

CHRISTMAS MANSIONS, LAKES AND TRAINS

A 2-Day Christmas or ANYTIME Tour

Makes a Great Mystery Tour



NOTE: It is advisable to schedule a rest stop prior to arrival at the Art Center.

DAY 1

At Latrobe Art Center guests make an art project to take home, enjoy cookies and beverage, a scavenger hunt, shop and have a visit from **SANTA** who will have gifts for everyone! Local guide meets group here.

Lunch at Valley Dairy located along Route 30 where you have a delicious lunch with an ice cream dessert along with some history of the invention of the Banana Split...in Latrobe!

Shopping at Wow Outlets a large shopping area featuring a wide variety of goods from 100's of suppliers. Departments include party supplies/giftware, Pittsburgh Sports, florals, wicker, pet supplies, Holiday décor, and more.

Dinner At Ferrante's Lakeview Restaurant followed by a 30-minute synopsis of the classic movie "It's a Wonderful Life" (Chris Collins). Chris Collins will move you as he portrays George Bailey (Jimmy Stewart) and several other characters from the movie. Menu: tossed salad / ham / mashed potatoes w/gravy / vegetable red velvet cake /rolls and butter / coffee, tea, iced tea.

Overnight at Hampton Inn New Stanton, with breakfast in the morning.

DAY 2

West Overton offers a self-guided museum tour showing various industries spawned at this location. Also experience a guided tour of the Overholt Homestead and learn how people in the 19th century celebrated Christmas. If visiting near the Christmas holidays, the mansion rooms will be adorned in period decorations. Learn about Christmas in southwestern Pennsylvania as far back as 1800, the lore of gift givers like Belsnickel and Santa Claus, and the origins of customs such as the Christmas tree. Choose one of the following 30-minute classes and make a great gift too: butter churning, tin punching, herbal soap, or paper marbling. **Christmas Buffet Noon Dinner:** A delicious meal is offered in the museum dining room and includes choice of Stuffed Steak (red or brown sauce), Stuffed chicken breasts or Chicken Marsala, potato and veggies plus cake for dessert.



The Loucks Homestead in Scottdale: Tour this beautifully restored 5-story federal style farm house with spring house, summer kitchen, and ice house in back.

Connellsville Canteen: Hand hewn train model, Native American display, WWII displays. Step back in time to the 1940's and learn about the history of South Western Pennsylvania during WWII. Not only did the men go off to war, but the women also contributed to the war effort by opening a "Canteen" and feeding over 600,000 troops that passed through Connellsville.

Return home

PRICE INCLUDES: Art Center, art project, 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, a dinner, admission to museums and venues, taxes and gratuities on included items. NOT included: guide gratuity