

You know you have arrived in Pella when you see the charming windmill and people carrying sacks of Dutch baked goods. Pella, known as "America's Dutch Treasure", recently celebrated its 175th year as a community. Come along with VISTA to discover this quaint village!

Our journey to Pella will include a stop at the I-80 Truckstop for lunch, touted as the worlds largest truckstop with an incredible nine restaurants to choose from. Then we will check into our hotel, the Country Inn and Suites in Pella. This comfortable location offers breakfast daily and a pool for your enjoyment. Finally, to get us into the Dutch spirit, we will head into town to enjoy a traditional Dutch dinner.

<u>Day 2</u> will begin with a guided city tour of Pella. Then we will visit the iconic Vermeer Windmill, an authentic grain mill, built by Dutch millwrights in the Netherlands. Next, we will visit the buildings in the Historical Village including the Dutch Bakery, Grist Mill, Sod House, Log Cabin and General Store. The afternoon is free from planned activities so you can enjoy the village any way you would like. Options include a traditional Dutch tea at the Scholte House Museum & Gardens (\$20 additional fee), visiting the Pella Opera House, enjoying Central Park, watching the Klokkenspel and of course, lots of shopping and eating! Pella has many boutiques, coffee shops and traditional Dutch bakeries that are all in very close proximity to each other. After a fun filled afternoon we will meet back up for an included dinner at Butcher's Brewhuis.

<u>Day 3</u> will take us outside of town to the Frisian Farms Cheese House. Here we will take a self guided tour and look through the large viewing windows to see how they make their traditional Dutch Gouda. Then we will head to Tassel Ridge Winery for lunch and a wine tasting. Finally, we will return home with fond memories of our time spent with our VISTA Club friends!

Please note: There will be a good deal of walking on this trip. The bus will not be with us the afternoon we are in Pella so you will need to be able to walk around the town to visit the various locations. Please make sure you are able to comfortably walk 6-10 blocks without problem before signing up for this trip!

If you choose to go to the optional tea, no transportation will be provided and you will need to walk there. It is approximately 3 blocks to walk from the Windmill/Village to the Scholte House/Tea Room. Please choose 1:30 or 3:30 for your teatime (maximum 24 per seating)

SIGN-UP MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025 STARTING AT 9:00 AM — Call Beth at 815.539.1526 or Amy at 708.967.1486

COST: \$475 Double/\$625 Single— Includes transportation, hotel, itinerary as listed above (2 Dinners, 2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch) all associated taxes and tips. Cancellations will be refunded only if we are able to fill your vacancy. Optional Tea Additional \$20 Per Person/Maximum 24 people per time slot - 1:30 or 3:30 **NO CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED FOR THIS TRIP. PAYMENT IS DUE IN FULL AT TIME OF REGISTRATION!**

PICK-UP: 6/16/26: 8:00 am Wenona BP / 8:30 am LaSalle Flying J / 9:10 am Mendota Civic Center. Return on 6/18/26 at approximately 6:30 pm Mendota / 7:00 pm LaSalle / 7:30 pm Wenona

In case of emergency, you may reach us on our cell phones: Beth Hubbard 815.985.2299 or Amy at 815.674.7265







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- <u>Reservations</u> may be made <u>immediately</u> upon receipt of this Newsletter for day trips. Please be prepared to indicate how many seats you are reserving and names, contact phone number & form of payment.
- Please make <u>payment</u> for day trips upon signup. If you are paying by check, please make payable to: FSB Vista Club (sorry, no credit cards can be used for day trips).
- Any <u>cancellation</u> for day trips after funds have been received will be refunded <u>only</u> if we can fill the vacancy or if the venues will provide a refund. Extended trips will be refunded per individual trip policies.
- All members and guests must sign a liability waiver prior to attending any trip (day or extended) with Vista Club, but only needs to be signed one time, so once we have it on file, you are done!

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