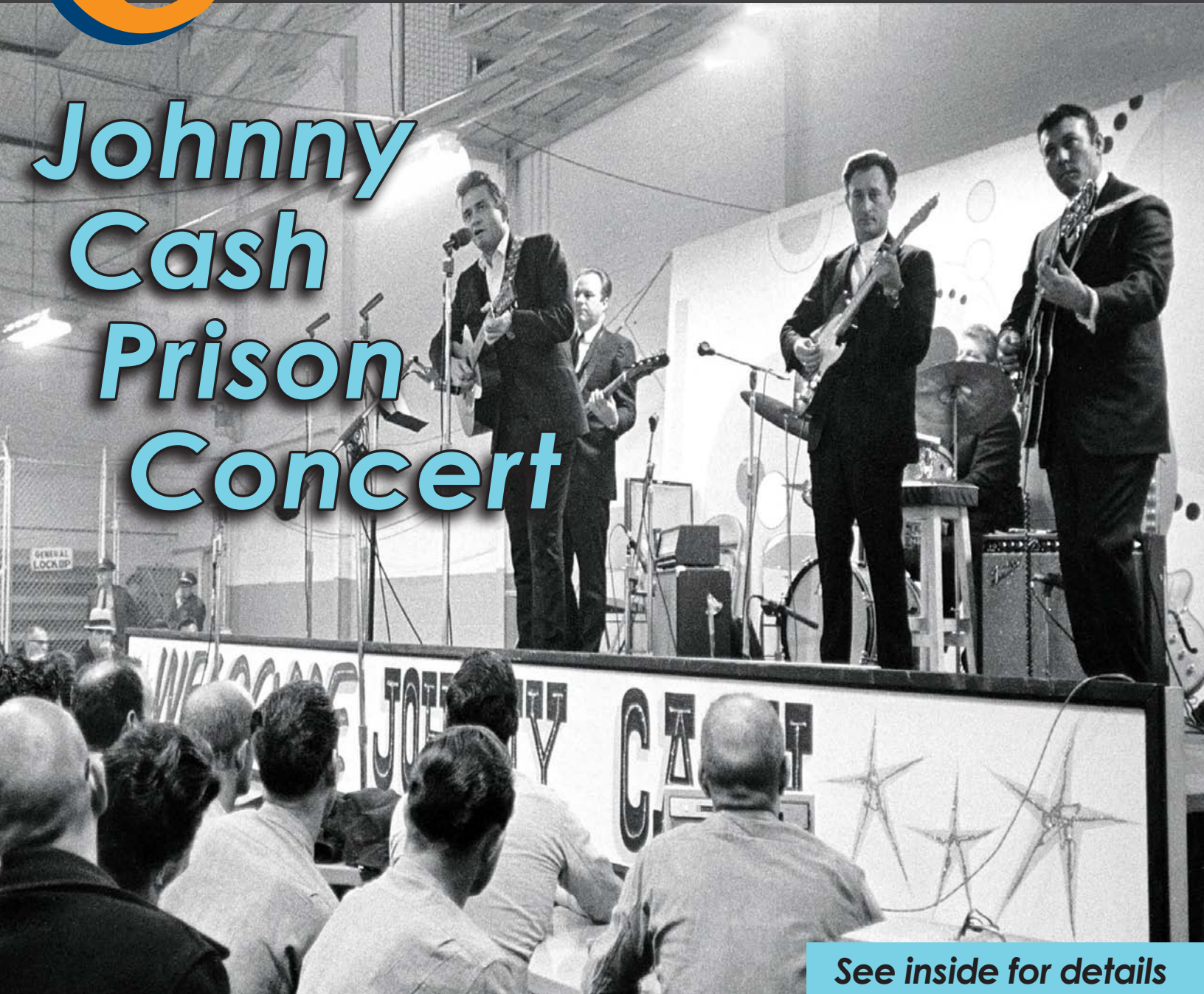


NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020

# Connections

Exploring the world with the FSB Connect Club

## Johnny Cash Prison Concert



See inside for details

## The Famous Outlaw Prison Concert

# REFLECTIONS

## Hello Connect Club Friends!



Christmas is coming!

This has been a long trying year, but it is exciting to know that Christmas is in our future! There is nothing better than spending time with family & friends, sharing great memories and eating yummy comfort food. It is a great time to stay focused on the good in this world and continue to be thankful for what we have.

Need a Christmas gift idea to pass along to your family or friends? One that won't wear out, doesn't take up room and goes with everything? How about an FSB Connect Club Gift Certificate!?!? See details inside.

I have continued to move forward with our tours for 2021 with the hopes that COVID-19 will be under control for us to travel next year. Check out the Newsletter for all the adventurous tours I have lined up for you in 2021 and 2022.

Please call me with any questions you may have or to sign up for one of the many upcoming tours I have to offer.

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

**Let's**

*Explore* **the** *World* *Together!*



# COOKING WITH THE CONNECT CLUB

## Mini Meat Loaf Sheet-Pan Meal

### Ingredients

- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup tomato juice
- 3/4 cup quick-cooking oats
- 1/4 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/2 pounds lean ground beef (90% lean)
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 3 large potatoes, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 3 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt, divided
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper, divided
- 1 pound fresh asparagus, trimmed and halved



### Directions

- Preheat oven to 425°. In a large bowl, combine eggs, tomato juice, oats, onion and salt. Add beef; mix lightly but thoroughly. Shape into six 4x2-1/2-in. loaves; place on a sheet pan or large shallow roasting pan. Combine ketchup, brown sugar, mustard and nutmeg; brush over loaves.
- Combine potatoes with 2 tablespoons oil, 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper; toss to coat. Add to pan in a single layer. Bake 25 minutes.
- Combine asparagus with remaining 1 tablespoon oil, 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper; toss to coat. Add to pan. Bake until a thermometer inserted into meat loaves reads 160° and vegetables are tender, 15-20 minutes. Let stand 5-10 minutes before serving.





# Holiday Gift Idea...

Need a Christmas gift idea to pass along to your family or friends?  
One that won't wear out, doesn't take up room and goes with everything?

## **How about an FSB Connect Club Gift Certificate!?!?**

We all want to spend more time with our family and friends,  
enjoying fun adventures and making new memories.

So why not give your special someone a gift that allows you to  
join them on one of our amazing tours? It's a gift you will both enjoy!

This certificate can be used any time towards  
the purchase of a future tour or activity.

*"The best gifts in the world are not in the material objects one can buy  
from the store, but in the memories we make with the people we love."*

*~Amanda Boyarshinov, Author & Educator*

*Make shopping easy by contacting  
Kathy Leesekamp - FSB Connect Club Director - (319)294-2900  
for an FSB Gift Certificate!*





April 8 - 22, 2021



# Discover Britain & Ireland

Let's travel to some of the world's  
most magnificent cities and magical  
countryside's of Britain and Ireland.

Double Occupancy PP \$4,749, Single Occupancy PP \$5,749, Insurance \$399 PP

This breathtaking journey takes us through rolling farmlands and across the Irish Sea, through England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. We will marvel at the mystery of Stonehenge. Experience Ireland's culinary renaissance during a cooking class at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutes. Walk in the footsteps of William Shakespeare at his birthplace, Stratford-upon-Avon. Be mesmerized by the breathtaking landscapes in the English Lake District, Ireland's Ring of Kerry and the valleys, mountains and imposing castles of North Wales. Admire the ancient Roman ruins in elegant Bath and at Hadrian's Wall. Get acquainted with Britain's pageantry in the royal cities of Edinburgh and London. This is a tour you will not want to miss!

Pricing includes: Round trip air from Cedar Rapids, sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, 1st class deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities and all air taxes/fees/surcharges. A deposit of \$500 per person, plus insurance of \$399 and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due by February 28, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**

May 6 - 11, 2021

## Niagara Falls The Best of Both Sides

A North American natural wonder, Niagara Falls flows with scenic might through Niagara Falls State Park. And just beyond its waterfall vistas, Niagara is filled with splendid discoveries and fantastic attractions.



Double PP \$2,395 • Single PP \$2,895

We will tour the Butterfly Conservatory & Floral Show House, brave the raging waters as IMAX takes us over Niagara Falls and visit the Daredevil Exhibit. We will stand at the heart of Niagara and feel the thunderous vibrations of the Horseshoe Falls. This tour also features a voyage boat tour of the magnificent Great Gorge, American Falls, Bridal Veil Falls and, of course, the mighty Horseshoe Falls. We will meet up with a local guide for a tour to scenic Niagara-on-the-Lake. We will also make a stop at the Whirlpool Aero Car, the Floral Clock and enjoy an English Afternoon Tea at the Prince of Wales Hotel. We will attend the Rochester Lilac Festival, visit the George Eastman Museum, tour the Sonneberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park, and climb aboard the Canandaigua Lady Steamboat to cruise the enchanting Thousand Islands with a stop at Boldt Castle.

Pricing includes: Round trip air from Cedar Rapids, sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, and deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities, all air taxes/fees/surcharges and Travel Protection. A deposit of \$50 per person and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. A second deposit of \$250 per person is due by January 6, 2021 and final payment will be due by April 5, 2021. Your deposit is fully refundable up to April 5, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**

August 6 - 18, 2021

# Discovering Poland

*Let's embark on an in-depth journey through Poland!*

\$4,429 Double Occupancy PP,  
\$5,279 Single Occupancy PP, \$329 PP Insurance



We will tour the thriving capital city of Warsaw. Reborn after World War II, it is again one of Europe's great cultural centers. We will walk the meandering lanes of historical Krakow where we will see the Wawel Castle, once home to the kings of Imperial Poland. The somber history and tragic reality of Auschwitz is unveiled during a moving visit. Behold the Black Madonna while visiting the Jasna Góra Monastery. Discover Polish culture at a folklore dinner and show in Krakow. Make tasty gingerbread in Torun. Stand on the dock where union workers formed the Solidarity Anti-Communist movement in 1989 in Gdansk. Explore the ancient city squares and UNESCO World Heritage sites of Torun, Wroclaw, Warsaw, Gdansk and Krakow. Join me on this unique once-in-a-lifetime tour!

Pricing includes: Round trip air from Cedar Rapids, sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, 1st class deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities and all air taxes/fees/surcharges. A deposit of \$500 per person, plus Insurance of \$329 and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due by June 8, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**

August 23 - 27, 2021

## Johnny Cash Prison Concert



Double PP \$1,249 • Single PP \$1,499

"Folsom Prison Blues" was recorded in 1955 and was an instant hit. It was very popular among inmates who wrote to Johnny and perhaps that is why he became a very vocal advocate for Prison Reform. His first Prison Concert was at Huntsville State Prison in 1957, a full 10 years before his famous live albums at Folsom Prison (1968) and San Quentin (1969). Most people don't know those were just two of many prison concerts Johnny Cash played. Show us your conviction, and come party in the Big House.

We will begin our tour with a visit to the National Museum of the US Airforce, the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world. We will enjoy a Rock N' Roll party with dinner and a show by BackTraxx. Next up is a special 3-hour Independence & Incarceration Tour featuring Wheeling's Independence Hall and a visit to WV's Gothic-looking prison. We will tour the Old West Virginia Penitentiary. Here is where things get really exciting! Our coach will drive through a high arched entrance under the North Guard Tower and into The Yard. We will start the evening with a Jailbird Feast and participate in a costumed Convict & Cop Competition! The excitement continues as we are presented with a re-creation of Johnny's "Outlaw Prison Concert!" featuring Gray Sartin and the Tennessee Three. Did you know Johnny Cash is a member of the Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame? We will visit the Rock N' Roll Hall of Fame, located on the shore of Lake Erie in downtown Cleveland where we will see the archives and learn the history of the best-known and most influential artists, producers, engineers, and other notable figures who have had some major influences on the development of rock and roll.

Pricing includes: Sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, and deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities, and Travel Protection. A deposit of \$150 per person and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due by July 13, 2021. Your deposit is fully refundable up to July 13, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**



September 19 - 27, 2021

# Railroads of Colorado & New Mexico

**This Railroad Adventure steams across Colorado and New Mexico.**

Double PP \$3,195 • Single PP \$3,995

We will travel on five scenic trains on some of the highest altitude railroads in America during the day and enjoy comfortable rooms and fine dining at night. We will ride on the Georgetown Scenic Railroad, the Silverton-Durango Railroad, the Cumbres & Toltec Railroad, the Royal Gorge Route Railroad and the Cripple Creek & Victor Narrow Gauge Railroad. We will also enjoy some amazing tours each day. We will go 500 feet into a mine tunnel bored in the 1870's at the Lebanon Silver Mine and take a 3-hour jeep tour over 12,000 foot Corkscrew Pass into the Red Mountains with a picnic lunch. We'll then travel to the Garden of the Gods Park, visit the Great Platte River Road Archway, and enjoy views of the Gold Spike Tower and tour the Pony Express Museum. This is an all-fun, all-natural Rocky Mountain High, combining adventure, history and romance into one great tour.

Pricing includes: Sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, and deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities, and Travel Protection. A deposit of \$300 per person and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. A second deposit of \$350 per person is due by June 18, 2021 and final payment will be due by August 13, 2021. Your deposit is fully refundable up to June 18, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**

## Discover Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria with Oberammergau Passion Play

*The distinct cultures of Switzerland, Austria, and Bavaria await you!*

June 24 - July 3, 2022



Explore delightful Lucerne, "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," and enjoy a walking tour featuring the Altstadt (Old Town), Chapel Bridge, and Jesuit church. While in Innsbruck, enjoy a panoramic visit to this city's Olympic landmarks. In beautiful Salzburg, stroll through Mirabell Gardens and along the quaint Getreidegasse (site of Mozart's birthplace). Have dinner in Austria's oldest restaurant, St. Peter's. Fairy tales come to life with a picture stop at Bavaria's most famous castle, Neuschwanstein. Your amazing journey concludes in the charming village of Oberammergau. Here you'll witness a spectacular performance of the Oberammergau Passion Play, whose origins date back to 1634. Watch as the entire village comes together to present you with their rendition of this Biblical story.

Pricing includes: Round trip air from Cedar Rapids, sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, 1st class deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities and all air taxes/fees/surcharges. A deposit of \$500 per person, plus Insurance of \$329 and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due by June 8, 2021.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**



# The Ark & Appalachia

July 11 - 17, 2022

This great tour combines America's largest faith-based attraction, The Ark Encounter, with the arts and music of Appalachia plus the historic grace of the Boone Tavern Hotel. Our days will be filled with

both artistic and divine inspiration, while our evenings will be filled with enough live entertainment and southern cooking to have our lips a smackin' and our toes a-tappin.'

Our journey takes us to the state-of-the-art Creation Museum which brings to life the pages of the bible and a visit to the Ark Encounter that holds jaw-dropping exhibits where you will experience close-up encounters with stunning animals and some life-like recreations from Noah's day. We will enjoy a visit and tour of Cumberland Falls State Park and a stop near Sterns KY for a ride on the Big South Fork Scenic Railway. Then we'll head to Harlan KY to visit the Harlan Center to see the FX-TV series "Justified" exhibit. Our next adventure brings us to the Coal Mining Museum & Portal 31 Coal Mine and the Loretta Lynn exhibit. We'll spend a couple nights at the Jenny Wiley State Park with dinner and a show in the evening, and then travel to Pikeville KY for an exciting Hatfield & McCoy Tour and a Dueling Barrels distillery tour. The roots of many of country music's biggest stars can be found along Country Music Highway US 23. Tucked into the hills of Eastern Kentucky is the home of Loretta Lynn. We will travel along US 23 to see a number of amazing superstars and sights. In the evening we will participate in a Billie Jean Osborne's Kentucky Opry variety show that features all local talent and includes country, rock, gospel and bluegrass music along with Appalachian humor! On the last day of our tour, we'll take an underground Historic Tram Tour in the Louisville Mega cavern!

Pricing includes: Sightseeing, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach, and deluxe hotel accommodations, gratuities, and Travel Protection. A deposit of \$150 per person and your completed reservation form are required to reserve your space. Final payment will be due by June 11, 2022. Your deposit is fully refundable up to May 10, 2022.

**Contact me at 319-294-2900 for a complete itinerary of this tour.**

# Alaska

**August 8 - 18, 2022**

**TOUR  
PLANNING  
IS IN PROGRESS**

**Details to come once  
2022 tours are released.**







# Eastern Mediterranean

Italy, Croatia, Montenegro,  
Greece, Turkey

**September 3 - 14, 2022**

**TOUR  
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IS IN PROGRESS**

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2022 tours are released.

## Exploring South Africa, Victoria Falls & Botswana

**October 2022**

**TOUR  
PLANNING  
IS IN PROGRESS**

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2022 tours are released.





# Join me for our first-ever virtual FSB Connect Club Events!



Times may be uncertain, but one thing remains true ... I am going to do whatever it takes to “connect” with my Connect Club members! That’s why the FSB Connect Club is going to go online with “live” recorded videos for the months of January, February and March. Although the format will be different than what we are used to, these videos will bring us all together to take part in some fun and educational presentations.

Some of the presentations will include: Travel Shows, Learn to Zoom, FSB educational seminars, fun seminars and much more!

Facebook is a quick and easy way to access and watch these videos. The best part is that you can watch them anytime and you don’t even have to leave the safety and comfort of your home to participate!

So with all this being said, I would like to invite you to connect with me through our FSB Connect Club Facebook Page!

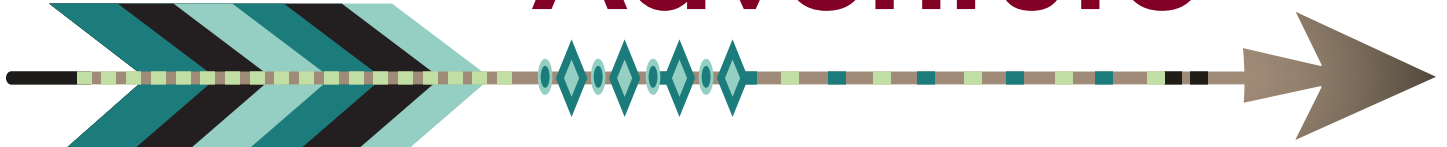
If you are not following us today, all you need to do is simply go to: <https://www.facebook.com/FSBConnectClub/> and click the **"Like"** button at the top of the page...and get even more connected with the Connect Club!

Videos will be uploaded at different times throughout the three months. If you have liked and followed us, you will receive a notification stating I have added a post to the FSB Connect Club page. Feel free to invite your family and friends to join in on the fun while practicing social distancing during the coronavirus pandemic.





# Choose Your Own Adventure



*Domestic and International Travel 2021/2022*



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*Merry  
Christmas*

Due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, all tours are subject to change.  
FSB will continue to monitor the situation and adjust or cancel tours as needed.



*Enjoy the Journey ...*  
**no matter where it takes you.**