



## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2023

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

### WHAT'S NEW?

**We have a new LOGO!** Some of you have already noticed the new logo on your name tags. We have updated our website, too. We also have an easy to use donate button on our website! One click of a button and you can donate using a credit card or bank card! It's easy and safe. [www.theaterbus.org](http://www.theaterbus.org)

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time at the American Family Golf Tournament! The weather didn't cooperate and it was a dreary weekend. We did raise \$1400 for Theater Bus though despite the cold and rain. We will try again next year!

Thank you all for your patience through June and July as I recovered from a broken ankle. The office is once again open normal hours. Mon - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm. Closed on Fridays.

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Thank you to the Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation for the continued support of Theater Bus, Inc.



And to Monona Senior Center & McFarland Senior Outreach for sharing our information in their newsletters!



## 23. GYPSY

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 2023

Price: \$128 tips included

Place: Marriott Dinner Theater, Lincolnshire, IL

Time: Lunch/Show 11:00/1:00pm

8:15am - (West) Covenant Church

8:30 am - (Monona) South Towne Mall

8:45am - (East) Marshalls

6:00 pm approximate return to Marshall's

Gypsy is the tale of the ultimate ambitious stage mother, fighting for her daughters' success while secretly yearning for her own. Arthur Laurents' landmark show explores the world of two-bit show business with brass, humor, heart, and sophistication. This lavish classic boasts a celebrated score by Jule Styne and Stephen Sondheim including: "Everything's Coming Up Roses," "Let Me Entertain You," "Some People," and "Together Wherever We Go."

Lunch is choice of Chicken Florentine w/Alfredo Sauce or Parmesan crusted tilapia. Includes salad and chef's choice of starch, vegetables and dessert.

## 24. Lombardi

Date: Sunday, Sept 17th, 2023

Price: \$ 112 tips included

Place: Rhode Center, Kenosha

Time: Lunch/Show 11:30/2:00pm

Pickup Points & Times (Bus Pickup):

9:15am - (West) Theater Bus

9:30am - (Monona) South Towne Mall

9:45am - (East) Marshall's

5:30pm approx. return to Marshalls

Sport produces great human drama and there is no greater sports icon to bring to theatrical life than Hall of Fame football coach Vince Lombardi, unquestionably one of the most inspirational and quotable personalities of all time. Though football's Super Bowl trophy is named for him, few know the real story of Lombardi the man—his inspirations, his passions and ability to drive people to achieve what they never thought possible.

Lunch Buffet at the Boat House Pub, Kenosha

### 23. Gypsy

Date: Wed. Sept 6th, 2023 Cost: \$128

Deadline: August 21st, 2023

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount encl \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # people

1. Name/address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

\_\_\_\_ West—Covenant Church Mineral Pt & Segoe Rd

\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonald's)

\_\_\_\_ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip with Theater Bus

7. Choose one:

Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Tilapia \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

### 24. Lombardi

Date: Sunday Sept 17th, 2023 Cost: \$112

Deadline: August 28th, 2023

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount encl \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # people

1. Name/address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

\_\_\_\_ West—Theater Bus, 437 S Yellowstone Dr.

\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonald's)

\_\_\_\_ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip with Theater Bus

## 25. Titanic the Musical

Date: Friday, Sept. 22nd, 2023  
 Price: \$130 tips included  
 Place: Fireside, Fort Atkinson  
 Time: Lunch/Show 11:00/1:00pm  
 8:15am - (West) Covenant Church  
 8:30 am - (Monona) South Towne Mall  
 8:45am - (East) Marshalls  
 5:00 pm approximate return to Marshall's

TITANIC, the 1997 Broadway Musical, captured five Tony Awards including Best Musical. Soaring songs, grand staging, and a set awash in glorious costumes makes this historic musical a must-see event; a great show made even better in the intimacy of The Fireside's theatre-in-the-round. The show focuses on the lives of all the varied strata of people uniquely united on that fateful journey, with the central character being the Titanic herself. This human drama explores and reveals individual strength, love, faith, and especially the triumph of human dignity.

Chicken Waterford for lunch, topped with Corned Beef, Caramelized Leeks, and Jarlsberg Swiss Cheese, presented on an Irish Mustard Sauce. Served with Whipped Potatoes and an Autumn Vegetable Mix. Includes salad, dinner rolls, coffee, tea, milk and dessert.

## 26. Celebration Belle Fall Cruise

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 4th, 2023  
 Price: \$114 tips included  
 Place: Prairie du Chien  
 Time: Lunch/Ride 11:00/3:00pm  
 7:30am - (East) Marshalls  
 7:45am - South Towne Mall  
 8:45am - (West) Covenant Church  
 9:15am - Mt Horeb Cenex  
 5:00 pm approximate return to Mt. Horeb

Imagine yourself cruising down the Mississippi, admiring the colors of nature all around you. Beautiful scenery abounds as you float up and down the river while in the background the great sounds of music from the 40's to the present. Sit back, listen, and even dance to the sounds of your favorite tunes. Big Band, Country, and Rock and Roll, it's all there. Last but not least be sure to visit our gift shop located on the 3rd deck. Don't forget your cameras to capture the scenic views!

Lunch Buffet on the boat.

## 25. Titanic

Date: Friday, Sept. 22nd, 2023 Cost: \$130  
 Deadline: Sept 1st, 2023  
 Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name/address \_\_\_\_\_
2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_
3. Pick-up location:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ West—Covenant Church Mineral Pt & Segoe Rd  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonald's)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.
4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip with Theater Bus
7. \_\_\_\_\_ I need vegetarian please

## 26. Celebration Belle

Date: Wed, Oct 4th, 2023 Cost :\$114  
 Deadline: Sept 13th, 2023  
 Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ # of people

1. Name/address \_\_\_\_\_
2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_
3. Pick-up location:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (Near McDonald's)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ West- Covenant Church Mineral Pt & Segoe Rd  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mt. Horeb Cenex
4. I wish to sit with: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip with Theater Bus

## 27. Laughter on the 23rd Floor

Date: Sunday, Oct. 15th 2023  
 Price: \$112 tips included  
 Place: Beaver Dam WI  
 Time: Lunch/Show 12:00/2:00pm  
 10:00am - (West) Theater Bus  
 10:15am - (Monona) South Towne Mall  
 10:30am - (East) Marshall's  
 5:00pm approximate return to Marshall's

Laugh along with the stars and writers of this 1950s TV variety show based on Neil Simon's own early career as a junior writer. Local director, Ron Wilkie, brings us this ensemble comedy filled with the antics of the stressed-out staff writers working to one-up each other. Watch as star comic, Max Prince, battles the naysaying executives over his sophisticated humor. Or so he says. You'll be laughing out loud at this 1993 Broadway show.

Lunch at Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant with your choice of Spaghetti with or without meatballs or Lasagna. Coffee and dessert included.

## 28. Drinking Habits

Date: Sunday, Oct. 22nd 2023  
 Price: \$116 tips included  
 Place: Bell Tower, Dubuque, IA  
 Time: Lunch/Show 12:00/2:00pm  
 9:45am - (East) Marshall's  
 10:15am - (Monona) South Towne Mall  
 10:00am - (West) Theater Bus  
 10:30am - Mt Horeb Cenex  
 5:00pm approximate return to Mt. Horeb

The Sisters of Perpetual Sewing pine for the excitement of the past when their secret wine making was saving the convent and bringing lost loves back together. When they discover that the local orphanage is in peril of closing, they resolve to act. Everyone pitches in to mount a play to raise money and hilarious hijinks ensue. Anything that can go wrong does. Can the sisters save the day again?

Brunch Buffet at Timmerman's Supper Club, East Dubuque.

### 27. Laughter on the 23rd Floor

Date: Sunday, October 15th, 2023 Cost: \$112

Deadline: Sept. 25th, 2023

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Name/Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

\_\_\_\_ West - Theater Bus 437 S Yellowstone Dr

\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonalds)

\_\_\_\_ East—Marshall's, 2117 Zeier Rd.

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip with Theater Bus

7. \_\_\_\_\_ Spaghetti w/Meatballs

\_\_\_\_\_ Spaghetti w/o Meatballs \_\_\_\_\_ Lasagna

### 28. Drinking Habits

Date: Sunday, October 22nd, 2023 Cost: \$116

Deadline: Sept. 25th, 2023

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Name/Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

\_\_\_\_ West - East—Marshall's, 2117 Zeier Rd.

\_\_\_\_ Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonalds)

\_\_\_\_ West - Theater Bus 437 S Yellowstone Dr

\_\_\_\_ Mt Horeb Cenex

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip w/Theater Bus

## 29. The Blythe Spirit

Date: Sunday, Oct. 29th 2023  
 Price: \$120 tips included  
 Place: Rhode Center, Kenosha  
 Time: Lunch/Show 12:00/2:00pm  
 10:00am - (West) Theater Bus  
 10:15am - (Monona) South Towne Mall  
 10:30am - (East) Marshall's  
 6:00pm approximate return to Marshall's

Cantankerous novelist Charles Condomine, who has remarried but finds himself haunted (literally) by the ghost of his late first wife, Elvira. Clever, insistent and well aware of Charles' shortcomings, Elvira is called up by a visiting "happy medium," the eccentric and flighty Madame Arcati. As everyone's personalities clash, Charles' current wife, Ruth, is accidentally killed. She "passes over" and joins Elvira, allowing the two "blithe spirits" to haunt the hapless Charles into perpetuity.

Lunch Buffet at the Boat House in Kenosha.

### 28. Blythe Spirit

Date: Sunday, October 29th, 2023 Cost: \$120

Deadline: Oct. 6th, 2023

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Additional contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Name/Address

2. Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up location:

West - Theater Bus 437 S Yellowstone Dr

Monona - South Towne Mall (near McDonalds)

East - Marshall's Zeier Rd

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone number

6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is my 1st trip w/Theater Bus

### REMINDERS:

- Sometimes we have to adjust trip pick up times/locations for construction, weather, etc PLEASE pay attention when you get your reminder call so that you are aware of any changes. The volunteers that call have the most up to date info. Please listen to your phone messages. If we can't speak to you when we call, we will leave a message with all the information.
- Some events fill well before the deadline. 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 all of the information. (Use a return address label if you have them) Otherwise, print your name and address and telephone number clearly.
- 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, for EACH person.
- Theater Bus accepts checks, but **not credit cards**, as payment. Separate checks must be written for each event. Checks should be made payable to Theater Bus.
- Mail or drop off your registration form(s) and payment to: Theater Bus, Inc., 437 S. Yellowstone Dr. #214, Madison, WI 53719
- All tips are included in the cost of the trip, including a tip for the bus driver and wait staff.
- If you have one, please bring your cell phone on a trip and keep it turned on. Silence the ringer during theater performances.
- Bring a smile and a sense of adventure!
- Every trip has a deadline listed. That is when we cash checks for that trip. After the deadline, refunds are no longer available.



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Madison, WI 53719

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### Pickup Locations

Theater Bus provides the following convenient Madison pickup locations. **Please arrive 15 minutes earlier than listed in the newsletter.**

**West** - *Covenant Presbyterian Church* located at the corner of Mineral Point & Segoe Roads (weekday events), *Theater Bus Office*, 437 S. Yellowstone Dr. (weekend events.) \*\*\**We no longer pick up at Oakwood Village.*

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

**Monona** - South Towne Mall, Broadway Dr, near the McDonalds.

Note: Before each trip, we check messages at 257-0003. *Please let us know if your plans change.*

Contact Info:

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**Director**

**Theater Bus**

**437 S. Yellowstone Dr. #214**

**Madison, WI 53719**

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Website: [www.theaterbus.org](http://www.theaterbus.org)

Winter Hours: Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

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

### OFFICE HOURS:

Office closed on Fridays!

Office open Mon - Thurs 9:00am-3:00pm.