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

## **ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES OF ST MARYS**

FRI SEPT 20, 2024

Departures, as applic: Parma/Cleve.West, Middleburg Hts, Independence, Beachwood/Orange.

There is a "special attraction" that brings both collectors and casual shoppers to St. Marys; this new Mall must feel the same way, since they are offering so-much-of-what people are looking for. Recently, several towns in West Virginia have come to be known for their antiques and other collectibles that are being offered for the "treasure seekers". Last year a three-

story home for Rivers Edge Antiques and Collectables opened in St. Marys, to join the other stores in the area including Riverbend Antique Mall. This town was established in 1849 by Alexander Creel who, according to legend, had a vision of the Virgin Mary while passing the site in a boat, telling him that a "happy and prosperous city" would be built here. Growth of the area was slow at first, and



then an oil boom occurred in 1860s. This led to the opening of cooper shops to make the wooden barrels to transport the oil. In future years many people worked making buttons from river mussel shells and a refining company and two glass factories opened up. Products from this area included glass marbles and dishes.



St Marys is unique in yet another way. Imagine going downtown to shop in a town where cars share the road with railroad trains. They run down the center of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. It has been suggested that drivers give serious consideration to the expression "share the road".

Lunch is included today before we continue our search for that "something special" that you just might be looking for.

\$149 per person Shopping and luncheon

Deposit to book, \$100 per person; we accept all major credit cards and checks.

Tours can now be booked online, 24 hours a day with a credit card.

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