

LIONS OF MICHIGAN ALL-STATE BAND
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109th INTERNATIONAL LIONS CLUB CONVENTION - 5 NIGHTS WASHINGTON, D.C./
2 NIGHTS NEW YORK CITY/1 NIGHT SANDUSKY, OH
DATES: JUNE 30 – JULY 8, 2027 (9 Days/8 Nights Hotel)

SUGGESTED ITINERARY
AS OF
JUNE 18, 2026

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

7:00 AM One 56 Passenger “Barons” DVD Player & Wi-Fi Equipped Chartered Motor Coach arrives for loading at:
Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 Five Lakes Road
Lapeer, MI 48446

7:30 AM Board motor coach and depart for **Washington, D.C.!!**
(Total mileage is 590 miles; Estimated drive time is 10 hours without stops. Adding 3 hours for meals & traffic en route, total estimated drive time is 13 hours.)

\$50.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch & Dinner En Route

***Please Note:** Each person will receive **One Jassby Mastercard Gift Card** for the trip that will be preloaded with funds for meals as indicated per the itinerary each day. Note that if you do not use all of the funds for your meals allocated for that day, you will be able to use those funds on another day. Also note that the funds expire after 30 days so make sure to use any leftover funds prior to their expiration.

8:30 PM Arrive at your **Washington, D.C. Area Hotel:**
Hilton Garden Hotel Arlington – Courtyard Plaza
1333 North Courthouse Road
Arlington, VA



***Meet Your Bob Rogers Travel Tour Director Here Who Will Stay With The Group Throughout Your Washington, D.C/New York City/Sandusky, OH Tour**

Upon arrival, unload luggage from motor coach and check into your rooms.

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM - 5:30 AM

THURSDAY, JULY 1

7:30 AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel**

8:30 AM Board motor coach and transfer to **Arlington National Cemetery** and the **Welcome Center**, located by the main cemetery entrance.

9:00 AM Arrive at Arlington National Cemetery

***Please Note:** Arlington National Cemetery has increased its security posture and is implementing 100% ID checks at all entrances. Everyone 16 years and older has to have a photo ID. 18 years of age and older must present a valid U.S. state or federal government issued photo identification for entry. 16 & 17 years old can present an official school issued photo identification for entry.

Tour Mobile Tram (Admission Included) Upon Arrival

***Please Note:** Boarding for the Tour Mobile is on a first come, first serve basis since a minimum of 50 is required to book a private tram.

Each tour mobile tram holds 85 people and departs from the Visitor Center every 20 minutes. The tour mobile will stop first at the Kennedy Family gravesites, then at Pershing gravesite, then at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and then at Arlington House. If lines are long, you may choose to walk up the hillside or perhaps just back down to the Visitors Center.

10:30 AM See the **Changing of the Guard** at the **Tomb of the Unknown**, one of Arlington's most popular tourist sites, which happens every half hour.
The Tomb contains the remains of unknown American soldiers from World Wars I and II, the Korean Conflict and (until 1998) the Vietnam War. The Tomb is guarded 24-hours-per-day and 365-days-per year by specially trained members of the 3rd US Infantry (The Old Guard).

10:45 AM ***Pending Application & Approval: Four Representatives From The Lions Of Michigan All-State Band Will Participate In A Wreath Laying Ceremony (Wreath Arrangements Pre-Arranged And Waiting At The Tomb Of The Unknowns)**

Note that after the wreath laying ceremony, you may choose to get back on the tour mobile and not get off when it stops at Arlington House so that you can continue onto the Visitors Center or you can walk down the hill back to the Visitors Center.

11:30 AM Board motor coach at the Visitors Center and transfer to the **Marine Corps War Memorial** (also known as the Iwo Jima Memorial)
This memorial represents the nation's gratitude to Marines and those who have fought beside them. While the statue depicts one of the most famous incidents of World War II, the memorial is dedicated to all Marines who have given their lives in defense of the United States since 1775.

If Time Permits: After visiting the Marine Corps War Memorial, transfer to the nearby **United States Air Force Memorial**
This memorial honors the service and sacrifices of the men and women of the US Air Force. Featuring three stainless steel spires that soar skyward, the tallest reaching a height of 270 feet, the Memorial's design is truly representative of flight and the flying spirit of the Air Force.

12:30 PM Board motor coach and transfer to the **United State Capitol Visitor Center** located underground on the East side of the U.S. Capitol
First Street And East Capitol Street

1:00 PM Arrive at the United States Capitol Visitor Center. Time is provided to go through security. Enjoy lunch at the **Capitol Café**

\$50.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch & Dinner Today

After lunch, visit the **Exhibition Hall** and peruse the gift shop

PM ***Pending Availability: Tour Of The Capitol Tour**

4:30 PM Board motor coach and transfer to **Union Station**
2 West/40 Massachusetts Ave., NE



4:45 PM Arrive at Union Station
Opened in 1907, over 32 million people pass through the fully functional transportation hub each year. The lofty barrel-vaulted concourse, decorated with 70 pounds of gleaming gold leaf, is one of the great public spaces in the city. The Washington Monument, laid on its side, would easily fit within its length.

Dinner at the variety of restaurants located in the food court as well as souvenir shopping time at the variety of vendors.

6:30 PM Board motor coach and depart on an **Illuminated Tour of the Monuments With A Step-On Guide For Your Motor Coach**
Stops will be made to the FDR Memorial, World War II Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Veterans War Memorial, Korean War Memorial and other memorials

8:37 PM **Sunset!!**

9:30 PM End tour and transfer back to your hotel

10:00 PM Arrive back at your hotel for the evening

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FRIDAY, JULY 2

AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel**

9:00 AM Board motor coach and transfer to the **Lincoln Memorial**

9:30 AM Arrive at the Lincoln Memorial and prepare for your performance

10:00 AM ***Pending Confirmation Of Permit & Approval: Lions Of Michigan All-State Band Performance On The Steps & Plaza Near The Reflecting Pool At The Lincoln Memorial**

After your performance & pictures, load instruments back onto your motor coach.

11:15 AM Board motor coach and transfer to the **Reagan Trade Center
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW**

\$25.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch In The Ronald Reagan Building Food Court

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| 12:30 | PM | Board motor coach and transfer to the Armed Forces Retirement Home
140 Rock Creek Church Road, NW
Washington, DC 20011 |
| 1:00 | PM | Arrive at the Armed Forces Retirement Home & prepare for your performance |
| 1:30 | PM | <u>*Pending Approval:</u> Lions Of Michigan All-State Band Performance At The Armed Forces Retirement Home |
| 2:30 | PM | Board motor coach and transfer to the White House Visitor Center
1450 Pennsylvania Ave. NW |
| | | Visitors can explore an interactive touchscreen tour of the White House, view over 90 artifacts from the White House collection, shop at the White House Historical Association retail store and view the 14 minute film, "White House: Reflections From Within". |
| 4:00 | PM | Visitor Center closes. Walk to the White House for pictures |
| 4:45 | PM | Board motor coach and transfer to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial |
| | | Time is provided to walk around the memorial before transferring to Spirit Cruises
580 Water Street SW
Washington, D.C. |
| 6:30 | PM | Boarding begins for the "Spirit Cruise" |
| 7:00 | PM | Set sail on the "Inner Harbor Spirit" Dinner & DJ Dance Cruise
<i>Enjoy the sites along the Potomac River while dining on a dinner buffet. There will be a DJ to dance the night way!</i> |
| 9:30 | PM | Cruise ends. Board motor coach and transfer back to your hotel for the evening. |
| | | One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM |

SATURDAY, JULY 3AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel****Time TBD** Board motor coach and transfer to **Downtown Washington, D.C. And The Parade Assembly Area** for the **Lions International Parade**9:00 AM **109th Anniversary Lions International Parade Of Nations Begins****Time TBD** Parade ends. Load instruments on motor coach and return to your hotel to freshen up.**\$25.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch Today – Location TBD**PM **Dinner & Evening Activity – TBD - \$100.00 Per Person Budgeted****One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM****SUNDAY, JULY 4**AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel****Happy 4th of July!!****Today's activities will be scheduled once activities are announced****\$50.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch & Dinner Today**Lunch at the variety of food trucks located on Constitution Ave and 7th Street near the museums.Today enjoy the **Smithsonian Museums Of Your Choice On The National Mall:****-Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History***The National Museum of Natural History is the nation's largest research museum, responsible for maintaining and conserving a treasure house of more than 118 million specimens of plants, animals, rocks and minerals, fossils and human cultural artifacts.***-National Museum of American History:** Houses the flag that inspired the Star Spangled Banner. Popular exhibits include the Information Age, Field to Factory, American Encounters, and the transportation advances in America**-United States Holocaust Memorial Museum***America's national institution for the documentation, study, and interpretation of Holocaust history*

***Pending Availability Of Timed Entry Passes For The Following Museums & Special Exhibits:**

-Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum

NASM maintains the largest collection of historic air and spacecraft in the world. The Museum has hundreds of artifacts on display including the original Wright 1903 Flyer, the "Spirit of St. Louis," Apollo 11 command module, and a Lunar rock sample that visitors can touch.

-National Museum of African American History and Culture

Learn about the richness and diversity of the African American experience, what it means to their lives, and how it helped us shape this nation.

-“Auschwitz: Not Long Ago. Not Far Away” Exhibit Inside The US Holocaust Memorial Museum

For the first time on its international tour, this highly acclaimed and powerful **Ticketed Exhibition** will present original artifacts from the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial & Museum and over 20 collections from around the world.

PM 4TH Of July Fireworks Over The Monuments!!

Using Metro, return to your hotel for the evening.

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM

MONDAY, JULY 5

AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel**

8:00 AM Load luggage on motor coach and check out of rooms.

8:30 AM Board motor coach and depart for **New York City!!**
(Total mileage is 230 miles; Estimated drive time is 4 hours without stops. Adding 1 hour for traffic and/or construction en route, total estimated drive time is 5 hours.)

1:30 PM Arrive **Lower Manhattan & Little Italy/Chinatown**
Time is provided to explore Little Italy/Chinatown & the various vendors

\$25.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Lunch Today

4:45 PM Meet at **House Of Joy (Located In The Heart Of Chinatown)**
28 Pell Street (Between Mott St. & Bowery)

- 5:00 PM **Group Dinner Served Family Style At House Of Joy**
Today's dinner will consist of Crispy Veggie Spring Rolls, Pan Fried Pork Dumplings, Beef & Broccoli, Sitr Fried Green Beans, General Tso Chicken, Sweet & Sour Chicken, Vegetable Lo Mein, Vegetable Fried Rice with hot Chinese tea, Coke and Sprite and fortune cookies for dessert.
- 6:00 PM Board motor coach and transfer to your **Manhattan Hotel:**
Hotel Edison – Times Square
228 West 47th Street
- 7:00 PM Arrive at your hotel. Unload luggage from motor coach and check into your rooms.
- *Please Note:** After unloading luggage from motor coach at your hotel, your motor coach driver will be off duty for the remainder of the evening.
Also Note: Your motor coach driver will be staying at a New Jersey hotel
- 8:30 PM Meet in the lobby to walk as a group to the **Top Of The Rock At Rockefeller Center**
30 Rockefeller Plaza
- 9:00 PM Experience the **Top of the Rock**, the observatory atop the Art Deco skyscraper, 30 Rockefeller Plaza which offers fantastic 360 degree views of the New York City skyline!
- 9:45 PM After visiting the Top of the Rock, walk back to your hotel for the evening

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM

TUESDAY, JULY 6

\$50.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Breakfast & Lunch Today

- 9:30 AM Board motor coach and transfer to the **Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum**
Pier 86 - 12th Avenue & 46th Street
- 10:00 AM **Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum Opens**
*Time is provided prior to your performance to enjoy **General Admission** to the museum*
- 11:30 AM **Lions Of Michigan All State Band Performance On The Flight Deck Of The Intrepid**
- Noon After performance, load instruments onto motor coach and transfer to the **Hudson Eats Food Court** located in Brookfield Place across the street from the 9/11 Memorial for lunch. Time is provided before visiting the museum to visit the **9/11 Memorial**

2:00 PM **Group Entrance Time Into The 9/11 Museum (Admission Included)**
180 Greenwich Street

The National September 11 Memorial Museum serves as the country's principal institution concerned with exploring the implication of the events of 9/11, documenting the impact of those events and exploring 9/11's continuing significance. The museum displays artifacts associated with the events of 9/11 while presenting stories of loss and recovery.

4:00 PM Board motor coach and transfer to **John's Pizzeria/Times Square**
260 West 44TH Street

5:00 PM **Pizza Buffet Dinner (Included) At John's Pizzeria**
Tonight's dinner buffet will consist of garlic bread, house salad, variety of John's famous pizza, chocolate brownies and soda by the pitcher.

6:15 PM After dinner, walk to your theatre

7:00 PM **Show Begins – Show TBD**

9:45 PM Show ends. Enjoy your last evening in Times Square!

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

\$75.00 Per Person Jassby Mastercard Gift Card Provided For Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Today

8:30 AM Load luggage on motor coach and check out of rooms.

9:00 AM Board motor coach and depart for **Sandusky, OH**
(Total mileage is 510 miles; Estimated drive time is 9 hours without stops. Adding 3 hours for meals & traffic en route, total estimated drive time is 12 hours.)

9:00 PM Arrive at your **Sandusky Area Hotel:**
Tru by Hilton Sandusky
6110 Milan Road

Unload luggage from motor coach and check into your rooms.

One (1) Private Nighttime Security Guard At Your Hotel From 10:30 PM- 5:30 AM

THURSDAY, JULY 8

- 7:00 AM **Breakfast (Included) At Your Hotel**
- 8:00 AM **Awards Ceremony At Your Hotel**
- 9:00 AM Load luggage on motor coach and check out of your rooms.
- 9:30 AM Board motor coach and transfer to the **Ohio Veterans Home**
3416 Columbus Avenue
Sandusky, OH
- 10:00 AM Arrive at the **Ohio Veterans Home** and prepare for your performance
- 10:30 AM ***Pending Confirmation: Performance At The Ohio Veterans Home**
- 11:00 AM After performance, time is provided to visit with the Veterans
- 11:30 AM Board motor coach and transfer to **Cedar Point Amusement Park**
- 11:45 AM Arrive at Cedar Point. ***Pending Confirmation: Scheduled Marching Band Performance Upon Arrival**
After your marching band performance, spend the day enjoying all of the rides and shows inside the park. Everyone has a different idea of what makes a good time. Cedar Point, and its 364 acres of rides and attractions, has enough variety to satisfy everyone in your group!
- Premium All Day Dining & Drink Wristband Provided**
Select entrée and side OR snack throughout the day at participating locations in Cedar Point. This dining plan can be used every 90 minutes and the drink wristband provides free refills every 15 minutes.
- 6:00 PM Board motor coach and depart for return to **Lions Bear Lake Camp**
3409 Five Lakes Road
Lapeer, MI 48446
- 7:30 PM **Rest Stop And Passenger Drop-Off At Dundee Welcome Center (Northbound)**
MI US Route 23 at Mile Marker 7
- 9:30 PM Arrive at **Lions Bear Lake Camp**