

Erie, PA Shop 'till you drop!

Itinerary

Saturday, October 26, 2019

8:00 am-Bus leaves Great Canadian Holidays and Coaches at 535 Manitou drive, Kitchener, Ontario, N2C 1L5 (Make sure you have your passports!)

9:45 am-Arrive a Peace Bridge Duty Free. We will be crossing the Peace Bridge Duty Free in Erie, Ontario and cross into Buffalo, New York.

Once we arrive in Erie, PA we will shop at the following stores in order, please listen to the tour director for when the bus leaves:

- Kohl's, Hobby Lobby, and Burlington (formally known as Burlington Coat Factory) plaza
- Walmart Supercentre in Erie, PA.
- Target, Marshall's and Best Buy plaza

(Highly recommend purchasing something at Kohl's today to get your Kohl's bucks. We will come back on Monday so that you can use those Kohl's bucks and possibly get free stuff!)

4:30 pm-Check into the Fairfield Inn hotel. (The earliest we can check in is at 3:00 pm)

5:30 pm-Cracker Barrel-We will gather outside the front of the hotel. This is an optional bus trip, you're free to roam around at the Mill Creek Mall for supper, or come with us to Cracker Barrel. There are plenty of options at the Mill Creek Mall for supper. They have a large food court, Ruby Tuesday's (similar to Casey's and Kelsey's in Canada), The Fox and the fiddle (a bar on the mall's property) and so much more. Feel free to ask the tour director for suggestions.

Afterwards, we will return to the hotel. The bus driver needs to be off duty. This is our free time to do more shopping at the Mill Creek Mall and the mall's complex. Take a dip in the pool, relax in your room, or socialize with friends. The options are endless. Remind, that the Mall closes at 9:00 pm on Saturday.

Sunday, October 27, 2019

7:00 am-Rise and shine! Breakfast is served in the lobby from 7:00 am to 10:00 am today. Enjoy a deluxe continental breakfast in the main lobby of the hotel.

9:00 am-Bus leaves for Grove City Outlets-Meet outside at the front of the hotel. This is an optional bus excursion trip. We're headed to Grove City Outlet Mall (for those not wanting to join, the Mill Creek Mall and all the stores part of the mall's complex opens at 11:00 am today).

10:00 am-Arrive at Grove City Outlet Mall. A worker from the outlet mall will hoop on board and give us coupons so we can save some money \$\$\$\$! Note: We're leaving at 4:30 pm sharp!

We will not be waiting for anyone, please make sure you leave plenty of time to arrive back at the bus. The bus driver will tell us where we will meet the bus at.

4:30 pm- Leaving Grove City Outlet Mall and heading back to Fairfield Inn hotel

5:45 pm- Arrive back at the Fairfield Inn hotel. We will be picking up anyone who decided not to come with us to the outlet mall and wants to join us for supper. Meet in front of the hotel if you'd like to join us.

5:50 pm-Arrive at the Golden Corral buffet and grill for supper (for those not wanting to join, there's plenty of restaurants inside the Mill Creek Mall and outside the Mill Creek mall on their complex.

Afterwards we will arrive back at the Fairfield Inn hotel. We will return to the hotel. The bus driver needs to be off duty. The Mill Creek Mall and the mall's complex are closed at 6:00 pm. Take a dip in the pool, relax in your room, or socialize with friends. The options are endless.

Monday, October 28, 2019

6:00 am-Rise and shine! Breakfast is served in the lobby from 6:00 am to 9:00 am today. Enjoy a deluxe continental breakfast in the main lobby of the hotel.

9:00-Meet at the main lobby, we sadly have to check out today. Make sure you have all your purchases, belongings and passport!

10:00 am-We're headed to the Mill Creek Mall JC Penny's entrance.

1:30 pm-Kohl's-Meet up at the bus. It will be parked outside JC Penny, where we came into the mall. This is an optional bus excursion trip. We're heading back to Kohl's for those who have Kohl's bucks to redeem. Feel free to shop at Hobby Lobby, or Burlington if you didn't have time to shop there on Friday.

2:50 pm-The bus is heading back to Mill Creek Mall for those who didn't come to Kohl's with us. The bus leaves at 3:00 pm to head back to Canada.

3:00 pm-The bus is leaving to head back to Great Canadian Holidays and Coaches at 535 Manitou drive, Kitchener, Ontario, N2C 1L5.

7:00 pm-If all goes well at the Peace Bridge border, we will be back at Great Canadian Holidays and Coaches at 535 Manitou drive, Kitchener, Ontario, N2C 1L5.

Suggestions, Reminders, and Tips

- Do NOT forget your passport! We will ask everyone to have their passports handy before leaving Kitchener, and again after we're done at the Peace Bridge Duty Free in Fort Erie, Ontario.
- Don't miss the bus leave times! It's very important to stay as close to on schedule as possible. That way, the drive doesn't go over his/her hours of driving duty and on duty. Also, it's a courtesy towards our fellow shoppers.
- If you miss the bus, you'll need to take a taxi at your own expense
- Keep all marijuana at home, as it is NOT legal in the USA
- Keep all weapons at home, as it is ILLEGAL to cross the USA and Canadian border
- Keep the fruits, vegetables, meats and dairy products at home. We cannot cross the border with them.
- Keep all of your receipts! When we return to Canada, the border agents will ask how much each shopper has spent
- You can claim goods worth up to CAN\$800 without paying any duty and taxes.
- You can bring back up to 1.5 litres of wine or 1.14 litres of alcoholic beverages **or** up to 8.5 litres of beer.
- You can bring back 200 cigarettes, 50 cigars, 200 grams of manufactured tobacco **and** 200 tobacco sticks.
- Some tobacco products*and alcoholic beverages may be included in your personal exemption.
- If you exceed your personal exemption limit, you can end up paying Duty
- The seat you pick on Friday, is the seat you'll keep for the remainder of the trip
- The first row of seats on the bus are for the tour directors
- Please leave the second and third row for those who have limited mobility
- Please do not purchase furniture, as it takes up too much room under the bus
- Make sure all of your luggage, bags, etc. are labelled with your name on it
- Please no Skittles, as a lot of bus companies have a difficult time removing melted skittles when they clean the bus
- Please only use the washroom on board if you absolutely need to
- There's no running water on the bus, but hand sanitizer is provided
- If needing to use the restroom, please sit, as the bus can take sudden sharp turns
- Please use the overhand rails if needing to walk on the bus while it's moving (if you can reach)
- Please try to keep the bus tidy for the driver and other shoppers
- Coupons are your best friend to save a lot of money \$\$\$\$
- Feel free to ask Melissa what kind of coupons she has for those interested
- Have fun, and Shop 'Till You Drop! 😊

Donations for the Pioneer Park Public School Closet

A lot of the students rely on the school Closet to get them through the school day and year. Students use the Closet for coats, hats, mittens, scarves, boots, shoes, shirts, pants, socks, underwear personal hygiene lunch snack and school supplies. We're asking each shopper if they would consider donating an item to help the youth in our community at Pioneer Park Public School. This is a voluntary item to shop for, so please do not fret if you already shopped and drop before hand.

We're looking for the following donations that are \$5.00 or less

- Toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, tooth paste, feminine products)
- Hair brush or tooth brush
- Seasonal clothing (size 4 toddler and up to small adult size) like hats, mittens, or scarves
- Socks
- Peanut free snacks and/or dairy free snacks only please
- Crayons, markers, line paper, pencil case, pencil, eraser, calculator, etc.
- These items can be found at stores like Ollie's Bargain Outlet, Walmart, Target, Five Below, and Hobby Lobby for examples.
- Thank you very much for supporting the youth in our community 😊