

Relaxing Get-Away Weekend

Sit back and relax on Friday evening as Amtrak escorts you to historic Mendota, Illinois. Upon arrival, dine at an exciting new restaurant located right next to the train station. This is the new Freight House Grill restaurant, located inside the oldest railroad freight house still standing in the state of Illinois. After your meal, head to your accommodations for the weekend—a three story Victorian home with antique furnished bedrooms—for a nightcap and a peaceful night's sleep. A home cooked breakfast will be served each morning of your stay, and Amtrak will again take you directly back to Chicago on Sunday afternoon.

No traffic hassles, no cooking, and no big city noise or aggravation!

The Details:



Cost: \$165 per person. Bring a close friend for only \$35! (One bed)

Date: Friday, November 3, 2006 to Sunday, November 5, 2006

Your trip includes:

- Round trip train to Mendota (leaving from Chicago)
- Two nights stay at the elegant Lord Stockings Bed & Breakfast
- Delicious home-cooked breakfast both Saturday and Sunday morning
- 25% off the menu at the Freight House Grill for the *whole weekend!* (excluding alcohol)
<http://www.FreightHouseGrill.com/>
- Enjoyable, private evenings in the “English Pub” in the basement of the Lord Stockings Bed & Breakfast (BYOB)
- Relaxation and camaraderie with a small group of co-travelers

Friday, November 3:

The Amtrak “Zephyr” train leaves from Union Station at 5:55 PM and arrives in downtown Mendota at 7:20 PM. The Freight House Grill is 1 block south of the train station. Lee Stockings, the gracious host of Lord Stockings Bed and Breakfast, will later pick you up and escort you to your evening destination. Once settled in, enjoy a drink or two downstairs in the English Pub.

Saturday, November 4:

In the morning, Pat Stocking will prepare a delectable home-cooked breakfast. You and your traveling companions can enjoy the meal and converse around the table in the cozy dining room. After breakfast, you can explore their English Garden, catch up on your reading, and/or discover the sites of downtown Mendota. Take in a tour of the newly restored railroad depot and museum, visit the Carnegie Hume historic museum, or just saunter into town to see the historic storefronts. At dinner time, you can eat at the Freight House Grill and get another 25% off your meal. If not there, Mendota has several fine eating establishments, including several Mexican and Chinese selections. The more upscale “Uptown Grill” is another option that will offer local flavor. You can end the day with a drink or two at the English Pub before retiring.

Sunday, November 5:

After another savory breakfast provided by Pat Stocking, you can slowly get your belongings together and head down to the train station. Amtrak’s “Southwest Chief” is scheduled to arrive in Mendota at 1:21 PM and take you to Union Station in Chicago by 3:20 PM.

Only 4-8 people can be accommodated on this trip, so make your pre-paid reservations now!
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