

HOME TOWN TRAVEL'S FABULOUS FRIDAY

I hope you are enjoying my Fabulous Friday mailings. I am trying to keep you updated with the COVID situation while finding some spectacular recipes, interesting quizzes and some travel tidbits. GREAT GROUPS!!

We will be here for you when you are ready to pack that suitcase to visit your favorite beach, city or bucket list destination.

Call us at 609-597-5100 or visit us on Facebook. Email: Hometowntravel@comcast.net

As always, be safe, stay healthy and travel!



NANCY'S FABULOUS FRIDAY BLAST

IRELAND 2.0 (2021)

FATHER KEVIN WILL ESCORT A PRIVATE JOURNEY TO IRELAND WITH BELFAST AND GIANTS CAUSEWAY

APRIL 8-16, 2021

Round trip airfare on United from Newark (including all current government fees and taxes), seven hotel nights (2-Westport, 1-Donnegal, 2-Belfast & 2-Dublin) with private facilities and full Irish breakfast; including day of arrival.

Six dinners including Taste n' Tour Belfast and a dinner show at Taylors Three Rock. Highlights include: Cliffs of Moher, Achill Island, Mass at Knock Shrine, Giants Causeway, Guinness Brewery, Titanic Belfast along with a city tour there and Dublin and Derry.

\$3,499 PP Double with insurance \$250 (Singles +\$600 with +\$50 insurance)

JOIN TARA AND FATHER KEVIN INFORMATIVE PRESENTATION AT 4:00 PM ON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 AT THE CENTER

BECAUSE OF SPACE CONSTRAINTS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING LIMITED SEATING WILL BE AVAILABLE

SO PLEASE CALL TARA TO RSVP ASAP.

ICELAND AND GREENLAND BUCKET LIST TRANS-ATLANTIC CRUISE ON CELEBRITY'S SUMMIT AUGUST 1-15, 2021 LEAVING FROM BAYONNE AND FLYING BACK FROM LONDON.

Visit Halifax. Qaqortoq and cruise Prins Christian Sund in Greenland along with an overnight in Reykjavik Iceland and a full day on the north shore at Akureyri. Kirkwall, Scotland and six non-consecutive days at sea make this bucket list trip and adventure of a lifetime. Our special rates include cruise accommodations as selected, classic beverage package and prepaid gratuities. Limited availability. Call for rates and additional information.

PARAPROSDOKIAN THOUGHTS

A paraprosdokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. It is frequently used for humor or dramatic effect, eg.

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

War does not determine who is right—only who is left.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian anymore than standing in a garage makes you a car.

The early bird might catch the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

Celebrity Cruises' DREAM BIG SALE

Book by August 31, 2020

Sail Range November 2, 2020—May 4, 2021



Sail Plus Gets 3 Free Perks for All Guests in the same stateroom Inside through Aqua Class staterooms.

Classic Beverage Package, Unlimited Internet, and Prepaid Gratuities

Book the best premium cruise line, and everyone in each stateroom gets everything they
need for an unforgettable escape — from
Classic Beverage Packages to Unlimited Internet Packages. We'll even take care of their gratuities, so all they have to do is relax. Plus,
they can save up to \$200 per person on cruise
fares.*

But hurry!

this Dream BIG Sale ends August 31.



Who Are They (or AKA)?

- 1. Archibald Leach
- 2. Robert Allan Zimmerman
- 3. Anna Mae Bullock
- 4. Marion Morrison
- 5. Caryn Elaine Johnson
- 6. William Henry Pratt
- 7. Roy Harold Scherer, Jr.
- 8. Arthur Stanley Jefferson
- 9. Issur Danielovitch Demsky
- 10. John Charles Carter
- 11. Ernest Evans
- 12. Allen Stewart Konigsberg
- 13. Demetria Gene Guynes
- 14. Reginald Kenneth Dwight
- 15.Ellis Otha Bates

CDC Removes 14-Day Quarantine Recommendation When Returning From Travels

The **U.S.** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on Friday, August 21, updated its requirements for travel during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic. Among the changes: It dropped the recommended 14-day quarantine for those returning to the **U.S.** from international destinations or from areas with a high concentration of coronavirus cases.

Despite the update, under the "After You Travel" category, the CDC notes, "You may have been exposed to COVID-19 on your travels. You may feel well and not have any symptoms, but you can be contagious without symptoms and spread the virus to others. You and your travel companions (including children) pose a risk to your family, friends, and community for 14 days after you were exposed to the virus."

To that extent, the CDC still recommends that you should stay at least six feet apart from others, wear a mask over your nose and mouth and wash your hands (or use hand sanitizer). Additionally, the CDC says to follow <u>state and territorial</u> and local recommendations or requirements after travel.

If you're considering where to travel, the CDC offers <u>COVID-19 travel recommendations by destination</u>. **New Zealand**, **Fiji** and **Thailand** are designated as "low," as are several **Caribbean** islands, including **St. Lucia**, **St. Barth's**, **Bonaire**, **Sint Eustatius**, and **Saba**. **Malaysia** is designated as "moderate."



For the Zucchini Cakes

3 cups shredded zucchini, 2 cups breadcrumbs, ¼ cup grated parmesan cheese, 2 tsp finely chopped fresh basil, 2 tsp finely chopped oregano, 2 tsp minced garlic, Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper, 4 large eggs, ½ cup buttermilk and ¼ cup vegetable oil.

Directions

Make herb sour cream. Whisk sour cream, dill and chives in a medium bowl and set aside.

Make zucchini cakes. Mix zucchini, breadcrumbs, parmesan, basil, oregano, garlic, 1 tsp salt, ½ tsp pepper in a large bowl, whisk the eggs with the buttermilk, then stir together.

In a large skillet, heat the vegetable oil over medium heat. Working in batches, form patties with zucchini batter (about ¼ cup for each) and add to the skillet. Pan fry cakes until golden brown, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Drain on paper towels and sprinkle with salt. Serve while hot and crisp with the herb sour cream.

For the Herb Sour Cream

2 cups sour cream

- 1 tablespoon minced fresh chives
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill

Cota Rica Opening in September

Costa Rica plans to reopen to back tourists from six US states in September. Residents of Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, and Vermont will be allowed to enter Costa Rica.

Upon arrival, US travelers must present negative results from a COVID-19 test taken within 48 hours prior to the trip, as well as a valid driver's license.



Travelers' Top Tips to Pack Smart

Pack light to travel light. If you can manage with a carry-on, do it. Try taking half of the things you need and twice the money. You can make buying a few new items a fun part of the adventure.

Pack a sleep mask and ear plugs. These can come in handy on a plane, train or in your hotel room.

Capitalize on empty suitcase space. Roll your clothes, instead of folding them. Stuff socks, underwear, and accessories inside of shoes. Leave no space unused.

Keep a sarong or pashmina in your carry-on. They can be used as a blanket on the plane, a scarf if it's cold or a shawl on an evening out.

Bag it. Kitchen sandwich bags can be used to hold your accessories, vacuum pack bags can be space savers, and trash bags have multiple uses (laundry bag, shoe covers).

Skip airport snacks and bring your own. You can save yourself a bit of money and keep your hunger at bay in case you have a delayed flight.

Create compartments. Two words: packing cube. If you are visiting more than one city during your trip, packing cubes will keep your suitcase organized and save you from having to pack and unpack.

Share your packing space. Traveling as a couple? Split your clothes between two suitcases on the off chance one of them gets lost during the flight.

Bring a multi-socket extension cord. Although newer hotels have USB ports in rooms, it's best to have an extra outlet to charge all of your electronics at once.

Make photocopies before leaving home. If you are traveling out of the country, make two photocopies of your passport. Use your smartphone to take pictures of your car in the airport's parking garage and do the same for your luggage and its contents in case it gets lost.

JOIN US FOR SOME WINE AND TAPAS (RESCHEDULED FROM THIS PAST APRIL)

ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH AT 600 PM

FIND OUT ALL THE INFORMATION ON THE GROUP TO PORTUGAL APRIL 24-MAY 6, 2021

PAINTED CANYONS OF THE WEST (featuring Utah's five National Parks) OCTOBER 3-11, 2021

IMPERIAL CITIES WITH OBERAMMERGAU SEPTEMBER 19-29, 2022

WE WILL CALL AND RECONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT

***THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT OUR OFFICE (128 BARTLETT AVE., WEST CREEK) ***

NOT AT THE CENTER

A SPECIAL RATE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL THOSE WHO ATTEND

Carnival to Name New Ship Carnival Celebration

With the help of celebrity partners past and present, **Carnival Cruise Line** announced that its next **Excel**-class ship arriving in 2022 to coincide with its 50th birthday celebration will be named **Carnival Celebration**.

Carnival Celebration will begin sailing from **PortMiami** in November 2022, and will be a sister ship to **Mardi Gras**, the first in the Excel series scheduled to enter service on February 6, 2021 from **Port Canaveral**, **FL**.

The addition of *Carnival Celebration* to Miami will maintain PortMiami's position as the top embarkation port for Carnival Cruise Line.

The name *Carnival Celebration* couldn't be more perfect for a ship that will be a key component of Carnival's 50th birthday festivities. *Carnival Celebration* is our 50th birthday present to our guests!"

Carnival Celebration will include many of the features that loyal guests can't wait to see on Mardi Gras, including BOLT, the first roller coaster at sea, along with some unique design features.

Carnival's 50th Birthday celebration kicks off in March 2022—the company's birthday month—with a series of commemorative sailings that will feature special entertainment and itineraries then continue all year long, culminating with the arrival of *Carnival Celebration* to Miami in November 2022.

Dear Nancy,

Thank you for all of your efforts and hard work planning our trips, which have been phenomenal. Sadly, we had to cancel our upcoming National Parks Tour, but because of your persistence and hard work, we are receiving a full refund, for which we are so grateful. Can't wait to see what adventure you'll have in store for us, hopefully in the near future.

With much gratitude,

Gary & Anne

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Cary Grant
2. Bob Dylan
3. Tina Turner
4. John Wayne
5. Whoopie Goldberg
6. Boris Karloff
7. Rock Hudson
8. Stan Laurel
9. Kirk Douglas
10. Charlton Heston
11. Chubby Checker
12. Woody Allen
13. Demi Moore
14. Elton John
15. Bo Didley

