



The meeting of Friends Rotarians “At the crossroads of Europe – the Belovezhskaya Pushcha - 2018” as an opportunity to promote ecological heritage, folk traditions and cultural legacy.

18-20 May 2018
the Belovezhskaya Pushcha
Belarus

THE PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

| 18-05-2018 | |
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| 9.00 | Departure from Minsk. |
| 14.00 | Arrival in the Belovezhskaya Pushcha. The accommodation of guests - in a comfortable hotel on the territory of Belovezhskaya Pushcha (a swimming pool, billiard, tennis, SPA, a restaurant will be provided for you upon request). |
| 15.00 | Lunch. |
| 16.00-18.00 | Sightseeing tour of Belovezhskaya Pushcha and a visit to the “Museum of ethnography and old-time technologies”. |
| 18:00 | Free time. You can visit: swimming pool, gym. |
| 19.00 | A friendly dinner in the restaurant «Belovezhskaya Pushcha». The celebration of the 24th Birthday of Rotary Club Minsk. Guests will be able to taste dishes of deer, wild boar, elk and even bison meat. Local cooks are specialized in the cooking of such dishes and they have achieved amazing mastery in this. |
| 19-05-2018 | |
| 09.00 | Breakfast. |
| 10.00 | The conference “The box of projects” The presentation of Rotarian projects, the development of their international part, exchange of experience, ideas, search for partners. |
| 13.00 | Father Frost’s residence –summer residence. Excursion. You will meet the main character of New Year – Belarusian Father Frost (Ded Moroz), visit his residence, here you will see other places of interest: Father Frost’s House with a throne room Snow Maiden’s tower Treasury with valuable items – letters, paintings and gifts from children Magic Mill that turns bad things into dust and sand Meadow of Twelve Months (a place to make a wish) New Year tree Alley of Chinese astrological signs Father Frost’s Hut where visitors can try traditional Belarusian cuisine. |
| 14.00 | You will taste traditional fish soup(uha), pancakes, herbal tea. |
| c 16.00 | Visit to Tsarskaya polyana (forest meadow). Folk holiday “Mermaid week” – competitions, games, charades. Folk dancing and folk songs. |
| 20-05-2018 | |
| 09.00 | Breakfast |
| 10.00 | Museum of natural history – tour around Exhibits are true to life, present flora and fauna of the ecosystem of Belovezhskaya Pushcha, you will feel the atmosphere of virgin nature. The museum is one of the best in the world and not without the reason. Don’t miss your once-in-a-lifetime chance to visit it! You will see different animals, the total square of animal house is 20 hectares, the inhabitants of it are: bison, wild boar, deer, elk, wolves, bears and other animals. |
| 12.00 | Departure for Minsk |

The project “At the crossroads of Europe” is a regular international meeting event of Rotarians, who live and work in the Central and Eastern European countries. Every time organizers of the meeting change the place by choosing historically and architecturally significant towns or cities. The event “At the crossroads of Europe” is a good reason to visit somebody, learn and see new things from the history of our and neighboring regions. Besides, it’s a great opportunity to meet old friends and get acquainted with new ones, to discuss common plans.

- Local time in Minsk.
- Additions and changes are possible.
- The programme has been prepared, taking into account a starting point (Minsk city). If participants are going to arrive in Brest city, please contact coordinators for the organization of transfers to the Belovezhskaya Pushcha,

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