## **Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary**

## TOLEDO'S PAST & PRESENT THUR SEPT 19, 2024 FINE DINING, HISTORIC THEATER, RIVERBOAT CRUISE

Departures, as applic: Beachwood/Orange, Independence, Middleburg Hts, No.Olmsted, Elyria.

Here's a tour that we introduced a couple of years ago and, this year, we've added a riverboat cruise through Toledo, also known as "Glass City". It comes as a surprise to many how much fascinating history is here, great dining experiences and the historic theater "born here".

The Valentine Theatre, originally an Opera House, opened Christmas night 1895, and will be our first stop. During 1917 it was converted into a vaudeville theater and then into a movie house, service that it saw until the 1970s. Like Playhouse Square in Cleveland, after closing, the Valentine sat vacant until an extensive restoration project was completed in 1999. It was beautifully done and now hosts live shows and is home to the Toledo History Museum with exhibits from the city's past. Most unbelievably, the theater you will be seeing was built by a well-to-do local fellow as a tribute to his father; it was a forerunner of





the string of movie houses he built across Ohio. We will have a Guide taking us through this downtown Toledo "gem".

Our luncheon will be at a restaurant that has been most popular since it opened almost four decades ago. We will be dining at Georgio's, a local tradition that proclaims that their ingredients are always from all-natural, local farms and produce; even the bread is baked fresh daily. When making your reservation over the phone or online (in the notes box), please advise of your meal choice: Beef Stroganoff, Chicken Pastry or Salmon.

We will be visiting the Glass Pavilion at the Toledo Museum of Art. Toledo has long been known as "Glass City" due to the number of glass manufacturers that set up shop starting in the 1880s. The Glass Pavilion contains a world-renowned collection that holds over 5,000 works of art from ancient to contemporary times. The Pavilion is also a work of art. The interior and exterior walls are made of curved glass panels creating a transparent structure that blurs the boundaries between these areas. This year we have upgraded this tour to include an afternoon cruise on the Maumee River, seeing the beautiful homes, businesses, yacht clubs and the Veterans' Glass City Skyway bridge as we cruise through Toledo!

## \$184 per person

We accept all major credit cards and checks or stop into our office. Tours can now be booked online, 24 hours a day with a credit card.

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