

March 1, 2010

Itinerary 8

FINAL Itinerary
Prepared especially for:
Marysville High School Band
Bill Thissen, Band Director
Robb Hildreth, Band Director
Chicago, IL
 March 11 – March 14, 2010

Don Clark, Sales Manager

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Itinerary subject to change. All inclusions subject to availability.

Tour Director: Cathie Ruth

Thursday, March 11

1 Meals Included: all meals en-route are "on own" / Dinner

- 7:30 am Coaches arrive for loading
Marysville High School
800 Amrine Mill Rd
Marysville, OH 43040
- 8:30 am Depart via deluxe private charter motor coaches equipped with DVD and VCR
(EST) *PLEASE NOTE: The estimated driving distance is 350 miles; the calculated drive time is approximately 6 hours without stops. 1 hour(s) of additional time has been factored into your travel for rest stops, meals and traffic delays.*
Meal stops en-route are "on your own"
- 11:30 am Meal top in Plymouth, Indiana. Exit South onto Rt. 17 (North Michigan Ave).
Here you will have several fast food locations to choose from.
- 12:15 pm Board coaches
- 2:00 pm Arrive at the John Hancock Building. Enjoy some free time to explore Chicago
(CST) along Michigan Avenue and the Water Tower shopping mall.

- Your professional tour director, Cathie Ruth, will meet you here and assist you through out your tour in Chicago -

- 3:00 pm Meet back and board coaches for transfer.
 - 3:30 pm Arrive at your Chicago Hotel for check in
(CST) **Embassy Suites Downtown**
600 North State Street
 - 5:30 pm Board coaches for transfer
 - 6:00 pm Arrive for dinner at **Maggiano's**.
516 North Clark Street (corner of Clark and Grand Ave.)
 - 7:30 pm Board coaches for transfer and a brief city tour of Chicago
 - 8:30 pm Arrive and ascend to the top of the **John Hancock Observatory** and take in Chicago's magnificent sites from over 1,000 feet up. Experience spectacular nighttime views of the magnificent Chicago Skyline
 - 9:30 pm Board coaches and return to your hotel for the evening
- If swimming in the hotel pool, trip participants should be advised to follow pool rules. A life guard will not be present so you will be swimming at your own risk. New Horizons suggests that a chaperone be present if students are in the pool area.*
- 2 Security Guards on Duty at your hotel 11:00 – 5:00 am**



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Friday, March 12

2 Meals Included: Breakfast / Dinner

8:00 am Enjoy full breakfast buffet at your hotel

<p>GROUP 1 – Key Lime Cove 2 coaches – 56 passengers each MAX</p> <p>9:15 am Board coaches for transfer 10:00 am Arrive at Key Lime Cove Water Park. Enjoy the day as you relax in the enchantment of the islands and the wild excitement of a 65,000-sq. ft. indoor water park. Have great day riding Hurricane Vortex, Slash Down, Slip Slidin' Away, Wahoo and the Screaming Banshee.</p> <p>A meal voucher will be provided to go towards lunch.</p> <p>2:00 pm Board coaches for transfer to hotel 3:00 pm Arrive back at your hotel to freshen up for tonight's activity</p>	<p>GROUP 2 – The Shedd Aquarium 1 coach – 56 passengers MAX</p> <p>9:30 am Board coaches for transfer 10:00 am Arrive at Shedd Aquarium. Strap a mask and flippers onto your imagination and chart a course to Shedd Aquarium. You'll find something wet, wild and wonderful wherever you walk at Shedd. Your admission today will include the Aquarium, the newly renovated Oceanarium and Show and the Wild Reef Exhibit</p> <p>2:30 pm Board coaches for transfer to hotel 3:00 pm Arrive back at your hotel to freshen up for tonight's activity</p>
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4:30 pm Board coaches for transfer
5:00 pm Arrive at **Navy Pier**. Spend some time exploring this Chicago Landmark
6:15 pm Meet at designated location and begin boarding for your **Spirit Cruise of Chicago**.
7:00 pm Set sail on an evening of fun and dining. Quite simply, a **Spirit** dinner cruise is the perfect night out. A magical setting enhanced by dazzling city sights and Lakefront lights. An evening filled to the brim with wonderful cuisine, live music and dancing under a canopy of stars.
10:00 pm Your cruise comes to an end. Board coaches and return to hotel

2 private security guards on duty 11:00 pm – 5:00 am

Saturday, March 13 – Today will be your participation in the St. Patrick's Day parade

2 Meals Included: Breakfast / Dinner

Morning Enjoy full breakfast buffet at your hotel as well as hotel check out.
PLEASE NOTE; Make sure that you have a change of clothes easily accessible for after the parade as well as your uniform garment bag..



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- 9:30 am Board coaches for transfer.
10:30 am Arrive at the beginning of the parade route for drop off. You will be permitted to remain in your coaches until you need to move into the staging area. Once you disembark, your coaches will relocate to where they will pick you up at the end of the parade.
- 12:00 pm Chicago St. Patrick's Day parade steps off**
- Afternoon At the conclusion of the parade, you will meet your coaches where you will change and then transfer to Rock 'N Roll McDonald's. The **Rock N Roll McDonald's** (formerly **The Original Rock 'N Roll McDonald's**) is one of the most famous McDonald's locations in the world and was once the busiest in the United States. It is a flagship location. It is a few city blocks west of the Magnificent Mile, has been a tourist attraction since it opened in 1983. Lunch will be on your own today at one of the restaurants the area.
- TBD After lunch meet your coaches and depending on weather transfer to Michigan Ave for Shopping or possibly Navy Pier.
- 7:00 pm Meet your coaches and transfer to dinner
7:30 pm Arrive for a late dinner at **Giordano's Pizza** (Belmont Ave)
9:00 pm Board coaches for transfer
9:30 pm Arrive at Briar Street theater
10:00 pm Enjoy **Blue Man Group!**
12:00 am Board coaches for home.
(CST) *PLEASE NOTE: The estimated driving distance is 330 miles; the calculated drive time is approximately 6 hours without stops. 1 hours of additional time has been factored into your travel for rest stops, meals and traffic delays.*
Meal stops en-route are "on your own"

Sunday, March 14

Meals Included: all meals en-route are "on own"

- 7:00 am Arrive home at Marysville High School

**THANK YOU FOR TRAVELING WITH NEW HORIZONS!
WE HOPE WE HAVE HELPED CREATE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A LIFETIME!**

Marysville High School Band

Chicago Trip

March 11-14, 2010

PURPOSE:

Perform in the Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade, and experience the City of Chicago.

HOTEL:

Embassy Suites Downtown
600 North State Street
Chicago, IL (312) 943-3800

Cost:

\$599.00. Includes transportation, hotel, and the meals & admissions outlined in the itinerary. Lunches & snacks on your own.

Meals:

Thurs. breakfast: eat before you get to school.
Thurs. lunch: fast food on your own.
Thurs. dinner: Maggiano's (included)

Friday breakfast: at hotel (included)
Friday lunch: on your own at activity.
Friday dinner: Dinner Cruise (included)

Sat. breakfast: provided at hotel (included)
Sat. lunch: River North area, on your own
Sat. dinner: Giardano's Pizza (included)

Sunday breakfast: we should arrive home at the breakfast hour, so this is on your own.

Chaperones:

The chaperones will take attendance and be present at all times. They are here for supervision & safety.

Medical:

Notify a staff member or chaperone immediately of any illness. Mr. Mark Dillahunt, RN, will be our medic. He will have the student med forms. Please update your current medical form if necessary.

Instrument & Music:

Each student is responsible for his/her own instrument, music, and equipment. Please double check each and every time you move your equipment. All instruments and equipment must have a tag with student name & address!

All instruments will be loaded underneath the bus, EXCEPT FLUTES & CLARINETS, which will need to be stored in the overhead bins.

Make sure that your cap on your valve oil is tight. The vibrations from the long trip can cause it to leak.

Bring extra reeds etc. Do not wait until we get there to figure out that your only reed does not work. We won't have extras. Take extra reeds!!!!!!!

Luggage, per person:

YOUR INSTRUMENT, one large suitcase, one small carry-on, uniform bag & hat box. **Please put identification labels on ALL luggage, instruments, and equipment!**

TIGHTLY seal up any liquids (perfume, etc.) and store in baggies. Bus vibrations can cause leakage!

Clothing:

For most of the trip, please wear nice casual clothes. T-shirts are OK for the bus & hotel. Clean and neat jeans are also acceptable. The MHS dress code applies at all times. For the hotel pool & the water park, please use appropriate swim wear (no speedos or thongs)! They also will not let you wear denim or cutoff shorts.

Temperatures should be about the same as we have here, so bring your coat!

Rooms:

There will be no switching of rooms! Also, NO BOYS ARE ALLOWED IN GIRL ROOMS, AND NO GIRLS ARE ALLOWED IN BOY ROOMS AT ANY TIME!

Telephone Calls:

Please do not use the hotel phones for outside calls. To call friends & family, use your cell phone. **Please DO NOT incur ADDITIONAL ROOM CHARGES of any type!!!** Be responsible.

Trip Suggestions:

Do not bring expensive jewelry, radios, stereos, etc., and never leave anything you value in your hotel room while away. Don't leave anything valuable on the bus. Be sure to take care of your instrument.

We should not have to mention this!!

The hotel, malls, and other places on our tour are very tough on shoplifters. They will prosecute you regardless of age. They do this to send a clear message to others. If you get arrested for anything, it will be your parents' responsibility to come and get you. We will not have any money to bail you out, nor will we be sympathetic to your situation. You will also have to deal with the school administration for your actions. This is a school function. In terms of expectations, it is no different than going to a band contest or a game.

Please be on your best behavior when you are on an MHS Band Trip. **Be considerate of other hotel guests.** Remember, you represent not only the high school, but the community and the band. We are trying to make a good name for ourselves!!

ALL SCHOOL RULES APPLY FOR THE ENTIRE TRIP! Again, be on your best behavior. Be responsible and mature, and this will be a great trip!