

# The Maries County Bank

MEMBER FDIC

2023 SPRING NEWSLETTER

## MEMORY MAKERS

Hello Memory Makers,

What began 20 years ago as a dream of exploring the world and making treasured memories has taken Memory Makers to explore Africa and be close enough to an elephant to see their eyelashes, to glide over the Masai Mara in a hot air balloon. We have kissed the Blarney Stone in Ireland, rode a camel and saw the Great Pyramids, experienced the Uluru in the Great Outback of Australia, zip lined in Costa Rica, heard the roar of Niagara Falls and Multnomah Falls, enjoyed happy hour on our river cruises, enjoyed an anniversary celebration in Hawaii, and celebrated the holidays in Branson. Plus a multitude of other grand trips and experiences. While traveling we have made so many wonderful friends. All of our adventures, big and small, we have truly enjoyed them all. It has been a pleasure bringing the world to you, and we hope that you will plan to join us in all that we have planned for Memory Makers in the future.

Love and blessings,

*Celebrating 20 years of adventure!*

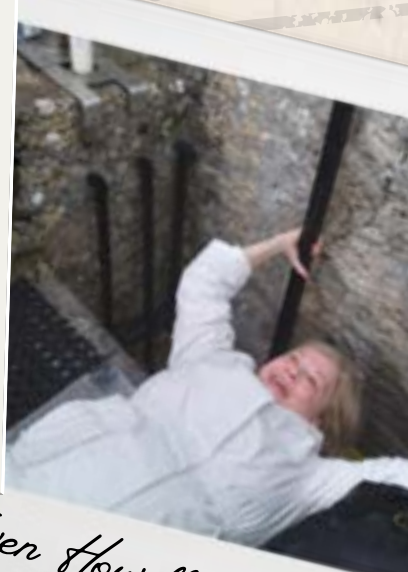
*Kathy*



In June of 2003, we began our Memory Makers travel program with 44 members attending an ice cream social! 2023 marks our 20th Anniversary!



*Gwen Howell kisses the Blarney Stone*







*Kathy, June Turner, and  
Pattie Hohl Niagara Falls*

### *River Bend Casino / March 15-17*

Marching into spring with a trip to River Bend Casino and Hotel near Miami, Oklahoma. We are excited to offer a quick getaway for our folks that love gaming. This trip includes 2 nights lodging, motor coach transportation, and \$40 in FREE PLAY! That is \$20 on the 15th and \$20 on the 16th and a special Slot Tournament for our group at 10:00 a.m. on March 16th. They have a deli and a restaurant on sight. They do not offer any meals on their motorcoach packages. For those folks that enjoy BINGO we will offer a bus ride to Indigo Sky for Wednesday or Thursday night Bingo. The cost of this trip will be \$230 per person based on double occupancy.

### *Pella, Iowa Tulip Festival / May 3-6*

We plan to tour the Historical Village, Vermeer Mill & Miniature Village, a city tour, Tulip Walking Tour, Volks Parade, Antique tractor display, quilt show, Dutch craft market, and more. This trip includes 3 nights lodging, 4 days of tulip time adventures, and 3 dinners. The trip cost is \$725 per person based on double occupancy.

### *May Mystery Trip / May 12*

A Mystery trip where we find unique and interesting places all within a 1-day adventure. We are nearly sold out so if you plan to go please call soon to sign up. This day trip is \$95. A \$50 deposit holds your space and the balance is due April 12th. Motorcoach will pick up at The Maries County Bank in Vienna at 8:00 a.m. then to Belle and to Owensville and then on to ... oh, wait that's the mystery!

### *Missouri Botanical Gardens / May 17*

Change of plans for Missouri Botanical Gardens trip. The Garden has announced their fabulous Chihuly Glass display but it does not open until May, so we changed our trip to see this beautiful art in glass along with our garden visit. This trip will now be May 17th, the cost is \$88 per person and includes transportation, lunch, garden admission and Chihuly Glass exhibition.

### *Alaska Land & Cruise / June 10-21*

Our 12-day program features 4 days of pre-cruise sightseeing in Anchorage, Turnagain Arm, Mt. Alyeska, Talkeetna, and Seward, plus a relaxing 7-day Southbound Cruise including Valdez, Hubbard Glacier cruising, Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan, and Vancouver. Cabins are limited at this late date so call for pricing and availability.

### *Indiana Quilt Gardens / July 9-12*

Experience 150,000 plants with over a million blooms in 16 gardens planted in the shape of quilt patterns. We have a step-on guide to explore the gardens with us. Plans are in progress for an Amish rug weaving demo, a flower power pin cushion at the quilt shop, dinner at Das Essenhaus, plus dinner and a show at Amish Acres. Many beautiful and fun stops are included in this 4-day trip. The cost is \$725 per person based on double occupancy.

### *"State Fair" at Lyceum Theatre / July 21*

Just for the day in July we will go to Lyceum Theatre to see Rogers and Hammerstein's, "State Fair". This trip includes lunch at the historic tavern and an afternoon show. The cost is \$95 per person.



*Memory Makers in Branson*





*Celebrating in Hawaii with  
Sue and Gene Menz*

## *August 4-Day Mystery Trip / August 15-18*

Our 4-day Mystery trip takes us on an adventure to parts unknown, but that's half the fun, just ask the folks that went with us in previous years. We try to explore quirky and unique destinations. The cost is \$725 per person. A slight increase from the last newsletter due to increased motorcoach cost.

## *Niagara Falls & Buffalo / August 20-25*

Our trip features the mighty Niagara Falls; both US and Canadian sides, Maid of the Mist & Cave of the Winds, Whirlpool Aerial Car, Niagara-on-the-lake, Erie Canal & Buffalo River cruise, Ice wine tasting, and many more surprises and experiences. Our trip is \$3,099 per person and a \$500 deposit reserves your space. Final payment is May 6, 2023. A valid passport is required for this trip.

## *Atlantic Coastline Cruise / September 5-18*

We cruise along the spectacular Atlantic Coastline on a Port-Intensive Voyage with Azamara Club Cruises. Don't let us cruise without you on board! Our ship is a 5-star mid-sized ship with just 680 guests and 400 crew. Ports include Southampton (UK), St. Peter Port (Channel Islands), Bordeaux (2 full days), and St. Jean de Luz (FR), Bilbao, Gijon & La Coruna (SP), Porto, and Lisbon (PT). This trip is \$6,999-Interior Deck, \$7,399-Oceanview, \$7,999-Club Veranda Deck 6, and \$8,399-Club Veranda Deck 7. Memory Makers plan to spend an extra day to see the place where the Virgin Mary allegedly appeared to children in 1917 and the most sacred sites including Fatima Sanctuary and Chapel of Apparitions. Call for the cost of the added day. A \$1,000 deposit and \$116 insurance reserves your space and covers the \$250 non-refundable. Final payment is April 27th.

## *Eureka, Springs, Arkansas / September 25-28*

This four-day trip is still a work in progress but will include the Passion Play. The cost is \$725 per person.

## *Luxury Tented African Safari / October 13-24*

Our Amazing Luxury Tented Camp Safari gets you up-close with the Big 5. Kenya is my most favorite, most life changing trip that I have been on in these last 20 years. Going exploring on the game drives, seeing these incredible animals, and where they live is truly amazing. Inclusions are Karen Blixen Museum, the Giraffe Center, David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust Elephant Nursery in Nairobi National Park, pineapple and coffee fields, and Spinners and Weavers. We cross the equator and get a perfect picture opportunity, and a visit to the Samburu Village. We transfer to a local airstrip where we fly over the Great Rift Valley, visit Masai Mara, the kingdom of lions, and Mara Safari Arboretum for a tree planting. Wait until you experience these luxuriously furnished tents featuring 4 poster beds, in-suite facilities, and private decks. Pick up a brochure at your nearest branch of The Maries County Bank to see the full itinerary of our trip. Pricing is \$8,699 per person. Final payment is June 20, 2023.

## *Rhine River Christmas Market Cruise / November 22-December 4*

This journey takes us to Zurich for a Swiss Fondue welcome dinner, Lucerne with a panoramic city tour, and a visit to one of Zurich's Christmas markets and Basel, Switzerland. In Basel, we will embark on the beautiful AmaMora: our floating hotel for the next 7 nights. Our stops along the way include Strasbourg, France; Ludwigshafen, Germany; Ruedesheim; Lahnstein; and Cologne. Last but not least, Amsterdam. Our trip features include sip & sail cocktail hour, all meals while onboard, complimentary wines, beer, and soft drinks during lunch and dinner. Also, includes shore excursions and ship gratuities for staff and cruise director. A \$400 non-refundable deposit is due to make a reservation and additional \$1,000 due March 1. Final payment is due July 15th. An optional Travel Protection Plan is available with coverage for trip cancellation/interruption; call for information and a flyer. Cabins start at \$7,399 for fixed window and \$8,199 for French balcony.

*December Christmas Trips will be announced in the summer newsletter!*

## *Upcoming Trips*

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The Maries County Bank  
**Memory Makers**



## *Reservation & Cancellation Policy*

A completed reservation form along with the required deposit is due to ensure your place on any Memory Makers' trip or activity. We are unable to hold a place without the necessary deposit of \$50 unless otherwise noted. Please make checks payable to The Maries County Bank, PO Box 550, Owensville, MO 65066 and mail to Attention: Kathy Scego or drop off at your nearest branch. We encourage you to make your reservations early in order to avoid disappointment. For reservations, please call 573-437-4444 or your local branch or email Kathy Scego at [memorymakers@mariescountybank.com](mailto:memorymakers@mariescountybank.com).

If cancellation is necessary, every effort will be made to provide either a partial or full refund. If we have a wait list, we will do all we can to fill your space and provide a refund. We cannot guarantee a refund. There will be times when refunds are not possible due to ticket purchases, meal guarantees, no wait list, etc. If a tour cancels because of lack of reservations, you will receive a full refund.

On tours where an outside agent is used, we will adhere to the written cancellation policy of the agent.

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