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Jim Mesnar: I have provided the following narrative in hope that you will have some feeling for what you wish to do during your reunion. Our itinerary is as follows:

Monday – September 21, 2009:

1. Depart the hotel to tour the Hershey's Chocolate Factory.
2. Board the buses and arrive at The National Cemetery at Fort Indiantown Gap for our Memorial Service.
3. Board the buses and proceed to the Hollywood Casino.

Tuesday – September 22, 2009:

Lancaster Tour: (designed to provide each guest with a real Amish experience).

1. Depart hotel and proceed to Lancaster, PA.
2. Pick up a tour guide, for a narrated tour of the Amish Community.
3. Lunch will be served in an authentic Amish home, where the food was grown on the farm. The meal will be prepared and served by the Amish family.
4. Board the bus to complete the guided tour, with stops at two quaint Amish stores.
5. Return to hotel.

Gettysburg, Tour:

1. Depart hotel and arrive at the Visitor's Center.
2. Tour will begin by watching the movie "A New Birth of Freedom".
3. We then get to view the full fury of Pickett's Charge on the fully restored Gettysburg Cyclorama. The cyclorama presents a panoramic view of Pickett's Charge on an oil painting that is a 360 degree view approximately 27 feet high and 359 feet in length.
4. Museum and lunch, for lunch you are on your own and while the cost of the entrance fee to the museum is covered.
5. A guided tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield and return to hotel.

Wednesday Banquet:

1. Prior to dinner a guest speaker and his wife will perform the White Table Ceremony and discuss the importance of Gettysburg and its influence on the Civil War.
2. Dinner will be served and our guest speakers will join us.
3. After dinner, a Barber Shop Quartet "Gents Night Out" will entertain us.
4. Drawings, awards and exchange of gifts (by number) will close our gathering.