



The 69th International Convention Preview Windsor, Ontario – **A DIAMOND JUBILEE** April 29 – May 2, 2019



“Situated downtown on the Windsor waterfront overlooking the Detroit skyline, Caesars Windsor is easily accessible! Whether you are driving, or arriving at Detroit Metro Airport (DTW) , the Windsor Airport (YQG) serviced by Porter, West Jet and Air Canada or by VIA Rail, it’s easy to get here.” Caesars Windsor is the largest casino convention resort in Canada. All rooms have views of the river and the Detroit skyline.

**Early Registration – Sunday, April 28, 2019
4:00 - 8:00 PM**



CAESARS
WINDSOR

**Caesars Windsor
Augustus Tower**

377 Riverside Drive, East
Windsor, Ontario, CANADA



The group rate is \$155.00 CND + tax per night for single /double occupancy; \$165.00CND + tax for triple occupancy and 175.00CND + tax for quad occupancy. These rates are guaranteed for reservations made before March 27, 2019. Discount rate applies for returning post-convention tour on May 5, 2019. There is complimentary self-parking and valet parking daily. *A code for making reservations will be provided in the winter issue of The Quester Quarterly.*

Grab-and-Go Breakfast will be available for a small fee for those leaving on early morning tours or just to take to the Hospitality Room. Regular breakfast is available in the hotel.



Spring in southwestern Ontario can be spectacular with fruit orchards and gardens in bloom. Windsor’s riverfront parkland provides for walking and viewing of the outdoor sculpture garden and monuments to historic happenings in local history.

Windsor, Ontario is Canada’s most southerly city and is located on the Detroit River directly across from Detroit, Mi. Two crossings are available: the Ambassador Bridge, the longest international suspension bridge in the world or through the Detroit-Windsor tunnel.

Shuttle service will be available from Detroit Metro Airport to Caesars Windsor.

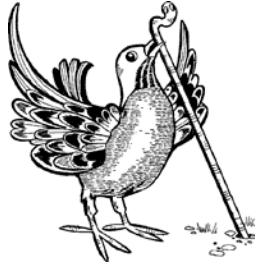


EARLY BIRD PROGRAM

Monday, April 29, 2019

“THE RUMRUNNERS”

By Marty Gervais



Action was lively along the narrow Detroit River during the days of prohibition when the area became known as the “Detroit Funnel”. Marty Gervais is an award-winning journalist, photographer, playwright, historian, editor and teacher. His lively presentation through pictures and stories will entertain and delight.

PRESIDENT’S RECEPTION & ANNUAL BANQUET

“Let the Good Times Roll”

We are happy to present the exhilarating sounds of the Sun Parlour Chorus as they entertain with the sounds of Canada.



INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOPS

Wednesday, May 1 2019

Questers are encouraged to attend the informative workshops in the morning. They will be conducted by the International Officers and Chairman. OPEN FORUM follows as well as an opportunity to review proposed International Bylaw Revisions with the Special Revision Committee.

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 2, 2019

“A Fashion History of Canada”

Lucinda Morris, Talbot Trail #1176, is passionate about the history of fashion. She has produced authentic costumes from the Medieval period through the 1920’s. Her beautiful creations will be presented along with costumes borrowed from local historic sites as we present the history of Canada through fashion.

Founder’s Award Presentation and Installation of International Officers



BESS BARDENS SEMINARS

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Each program will be presented at 7:00-8:00 PM and 8:15-9:15 PM



Victorian Cemeteries

By Cathy McKendrick

Learn how symbols on Victorian monuments reveal dominant attitudes towards death and life before World War I.



Preserving Family Memories

By Sandra Drouillard

Learn what to preserve and how best to do it!



Lest We Forget

By Peter Berry, Harbourmaster, Windsor Port Authority

St. John’s Anglican Churchyard in Sandwich holds veterans back to the 18th Century, many of them forgotten by their families until their fascinating stories were uncovered by a preservation of military heritage project.



Collecting Nutcrackers and Smokers

By Judy and Ernie Tenzer

Ernie and Judy’s large collection of Nutcrackers and Smokers has grown over the years from gifts of family and friends, to trips to Frankenmouth , MI and Seiffen in the Ore Mountain area of Germany after the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1989.





2019 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TOURS

MONDAY, APRIL 29

Half-Day Tours

- Windsor’s Outdoor Art gallery – a walking tour of the riverside sculpture garden
- An Overview of Windsor with a stop at the Queen Elizabeth II Gardens and the International Peace Fountain
- Explosions and Restorations - how smaller communities work to preserve their heritage

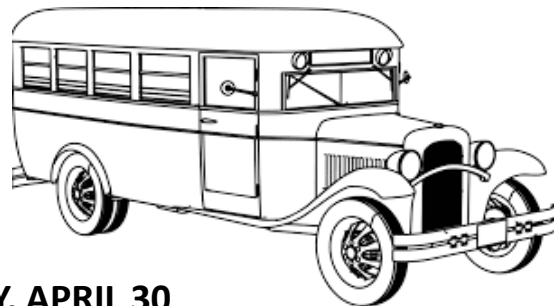
Full-Day Tours

- The Pioneer Trail – visit the John R. Park Homestead, the town of Kingsville and two private homes
- The Road That Led to Somewhere – visit sites from the Underground Railroad days
- In Pursuit of Peace – a different side of the War of 1812
- Rum Runners – and the part they played in local history

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

Half-Day Tours

- Take a Bite of Olde Sandwich – a walking tour of the oldest European settlement east of Montreal
- Tea at the Manor – a tour and afternoon tea at Willistead Manor, the 1906 home of Edward Chandler Walker
- Let’s Take a Walk – a guided walking tour of downtown Windsor with a stop at the Chimzucuk Museum to view the Questers Collect exhibit



TUESDAY, APRIL 30

Half-Day Tours

- Whiskey and Wheels – a visit to J.W. Wiser Distillery in Walkerville with whiskey tasting followed by a tour of Ford City
- Historic Windsor Churches

Full-Day Tours

- For the Birds – a definite must for bird watchers
- Trains, Planes and Automobiles – see how various transportation methods are celebrated
- Ontario’s London on the Thames – view the Eldon House, St. Paul’s Cathedral and the Banting Home for the story of the discovery of insulin
- The French Connection – a lively look at the early French settlers

Border Crossing Made Easy

All persons traveling between the United States and Canada are required to present a valid passport, or other documents as determined by the Department of Homeland Security. Questions about crossing the border? Visit www.crossingmadeeasy.com



www.ambassadorbridge.com



ARMCHAIR TOURS WITH LUNCH



TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019

Program 10:30 -11:30 AM

ECanada Eh!

Don Wilson, South Shore Seekers #1156, will talk about his extensive collection of ECanada art pottery, one of Canada’s greatest contributions to the field of excellence in pottery making. There is a reason why it looks like Wedgwood.

Lunch 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Program 1:30 – 2:30 PM

Stories of a People Told by Barn Quilts

Follow a picture –tour of the historic Thames River from Thamesville to its mouth at Lake St. Clair to view barn quilts depicting true stories of early settlement.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 2019

Lunch 12:00 PM

Program 1:30 -3:00 PM

Riding the Underground Railroad

Steven Cook, curator of Uncle Tom’s Cabin Historic Site, tells the story of slaves seeking freedom in Canada from the 1830’s to 1865.



THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019

FAREWELL PARTY “A Carousel of Nations”

Windsor is the fourth largest ethnically diverse city in Canada. A special event known as “the Carousel of Nations” is held throughout the city every June. As a casual, fun, farewell event, a few of the many ethnic groups in Windsor will provide food and entertainment for your pleasure.



MAY 3 – 5, 2019

2019 POST CONVENTION TOUR

“Small Town Southern Ontario Hospitality” and OH so much more!



Tour will include a visit to Ontario’s Amish Country in St. Jacob with antiquing opportunities, a walk through the Royal Botanical Gardens in Hamilton and, of course Niagara Falls and the delightful 19th century town of Niagara on the Lake. *See the Winter Issue of The Quester Quarterly for details.*