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Travel News

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Your Destination Awaits...

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Dear Golden Partners Traveler,

And just like that it is 2020; Happy New Year! I am pleased to present to you the 2020 Travel Brochure.

It was so much fun planning this year for you. I hope that you will find one, two or all of the trips to be just what you were looking for. Travel is a big part of the Golden Partners program and I am always looking at ways to make each trip more fun and exciting. My goal is to plan the trip so that if you only took one trip, it would be that trip of a lifetime for you – no matter the destination!

Travel shows you a world that you may not have known was out there. You may see and do things that you never dreamed of and with group travel you will certainly make new friends and renew old acquaintances.

Whether you travel with Golden Partners or whether you are traveling on your own, remember these top ten reasons to travel and how they play an important role in maintaining your health: physically, emotionally and spiritually!

1. Travel provides learning and education about places and history.
2. Travel connects us to other cultures and people.
3. Travel slows us down: Gives us a break from our fast-paced lives.
4. Travel expands our awareness and introduces us to greater diversity.
5. Travel helps us break habits: mentally, physically, and emotionally.
6. Travel gives us time to heal, reduces stress and helps us regain enthusiasm for life.
7. Travel stokes curiosity and awakens our inner child by offering us new, “first-time” experiences.
8. Travel promotes patience by releasing heavy expectations of the “one right way” mentality thereby allowing life to flow more organically.
9. Travel invites the opportunity to get lost and face one’s fears of the unknown.
10. Travel helps you get to know yourself better; the true you is rediscovered.

I am looking forward to traveling with you this year and on behalf of Owensboro Health, I thank you for your support of the Golden Partners program.

Melinda

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Golden Partners Supervisor
Travel Coordinator
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Trip Registration Form (1 per person)

Name ___________________________________________ Plus Member: _____Yes _____No
Address _______________________________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________________________ State _________________________ Zip ________________
Phone ___________________________________________ E-Mail Address ______________________________________
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Listing a Roommate/Seat Partner does not register him/her for the trip. He/she must complete a registration form.

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Costa Rica
- with Optional 3-Night Jungle Adventure
February 3 – 11, 2020
Pricing may vary due to the upcoming departure date.

Lush forests and stunning waterfalls...rumbling volcanoes and endless coastlines...Costa Rica is a paradise teeming with exotic plants and incredible animals. Luxuriate at a resort for two nights at Playa Carrillo, Guanacaste, known for its breathtaking beauty and fine sandy beaches. Spend two nights in Monteverde’s lush cloud forest. Experience the forest canopy on your choice of a hanging bridges nature walk or an exhilarating zip lining tour. Explore part of the 20,000 acre nature preserve of Cano Negro on a riverboat adventure. Relax in the mineral-rich waters of a hot springs with views of Arenal Volcano. Explore San Jose’s Plaza de Cultura and view the magnificent National Theatre. You will find a slice of paradise and so much more.

Saturday Night Fever
- at the Derby Dinner Playhouse
Thursday, March 12, 2020
$79 per person

Join us for the lunch matinee while we step back in time for this musical adaptation of the ’70s classic film. The story of a talented, streetwise kid from Brooklyn who attempts to escape his dead-end life through dancing. The score is a trip down memory lane and includes many disco-era hits by the Bee Gees. While the backdrop is bleak with racial tension, violence and rebellious teens, Tony finds a way to overcome the tragedies of his neighborhood and keep, “Stayin’ Alive”. So put on your platform shoes and boogie with your Golden Partners friends. Buffet lunch included. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $20.00 per person. Payment due in full at time of registration.
Casino Mania  
– Tunica Mississippi  
March 18 – 20, 2020  
$399 per person double occupancy  
$359 per person double occupancy  
Plus Member

You asked, I listened….this 2 night/3 day trip to Tunica, MS was put together just for you! Tunica is your getaway for world-class gaming, amazing dining, entertainment, pure Southern hospitality and more. Try your hand at a gaming table or get lucky on slots. You’ll have the opportunity to try your luck at 5 different casino’s with Gold Strike being our host hotel. During our visit to each of the 5 casinos you will receive a voucher for free play (total vouchers $35). 5 meals included: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunch buffets and 1 dinner buffet. Also included is one $10 food voucher for lunch on day 2 at the Hollywood Casino. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $30.00 per person.

Go Vera  
April 16 & 17, 2020  
$244 per person double occupancy

Held at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, IN, this sale happens only once per year and you must have reservations to attend. Save as much as 70% off Vera Bradley items. Again this year, we have secured two 2.5-hour time slots for Vera Bradley Factory Outlet Shopping during their 5-day annual event. Shop for hair accessories, travel accessories, key chains, hats, gloves, lunch sacks, coffee mugs, water bottles, tumblers, cosmetic bags, pens, umbrellas, planners, tea towels, scarfs, flip flops and every size bag/purse you can imagine!!! You’ll get to shop on Thursday night and again on Friday morning. Special attention given to motorcoach travelers!! Arriving via motorcoach you will receive a Vera Bradley Lanyard, drop off and pick up at the main doors, no waiting in the main line to enter the sale, private checkout and waiting room, refreshments and a gift provided in the waiting room, and an escort to and from the bus! Best of all there is lots of room on the coach for shopping bags! Limited space – don’t delay. 1 breakfast and 1 lunch included. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $30.00 per person.
Frequently asked questions:

What does seat reduction date mean?
This is the last date the airlines will hold empty space for me. If you have not registered by this date there is no guarantee of space. It then becomes first come first served and fees may have to be renegotiated.

Why do we have to make deposits so early?
Deposits are required to reserve your space on the coach or airplane. Also the uniqueness of some of the activities on a trip requires an early deposit to hold space. Many places now require groups to pay in full at least 2 months out from the trip.

Why are single rooms so much more expensive?
Most hotels set a price for a room. The cost of this room is then divided by the number of people in that room. If you are rooming alone, then the expense of the room is all yours.

What if there are more than 2 of us who would like to room together?
In most situations we are able to accommodate up to 4 people in a room. Just ask if you’d like the pricing for that.

Can I make installment payments?
Yes, except on trips under $100. All trips over $100 can be paid through monthly installments, as long as the last payment is made by the final payment date.

Always be on the lookout for the presence of wonder
– EB White

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Golden Partners General Trip Information

Cost:
Golden Partners trips include all transportation, hotel/motel accommodations, tours, admission fees, tips and gratuities for all meals included in the itinerary, and the bellhop gratuities. Prices listed are double occupancy, but most trips can be adjusted for single, triple, or quad occupancy.

Transportation:
All trips depart from Owensboro.

Deposits:
Deposits are due within 10 days after making a reservation. Deposit amounts may vary depending upon the cost of the trip. For 1-day trips, payment in full is requested when making your reservation.

Reservations:
We suggest you make your reservation as soon as you know your travel schedule. Trips are scheduled with pre-arranged seating and many times extra seats for shows, meals, or even motorcoaches are not available. To avoid being disappointed, sign up before the trip is sold out. To register, call Golden Partners at (270) 688-4855.

Waiting List:
Golden Partners will take a waiting list on all tours since we do have frequent cancellations. When a cancellation is known, the vacancy will be filled from the waiting list in the date order in which it was received.

Cancellation Policy:
Golden Partners realizes that, due to uncontrollable circumstances, there may be times you have to cancel a tour; therefore we offer an optional travel protection plan. In the event that a cancellation becomes necessary and you have purchased the Golden Partners optional plan, the following policy will apply:

There will be a $10 cancellation fee on all cancellations to cover the cost of postage, processing, and telephone expenses.

Cancellations made 90 days or more prior to the tour departure will receive a full refund less the $10 cancellation fee and any non-recoverable expenditures made on behalf of the participant at the time of the cancellation, such as meals, tickets, hotels, etc. Many hotels and restaurants require payments be made 45 – 90 days out from a trip and tickets are often purchased in advance as well.

Inside 90 days WITH the purchase of the Golden Partners optional travel protection plan: Inside 90 days your travel protection plan becomes effective. You will be protected against cancellation fees for unforeseen circumstances such as illness, death in the family or accidents. Under this program, you will receive a refund of all trip payments less the insurance fee once all the necessary paperwork has been submitted and approved by the carrier. It is optional and is the responsibility of the traveler to purchase Golden Partners travel protection plan.

Inside 90 days WITHOUT the Golden Partners travel protection plan: You will only receive money that is recoverable. Please remember many hotels and restaurants require payments be made 45 – 90 days out from a trip and tickets are often purchased in advance as well. While I will try to recover all of your money there is no guarantee as each venue has its own cancellation policy.

Please note that trips in which we partner with Collette have a separate travel protection policy and will override the above policy.
Gardens, Sunsets and Shopping
– Fairhope, AL
May 11 - 14, 2020
$1049 per person double occupancy
$999 per person double occupancy Plus Member

Join your Golden Partners friends as we travel to Fairhope, Alabama named by SOUTHERN LIVING as one of the best small towns in the South to visit. Just off the shore of the beautiful Mobile Bay sits Fairhope, an exceptional town full of history, beauty and entertainment. Fairhope’s downtown radiates the warm and friendly charm of a walkable Southern town and is bursting with art galleries, street artists, boutiques and restaurants featured on the Food Network. Staying 3 nights at the Hampton Inn, located in downtown Fairhope, will allow you to spend your leisure time as you wish; shopping, eating, enjoying the beautiful streets lined with flowers and taking in the beautiful sunset over Mobile Bay. We will also visit Bellingrath Gardens and Home, a 65-acre public garden and historic home of Walter and Bessie Bellingrath, located on the Fowl River near Mobile, Alabama. Walter Bellingrath was one of the first Coca-Cola bottlers in the Southeast, and with his wealth built the estate garden and home, for the public to visit, always beautiful, but a must see in the Springtime. Heading back to Fairhope we will stop in Pass Christian, Mississippi, hometown of Robin Roberts where you can visit Robin’s Nest, a gallery gift shop establish by Robin’s sister Dorothy with a mission of “creating the creative spirit. The store is filled with artisan jewelry, art, accessories and gifts for all occasions. As we travel back home you are certain to talk about the true hospitality you have felt while visiting this quaint southern town. 4 meals included: 3 breakfasts, 1 dinner. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $62.00 per person based on double occupancy Plus Member.
Day at the Races
Friday, June 19, 2020
$84 per person

Day at the Races is still one of Golden Partners’ most popular trips and one of my very favorites! Each year we take the motorcoach to Churchill Downs for a fun-filled Day at the Races! It is horse racing at its finest. We start our adventure with the “Chef’s Table of Delight” for lunch. Then we will spend the entire afternoon enjoying the horse races while sitting in the comforts of Millionaires Row! You can step out onto the balcony for the race or watch on screen right from your dining table! Reserve your seat now as this trip sells out fast. Lunch included. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $20.00 per person. Payment due in full at time of registration.

2020 Mystery Tour
July 16-24, 2020
$2819 per person double occupancy
$2769 per person double occupancy
Plus Member

Well folks, I have done it again – I have created another great opportunity for a grand Mystery Tour! New places, new scenery, new activities and it’s in July – what in the world could that mean? I can’t tell you much, but I can tell you – you won’t want to miss this trip! It’s filled with excitement from start to finish! 18 meals included; 8 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 7 dinners. Travel Protection included.

The Buddy Holly Story
– at the Derby Dinner Playhouse
Friday, August 21, 2020 (Evening Show)
$79 per person

Follow the life of the legendary singer/songwriter who shot to stardom in 1957 only to die in a plane crash two years later. Featuring some of the greatest songs ever written - this show is Peggy Sue-perb! The Derby Dinner Playhouse undoubtedly features some of the best talent in Indiana and Kentucky and I know this show will not disappoint. Buffet dinner included. Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $20.00 per person. Payment due in full at time of registration.
Shop ‘Til You Drop  
Saturday, December 12, 2020  
$29 per person

City sidewalks, busy sidewalks, dressed in holiday style...A feeling of Christmas, that’s just the feeling you’ll have as we spend all day shopping. And at your request we’ll spend the entire day at the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass. Start making your Christmas lists now. Register by October 1, and get your name in a drawing for a $25 gift card! Gift card to be presented on the trip and must be present to win. Ladies grab your girlfriends, your coupons, your purses and enjoy the many sales going on throughout the shoppes! Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $20.00 per person. Payment due in full at time of registration.

Wherever you go, go with all your heart  
— Confucius

2021 Travel News  
California and Beyond
June 9-24, 2021  
$TBD

This is so exciting – Golden Partners will fly out to San Diego and motor coach all the way home! This trip will feature San Diego, Temecula Valley and Palm Springs in California, Las Vegas in Nevada, Flagstaff and Sedona in Arizona, Albuquerque and Santa Fe in New Mexico, Pueblo and Colorado Springs in Colorado, Hayes, KS and St. Charles, MO. This trip is filled with things to do and see! From Hoover Dam to the Grand Canyon, from a show in Las Vegas to the Royal Gorge Railroad, and from Old Town to Wine Valley and all sorts of stops in between! You’ll see and do so much in a short 16 days, but you’ll return home with a lifetime of memories and motorcoach full of new friends. A detailed color brochure will be available by mid - March, 2020.
Treasures of Egypt
– with an optional 3 night trip to Jordan post tour extension

November 4 – 16, 2020
Double $5428  Double $5228*
Single $6128  Single $5928*

*Book Now and Save $200 per person. Good through May 5, 2020 while space allows

For bookings made after May 05, 2020 call for rates.

Included in Price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $399 per person, Round Trip Air from Nashville Metro Airport, Inter-flights from Cairo, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers.

The mysteries and treasures of Egypt unfold before you on your journey along the intriguing Nile River. Begin by spending time at the awe-inspiring Pyramids of Giza – one of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the World. Stand in awe at the iconic Great Sphinx. Travel to ancient Memphis, with its nearly 40-foot statue of Ramses II, and Sakkara. Embark on a leisurely paced 4-night cruise on the Nile, the world’s longest river. See Luxor’s impressive Temples of Karnak. On the West Bank of the Nile in Luxor, uncover countless ancient treasures including the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari, and the Colossi of Memnon. Partake in a special evening and dress up and join the fun during a traditional galabaya party. Choose to sail to the lush oasis of Kitchener Island aboard a felucca (wooden sail boat) -OR- experience Nubian culture past and present during a visit to a fascinating museum. Egypt’s fascinating story waits to be discovered. Call Golden Partners, 270-688-4855, for a more detailed brochure.

The best moment of your life will be on your next adventure
– Siya Zarrabi

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Alaska Discover Land and Cruise
September 8-19, 2020

For bookings made after Mar 09, 2020 call for rates.
Included in Price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $399 per person, Port Charges, Round Trip Air from Nashville Metro Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Traverse the Pacific coast by land and sea aboard one of Princess Cruise Lines’ lovely ships on a breathtaking journey that takes you from Alaska to Vancouver, British Columbia. Cruise the Sternwheeler Discovery and encounter Alaska’s diverse culture and rich history. In a modern saloon, enjoy local dishes inspired by Fannie Q, the famed Alaskan pioneer. Enjoy three nights at stunning Princess lodges and hotels. Ride a luxury domed railcar from Denali to Talkeetna, soak in views of the incredible landscapes from glass-ceiling railcars and open air observation platforms as guides provide expert commentary. Travel deep into Denali National Park for the best opportunities to view the region’s wildlife. Cruise through Glacier Bay and the Inside Passage, taking in rugged natural wonders. Explore Alaska’s gorgeous capital, Juneau. Visit Ketchikan, the “Salmon Capital of the World.” This is Alaska as you always imagined. 25 meals included 11 Breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners. Call 270-688-4855 for a detailed color brochure.
Chihuly at Cheekwood
– Cheekwood Gardens & Estates
Wednesday, October 7, 2020
$149 per person

Following its unprecedented blockbuster success a decade ago, Cheekwood is thrilled to announce Chihuly at Cheekwood coming in the spring of 2020, coinciding with the reopening of its acclaimed Carell Woodland Sculpture Trail. The 2020 Chihuly at Cheekwood exhibition will feature multi-media artist Dale Chihuly’s monumental sculptures presented throughout the historic estate, both in its gardens and galleries. Cheekwood, the 55-acre estate built by the Maxwell House Coffee fortune in Nashville, Tennessee, and one of the finest examples of an American Country Place Era Estate in the United States. The Botanical Garden is a spectacular showcase of color and horticultural diversity with eleven specialty display gardens and stunning natural landscape. Combining this with the Chihuly exhibit will certainly make a great day in the gardens. 1 meal included at the ever popular Loveless Café, named by USA today as one of the “10 Great Places to get a Southern-style Biscuit.” Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $20.00 per person.
The Best of Frankenmuth

October 21 – 24, 2020

$1249 per person double occupancy

$1199 per person double occupancy Plus Member

Built on tradition. Made for memories. In **Frankenmuth**, that’s not an expression, it’s a promise. A promise to welcome visitors with Bavarian hospitality regardless of the season. A promise to help friends and family create unforgettable memories in Michigan’s Little Bavaria. A promise that guests will enjoy small town moments and find the simple joys of life around every corner. With festivities all year round, it’s the ideal departure from the ordinary every day. Fantastic festivals, eclectic shopping, rich historical beauty and culture, and so much more... it’s all here in Frankenmuth, the perfect destination to refresh, renew and recharge. Pretzel making, beer sampling, and a tour through the cuckoo clocks will give a feeling that you’re truly traveling through the Bavarian countryside. All aboard the **Bavarian Belle**, a 150 passenger paddlewheel riverboat for a narrated tour of Frankenmuth and of course a visit to Frankenmuth would not be complete without a stop at **Bronner’s Christmas Wonderland**, the world’s largest Christmas store. **5 meals: 3 Breakasts, 1 Lunch and 1 Dinner included.** Optional Travel Protection Plan available starting at $98.00 per person.

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