



# First Friends

July & August 2019

**Join us for these special events...**

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**A Taste of History**  
**August 17, 2019**



**The Colorado Rockies**  
**September 20-28, 2019**



**Nashville, TN - Gaylord Opryland Hotel**  
**December 2-5, 2019**



**Shades of Ireland**  
**April 16-25, 2020**

*Oberramergau Passion Play*  
*July 31-August 9, 2020*

## Memories...and future memory makers!

Our April movie was "Chappaquiddick" and Elsie Booker was the \$10 drawing winner. Our May movie was "God Bless the Broken Road" and Ruth Evans won the drawing.

Dani escorted our trip to Italy. This was a great trip. They began their tour in Rome, seeing the Coliseum and the sites. Most of them took the tour of the Vatican museum, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peters. The tour continued with a stop in Pompeii before heading to the Sorrento Coast. From there they motor-coached on up to the Tuscany area and toured Florence. They made a stop in Pisa and tried to right the Leaning Tower. Then it was off to Venice and the beautiful bridges and canals. They also enjoyed a tour of the Murano Glass Factory. After a stop in Verona to see Romeo and Juliet, the tour ended in Stressa. What a wonderful way to see the whole of Italy all in one trip.

While they were off in Italy, we took a group to Gibbs Gardens. After the tour of the gardens, it was off to Cavender Creek Winery for a very relaxing afternoon of wine tasting and music. Our day ended with dinner at The Smith House in Dahlenonega.

Our 31<sup>st</sup> First Friends' Birthday Party was held on June 4<sup>th</sup>. If you missed this event, you missed a fun time. Our lunch of fried chicken and the fixings was catered by A Touch of Grace and our entertainment was First Friends Family Feud. We actually surveyed 100 of our bank employees. Chuck Copeland was the host of the show.

We are having a fun time playing the card game Hand & Foot monthly at the bank. If you want to play but do not know how, it will only take a few minutes to teach. Join us for one of our sessions.

## Upcoming Events...

**July 17 & August 21 -  
Hand & Foot - 1:00 pm**

Please give us a call to sign up to play the card game - 678-510-5145.

**August 7, 2019**

**Gone With The Wind  
10:00 a.m.**

Fiddle-dee-dee - First Friends will celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the movie "Gone With The Wind"! Join us on the second floor of the main office where we will have a showing of the movie and lunch. The movie will begin at 10:00 a.m. We will have a lunch intermission and then complete the viewing of the movie. Frankly My Dear... you need to call Dani to make your reservation for this celebration!

**Shades of Ireland  
Travel Show**

**August 22, 2019  
10:00 a.m.**

See our brochure online or drop by the office to pick up a copy. Join us today as our representative will be here to tell us all about the trip. Call for a reservation at 678-510-5145.

**September 11, 2019 -  
Movie Day - 2:00 p.m.**

The movie today is "Poms", starring Diane Keaton. In this uplifting comedy, life in a retirement community is anything but retiring for a group of young-at-heart senior ladies who decide to pull out the pom-poms and form a cheerleading squad. We will serve refreshments followed by the movie and our \$10 drawing.

## Upcoming Trips

**Colorado Rockies  
September 20-28,  
2019**

**Brochures are available.** Highlights include: Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado National Monument, Grand Junction, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mesa Verde National Park, Royal Gorge Route Railroad, Garden of the Gods.

**Nashville, TN  
Opryland Hotel,  
December 2-5, 2019**

This trip is full but we always welcome a waiting list.

## **New Trip...**

**A Taste of History  
August 17, 2019**

I'm so excited to be able to participate again this year in this Chamber of Commerce event. For those of you that were able to participate last year, if you thought last year was good, the Chamber will not disappoint. This year our Taste of History event takes you through a different look at the first 100 years of our sweet southern town. We will be enjoying a progressive dinner at new places and meeting new faces from 1840-1940. Get to know Griffin in a whole new way and experience this little town we call home. First Friends has a trolley reserved for 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 17, 2019. The trolley holds 25 people, so the first 25 that sign up will be on the First Friends trolley. Not to worry, there will be other trolleys that you can reserve a seat on if you wish. The tour is 3 hours and the tour is by trolley and walking.

Walking will consist of about 3-4 block segments at a slow pace. The cost of your tour will be \$55 per person. Please call Dani to reserve your spot at 678-510-5145.

## **You're Invited to Music in the Park**

**August 24, 2019 - 7:00  
p.m.**

First National Bank of Griffin will be sponsoring a concert in the park. The band will be "Alive and Well", a classic rock/blues band featuring well known musicians in our community. Bring your chair and join us at the Park at 6<sup>th</sup> (204 Solomon Street) for a relaxing evening of music.

## **Wicked**

**at the Fox**

**November 5, 2019**

This has probably become my favorite Broadway show. Join us as we go to the Fox Theater to see "Wicked". Wicked is the Broadway musical based on the life and times of the Wicked Witch of the West and the retelling of the classic 1900 novel, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. We will begin with a very early dinner at Yuki, a Japanese Steakhouse, where will watch the chefs prepare our meal for us. Then it is off to the Fox for the show. The price for this evening is \$175.00 and includes deluxe motor coach transportation, dinner, show, all taxes, tips and gratuities. We will leave the bank at 3:30 p.m. and should return at approximately 11:00 p.m. Call Dani to make your reservation at 678-510-5145.

## **Cirque du Soleil "VOLTA"**

**November 15, 2019**

Who doesn't love a Cirque du Soleil show? Today it is VOLTA, the energetic, urban and contemporary voyage of discovery that showcases never-before-seen under the Big Top acrobatics in a visually striking world. Inspired in part by the adventurous spirit that fuels the culture of street sports, VOLTA is about finding yourself and unveiling your personal powers. We will leave the bank at 12:30 p.m. and head to Atlantic Station. Here you can enjoy a late lunch on your own at one of the many restaurants there. Or you may choose to do a bit of browsing/shopping. The show begins at 4:30 p.m. under the Big Top. We should arrive back home at approximately 8:00 p.m. Pricing for this trip is to be determined. It is a popular trip, so don't delay getting your spot by calling Dani at 678-510-5145.

## **In the Works**

### **Atlanta History Center/ Cyclorama and Governor's Mansion—Fall, 2019**

This trip is in the works – we're just waiting on a date. We will begin our day at the Atlanta History Center and the fully restored Cyclorama. The Cyclorama is a 133 year old hand-painted work of art that stands 49 feet tall, longer than a football field and weighs 10,000 pounds and depicts the Battle of Atlanta in the Civil War. The History Center also has several other exhibits, including "Locomotion – railroads and the making of Atlanta" and "The Bobby Jones Story" and many more. We will then have lunch at the Swan House before going to the Governor's Mansion. Earle Shivers will be our personal guide for this tour, and he said to tell you that he has a big surprise for you. We will have more details about the trip – the date – the cost, etc. as soon as we have it.

## **Shades of Ireland**

**April 16-25, 2020**

Highlights of this trip include Castle stay, Limerick, Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Killarney, Jaunting Car Ride, Waterford, Kilkenny, Dublin, Irish Evening. **Brochures are available and can also be found online. Travel show – August 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.**

## **Discover Switzerland, Austria, Oberammergau**

**and the Passion Play**

**July 31 - August 9,  
2020**

Our trip is full and we are taking a waiting list. It is over a year away and anything can change, so get you name on the list. See our brochure on our website or drop by to pick up one.

## **In Memoriam...**

**Betty Lewis**

**Wayne Smith**





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