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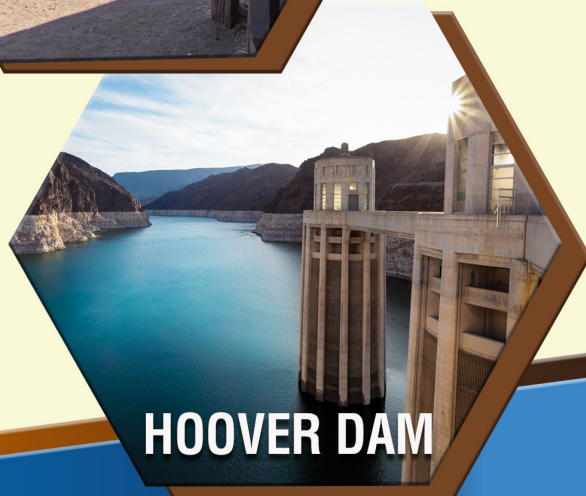
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Editor's Notes

It's hard to believe that it's September already; where did the summer go? The days are getting shorter, and cooler temperatures are a welcome change. It's a great time to start making plans for your next RV get-a-way.

Check-out our Campground Highlight that welcomes two new campgrounds, Page 7. Be sure to visit Magnolia RV Park, LLC in Magnolia, Arkansas, and Windhaven RV Resort in Dubois, Wyoming.

On Page 8, Barbara Oliver shares with us a hidden treasure in Kansas, Two Kansans with a Kodak. Try a fun twist on a traditional meatball recipe, page 11 with the Porcupine Meatballs, zesty and delicious!

Lazelle Jones takes us on a tour of the Pageant of the Masters and Festival of Arts in California, Page 23. Ever wonder where all the letters to Santa goes every year? Candy Clarke shares with us the



journey of letters to Santa, zip code 99705 on page 30.

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We had a group of 9, 7 on motorcycles/2 in a truck with a trailer on the way to Sturgis. We called, Wacky West Travel Park, Valentine, Nebraska, a couple hours out to see if there was any room available; we were told to head on it and the office would stay open for us. We ended up hitting a terrible storm, so we were much later than expected. The office stayed open for us & even let us tent-camp for a VERY reasonable price for 9 people. The owner even offered some garage space to keep those without a tent out of the rain. We were provided with keys to the shower/bathroom facilities and had an amazing experience. Would highly recommend to anyone, but especially to anyone on a bike in need of a travel break for the night.

-Sara Trayner

Hilltop Campground in Robbinston, Maine is not a real fancy campground, but the most welcoming folks I've ever run into in a RV Park. I was the first transient visitor of the season in May '19 and was welcomed like an old friend. This is a family run operation and it shows. The weather was cool, but the atmosphere was warm.

-A.J. Pawlowski

We stayed at Champs Campground and RV Park, Whitehall, New York for three nights in July 2019. Would not hesitate to do so again, nor to recommend it to anyone else. It is located in an excellent location

to explore northeastern New York, western Vermont, and the history therein. The bathrooms and showers are exceptionally clean, and the subtle touches of fresh flowers and artwork are equally welcome and delightful to behold. The park itself is small, which is a good thing in our opinion, since this quality helps to maintain the relaxing ambiance. And the food at the restaurant! Oh, boy! It's great!

-Richard Howe

Laughing Alpaca Campground & RV Park, in Cave Junction, Oregon, has a funny name, but a fun spot. This was a very lovingly cared for RV Park. The young owners have done so much since taking over and even have plans to actually have Alpacas there someday in the future. The spaces are very nice, many shady spots and river front spots on the sleepy Illinois River. Clean bathrooms and a group area to hang in if desired. Stay a few days and Jeff Rene and "Willy" (camp dog greeter), will make you feel at home.

-Eileen Sever

Wow! This place is awesome, Blue Heron RV Park, Hornbrook, CA. We only stayed one night but wish we had time to stay longer. Just 7 miles off I-5 but light years away from the rest of the world. Full hookups on very level concrete pads. Large roomy spaces and oh so very quiet. Restrooms and showers first class (even the floors are

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heated. Our space was right on the Klamath River, so we sat in the big comfy chairs all afternoon and observed all the ducks, geese, osprey, hawks, crows, fish and the river just glide by. The owners and the camp volunteers were friendly and helpful. I would not hesitate to stop here the next time going along I-5 or better yet stop for a few days just to unwind.

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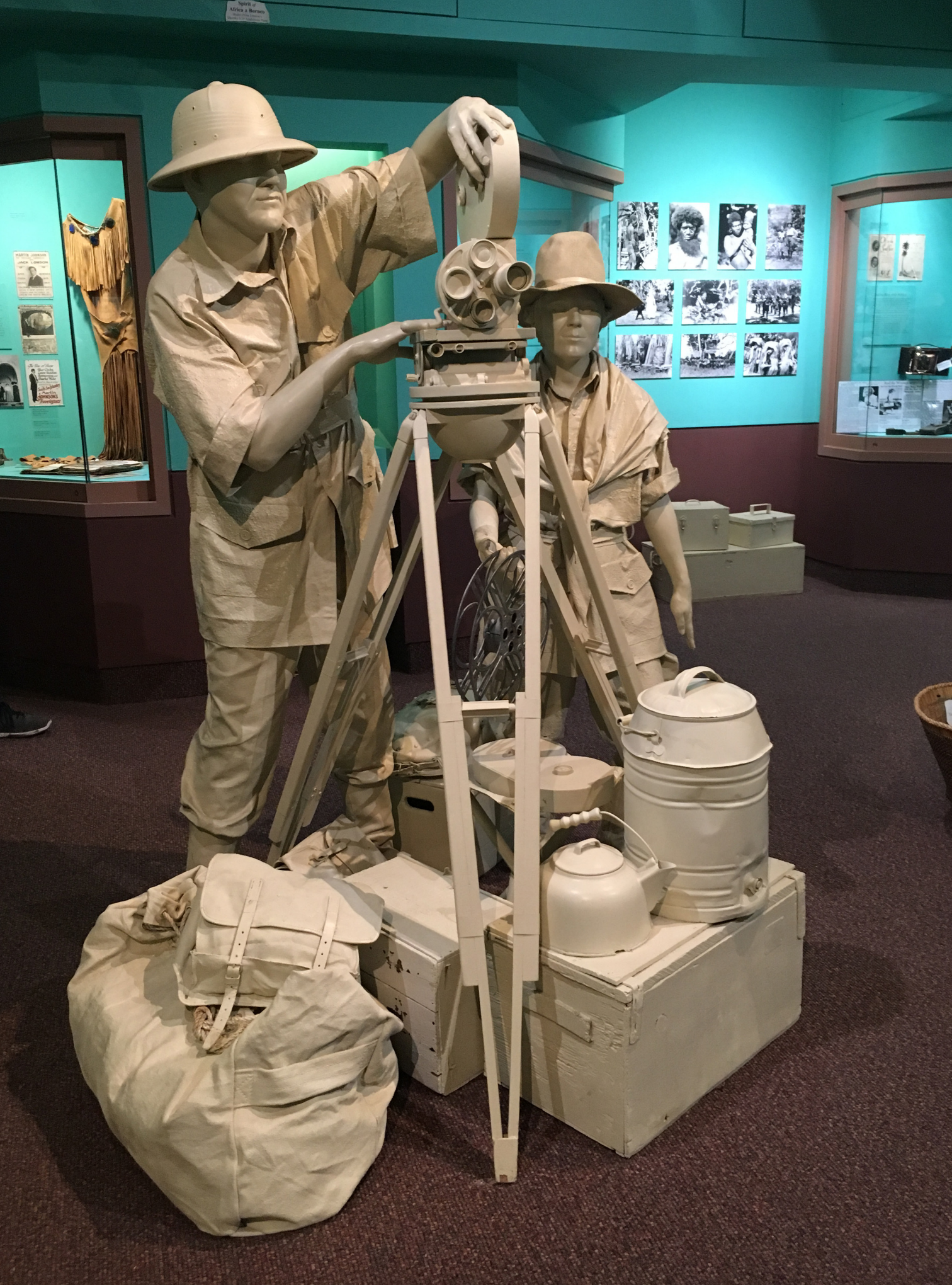
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Two Kansans With A Kodak

Text & Photos by Barbara Oliver

*J*ust recently while traveling some of the back roads of Kansas and in the small town of Chanute, we came across a hidden treasure of a museum...the Martin and Osa Johnson Safari Museum. It is located in the historic Chanute train depot and shares its space with the public library.

The Safari Museum tells the story of two young people, American adventurers, naturalists and documentary filmmakers, who in the first half of the 20th century, captured the public's imagination through their films and books of adventure in exotic, faraway lands. They studied the wildlife and peoples of what was then known as the dark continent.

Ranked the No. 1 Museum in Kansas, the Martin and Osa Johnson Safari Museum features award winning exhibits of their lives and adventures. Two films are offered to visitors. One is 10 minutes and the other more detailed and lasting 80 minutes. There is also a research library and museum gift shop. There is plenty of parking and a small



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Ingredients:

1 tablespoon canola oil
1/2 cup uncooked long grain rice
1/2 cup water
1/3 cup chopped onions
1/2 tsp salt
1/8 tsp pepper
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1 lb ground beef
1 lb ground pork
1 (10-11 oz) can of tomato soup
1/2 cup water
1 1/2 tablespoons brown sugar
1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce



Instructions:

1. Place the canola oil in a large frying pan.
2. In a large mixing bowl combine the rice, water, soup mix, garlic powder, ground beef and ground pork. Mix together well (I always just use my hands since I have to form meatballs anyways) and form into 1 1/2 inch meatballs, around 22-25. They will be loose because of the water, but you need the moisture in there for the rice, trust me they will cook up nicely!
3. Heat a large frying pan and then fry all of the meatballs until golden brown on all sides. When starting, fry them for a long time on the first side, cooking them until they are really browned so that when you flip them, they don't fall apart.
4. Drain the excess fat off, then combine the last four ingredients together and pour over top of the meatballs.
5. Place a lid on top of the pan and simmer on medium-low heat for another 30-45 minutes, until the rice in the meatballs is cooked, stirring every 10 minutes or so.
6. Serve and enjoy! We make rice and serve these and the sauce over top.
7. I have made this recipe and froze in containers, then packed for camping trips. For an easy meal, place frozen food in a crockpot, on low temperature, and by dinnertime, food is good and hot.

Please submit your favorite travel recipes! Include full recipe, photos and author.

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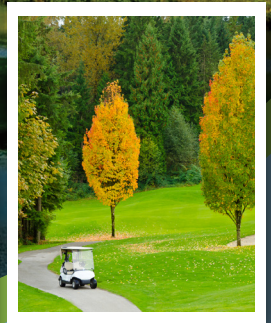
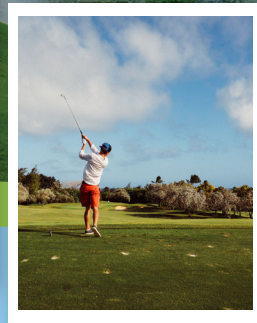
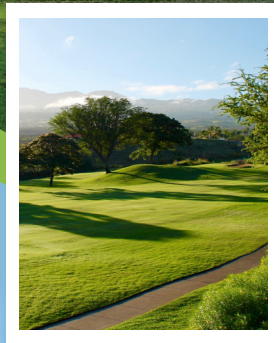
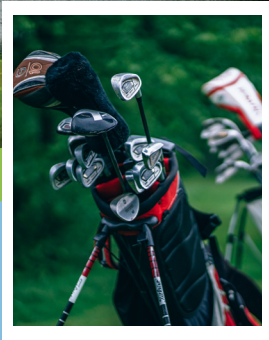
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Rates: \$40.00 - \$50.00
PA Rates: \$20.00 - \$25.00

Dan's Riverview RV Park

5694 Sunny Ridge Rd
Ozark, AR 72949
<https://dans-riverview-rv-park.business.site>
Rates: \$34.50 - \$37.50
PA Rates: \$17.25 - \$18.75

ARIZONA

Zuni Village RV Park

2840 Airway Blvd, Kingman, AZ 86409
www.zunirvpark.com
Rate: \$43.43, PA Rate: \$21.72

CALIFORNIA

Magical Nipton RV Park & Campground

107355 Nipton Rd, Nipton, CA 92364
<https://nipton.com>
Rate: \$35.00, PA Rate: \$17.50

COLORADO

Black Bear RV Park and Resort

7528 US Hwy 50, Howard, CO 81233
www.blackbearrvpark.com
Rates: \$30.00 - \$40.00
PA Rates: \$15.00 - \$20.00

FLORIDA

Trails End RV Park

12900 E Trails End Rd
Floral City, FL 34436
www.RVparkFL.com
Rates: \$45.00 - \$55.00
PA Rates: \$22.50 - \$27.50

Little Charlie Creek RV Park

1850 Heard Bridge Rd
Wauchula, FL 33873
www.littlecharliecreek.com
Rate: \$40.00, PA Rate: \$20.00

IOWA

Updog RV & Camping

105 NJ & J Ln, Mt Pleasant, IA 52641
www.updogrvpark.vpweb.com
Rate: \$30.00, PA Rate: \$15.00

LOUISIANA

Maxie's Campground

4350 Hwy 90 East, Broussard, LA 70518
www.maxiescampground.com
Rates: \$32.00 - \$35.00
PA Rates: \$16.00 - \$17.50

Pavilion RV Park

635 Mane St, West Monroe, LA 71292
www.pavrv.com
Rate: \$34.00, PA Rate: \$17.00

MICHIGAN

Forest Hills Club Clothing Optional Resort

9355 Riverside Dr
Saranac, MI 48881
<https://foresthillsclub.com>
Rate: \$60.00, PA Rate: \$30.00

MISSOURI

Pony Express RV Park LLC

4469 S Hwy 33, Maysville, MO 64469
www.campponyexpress.com
Rate: \$35.00, PA Rates: \$17.50

NEW MEXICO

Hitchin Post RV Park

2309 W Grand Ave, Clovis, NM 88101
Rate: \$36.00, PA Rate: \$18.00

RJ RV Park

2103 S Broadway St
Truth or Consequences, NM 87901
Rate: \$29.00, PA Rate: \$14.50

OKLAHOMA

Arrowhead RV and Tiny House Park

36978 Hwy 19, Pauls Valley, OK 73075
Rates: \$40.00 - \$45.00
PA Rates: \$20.00 - \$22.50

TENNESSEE

Cherokee Trails Campground & Stables

901 Morrell Creek Ln
Bluff City, TN 37618
www.cherokeetrailscampground.com
Rate: \$26.00, PA Rate: \$13.00

New Johnsonville Harbor Campground

130 Harbor Cir
New Johnsonville, TN 37134
Rates: \$49.00 - \$50.00
PA Rates: \$24.50 - \$25.00

TEXAS

Happy Camp RV Park

14095 S Hwy 288 Bus
Angleton, TX 77515
www.happycamprvpark.com
Rate: \$50.00, PA Rate: \$25.00

Little Star RV Park LLC

1833 Hwy 2861
Comanche, TX 76442
<https://littlestarparkllc.com>
Rate: \$24.00, PA Rate: \$12.00

Hitchin' Post RV Park

1674 FM 450 S
Hallsville, TX 75650
Rate: \$27.00, PA Rate: \$13.50

Cross RV Park

100 Cross Park
Henderson, TX 75654
www.crossrvpark.net
Rate: \$30.00, PA Rate: \$15.00

7 Bridges Luxury RV Resort

9978 FM 149
Montgomery, TX 77316
www.7bridgesrvresort.com
Rates: \$65.00 - \$95.00
PA Rates: \$32.50 - \$47.50

Port Isabel Park Center, LLC

702 Champion Ave
Port Isabel, TX 78578
www.portisabelparkcenter.com
Rates: \$45.00 - \$48.00
PA Rates: \$22.50 - \$24.00

WASHINGTON

Wind Mountain RV Park

50561 State Hwy 14
Stevenson / Home Valley, WA 98648
www.windmountainresort.com
Rate: \$45.00, PA Rate: \$22.50

WYOMING

Windhaven RV Resort

646 1st St, Dubois, WY 82513
<http://windhavenrvresort.com/>
Rate: \$50.00, PA Rate: \$25.00



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Campground Updates

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ALABAMA

Lakeside RV Park

Opelika, AL

New Rates: \$50.00, PA:\$25.00

New Tent Rate: \$50.00, PA: \$25.00*

Parnell Creek RV Park

Woodville, AL

New Rates: \$29.00, PA:\$14.50

ARKANSAS

Willow RV Park (Formerly Grizzly's RV)

Blytheville, AR

New Phone: (870) 740-6764

New Rates: \$30.00, PA:\$15.00

Anglers Holiday Mountain Resort

Mountain View, AR

PA valid 7 nights max, not valid holidays and holiday weekends. PA not valid for 50-amp sites. Credit cards accepted.

Pets welcome.

ARIZONA

Mountain View RV Ranch

Amado, AZ

PA not valid Nov thru April. Valid up to 3 nights. Valid on full hook up daily rate only (no discounts on tent or dry camping sites).

Triple T RV & Mobile Home Park

Glendale, AZ

Open year-round. PA not valid Feb 15 - Mar 31. Reservations accepted by phone (623) 842-0500 during office hours. PA cannot be combined with other discount or special offer.

Holiday Village

Mesa, AZ

New Rates: \$37.00, PA:\$18.50

Tra-Tel RV Park

Tucson, AZ

New Rates: \$32.99, PA:\$16.50

Open year-round! PA valid April - Oct 1, unlimited amount of nights. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome.

South Side RV Park

Tucson, AZ

New Rates: \$38.00, PA:\$19.00

Yuma Mesa RV Park

Yuma, AZ

New Rates: \$29.00 - \$40.00

PA: \$14.50 - \$20.00

CALIFORNIA

Californian RV Resort

Acton, CA

New Rates: \$50.00, PA:\$25.00

Golden Bear RV Resort

Klamath, CA

New Rates: \$45.00, PA:\$22.50

Open April 15 thru Sept 30. 2 nights minimum stay required to receive PA discount (PA valid on both nights). PA valid two nights max. PA discount is not valid during the August. PA not valid on the Premium Water Front sites.

Oakhurst Elks 2724

Oakhurst, CA

New Rates: \$50.00, PA: \$25.00

Sky Valley Resort

Palm Springs / Desert Hot Springs, CA

New Phone: (760) 329-2900

Olive Avenue RV Resort

Vista, CA

New Rates: \$65.00 - \$85.00

PA:\$32.50 - \$42.50

COLORADO

Jellystone Park Of Estes

Estes Park, CO

PA valid May 14 to Jun 7 & Aug 20 to Sept 27. Valid Sun - Thurs only, not valid June 7 to Aug 18 & holidays or weekends.

Sky Ute Casino Resort

Ignacio, CO

New Rates: \$41.00, PA:\$20.50

PA valid for 3 nights max.

Alpine Trails RV Park

South Fork, CO

Open 3rd week of May. Closes 3rd week of September (depending on weather conditions). PA not valid July 1 to Aug 15. PA valid 2 nights. Ask manager about monthly and seasonal specials. New Rates: \$39.00, PA:\$19.50

FLORIDA

Sandy Oaks RV Resort

Beverly Hills, FL

New Rates: \$47.00, PA: \$23.50

Camper's Holiday

Brooksville, FL

New Rates: \$42.00, PA: \$21.00

Fay's RV Park & Campground

Holiday, FL

New Rates: \$48.00, PA: \$24.00

PA valid for three days only.

Natures Resort

Homosassa, FL

New Rates: \$53.00 - \$63.00

PA: \$26.50 - \$31.50

Cedars Lake MH & RV Park

Homosassa, FL

New Rates: \$35.00, PA:\$17.50

PA valid seven nights max.

Aloha RV Park

Kissimmee, FL

PA not valid Nov thru April. Call ahead to check availability or make reservations. Drive-ups welcome. Pets welcome.

Rainbow Village RV Resort - West FL

Largo, FL

New Rates: \$57.00, PA:\$28.50

Lakeside North RV Resort

Okeechobee, FL

New Rates: \$75.00, PA:\$37.50

Zachary Taylor RV Resort

Okeechobee, FL

55+-. Open year-round! PA not valid Oct 16 thru April. 2 nights minimum stay required to receive discount (PA discount applies to both nights). Site preference not guaranteed.

Sabal Palm RV Resort & Campground

Palmdal, FL

New Rates: \$40.00, PA:\$20.00

Winterset RV Resort

Palmetto, FL

New Rates: \$40.00 - \$50.00

PA: \$20.00 - \$25.00

Campground Updates Continued

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FLORIDA (continued)

Pine Lake RV Park

Panama City / Fountain, FL
Two nights minimum stay required to receive discount (PA discount valid on both nights). Valid six nights max, afterwards normal rates will apply. November through March, please call to check availability in advance to your arrival.

GEORGIA

Yaya's Lake Seminole RV Park

Bainbridge, GA
New Rates: \$35.00, PA:\$17.50

Golden Isles Vacation Park

Brunswick, GA
PA valid 3 days max, Mon - Thur.
Reservations at PA rate accepted by phone only. Reservations require a credit card guarantee. Box deposit is refundable.

Twin Oaks RV Park

Perry/ Elko, GA
PA discount does not apply to sites 1 thru 7.

Creekfire RV Resort & Campground

Savannah, GA
PA valid during months Aug, Sept, Oct, Dec, Jan and Feb only. PA valid Sun thru Thur nights only. Not valid during weekends, holidays/holiday weekends and the week before the holiday.

Walkabout Camp & RV Park

Woodbine, GA
New Rates: \$39.00 - \$42.00
PA: \$19.50 - \$21.00
PA valid 2 weeks. Reservations required Oct 1st - Apr 30 (limited availability).

IDAHO

Yellowstone RV Park at Mack's Inn

Island Park, ID
Formerly Henry's Fork RV Park of Mack's Inn

Snake River Hideout

Rexburg, ID
Open year round! Reservations not accepted. Call ahead to check availability.

ILLINOIS

Kamper Kompanion RV Park

Litchfield, IL. Open year round (weather permitting). PA valid Sun thru Thur only. Mar 15 thru Oct 31, valid one night max. Nov 1 thru Mar 14, valid 2 nights max. Not valid during holidays. No discounts on tent sites. Long term stays available, inquire within. Cash/checks accepted. Pets welcome.

Old Bates Campground

Sesser, IL. Open year-round! PA valid one night (please see management for discounts on longer stays). PA not valid during holidays/holiday weekends. Reservations by phone only. Discount not valid with an online reservation. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome.

INDIANA

Yogi Bear Jellystone Park

Plymouth, IN
New Rates: \$40.00 - \$50.00
PA Rate: \$20.00 - \$25.00
Open May 3 - Sept 22. Amenities offered May 3 - Labor Day Weekend. Dogs/cats welcome on leash.

KANSAS

Dunham's RV Park (formerly Chuck Waon RV Park). Eureka, KS
PA not valid April thru Sept. Valid two nights maximum. All units must be self contained. Pets welcome.

Fossil Creek RV Park

Russell, KS
New Rates: \$35.00 - \$40.00
PA Rates: \$17.50 - \$20.00*

LOUISIANA

Audubon RV Park

Abbeville, LA
New Rates: \$30.00, PA:\$15.00

MAINE

Duck Puddle Campground

Nobleboro, ME. 2 nights minimum stay required to receive PA discount. Valid 3 nights max July & Aug, PA valid Sun - Thur only, not valid during holidays/holiday weekends. Reservations by phone only.

MICHIGAN

Pere Marquette Oaks RV Condominium Park.

Baldwin, MI
New Rates: \$50.00, PA:\$25.00
PA not valid July & Aug. Valid max 2 nights, once per year.

Cadillac Woods Campground

Cadillac, MI. Open May 1 thru Oct(weather permitting). PA valid Sun thru Thur only, one night. Call ahead for reservations, especially units over 30'. No discounts on tent sites. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome.

Petoskey RV Resort, A Sun RV Resort

Petoskey, MI. Open May 1 - Oct 31. During Peak Season (Memorial Day thru Labor Day): PA valid Sun-Thurs, 2 nights max and not during holiday weekends. Off Season: PA valid 2 nights any day of week, not valid during holidays/ holiday weekends. Cannot be combined with another discount, group rate, special offer/promotion. Subject to availability. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome.

River View Campground & Canoe Livery

Sterling, MI
Open May 1st - mid Oct. PA valid 3 nights only. Discount valid Mon - Thur. Not valid during holidays and weekends. Reservations required. Credit card required to hold reservation. Pets welcome, no vicious dogs allowed.

MINNESOTA

Oak Park Kampground

Garfield, MN
PA discount is valid for 2 nights max.

MISSOURI

I-49 RV Park

Archie, MO
New Rates: \$30.00, PA:\$15.00

Branson's Ozark Country Campground

Branson, MO
PA valid Sun thru Thur only, 4 nights max. Not valid during holidays and holiday weekends or on the 4 Premium Sites. Please call in advance to check availability (reservations are preferred).

Campground Updates Continued

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MISSOURI (continued)

Mark Twain Landing

Monroe City, MO
New Rates: \$55.00 - \$64.00
PA: \$27.50 - \$32.00

MONTANA

Edgewater RV Resort & Motel

Lakeside, MT
New Rates: \$59.00, PA: \$29.50

Trout Creek Motel & RV Park

Trout Creek, MT
New Rates: \$31.00 - \$39.00
PA: \$15.50 - \$19.50

Yellowstone Grizzly RV Park & Cabins

West Yellowstone, MT
New Rates: \$44.95 - \$89.95
PA: \$22.48 - \$44.98

NORTH CAROLINA

Oasis of North Carolina

Aberdeen / Marston, NC. Open year-round! PA not valid Apr - Nov 30. Valid max 3 days, Mon - Thur. Not valid during golfing events
New Rates: \$55.00, PA: \$27.50

Art's RV Sites

Fayetteville, NC
New Rates: \$40.00, PA: \$20.00

NEW MEXICO

Rusty's RV Ranch

Rodeo, NM. Open year-round! Minimum 3 nights required. Valid 6 nights max.

Along The River RV Park & Campground

Ruidoso, NM. PA valid Sun thru Thur.

Blaze-In-Saddle RV Park

Tucumcari, NM
New Rates: \$27.00 - \$29.00
PA Rates: \$13.50 - \$14.50
PA valid one night. Please see management for other discounts

NEVADA

Eagle Valley Resort & RV Park

Pioche, NV
New Rates: \$26.50, PA: \$13.25
Open year-round. Drive-up accommodations only. Please call ahead to check availability.

Crossroads RV Park

Wells, NV
New Rates: \$38.00, PA Rate: \$19.00

NEW YORK

Hilltop Farm Campsites

Mountaintale, NY
New Rates: \$60.00, PA Rate: \$30.00

OKLAHOMA

75 RV Park

Henryetta, OK
New Rates: \$45.00 - \$50.00
PA Rates: \$22.50 - \$25.00

Brixey Lake RV Park

Perkins, OK
Park closed until Aug 1st, 2019.
Reservations preferred. Length of stay at PA rate based on availability.

Cool Breeze: RV Cinema & Resort

Springer, OK
Open year-round. Two nights minimum stay required to receive PA discount. PA valid six nights max, not valid during Thanksgiving & Christmas. Reservations and drive-ups welcome.

OREGON

Bandon Wayside Motel and RV

Bandon, OR
New Rates: \$42.00, PA Rate: \$21.00

Laughing Alpaca Campground & RV

Cave Junction, OR
New Website: www.laughingalpaca campground.com

SOUTH CAROLINA

Mr Z's RV Park

Gilbert, SC
Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult in the pool area.

TENNESSEE

Lazy Llama Campground

Chuckey, TN
Open year round! Phone reservations required for discount. Must mention PA at time of reservation and present ID Card at the time of check-in. PA valid Mon thru Thur only. 2 nights minimum stay required.

TEXAS

Treetops RV Resort

Arlington, TX
New Rates: \$72.00 - \$115.00
PA Rates: \$36.00 - \$57.50

60 North RV Park

Bay City, TX
New Rates: \$50.00, PA: \$25.00

Kozy Days RV Park

Bowie, TX.
Formerly Lazy Days RV Park

Wagon Train RV Park

Canton, TX
PA not valid during Canton First Monday's Trade Days. Valid 7 nights max (please see management for discounts on longer stays).

Peaceful Pines RV Park

Conroe, TX
New Rates: \$40.00, PA: \$20.00
Reservations and drive-ups welcome. PA valid 3 nights max. Not valid on weekly and monthly rates.

Palm Gardens Manufactured Home & RV Community.

Harlingen, TX
New Rates: \$39.00, PA Rate: \$19.50

Mathis Motor Inn & RV Park

Mathis, TX
PA valid Mon thru Thur nights, for 3 nights max. Not valid during holidays and holiday weekends. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome, breed restrictions apply.

Wilderness Oaks RV Resort

Rockport, TX. PA valid 6 nights. Not valid during holidays and holidays weekends. Please contact office for specific dates.

Texarkana RV Park

Texarkana, TX
New Rates: \$43.30, PA Rate: \$21.65

UTAH

ACT Campground and Learning Center

Moab, UT
New Rates: \$49.00, PA Rate: \$24.50

Campground Updates Continued

Campground Updates from May 10 - August 10, 2019
Please check with each campground for more information.

VIRGINIA

Parkview RV Park

Appomattox, VA
New Rates: \$48.00, PA: \$24.00

WASHINGTON

Beach RV Park

Benton City, WA
New Address: 100 Abby Avenue,
Benton City, WA 99320

The Dunes Resort

Copalis Beach, WA
New Rates: \$40.00, PA: \$20.00

Lone Fir Resort

Cougar, WA
New Rates: \$49.00, PA: \$24.50
New Tent Rates: \$30.00
PA Tent Rate: \$15.00

Little Creek Casino Resort RV Park

Shelton, WA
New Rates: \$39.00, PA: \$19.50
Open year-round! PA not valid Jun - Aug
& during special events, holidays and
holiday weekends. Valid for up to 3
nights, Sun thru Thur.

WISCONSIN

Countryside Motel & RV Sites

Sturgeon Bay, WI
Open May thru Nov 1st. PA not valid
Jul & Aug. 2 nights minimum stay. PA
valid two nights max. PA valid Sun -Thur
only, Not valid during holidays, holiday
weekends, or during special events.

WYOMING

Chuck Wagon RV Park

Fort Laramie, WY
Open year round (weather permitting).
From May 15 thru Sept 15, PA valid Sun
thru Wed only. PA valid one night each
week, additional days are \$30.00 per
day.

Platte River Campground

Glenrock, WY
PA not valid June thru August.

CANADA

ALBERTA

St. Albert Kinsmen RV Park

St Albert, AB
Open May 1st thru Oct 1st. Valid
Sun thru Thurs, three nights max per
month. Not valid July, August, holiday
weekends, and during Rodeo Weekend
(3rd weekend in May). Reservations are
preferred. Please call ahead to check
availability. Pets welcome. No vicious
breeds allowed. No smoking. Credit
cards accepted.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Bathurst Wildlife Camping

Bathurst, NB
New Rates: \$40.00, PA Rate: \$20.00
Open mid May - mid Oct, weather
permitting. PA not valid July/Aug or
during holidays and weekends. Valid
Mon thru Thur only, for one night.
Please call ahead prior to arrival. Credit
cards not accepted with discount. Pets
welcome on leash and you MUST clean
up after.

ONTARIO

Windmill Point Park

Ridgeway, ON
New Rates: \$55.00 - \$65.00
PA Rates: \$27.50 - \$32.50

Passport America Out Parks as of August 10, 2019

Bairdsnest Campground, AL
Lake Osprey RV Country Club, AL
Yellow Hammer RV Campground, AL
Golden Pond RV Park, AR
White River Campground & Cabins, AR
Holt's Shell RV Park, AZ
Sierra Leone, AZ
Gunnison Lakeside Resort, CO
Fisherman's Cove RV Resort, FL
Manatee Hammock Campground, FL
Pellicer Creek Campground, FL
Sea Isle Resort, FL
Lake Lanier Islands Campground, GA
Lake Pines Campground, GA
Shoal Creek Campground, GA
Wildcat Campground, GA
Bear Den RV Resort & Camping Cabins, ID
Hillcrest Event Center, IL
E-Z Camp, IN
Western Kentucky RV Park, KY
Pine Grove Campground and Cottages, ME
Shady Oaks Campground & Cabins, ME
Enchanted Acres, MI
Horseshoe Lake Campground & Cabins, MI
Cross Creek RV Park & Campground, MO
Lake Paradise Resort, MO
Stage Stop Campground, MO
Lake A Way RV Park, MS
Riverside RV Park & Campground, NB
Flaming Arrow Campground, NC
River Bend RV Resort, NC
Sands Of Time, NC
Waterway RV Resort, An Encore Resort, NC
Lake And Shore RV, An Encore Resort, NJ
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Country Hollow RV Lodge, OK
River Rim RV Park, OR
Sunset Landing RV Park, OR
Camping Du Phare At Perce, QC
Camping Juneau Chalets, QC
Covered Wagon Resort, SD
Castroville Regional Park, TX
Eagle Resorts, LLC, TX
Wasatch View Estates, UT
Abel Mountain Campground, VT
Lakeview Terrace Mobile Home & RV, WA



Pageant of the Masters & Festival of Arts

by Lazelle Jones

The Pageant of the Masters (living pictures) and the Festival of Arts (140 Orange County artist that are juried in from the hundreds that compete in hopes of being selected) are two events held every summer in Laguna Beach, California, as it has been since the early 1930s.

FESTIVAL OF ARTS

The Festival is a highly acclaimed juried fine art show that featured 140 award winning artists where patrons are able to meet the artist,

experience their art, watch demonstrations, participate in workshops, take daily art tours, enjoy live music, special events, and on-site restaurants. It is held at the Festival of Arts Grounds, 650 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach, CA.

History of the Festival of Arts spans 86-years. It began when the world was suffering from the trauma of the Great Depression but even during those difficult times artists arrived in Laguna

Beach because they were inspired by the coastline, the rambling hills, the vibrant and ever-changing ocean, and the freedom to follow their dreams. In 1932 a group of these artists banded together to find a way to raise the community's spirit by selling art.

That summer two dozen artists hung their paintings on fences, trees, and buildings along Laguna's main street, hoping to lure tourists to the





Pageant of the Masters: The Vintage Festival - Alma Tadema



Pageant of the Masters: The Music Lesson - Vermeer



Festival of Arts: Artist Anne Moore



Pageant of the Masters: Cleopatra on the Terraces of Philae - Bridgman



Makeup



Costume



first Festival of Arts, while other artists opened their home-studios to the public. Music, colorful signs and banners, parades and entertainment added to the celebratory event where Laguna Beach was turned into one enormous art gallery. Many artists happily arranged their easels and chairs and painted throughout the festival. And, yes, some even sold their paintings. Today, each year the Festival of Arts Permanent Collection is expanded through purchases from the exhibiting artists' work. The Permanent collection contains more than 1,000 pieces of fine art: paintings, sculpture, ceramics, glass, even furniture and jewelry – an 80-plus year collection as eclectic as the festival itself.

In 1933, the artists took another important action. They staged a publicity stunt that has grown into the Pageant of the Masters. A parade of local volunteers costumed as characters in famous works of art – Whistler's Mother, Mona Lisa, Atlas, among others – marched downtown along the Coast Highway to the location of the 2nd Festival of Arts, where they appeared one at a time inside a tiny, booth-like set, holding their poses as tableaux vivants — “living pictures.” The show was so brief the audience didn't even sit down to enjoy the spectacle; they merely took a break from viewing the artists' displays to peek at these “living pictures.” In 1935 the “living pictures” presentation was transformed into a full production with music, narration, and painted backdrops. The Pageant of the Masters

evolved into a summer tradition that now draws an audience of 150,000 (in 2018).

The Festival of Arts and Pageant of the Masters moved around Laguna Beach, from one location to another until 1941 when the City of Laguna Beach purchased the present six-acre Festival site. That summer the Festival of the Arts and Pageant of the Masters were held for the first time in their new permanent home. Today, these two events draw a quarter of a million visitors. The Festival of Arts Fine Art Show is one of the longest-running art exhibitions in the state; except during the years of World War II, when the Festival of the Arts and the Pageant were not held.

The Festival of Arts has grown into a world-famous cultural institution, awarding hundreds of thousands of dollars in college scholarships and yet the mission of the event remains the same: ‘to promote, produce and sponsor events and activities that encourage the appreciation, study and performance of the arts’. The juried fine art exhibition provides local artists with a venue where they can display and sell their art. Media include paintings, mixed-media, sculpture, pastels, drawings, serigraphs, photographs, ceramics, jewelry, fiber arts, etched and stained glass, hand-crafted furniture, and even scrimshaw.

Rated one of the top festivals in the nation, each year the Festival of Arts hosts Orange County's most talented artists. Avid art collectors and festival-

goers have an outstanding variety of fine art to browse through and to purchase as they walk among the artist's displays. This professionally juried fine art show features a diverse selection of artwork. Since opening in 1932, thousands of artists have shown and sold their artwork at the Festival of Arts and many have their work featured in the private collections of leading art collectors, celebrities, and museums around the world.

The Festival of Arts features a wide range of daily activities



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Art Talks: Yoonsook Ryang

the entire family can enjoy that include live music, guided art tours, and art workshops. For example the 2019 Festival of Arts featured Art and Story Time, a weekly series for children 5 and under that featured a different book read aloud plus a hands-on art project. Portraits on the Green featured Festival of Arts exhibitors as they painted, sculpted, and photographed live models on the Festival's Concert Stage. This series focused on how artists' interpret the same subject matter differently based on their own unique style and perspectives. Tribute Tuesdays Music Series brought to the stage some of Southern California's most well-known tribute bands. Talented performers paid homage to music legends as

they re-created popular songs. Art Talks and Tea offered fascinating and informative discussions with the Festival of Arts exhibitors. Tea was enjoyed on the Festival's green as artists and art aficionados talked about inspiration, history, and careers in art. Art, Jazz, Wine & Chocolate sweetened up the Festival of Arts as folks indulged your senses by sampling a wide variety of wines expertly selected to complement and enhance the nuanced flavors of specialty chocolates. The casual but classy outdoor setting, together with the soulful sounds of jazz surrounded by fine art, created an ideal evening for friends, sweethearts, and family. Art and Yoga with Lululemon allowed for the flexing of 'creative muscles'

as experienced yoga instructors guided participants through a relaxing and meditative session outdoors and surrounded by fine art. Whether you were brand new to yoga or an experienced Yogi, all skill levels were welcome. Step into the Spotlight Music

Series brought to center stage some of the amazing voices that are usually seen (and heard) in the background. An extraordinary lineup of back-up singers and performers took the stage. Concerts on the Green presented the sounds of award-winning musicians as they performed live in the "Concerts on the Green" series. Family Art Day was a fun-filled, art-filled and enchantment-filled day. As kids arrived they were given a booklet full of coupons redeemable for special activities and treats. Kids participated in "Art Quest" – an art exhibit treasure hunt where they answered kid-friendly questions by investigating different exhibits throughout the grounds. Festival Runway Fashion Show (now in its 11th year) featured Festival exhibitors who stepped out of their artistic medium and into the world of fashion. The result was over-the-top creative couture with the twist being that all were made out of recycled, reused, and reclaimed materials. It was a competition similar to TV's Project Runway. Festival artists start months in advance in hopes of taking home the top prize and bragging rights.



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PAGEANT OF THE MASTERS

This is arguably one of the most unique productions in the entire world. Audiences are amazed and enchanted by ninety minutes of “living pictures”, incredibly faithful re-creations of classical and contemporary works of art, with real people posing to look exactly like their counterparts in the original pieces. To appreciate and understand the tableaux vivants (living pictures), a look at the 2019 Pageant is helpful.

Titled “The Time Machine”, it amazed audiences with the magic of “living pictures”. Real people stepped into famous works of art by artists like Vermeer, Dali, Rockwell and Da Vinci for a one-of-a-kind theatrical experience. “The Time Machine” took audiences around the globe and into the past, present and future in search of great art and amazing stories. In a show that journeyed through time and space, audiences were presented with tributes to breakthroughs in both art and science. Highlights included homage to American sculptor Malvina Hoffman and her groundbreaking anthropological exhibit at Chicago’s Field Museum of Natural History in 1933, and the 1913 Armory Show in New York which marked the dawn of Modernism in America. Innovations included laser lights, an authentic 1959 Juke box, and a UFO,”

Beginning in the early 1930’s, Pageant of the Masters is a Laguna Beach tradition with attendance today approaching 150,000. The show is accompanied by original, live

music by the Pageant orchestra, with informative and engaging live narration. Year 2019 marked the 500th anniversary of the death of Renaissance master Leonardo da Vinci. His “Last Supper” continued to be the Pageant’s traditional closing tableau for 2019, as it has been since 1936.”

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Art and Story Time



Festival of Arts: Artist - Elizabeth McGhee





Inspirational

The Elephant Rope (Belief)

Author unknown

A gentleman was walking through an elephant camp, and he spotted that the elephants weren't being kept in cages or held by the use of chains.

All that was holding them back from escaping the camp, was a small piece of rope tied to one of their legs. As the man gazed upon the elephants, he was completely confused as to why the elephants didn't just use their strength to break the rope and escape the camp. They could easily have done so, but instead, they didn't try to at all.

Curious and wanting to know the answer, he asked a trainer nearby why the elephants were just standing there and never tried to escape.

The trainer replied; "When they are very young and much smaller, we use the same size rope to tie them and, at that age, it's enough to hold them. As they grow up, they are conditioned to believe they cannot break away. They believe the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free."

The only reason that the elephants weren't breaking free and escaping from the camp was that over time they adopted the belief that it just wasn't possible.

Moral of the story:

No matter how much the world tries to hold you back, always continue with the belief that what you want to achieve is possible. Believing you can become successful is the most important step in actually achieving it.



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99705

by Candy Clarke

99705. A zip code? Really? Who cares? Well, in this case, lots and lots of kiddies around the world. You see, 99705 is the zip code for letters to Santa Claus! Who, among us, hasn't, at some point in our lives, written a letter to Santa? Whether, as a child, writing for ourselves or our siblings, or a friend; most of us wrote to Santa. Some of us got extra practice writing to Santa with our children and/or grandchildren. Did you ever wonder where those very important letters addressed to "Santa" at North Pole ended their journey?

North Pole, Alaska is where the journey ends for these letters. Zip code: 99705. Just like the child who dreams of Christmas

and sends their letter to Santa; the founders of North Pole also had a dream. The city of North Pole lies 125 miles south of the Arctic Circle. That little fact; however, did not stop the dreamers. A farmer named Bon Davis decided to homestead there in 1944. Mr. Davis and several others came together to select a name for their community. Thinking that the area might be an attraction for toy manufacturers, they decided on the name North Pole.

The toy manufacturing idea didn't quite work out, but the city of North Pole certainly did! It was incorporated in 1953 and, today, is frequented by

visitors the world over. Aside from the bragging rights of having visited North Pole, what makes it so special? How about the world's largest Santa? At 42 feet tall and checking his list, Santa is a favorite place for visitors to take photographs. In fact, so many people wanted pictures that it was creating traffic issues. In order to avoid traffic accidents, Santa was relocated further back from the road. Now, in his new home, visitors can safely snap all the pictures they desire without having to worry about road traffic.

Then, of course, there is the Santa Claus House. It, too, was a dream which became a reality. A bush trader who was known for playing Santa Claus to children



in Alaskan villages, Con Miller decided to build a trading post in North Pole. He called his trading post in North Pole, the Santa Claus House. Mr. Con Miller would be pleased to know that 65 years later, millions have visited his creation. It is a favorite among locals and visitors looking for “the illusive perfect gift” for someone. Christmas tree ornaments from North Pole, Alaska are a favorite. A word of caution: if you are travelling with young children, especially toddlers, they will not want to leave quickly; you might need to allocate more time here. After pictures with Santa, a short walk to the Antler Academy to visit the reindeer is a must for everyone. It's hard to say who enjoys seeing the reindeer most; the wee ones or the adults! They are truly magnificent creatures.

A trip to the Visitor Information Center will fill you in on the many hiking and bicycle trails, as well as fishing sites. The Chena Lakes Recreation Area offers a sandy beach and swimming area in addition to picnic facilities. If visiting in the winter, this is an excellent place to go to view the Aurora Borealis as they dance across the sky.

The Chena River Recreational Area offers camping sites for both tent campers and RVs. In addition to picnic sites, the boat launch is also located here. Camping sites are on a first-come basis. Many local groups utilize this place for the get-togethers during the warmer months. The fishing and boating are popular attractions for visitors and locals. It's a great place for introducing individuals to their first fishing experience.

When you are ready for a

change of pace, consider a relaxing time in the hot springs. If it sounds like fun, then Chena Hot Springs is the spot for you. Surrounded by nature, immersed in warm water; the aches, pains, and worries tend to disappear. Don't forget to check out the Ice Museum while you are there. Should you be visiting in August and/or September, check with the resort personnel for information on caribou crossing. Each year, herds of caribou travel through this route. Chena Hot Springs Resort is also an example of a dream many thought was foolish. Now, tour companies regularly include this stop on their agenda, and it's a favorite to break up the long winters for the people of Alaska.

In addition to the “Where the Spirit of Christmas Lives Year Round” motto, North Pole features many streets with such names as Santa Claus Lane, St. Nicholas Drive, Mistletoe, and Snowman Avenue. You will notice an abundance of candy canes everywhere. Take a walk and explore. There are frequent benches and bus stops in case one tires. If traveling with a pet, you will find this area to be very pet friendly.

The dog park is located on 3rd Avenue. North Pole businesses actively uphold the city's motto of Christmas year-round, so it's not unusual to

see Christmas lights still up in July.

After exploring, check out some of the local restaurants. North Pole is also pleased to be the home of Pagoda Chinese Restaurant which has acquired a reputation of international proportions. Pagoda was also a dream, which became a reality. In 1990, a young man named Benny Lin experienced the reality of his dream as he opened the doors of his restaurant. Today, it is considered one of the favorite restaurants in Interior Alaska.

Dreamers, past, present, and future, will ensure the Spirit of Christmas continues to live year-round in North Pole. As with the child who dreaming of Christmas, writes a letter to Santa; the people of North Pole want to recognize the value of dreaming. Community organizations work diligently to ensure each child writing to Santa receives an acknowledgement letter from Santa.

Now you know the zip code. Isn't it time to start dreaming of your next vacation? Be sure to consider North Pole, Alaska for your next adventure. It all starts with a dream!



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9/11	- Patriot Day	9/17	- National Apple Dumpling Day
9/12	- National Chocolate Milkshake Day	9/18	- National Play-doh Day

OCTOBER

Adopt-A-Dog Month

10/4	- National Golf Day	10/24	- National Bologna Day
10/13	- National Peanut Festival	10/30	- National Candy Corn Day
10/22	- National Nut Day	10/31	- Halloween

NOVEMBER

Peanut Butter Lover's Month

11/3	- Daylight Savings Ends	11/17	- Take A Hike Day
11/11	- Veteran's Day	11/23	- National Cashew Day
11/12	- National Pizza Day	11/28	- Thanksgiving

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