

SPRING 2020 TRIP GUIDE

ALLEN R. BACA CENTER

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REGISTRATION BEGINS TUESDAY, JANUARY 28TH!

Registration opens at
www.RoundRockRecreation.com at midnight
and at 8:00am in the office.

COME TRAVEL WITH THE BACA CENTER! WE'RE GOING PLACES!

TRIP GUIDELINES & PROCEDURES

The Baca Center plans trips for adults 50+ within a 2.5 hour radius and travels to various cities, museums, theaters, restaurants, holiday lights, performances, and many more places of interest. **Please read and review our policies and procedures for participating on trips.** By registering, you acknowledge and accept the guidelines and procedures.

- ◆ Cost for trips listed is the cost for members, non-members pay \$5 additional for each trip. All payments are due at the time of registration.
- ◆ Members can register one additional person (50+) at the time of registration, however if they are a non-member, we will need their address, phone number, date of birth and a signed waiver.
- ◆ Due to the bus configuration, there is room for only one wheelchair on trips. Participants with a disability or a physical condition requiring them to use a wheelchair **MUST** call Dawn to register on the day of registration. Some trips may indicate no wheelchair due to the venue or no safe location to load/unload the lift. Wheelchair participants **MUST** be accompanied by a companion or caregiver to assist with accessibility situations. The bus driver can only give assistance loading/unloading off the bus.
- ◆ Please arrive **NO MORE** than 30 minutes prior to a trip and **NO LESS** than 15 minutes. All participants **MUST** be on the bus no less than 5 minutes prior to departure. If you are late, the bus will leave you behind and there will be no refund for the trip.
- ◆ Participants can save **ONE** additional seat. The seat you select is your seat for the entire trip. You must follow all instructions given by the bus driver such as asking to relocate or share seats. Those that fail to do so may not be permitted on future trips for up to six months.
- ◆ Participants are not permitted to meet us at the trip location and all participants that ride to a location must return on the bus.
- ◆ Participants taking trips during Baca business hours, are asked to park in the lower level of the garage or Centennial Plaza parking lot. If able, please leave the handicap spaces for members attending the center.
- ◆ Only those registered for a trip can participate. There are **NO** last minute registrations and **NO** substitutions on the day of the trip.
- ◆ Times and events are subject to change. Return time is an estimated time of return, depending on traffic, event wrap up, and any travel delays. When appropriate the bus may be available to board and wait until the entire group has returned to the bus at the designated time, **this does not mean the trip will be returning early.**
- ◆ Those that return to the bus more than 10 minutes late to the designated meeting time may not be permitted on future trips for up to six months.
- ◆ Cost for meals will vary by type of restaurant. Participants are responsible for checking meal costs ahead of time through restaurant/venue website. An 8-20% gratuity may be charged.
- ◆ Snacks/drinks are permitted on the bus. For long trips, we may only stop for lunch, so bring food for later. The bus stops every 1.5 hours for a restroom break provided the trip is longer than 2 hours away.
- ◆ Please be sure to double check for your items when leaving the bus and please dispose of your trash.
- ◆ Call the Baca Center for lost and found items left on the bus.

TRIP CANCELLATION POLICY

In the event of a cancellation, a CREDIT for the amount of the trip will be added to your account **ONLY** IF:

- 1) The Allen R. Baca Center cancels the trip.
- 2) A substitution has been made from the waiting list to fill your spot.
 - A) If no substitution can be made and the request is made 14 calendar days or less from the start date of the trip, all fees are forfeited.
 - B) If no substitution can be made and the request is made 14 calendar days or more from the start date of the trip, a credit for the amount of the trip will be applied to your account or you will be assessed a \$25 processing fee for a refund.

REGISTRATION FOR TRIPS WILL BEGIN ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020 AT 8:00 AM

Remember to make sure your membership is current for 2020 trips.

Register in person; register by phone: 512-218-5499; OR register online at: www.roundrockrecreation.com

VARIOUS TRIP INFORMATION/UPDATES—PLEASE READ

There are a few places in Texas that we would LOVE to visit however for various reasons that is not possible. The center only travels within a 2.5 hour radius. Here is a compiled list of some locations that have been requested and why we are not able to visit.

1. *Magnolia Restaurant* in Waco—They do not take reservations and the line is usually wrapped around the building.
2. *Bamberger Ranch*—The ranch charges a fee of \$25/person for a tour. For our value, that is too high of a fee for a trip.
3. *Johnson City Exotic Zoo*—This ranch no longer does tours, you must stay overnight to tour the ranch.
4. *Casinos*—We do not do overnight trips and there are no casinos close enough to the center for a day trip.
5. *Governor's Mansion*—They require a current driver's license for each person on the trip 2 weeks in advance to run a background check. This is not feasible for a trip.
6. *Houston, Galveston, Dallas, Ft. Worth, etc.*—There are great things to see in these towns, however they are just outside of our 2.5 hour maximum.
7. *Various Restaurants*—There are some restaurants that will not accept reservations or they are unable to fit a full trip of 30 participants inside their restaurants. These restaurants are unfeasible for our group.

Please feel free to give us your trip suggestions that are within our travel parameters.

Tuesday, February 11

Depart: 9:00 am

Return: 1:00 pm

Cost: \$8 (Meal & Shopping
OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33064

STATE SURPLUS STORE & MORE

We will begin our trip at the State Surplus Store, which is a warehouse of lost or confiscated items from the airport. They sell everything from vehicles, office furniture, pocket knives, shoes, sunglasses, watches, etc. After the surplus store, we will stop for lunch at Pinthouse Pizza and then shop along Burnet Road. A few of the stores we may visit will be It's New to Me Consignment; Assistance League of Austin; and others if time permits.

www.tfc.state.tx.us/divisions/supportserv/prog/statesurplus

www.pinthousepizza.com

www.itsnewtomeaustin.com

Tuesday, February 18

Depart: 8:00 am

Return: 5:00 pm

Cost: \$28 (Meal OYO &
Ticket Included)

Where: La Vernia

Course #33065

TEXAS TULIPS, HARMON'S BBQ & WATER GARDEN GEMS

We will head towards San Antonio and our first stop will be the newly opened tulip farm in La Vernia (There is a slim chance they will not be open if weather is not favorable). Each person will have an opportunity to choose 2 free tulips to take home. The farm has 100 varieties of tulips to choose from. Our next stop will be lunch at Harmon's BBQ. Our last stop will be at the Water Garden Gems. This garden center has a large selection of Japanese Koi fish which can be fed. They also have over 50 colors of water lilies in their dozens of water ponds. No wheelchairs due to venue.

www.texas-tulips.com

www.harmonsbqq.com

www.watgardengems.com

Wednesday, February 26

Depart: 8:30 am

Return: 1:30 pm

Cost: \$21 (Meal OYO; Ticket Included)

Where: Austin

Course #33066**BOB BULLOCK MUSEUM & SCHOLZ GARTEN**

The Bob Bullock tells the great story of Texas. If available, we will have a docent for the tour of the museum and their newest exhibits Fashion Forward which features the evolution of style and how we think of clothes; and This Light of Ours which is a black and white visual story of the struggle of segregation. We will have lunch at Scholz Garten before returning to Round Rock.

Sunday, March 1

Depart: 2:00 pm

Return: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$25 (Ticket Included)

Where: Leander

Course #33067**BUT WHY BUMP OFF BARNABY AT WAY OFF BROADWAY**

Prodigal Barnaby is now the late Barnaby! While Barnaby has motive to murder everybody, no one has reason to want him dead and if the Butler didn't do it, who did? Murder is only one of this bizarre family's worries: secret treasure, coded limericks, poisoned sherry, and imminent DOOM falls like an ACME anvil before the killer is hilariously unmasked.

www.wobcp.org**Thursday, March 5**

Depart: 5:00 pm

Return: 11:00 pm

Cost: \$12 (Ticket & Meal OYO)

Where: Bastrop

Course #33068**THE FARM STREET OPRY**

Join us for our first trip to The Farm Street Opry in Bastrop. There will be live music by local musicians beginning at 7:00 pm. We will arrive early to get our seats and there will be dinner concessions by Roadhouse at the venue. Feel free to dance the night away on their back-of-the-house dance floor. Cost is \$7.50 at the door on your own, CASH ONLY.

www.farmstreetopry.com**Tuesday, March 10**

Depart: 8:30 am

Return: 1:30 pm

Cost: \$12 (Meal OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33069**LBJ LIBRARY & YETI FLAGSHIP STORE**

Join us for a trip to downtown Austin with our first stop being the LBJ Library. They will have a new exhibit all about LadyBird Johnson. After the library we will go to Gus's Fried Chicken which is world famous for their fried chicken. After lunch and if time permits we will stop by the Yeti Flagship Store that recently opened in Austin. Here you can shop for all things Yeti.

www.lbjlibrary.org**www.gusfriedchicken.com****www.yeti.com****Sunday, March 15**

Depart: 1:00 pm

Return: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$24 (Ticket Included)

Where: Bastrop

Course #33070**NEIL SIMON'S FOOLS AT BASTROP OPERA HOUSE**

This play is known to be one of the brightest, freshest and funniest on Broadway. Leon Tolchinsky is tasked with breaking the 200 year curse of Chronic Stupidity in a small Russian town where he just arrived. Upon arrival he finds people sweeping dust from the stoop back into their houses and people milking upside down to get more cream. Leon only has 24 hours to break the curse, can he do it?

www.bastropoperahouse.com

Tuesday, March 24

Depart: 7:30 am

Return: 5:30 pm

Cost: \$30 (Meal & \$3

Donation OYO)

Where: San Antonio

Course #33071**HOLOCAUST MUSEUM & TOYOTA MANUFACTURING PLANT**

We will begin our trip with a tour of the Holocaust Memorial Museum and tour three primary exhibits which will include the Nazi rise to power; 12 years of Nazi rule across Europe; and In America—Response to the Holocaust. On our way to the Toyota Manufacturing plant, we will stop at Don Pedro's for lunch. We will then tour the Toyota plant before heading back to Round Rock. The plant has some guidelines for the tour: NO cameras or cell phones; must present a valid photo ID; NO purses, backpacks, briefcases; must wear long pants, shirts with sleeves, closed toe shoes. The Holocaust Museum will be a \$3 donation per person, CASH ONLY.

Friday, March 27

Depart: 9:30 am

Return: 3:30 pm

Cost: \$9 (Meal OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33072**THE GREAT OUTDOORS NURSERY & MAGNOLIA CAFE**

This trip is open to Garden Club members only until February 4 and then it will open to everyone. The trip will begin with breakfast at Magnolia Café which offers a full breakfast. After breakfast, we will get a tour and presentation by Mark Gibbs. The Great Outdoors Nursery which features 2 acres of majestic oak trees, serene waterfall, a gigantic windchime, orchid room, gift store and a tropical greenhouse.

www.gonursery.comwww.magnoliacafeaustin.com**Tuesday, March 31**

Depart: 9:00 am

Return: 1:00 pm

Cost: \$8 (Meal OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33073**TRADER JOE'S & CHEESECAKE FACTORY**

Trader Joe's is known for packaging innovative, hard-to-find, great-tasting foods at their local stores. Make sure you bring your own shopping bags on this trip. After our shopping, we will go to The Cheesecake Factory for lunch. They have lunch specials and a large menu of items to choose from not to mention many great cheesecakes.

www.traderjoes.com**Thursday, April 2**

Depart: 8:00 am

Return: 1:00 pm

Cost: \$38 (Meal OYO, Ticket Included)

Where: Austin

Course #33074**THISTLE CAFÉ & AUSTIN DUCK ADVENTURES**

We will stop for breakfast at Thistle Café and then hop on the Duck Adventures for a unique tour of Austin and LadyBird Lake. No wheelchairs for this trip and participants will have to climb a few steps into the Duck Adventure vehicle. The adventure tour is 1.5 hours long and you are welcome to bring food and beverage on the vehicle.

www.thistlecafe.com**Sunday, April 5**

Depart: 2:00 pm

Return: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$25 (Ticket Included)

Where: Leander

Course #33076**MURDERED TO DEATH AT WAY OFF BROADWAY**

This play is a hilarious spoof of Agatha Christie and is set in a country manor house in the 1930s with a butler; English Colonel; a shady French art dealer and his moll; bumbling local inspector and a well meaning local sleuth who seems to attract murder wherever she goes. This is a side-splitting show that is sure to please the masses.

www.wobcp.org

Tuesday, April 7

Depart: 8:30 am
 Return: 4:30 pm
 Cost: \$28 (Meal OYO, Ticket Included)
 Where: San Marcos
Course #33077

WONDERWORLD CAVE & ROOT CELLAR CAFE

Join us on a unique adventure as we take a train ride through a petting zoo and splash through the cascading waterfall of mystery mountain. We will have an opportunity to pet and feed the animals from the train (animal food purchase OYO). The Balcones Fault Line cave was discovered in 1893 and became a tourist attraction in 1903. For those adventurous tourists check out the observation tower and anti-gravity house that you are welcome to pay and experience on your own. No wheelchairs due to venue.
www.wonderworldpark.com

Thursday, April 16

Depart: 8:00 am
 Return: 5:00 pm
 Cost: \$32 (Meal & Museum OYO; Garden Ticket Included)
 Where: San Antonio
Course #33078

SAN ANTONIO BOTANICAL GARDENS & FIREHOUSE MUSEUM

The gardens will be in full bloom and has 38 acres to discover on your own. After the gardens, we will go to Margaritaville for lunch. They offer a huge menu and great margaritas. Heading home, we will stop by the Firehouse Museum for a tour and history of one of the most notable fire museum's in the country. We will see antique firetrucks and equipment dating back to the 1800's. Please bring \$2 cash for the Fire Museum tour.
www.sabot.org
www.margaritavillesanantonio.com

Wednesday, April 22

Depart: 9:45 am
 Return: 11:45 am
 Cost: \$4
 Where: Round Rock
Course #33079

THE WOODBINE MANSION

The "mansion" was under construction in 1895 and completed in 1900 for the Nelson family. Three generations of the Nelson family have lived in this 7,828 square foot historic home. The home is now a venue for events and has been remodeled. We will get a personal tour of the mansion. It is sure to impress. There are stairs to the 2nd and 3rd floor. No wheelchairs or walkers due to venue.
www.thewoodbinemansion.com

Thursday, April 23

Depart: 8:00 am
 Return: 5:00 pm
 Cost: \$31 (Meal, Tip OYO & Ticket Included)
 Where: Schulenburg
Course #33081

PAINTED CHURCHES OF SCHULENBURG

We will travel to Schulenburg which has been deemed the Official Home of the Painted Churches by the 79th Legislature. We will have a step-on tour guide who will give us a special tour of the most beautiful churches in Texas. We will stop for lunch at Oakridge Smokehouse. This trip fills up quickly, so register early. Please bring \$2 cash to tip the tour guide. No wheelchairs due to no safe areas to unload lift.
www.oakridge-smokehouse.com
www.schulenburgchamber.org/painted-churches-tour

Tuesday, April 28

Depart: 8:00 am
 Return: 5:00 pm
 Cost: \$36 (Ticket Incl. & Meal OYO)
 Where: Burnet
Course #33082

MAMA'S HOME COOKING & VANISHING TEXAS RIVER CRUISE

Join us for breakfast at Mama's Home Cooking which offers a full breakfast and specials. We will then board a boat for a 22 mile cruise along the Colorado River Canyon for spectacular views of waterfalls, towering cliffs, abundant native wildlife and world-class birding. Feel free to bring your binoculars to spot the wildlife.
www.vtrc.com

Thursday, April 30

Depart: 8:00 am

Return: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$15 (Donation & Meal OYO)

Where: Hico

Course #33083**BILLY THE KID MUSEUM & HICO SHOPPING**

We will travel to Hico and begin our day with a tour at the Billy the Kid Museum followed by lunch at EIS and shopping around town. There are several stores within walking distance of each other for shopping. EIS offers homemade sandwiches and salads and ice cream. Please bring \$2 CASH donation for museum.

www.billythekidmuseum.org**www.hicosupstairsinn.com/eis****Sunday, May 3**

Depart: 10:30 am

Return: 4:30 pm

Cost: \$8 (Meal OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33084**AUSTIN PECAN STREET FESTIVAL**

Calling all shoppers and live music lovers! We will head down to 6th Street for the annual Pecan Street Festival. This festival is one of the longest running craft/music festivals in the City of Austin. There will be plenty of unique vendors and several areas with live music plus lots of food vendors. Participants will be dropped off and picked up at a set location designated by the driver. The festival covers six blocks of downtown and has three music stages.

www.pecanstreetfestival.org**Thursday, May 7**

Depart: 8:30 am

Return: 4:30 pm

Cost: \$26 (Meal OYO)

Where: San Marcos

Course #33085**AQUARENA SPRINGS & GRINS RESTAURANT**

This will be our first trip at Aquarena Springs for a glass bottom boat tour. The upper San Marcos River is one of the most biologically diverse aquatic ecosystems known in the southwestern United States and has a number of endemic species that are isolated to the upper 4.5 miles of the river. The glass bottom boat will give us an opportunity to see aquatic species and plants. After the tour, we will head over to Grins Restaurant for a delicious lunch. This restaurant has been in business since 1975 and offers a huge menu of choices. If time permits we will stop at a few places for shopping.

www.meadowscenter.txstate.edu/Education/Glass-BottomBoats.html**Tuesday, May 12**

Depart: 8:00 am

Return: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$24 (Meal OYO)

Where: Shiner

Course #33086**SPOETZL BREWERY & SHINER**

This trip will begin at the Spoetzl Brewery for a tour and beer tasting. After the brewery we will head to the Shiner Chamber of Commerce which is housed in the historic Ehlers Cigar Factory. They have a gift shop and lots of historical information about Shiner. We will then have lunch at Werner's Steakhouse. After lunch, we will stop at a few local stores to shop.

www.shiner.com**Friday, May 15**

Depart: 6:30 pm

Return: 10:30 pm

Cost: \$45 (Ticket Incl.)

Where: Austin

Course #33087**ESTHER'S FOLLIES**

Esther's Follies follows the funny in Washington, nationwide, around the world and in Austin—with political and social satire sketches, musical numbers, and magical illusions. Ray Anderson's magic continues to baffle the audiences with his big illusions, and the cast of Esther's parodies are ripped right from the headlines. They do sell adult beverages and popcorn. No wheelchairs due to no nearby parking or convenient loading and unloading zone.

www.esthersfollies.com

Sunday, May 17

Depart: 1:00 pm

Return: 5:00 pm

Cost: \$48 (Ticket Incl.)

Where: Austin

Course #33088**MAMA MIA AT PALACE THEATER**

Here we go again!! This popular musical will be at the Springer Mainstage at the Palace. On the eve of Sophie's wedding she begins her quest to identify her father, bringing three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago. A mother, a daughter, three possible dads. It's a trip down the aisle you will never forget. The minimum for this trip will be 28 people so we can get the group discount.

www.georgetownpalace.com

HIKING TRIP

The hiking trip is for those that can walk 3-5 miles at a brisk pace and keep up with the group. Hikers are encouraged to bring 2 bottles of water, sunscreen, appropriate clothing/shoes and a walking stick if needed. Those with a walker or wheelchair are not permitted on the hiking trips. We also encourage NO hiking alone. Please start and stay with a group for your own safety.

Tuesday, May 5

Depart: 8:30 am

Return: 1:30 pm

Cost: \$8 (Meal OYO)

Where: Austin

Course #33089**ST. EDWARD'S PARK TRAIL**

This park has 2 trails that can be hiked, the hill trail and creek trail. The creek trail does have some uphill areas but offers some great scenery of Bull Creek and its waterfalls. You can also get an overlook of the city of Austin and one of the biggest cactus patches in Austin. The hill trail is more of a challenge. Hikers will be dropped off near the trail head and will be given a set time to return for pick up. Feel free to bring a sack lunch and have lunch along the trail. There are no fees to enter the park and please make sure you return on time for the return home trip.

www.austintexas.gov/page/trail-directory#s

**FALL TRIP REGISTRATION
WILL BEGIN ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25!**

**See Fall Trip Guide for scheduled trips
(to be released by August 15)**

TRIPS WILL NOT BE OFFERED JUNE - AUGUST

SPRING TRIP REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Here are the ways you can register for our spring trips:

1. **ONLINE at www.roundrockrecreation.com**—This is the easiest way and can be done beginning at midnight on January 28. As a Baca Center member, you already have an online account with Round Rock Parks and Recreation Department. Please do NOT create a new account, as it will not recognize your membership and you will be charged the additional \$5 per trip.

If you have NEVER accessed your account online, we will need to send you a temporary password. Please request it at from the Baca Center Front Desk or call 512-218-5549 PRIOR to January 27.

If you have accessed your account online before, but don't know your password, select Forgot Your Password and a temporary one will be emailed to you. The email address must match the one we have on file for you. If you are unsure of the email we have on file for you, please request it at from the Baca Center Front Desk or call 512-218-5549 PRIOR to January 27.

2. **IN PERSON AT THE BACA CENTER**—This will be first come, first served with numbers handed out at 7:00 am when the building opens. Registration will begin at 8:00 am sharp. Please have your trip registration sheet completed and your payment ready to expedite the process. There is no need to arrive at the center before 7:00 am.

3. **PHONE IN REGISTRATION**—Please only call ONCE and leave a short message with your name and phone number. Calls will be returned in the order they are received. Calling more than once will not get you registered any quicker, as we will not be answering the phone until all phone calls have been returned. Please have your trip sheet completed and your payment ready. Make sure you keep your phone and this information handy. If we call and you do not answer, you will go to the bottom of the list.

Full payment is due at the time of registration. We accept cash, check made to City of Round Rock, Visa or Mastercard. Only credit cards will be an acceptable form of payment over the phone. If you would like to register one other person and they are NOT on your account, we will need name, address, date of birth and phone number and signed waiver to complete their registration. Please remember, only those 50+ can travel with the Baca Center and non-members pay an additional \$5/trip.



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Name: _____ **Baca Center Member** ____ **Yes** ____ **No** **Phone Number:** _____

YES	Trip #	Name of Trip	Notes	Cost
	33064	State Surplus Store		\$8
	33065	TX Tulips & Water Garden Gems	No wheelchairs	\$28
	33066	Bob Bullock & Scholz Garten		\$21
	33067	But Why Bump Off Barnaby		\$25
	33068	The Farm Street Opry	\$7.50 cash for entry	\$12
	33069	LBJ Library & Yeti Flagship Store		\$12
	33070	Neil Simon's Fools at Way Off Broadway		\$24
	33071	Holocaust Museum & Toyota Manufacturing Plant	\$3 cash for museum	\$30
	33072	Great Outdoors Nursery & Magnolia Cafe	Garden Club only until 2/4	\$9
	33073	Trader Joe's & Cheesecake Factory		\$8
	33074	Thistle Café & Austin Duck Adventures	No wheelchairs	\$38
	33076	Murdered to Death at Way Off Broadway		\$25
	33077	Wonderworld Cave & Root Cellar Cafe	No wheelchairs	\$28
	33078	San Antonio Botanical Gardens & Fire Museum	\$2 cash for museum	\$32
	33079	Woodbine Mansion	No wheelchairs/walkers	\$4
	33081	Painted Churches of Schulenburg	No wheelchairs & \$2 tip	\$31
	33082	Mama's Homecooking & Vanishing Texas River Cruise		\$36
	33083	Billy the Kid Museum & Hico Shopping	\$2 cash for museum	\$15
	33084	Austin Pecan Street Festival		\$8
	33085	Aquarena Springs & Grins Restaurant		\$26
	33086	Spoetzl Brewery & Shiner		\$25
	33087	Esther's Follies	No wheelchairs	\$45
	33088	Mama Mia at Palace Theater		\$48
	33089	Hike—St. Edward's Park Trail		\$8
			TOTAL PAYMENT DUE:	

☐ By checking this box and signing this form, I have read and understand the Baca Center trip guidelines and procedures and will abide by them on all trips. Tickets are included unless specified and all trips with a meal are on your own, additional fees are listed.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Office Use Only:

Payment Amount: _____ Form of Payment: Cash Check # _____ Credit Card Employee Initials: _____