



73rd TSRC Guest Program 16-17 September 2019

Monday, 16 September 2019 – Washington, DC

Join us in the Riverside Hearth for a hearty breakfast buffet before heading to the nation's capital for a behind-the-scenes look at two iconic institutions. *The National Portrait Gallery* will open early to offer us an exclusive tour of several of its collections, including the *American Presidents* and *Remember the Ladies*—portraits of or by women.



We'll enjoy lunch at Silver Brasserie in Cathedral Heights before meeting our docent at the National Cathedral for a private tour. Its neo-Gothic architecture, stained-glass windows, spires and flying buttresses make the cathedral look ages old, but the grand church was actually constructed during most of the 20th century. Carved from Indiana limestone, the structure boasts a 30-story-tall central tower, an interior nine-bay nave and 215 stained glass windows, including one embedded with a moon rock. Inside, you'll find a crypt

level where Helen Keller and President Woodrow Wilson are buried. On the exterior, search out the 112 gargoyles and grotesques to see if you can find Darth Vader.



Tuesday, 17 September 2019 – Leesburg, Virginia

After enjoying breakfast in Riverside Hearth, we'll board our coach for a short ride to *The Conche* where we'll enjoy a class in the art of chocolate-making. Master chocolatiers will discuss the history and origin of chocolate, how to differentiate between good and bad, then teach us to roll our own truffles and bon bons in the chocolate lab. This is not just a demonstration, but a hands-on class where the final exam is edible.



Tuscarora Mill, affectionately known as "Tuskies" to the locals, will welcome us for lunch. This historic building began as a grain mill in the late 1890's and now features a wide variety of dishes sure to please everyone.



Following lunch, we'll visit the home of George C. Marshall, former Secretary of State and Secretary of Defense. Marshall is perhaps most remembered as author of the Marshall plan which laid the groundwork for post-World War II European recovery. This historic residence has been restored with original furnishings to its Marshall-era appearance of the 1950's and is currently the headquarters of the Marshall International Center.