

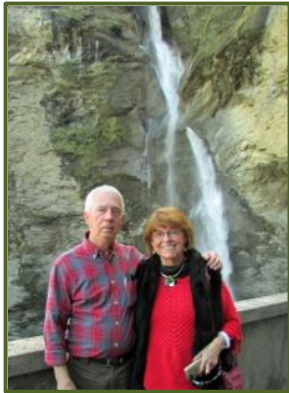
Blue Ridge Travel

"We Plan ... You Play!"

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NEWSY NOTES DECEMBER 2017!



Merry Christmas everyone! We have actually had our first snow fall of the season and that always gets us in the mood for Christmas. In case you are wondering if this *is* the Christmas tree in our front yard, the answer is no. This *is* the Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center in New York City. We just returned from a wonderful trip to the "Big Apple" where we escorted a fabulous group and had a delightful experience visiting this city that never sleeps! While in New York, we visited the 9-11 Museum, rode the subway, took a tour of the city, which included an evening look at the Christmas lights, and saw a grand performance of the Rockettes at Radio City Music Hall. It was our first experience taking Amtrak from Roanoke and I think everyone enjoyed our relaxing train ride!



WHAT'S NEXT?

2018 is quickly approaching and I have been working diligently to make our new year as memorable for you as possible. I hope you will pass this information along to family, friends, co-workers, your church family, and anyone you know who likes to travel and let's make 2018 a fabulous year of exciting adventures. Don't stop now! Keep reading so you can start planning which adventures you want to be part of for 2018 . . . and . . . 2019!

LOVE, LAUGHTER, AND LEMONADE

**\$85 per person, per show
(includes transportation from Roanoke, lunch, Barter ticket)**



Each year Blue Ridge Travel teams up with the Barter Theatre in Abingdon, VA to provide you with the best play opportunities, and 2018 is no exception. Start gathering up your family, pals, buddies, etc., and call me for the dates and times of these fabulous plays. In March 2018, we will begin our journey to Abingdon to see "**A Facility for Living**". This comedy is sort of a "meeting" between The Golden Girls and One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. I could give you more information but, I don't want to spoil it for you. In late May we will return to see "**Maytag Virgin**" which is a witty story about a fella and a gal who become neighbors and form a "neighborly" friendship. July takes us back to the Barter Theatre to see, "**The Lemonade Stand**", also a comedy where

we get to see how a man handles midlife crisis. Then, there is "The Greatest Movie Musical of All Time" "**Singin' in the Rain**". How many of you remember that fabulous show starring Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds? We will be visiting the Barter Theatre in early November for this great performance. For details on any or all of these performances, please call **Joyce now** at **540-977-0505** email: jmills0830@gmail.com as these shows are in great demand and will sell out quickly. Call right away to reserve your space. Bring your family, church family, friends, co-workers and let's make this a fabulous year for visiting the Barter Theatre!

SURPRISE

\$350 PP (Based on Double Occupancy)

For the past couple of years, Blue Ridge Travel has taken “baby steps” to bring special “*Surprise*” adventures to you. Both of these trips have been very well received and so, it’s time to spruce it up a little! This time, it’s going to be an overnightr. Where? If I told you, it wouldn’t be a surprise! Again, I am asking you to join us as we take you on another “magical” adventure! Call **Joyce** today at **540-977-0505** or email: jmills0830@gmail.com to reserve your space for another Surprise Adventure with Blue Ridge Travel.

EXPERIENCE LANCASTER **SIGHT AND SOUND PRESENTS: JESUS**

AUGUST 7 – 10, 2018

\$675 per person (based on double occupancy)



For many of us, traveling to Lancaster, PA has become a yearly pilgrimage. There is so much to see and do there, and it’s a challenge to make it all work but, each year it gets better. As always, top of the list is Sight and Sound’s spectacular production. 2018 is going to be the year you will **not** want to miss as we will truly be filled with the Holy Spirit, as we witness the spectacular production of “**Jesus**”. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to witness these incredible Bible stories come to life, this will be an excellent beginning point for you. It is going to be such a great performance that many of my travel buddies have already signed up for 2018. Tickets will sell out quickly so don’t delay. Lodging will be onboard the elegant Fulton Steamboat Inn and we will dine with our very special Amish family one evening. Call Joyce today at **540-977-0505** or email: jmills0830@gmail.com to reserve your space. We welcome your family, friends, church family, and co-workers, to travel with us.

GLACIER AND YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARKS **SEPTEMBER 25 – OCTOBER 10, 2018** **\$6500 per person (Based on Double Occupancy)**

2018 is just around the corner. September will be here before you know it and we are fine-tuning the details of this fabulous 2018 Out West adventure for you. While several of our travel buddies have already reserved their amazing travel package, we want you to join us, as well. This package will include all transportation and transfers, lodging, admission to all parks, and tour guides, as needed. The plan is to visit Yosemite, Glacier National Park, Jackson Hole, California Redwoods, travel through Yellowstone National Park, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, NV, and, our final destination: the Albuquerque Hot Air Balloon Festival.



When was the last time you stayed in a luxury cabin, had a “chuck wagon” dinner and show, visited a snow-capped National park or hiked to your heart’s delight? Up to a horseback ride or maybe just watch the wildlife throughout our travels? Here’s an idea, what about seeing the countryside from a hot air balloon? You can expect this and so much more on this dynamic travel adventure. And the adventure continues as we travel “in style” in an Amtrak sleeper car as we make our way home following our amazing adventure?

Jump on board with us as we visit these exciting destinations, right here in the USA. Want to get your name on the reservation list now? A deposit of \$500 will secure your reservation on this spectacular travel adventure. Don’t forget! Blue Ridge Travel wants to make your travel experience as comfortable for you as possible by offering you in-house payment options. There will be limited space on this adventure so call **Joyce** today at **540-977-0505** email: jmills0830@gmail.com to get more information and reserve your space on this extraordinary adventure.

**CHRISTMAS IN THE GARDENS
DECEMBER 6 – 8, 2018
\$400 PER PERSON (Based on Double Occupancy)**



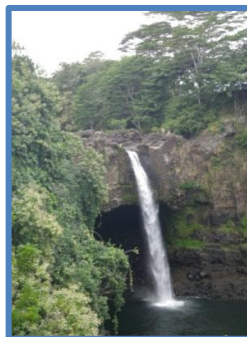
It's a sight not to miss. Brookgreen Gardens, located just south of Myrtle Beach, SC, may possibly be its best kept secret. Many of us have probably driven past it on our way to Pawley's Island, but may not have been aware of this hidden treasure. In the summer they offer a lovely park-like area for visitors, along with an animal park. But, beginning in December, it becomes known as the "Night of Ten Thousand Candles". The trees and Spanish moss are draped with thousands of lights and all of the pools and ponds throughout the gardens are engulfed with thousands of tea lights. It is not to be missed.

Blue Ridge Travel invites you to join us as we journey to Myrtle Beach, SC. Your package will include: Roundtrip ground transportation from Roanoke, VA, 2-nights lodging in Myrtle Beach, and a ticket to Brookgreen Gardens. Please contact **Joyce** at **540-977-0505** or email: jmills0830@gmail.com for additional details and to reserve your space on this amazing travel opportunity.

**WELCOME TO, YES . . . 2019
HAWAIIAN DELIGHT
JANUARY 30 – FEBRUARY 13, 2019
LAND AND CRUISE
\$5500.00 (per person . . . based on double occupancy)**

Don't you just love January and February? There's bitter cold weather, snow, ice, and don't forget "whipping wind"! Now I ask you, would you rather be here dealing with the winter elements or enjoying warm, lovely weather in our 50th state . . . **Hawaii?** I don't know about you, but I'll take Hawaii any day to shoveling snow (correction: watching hubby shovel snow) and bitter cold weather.

What better time to whale watch, see volcanoes, attend an authentic Luau, and visit amazing sites than on a spectacular Hawaiian Adventure? Join us as we experience these beautiful islands together. Your trip will include a memorable 7-night cruise with visits to five breathtaking islands. You may choose to whale watch in Maui, take a helicopter ride over the islands, or explore the islands with us on a private tour . . . created just for you! If you have not cruised before, this is one of the most economical ways to see Hawaii, as all of your onboard meals, onboard entertainment, lodging, and most onboard activities, are included. Your package will also include lodging before and after the cruise, air/ground transportation, and selected tours.



Please contact **Joyce** at **540-977-0505** or email: jmills0830@gmail.com to reserve your amazing Hawaiian adventure. A deposit of \$500 per person is all that is necessary to confirm your reservation and, Blue Ridge Travel offers a convenient in-house payment plan for the balance of your trip cost. **Aloha!**

**ITALY AND GREECE 2019
IT'S ON THE DRAWING BOARD!!**



What are the chances that Blue Ridge Travel would venture to Italy **and** Greece, on the same trip, also in 2019? The chances are excellent as I am currently working on such a trip. I am researching details and will do my best to have all information to you by January 2018. My goal is to give you enough time to plan for this trip and give me your input as to what you would like to see and do on this spectacular world travel plan.



This will be a 12-15 day adventure and will include Rome, Florence, Vatican City before traveling to Greece to continue your European journey. If you want to secure your reservation early, a deposit of \$500 per person will get you on the early bird list.

NEWSY NOTES ~ ~ ANYWAY YOU WANT IT!

Are you getting Newsy Notes by email now? If not and you would prefer to be on the email list, please call **Joyce** at **540-977-0505** or email me at jmills0830@gmail.com. If I don't hear from you, I will continue mailing your newsletter. If there is something you want me to add to Newsy Notes, please let me know and I will do my best to meet your request. Also, don't forget to visit my website: www.blueridgetravel.com as you will find all kinds of travel information there.



~ ON YOUR OWN ~ TRAVEL~

Don't forget! Blue Ridge Travel also provides individual travel planning. You are always welcome to visit my office or I will come to you! If you have that special travel idea and need my help in planning it, give me a call to set up an appointment that works for you. No matter what the occasion, I will do my best to make your travel ideas become a dream trip reality. For more detailed information on all travel plans, please visit: www.blueridgetravel.com or call **Joyce** at: **540-977-0505**.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

2018

March 2018	Barter Theatre: A Facility for Living	(Call for Date)
April 2018	Surprise! Call for Travel Information	
May 2018	Barter Theatre: Maytag Virgin	(Call for Date)
July 2018	Barter Theatre: The Lemonade Stand	(Call for Date)
August 7 – 10, 2018	Experience Lancaster - Sight and Sound's Production of "Jesus"	
September 25 – October 10, 2018	Yosemite and Glacier National Parks + More!	
November 2018	Singin' in the Rain	(Call for Date)
December 6 – 8, 2018	Christmas in the Gardens/Brookgreen	

2019

January 30 – February 13, 2019	Hawaiian Delight – Land and Cruise	
To Be Announced	Italy and Greece Adventure	

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On behalf of Blue Ridge Travel, Harold and I want to thank all of you for traveling with us in 2017 and wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful, happy New Year. While this year has been a struggle for many of us, our prayer for you is that 2018 will be a blessed year, full of love and happiness. With our sincere thanks and best wishes,

Harold and Joyce Mills

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