

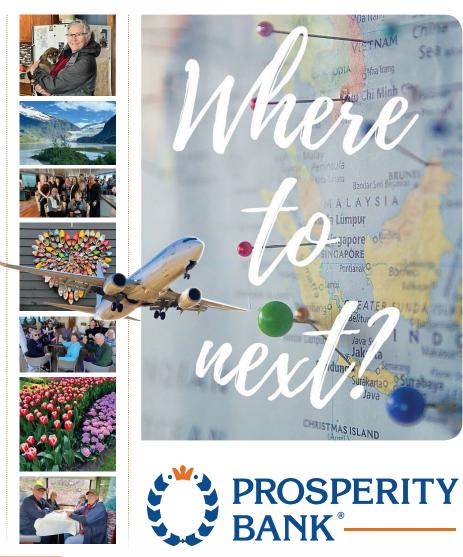
# Prosperity Travel Club... **your passport to FUN!**

# Exciting adventures await us in 2024!

Our Summer newsletter edition briefly describes all our upcoming trips for next year. Please know that we have detailed brochures for each one listed that we will be happy to provide upon request. We aim to offer an array of both domestic and international destinations, varied price points as well as a variety of experiences with different travel companies. We plan them all with you in mind and hope you will pack your bags and go with us!

Thank you for your continued business and your friendship!

ALL THE BEST.... Leslie Escalante



# **REMINDER: Travel Changes**



**Payments:** Prosperity Travel Club will no longer accept credit card payments. Trip payments can be made by Check, Cash or from a Prosperity Account. | **Transportation:** Airport transportation will only be provided for groups of 10 or more from a centralized departure location (unless specified otherwise). | **Tips:** Gratuities for guides and bus drivers will now need to be paid by individual travelers (except for the airport transportation bus driver). A general rule of thumb for tipping amounts based on per person/per day is Bus Drivers \$3 - \$5 per day and Guides \$8-\$10. And of course, a little extra is never turned away for exceptional service.

# HOUSTON/BELLAIRE...Donna

For all of the Travel Club members, we have lots going on in the coming months. Stay cool and come join us! For more information or to RSVP, contact Donna.

Monthly Bunco group meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Club members are welcome to come check it out! Call Donna for details.

August 10 – "Let's Do Lunch" at Maggiano's on Post Oak Blvd (11:30 am)

August 17 – 2024 Universal Travel Show at Prosperity Bank - Bellaire (2:00 pm)

August 22 – 2024 Premier Travel Show Held at Prosperity Bank - Bellaire (10:30 am) Held at Prosperity Bank - Heights (1:00 pm)

#### September 21 – Day trip to San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site Museum and lunch at Brookwood Community.

Exhibits include artifacts from Stephen F. Austin and the headquarters for his colony in Texas, and its connection to the larger story of Texas independence. Brookwood Community is a God-centered non-profit residential and vocational community for adults with disabilities. We will have time to check out the Garden and Gift Center.

#### November 9 – Christmas Tree Ornament Painting at The Mad Potter on Beechnut (10:30 am)

Optional "Dutch treat" lunch afterwards.

#### December 7 – Holiday Fashion Show & Luncheon

Join us at the BraeBurn Country Club, for our big event for everyone!!!

# WEST TEXAS... Dixie

The Prosperity Bank West Texas Travel Club just finished a trip to the Heartland of America Iowa Tulip Festival and will finish out the 2023 travel season with 3 upcoming trips; Rails, Rockies & Red Rocks, Kentucky Bluegrass Fall Foliage (featuring Ark encounter) and A Southern Christmas in South Carolina. We still have availability on trips that will leave out of Abilene on a Bilbrey Tour Bus to Autumn in the Ozarks, San Antonio Christmas and Pasadena Rose Parade. We look forward to seeing you soon on one of our 2024 Tours.

The West Texas Travel Group will have a small Group Coffee in September to go over all the exciting new trips that will be available for 2024. Look forward to seeing all of you then. Happy Travel's for the rest of 2023!



# Let me leave you with a thought... "I HAVEN'T BEEN EVERYWHERE BUT IT'S ON MY LIST!"





**Congratulations to our very own West Texas Travel Coordinator, Dixie Barron.** She will celebrate **55 years** with the bank on September 11th. Thank you, Dixie, for the excellent service you have provided and continue to provide our customers. We are blessed to have you as part of our Prosperity Travel Club Team.

#### TRAVEL CLUB MEMBER NOTICE

# Changes in the Dallas/East TX/OK Area

We would like to wish our DFW/ETX/OK Travel Club Coordinator, Sarah Bell, all the best on her new adventure. Sarah's last day with Prosperity Bank was June 30th. We are actively working to find her replacement and will make that announcement as soon as the position is filled. In the meantime, please direct any sign-up requests and/or questions you may have to the Travel Club Director's office by calling Leslie Escalante at 361-572-6504 or Luz Ramirez at 361-574-8431. We will be happy to take care of you!

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# Panama Canal (TRIPS)

#### Jan 26 – February 11, 2024



The Panama Canal should be on everyone's list of must-see places. It'll surely be one of the highlights of this 16-night cruise/tour that includes three other countries, as you cruise from Miami to LA.

#### Deposit to reserve spot: \$650.00 | Final Payment: 08/18/23

Brochure; \$5998.00 - \$6,998.00 Double occupancy Single Supplement: Add'I 50% of rate

Lead Travel Coordinator – **Doris Brown 361-572-6566** 

### Biloxi & New Orleans (Diamond Bus Tours)



February 19 – February 24, 2024 Join us on our motorcoach adventure! This trip features spectacular Gulf Coast Gaming, a relaxing river boat cruise on the Mississippi River, Mardi Gras World and much more!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$75.00 | Final Payment: 12/12/23 Brochure: \$759.00 Single Supplement: Add'l \$220.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown 361-572-6566

### Charms of the South (Universal Travel)



Embark on a unique riverboat adventure along the Lower Mississippi River between Memphis and New Orleans. Savor a week aboard a luxurious paddlewheeler as you cruise down the river.

Deposit to reserve spot: \$750.00 | Final payment; 11/01/23 Brochure; \$4,999.00 - \$6,799.00

Single Cabins are available upon request

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante 361-572-6504

# Washington D.C. Cherry Blossoms

(Premier World Discovery)

March 17 – March 25, 2024

#### April 8 – April 13, 2024



Don't miss this chance to stay 5 nights at the majestic Gaylord National Resort. Embark on a breathtaking Cherry Blossoms cruise, visit famous museums, shop at unique places and so much more!

#### Deposit to reserve spot: \$400.00 | Final Payment: 01/25/24

Brochure: \$3,395.00 Single supplement: Add'l \$700.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Diane Zuccarini 713-861-1125

# **Utah's Mighty National Parks**

(Premier World Discovery)

### May 5 – May 12,2023



7 DAYS

Join us as we begin our adventure in Colorado for sightseeing and wine tasting. We will continue our journey through Utah's many National parks and marvel at the natural wonders Utah has to offer from guided tours to a Colorado river cruise! You won't want to miss this scenic and eventful trip as we explore artifacts and a movie set from John Wayne's film!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$400.00 | Final Payment: 02/16/24

Brochure: \$3,345.00 Single supplement: Add'l \$1,100.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Diane Zuccarini 713-861-1125

### Historic Treasures, Enchanting Mansions & Culinary

### Delights Hudson River Valley (Universal Travel)

#### May 30 – June 5, 2024

Enjoy this luxurious summer vacation in the Hamptons featuring the Hudson River valley! Experience award winning vineyards, famous mansions, and beautiful sight seeing! A wine lover and foodie's dream trip!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$650.00 | Final Payment 02/12/23

Brochure; \$3,999.00 Single Supplement: Add'1 \$690.00

Lead Travel Coordinator – Leslie Escalante 361-572-6504

# Canadian Rockies (Premier World Discovery)

#### June 19 – June 27,2023



Travel through the most beautiful national parks in Canada. As we start our trip in Calgary, we will venture through Glacier National Park for exciting excursions. We will make our way through Kootenay National Park, Banff, and Lake Louise. Enjoy the perfect balance of excitement and relaxation! Take your time to explore the most unique shops and soak in breath taking views!

#### Deposit to reserve spot: \$400.00 | Final Payment: 02/16/24

Brochure: \$4,019.00 Single supplement: Add'l \$1,175.00 Lead Travel Coordinator – Diane Zuccarini 713-861-1125

## British Isles (TRIPS)

#### June 24 – July 6, 2024



Make your way around the British Isles as you visit well known, and some lesser known, ports in Scotland, Ireland, Northern Ireland, and England! Start your tour in lively old London, before traveling down through Jane Austen's Winchester on your way to nearby Southampton, to board the Norwegian Dawn for your 10-day cruise of Great Britain, Ireland, and Northwestern Europe!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$650.00 | Final Payment: 01/16//24

Brochure: \$6,998.00 - \$7,998.00

Single Supplement: Add'l 50% of Trip cost

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown 361-572-6566

# A Culinary Journey Through Tuscany

(Premier World Discovery)

#### September 24 – October 2, 2024



Enjoy this 7-night stay in Tuscany by traveling to well known and hidden gems nearby! From dinners hosted by locals, winery visits and a boat excursion. You won't want to miss this one-of-a-kind experience.

Deposit to reserve spot: \$600.00 | Final Payment: 06/12/24

Brochure: \$4,995.00 Single Supplement: Add'l \$700.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante 361-572-6504

#### Albuquerque (Universal Travel)

October 6 – October 10,2024

Featuring two Events at the Balloon Fiesta Field including VIP Chasers Club admission, Hands on Cooking Class at the internationally acclaimed Culinary School of Cooking in Santa Fe and more!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$500.00 | Final Payment: 06/24/24

Brochure: \$3,350.00 Single Supplement: Add'l \$695.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante 361-572-6504

# Costa Rica (TRIPS)

# 7 DAYS

5 DAYS

November 1 - November 7, 2024

November is the ideal time of year for you to visit fabulous Costa Rica! Join us as we travel to major coffee plantations, chocolate tours, natural thermal springs and so much more!

Deposit to reserve spot: \$650.00 | Final Payment: 07/24/24

Brochure; \$4,498.00 Single Supplement: Add'l \$998.00

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown 361-572-6566

# Romantic Christmas Markets on the Danube (TRIPS)

#### November 29 - December 08, 2024

Experience timeless holiday traditions and colorful pageantry in Hungary, Slovakia, Austria, and Germany. Let iconic capital cities dazzle you -Budapest, Bratislava, and Vienna - all decked in holiday finery with glittering Christmas trees illuminated by thousands of lights.

#### Deposit to reserve spot: \$750.00 | Final payment: 07/24/24 Brochure: \$7,498.00 - \$10,998.00

Single Supplement: Add'l 50% of Trip Cost

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown 361-572-6566

# SOUTH TEXAS..... Doris

Our Travel Club had the opportunity to travel to the French Riviera in April. We arrived in Barcelona, enjoyed a city tour. Then boarded the amazing Azamara Onward for an 8-night cruise/tour of the finest of Provence and the French Riviera. For those of you who have not cruised with Azamara, you do not know what you are missing!

Another fun Travel Club group ventured to the Holland Windmills, Waterways and Tulips the end of April. A fabulous 10-day cruise was spent aboard the Amadeus Queen. The highlight, of course, being the Keukenhof Gardens with their acres and acres of breathtaking tulips. Lots of sightseeing and shopping was enjoyed by all!

Our June travels then took us to Alaska. Four days in Anchorage and another seven days aboard the Norwegian Spirit. Beautiful glaciers, bears and whales were all part of this amazing adventure. The cool temperatures were a bonus while our friends and family back in Texas were surviving the sweltering summer heat.

We have not yet completed our year of traveling. In July our group will head to Michigan, to explore the Mackinac Island and much more. September, we will travel to Cape Cod to enjoy a week experiencing all things Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, as well as Newport and Providence, Rhode Island.

October adventures take us to Charleston, Beaufort, and Savannah for a Southern Porches 7-day tour.

We will end our 2023 travel with a trip to New York, to enjoy a couple of Broadway shows, as well as the festive Christmas atmosphere that only New York has to offer. There's still time to sign up!

We want to thank each of you for trusting us with your travel experiences and we look forward to an even bigger and better travel year in 2024.

### Mark your Calendars:

August 18th – Trip Preview with Universal Travel (Christoph Voelkel) 101 S. Main, Victoria, TX - Town Hall - 10:00 am

August 22nd – Coffee with Sheriff Roy Boyd 101 S. Main, Victoria, TX – Town Hall 9:00 am

August 29th – Trip Preview with Premier World Discovery (Kimberly Torres) 101 S. Main, Victoria, TX – Town Hall 1:00 pm

October 19th – Fall Fest – Club Westerner Dinner & Dance - Music by Texas 361 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm

**November 18th** – Annual Style Show Victoria Community Center – Invitations with details to follow in the mail

Please contact Doris Brown at 361-572-6566 for more information.

### Luncheons

Take place on the third Wednesday of the month at the bank in the Community Room. This is normally a potluck, but we change it up occasionally. See the monthly notes below.

### August 16, 2023 - Hawaiian Luau Theme

Wear your Hawaiian shirt or muumuu! Salad potluck! You provide any kind of salad: meat, pasta, green, fruit, vegetable, Jell-O, etc. and we'll provide dessert and drinks. We'll play Banko and award door prizes. **11:30 am - 1:00 pm** 

### September 20, 2023 - Go Team! Sports Team Theme

Wear your favorite team shirt! Bring finger foods you might eat at the ballpark or in front of the TV! We'll provide queso, tortilla chips and drinks. You bring the snack foods and desserts. (Everyone loves to bring dessert, so if your friend is bringing a dessert, the rest of you please bring finger foods or snack type items.) We'll play Banko and award door prizes. **11:30 am - 1:00 pm** 

### October 18, 2023 - Spooky Celebration! Halloween Theme

Wear something fun! This will be a regular potluck, so bring chicken, an entrée or a side dish and we'll provide drinks and dessert. Join us for some spooktacular fun! We'll play Banko and award door prizes! **11:30 am - 1:00 pm** 

### Lunch Bunch

This takes place monthly at restaurants around Houston. It is Dutch treat, and we ask that you RSVP to Diane by 3:00 pm the day before.

Wednesday, August 23, 2023: Salata, 3201 N. Shepherd Drive - 11:30 am

Thursday, September 14, 2023: Lupe Tortilla, 1511 Shepherd Drive - 1:00 pm

Tuesday, October 24, 2023: Jackie's Kitchen, Brunch, 2210 Mangum Road - 10:00 am

# Other Events

**Tuesday, August 22, 2023:** Premier World Discovery, 2024 Travel Show - 1:00 pm Prosperity Bank - Heights

#### Tuesday, September 26, 2023: Travel Book Author Visit - 1:00 pm



Join us as we have a conversation with local author Julie Ganelloni Connor as she discusses her award-winning book, Savoring the Camino de Santiago: **It's the Pilgrimage, Not the Hike.** We as travelers love to learn new things about travel and what better way to hear about the Camino than an author who completed the famous pilgrimage in Spain?

Tuesday, October 24, 2023: Game Day! - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

This first game day we'll play BUNCO! Bring a sack lunch and we'll take a break between games. The club will provide the drinks. Inexpensive prizes will be awarded. Please RSVP to Diane's email as soon as possible to let her know if you're coming.

Must RSVP by 3:00 pm Monday, the 23rd.