TRAVEL TIPS

- **For safety:** Use a money belt or neck pouch for carrying money. Strap purses diagonally across your body, not over your shoulder, and preferably under your outer clothing.
- **Never leave your bags unattended** anywhere for any reason. Take them with you – even to the ladies' or men's room.
- **Keep your medications in your purse.** Neither Medicare or other medical insurance is accepted outside the USA so purchase Trip Cancellation Insurance in case you have to cancel.
- **Make photocopies of your passport, photo ID, and a list of your credit card numbers.**
- **Never use the telephone in your hotel room.** (Purchase phone cards in USA or have your cell phone set for international calling – might be a charge.).

PACKING TIPS

- **Make a packing list.** Start your packing process weeks ahead of your departure date to give you time to make a complete list and to purchase any additional items you might need.
- **It's standard for airlines to permit each traveler to bring one carry-on bag and one personal item onboard planes.** This personal item is subject to specific size requirements (these vary by airline), but something like a purse, laptop bag, or backpack is generally acceptable.
- **Never check essential items.** Keep your valuable and essential belongings in your carry-on bag, not in your checked luggage. (Your passport, identification, money, credit cards, jewelry, electronics, and other valuables)
- **Roll, don't fold.** Tightly rolled clothes are less prone to getting deep wrinkles from fold creases. Use dry cleaner plastic hanging bags to protect clothes.
- **Layer.** According to the TSA, "Pack items in layers (shoes one layer, clothes one layer, electronics one layer, etc.)" so that the security agent screening your bag can get a clear picture of what's inside.

2019-2020 MRSPA Trips
Affordable, Convenient

MRSPA’s Travel Committee has planned affordable and convenient trips for members, friends, and guests for 2019-2020. These travel vacations offer a world-wide variety which include some traveling by air, bus, and boat.

To help you plan and/or decide on which trip(s) you want, Trip Preview meetings are scheduled in the near future. In this Travel Insert, you will find detailed information on each trip and preview meetings for you to attend at our main office at 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Suite A, Odenton, Maryland 21113. To register, call the office at 410-551-1517 or toll-free at 877-625-6782.

If any trip(s) interest you. Some tours sell out.

You may print the color brochures from the travel partners’ websites or contact them directly for a brochure, also.

Don't forget to mention to our travel partners that you are requesting the MRSPA package for pricing. (Our sponsored trips are discounted.)

Also, dates and times of our trips are on the last page of the MRSPA Newsletter and also may be found on the MRSPA website (www.mrspa.org) or by requesting that it be mailed to you.

Judy Adler Reiff
Travel Committee Chair

TRAVEL Committee Chair
MRSPA and Cruises Plus present an Alaska Cruisetour, 12 night Great National Parks of Alaska- July 31-August 12, 2020 on Celebrity Cruise Lines Revolutionized Millennium- 7 nights northbound cruise beginning in Vancouver British, Columbia followed by a 5-night land tour

Highlights:
- Cruise the beautiful inside passage
- Cruise to the Hubbard Glacier to watch and hear the roar of the glacier calving. Learn about glaciers
- Head deep into Denali National Park on the Tundra Wilderness Tour
- Ride a glass dome rail car from Denali to Fairbanks
- Visit the Alaska Native Heritage Center to learn about the state’s native cultures
- At Kenai Fjords National Park take a fully narrated cruise. Marvel at the park’s abundant wildlife and glaciers
- Pre-cruise stay is offered in Vancouver so you can visit the Gas Light District with restaurants and shops; see Stanley Park, and the Vancouver Overlook with 360-degree views of the city

Join Carl Love from Cruises Plus @MRSPA ON JULY 17, 2019 at 11:30am with more information-RSVP with number of people attending to CarlCruisesPlus1@gmail.com or call 410-530-1842

Rates: Deposit before August 30, 2019 for best prices. After August 30, 2019 rates may increase

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Add $195.32 per person for taxes and fees, which are subject to change
Airfare and Pre-cruise stay are additional *Single rates may vary until deposited

Your passport called: It wants some new stamps!

Save $100 per person

on any Overseas Adventure Travel, Grand Circle Cruise Line, or Grand Circle Travel trip—including our MRSPA group departures of Ireland in Depth in August 2020 or Southwest National Parks: Arches, Zion, Bryce & the Grand Canyon in May 2020. Make sure to mention MRSPA booking code: 28192 when you reserve.

Call 1-800-955-1925 to reserve your departure with one of our Travel Counselors today.

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Traveling from a convenient location in Montgomery County with a couple of stops along the way, we will spend two nights in midtown Manhattan, take a guided tour of the sights of lower Manhattan including a visit to the 9/11 Memorial & Museum, enjoy Orchestra seats for the Broadway hit, Come from Away, and share a family style Italian dinner at Carmine’s in Times Square.

Pricing for double occupancy ($1126 per person), single ($1608 pp), triple ($966 pp) quad ($885 pp). Deposit is $300 pp. These prices include hotel, breakfast daily, 1 dinner, theatre ticket, tour and admissions, all taxes and fees as well as the driver’s gratuity. Payment can be made by check or credit card. Please contact Margie Orlando for booking information at margie@whenandwheretravel.com or 301-466-6825.

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Attend our presentation or call for details.

JOIN US FOR A
FREE TRAVEL PRESENTATION
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8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Suite A • Odenton, MD

Charleston, Savannah and Jekyll Island
Departure Date: April 17-23, 2020
RSVP requests to Liz Unger or Debbie Martinez:
Liz Unger: 443-904-4540 or poppy4100@aol.com
Debbie Martinez, Mayflower Tours at 810-797-5710 or debbie@mayflowercruisesandtours.com

Texas Cowboy Country
Departure Date: October 17-25, 2020
• **Treasures of Northern California** (Collette tour) Ann Johnson – September 29 - October 7, 2019

• **New York, New York** – (When and Where Travel) – November 5 - 7, 2019  
  *(Preview meeting July 24, 2019)*

• **Charleston, Savannah & Jekyll Island** (Mayflower tour) Liz Unger – April 17 - 23, 2020  
  *(Preview meeting September 12, 2019)*

• **Southwest National Parks** (Grand Circle tour) Amanda Turrell – May 23 - June 2, 2020

• **Newfoundland & Labrador** (Globus tour) Karen Allanach, Palms and Peaks – June 12 - 24, 2020  
  *(Preview meeting August 12, 2019)*

• **Alaska Cruise Tour** (Cruises Plus) Carl Love – July 31 - August 12, 2020  
  *(Preview meeting July 17, 2019)*

• **Imperial Cities with Oberammergau Passion Play** – August 5 - 15, 2020

• **Ireland** (Grand Circle tour) Amanda Turrell – August 26 – September 15, 2020

• **Texas Cowboy Country** (Mayflower tour) Liz Unger – October 17 - 25, 2020  
  *(Preview meeting September 12, 2019)*

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