

## ***Heritage Choir Newsletter #32 – Rome, Italy***

*It's Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, during your 2019 Rome, Italy Performance Tour. Next....*

**\*Please Note\*** - Since the Choir will break for the Summer, this will be the last Newsletter until the Choir Newsletters resume August 1<sup>st</sup>. In August, we will be a little over two months away from your departure to Rome.

*During Summer Break, here are a few Reminders if you haven't already done so along with a few travel updates....*

**+ Passports** - If you have a Passport, locate it and take a moment to Review the document.

- **Passport Review Question 1:** Does the name on your Passport match the name you provided to Educational Tours when signing up for the Rome Italy Tour?

A good comparison is to look at your Tour Payment Coupon. If your name does not match your Passport Name, please contact Educational Tours at 435-656-4849, so we can make the necessary corrections.

- **Please Note:** It is very important that your name on your Passport matches the name on your airline ticket.
  - o **Passport Review Question 2:** When does your Passport Expire?
    - **For Italy**, your Passport Must have at least six months validity remaining beyond your planned date of departure from Italy. Depending on your planned return, October 15<sup>th</sup> or October 18<sup>th</sup>, your Passport would need to be valid through April 2020.
  - o **If you discover you need to Renew or need to Obtain a Passport, what steps should you take?**  
For details and the location of the nearest passport-acceptance facility, see the US Department of State's travel site [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) or call 877-487-2778. Processing time varies; the current wait is posted on the State Department website. During busier periods, a six-week wait is common.

**+ Airline Flights** - If you are thinking of arranging for your own air and have not already notified Educational Tours, please contact us by July 1<sup>st</sup>, as we must commit to the number of airline seats we are holding during the Choir's Summer Break. And, if you are still thinking of signing up, we need to hear from you right away.

**+ Money Exchange** – Euros, Credit/Debit Cards - A future newsletter article will be forth coming.

**+ Hotel Accommodations** – In Rome, we will be using two 4-Star Hotels; *The Holiday Inn & Sheraton* to accommodate our group. They are located close; within proximity to each other. The Group will be traveling together; only when returning to the hotel for the evening will the motorcoach be assigned to a various hotel.

**+ Motorcoach Travel** – While in Italy, we will have five Motorcoaches to transfer our Traveling Group between locations. Each Motorcoach is equipped with a bathroom for emergencies.

**When Newsletters resume in August, we will continue with....- Next**, Today October 15<sup>th</sup>, it will be time for us to say farewell to Rome, as you either depart for the airport to return home or board the motorcoach to travel on to **Siena**....to be continued in next week's Newsletter.

**Rome "Fun Fact" #32 – Rome** today is one of the most important tourist destinations of the world, due to the incalculable immensity of its archaeological and art treasures, as well as for the charm of its unique traditions, the beauty of its panoramic views, and the majesty of its magnificent "villas" (parks). Rome has an average of 7–10 million tourists a year, which sometimes doubles on holy years. And, you will be one of those tourists real soon.