We had a wonderful tour of Mackinac Island and Castle Farms Museum & Gardens, Barns Park Botanical Gardens, Dow Gardens, Beal Botanical Garden, Soaring Eagle Resort, Thunder Bay Resort-Elk Reserve and Lodge. 18 of us traveled from all over the state and initially landed in Pellston, MI—a small airport. The weather was fantastic, especially because it was really cool, September 20-25!!! Tour raised $1800 for LGCF.

26 of us will be very busy right after Christmas, as we leave for Pasadena, CA on December 27. We are excited to work on the *Louisiana Float* for the New Year's Day, Rose Parade. We will also make a day-long Bus tour of Route 66, Beverly Hills and the area. The State is hosting a reception for all coming from Louisiana and will also provide lunch for us the two days we work on the float. We will also have a night-time tour of Old Pasadena and will tour some of the residential areas to view the beautiful Christmas decorations. We will celebrate New Years Eve at the famous Derby Restaurant—all dressed for a Gadsby Evening! There is NO TV that can do justice to the Parade, so experiencing it live is fantastic. We will be in "Mardi Gras" fashion for the parade. Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler !!! Tour will raise $2,600 for LGCF.

There are Tour Sheets here today, and there are Sign-up sheets here as well.

Newly announced:

Fall of 2027 we will tour Chrystal Bridges and Bentonville-between District Meetings or the beginning of November

Spring of 2028 we will travel back to Philadelphia for their International Flower Show. March 4-9, 2028

Still looking for things to do Fall of 2028 and Spring-2029!

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