

 Farm Bureau Presents

BLACK HILLS BUFFALO ROUNDUP

September 22-28, 2012

Day #1 — *Saturday September 22, 2012*

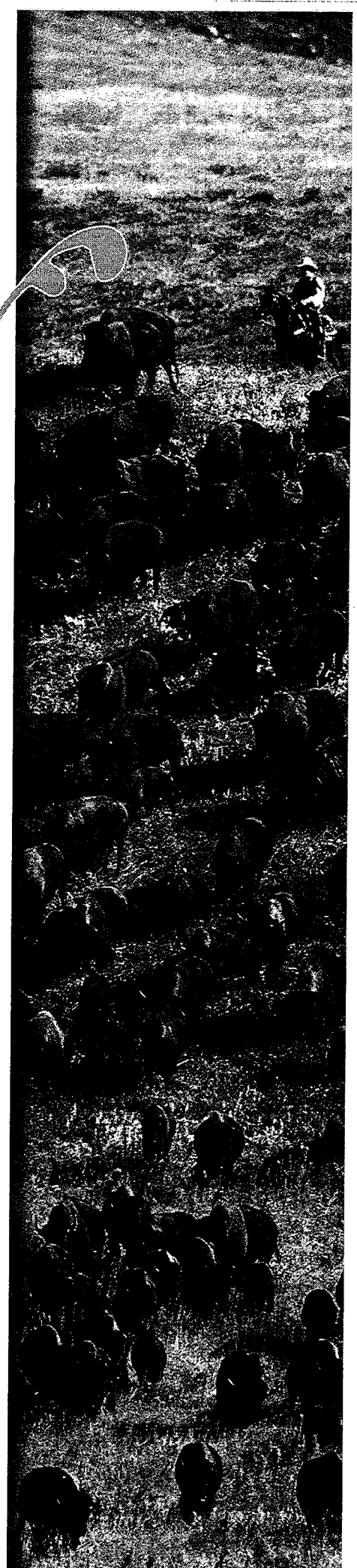
Welcome aboard as we head out to the Wild West on our way to Rapid City, South Dakota! Our modern stagecoach takes us across the Illinois and Iowa countryside while our tour director provides games and information along the way. We then enter South Dakota and arrive in Sioux Falls where we check into the Country Inn & Suites Hotel for the evening. Tonight we enjoy a "get together dinner" at "Minerva's Restaurant" before bringing to a close our first days travel experience. (D)

Day #2 — *Sunday September 23 2012*

Arise to a delicious breakfast before heading to Mitchell. The Corn Palace provides an opportunity to visit this unique structure and learn more about life in rural South Dakota. As we enter Chamberlain a stop will be made at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center overlooking the Missouri River Valley. Our lunch stop will be at the popular GTO Café in Murdo, South Dakota This unique restaurant, museum and store, brings memories of a by-gone era to all visitors! We have to make a stop at the famous Wall Drugstore; otherwise our visit to South Dakota wouldn't be complete! Here you will find an array of shops, museum collections, a variety of foods, desserts and just plain sweets to satisfy everyone's taste. Our modern day stagecoach continues west to Rapid City and our home for the next three nights. (CB)

Day #3 — *Monday September 24, 2012*

Rise and shine early this morning as we travel to Custer State Park for the annual Buffalo Stampede and Roundup! View these native western inhabitants in their natural surroundings as you take in the breathtaking scenery of the region while cowboys round up the buffalo for grading, culling, and weaning the herd. We'll learn about the history and care of these prairie inhabitants. The balance of the morning and early afternoon will be free to explore



the exhibits, craft fair, entertainment and enjoy the delicious foods that are available to purchase. Our Black Hills adventure continues this afternoon with a visit to the Shrine of the Black Hills - Mount Rushmore. We view the massive granite faces of four of our nation's presidents and learn the details of how this mountain carving was completed. This evening we will enjoy traditional western style chuck wagon food and entertainment at the popular Flying T Ranch. (BD)

Day #4 — Tuesday September 25, 2012

This morning we will visit the Crazy Horse Memorial. This uncompleted granite edifice honors the Sioux Indian Chief who lived in the Black Hills and whose spirit still thrives! Along with the memorial you'll enjoy the Indian Museum of North America & Native American Cultural Center all located here. Next we pay a visit to the Tatanka Buffalo Memorial, built through the efforts of Hollywood Actor-Kevin Costner, to honor the Buffalo and its place in South Dakota history via art, video and exhibits. The balance of the day is yours to enjoy the many sites and activities that are all just steps away in Historic Deadwood. Your Tri-State Travel Tour Director will make available suggested attractions to experience and for you gamblers to try your luck at the numerous casinos in town! Good Luck! Later we enjoy dinner at the famous Deadwood Social Club noted for their food and history of the area before returning to our hotel. (BD)

Day #5 — Wednesday September 26, 2012

This morning we depart Rapid City, South Dakota and visit the Badlands National Park to view the unusual rock formations, catch a glimpse of wildlife and marvel at the stark countryside. Next we travel the Badlands Loop with stops at Cedar Pass, Burns Basin and the Pinnacles Overlook for dramatic views of the massive rock formations and park vistas. We'll visit the Reifel Visitors Center for a short video about the history of the park. Our modern stagecoach then continues the journey across the wide open prairies and a late afternoon arrival in Sioux Falls South Dakota and hotel check in. (B)

Day #6 — Thursday September 27, 2012

Our travels today take us through Albert Lea, Minnesota and then south to Mason City, Iowa for a visit to the Mason City Central Gardens, noted for their distinctive flower displays, manicured gardens and prairie wild flowers. Next we visit the Northern Iowa Community College Research Farm for a behind the scenes tour of the latest in GPS and Global Crop Monitoring Systems. Our overnight stay will be in Cedar Falls, Iowa. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner at the very popular Brown Bottle Restaurant. (BD)

Day #7 — Friday September 28, 2012

This morning we will visit the John Deere Tractor Assembly Plant in Waterloo, Iowa where a computerized, state of the art, facility assembles a variety of medium to heavy duty tractors. This is a tram tour and will be accessible for everyone interested. Our travels then continue home with great memories of our Black Hills and Buffalo Stampede Roundup! (B)

Your "Black Hills & Buffalo Roundup" Tour Package Includes*:

- Roundtrip Deluxe Tri-State Travel Motorcoach Transportation
- Six Nights Accommodations
- 10 Meals (including the Flying T Ranch)
- Corn Palace Tour
- Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center
- Badlands National Park
- Wall Drug Store
- Historic Deadwood
- Mount Rushmore National Park
- Crazy Horse Memorial
- Custer State Park Buffalo Stampede
- Tatanka Buffalo Memorial
- Mason City Gardens
- John Deere Factory Tour
- Farm Bureau Host
- Luggage Handling For One Suitcase Not To Exceed 50#
- Full Time Tour Director
- Taxes and Gratuities on Included Accommodations, Attractions and Meals

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Your Per Person Tour Price:

- \$ 825.00 per person - 4 to a room
- \$ 885.00 per person - 3 to a room
- \$ 999.00 per person - 2 to a room
- \$1345.00 per person - single

Payment/Cancellation & Reservation Policy:

\$200.00 per person deposit is due with reservation
 Final date for reservations (subject to availability) and final payment is August 1, 2012
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 Cancellations in writing after August 1, 2012 and prior to August 15, 2012 will be assessed 25 % of the per person tour price
 Cancellations in writing after August 15, 2012 and prior to September 1, 2012 will be assessed 50% of the per person tour price
 Cancellations in writing after September 1, 2012 will forfeit the full price of the tour
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