

The Travel Buzz

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Notes from Teri.....

Hi Everyone!

Hope everyone is doing great on this early start to summer – June 2009.

I just returned from a 2 day whirl wind visit at Beaches Turks and Caicos. I spent quite a bit of time with Cookie Monster – My favorite character by the way ☺.



More on that visit NEXT month as I compile my pictures and write a Destination article..

On a personal note – My littlest, Luke celebrated his 5th Birthday in June with more toys to add to his name – Oh no....

Here he is in all his glory and presents galore ...



I decided to fill this newsletter with as many specials as I had available - Giving you many choices from Tahiti all the way over to China!

I wanted to focus this month on an article I recently read on Volunteering for a charity on a vacation. How clever is that!

So with that, I've enclosed four resorts that do this very thing.

Royal Caribbean has offered an unprecedented offer for group bookings thru June. Its listed on the back cover for all to contemplate.



My dad brings in a Vegas family attraction you may not have thought of – In honor of “Night at the Museum” – Any ideas yet ?

A client reviews Moon Palace Resort in Mexico

And in honor of this, I am bringing in some specials for Mexico that may help you all decide to come back to this beautiful destination.

It is completely safe now and they need our tourism dollars to recover from this recent tragedy.

Sending best always and remember to keep me in mind for planning that next vacation!

Teri V

Two Family Vacations:

**Split Rock Resort –
Pennsylvania**

**Rates for a family of Four
4 Nights with Water Park
Starting @ \$1450/Total**

**South Seas Resort –
Captiva Island, Florida**

**4 Nights Hotel , Roundtrip
Air & Economy Car -
Rates Starting @ 758/PP**

***Rates Quoted are for Mid
August – Midweek Travel**

How About A Eco Friendly Wedding...

Maybe perhaps you'd like to do something different for your wedding day Maybe think “Green”

It doesn't have to be any less special or elegant.

There's a new show set to air on TNT June 16th called Wedding Day. They will advise on how to have your environmentally friendly wedding cake and eat it too.

Some tips in the meantime:

1. Print invitations/save the date cards on recyclable paper. Or better yet, send them via e-mail.
2. Save money and the environment by wearing a vintage wedding dress – Either from a loved one or from a consignment shop nearby.
3. Contract with nearby vendors for flowers and food to cut down on transportation costs and carbon emissions. Don't fly in your essentials Use your community!

DISCOVER TAHITI**TRAVEL 11/1 - 12/30/09, BOOK BY 6/30/09****CREATE A MULTI-ISLAND STAY****Bora Bora - 3-star FROM \$415*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Novotel Bora Bora Beach Resort](#).
BONUS 4th night free.**Moorea - 4-star FROM \$435*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [InterContinental Moorea Resort](#)
BONUS 2 free nights.**Papeete - 4-star FROM \$529*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Hilton Hotel Tahiti](#). **BONUS** 4th
night free.**Moorea - 4-star FROM \$535*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Moorea Pearl Resort & Spa](#).
FEATURES American breakfast daily.
BONUS 3rd night free.**Papeete - 3.5-star FROM \$575*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Le Meridien Tahiti](#).**Papeete - 4-star FROM \$729*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [InterContinental Tahiti Resort](#).**Bora Bora - 4-star FROM \$1115*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [InterContinental Bora Bora Le
Moana Resort](#). **FEATURES** American breakfast daily.
BONUS 2 free nights.**Bora Bora - 4-star FROM \$1215*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Bora Bora Lagoon Resort & Spa](#).
BONUS 2
free nights.**Bora Bora - 4-star FROM \$1265*****INCLUDES** 5 nights, [Bora Bora Pearl Beach Resort &
Spa](#). **FEATURES** American breakfast daily. **BONUS** 3rd
night free**ADD SIGHTSEEING TOURS****Bora Bora** Glass Bottom Boat Tour **\$54*****Bora Bora** 4WD Safari Adventure **\$101*****Bora Bora** Shark Watching - Lagoonarium **\$95*****Moorea** Snorkeling Safari **\$61*****Moorea** Wild Dolphin Watch **\$97*****Moorea** Lagoon Cruise & Picnic **\$130*****Moorea** Tahitian Feast **\$135*****Papeete** Mountain Rodeo Jeep Safari **\$76*****Papeete** 1-Day Circle Island Tour **\$141*****AIR FROM AS LOW AS \$795!***

*Prices do not include airfare. Prices are per person, based on double occupancy Tour and land packages do not include meals unless otherwise indicated. Savings reflect land prices only and vary by resort and travel dates

DISCOVER HAWAII**TRAVEL Now - 8/22/09 BOOK BY 6/30/09****CREATE A MULTI-ISLAND STAY****Oahu - 3-star FROM \$199*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Aqua Palms and Spa](#), hotel transfers &
lei greeting. **BONUS** save 40%.**Hawaii's Big Island - 3-star FROM \$289*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Keauhou Beach Resort](#), midsize rental car
& lei greeting. **BONUS** 3rd night free.**Kauai - 3-star FROM \$355*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Outrigger Kiahuna Plantation](#), midsize
rental car & lei greeting. **BONUS** 3rd night free.**Hawaii's Big Island - 4-star FROM \$359*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Waikoloa Beach Marriott](#), midsize rental car
& lei greeting. **BONUS** Save 35%.**Maui - 3.5-star FROM \$369*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Royal Lahaina Resort](#), midsize rental car &
lei greeting. **BONUS** Save 35%.**Oahu - 4-star FROM \$415*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [JW Marriott Ihilani Resort & Spa](#), hotel
transfers & lei greeting. **BONUS** Save 60%.**Maui - 4.5-star FROM \$479*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa](#), midsize
rental car & lei greeting. **BONUS** 3rd night free, breakfast for 2
daily & room upgrade.**Kauai - 4-star FROM \$519*****INCLUDES** 3 nights, [Sheraton Kauai Resort](#), midsize rental car
& lei greeting. **BONUS** 3rd night free, buffet breakfast for 2 daily
& room upgrade.**ADD SIGHTSEEING TOURS****Oahu** USS Arizona Memorial Tour **\$25****Maui** Old Lahaina Luau **\$99****Kauai** Na Pali Coast Expedition **\$149****Kauai** Backcountry Zipline **\$130****Hawaii's Big Island** Circle Island/Volcano Tour **\$86**

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TRAVEL ON ANY BUDGET USA SUMMER VACATIONS

TRAVEL NOW - 8/31/09, BOOK BY 6/29/09

Las Vegas - 4-star FROM **\$125***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino & hotel transfers. **BONUS** \$40 free play, 2-for-1 spa admission, dining, golf, shopping, show ticket & car rental discounts.

New Orleans - 3-star FROM **\$149***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Holiday Inn Chateau LeMoyne.
BONUS save 20%.

Scottsdale - 5-star FROM **\$165***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Fairmont Scottsdale. **BONUS** 3rd night free.

Phoenix - 4-star FROM **\$189***
INCLUDES 3 nights, The Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort
BONUS 3rd night free & \$50 resort credit. Plus breakfast for 2 daily & room upgrade.

Boston - 3-star FROM **\$199***
INCLUDES 2 nights, Royal Sonesta Hotel. **FEATURES** Charles River boat cruise & bicycle rentals. **BONUS** breakfast for 2 daily.

Fort Lauderdale - 5-star FROM **\$225***
INCLUDES 3 nights, The Ritz Carlton. **BONUS** 3rd night free.

Washington, DC - 4.5-star FROM **\$249***
INCLUDES 3 nights, The Fairmont Washington. **BONUS** 3rd night free & complimentary breakfast daily.

San Diego - 5-star FROM **\$269***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Grand Hyatt Manchester. **BONUS** 3rd night free. Plus kids 13 & under eat free.

Los Angeles - 4.5-star FROM **\$415***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Renaissance Hollywood Hotel.

Walt Disney World® Resort - FROM **\$465***
INCLUDES 5 nights at Disney's Pop Century Resort, transfers and 5 day Park tickets. **FEATURES** Free Disney Dining Plan. Travel 8/16-10/3/09. Book by 6/21/09.

Hilton Head - 4-star FROM **\$555***
INCLUDES 4 nights, Westin Hilton Head Island Resort & Spa. **BONUS** 4th night free & buffet breakfast for 2 daily.

Kauai - 4-star FROM **\$585***
INCLUDES 3 nights, Westin Princeville Ocean Resort Villas, midsize rental car & lei greeting. **BONUS** 3rd night free & breakfast for 2 daily.

Oahu - 5-star FROM **\$1229***
INCLUDES 5 nights, The Royal Hawaiian, hotel transfers & lei greeting. **BONUS** 5th night free, \$75 dining credit & room upgrade.

PUERTO RICO SUMMER PROMOTION

**\$200 AIR CREDIT, FREE NIGHTS, \$100
DEBIT CARD & MORE!**

TRAVEL 5/1-12/20/09, BOOK BY 6/30/09

Villa Montana Beach Resort - 3-star FROM **\$245***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

Conrad @ San Juan Condado - 3.5-star FROM **\$249***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

Caribe Hilton - 4-star FROM **\$249***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

InterContinental San Juan Resort 4-star FROM **\$269***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

El San Juan Hotel & Casino - 4.5-star FROM **\$289***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

Rio Mar Beach Resort & Spa - 4.5-star FROM **\$315***
INCLUDES 4 nights & hotel transfers. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

The Ritz-Carlton, San Juan Hotel - 4.5-star FROM **\$345***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

Gran Melia Golf Resort Puerto Rico - 4-star FROM **\$365***
INCLUDES 4 nights & hotel transfers. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

San Juan Marriott Resort - 4.5-star FROM **\$369***
INCLUDES 4 nights. **BONUS** every 4th night free & \$200 air credit. Plus breakfast for 2 daily, \$100 on-island debit card & tour discount booklet.

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INTRODUCING CHINA, JAPAN & SOUTH KOREA

HONG KONG, CHINA - 4-star From \$339

INCLUDES 3 nights, [The Excelsior Hong Kong](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** Macau Day Tour with Lunch.
BONUS 3rd night free

BEIJING - 5-star - From \$545

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Sofitel Wanda Beijing](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** breakfast daily & Great Wall & Ming Tombs Tour including Great Wall at Badaling, Ming Tombs, Cloisonne Factory & Beijing roasted duck dinner. **BONUS** 4th night free

TOKYO, JAPAN - 3-star - From \$545

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Shiba Park Hotel](#).
FEATURES Mt. Fuji-Hakone Tour.

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA - 4.5-star - From \$539

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Sofitel Ambassador Seoul](#).
FEATURES Seoul & Folk Village Tour.

SHANGHAI - 4-star - From \$719

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Renaissance Shanghai Yuyuan Hotel](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily & Jade Buddha & Yu Garden Tour including Jade Buddha Temple, Yu Garden, Shanghai Museum, lunch & dinner.

OSAKA, JAPAN - 3.5-star - From \$1169

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Sheraton Mikayo Hotel Osaka](#).
FEATURES Hiroshima & Miyajima Tour.

MACAU, CHINA - From \$665

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Sofitel Macau at Pont 16](#).
FEATURES buffet breakfast daily, complimentary club benefits & Macau City Tour. **BONUS** Room upgrade.

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A WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES....

Bali - 3.5-star FROM \$249*

INCLUDES 6 nights, [The Breezes Resort & Spa, Seminyak](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily & Bali Hai Cruise. **BONUS** 3 free nights.

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia - 5-star FROM \$499*

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Sheraton Imperial Kuala Lumpur Hotel](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** Kuala Lumpur Night Tour & Dinner Show including Hindu Temple, Shop in Chinatown & Malaysian Cultural Dance. **BONUS** breakfast daily, 24-hour butler service & complimentary beverages & canapes.

Muscat, Oman - 4-star FROM \$839*

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Crowne Plaza Muscat](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily.

Dubai - 4.5-star FROM \$789*

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Kempinski Hotel Mall of the Emirates](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily & Desert Wonder Tour.

Dubai - 5-star FROM \$1015*

INCLUDES 4 nights, [Atlantis The Palm](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily & Desert Wonder Tour.

Cairns, Australia - 4-star FROM \$399*

INCLUDES 3 nights, [Shangri La Hotel, The Marina, Cairns](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** Quicksilver Outer Barrier Reef Tour. **BONUS** 3rd night free.

Hamilton Island, Australia - 4-star FROM \$1425*

INCLUDES 5 nights, [Beach Club](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** full a la carte breakfast daily, free use of catamarans, paddle skis, windsurfers & snorkeling equipment & complimentary use of gym, spa, sauna, tennis, squash courts & Reef Discovery Tour by Helicopter. **BONUS** 5th night free.

Fiji - 4-star FROM \$749*

INCLUDES 6 nights, [Warwick Fiji Resort & Spa](#) & all transfers. **FEATURES** buffet breakfast daily & Sigotoka River Safari. **BONUS** 3 free nights

*Again, Prices do not include airfare. Prices are per person, based on double occupancy accommodations

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FLY FREE TO MEXICO**3 Nights = 1 Free Ticket / 7 Nights = 2 Free Tickets****Departures Shown are Originating in NYC - Other Departure Cities Available
Travel Now - 12/23/09 Book by 6/30/09****Cancun - 3-star 3 Nights - \$345 7 Nights - \$485**
INCLUDES Oasis Cancun, all-inclusive & hotel transfers.**Cancun - 3.5-star 3 Nights - \$435 7 Nights - \$689**
INCLUDES Grand Oasis Caribbean Resort, all-inclusive & hotel transfers.**Cancun - 4-star 3 Nights - \$715 7 Nights - \$1355**
INCLUDES Beach Palace, all-inclusive & hotel transfers.
BONUS \$200 golf & spa credit, unlimited select tours,
kids 16 & under stay & eat free.**Cancun - 4-star 3 Nights - \$715 7 Nights - \$1355**
INCLUDES Cancun Palace, all-inclusive & hotel transfers.
BONUS \$200 golf & spa credit, unlimited select tours, kids 16 &
under stay & eat free.**Cancun - 4-star 3 Nights - \$715 7 Nights - \$1355**
INCLUDES Moon Palace Golf & Spa Resort, all-inclusive & hotel
transfers. **BONUS** \$200 golf & spa credit, unlimited select tours,
kids 16 & under stay & eat free.**Cancun - 4.5-star 3 Nights - \$799 7 Nights - \$1485**
INCLUDES Excellence Playa Mujeres, all-inclusive, adults-only &
private hotel transfers.**Cancun - 5-star 3 Nights - \$915 7 Nights - \$1829**
INCLUDES Le Blanc Spa Resort, all-inclusive, adults-only & hotel
transfers. **BONUS** 2 25-minute signature spa treatments & unlimited
select tours.

Riviera Maya - 3.5-star 3 Nights - \$435 7 Nights - \$689
INCLUDES Grand Oasis Riviera Maya, all-inclusive & hotel transfers**Riviera Maya - 4.5-star 3 Nights - \$559 7 Nights - \$989**
INCLUDES The Fairmont Mayakoba & hotel transfers.**Riviera Maya - 4-star 3 Nights - \$585 7 Nights - \$1049**
INCLUDES Occidental Grand Xcaret, all-inclusive & hotel transfers.**Riviera Maya - 4-star 3 Nights - \$745 7 Nights - \$1385**
INCLUDES Aventura Spa Palace, all-inclusive, adults-only & hotel
transfers. **BONUS** \$200 golf & spa credit, unlimited select tours.**Riviera Maya - 4.5-star 3 Nights - \$799 7 Nights - \$1525**
INCLUDES Excellence Riviera Cancun, all-inclusive, adults-only &
hotel transfers**Riviera Maya - 5-star 3 Nights - \$1029 7 Nights - \$2089**
INCLUDES Royal Hideaway Playacar, all-inclusive, adults-only &
private hotel transfers

*Prices are per person, based on double occupancy accommodations. Land packages only include round-trip midweek airfare from New York/JFK and do not include meals unless otherwise indicated. Call for other specifics.

**Client Journey -
Riviera Maya, Mexico****By Walter & Roberta Starkey*****“Our Visit Last Summer -
Moon Palace Golf & Spa Resort”***

We would give the property a 5.

Extremely nice, well taken care of and the staff was well trained.

The 13 restaurants were great. Service was great considering partly because they were about 20% booked.

I would recommend this resort for families because it is connected to the Water Park and adventure park and not located on the Cancun strip.

The hotel has busses to the Water Park and adventure park along with trips to the strip for shopping.

When the hotel is finished it will be about 2500 rooms spread out over three lobbies and 3.5 pool areas.

It will have two Golf courses on site for the avid golfers!

We did not do any of the ruins, unfortunately, because it was too hot and humid to consider going into the jungle in August.

The beach and pool were just
Fine as well -
Thanks for a wonderful
recommendation.

Walter & Roberta plan to go back to the Moon Palace or another Mexican Resort perhaps in Fall of 2009



How about a Charitable Vacation?

If you always wanted to go on a vacation that gave you an opportunity to make a difference for this wonderful world that we live in – Now's your chance...

Below are four resorts with an edge on guest "Voluntourism". You'll come home feeling completely renewed and self satisfied in a different way! However tired – Yet fulfilled ☺



THE GOOD HOTEL – SAN FRANCISCO

A very chic and cheery hotel with a complete eco conscience.

Keycards are made from recycled cardboard, chandeliers are created from recycled glass bottles and nearly all of the 117 rooms have ultra green toilets.

How can you volunteer here?

Just pick up the orange phone in the lobby to connect to the nonprofit One Brick foundation whom will match visitors to short term service jobs.

Just some examples - You can help out at the San Francisco Food Bank or join a day wetlands conservation group – save the Bay – planting native seedlings along the shores.

Average Stays at this resort run about \$99/Per Night during weekdays & \$109/ On Weekends.

COTTON TREE LODGE – BELIZE

This lodge is located between two Mayan villages near the Moho River. It consists of 11 primarily solar powered cabanas surrounded by wild fig trees.

You can horseback ride, kayak, and even try chocolate making on premises during your stay. You can also Sample fresh fruit and vegetables made from the

garden on site which is run by the non profit SHI – Sustainable Harvest International.

How can you volunteer here?

If you don't mind some mud on your boots – You can join a daylong project thru SHI helping families in the

village by planting vegetable gardens, building chicken coops, or constructing eco-friendly wood burning fireplaces.

It costs on average about \$109 to \$259 a night to stay here.

HALE HO'OKIPA INN – MAUI, HAWAII

Stay in a charming four bedroom bed and breakfast filled with local art and 1920's era antiques. This home has been restored from the early 1920's and is only a short 15 minute drive from the famed Ho'okipa windsurfing beach.

How can you volunteer here?

This B & B partners with the Leeward Haleakala Watershed Restoration Partnership to replenish the vanishing dryland forests on the slopes of Haleakala mountains.

You will get a very rugged workout with the group hiking the mountain and replanting native species along the way.

This B & B runs about \$125 to \$185/ Per Night.

ROCKRESORTS – Located in WYOMING, NEW MEXICO, ST. LUCIA & COLORADO

A resort family completely devoted to down to earth comforts – 4 poster beds and rustic accents. They also are continuing the conservationist legacy of founder Laurence Rockefeller.

How can you volunteer here?

During warmer months, team up with US Forest Services to clear local trails. A trailblazing session will save you up to 30% off one night's stay.

In St. Lucia – help local farmers build fences and maintain gardens.

On average, in the summer, rates are about \$139/Per Night.

Hello from Las Vegas

By Robert Bongardt



Robert's most recent book, *Where is Home*, can be found at

[Books of Excellence.](#)

Life is never dull in Las Vegas with so many choices for entertainment. There is an excellent variety of shows at hotels along the strip as well as many nearby 'local' hotels.

There are many bars and lounges throughout the valley with karaoke or country music, rock and roll, amateur talent contests etc.

There are appealing opportunities to win money at table games, poker rooms or countless slot machines spread throughout large and small casinos along the strip and around town. There are also movies at many locations and bowling lanes, too, as I have mentioned in previous columns.

Conventions are often available to visitors almost every week at the Las Vegas Convention Center and a few of the larger hotels. There are also a number of museums scattered around town and nearby.

Museums in this desert oasis? Yes...it's true!

I am not big on museums and had not visit one in years until a few weeks ago. I had just watched a movie on TV - 'Night at the Museum' –one evening for the umpteenth time.

The next morning, while eating a bowl of cheerios – also for the umpteenth time – I wondered if there was a 'natural history' museum in town.

There was! So, I decided to visit it...visions of the late night movie still fresh in my mind.

The Las Vegas National History Museum was only a few miles north of town. It was mid-afternoon when I arrived at the museum. Less than a dozen cars were

parked at the large lot.

I walked in the main entrance. Admission was only \$7 for seniors. Gosh, I saved a buck already. Isn't it great?

The advantages of being a senior citizen are so many. I had also expected to visit a small building with only a few replicas of old and current desert animals.

Much to my surprise the museum was very modern, air-conditioned, and BIG. It was only one level but covered more land than many moderate-size casinos in town

I was never a geology or geography fanatic in grammar school or later in life. I was lucky to get a 'C' in any of those classes in school. But I must admit I was pleasantly surprised to enjoy my visit at this museum.

It's slogan...displayed in a number of areas was: " From Nevada to Africa, From The Desert to The Ocean, From the Prehistoric to the Present...You will learn more about amazing animals "

The museum layout consisted of several segregated galleries: wild Nevada life, Prehistoric life, African Rainforest, Marine Life, Young Scientist Center and several more. In each gallery, there were some interesting "Did you know...?"

Here are just a few for you:

Did you know Dolphins sleep with one eye open?
The life expectancy of a queen termite is 50 years?
(Not if I see one!!)

A python can go as long as a year without eating?

The largest known dinosaurs were estimated to weigh more than eight elephants and were taller than two giraffes on top of each other.

Hmm, how do they know that?

I wonder who weighed them!! They were also reputed to have a good digestive system (Yeah, I bet!) and roamed the earth more than a hundred million years ago.

That's a good thing. I'm glad I wasn't around at the time ☺

Hello from Las Vegas

By Robert Bongardt



(Continued)

As I was leaving the museum, I had a few questions for the museum attendant.

"I am curious. Do any of these creatures come alive at night?"

She laughed and replied, "Not to my knowledge. But, I must admit, I don't work here at night. We close at 4 p.m."

"How many people visit the museum...just a rough estimate?"

"Last year we had over 30,000 visits. The majority are probably school children on class visits in the morning hours. Easter spring break is probably our busiest time."

"How about out of town visitors?" I asked.

She smiled again. "Well, I will admit that percentage is quite low. I guess they are too fascinated with the obvious venues of entertainment in Las Vegas. We might have more four-legged out of towners here!"

As I was leaving the Natural History Museum, I was already thinking about another possible museum visit:

The Nevada State Railroad Museum (located in Boulder City, Nevada...about a half hour drive from Las Vegas)

To be continued next month

Bobo's Monthly Tip:

There is a lot of information on the internet about the variety of museums in and near Las Vegas, Nevada.

It may be a refreshing change of pace for the visiting family, especially for the young children.

Go to - www.museums.travelnevada.com

Shows / Entertainment in Vegas for July/August

Duran Duran – THE PALMS
July 10, 2009

II Divo – MANDALAY BAY
July 17, 2009

Beyonce – ENCORE LAS VEGAS
Jul 30, 2009

Green Day – MANDALAY BAY
August 21, 2009

Deals to Las Vegas

LUXOR HOTEL and CASINO – From \$215/PP
Midweek Air / 3 Nights Hotel / Transfers PLUS \$80 Credit
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PLANET HOLLYWOOD HOTEL – From \$235/PP
Midweek Air / 3 Nights Hotel / Transfers PLUS
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PARIS LAS VEGAS – From \$385/PP
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Groups with Royal.....

Groups on Royal Caribbean are entitled to GAP points if a sailing has them available. What does this mean to you?

If we can get 8 or more rooms together as a group

Your group could be entitled to \$25-\$100 onboard credit and/or a free cocktail party and/or wine and chocolates among other items in the room etc...

Sky's the limit....

What's more ... Thru June 30th 2009 ...

All groups for most sailings from October 2009 thru March 2010 are entitled to 2 additional GAP Points!

There are over 27 Types of Itineraries on over 100 different Sailing Dates
Here's a sampling...

Monarch of the Seas® 3 or 4-Night Bahamas

Departing from Port Canaveral, Florida

Majesty of the Seas® 3 or 4-Night Bahamas

Departing from Miami, Florida

Navigator of the Seas® 4 or 5-Night Western Caribbean

Departing from Miami, Florida

Adventure of the Seas® 7-Night Southern Caribbean

Departing from San Juan, Puerto Rico

Mariner of the Seas® 7-Night Mexican Riviera

Departs from Los Angeles, California

Voyager of the Seas® 7-Night Western Caribbean

Departing from Galveston, Texas

Splendour of the Seas® 7-Night Greek Isles/Turkey

Departing from Venice, Italy

Voyager of the Seas® 7-Night Mediterranean

Departing from Barcelona, Spain

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