

MAY/JUNE 2019

Connections

Exploring the world with the FSB Connect Club

Breathtaking

Hawaii

February 13 - 22, 2020

See inside for details

REFLECTIONS



Hello Connect Club Friends!

*If something good happens, travel to celebrate.
If something wrong happens, travel to forget.
If nothing happens, travel to make it happen.*

Be part of something bigger, open the door, try something new and unexpected, and make your next adventure your best! When traveling with the Connect Club, you are welcomed into a world where we do all the work for so you don't have to! I will be there every step of the way taking care of all the details!

Summer is one of my favorite seasons. It's an opportunity to connect with your family and friends to make lasting memories whether at home, camping or on a vacation. We want you to have the best travel experience we can offer, so now is the time to invite your family and friends to join you on any of our wonderful Connect Club tours and make memories!

Let's connect! Please call me or stop by with any questions you may have or to sign up for one of the many upcoming events in the newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Kathy Leeseckamp - Connect Club Director • 319-294-2900

Let's

Explore the World Together!

COOKING WITH THE CONNECT CLUB

Salads in a Jar



Caprese Pasta Salad

- 2 tbsp basil pesto
(homemade or store-bought)
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes
- 1 ½ oz fresh mozzarella,
chopped into bite sized pieces
- 2 oz cooked penne pasta
- ½ cup fresh spinach leaves
- ½ cup fresh basil, chopped

Chickpea Salad

- 2 tbsp easy lemon vinaigrette (see right)
- 1 cup chickpeas
- ½ cup sun-dried or oven roasted tomatoes
- ¼ cup spring onion, chopped
- ¼ cup red onion, chopped
- ½ cup olives, chopped
- ¼ cup piquillo peppers, chopped
- ½ cup fresh spinach

Greek Pasta Salad

- 2 tbsp easy lemon vinaigrette (see below)
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes
- ¼ cup red onion, chopped
- 1 cup cucumber, chopped
- ½ cup feta, crumbled
- 2 oz rigatoni, cooked
- ½ cup mixed greens
- ½ cup fresh mint, chopped

Easy Lemon Vinaigrette

- (will make enough for 3-4 mason jars)
- Juice from one large lemon
- ½ cup olive oil
- Good pinch of salt
- Couple of grinds of black pepper

When you are ready to eat, shake the jar like crazy!



Ladies Outing

Friday, July 12, 2019

\$150 per person



Bring your creativity and join the Connect Club for a day of tours, hands-on activities and lots of fun and laughter!

We will spend the morning exploring a charming Historic City with amazing scenic overlooks, touring a Lockmaster's house and enjoying some wine tasting and tour a vineyard. The afternoon will be spent learning how to use the pottery wheel, making a project with mosaic tiles, and painting your own piece of pottery.

Our day will be spent relaxing, eating, drinking, laughing, building memorable experiences and bonding with your friends in the Connect Club.

To reserve your spot, return the completed reservation form along with your payment to me by Friday, June 7, 2019. A full refund will be given for cancellations made prior to this date.

Please contact Kathy Leeseekamp at 319-294-2900 to sign up for this Ladies Tour!



Shhhh... IT'S A SECRET

FIVE-DAY MYSTERY TOUR

August 5-9, 2019

*Mystery tours are like a box of chocolates -
you never know what you're going to get!*



\$1,197 Single • \$945 Double

But I can tell you - no matter where this mystery tour takes us, fun will be with us every step of the way!

Are you looking for an amazing and unforgettable travel getaway? Are you wanting to experience something new and different? Have you ever wondered how things are made? Then this is your chance to find out the answers and experience the joy and excitement of seeing where things come from!

Join the Connect Club as we travel out-of-state to experience unique attractions filled with wonders and surprises around every turn. This tour offers unforgettable and unique hands-on experiences with people who have an extraordinary craftsmanship and knowledge of their field.

This tour will be casual dress. There will be some walking but not an excessive amount or for long distances.

Pricing includes: Deluxe motor coach transportation, hotel accommodation for four nights, luggage handling, and admission to many fun-filled mysterious places, gratuities, travel protection, and professional tour manager from Cedar Valley.

To reserve your spot, please submit a deposit of \$250.00 per person along with your completed reservation form. Final payment is due June 21, 2019.

Please contact Kathy Leesekamp at 319-294-2900 to sign up for this fun road trip!



vs.



Chicago Cubs

St. Louis Cardinals

• **September 19-20, 2019** •

\$375 pp Double OR \$499 pp Single
Travel Insurance Available

IT'S GAME TIME!

Join us in September for a day out at the ballpark!

Baseball is the true American pastime and attending a Major League game is on most people's bucket list.

Join the Connect Club on a road trip to watch the Cubs vs Cardinals play a night game and an afternoon game at Wrigley Field in Chicago!

Package includes: Roundtrip motor coach transportation, transfer to and from games, two game tickets, 1-night hotel accommodation near the magnificent mile and free breakfast at the hotel.

**Please contact Kathy Leeseekamp at 319-294-2900
to sign up for this trip ... and let's**

Play Ball!!!



NO PASSPORT REQUIRED...

An Ethnic & Culinary Journey

September 23-26, 2019

\$1,299 Single • \$1,055 Double

Deadline date to sign up for this tour is June 17, 2019. After this date you will be waitlisted.

In Omaha, we will travel the world in four days without a passport while experiencing the culture, food and entertainment of 10 different countries!

We begin our journey exploring the historic Old Market Neighborhood before heading to Mexico for dinner and a folkloric performance. We will visit France to enjoy a French lunch presentation by Chef Cedric Fichpain. We will then travel to Ireland to visit Father Flanagan's Boys Town, and in the evening we will enjoy an Irish dinner cruise while listening to the folk music of an Irish singer. Our next stop will be the Czech Republic where we will watch a kolach-making demonstration and visit the Slovak museum. We cannot make a trip to Omaha without going to the Henry Doorly Zoo. It is home to the world's largest indoor rainforest and desert under a geodesic dome. Then it is on to India where we will see the elaborate and striking Hindu Temple. Later we will visit Spain and explore their beautiful St. Cecilia Spanish Cathedral and, for dinner, we will head to Greece to have dinner and learn about the Greek culture and dancing. Next we will visit Lithuania where we will enjoy tortes and coffee and hear about the Machevicius family and how they escaped Germany in WWII. We will journey to Scotland to visit Joslyn Castle. Before our journey homeward, we will travel to Poland to enjoy a Polish prepared meal while watching a dance performance.

This tour will be filled with great memories and wonderful food from 10 wonderful countries we will have visited without a passport!

Pricing includes: Transportation by deluxe motor coach, three nights deluxe hotel accommodations, baggage handling, all activities listed on itinerary, Travel Protection Plan, Cruises and Tours Worldwide Tour Director.

A deposit of \$100.00 per person and your completed reservation form is required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due on June 17, 2019.

Stop by or call me at 319-294-2900 to learn more about this culinary journey.

October 29 - November 6, 2019

La Belle Seine Cruise



* Deadline to sign up for this extraordinary tour is May 8, 2019. After this date you will be waitlisted.

Pricing ranges from \$5,114 to \$8,414 based on the cabin you choose.

This is La Belle Seine – a journey as elegant as France itself!

Onboard a river cruise, the culture, art, history, and romance of France will sweep you away. Our journey starts in the Normandy region in Paris, where we'll board an incredible ship for a rejuvenating 7-night river cruise. We will sail to Conflans and visit Auvers-sur-Oise, once home to several 19th-century painters including Cézanne and Van Gogh. Cruise past the idyllic French countryside and dock in Rouen, Normandy's historic capital where we'll see the Gros Horloge astronomical clock. On to Le Havre on the English Channel where we will explore Honfleur, the remarkable maritime city. Sail on to Les Andelys and Château Gaillard, which was constructed by Richard the Lionheart in the 12th century. Continue to the gardens of Giverny, muse to Impressionist painters including Claude Monet. Our final journey will take us back to Paris, the "City of Lights."

A full day of remembrance awaits, as we travel through Normandy to visit some of the significant D-Day Landing sites of World War II. Begin at Pointe du Hoc, a strategic German battery that defended Utah and Omaha beaches from the Allied invasion, where craters from cataclysmic bombings occupy the landscape to this day. We will view Omaha Beach, one of the U.S. landing zones of the invasion of Normandy and visit the Normandy American Cemetery and visitor's center. We will travel on to Arromanche-les-Bains to view the Mulberry Harbor, one of the greatest engineering feats of WWII and a massive coup for the Allies.

Pricing includes: Round trip air from O'hare Int'l airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges, coach transfer from Marion to Chicago, hotel, transfers, gratuities, baggage handling and Travel Protection (valued at \$385 pp).

A deposit of \$1,135 pp (includes \$750 deposit and \$385 insurance) and your completed reservation form is required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due on July 1, 2019.

Stop by or call me at 319-294-2900 to learn more about this extraordinary tour.

HAWAII

February 13-22, 2020



** Deadline to sign up for this breathtaking tour is August 6, 2019. After this date you will be waitlisted.*

▪ **Pricing: \$5,919 pp Double & \$7,919 pp Single | Travel Protection: \$275.00 pp** ▪

You will not want to miss out on this spectacular tour of beautiful Hawaii!

Let the spirit of "Aloha" be your guide on this leisurely three-island tour of Hawaii featuring three-night stays each in Oahu, Kauai and Maui. We will enjoy our luxurious beach front hotel in Waikiki, "Remember Pearl Harbor" and visit the USS Arizona Memorial. We will embark on a wonderful journey along Oahu's famous North Shore. Relax and take in the natural beauty during a cruise along Wailua River. Admire the hula dance, an ancient Polynesian art form. Visit the largest Hawaiian coffee estate in Kauai and learn about the coffee bean's journey from tree to cup. We will see Waimea Canyon, the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific." In Maui we will visit the old royal capital of Lahaina, once home of the world's largest whaling fleets, where we can stroll through historic streets. Capping off our adventure through paradise, we will experience a traditional Polynesian luau!

Pricing includes: Round trip air from O'Hare Int'l airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges, coach transfer from Marion to Chicago, hotel, transfers, gratuities and baggage handling.

A deposit of \$500 pp plus \$275 insurance and your completed reservation form is required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due on December 15, 2019.

Offer: Optional 3 Days 2-Night Big Island Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$949.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive

Stop by or call me at 319-294-2900 to learn more about this breathtaking tour.

August 13-21, 2020

9 Days



** Deadline to sign up for this tour is February 14, 2020. After this date you will be waitlisted.*

Pricing \$4,386 Double & \$5,086 Single - Travel Protection \$315.00

Get a glimpse into the world's largest country and experience the distinctive allure of Russia, a land abundant with intrigue and history. Like an intricate matryoshka doll, Russia is a multi-layered country with discoveries around every corner. We will begin our journey in Moscow, Russia's dynamic capital city. Enjoy a walking tour of Moscow's historic Kremlin and Red Square where we'll stand in awe of Saint Basil's Cathedral. We will get acquainted with Russia's epicurean roots on an immersive food tour. Enter the imposing Winter Palace and tour the Hermitage Museum, the second-largest museum in the world. Discover the lavish summer residence of Russian Tsars, the Catherine Palace. Next we will have an amazing time cruising the regal streets of St. Petersburg in a vintage Soviet car.

Full of energy, surprises, and grandeur - Russia awaits.

Pricing includes: Round trip airfare from O'Hare Int'l airport, transfer to/from Marion to Airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel, transfers, gratuities and baggage handling.

A deposit of \$500 pp plus \$315 insurance and your completed reservation form is required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due on June 14, 2020.

Stop by or call me at 319-294-2900 to learn more about this tour!

Adriatic Awakening



October 15 - 25, 2020
10 Days

* Deadline to sign up for this tour is April 15, 2020. After this date you will be waitlisted.

Pricing ranges from \$3,955 to \$7,588 pp double occupancy depending on which cabin you choose.

Together, let's explore the coastal cities of the eastern Mediterranean (Greece, Turkey, Montenegro, Croatia and Italy) aboard Oceania Cruises' Marina.

We will begin our cruise in Athens, one of the world's oldest cities, and travel to Rhodes to spend the day admiring the idyllic scenery of the largest of the Dodecanese. In Kuşadası, you could visit the Temple of Artemis or escape to the nearby ruins of the city of Ephesus. We'll discover the dramatic seascapes of Santorini before cruising to Katakolon, a peaceful town with seaside cafés and galleries. We'll relax along the coastline of Corfu, a unique coastal city with a colonial-style old town, and then discover the walled medieval city of Kotor, a UNESCO World Heritage site that showcases narrow streets and a twelfth-century cathedral. Our journey will end with two days in the timeless city of Venice, but before that, we'll stop in Zadar to tour its majestic churches and stroll down its seaside promenade.

This tour includes your choice of 4 free shore excursions, free beverage package or \$400 shipboard credit (per stateroom, based on double occupancy).

Pricing includes: Round trip airfare from O'Hare Int'l airport, transfer to/from Marion to Airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges, cruise, transfers, gratuities and baggage handling.

A deposit of \$950 pp (includes deposit and insurance) and your completed reservation form is required to reserve your space.

Stop by or call me at 319-294-2900 to learn more about this spectacular tour!

--- MOVIE DAY ---



1462 Twixt Town Rd, Marion

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Join your Connect Club friends for your choice of five movies currently showing at the Collins Road Theatres. Enjoy all the free popcorn you can eat and all the pop or coffee you can drink! The concession stand is also open to purchase anything else you might like to have. At 9:15 we will have announcements, door prizes and a synopsis of the movies being shown that day with a chance to change theatres for the movie of your choice, and to get those refills before we start the show!

Due to the staff needing time to set-up, the doors will not open until 8:30 AM.

No reservations are necessary!

Please remember our FREE events are for members only.

NEXT MOVIE DAY: Tuesday, August 20, 2019

Community Shred Day



DATE:
Friday, May 31st

TIME:
3:00 - 5:00 pm

LOCATION:
Marion FSB
1240 8th Ave
Marion

New York City Holiday

December 9-13, 2019

**\$3,379.00 Double and \$4,379.00 Single
(insurance, included in pricing)**

Experience the "the Big Apple" alive with the holiday spirit on this spectacular tour.

From Rockefeller Center to Greenwich Village, New York City shines even brighter during the holiday season. We will spend four nights in the heart of Midtown close to Central Park's skating rink and Times Square all dressed up for the holidays. We will take a seat and watch the curtain rise for an exciting Broadway show. See the Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall, featuring the world famous Rockettes! We will take a ferry to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island and see the Empire State Building and Central Park. We will visit the poignant 9/11 Museum and Memorial. We will enjoy plenty of free time on our own to shop and see the elaborate 5th Avenue holiday window displays and the Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center. Get ready to "start spreading the news!"

Deadline to sign up for this tour is July 9, 2019. After this date you will be waitlisted. Final payment is due October 10, 2019.

Contact Kathy Leesekamp at 319-294-2900 for details of this specular tour!

SEMINAR

The Views Grill & Chat AND Elderly Scams with FSB
Tuesday, June 18, 2019 • 10:30 AM



The Views Senior Living of Marion: 720 Oakbrook Drive

*The campus is located near Menards off
HWY 100 / Marion Bypass, behind Furniture Row*

We invite you to join us at The Views Senior Living of Marion to celebrate summer with grilled favorites and a day of conversation and learning.

The Views Senior Living of Marion includes a 40 bed skilled nursing facility, 30 assisted living apartments and a one-of-a-kind 34 apartment memory care resembling their popular NW Cedar Rapids location, Meadow View Memory Care Village. The Views Senior Living is locally owned and managed and has been providing award winning care to our community since 2004. Specializing in a variety of services within one community, The Views Senior Living of Marion can provide increased levels of care as needs change. This gives residents and their families' peace of mind knowing that their loved one can spend the rest of their life on one campus. Come see for yourself!

Elderly Scams: This day also includes time with our FSB Investment team as they speak to us on Elderly Scams including: Romance, Grandchild, Inheritance, Sweepstakes/Lottery, Jury Duty, Tech support, Online sales scams (Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, etc.) and Elder Financial Abuse. Don't be a victim of fraud, scams and elderly abuse. Con artists are everywhere and the better educated you are about these scams, the better equipped you'll be to steer clear of them.

Call Kathy at 319-294-2900 to reserve your spot by June 10, 2019.

FSB is excited to announce our 2019 Marion by Moonlight music line up!



Please join us every Thursday night in Marion Square Park and listen to some great music and enjoy some yummy food!

We look forward to seeing you there!



June 6th



June 13th



June 20th



June 27th

The FSB website has a fresh new look ... and we think you're going to like it!

- Easier Online Banking login from the top of the page – no matter where you are on the site
- Expanded content throughout the site
- Responsive to all devices ... desktop, laptop, tablet and smart phones
- And, best of all, your Connect Club trip and events information is all in one easy to find spot!



Easy Navigation



Fresh Design

Mobile- and tablet-friendly

Please check out our new and improved website at www.myfsbonline.com today!



▪ 2019-2020 Sneak Peek ▪

Domestic and International Travel

▪ **Cubs vs. Cardinals** ▪
September 23-27, 2019

▪ **La Belle Seine Cruise (Paris to Normandy)** ▪
October 29 - November 6, 2019
* TRAVEL SHOW - APRIL 8, 2019 @ 2:00 PM *

▪ **Hawaii** ▪
February 13-22, 2020

▪ **All Inclusive Resort - TBD** ▪
March/April 2020

▪ **Imperial Russia** ▪
August 13-21, 2020

▪ **Adriatic Awakening** ▪
Oceania Cruise to Greece, Turkey, Montenegro, Croatia, and Italy
October 15-25, 2020
* TRAVEL SHOW - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019 *

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SAVE THE DATE

MAY

- 3rd - Cookie Day
- 21st - Movie Day
- 22nd - Circa 21
(Grumpy Old Men)

JUNE

- 3rd - Cookie Day
- 4th - Canyon Country
Document Party @ 2:00 PM
- 6th & 7th - One Day Mystery
(choose your date)
- 18th - Seminar -
The Views Grill Out
& Elderly Scams
- 23rd - 30th - Canyon Country
- June 30th - July 3rd -
Ballard's Resort Fishing Trip

JULY

- 3rd - Cookie Day
- 12th - Ladies Outing
- 16th - Seminar - Grill Works

AUGUST

- 2nd - Cookie Day
- 5th - 9th - Five-Day Mystery Tour
- 18th - Customer Appreciation
Picnic
- 20th - Movie Day

Dates and events are subject to change. This announcement does not include all Connect Club events. Check your future newsletters for further updates.

