

## MARCH—APRIL 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.

### **Inclement Weather Policy**

In the RARE event that we must cancel a trip due to weather or other unforeseen last minute circumstance, we will make every effort to reschedule. Typically, Theater Bus does not receive refunds from our venues or bus companies for last minute cancelled trips, so please understand we are not able to offer refunds to our attendees. If you can not go on the rescheduled date, or if we are unable to reschedule a cancelled trip, refunds will not be issued.

*Thank you for your understanding.*

### **And the winner is...**

We had NO entries for the trivia contest in the last newsletter! Watch your May/June newsletter for another chance to win a special prize!



## 2 MARCH/APRIL 2024 SHOWS AND REGISTRATIONS

THEATER BUS

### 6. Guys on Ice

Date: Sunday, March 3, 2024

Price: \$146

Place: Milwaukee Rep Theatre

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

9:30am — (West) Theater Bus

9:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

10:00am — South Town Monona

10:15am — (East) Marshall's

10:45am — Johnson Creek Park and Ride

6:00pm Approximate return to Marshall's

One of the Stackner Cabaret's most popular musical comedies makes its encore the 25th Anniversary of when this show premiered at Milwaukee Rep! Life on the lake is easy, especially when the fish are biting, the jokes are funny, there's a 'couple two three' beers in the bucket and the Green Bay Packers are on the field. From the warmth of their shanty 'up north,' old pals Marvin and Lloyd spin wit, wisdom and hilarious songs about life, love and the one that got away. Don't miss this Wisconsin musical tradition, featuring songs like "When On Thin Ice," "Ode to a Snowmobile Suit" and "The Wishing Hole."

Brunch at Thunder Bay Grille .

### 7. Fiddler on the Roof

Date: Friday, March 8th, 2024

Price: \$140

Place: Fireside Theater, Fort Atkinson, WI

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

8:30am — (West) Covenant Presbyterian Church

8:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:00am — Monona South Town Mall

9:15am — (East) Marshall's

5:00pm approx. return to Marshall's

*A fiddler on the roof, sounds crazy, no?"* Yet millions of people every year fall in love with Tevye, the long-suffering dairyman who struggles to find a balance between his traditions and his family. Now celebrating 60 years, as is The Fireside, we are proud to present a brand new revival of one of the most popular shows in our history. The show's universal theme touches everyone, leaving audiences crying tears of both joy and sadness. Including such iconic songs as "Sunrise, Sunset," "If I Were a Rich Man" and "Matchmaker, Matchmaker," FIDDLER ON THE ROOF is the perfect mix of audience-pleasing humor and heart.

Dinner choices include: Chicken Cordon Bleu; Sliced Roast Beef Tenderloin; Baked Almond crusted cod; or Vegetarian Medley with pasta. All served with Cauliflower Mashed "Potatoes" and Roasted Brussels Sprouts. Oreo Delight for dessert. Coffee, Tea, and Milk.

### 6. Guys on Ice

Date: Sunday, March 3rd, 2024 Cost: \$146

Deadline: Feb. 9, 2024

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

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up Location:

\_\_\_ West—Theater Bus 427 S Yellowstone Dr

\_\_\_ Fitchburg AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

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

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

\_\_\_ Johnson Creek Park and Ride

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### 7. Fiddler on the Roof

Date: Friday, March 8th, 2024 Cost: \$140

Deadline: Feb. 9th, 2024

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

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Name/address

2. Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up Location:

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

\_\_\_ 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. Circle one meal choice per person:

Vegetarian      Chicken Cordon Bleu

Sliced Tenderloin      Baked Cod

## 8. Savannah Sipping Society

Date: Saturday, March 16th, 2024 Price: \$127

Place: Sunset Playhouse, Elm Grove, WI

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

9:15am — (West) Theater Bus

9:30am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:45am — South Town Monona

10:00am — (East) Marshall's

10:30am— Johnson Creek Park and Ride

6:00pm Approximate return to Marshall's

In this delightful, laugh-a-minute comedy, four unique Southern women, all needing to escape the sameness of their day-to-day routines, are drawn together by fate—and an impromptu happy hour—and decide it's high time to reclaim the enthusiasm for life they've lost through the years.

Lunch Buffet at Aliotos restaurant.

## 9. Martin and Lewis Tribute

Date: Saturday, April 6th, 2024

Price: \$130

Place: Memories Ballroom, Port Washington

Time: Lunch/Show 12:30/1:45pm

9:30am — (West) Theater Bus

9:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

10:00am — South Town Monona

10:15am — (East) Marshall's

10:45am— Johnson Creek Park and Ride

"The Martin and Lewis Tribute" is a show in a class all its own. Never have two artists captured the very essence and chemistry of the celebrities they perform as have Tom Stevens and Tony Lewis. Having spent the last 30 years performing throughout Australia, they are undeniably a one-of-a-kind show that will make you feel as if Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis are still performing together today.

All you can eat pasta bar included at Memories with meatballs, chicken, roasted veggies, salad, bread sticks and Memories famous fluff as well as cheesecake for dessert.

## 8. Savannah Sipping Society

Date: Saturday, Mar 16th, 2024

Cost: \$127

Deadline: Feb. 23rd, 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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\_\_\_ East—Marshalls, 2117 Zeier Rd.

\_\_\_ Johnson Creek Park and Ride

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

5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## 9. Martin and Lewis

Date: Saturday, April 6th, 2024

Cost: \$130

Deadline: March 15th, 2024

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

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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## 10. Faith's Journey

Date: Thursday, April 11th, 2024

Price: \$130

Place: Riverside Ballroom, Green Bay, WI

Time: Lunch/Show 12:00pm/1:00pm

8:30am — (West) Covenant Church

8:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:00am — South Town Monona

9:15am — (East) Marshall's

6:00pm Approximate return to Marshall's

Join Faith's Journey for Absolutely Country Definitely Gospel direct from their new home, Jerry Presley's God and Country Theatre! Terry Awards Gospel Group of the year & Branson Show Awards Gospel Show of the year!

Family style meal served at the Riverside Ballroom. Chicken dinner with mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, veggies and dessert bars. Vegetarian and GLUTEN free are available. There will be a cash bar.

## 11. Guys and Dolls

Date: Wednesday, April 17th, 2024

Price: \$150

Place: Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terr, Ill

Time: Lunch/Show 11:30/1:30pm

8:30am — (West) Covenant Church

8:45am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:00am — South Town Monona

9:15am — (East) Marshall's

Step into the dazzling lights of 1950s New York City with Guys and Dolls. This enduring tale of romance, risk, and unforgettable rhythm, follows the improbable love story of high-rolling gambler Sky Masterson and mission doll Sarah Brown, along with the comedic relationship of the ever-patient Miss Adelaide and craps game organizer Nathan Detroit. Guys and Dolls takes you into the golden age of Broadway with wit, charm, and plenty of heart with vibrant characters and unforgettable songs like "Luck Be a Lady" and "Sit Down, You're Rockin' the Boat."

Lunch will be served at Drury Lane. Choice of Fresh Filet of Salmon (DF) (GF) Tomato Confit, Roasted Wedge Potatoes, Green Beans or Grilled Chicken Breast (DF) White Wine Reduction and Herb Sauce, Roasted Wedge Potatoes, Green Beans or Vegetable Kabob (GF) (V) Zucchini, Yellow Squash, Tomato, Onion, Mushroom, Peppers, Wild Rice, Balsamic Glaze. Dessert and coffee included.

## 10. Faith's Journey

Date: Thursday, April 11th, 2024 Cost: \$130

Deadline: March 20th, 2024

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

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

7. \_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_ Gluten Free

## 11. Guys and Dolls

Date: Wednesday, April 17th, 2024 Cost: \$150

Deadline: March 25th, 2024

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

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Pick-up Location:

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

7. Circle one meal choice per person:

Chicken

Vegetarian

Salmon

## 12. Baskerville: Sherlock Holmes Mystery

Date: Saturday, April 27th, 2024

Price: \$127

Place: Belltower Theater, Dubuque

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

9:00am — (East) Marshall's

9:15am — South Town Monona

9:30am — Fitchburg AMC Theater

9:45am — (West) Theater Bus

10:15am— Cenex Mt Horeb

Holmes and Watson are on the case in this fast-paced comedy mystery! The world's greatest detective must solve the case of "The Hound of the Baskervilles" before a family curse dooms its newest heir. Watch as they try to escape a dizzying web of deceit, silly accents and disguises. Can our heroes discover the truth in time?

Plated lunch at Timmerman's includes 4 oz chicken breast and Baked ham with mashed potatoes and gravy with peas also, tossed salad, dinner rolls and cheesecake for dessert.

## 12. Baskerville: Sherlock Holmes

**Date:** Saturday, April 27th, 2024    **Cost:** \$127

**Deadline:** April 6th, 2024

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**Additional Contribution:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_ Fitchburg AMC Theater 6091 McKee Rd

\_\_\_ West—Theater Bus 427 S Yellowstone Dr

\_\_\_ Mt. Horeb Cenex

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

**5. Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number:**

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

**7. \_\_\_ Vegetarian please**

### 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.

Your generous contributions help us to live our mission of enriching the quality of life for all adults over 55 by providing safe, affordable, volunteer led outings to theatrical, cultural and social events.

**Producers (\$500+)**

Gloria and Skip Baker  
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**Stars (\$100-499)**

Anonymous  
Dawn Ashley  
Cris Ballweg  
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Loretta Bryan  
Joyce Butler  
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John Clarke  
Russell Crane  
Mary Cutrell  
Vira Dockery  
Amy Epstien  
Judy Fenske  
Lucinda Gruendemann  
Sandra Haack  
Sandra Hardie  
Jane Henning  
Judith Hellenbrand  
Kathleen Heimann  
Letitia Marziak  
Mary Lou Muraski  
Ruth Owens  
Lawrence & Nancy Schrader  
Fred Schunke  
Arlen Spaanem  
Maureen Rice  
Paul Vetterli  
Sally Wellman  
Mary Wick

**Theater Goers (\$1-99)**

John Abel  
Nancy Abraham  
Lisa Allen  
Velda Allen  
Carol Ames  
Mildred Amundson  
Diane Anderson

**Theater Goer's Con't**

Anonymous  
Barbara Baake  
Mary Beattie  
Chris Beisser  
Sharon Berge  
Marilyn Biever  
James Brickson  
Thomas Bonita  
Alice Buechner  
Shirley Butler  
Robert Cleasby  
Sue Coats-Darwin  
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Mary Anne Davis  
Donna Dietrich  
Rosemary Dorney  
Marie Eberhardt  
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Sharon Everet  
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Mary Fieber  
Helen Filipiak  
Jack Flesch  
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Marlene Gerner  
Rolland and Marlene Grosse  
Ela Hagemann  
Carol Hansen  
Diane Hanson  
Margie Hayes  
Katherine Herrin  
Dick Hodges  
Gail Holmes  
Geri Huemmer  
Mary Jones  
Darlene Johnson  
Jean Jordan  
Judy Kadera  
Arlene Kassube  
Don and Lynn Klink  
Carol Knechteges  
Pamela Kopp  
Felix Kowalewsky  
Pauline Krall  
Sharon Kroneman  
Kathleen Larson  
Deb Lawrence  
Joan Lawrence

**Theater Goer's Con't**

Susan Leedham  
Beverly Lewis  
Janet Likwarz  
Lesleigh Lutrell  
Carolyn Lyle  
Lorraine Mael  
Kay Martin  
Patricia Mascari  
Judy Mattie  
Ginnie McCarthy  
Marie Michaels  
Sally Mortensen  
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Lorre Paulman  
Ann Peterson  
Karen Reger  
Judith Rust  
Brian Schoeneck  
Barbara Schroeder  
Laverne Schwengel  
Linda Seaquist  
Patricia Seybold  
Diane Simonson  
Nancy Slominski  
Mary Jane Smith  
Lorraine Soltis  
Jayne Sprecher  
Elaine Staley  
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Jeanne and Leroy Stublaski  
Bonnie Thomas  
Rita Tubbs  
Ellen and Tom Ubersetzig  
Nancy Utzig  
Katherine Vanderbilt  
John and Donna Wayne  
Nancy Westrum  
Kathleen Whitt  
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**Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who worked a total of more than 450 hours in 2023!**

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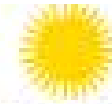
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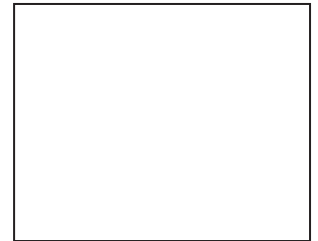
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*Thank You*





# March/April 2024



437 S. Yellowstone Dr. Suite 214  
Madison, WI 53719

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!*



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**Director**

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

**Madison, WI 53719**

**(608) 257-0003**

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

**Hours:** Mon-Thursday 9am-3pm , Closed Fridays

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

## 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

**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.*

## OFFICE HOURS:

Office closed on Fridays!

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

*If the office is closed, you can leave registrations by dropping them thru the mail slot in the door.*