choice of 2 piece fish fry, Black Knight Rib Eye Sandwich, or Vegetarian Chef’s Choice. All meals include your choice of Kettle Chips or French Fries. Carrot Cake for dessert. Coffee and Tea included.

March 13th
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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 wheel-chairs. 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 \$17 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.

- 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 provide Emergency Contact name and phone number.
 - 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 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.
- 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**.
- Mail** your registration form(s) and payment to: **Theater Bus, Inc., 437 S. Yellowstone Dr. #214, Madison, WI 53719** (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.

Please bring your cell phone on a trip and keep it turned on. Silence the ringer during theater performances. There are times in which we may need to contact you before a trip, during a trip, or after a trip.

