



Discover the *Wonder* in the Wonder City: Hopewell, VA Wednesday, March 28, 2018

**ILR Day Trip: One bus: Minimum 40; Two buses: Minimum 70, Maximum 80
Depart 7:30 am, Target, 1245 N. Military Highway, Norfolk; Est. return 7 pm**

**Cost: \$82 per person (including bus, entry fees, lunch, snacks, taxes and tips)
Trip Activity Level:** moderately active requiring some walking on uneven surfaces.

Join us on a day-long tour of Hopewell (once City Point), the “oldest continuously-inhabited English speaking settlement in the U.S.” Established in 1613 at the confluence of the James and Appomattox Rivers, **Hopewell** celebrated its 100th birthday as an incorporated city in 2016. A major industrial complex in 1914, Hopewell experienced and rebounded from a devastating fire in 1915, earning the nickname, *The Wonder City*. Later, the “Wonder City” came to prosperity as a result of manufacturing to meet the needs of our military in World War I.

We will visit Plantations, Museums and enjoy a delicious lunch in an historic property including:

The Beacon Theater, once abandoned, now a beautifully restored 1928 silent movie and Vaudeville theater where “Lash LaRue” and Sally Rand performed.

City Point and Appomattox Plantation: In 1635, Appomattox Plantation was patented to Captain Francis Eppes, 2,300 acres of prime property where Appomattox Manor was built in 1763 and survived the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. During the Civil War it was the HQ of General U. S. Grant who met with President Lincoln on the property.

Weston Plantation, the last remaining plantation on the Appomattox River, is on the National Register. It has very distinctive moldings, wainscoting and chair rails and most of the interior is original. You will enjoy the stories; you will LOVE the gift shop, *All Manor of Things*.

Lunch will be at the original and historic **Half Way House**, now restaurant, built in 1760 on a land grant from George II. The Half Way House is furnished with antiques and was once a horse change and rest stop halfway between Richmond and Petersburg. You are a very special guest, following in the footsteps of: the Marquis de Lafayette, Patrick Henry, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Generals Lee and Grant (presumably not together).

Fort Lee, formerly known as Camp Lee, celebrates its 100th birthday in 2017. The **U. S. Army Quartermaster Museum**, has a special World War I exhibit, General Patton’s tank and General Eisenhower’s WW II field quarters. Next door is the **U. S. Army Women’s Museum**, the only museum in the world dedicated to Army women. Using interactive exhibits, videos, dioramas, and film, it honors women’s contributions to the Army from the American Revolution to the present – amazing stories!



Travel Committee Trip Disclosure Form

This form clarifies the policies of ILR and the commitment of the trip participant

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Sign-up Deadline: Friday, February 16, 2018

One Bus: Minimum 40 participants; Maximum 50 participants
Two Buses: Minimum 70 participants; Maximum 80 participants

If interested in this outstanding trip, do not wait until the sign-up deadline to submit paperwork. Spaces are filled in the order of receipt. This is a potential two bus trip. Once the first bus fills (50), we must secure enough registrants (70) to pay for the second bus.

A numerical *wait list* will be kept, if needed, based on submission date of completed paperwork. If you are traveling with a friend, make certain that your paperwork is submitted simultaneously, otherwise travel for both is not guaranteed.

To secure your reservation/s for this ILR Member Trip, return this signed **Trip Disclosure Form, Traveler Questionnaire and Information Form, Class Registration Form and Check, payable to ILR.**

Please initial each statement below. If a couple (i.e. husband and wife) are traveling together, both need to initial and sign this document. Copy for your records.

_____ ILR reserves the right to cancel a trip if the minimum numbers are not met. Money will be refunded.

_____ If a member cancels after the Sign-up Deadline (2/16/18) and a replacement from the *wait list* is secured, a full refund check is issued.

_____ If a member cancels after the Sign-up Deadline (2/16/18), and there is ***NO wait list***, ILR does not issue refunds; however, the member may secure his/her replacement, with an ILR member, making financial arrangements with the replacement and notifying the ILR office no later than March 16, 2018.

_____ **Wait List Policy:** If you are on the *wait list*, ILR will notify you as cancellations are received. Those who are still on the *wait list* at the time of the trip will be issued a full refund check.

_____ Primary communication with trip participants will be by E-mail.

Signature/s: PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND SIGN

PRINTED NAME

_____ **Signature** _____ **Date** _____

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_____ **Signature** _____ **Date** _____

Office Use Only: Date Rec'd _____ Trip \$ Pd _____ Ck. No. _____

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Traveler Questionnaire and Information Form: Complete **one** for *each* trip participant and submit at the same as the other trip paperwork.

Printed Name: _____

Legibly PRINT Email Address: _____

Phone: H: _____ Cell: _____ **Text?** YES
NO

YES NO it is o.k. to leave messages on answering machine/voice mail?

LUNCH, Half Way House: Everyone will get **Soup** (Tomato Bisque) and **Dessert** (Hot Apple Crisp a la Mode)

Choose one of the following Entrees

_____ **Chicken Almond Salad Plate**: Fresh white meat tossed with sliced almonds and pineapple in a light seasoning served with potato salad and seasonal fruit and veggie.

_____ **Beef and Mushroom Pie**: Tenderloin beef chunks together with mushrooms and pearl onions in a hearty beef sauce covered with a golden crust.

_____ **Southern Salmon Salad**: Salmon fillet over baby greens tossed with grated cheeses, Applewood smoked bacon, artichoke hearts, grape tomatoes, roasted red peppers and spiced pecans in buttermilk ranch dressing.

Special Dietary Needs (Vegetarian; Vegan; Gluten Free etc.): _____

Circle One

YES NO Are you interested and/or willing to be a **volunteer photographer** for the ILR newsletter/archives?

YES NO Are you interested and/or willing to be our "**embedded journalist**," to write a summary of our trip experience for the ILR newsletter?

Emergency Contact information

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship _____

Best Contact phone number/s: _____

Trip Schedule: A detailed travel schedule will be available at departure. We will do everything possible to maintain the integrity of the trip as advertised.

Gratuities are included in the cost of the trip: bus driver, restaurant servers and hotel housekeeping staff. Additional "gifts" are a private and personal choice.

Questions? Please **contact any of the Hopewell Travel Committee members, not the ILR Office**: Arlene Ingram (ajingram42@verizon.net, 481-0505), Ingrid Leland (lexleland3@cox.net, 482-0508); Barclay Brown (barclayab@me.com, 479-3771), Pat Dryer (pdryer1@cox.net; 755-6229)