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News & Notes

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Egyptian Princesses! Four of our Shiple members, left to right: Alyce, Susan, Annie and Patricia, traveled with *Collette Tours* March 4 through 16! They had a wonderful time!

Future Trips

When we are once again able to take trips, these are a few of the destinations I am hoping for. Please note: some are still planned. As time approaches for each trip, I will be letting you know if it will go or be rescheduled.

- May 2: Emerald Downs-CANCELED
- May 12: Rescheduling Hobby Lobby
- May 18: Clearwater Casino
- May 19-21: Cranberry Coast
- June 9-11: Chemainus
- Snoqualmie Falls and Treehouse Tour

Collette Trips for 2021: Shades of Ireland and domestic trip featuring S. Carolina, Savannah and more! ***Presentations planned June 16.***

Of course, I am being **very optimistic**. Please be aware that we will not take any chances, but I do need to keep plans in the works! We will cancel any trip immediately if necessary. At this time, payments will not be needed until the

Oh, I'm so ready for Spring! I was looking forward to my first outing to the Tulip Festival! It looks like I will have to wait until next year.

We had several trips cancel in March for low sign ups. That happens often; I always expect at least one or two trips per month to fizzle out. Our Clearwater Casino monthly trip, for example; sometimes we have 24 on the bus and sometimes 10. People are busy and just can't always make it.

In April, I will postpone our trip to Tacoma to **Fred Myer, Trader Joes and Hass German Bakery and Deli** and the 3rd Monday to the Casino. The visit to the tulip farms near La Conner for the **Skagit Valley Tulip Festival** season is also canceled.

Now, we should address the elephant in the room. When we resume our trips on the Shiple bus, I will be asking you several questions before you board: Do you have or have you had any of the following symptoms?

- Fever in the past few days?
- Sneezing or coughing the last few days?
- Difficulty breathing now or the last few days?
- Has anyone in your household had any of these symptoms?

If the answer is yes to any of these, you will not be able to go on our bus. We want everyone to be healthy, and to stay healthy. We can't compromise anyone's wellbeing.

We do have the **Cranberry Coast** trip coming up in May! This 3-day adventure is sold-out at this time. I have contacted the hotel and, so far, they have had no reports of coronavirus issues in their county. I will continue to stay in touch with them and keep our travelers informed.

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