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Chairman's Message



Jessica E. Meyers
Chairman,
AAA Central Penn

It is always interesting to me how the holidays seem so far away and then, in the blink of an eye, they are upon us. As a planner, this is the time of year that I start making lists – food lists, gift lists, things to do lists, and the list goes on. Perhaps your “to do” list includes making travel plans for the holidays – a Thanksgiving trip or a special family vacation. Be sure to stop by your local AAA office and let us help you plan your holiday trip. We will be happy to plan your auto trip, helping with hotel reservations, or assisting with plans to venture to a warmer climate during the cold Pennsylvania winter.

Also, don't forget the AAA Discounts and Rewards program, designed to save our members money on what you use every day at home and what you need when you are away. A current list of participating

businesses can be found at AAA.com/discounts.

This is the time of year to prepare for rough winter weather. Check your antifreeze to be sure it will protect your car to -20 degrees; have a look at your tires to be sure they have sufficient tread to make it through the ice and snow; check the battery and make sure your battery terminals are free of corrosion. There is an informative article on winter driving tips found on page 21. If you do run into trouble on the road, our Emergency Road Service team will be there to assist you.

Each year, holiday decorations appear earlier, reminding us of the “gift list.” Keep in mind that a AAA membership is the perfect holiday gift for your friends and loved ones. The year-round security of AAA is available for just pennies a day. It's the perfect gift that keeps on giving all year long!

From all of us at AAA, best wishes for a happy and safe holiday season.

Handwritten signature of Jessica E. Meyers

Jessica E. Meyers
Chairman, AAA Central Penn

Enjoy the Rewards of AAA Membership This Holiday Season

President's Message



Frank L. Frailey
President/CEO,
AAA Central Penn

When Halloween decorations appear and pumpkins are everywhere, I know the busiest time of the year is upon us. Plans of gathering with family and friends, shopping, decorating, festive meals and traveling near and far fill our thoughts and in a rare moment of quiet reflection on the past year's events.

In reflecting on the past year, our club has much to be thankful for. Our membership continues to be strong and loyal, we have an excellent staff to serve our members, and the Discounts and Rewards program continues to grow (saving you money); this is just to name a few things! We are, however, most grateful for you, our members.

It is our hope that if you are among the throngs traveling the highways and byways this holiday season, you will keep safety in the forefront of your travel plans. Our knowledgeable frontline staff and travel agents are able and willing to help you plan that special holiday

trip. Be sure to include your membership card when you travel – it provides the security of knowing we are just a phone call away if the need arises – 24/7. It can also save you money in lots of ways using our Discounts and Rewards program. You might want to think about gifting a membership for someone on your list for holiday giving. See the special offer on page 4. Don't forget to visit our Travel Stores, located in each of our 11 offices, for that special gift for the “hard to buy for” person on your gift list.

AAA's 11 offices are participating in the U.S. Marines Reserve's Toys for Tots program. The large red and white boxes will appear in our offices between November 7 and December 3. Please join us in lending a helping hand in bringing hope and joy to our local children in need by donating a new, unwrapped toy.

The staff of AAA Central Penn joins me in wishing you and yours a wonderful holiday season and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Handwritten signature of Frank L. Frailey

Frank L. Frailey
President/CEO, AAA Central Penn

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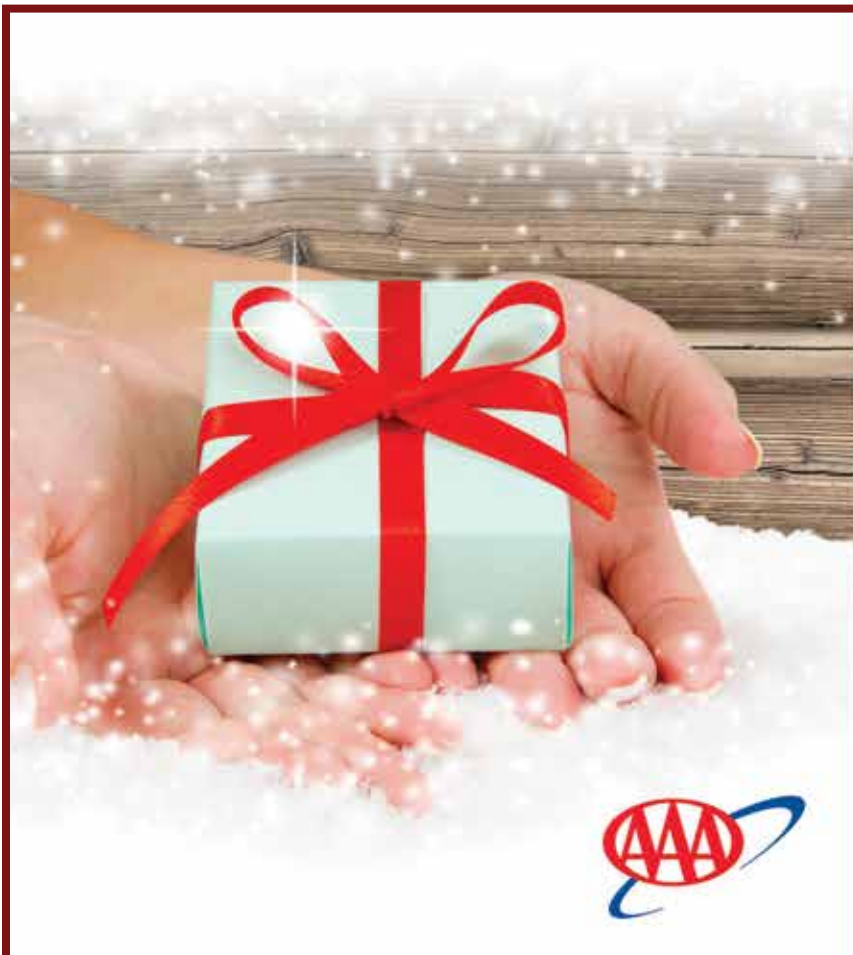


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A Winter Holiday in Seneca Falls, NY... *It's a Wonderful Life!*



When asked, "What is your favorite holiday movie?" the overwhelming response is "It's a Wonderful Life." Seneca Falls is widely believed to be the inspiration for Frank Capra's holiday classic. This year celebrates the 70th Anniversary of the film. Visit Seneca Falls and see the village and locations that inspired Mr. Capra on his travels to Seneca Falls in the early 1900s. Stand on the bridge that Jimmy Stewart's character leaped from in the movie. When you visit in December, plan to take part in the weekend festivals that celebrate the connections to the holiday classic.

Seneca Falls' town leaders are so sure it served as Capra's inspiration that they have created an It's A Wonderful Life festival. The downtown will be decorated with replicas of the Christmas lights of Bedford Falls, and the shops and restaurants will serve up It's A Wonderful Life fare. Special guests "The Bailey Sisters" – Karolyn "Zuzu" Grimes and Carol "Janie" Coombs – will join the 70th Anniversary Celebration. This year's event is December 7-9 and will include a screening of "It's A Wonderful Life," during which featured guest Karolyn "Zuzu" Grimes will discuss her experiences shooting the movie. (Her character closes the movie with the famous line, "Look, Daddy; teacher says, 'Every time a bell rings, an angel gets his wings.'")

Bedford Falls might just be a composite of small towns across America, set in Upstate New York. But the fact is, no town in Upstate New York has as many similarities to the town in It's A Wonderful Life as does Seneca Falls. Either by design or extraordinary coincidence, when Frank Capra created Bedford Falls, he replicated Seneca Falls.

In addition to visiting for the 70th Anniversary Celebration, there are many things to see and do

all year long. The following is some information about the Finger Lakes area and Seneca County:

According to Native American legend, this land was blessed many moons ago by the Great Spirit. In doing so, it placed an outstretched hand over the region, leaving five, finger-shaped impressions. Thus, the Finger Lakes were born.

While this account leaves more to the imagination, one thing is for certain – the Finger Lakes Region of New York State is truly blessed. The lakes were actually formed centuries ago in the glacial age. The glaciers gouged their way down from Canada, scraping out streams and shaping the contour of the land. The minor depressions left behind would later become the basis for lakes. In all, there are 11 lakes that are known as the modern Finger Lakes, measuring from 3 to 41 miles in length.

When you visit Seneca County, the northern gateway to the Finger Lakes, you not only get to experience the breathtaking views of the lakes, taste award-winning wines and learn about history, you get to meet the people that make this area truly unique.

Our counselors are ready to help you plan your holiday, complete with hotel reservations, maps, a TripTik and helpful recommendations.



**Information for this article obtained from fingerlakes.org, senecafalls.com and fingerlakesgateway.com*

The Similarities Between Bedford Falls and Seneca Falls:

- Seneca Falls and Bedford Falls are both mill towns.
- Seneca Falls had a grassy median same as the one George runs down in Bedford Falls with a movie theater located off to the side.
- Both communities boast Victorian architecture and a large Italian population.
- The location is perfect: George's sister-in-law's father owns a glass factory in Buffalo, NY.
- Bailey's friend Sam wants to build a soybean processing plant outside of Rochester.
- The bank examiner wants to get back to Elmira on Christmas Eve.
- The train ran through Seneca Falls just as it did in Bedford Falls.
- The Bedford Falls High School was dedicated in 1927, the same year as the old Mynderse Academy was dedicated.
- In the film, the Bailey's Savings and Loan Association builds low-cost housing called Bailey Park. In Seneca Falls, 19th century factory owner John Rumsey helped immigrant workers by lending them money and building low-cost housing. It is still known as Rumseyville today.
- A local businessman named Norman J. Gould owned Gould Pumps, and was one of the richest man in town. He drove his car with license number NJG1. Norman Gould also had great control over politics and economics of the area. Much as Mr. Potter did in the movie, Norman could send someone to fight in the military or retain them for his factory.



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A Wine Lover's European River Cruise

The Romantic Danube with the Vineyard at Hershey



Discovering fine wines and sampling regional cuisines are flavorful features of exploring Europe. Now you can combine these pleasures of the palate with comfort and convenience aboard a European river cruise. Vacationing on a river cruise in Europe continues to grow in popularity, as it is an all-inclusive experience that highlights the journey as well as the outstanding destinations where the luxurious ships, with only 150 to 180 passengers, can dock in central locations with easy access for tours or independent time ashore.

Whether you have a well-seasoned appreciation for fine wine or simply sip now and then, a wine-theme cruise is a wonderful way to uncork the traditions of a country's culture via its foods and beverages. Through a unique partnership with AmaWaterways, a top-of-the-line river cruise company, AAA Central Penn is your navigator in November 2017 for a special voyage for wine lovers on the romantic Danube River. Hosted by wine expert L. Paul Vezzetti, co-owner and winemaker at the Vineyard at Hershey, your seven-night cruise will commence in Vilshofen, Germany, sail through the heart of Austria, and conclude in Budapest, Hungary.

Paul will bring specially selected bottles of his handcrafted, award-winning vintages from the Vineyard at Hershey to be served on board your river cruise ship at meals and tastings during your cruise. As an additional benefit to you, Paul will

present a program of interesting wine lectures to enjoy throughout the voyage. This cruise will include opportunities for guests to join tours with visits to local vineyards and wineries, where growers and vintners will walk you through their winemaking process and conduct tastings showcasing special wines of their region. While on board your river cruise ship, there will also be daily opportunities for expert pairings of fine regional wines with exquisite cuisine, creating the ultimate epicurean experience.

On this voyage, you will enter the amazing world of AmaWaterways when you step aboard the *AmaCerto* river cruise ship. AmaWaterways hosts the highest-rated fleet of deluxe river vessels in Europe. You share this exceptional experience with only 160 other guests who are treated to incredibly attentive and refined service, luxurious accommodations, and gourmet dining. Throughout this voyage through three countries, *AmaCerto's* epicurean excellence reflects refined regional recipes crafted with locally sourced ingredients carefully chosen by the master chef and a celebrated culinary team.

Let's take a look at this cruise's itinerary, which in addition to including outstanding selections from the Vineyard at Hershey, plus affording access to local fine wines, it offers opportunities to taste renowned regional beers.

You will begin by joining your wine host, Paul Vezzetti, aboard a charter motorcoach for an included transfer from Central Pennsylvania

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to the departure airport for an overnight flight to Munich. Transfer to Vilshofen, Germany, to board the *AmaCerto* with a welcome aboard toast with wine... *prost!* This evening, the town, the mayor and the Beer Queen present for you an Oktoberfest celebration with Bavarian folk music, songs and dancing, plus tastes of Vilshofen's distinctive local beer. Old town Vilshofen is yours to explore in the morning before cruising east to Passau, Germany, for a guided walking tour of this 2,000-year-old city, famous for its Gothic and Baroque architecture, cobblestone streets, and St. Stephen's Cathedral. If you wish, take a guided hike up to the Veste Oberhaus fortress and be rewarded with a grand overview of Passau and the river below.

Your Danube River route continues on to Austria, with a morning arrival in Linz for a walking tour or guided bicycle ride through the Old City Center. Then, you have a choice of three guided tours to different destinations; all are UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Salzburg, to visit the birthplace of Mozart and site of cherished scenes from the "Sound

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Crossing the Canadian Rockies Aboard Rocky Mountaineer

Travel by Train is Deluxe and Delightful Again



“All Aboard!” calls the conductor of Rocky Mountaineer as you step on board for a rail journey like no other. Crossing the Canadian Rockies by train continues to be a classic travel experience featuring spectacular scenery and now is superbly enhanced by Rocky Mountaineer’s unique deluxe glass-dome railcars and unparalleled service.

Daytime-only travel through the Canadian Rockies is an important distinction of riding aboard the privately operated Rocky Mountaineer. In contrast, regularly scheduled public passenger trains traverse some of this magnificent mountain route during the dark of night. Rocky Mountaineer does not have sleeper cars on its trains; instead, you are treated to comfortable hotel rooms along the routes of their two- or three-day rail journeys.

Let’s take a look at one special vacation with Rocky Mountaineer that features stars of the Canadian Rockies along a rail route between Vancouver and Jasper National Park, followed by a deluxe motorcoach tour to Banff. Begin in British Columbia’s charismatic Vancouver, a showcase of welcoming waterfronts, parks and islands. Hop on a

*Farther
along the tracks
are deep gorges
with rushing rivers
surmounted by peaks
of the Coast and
Cascade
mountains.*

ferry across the Georgia Strait to the nearby pretty, provincial capital of Victoria for an overnight stay or high tea at the elegant Empress Hotel and a visit to the famous Butchart Gardens.

When departing Vancouver, Rocky Mountaineer rolls out the red carpet for you at their private train station with morning beverages served before the locomotive horn blows. Crisply-uniformed and smiling hosts direct you to your shiny double-decker, glass-dome car in an impressive lineup of custom-built luxury railcars. On the upper level is your preassigned seat, which resembles a business class airline seat, but with extra legroom that allows you to stand comfortably at your seat – perfect for taking photos. Most of your days on board Rocky Mountaineer are enjoyed here under the dome, which provides 360-degree views that wrap you in non-stop scenery. The onboard hosts are well-trained guides who enthusiastically share their extensive knowledge about the Canadian Rockies and the towns, villages, outposts and middle-of-nowhere sites along the tracks and beyond. They alert you of upcoming outstanding photo-ops and always are on the look-out for wildlife, including bear, elk, bighorn sheep, osprey and

eagles. The Canadian Rockies’ mountains, peaks, valleys and rivers appear never-ending along this rail route, which enables you to pass through some especially remote regions inaccessible by public roads.

Each day on board Rocky Mountaineer features a bountiful breakfast and luscious lunch served in the comfortable restaurant in your railcar’s lower level. Large picture windows line the restaurant’s walls, so you never miss a view or chance to click another photo or create another video. Complimentary beverages and snacks also are included at your seat.

On this eastbound route of Rocky Mountaineer, the first day’s scenery evolves from verdant fields of the Fraser River Valley to sparkling lakes and dense forests. Farther along the tracks are deep gorges with rushing rivers surmounted by peaks of the Coast and Cascade mountains. Then, the landscape opens to Kamloops Lake and the town of Kamloops where you stay overnight and enjoy dinner. Your suitcase is transported by truck and delivered to your hotel room in Kamloops and again in Jasper. Your train and crew also rest tonight in Kamloops and are refreshed and ready for you to take your same seat for a second day of extraordinary train travel. Heading northeast toward Jasper, you enter the Province of Alberta as Rocky Mountaineer climbs to cross the Continental Divide. This

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Now is the time to discover the most up-to-date information about AAA Travel's group trips and travel presentations.

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Ireland – Your Choice

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Ireland is always green, always friendly, and always full of fun, no matter when or where you travel. Your choice of travel dates: the April tour features Irish Pubs & Folklore and the June-July tour focuses on Northern Ireland and the north of the Republic of Ireland. In April, discover Ireland's legends and lore, see sheep dog trials and the Cliffs of Moher, and enjoy a 12th Century Folk Dinner and an Irish Cottage Night. In summer, stay at Cabra Castle, tour St. Patrick's Country, the Nine Glens of Antrim, and see turf cutting. Visit storied geology at Giants Causeway and tour magnificent Titanic Belfast museum. Dublin never disappoints and is highlighted on these two tours to the Emerald Isle.

Exploring the Alpine Countries

April 18 – 30, 2017

Spring is in the Alpine air, but snow remains in the Alps – what a delightful time to tour through Austria, Germany and Switzerland. Visit Vienna and its Schoenbrunn Palace and St. Stephens Cathedral, cruise on the River Danube, tour Salzburg "the City of Music" with Mozart's birthplace and scenes from the "Sound of Music." Munich's Glockenspiel, Olympic Park and Marienplatz square contrast with the village of Oberammergau, home of the Passion Play. Tour the Bavarian Alps, Innsbruck and the Black Forest. Slip into Switzerland for the ski paradise of Zermatt, then lovely lakefront Lucerne, all included on this guided tour.

The Colorado Rockies

May 25 – June 3, 2017

Your Rocky Mountain High commences in Denver and first takes you to Rocky Mountain National Park's massive peaks and rugged canyons. Arches National Park astounds, then Canyonlands National Park impresses with 1,000-foot cliffs below its Island in the Sky Mesa. As a winery tasting will tell, Colorado wines deserve acclaim. A steam locomotive pulls your train along the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad's route through the mountains. Mesa Verde National Park reveals the cliff dwellings of an ancient Pueblo culture. The Continental Divide

is crossed, then Pikes Peak is climbed aboard its cog railway. Conclude your Colorado High with the Garden of the Gods.

Eastern Caribbean Cruise

May 14 – 21, 2017

Royal Caribbean's *Allure of the Seas* is a magnificent mega-ship that makes more fans of fun at sea with each voyage. Fly to Ft. Lauderdale to cruise to Nassau in the Bahamas, Charlotte Amalie on St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Basseterre for St. Kitts and Nevis. Each port provides access to beautiful beaches, water sports, savings-galore shopping, and island tours. There are three days at sea to enjoy all the newest activities and attractions on board *Allure of the Seas*. Airport transfers from Central PA make this an easy escape extraordinaire!

Wonders of the American West –

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June 18 – 28, 2017

Discover amazing America on this guided tour of your Western National Parks and more. Begin with the North Rim for a different view of the Grand Canyon. Then continue to Lake Powell and Glen Canyon Dam. Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park features a Navajo cookout. Explore Anasazi history at Mesa Verde National Park and chow down on a cowboy BBQ.

Visits at the natural arches of Arches National Park and the Island in the Sky Mesa of Canyonlands National Park, along with Capitol Reef's water-pocket fold geologic curiosity, lead you to Bryce Canyon's whimsical rock hoodoos. Hike, walk or stroll Zion National Park's eco-diverse trails before descending into glitter gulch for a final night in Las Vegas.

Western Mediterranean Cruise

June 15 – 25, 2017

Royal Caribbean's first class *Freedom of the Seas* awaits you after two exciting pre-cruise hotel nights in Barcelona, where you set sail along the Spanish coast to ports of call in the western Mediterranean. First, it's France with a call at Marseille for pretty Provence and its hill-perched villages, then it's Villefranche for nifty Nice and the French Riviera.

On to Italy with a stop at La Spezia for enchanting Tuscany, artistic Florence, and leaning Pisa. Next, it's museum-rich Naples and the idyllic Isle of Capri; then, the port of Civitavecchia for Rome – ancient and modern – the Vatican, and generous gelatos.

Alaskan Explorer – Cruise Only

June 23 – July 1, 2017

See for yourself how an Alaska coastal cruise connects you with wilderness, pioneering spirit, historic cultures and nature's beauty unparalleled in the Lower 48. This cruise-only vacation sails from Seattle via the picturesque Inside Passage to popular ports. Visit the state's remote capital surrounded by wildlife; you can even walk on nearby Mendenhall Glacier. Your day of scenic cruising in the Glacier Bay National Park is awe inspiring. Sitka's rich cultural history is revealed in its original native Alaskan and later Russian settlements. Ketchikan is especially famous for flightseeing tours to Misty Fjords, wildlife centers and lumberjack demonstrations. British Columbia's capital, Victoria, is charming and renowned for Butchart Gardens. Holland America's *m/s Eurodam* is your floating luxury hotel for seven days of indulgent comfort, service and fine dining mixed with daily doses of invigorating activities and inspiring sightseeing.

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Fly the flags of both the USA and Canada on this roundtrip voyage to the New England states and Maritime Provinces. This coastal cruise encompasses popular ports of call, including Bar Harbor and Portland, Maine; St. John, New Brunswick; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Boston – on the 4th of July; and Newport, Rhode Island. Whether you seek rugged coastlines, lighthouses, fishing fleets, historic waterfronts, seaside mansions or shoreline walking paths, you are on the right voyage. Sail with Celebrity Cruises aboard their *Celebrity Summit* and savor cruising with premier service, accommodations, dining and entertainment.

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Yuletide at the Mansions of Newport December 2 – 4, 2016

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Boston Flower & Garden Show March 24 – 26, 2017

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Magnificent Michigan in May May 7 – 13, 2017

Spring forth with this guided tour to popular places in the Great Lakes State. Roundtrip motorcoach transportation from Central PA takes you west for visits, first in Holland, Michigan, including a Dutch culinary class and lunch, and a wooden shoemaker's shop, then time travel to 19th century Netherlands with 10 areas representing Dutch architecture, canals and gardens. Visit an authentic operating windmill and the Veldheer Tulip Gardens. Head north to 18th century Fort Michilimackinac and Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse. Cross the straits to Mackinac Island for a horse carriage tour and lunch at the impressive Grand Hotel. Frankenmuth's Little Bavaria invites you to its animated Glockenspiel Tower, Bronner's Christmas Wonderland and a family-style chicken dinner.

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June 20 -25, 2017

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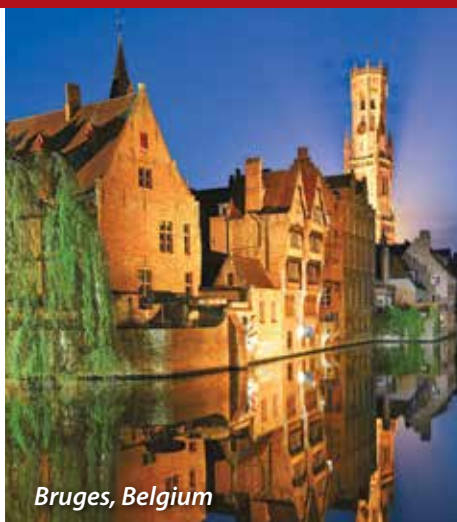


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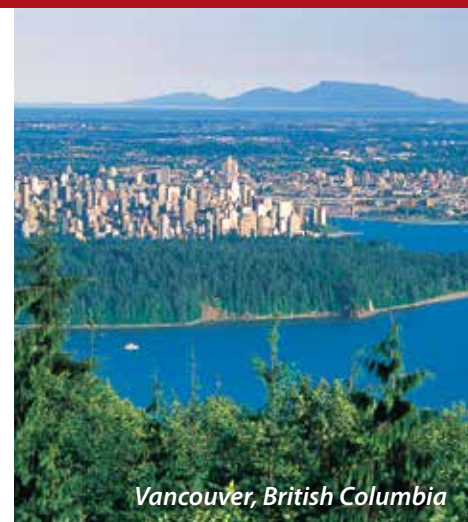
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Let's Talk Travel By Sandy Fenton

Get the Most From Your All-Inclusive Resort Vacation

With the holidays right around the corner, I bet you've been thinking about what to get the family or that special someone. How about a tropical all-inclusive vacation that will please every family member? It's not too late to visit your local AAA travel agency and make some dreams come true. None of us really need any more things... do we? What we need is time well spent with the people we love and time to unplug and enjoy new experiences.

There's a lot of confusion regarding all-inclusive resorts. Like the cruise lines, there are so many choices (and so many sales) and you need to get the right information.

I am a long-time fan of all-inclusive resorts for families and couples, and have spent some terrific vacations enjoying all the amenities.

All-inclusive resorts are popping up everywhere, particularly in the Caribbean, Bahamas and Mexico – and now many hotel brands (Hyatt, Marriott and Wyndam) are in the all-inclusive business. Most of us have heard about the Sandals, Couples, Breezes and Secrets properties, but that's only scratching the surface to what is really available.

The first thing you need to determine is what type of vacation you want and where you want to go.

Are you traveling with children? Many all-inclusive resorts are adults only.

Do you want a quiet, romantic and refined vacation, or do you want 24/7 activities and entertainment? Do you want a land and air package? (It's usually a better deal.) Do you want ultra-luxury with unlimited top-shelf cocktails, a butler, world-class spa treatments and a plunge pool – or do you want a less expensive, less "fluff & frills" resort?

Before you commit, talk to your favorite AAA travel agent and get these questions answered. It's your vacation, your time and your money. Be sure to get exactly what you want.

Here are some questions to consider when meeting with your travel agent:

- How large is the property and when was it built?
- Is it a rated property by AAA? If yes, what is the Diamond rating? (1 Diamond = clean, no frills; 5 Diamond = ultra-luxury wow factor)
- How would you describe the clientele?
- What activities are offered and included in the rate? Golf? Tennis? Water sports? What is not included – spa treatments? Tennis lessons? Horseback riding?



- How many meals are served daily? How many dining venues?
- Is room service available?
- Are meals served buffet style or off the menu by a waiter?
- Do we sit at a private table or are we required to sit at large tables with other resort guests?
- Are there any alternative on-property specialty restaurants and are there any additional charges?
- Does the resort host get-acquainted cocktail parties or dinners?
- Are unlimited cocktails, beer, sodas and sparkling waters included? Are they local, premium or top-shelf brands?
- Describe the different bars and lounges, and is there live entertainment and dancing?
- Is there a casino on-property or nearby?
- Am I expected to pay any type of gratuities? If yes, to who and when?
- Is there free internet access?
- What is the resort dress code? Do I need a coat and tie for dinner? Any formal nights?
- If this is a family friendly resort, is babysitting included? Is there a kids' club?
- Are there teen activities?
- Does the resort cater to Americans or is the clientele mostly international?
- Are airport transfers included and how far is the airport?
- When is the best time of year to enjoy the resort and is there a hurricane policy?
- Is there a "clothing optional beach and pool area"? (You don't want to be surprised.)
- Is it safe to wander off the resort and head into town alone – or do you recommend staying on property for the duration of the vacation?
- If unexpected medical care is needed, is there a nurse on duty or a doctor on call?
- Are there any AAA member special sales or promotions going on right now?

Tune into "Let's Talk Travel with AAA" every Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on WHP-AM580. For more information, go to www.whp580.com and click on the link to "Let's Talk Travel."

A Wine Lover's European River Cruise

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of Music;" the Czech town of Český Krumlov, to tour this remarkably preserved medieval town nestled in the hills near the Austrian-Czech border; or the Austrian Lake District, to be enthralled with the scenic splendor of the Salzkammergut region.

AmaCerto passes through the Strudengau narrows en route to Weissenkirchen for a guide tour of Melk's magnificent Benedictine Abbey, home to an impressively designed and decorated library lined with medieval manuscripts. Cruise on to Durnstein, with only one thousand inhabitants, where you can hike up to the ruins of the castle where Richard the Lionhearted, King of England, was imprisoned in 1192; or you can stroll along cobblestone streets to the beautiful blue façade of the Baroque Stiftskirche or among the terraced vineyards surrounding the town. Nearby, a vineyard visit introduces you to the wonderful wines of the Wachau Valley. Krems is rich with wine-related history and culture; your tour leads to a Wachau winery and tastings.

Vienna bewitches with its Baroque romance and elegance, which will envelope you on your choice of three tours. A panoramic tour guides you past the majestic Opera House, the former Imperial

Palace of the Habsburg Emperors, Parliament, Town Hall, University and the Spanish Riding School. A walking tour of Vienna's hidden treasures takes you to secret places and sights including Ankeruhr, an intricately decorated and animated Art Nouveau clock. A guided bike tour leads you along the Danube and through the Donaupark and gardens.

Enjoy an evening excursion to an authentic Viennese wine tavern for folk music and samples of newly pressed local wine.


AmaCerto brings you to Hungary, where Budapest beckons you to tour its two towns of Buda and Pest bisected by the Danube River. Visit Heroes' Square, then Castle Hill, home to the famous Fisherman's Bastion, Mathias Church, and Parliament Square. An evening cruise aboard *AmaCerto* glides along the



Danube's banks in Budapest to reveal the riverfront's procession of impressively illuminated stately buildings and twinkling little lights of waterfront cafés.

If indeed "wine is the passport to the world," then ready your passport to drink in the wonderful world of wine with Paul Vezzetti of the Vineyard at Hershey aboard this extra-special *AmaWaterways* cruise on the River Danube.

Edited with additional content by Craig Haberle, CTC



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Crossing the Canadian Rockies

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photogenic route takes you along the North Thompson River, through the Monashee and Cariboo Mountains, and affords impressive views of Pyramid Falls and Mount Robson, the highest peak of the Canadian Rockies.

Arrival at Jasper's train station signals the terminus of this fabulous rail journey aboard Rocky Mountaineer, but your deluxe vacation continues in the Canadian Rockies. Along with two nights at Jasper Park Lodge, a guided motorcoach tour of Jasper National Park is on your itinerary. Travel the Icefield Parkway to the Columbia Icefields for a ride aboard an Icefield Explorer coach on Athabasca Glacier, plus visits at Bow Lake and Athabasca Falls, before a relaxing two nights at the enchanting Chateau Lake Louise. Yoho National Forest, Emerald Lake and views of the railroad's spiral tunnels are highlights on the drive south to Banff for three nights at the baronial Banff Springs Hotel. A ride on the Banff Gondola to the summit of Mt. Sulphur delivers vistas across the Bow River Valley to six mountain ranges and aptly caps your marvelous vacation in the Canadian Rockies.

By Craig Haberle, CTC



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Medicare, What Are My Best Options?

With John Kubeika, VP Insurance, AAA Central Penn Insurance Agency

Q: I spend part of the year in one state and then go to another state for the winter. What's my best Medicare option?

A: Medicare covers only about 80 percent of your healthcare costs, so it's smart to get enhanced Medicare coverage that gives you protection if something unforeseen happens. When you live in different states during the year or like to travel often, your best option is a Medicare Supplement plan, also called Medigap. These plans don't base your coverage on a network. You can travel freely with enhanced Medicare coverage anywhere in the United States.

Q: Renewing my policy every year is such a hassle. I get a plan, and it seems as if little time passes before I must sign up again. Do I have another option?

A: Medicare Supplement, or Medigap, plans are automatically renewable as long as you stay current with your premiums. And it doesn't matter if your health changes; once you have a Medigap plan, you can't be charged a higher rate because of your changing condition. In addition, you can apply for a policy at any time, not just during the Annual Enrollment Period.

Q: Now that I'm on Medicare, how can I keep my doctor?

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AAA Central Penn HOLIDAY OFFICE SCHEDULE

Offices will be closed on the following dates:

Thursday, November 24

Monday, December 26

Monday, January 2, 2017

Our Roadside assistance and Contact Center teams will continue to be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to serve our members' needs.

Changes To Your Member Benefits

For more than 100 years, AAA has provided members with numerous services and benefits, ranging from our award-winning roadside assistance to saving money at more than 150,000 Discounts & Rewards partners. Every year, our team looks for ways to add value to your AAA membership, and this year we're pleased to announce three new enhancements.

First, our classic roadside assistance coverage – which currently features up to 5 miles of towing to a garage of your choice – will now cover towing to the closest AAA Approved Auto Repair (AAR) facility, regardless of the distance. This benefit applies to the nine counties within the AAA Central Penn territory, encompassing more than 80 AAR facilities. These facilities are inspected annually and obligated to provide high-quality repairs and customer service. We stand behind these facilities and recommend them to our members. All AAR facilities in our territory offer a 10% labor discount on repairs.

Second, we have expanded our 24-Hour Emergency Roadside Assistance program to include members' bicycles. AAA will send a light-duty service vehicle, equipped with a bicycle rack, to

take you and your bike to a bicycle repair facility or your house. This new Bicycle Service is free and available to all Classic, Plus and Premier members, anywhere in the AAA Central Penn territory. There is no sign-up or enrollment process. Plus and Premier members can use any of their allotted yearly service calls for bicycle roadside assistance.

Third, we have partnered with Experian Consumer Services, a division of Experian – one of three major credit bureaus in the country – to provide an Identity Theft Monitoring program. This program will feature a number of benefits, including an Experian Credit Report, Automatic Daily Monitoring, Identity Theft Assistance, and Lost Wallet Protection, to name a few. This is a very robust program with many personalized options. To learn more, check AAA.com/IDTheft for more details.

Over the years, we have found two benefits that are outdated, under-utilized, and of little value to our members. Therefore, the bail bond and check cashing services will be phased out by the end of the year.

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Your Vehicle Needs Extra Care to Combat the Winter's Cold and Snow

Wintertime can be a beautiful time of the year, where after a snowfall, everything is covered in a blanket of glistening white. But for your vehicle, snow, ice, and cold are anything but good.

All of your vehicle's mechanical and electrical systems are subjected to very harsh conditions in the winter that can cause them to fail and create the need to use a AAA tow truck. To avoid this scenario from happening, there are some simple things that can be done to help protect your vehicle.

First, before winter sets in, schedule your vehicle to be serviced and checked over by a reliable automotive repair facility. Your local AAA Approved Auto Repair (AAR) facility fits the bill nicely for this service. AAA inspects them yearly and certifies that they meet the training, technology, and technician standards that are required by AAA to be in the program. For information about these standards, go to AAA.com/aar. All AAR facilities now offer a 2-year or 24,000-mile parts and labor warranty for repairs performed with new parts; some restrictions may apply. Also, as a AAA member you are entitled to at least a 10% labor discount on repair work up to a maximum discount of \$50 (exclusions may apply).

Make sure the oil and filter are freshly changed going into winter, to make sure of proper oil flow when it gets very cold. The air filter for the engine and the cabin filter for the interior should be checked and replaced, if needed, to reduce the chance of something causing a reduced air flow either to the engine or to the heating and defrosting systems.

Looking at your vehicle's needs, start off by making sure that the parts of the car that touch the road are all in good shape. Make sure all your tires have plenty of tread and are correctly inflated. Tires in cold weather can lose as much as 1-2 lbs. of air for every drop of 10 degrees or more. Check the tire pressure regularly in the winter. Also while having your service done, see if a tire alignment or tire rotation should be done to make sure your car is tracking properly and helping your tires to wear evenly.

Other important items that should be checked are the battery, charging and starting systems. Have your AAR facility verify everything is in good condition and the battery is strong for wintertime starting. If you can't make it to the garage, call AAA mobile battery service to come to your home or business to check everything and, if needed, to replace your battery. Check with AAA,



because AAA battery service is not available in all areas.

Have the AAR facility check all your vehicle's lights and their operation because with winter being a darker season, all lights working is a necessity. Verify your ignition components, brake system, belts and hoses, exhaust system, and heater and defroster are operating as designed and that there are no fluid leaks. Make sure the engine cooling system is working properly, has no leaks, and for central Pennsylvania has a freezing temperature good to at least -25 degrees. One other area that is often overlooked in winter maintenance is wiper and washer operation. We recommend special winter wipers during this time of year because their design keeps snow from freezing in the blades. Also, use special low-temperature windshield washer fluid in the washer bottle so that it doesn't freeze.

For additional information about the AAA Approved Auto Repair program, visit your local AAA branch office or go to AAA.com/aar.

One last thing before the snow and ice come, have a car insurance review done by your local AAA insurance agent at a nearby AAA branch office or visit AAA.com/insurance for assistance. That way, if you do have an accident because of the snow or ice, you will know you have proper coverage to get you back on the road quickly.

– Bruce Phillips
AAA Central Penn's Approved Auto Repair Manager





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Ahhh, winter, and the advent of snow once again – best viewed from the window of a nice toasty-warm room with a hot cup of cocoa in your hands, and don't forget some fresh mini marshmallows on top!

The trouble begins when you have to put down the cup of cocoa, bundle up and shovel out the driveway so you can get out on the road and navigate your way along treacherously slippery roads.

When road conditions are snowy or icy, plan from the outset to take it easy, slow down and allow more time to get to your destination than you might otherwise have done. Traction between your tires and the roadway can be compromised under these conditions, so avoid rapid acceleration, turning and braking.

Before starting out, it's important to make sure your vehicle is ready to go. To maximize visibility, clear snow, ice and frost from your headlights and all windows and mirrors. See to it that your wiper blades are clear of ice and snow, and that you have plenty of non-freezing washer fluid in the reservoir.

Ice and snow that becomes dislodged from your vehicle while driving could be very hazardous to pedestrians and other drivers, so take care to remove as much of it as you can from the hood, roof and trunk. Pennsylvania law levies hefty fines if

injury or death results from snow or ice falling from your vehicle.

Once on the road, accelerate and decelerate slowly, ease into turns and curves, and allow an extra margin of safety between you and the car in front of you. On dry pavement, we normally recommend that you allow a minimum stopping zone of about 4 to 5 seconds. In snowy, icy and even rainy conditions, that stopping zone should be increased to 8 to 10 seconds or more, depending upon the slickness of the roadway.

While using headlights during a snowstorm, be sure to keep them on the low-beam setting. High beams will reflect off of the snow and back into your eyes, making it more difficult to see ahead.

If you're planning a long trip, check the weather all along your route of travel. You may want to delay your trip if particularly bad weather is expected, but if you must go, communicate your route, destination and estimated time of arrival to friends or family. Be sure to pack extra warm clothing, blankets, hats, gloves, food and water, and any needed medication in case you become stranded.

When the snow is coming down so fast that not even the windshield wipers' highest setting can keep up, pull over at a rest stop or parking lot to wait for the storm's intensity to subside. If neither is available, pull onto the shoulder of the

road, well away from the traffic flow, and use your emergency flashers so that other drivers can see you. If your wipers become clogged with snow and ice, pull over to clear them and the windows before proceeding, to ensure maximum visibility.

In the event that you do become snow-bound, stay with your vehicle. It provides temporary shelter and makes it easier for rescuers to locate you (it also helps to mark your vehicle with a brightly colored cloth on the antenna or in a window, and in darkness, to keep your dome light on). Don't try to walk in a severe storm. It's easy to lose sight of your vehicle in blowing snow and become lost.

Most importantly, be alert! Watch out for pedestrians and other drivers who may not be quite as vigilant about safety as you are, and if you don't absolutely have to drive in severe weather, stay off the road and grab that hot cup of cocoa.

For a comprehensive guide on winter driving preparation, please call or visit one of our branch offices to obtain a copy of our "How to Go on Ice and Snow" brochure. This handy document contains a list of important items to carry in your car, and even how to avoid and how to get out of a skid.

Have a happy, safe winter driving season!

– Rick Ramsey

Manager, Member Services Operations

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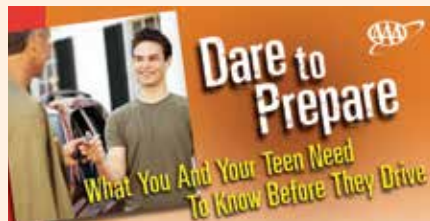
Ronda of Elizabethtown

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Louann of Christiana



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