## **BE AN ARMCHAIR ADVENTURE TRAVELER!**

## Join the LOS GATOS-SARATOGA AAUW TRAVEL SECTION'S 2019-2020 Travel Series with Exciting Trips Around the World! Meets at The Terraces of Los Gatos, 800 Blossom Hill Road at 7:30 pm.

<u>October 4, 2019</u> - "Discovering Ireland" - Presented by Gary Marcos. From Dublin to Belfast, the Titanic Museum, along the West Coast of Ireland, the Cliffs of Mohr, The Troubles and more, join Gary Marcos in seeing and better understanding of this fascinating land (which is really two separate countries, The Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland).

<u>November 1, 2019</u> – "Miracle of the Serengeti" - Presented by Doug Cheeseman. Doug will talk about the many migrating animals and the different times of year they bear their young. He will also cover the movements of predators & prey in the two seasons of birthing and the survival strategies through the dry season for the non-migratory animals. He will explain with photographs the fascinating behaviors that keep this perpetually moving circle of animals going in the Serengeti, a Masai word that translates to "Endless Plain" with its rain and dry seasons.

January 3, 2020 "The Stans of Central Asia" – Presented by Ken Bloomfield. The fabled Silk Road trade route from China to the West passed through the central Asia area of the 'Stans - the former Soviet Republics of Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. Central Asia's oldest cities are located here with a history going back thousands of years. Each country has a different feeling, some more Western, others pro-Russian The most fascinating of these countries is Uzbekistan, with the cities of Samarkand, Bukhara,, and Khiva, and their beautifully restored madrassas, mosques and palaces.

<u>February 7, 2020</u> - "Winter in Iceland" - Presented by Bob Feigelson. While tourism is Iceland is highest in the summer months, the winter provides some great opportunities to see it from a different perspective. Clear, cool weather, breathtaking mountain vistas, extensive water falls, glaciers, geysers and hot springs, and best of all a high probability to observe the Northern lights (aurora borealis) by both land and sea. This slide show will cover a trip my son and I took to the Western and Southern shores of Iceland last February.

<u>March 6, 2020</u> - "Italy: The Path Less Traveled" - Presented by George & Tamar Mednick. Come join us on curious travel through Italy to the lesser known regions, towns and countryside to experience Italy as the Italians do. With a car and an adventuresome spirit, we are able to go where the tours do not. Amid the current culture of mass tourism, there is still an authentic Italy and we aimed to find it. Warning: this presentation may be bad for a diet.

<u>April 3, 2020</u> - "Exotic Indochina" - Presented by Ed Chang. A trip to Indochina covers five countries: Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, and Laos. It is located south of China and east if India. You'll be fascinated to see mixed Western culture and ancient Southeast Asian culture.

<u>May 1, 2020</u> - "Photographic Tour of Some of the Most Scenic National Parks in the West" - Presented by Jim Katzman. Jim is returning to us to take us on a photographic journey through Utah's Arches, Canyonlands, Bryce, and Zion National Parks as well as the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument. You will also get to visit Wyoming's treasures in the Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks, and, of course, it wouldn't be complete without California's own Yosemite National Park!

## COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND GUEST WELCOME!

Join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month Cookies always welcome! Chair: JoAn Lambert – 867-6237 - Co-Chair: Marlene Lamb and Assistant Ivan Fawley

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