

Italy and Greece informational meeting Monday April 11th, 2022

General Meeting for Italy and Greece starts at 5:45

1. Donna -We are a large group but we pride ourselves in "feeling small" as each advisor is in charge of 10-11 kids so that advisor becomes your "GO TO" person on the trip. Travelers will get themselves into groups of 10.
2. Donna – years of combined experience within our advisors is over 95 years -our advisors have huge strengths and make a superb team!
3. Donna - Outline the trip – 17 days
4. Donna - This is our 27th anniversary of travel with teens so we will be making 4 draws for \$1500 off the price of the trip and travelers get \$300 off when they register by April 15 Once the 1st 20 have registered we'll make our 1st draw. So register early. You'll have a great chance of winning \$1500
5. Donna -Outline payments **COST: After the initial \$199 EF payment your automatic bi-weekly payments are approx. \$ 276 or 11 monthly payments of \$572**
Approximately \$6075 for this 17 day trip if registered by April 15
For more info go tour web site www.paytc.ca
6. Donna- **EF Automated payments – preferred way of paying for the trip.** If you don't choose this method of payment you need to pay another \$500 within 30 days and then payout the trip 120 days prior to departure date-late fees often occur as families forget to pay the trip off.
7. Donna -Anyone who has connections and feels they can get the club donations please do so – in the past we've gotten gift cards from Super Store, PA Auto Body, TBS, Clean Bee, Jiffy Lube, Econo Lumber - to help purchase BBQ products. Les Cragg is "the parent with the mostest" when it comes to getting donations!
8. We'll be having only 10 meetings so really try to attend each meeting . **Our next meeting is Monday May 5 at 6:30 - You will sign up to work your 4 BBQ's at this meeting so bring your working calenders.**
9. Debbie- Co-Op fund raiser and Esso Card fund raiser
10. Barb/Carol - BBQ - our main fund raiser – each family is required to work 4 BBQ's. You'll get between \$70 -\$75 per shift worked so that equates to about \$300. If you choose not to work these BBQ's you can find another family to work them for you or you'll be charged \$200.
11. Barb/Carol - If you want to be a **set up family come to a meeting on Wed. May 4 @ 6:00pm at JM Cuelenaere Library** (downstairs room #1 and #2). Carol Darbyshire and Barb Wiberg

will run this meeting. If you have questions or if you cannot attend this meeting call Carol Darbyshire at 960-2855(c) 763-2156 (h) or Barb Wiberg 763-7431(h)or 961-0418 (c) We always need new families' involvement and it's these families whose fund raising almost pays for the trip These families get paid the same as the working shifts **plus \$10 /day for gas**. If you'd like to be a set up person sign up after today's meeting with Carol and Barb in the foyer.

12. *Ellen -Other fund raiser - Raffle tickets, Spiffy Crew, Casino Pancake Breakfast, Exhibition Gates, Exhibition Garbage Pick Up, Kyla Art Show Tickets, Mowing Cemetery Grass, Face Painting at Waskesiu*
13. Ellen-Fund raised money stays with the Travel Club account to cover the tipping expense of \$240, the club fee of \$50 and the money conversion of travellers spending money. After this has been paid then the travel club write you back a cheque for over fund raised money OR send this money to EF to help pay off your trip.. However if you withdraw from the trip all fund raised money stays with the club.
14. Ellen - Individual fund raising forms
15. Jana – 1to1 and web site

16. Jamie - The Value of our PA Youth Travel Club:

- A) Travel inspires students to seek out their dreams and **approach the world with much more confidence and enthusiasm**
- B) **Travel is often a “kick start”** to many other things in life like putting yourself “out there”, like knowing you can overcome obstacles, like starting conversations with adults and many more.
- C) Travel allows a student to be out of their comfort zone and know that this is a positive thing. **Travel gives the students a little “nudge” to do different things**, to enjoy different people, to try different foods and modes of transportation. Once students have experienced this little nudge they then will often continue ‘nudging’ themselves in their everyday life.
- D) **Educational travel has a HUGE POSITIVE IMPACT** on students! Students **learn through the experiential learning** that is provided by travelling with our club on a daily if not hourly basis.
- E) **Travel changes how a student perceives the world, our country, our city and your home. Travel brings a great new appreciation of living where they live and having the family they have!**

HOW TO REGISTER ON LINE -ITALY and GREECE with a 4 day CRUISE - a 17 day tour (you only miss 5 days of school)

- Go into www.eftours.ca - Go to students, then scroll down the page to **tour number** and put in **2470072TU** then press enroll
- Follow the tabs putting in your pertinent info -make sure your **name** is spelt **EXACTLY how it appears on your passport** (there is a \$200 fine if we need to change the spelling after the tickets have been issued).

- On the pages that ask for either insurance or optional tours just press NEXT (I've already asked EF to input the optional tours we'll be taking)
- Everyone should **get EF's "All Inclusive Insurance"**
- EF's "Terms and Conditions " page is quite lengthy. When registering scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "agree" -then go back and read it at your leisure when you have lots of time
- Once you have finished registering be sure to **WRITE DOWN YOUR REGISTRATION NUMBER and your default is your birth date mm/dd/yyyy**

How to use the EF site

- Students log in with their own personalized account #, and password mm/dd/yyyyy - then go to forms and resources - tour enrolment (expand it) - then booking conditions (all must read this later as it's a long document). You will find all the info you need for the all inclusive plan that we've purchased for you and how to make any additional payments (if you get some Xmas money)
- **EF customer service number 1-800-263-2806 - if you need any clarification**

17. Donna - TRAVEL POEM SENT BY A FRIEND!

I urge you to travel - as far and as much as possible!
 Work ridiculous shifts to save your money
 Go without the latest i-phone.
 Throw yourself out of your comfort zone!
 Find out how other people live and realize that the world is a much bigger place than the town you live in.

And when you come home, home may still be the same
 and yes you may go back to the same old job or the same old school,
 BUT, something in your mind will have changed
 AND TRUST ME, THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING!!!

