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Bus Excursion to Celebrate the History of Route 66

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale’s next bus excursion, scheduled for Saturday, March 7, will celebrate the history of one of America’s most beloved roadways with a trip to the Autry National Center of the American West for “Route 66: The Road and the Romance.”

The bus will leave from the Palmdale Transportation Center, 39000 Clock Tower Plaza at 9:30 am and return at 6 pm. Registration is discounted to \$15 for Palmdale residents, and is \$20 for non-residents. Registration is available at www.cityofpalmdale.org/playpalmdale. The name of each person attending, address, phone number, emergency contact, and each minor child’s birth date are required. An adult must accompany anyone under age 18.

“Discover the facts and fiction surrounding the ‘mother road’ through more than 250 extraordinary artifacts that trace the history of the route and its impact on American popular culture,” said Palmdale’s Recreation Supervisor Paula Leszkiewicz.

Future excursions include:

Norton Simon Museum – March 21, 9:30 am – 6 pm. \$15R/\$20 NR

The Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena is known around the world as one of the most remarkable private art collections ever assembled. Over a 30-year period, industrialist Norton Simon amassed an astonishing collection of European art from the Renaissance to the 20th Century, and a stellar collection of South and Southeast Asian art spanning 2,000 years.

March Field Air Museum – April 4, 9 am – 6 pm. \$16R/\$21 NR

With over 70 aircraft and artifacts, the museum strives to promote an understanding of humanity's reach for the skies and of March Field's pivotal role in the development of flight. The Riverside museum is a treasure trove of precious artifacts including aircraft, flight gear, simulators, uniforms, photos and personal letters.

Festival of Books – April 18, 9:30 am – 6 pm. \$13R/\$18 NR

The Festival of Books at the USC campus brings together the people who create books with people who love to read them. The festival also includes live bands, poetry readings, chef demonstrations, cultural entertainment, a photography exhibit and artists creating their work on-site.

For more information, please call 661/267-5611.

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