



MAY—JUNE 2024

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.

American Family Golf Tournament

Volunteers needed

We need 24 Volunteers to help us staff two beverage booths at the American Family Golf Tournament, June 7-9 at the University Ridge Golf Course!

This is a fundraising opportunity for Theater Bus. We have AM 5 hour shifts and PM 5 hour shifts.

We serve beverages only. NO food cooking or prep. 3-4 people work each shift.

You get FREE entry to the tournament the day of your shift, a free meal during your shift, a free Theater Bus T-shirt and the chance to see some great golf. Your help earns Theater Bus a percentage of the booths proceeds and tips.

E-mail Ruth info@theaterbus.org

or

Call Ruth @ (608)257-0003



CORRECTION

We apologize if anyone was missed on our donor list in the March/April Newsletter.

Shirley Noyce was listed incorrectly as a Group Leader and should have been listed under our Producer's donor level.

Summer Office Hours

Please call before coming to the office. Our office will be open limited morning hours in the summer.

You can drop off registrations and payments through the mail slot in the door as well as by mail.

Thank you!

13. Rumors

Date: Saturday, May 11th, 2024

Price: \$125

Place: Wis. Rapids Community Theater, Wis. Rapids, WI

Time: Lunch/Show 12:00/2:00pm

9:15am — (West) Theater Bus

9:30am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

10:00am — South Town Monona

10:15am — (East) Marshall's

In 1988, Neil Simon needed to cheer himself up. The solution was a farce in two acts, set in Palisades, that shows a dinner party gone topsy-turvy. An enjoyable romp that has been staged countless times all over the country, this is one of Simon's most celebrated comedies. But it carries a subtle undercurrent of sadness, which becomes more clear when we set it alongside the events of the playwright's life.

Buffet lunch at Ebbe's Lake Aire in Wis. Rapids

13. Rumors

Date: Saturday, May 11th, 2024 **Cost:** \$125

Deadline: April 22nd, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

___ West—Theater Bus 437 S Yellowstone Dr

___ Fitchburg—AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:

14. Beautiful

Date: Thursday, May 16th, 2024

Price: \$148

Place: The Fireside

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

8:30am — (West) Covenant Church

8:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:15am — South Town Monona

9:30am — (East) Marshall's

Approximate return to Theater Bus 6:00pm.

Before she was hit-maker Carole King — she was Carole Klein, a spunky, young songwriter from Brooklyn with a unique voice. From the chart-topping hits she wrote for the biggest acts in music to her own life-changing, trailblazing success, BEAUTIFUL: The Carole King Musical takes you back to where it all began. Featuring such unforgettable classics as "You've Got a Friend," "One Fine Day," "Take Good Care of My Baby," "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," and "Natural Woman".

Lunch choices are Grilled Hanger Steak, Rainbow Trout or Supreme Cut Chicken Breast. Lunch includes salad, Georgia Pecan Pie and tea or Coffee.

14. Beautiful

Date: Thurs, May 16th, 2024 **Cost:** \$148

Deadline: April 22nd, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

___ West—Covenant Church corner of Segoe & Mineral Pt

___ Fitchburg—AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:

6. Meal Choice: (Circle one) Chicken Trout
Hanger Steak

15. Cabaret

Date: Sunday, May 19th, 2024

Price: \$127

Place: Racine Theater Guild, Racine WI

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

9:00am — (West) Theater Bus

9:15am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:45 am — South Town Monona

10:00am — (East) Marshall's

10:30am—Johnson Creek Park N Ride

In 1929 Berlin, the vibrant, fantastical world of the Kit Kat Klub is an escape from the grim reality creeping in outside of its walls. Cliff Bradshaw, an American writer, has arrived in town and is swept up by the club and the one-and-only Sally Bowles.

Buffet Style lunch at Machine Shed includes coffee and dessert.

16. Senior Day at the Brewers!

Date: Thursday, May 30th, 2024

Price: \$107

Place: Milwaukee WI

Time: 12:10 Game

9:00am — (West) Covenant Presby. Church

9:15am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:45am — South Town Monona

10:00am — (East) Marshall's

10:30am—Johnson Creek Park and Ride

It's sure to be a great game between the Brewer's Versus the Cubs. This price includes transportation with tip for the driver, game day ticket, drop off and pick up right at the stadium doors, seats in a shaded area, a box lunch from Jimmy John's and a Brewers Can Koozie.

We have only 37 tickets so sign up early!

We will also be doing a special prize giveaway on the bus!



15. Cabaret

Date: Sunday, May 19th, 2024

Cost: \$127

Deadline: April 26th, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address _____

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

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___ Fitchburg—AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

___ Johnson Creek Park N Ride

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number: _____

16. Senior Day at the Brewers

Date: Thursday, May 30th 2024

Cost: \$107

Deadline: May 6th, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address _____

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

___ West—Covenant Church corner of Segoe & Mineral Pt

___ Fitchburg AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near the old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number: _____

6. (Choose one per person) ___ Vegetarian Sub
 ___ Turkey Sub ___ Roast Beef Sub

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17. Rosewood

Date: Tuesday, June 4th 2024

Price: \$118

Place: Delevan, WI

Time: Lunch/Show 12:30/2:00pm

9:15am — (West) Covenant Presby. Church

9:30am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

10:00am — South Town Monona

10:15am — (East) Marshall's

Rosewood always a popular trip with gift shops and beautiful gardens and a cash bar. Grab a glass of wine and walk the gardens or shop the quirky specialty markets. The quilt shop will also be open! Gretchen and Mark will entertain you with **COUNTRY CROSSROADS** - intersection where Classic Country meets Southern Rock and New Country. This show is an entertaining blend of artists and songs that have defined dashboard playlists for generations of American Music fans.

Plated lunch choice of Citrus Garlic Crusted organic chicken or Pistachio Crusted Atlantic Salmon, Braised Burgundy Beef Tips OR Grilled Seasonal Vegetables w/ quinoa & cous cous pilaf. Salad, bread, dessert and coffee included.



Something we have never
done before!

18. Medieval Times

Date: Sunday, June 16th, 2024

Price: \$119

Place: Schaumburg, Ill

Time: Lunch/Show 1:00pm

9:15am — (West) Theater Bus

9:30am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

10:00am — South Town Monona

10:15am — (East) Marshall's

The 11th century comes alive as you explore the castle. Suits of armor stand guard as you walk thru Her Majesty's halls. You will be crowned with your kingdom's colors and you'll want to cheer your kingdom's knight on to a win. A 4 course medieval feast will be served.

17. Rosewood

Date: Tuesday, June 4th, 2024

Cost: \$118

Deadline: May 10th, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

___ West—Covenant Church corner of Segoe & Mineral Pt

___ Fitchburg AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near the old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshall's, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:

6. Choose per person: ___ Chicken ___ Salmon
___ Beef Tips ___ Vegetarian

18. Medieval Times

Date: Sunday, June 16th, 2024

Cost: \$119

Deadline: May 27th, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

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___ Fitchburg—AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshall's, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:

19. Ringling Museums

Date: Tuesday, June 25th, 2024

Price: \$120

Place: Baraboo, WI

Time: 12:30 Lunch

9:00am — (West) Covenant Presby. Church

9:15am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:45am — South Town Monona

10:00am — (East) Marshall's

Join us for a day of exploring the circus! We begin at the original Ringling Mansion —now a museum. We will eat at the Ringling Brew Pub (where you can try a Ringling Original beer) and then will finish at the Circus World Museum for a self guided tour.

Lunch choices: Burger with Fries, Sloppy Joe with Fries or Cobb Salad . A slice of pie and non Alcoholic drinks included.

**** This trip does include steps and walking.**

19. Ringling Museums

Date: Tuesday, June 25th, 2024 **Cost:** \$120

Deadline: June 5th, 2024

Check: # _____

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

Amount encl \$ _____ for _____ # people

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

3. Pick-up Location:

___ West—Covenant Church corner of Segoe & Mineral Pt

___ Fitchburg AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

___ Monona—South Towne Mall (near the old McDonald's)

___ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

4. I wish to sit with: _____

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:

6. Circle one meal choice per person:

Burger

Sloppy Joe

Cobb salad

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.
- 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.
- **Please park away from the church and businesses. (Park at the far end of the church lot, etc) We do not want to disrupt funerals at the church or businesses that are open.**

We cannot plan for all diets. We DO NOT offer gluten free options nor do we allow for ordering off a menu. If you do not like the food choices, please do not sign up for the trip. *Thank you for understanding.*



*Theater Bus is always working to serve you better. We are asking for your input. This is completely anonymous. **Thank you** for taking a few minutes to complete this survey. Please complete the front and back. Turn in the survey when you register for a trip. (If you have already taken this survey on a bus trip, there is no need to do it again.)*

1. Average number of TB trips I take a year is: _____
2. Is the price of the trips impacting the number of trips you take? Y N (circle one)
3. I would enjoy going to sporting events with Theater Bus Y N (circle one)
4. I would take a trip with **no meal**, just a show with transportation: Y N
(Circle one)
5. I would prefer my trip reminder by TEXT EMAIL PHONE (circle one)
6. I would like to take non-theater based trips (Examples: a tour of the Wade House with lunch or a tour of 10 Chimney's with lunch) Y N (Circle one)
7. Please tell us what you would like to see for Theater Bus trips.

*Thank
you*

Meet the 2024 Board of Directors: *Standing left to right:* Asta Blanchar, Pres; John Carrier, Selection Committee Chair; Dawn Ashley.

Sitting left to right: Barb McNallie, Secretary; Deb Lawrence, Treasurer; Paul Vetterli; Mary Jane Bennett, Vice Pres.



A very SPECIAL Thank you to the Pleasant T Rowland Foundation for their continued support.



Baseball Fan Trivia

- Q. The record for the most career games with 7 or more RBI's is 9. Who holds that record?
- Q. Which country produces the more major leaguers per capita than any other country in the world?
- Q. Who had the most homeruns in major league history?
- Q. What team has won the most World Series?
- Q. Who is the ONLY player to have 400 home runs and 400 stolen bases?

(find the answers on page 8)





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Our trips fill quickly,
Mail your reservation today!

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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), Park at far end of lot *Theater Bus Office*, 437 S. Yellowstone Dr. (weekend events.)

Fitchburg— *AMC Theater* 6091 McKee Rd Park at the end near the gas station.

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 (608) 257-0003. *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 during regular business hours. After office hours, we do have a mail slot in the door for dropping off registrations.

OFFICE HOURS:

Office closed on Fridays!

Summer office hours are limited.

Please call before visiting.

Trivia Answers from pg 7. : Lou Gehrig; Curacao; Barry Bonds; NY Yankees; Barry Bonds