

Sherborn COA & Best of Times Travel Proudly Present Penn Dutch Country & The Miracle of Christmas December 5th - 7th 2023

After decades of crushing Roman rule, the Hebrew people are losing hope. When will the promised Messiah come? Into the midst of this turmoil, young Mary is told she will bear God's son. Angels in heaven proclaim his birth; humble shepherds and regal kings pay him homage. Clearly this is no ordinary child! But who is he - really? Is he the Messiah, our Savior? Who can even believe such a thing! Witness the story that is central to the season, brought to life with high drama, awe-inspiring special effects and live animals. Rejoice with your whole family as the true meaning of Christmas unfolds right before your eyes!

December 5th - 7th, 2023 - 3 Days / 2 Nights - (Tues - Thurs) Day 1 - We begin our travel to PA aboard a fully equipped motorcoach and enjoy an afternoon arrival in the heart of Penn Dutch Country, Lancaster, PA. Settle into the Hampton Inn & Suites Hotel in Lancaster, PA our home for the next two nights. The perfect retreat to enjoy friends at the end of our days touring the Dutch countryside. Tonight enjoy the show A Christmas Carol at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre. A season favorite! Even for a grumpy old miser like Ebenezer Scrooge, it's never too late to change. But when he's visited by three ghosts – Christmas Past, Present, and

Future – he discovers his selfish ways and greets Christmas morning with a new found happiness, and through the enduring love of Tiny Tim, learns to spread goodwill and be happy. (D)

Day 2 - Enjoy a **Deluxe Continental Breakfast** before we begin our exploration of the Dutch Country. Enjoy a <u>Full</u> <u>Commentary Back Country Tour</u> of the Farmlands of Lancaster Country. See the life of the Amish from a whole different perspective as our tour director brings their traditions to life during this fabulous riding tour. We will make a number of stops throughout the Dutch Country such as an Amish Bakery, Farm Stand, Winery, the Kitchen Kettle Shops in Intercourse, and more as time permits. Lunch will be on our own at the Kitchen Kettle Shops. Later this afternoon we head to **Millenium Sight and Sound Theatre** for **show Miracel of Christmas. Dinner tonight is at Hershey Farm Smorgasbord.** Experience Elva Hurst's **Chalk Talk Oh Christmas tree** – discover the origin of the traditional lighted Christmas tree, and listen to the eloquence of past presidents, addressing our nation through the years, on this special day. (B, D)

Day 3 - Enjoy a **Deluxe Continental Breakfast** before we head out for our visit to the **Byer's Choice Factory** - Byers' Choice has been handcrafting the Carolers® Figurines for over 35 years. Start with a walk down a cobblestone street scene straight out of Dickens' London then into the Christmas Museum, with displays of Carolers past and present, as well as depictions of Christmas traditions from around the world. We then enjoy the super fun **Murder Mystery Luncheon Show - Who Killed Jacob Marley?** We have all seen and heard the story of Ebeneezer Scrooge, and witnessed his great redemption. But there Is a dark secret buried within this Victorian Tale—A Murder Mystery that has hitherto never been explained. How Scrooge got so rich, and how his partner mysteriously died! Was it heart trouble? Was it strangulation? Was it a poisoned bit of beef; blot of mustard or crumb of cheese? Who put the "No! No! No!" in Marley's "Ho! Ho! Ho!"? Riddlesbrood's newest holiday whodunit, will let YOU finally uncover...Who killed Jacob Marley! We then depart for home with incredible memories of a lifetime for the Penn Dutch Country! (B,L)

Price Only: \$759pp Double, \$899 Single, \$749pp Triple/Quad Includes: Motorcoach Transportation, 2 Nights Lodging, 5 Meals, 3 Shows & Touring Described Above, Best of Times Travel Tour Manager & Gratuity Included, & Taxes. Motorcoach Driver Gratuity NOT Included. Please Contact: Sue Kelliher 508-651-7858