

**Honey Creek -Lake Rathbun Overnight
October 13-14, Tuesday & Wednesday
7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Moravia, IA**



Journey to southern Iowa for an overnight escape at Honey Creek Resort. Fall foliage, a luncheon cruise on Lake Rathbun, a golf cart brigade, campfire stories and more await you on this two day trip to southern Iowa.

On day one, we will see hay bale art in rural Iowa, tour Hunter's Tree Farm, sample Piper's Chocolates, enjoy lunch at the Slykuis Tea Room, and tour HyVee in Chariton. Upon arrival at Honey Creek Resort, participants will check into the hotel and have time to explore. Following supper at the hotel, we will have a presentation on the wildlife of Lake Rathbun followed by smores around the campfire.

Day two will begin with breakfast at the resort followed by a tour of the solar house. Then it is off to the award winning golf course for the "golf cart brigade". Lunch will be served aboard the J &K Houseboat as we enjoy a narrated cruise on beautiful Lake Rathbun.

Fee: \$190/double occupancy or \$240 single occupancy. Departing from Living History Farm SE Parking lot, Urbandale, IA.

Registration deadline is September 14.



Cancellation Policy:

Reservations are fully refundable prior to registration deadline. After deadline, registration may be refunded less the \$10 cancellation fee if space is filled.



Step on board...re-discover Iowa with us!



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Step Back in Time
April 28, Tuesday
7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Jamesport, MO

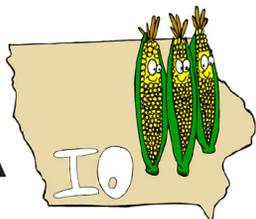


Step back in time as we visit the Amish and Mennonite community in Jamesport, MO. Antiques stores, quilt store, Amish bakery, bulk food grocery store and a quality furniture store are just a few of the places we will visit. A luncheon buffet will be served at the Gingerich Dutch Pantry.

Fee: \$60, includes motorcoach transportation lunch and tour fees. Depart from Living History Farms SE Parking Lot, Urbandale, IA.

Registration deadline is April 7

Iowa Made
May 27, Wednesday
7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Cedar Falls/Waterloo, IA



Journey from prairie to a tour of a farm implement factory. Enjoy a European style lunch at Galleria De Paco which features a replica painting of the Sistine Chapel by a local artist. We will tour via trolley ride through the John Deere Tractor Assembly facility. This facility is one of the most environmentally sound in the U.S. At the UNI Tall Grass Prairie center we will hear the story of Iowa's native habitat. Learn the history of the five Sullivan Brothers at the Iowa Vet Museum and Grout Museum in Waterloo.

Fee: \$70, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Carmike Theatre Parking lot, 533 Stoney Creek Court, Johnston (far west corner of lot).

Registration deadline is May 13.

Alpacas, Butterflies & Gardens
June 18, Thursday
7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Ames, IA



Start the day with a tour of a local Alpaca Farm & Fiber Mill in central Iowa. Then journey to ISU BioCentury Research Farm. Educators will share how this unique facility studies biomass production. Hickory Park will cater our lunch at Reiman Gardens. Following lunch we will have time to tour the beautiful gardens and butterfly exhibit. Save room for a chocolate treat as we tour Chocolaterie Stam. Our final stop will be at DellaViti a unique wine tasting shop in Ames.

Fee: \$70, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Carmike Theatre Parking lot, 533 Stoney Creek Court, Johnston (far west corner of lot).

Registration deadline is June 4.

Summer Cruising
July 14, Tuesday
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Iowa Falls, IA



Explore historic Iowa Falls and enjoy a luncheon cruise on the Scenic City Empress. Other stops include: an organ recital, Plastic Recycling plant, swinging bridge and downtown Iowa Falls.

Fee: \$60, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Johnston Carmike Theatre Parking lot, 533 Stoney Creek Court, Johnston (far west corner of lot).

Registration deadline is June 30.

Registration opens March 7, 2015

8:00 a.m., go online:

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Villages of Van Buren County
August 27, Thursday
6:30 a.m. to 7:15 p.m.
Cantril, IA



The American Gothic House in Eldon will be our first stop. Our next stop, will be at Millard's Turtle Farm. Jim will share the success of his international turtle business. Lunch will be at the historic Bonaparte Opera House. Participants will have time to explore Benton-sport National Historic Shopping District. The next stop will be Dutchman's Store in Cantril. The store is filled with bulk food items and is known as a "Quilter's paradise". Cedar Valley Winery will be our final stop of the day.

Fee: \$75, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows Parking Lot 1, Altoona, IA.

Registration deadline is August 13.

Stone City
September 17, Thursday
7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Anamosa, IA



Tour the historic Stone City, enjoy lunch along the scenic Wapsipinicon River. We will drive into an underground quarry of one of Iowa's greatest natural resources, Anamosa Limestone. Learn the history of Stone City and its connection to Grant Wood. Visit "The White Palace of the West" aka the Anamosa State Penitentiary Museum. We will also explore Wapsipinicon State Park and tour the Grant Wood Gallery.

Fee: \$70, includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and tour fees. Depart from Prairie Meadows Parking Lot 1, Altoona, IA.

Registration deadline is September 3.