



FALL/WINTER 2025 EDITION



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As we embark on a New Year, I look forward to the excitement of the upcoming Holiday Season.

What a wonderful year it has been! I have had the opportunity to meet with new and old members of the Prosperity Bank Travel Club. It has been a sheer delight to travel with the members and get to now know them as friends. I look forward to the remainder of 2025 and all the exciting upcoming trips for 2026. It is so delightful to hear the stories of our Club Members fun filled trips that they have taken and the trips they are planning.

I will be escorting a **DAY TRIP** group on Dec. 4th, 2025, to Grapevine, Texas for a Magical Christmas experience. It will be a fun filled day with events that include a visit to the Nash Farm, Wine Pairing, Lunch, Theatre Performance (Including Dinner), and a Christmas Parade. The bus transportation to and from Grapevine is included in this trip. Should you wish to join us please call or email me before Nov. 03 for additional information. My contact information will be listed within the Newsletter.

Wishing our Valued Travel Club Members a Prosperous and Happy New Year!

HOUSTON/BELLAIRE.....Jim

The Bellaire Travel Club is in high activity mode this Fall and Winter season. With the trips and events, there is something for everybody. The long-standing Bunco game takes place every first Tuesday of each month at 12 noon. We just love having new members join in on the fun!

Transitions the Seminar Series continues to bring in new and interesting speakers. Recent seminars have covered everything from renovating your current home for aging in place to "Putting the Fun Back into Funerals" where our guest speaker spoke about how the memorializing of loved ones has shifted toward gatherings of family and friends rather than the traditional services. The next Transitions Seminar is scheduled for some time in January 2026.

We traveled to Boston and points in New England for the Autumn leaves tour called Rails and Sails in mid-October. On November13, the quarterly **Dutch Treat Luncheon** will be held at North Italia Restaurant on Post Oak.

December 2-4, Houston travelers will hop on a bus for a 3-day adventure to The Texas Hill Country enjoying Fredericksburg, Gruene and Luckenbach for a winery tour, dinner and shopping.

The Travel Club will host the Prosperity Bank Bellaire **Holiday Concert Series** with musical groups performing in the bank lobby each Friday at Noon preceding Christmas.

The Houston Area Travel Clubs will combine to celebrate the holiday season with a **Wine & Cheese Reception** on Tuesday, December 16th in the Bellaire Bank lobby. We will then board a shuttle bus to the Hobby Center to enjoy their Christmas production of White Christmas. Cost of the event includes the reception, theater admission and round trip transportation from the Bellaire Banking Center. Please get with Tracy or me to reserve your spot.

We always welcome new members and prospective members to join in any of the wonderful activities provided by all our Prosperity Bank Travel Clubs.



SOUTH TEXAS... Doris

We're wrapping up 2025 in style!

Our spectacular **Style Show & Coffee** in November (details below) and our memorable Christmas trip to Nashville in December will close out an exciting year for our South Texas Travel Club.

It has been a fast and fun-filled year of adventures, laughter, and friendship. If you have been thinking about joining us, now is the time – our trips are filling up quickly!

We wish each of you a joyful and blessed holiday season.



Victoria Community Center Dome

2905 E North St, Victoria, TX Social @ 9:00 am Show @ 10:30 am Member - Free | Guest - \$10 Each

RSVP by Friday, November 7, 2025 by calling 361-574-8431, 361-572-6566 or 361-572-6504.

UPCOMING 2026 TRIPS

Snow Train – Cali to Reno (Rockport Tours)

April 12 - 16, 2026......**5 Days**

Fly to California only to hop on the train to Reno! Spend one night taking in the sights of Sacramento before boarding the Amtrak train through the Sierra Nevada mountains. Once we arrive in Reno, we will begin our 3-night stay at the El Dorado Casino Resort - lakes, mountains and a little gambling.

\$1,799.00 Per Person / Double Occupancy Single Supplement is \$245

Deposit to reserve spot: \$200.00 Final payment: 01/15/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown | 361-572-6566

Azamara Majestic & Untouched Alaska (TRIPS)

May 20 – June 1, 2026...... **13 Days**

Eleven Nights on the Luxurious & Intimate Azamara Pursuit from Whittier to Vancouver! Free-Flowing Wine, Beer & Spirits on the 5-Star Azamara Pursuit with only 680 guests and a crew of 400. Sail Along the Magnificent Hubbard Glacier and Explore 8 Stunning Ports!! See Remote Towns That Can't Be Visited by Larger Ships + Azamara Offers the Longest Port Times of Any Cruise Line!

\$5,898.00 Interior Stateroom Category 10

\$6,598.00 Oceanview Stateroom Category 06

\$7,298.00 Veranda Stateroom Category V3

\$7,498.00 Veranda Stateroom Category V2

Single supplement is an additional 50% up charge in your selected cabin category

Deposit to reserve spot: \$750.00 Final Payment: 01/07/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Doris Brown | 361-572-6566

Niagara Falls & Building of America (TRIPS)

Imagine standing right at the edge of the falls, close enough to feel the thunder of millions of gallons of water cascading over – and discover how and why the Falls' immense power stands as the perfect symbol of the entire Niagara region's vital part in the building of our great nation, America! Enjoy the Erie Canal Cruise & Dinner - Niagara-on-the-Lake - "I Love Lucy" 75th Anniversary in Jamestown Made in America Day - "Home of the Buffalo Wing" Anchor Bar - BRAND NEW "Niagara" Takes Flight" Únderground Railroad - Maid of the Mist - Roycroft Inn - Ice Wine -Carousel Horses & Chocolates.

\$4,398.00 Per Person / Double Occupancy Single supplement is \$1,298,00

Deposit to reserve spot: \$650.00 Final Payment: 02/20/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante | 361-572-6504

The Spirit of the Ozarks (Rockport Tours)

Join us for a journey through the Ozarks, where natural beauty meets spiritual inspiration. Highlights include the Thorn Crown Chapel, Eureka Springs Holy Land Tour, The Passion Play, Dogwood Canyon, and Top of the Rock. Enjoy breathtaking views, traditional crafts, and lively entertainment!

\$1,999.00 Per Person / Double Occupancy Single Supplement: \$379

Deposit to reserve spot: \$200.00 Final Payment: 05/01/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Tracy Ellington | 713-861-1125

Highlights of Columbia & Snake River – Land Tour (Mayflower) August 9 – 16, 2026 **8 Days**

Begin your adventure in Portland, Oregon and travel to Mt. Hood and the Timberline Lodge, a National Historic Landmark. Continue to the sheer cliffs of the spectacular Columbia River Gorge for a stop at Multnomah Falls, a 600 ft tall roaring waterfall. Embark on an epic Jet Boat journey on the Snake River into Hells Canyon. Other highlights include, an authentic cultural dinner show, Eagle Aviary, dinner cruise, and gondola ride.

\$3,149.00 Per Person (plus \$800.00 Airfare) \$899.00 Single Supplement

Deposit to reserve spot: \$200.00 Final Payment: 06/05/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Tracy Ellington | 713-861-1125

Switzerland Trains (Universal Travel)

August 30 – Sept 7, 2026...... 9 Days

This amazing adventure includes the Swiss Alps and the Lakes of Northern Italy. Featuring the Lake Geneva train ride to Zermatt, the Glacier Express to St. Moritz, Lake Lugano, Lake Como, Lake Maggiore, the Armani Silos in Milan, and much more!

\$8,799.00 Per Person \$1,500.00 Single add on

Deposit to reserve spot: \$1,000.00 Final Payment: 03/22/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante | 361-572-6504

Islands of New England (Collette)

October 2 - 9, 2026..... 8 Days

Discover the natural beauty that lies along the shores of New England. Come to know its coastal charm, friendly people, and fresh-from-the-sea cuisine. Your tour will being in Providence RI and take to Newport, Plymouth, Cape Cod, and Martha's Vineyard.

\$3,899 Per person / Double Occupancy (until April 2nd) \$4,799 Per person – Single (until April 2nd)

Deposit to reserve spot: \$698.00 Final Payment: 07/04/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Beverly Patton | 972-509-2020

Spotlight on the French Riviera (Collette)

October 22 – 30, 2026...... **8 Days**

It's time to live the good life and embark on a getaway to the fabulous French Riviera. It's elegant coastal resorts, superb eateries, chic boutiques, and captivating museums make it the ultimate sunny retreat. Unpack your bags just once and stay at a single hotel for your entire adventure! Highlights include: Nice flower market, Tasting Tour in Old Town of Nice, Monaco, Hilltop Village of Eze, Perfumery workshop, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, Cannes, Wine Tasting, St. Paul de Vence.

Double \$3,999 Single \$4,699 Triple \$3,949

Discount pricing good until 04/23/26

Deposit to reserve spot: \$698.00 Final payment: 07/24/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Tracy Ellington | 713-861-1125

German Christmas Markets (Trafalgar)

November 30-December 8, 2026...... 9 Days

Step into the magic of Europe's most enchanting holiday traditions! This festive journey takes you through Germany's famous Christmas markets from Nuremberg to Rothenburg and beyond. Enjoy twinkling lights, handmade treasures, warm mulled wine, and centuries old traditions in story book towns. With rich history, guided tours, and plenty of time to shop and soak in the holiday spirit, this trip is the perfect way to celebrate.

\$4,237 Per Person / Double Occupancy \$340 single supplement

Deposit to reserve spot: \$300.00 Final payment: 08/28/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Tracy Ellington | 713-861-1125

Christmas in Vermont (Universal Travel)

December 9 - 15, 2026......**7 Days**

Join us for this Vermont Country Christmas adventure with some shopping at the Quebec City German Christmas markets too. Highlights include: the Trapp Family Lodge, the Trapp Maple Farm tour, Montmorency Falls viewing, Fairmont Chateau Frontenac Costumed guided tour and a horsedrawn sleigh or wagon ride at the Quebecois Sugar Shack.

\$4,399 Per Person / Double Occupancy \$750.00 – Single Add-On

Deposit to reserve spot: \$700.00 Final payment: 07/26/26

Lead Travel Coordinator - Leslie Escalante | 361-572-6504



What an awesome time we had celebrating Dixie Barron!

We gathered to honor Dixie's incredible accomplishments as she retires from her role as our West Texas Travel Coordinator. Over the years, Dixie has worn many hats within our bank, always leading with dedication, warmth, and a true passion for serving our customers.

Thank you, Dixie, for all you've done

- we will miss you and wish you the
very best in your next adventure!



HOUSTON/HEIGHTS.....Tracy

Tracy's Travel Tips

 Snap a photo of your suitcase. If it gets lost, you have an easy way to show what it looks like.

Houston/Heights Upcoming Events

Luncheons: Take place on the third Wednesday of the month at the bank in the Community Room. This is normally a potluck, but occasionally there are changes. (See notes below) Times for the luncheon are: 11:00 AM arrival for those wishing to visit, and the luncheon begins at 11:30 AM.

November 19, 2025 – Time to Give Thanks! – Celebrating a Friendsgiving, and all our blessings. The bank will provide Turkey, and guests will bring traditional Thanksgiving sides & desserts.

December 16, 2025 – Christmas Party – Tuesday

Please note this year instead of a Christmas luncheon we will attend a special event together with Bellaire! We will go as a group to see a production of White Christmas. Please see Tracy for more details.

January 21, 2026 – Mardi Gras "Laisse les Bons Moments Rouler "Grab your beads" and join us!

February 18, 2026 – Valentines – Come and spread some love with all your friends.

Lunch Bunch Dates: This takes place monthly at restaurants around Houston. It is Dutch treat, and we ask you to RSVP to Tracy two days prior, or ASAP.

Thursday, November 6 - Top Water Grill

Wednesday, December 10 - Bella Green

Wednesday, January 28 - Barnaby's

Call or email Tracy for more information: 713-861-1125 or tracy.ellington@prosperitybankusa.com.

WEST TEXAS..... Carla

After more than 20 years with Prosperity, transitioning into my new role as the West Texas Area Travel Coordinator and working alongside Dixie Barron as she prepared for her retirement after 60 years in banking has been a pleasure. Congrats Dixie!

We wrapped up the hot summer months with a fraud awareness coffee in Lubbock where I was able to meet many of you and I know we all picked up some wonderful tips. Over the coming months I look forward to meeting more of you so stay tuned for more information regarding events around the West Texas area along with some local trips.

Also, as you read about the exciting upcoming trips in this edition of the newsletter, please know that I would like to assist you in joining up with the rest of our Texas and Oklahoma travelers to explore any of the destinations offered. Just give me a call so I can assist you in working out details to fly out of a West Texas airport!

I look forward to building new friendships and assisting you however possible. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to reach out by giving me a call at 806-741-2276 or emailing me at carla.calfin@prosperitybankusa.com.



We welcome Carla Calfin to our West Texas Travel Club Family

Carla began her banking career in 2004 with Prosperity (formerly American State Bank) and has served in multiple roles through the years. Most recently, she worked with our wonderful bank associates to ensure they are delivering the best customer service and assisting customers in determining the best financial products to meet their personal needs. Carla joined the Prosperity Travel Club in July of 2025 to serve as the West Texas Area Travel Coordinator.

She and her husband Mike are lifelong West Texas residents and proudly raised their three grown sons in Lubbock. They are proud grandparents to 3 grandchildren as well. When not spending time with her family and friends, Carla can be found in the garden or trying out a new recipe.

