



Travel Launch 2027 Trips

Portrait of Italy

April 2026

“The Portrait of Italy was the perfect itinerary, and we liked the idea of going with other CU alumni. The local expert tour guides were great, and having a CU host made the trip even better!”

—Patti Castro (Parent)



Inland Sea of Japan and South Korea

May 2026

“The trip was fantastic. Loved meeting all the Colorado bunch. The speakers were outstanding and their lectures were well attended. Never have I been with a group that were so knowledgeable and wanted to learn. Thanks for such a wonderful trip.”

— Alice Clapsaddle (Friend)



Cruise the Heart of Europe

May 2026

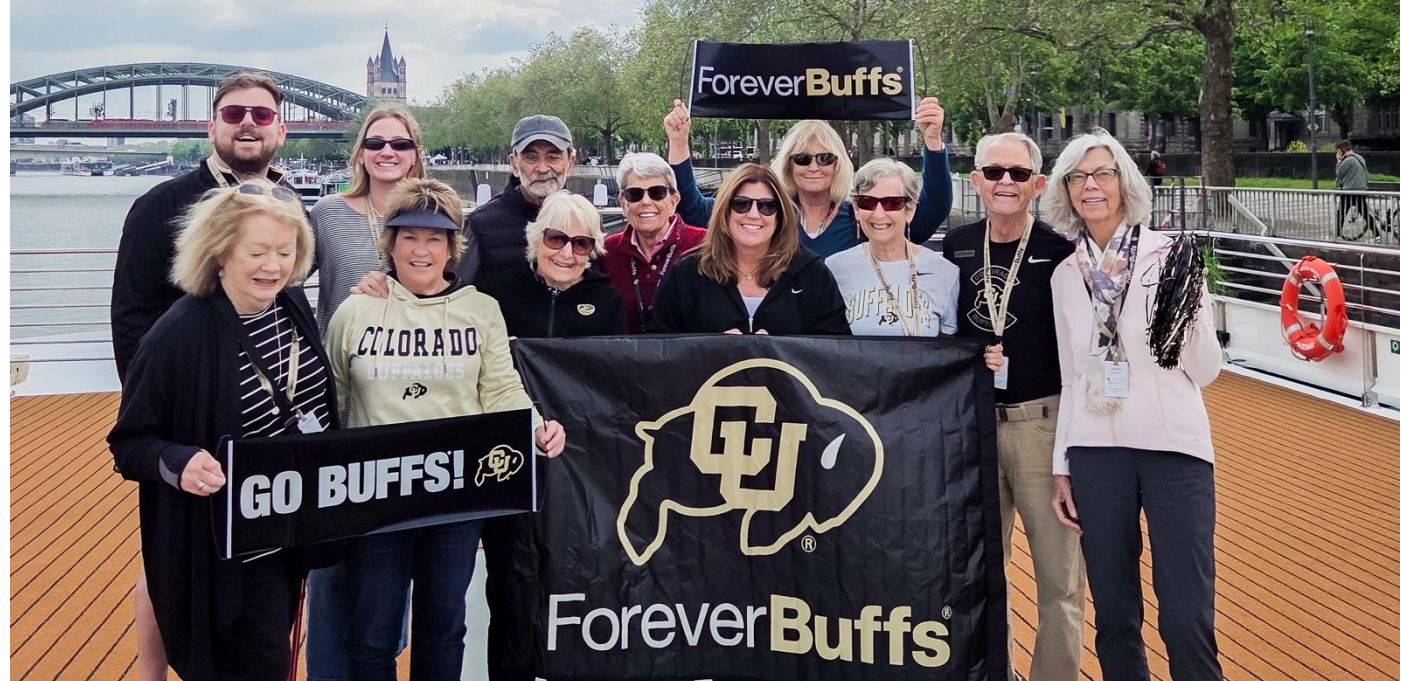
“What a trip we had! Thanks for your coordination, everything was great. It was extra special to travel together and have a leader for our herd.”

*— Gary (MBA’74; PhDBus’77) and
Melissa (Mktg’77) Porter*

“Trip was excellent. My advice would be to be sure to participate. They were wonderful!”

— Don (PhDBus’77) and Becky Sciglimpaglia

ROAMING**BUFFS**® EUROPE



Circumnavigation of Iceland

June 2024

Panama Canal and Costa Rica

March 2025

Grand Danube Passage

October 2025

Journey to Southern Africa

March 2026

“Everything is top-notch — just beautiful. The service is great. You keep meeting new people and keep seeing new places.”

—Phil Davis (Arch’68)

“You never know; you could meet the second love of your life on one of these trips. One of my favorite things is the people we’ve bonded with and stayed in touch with for the last two years.”

—Libby Martinson (A&S’70; MSpch’72)

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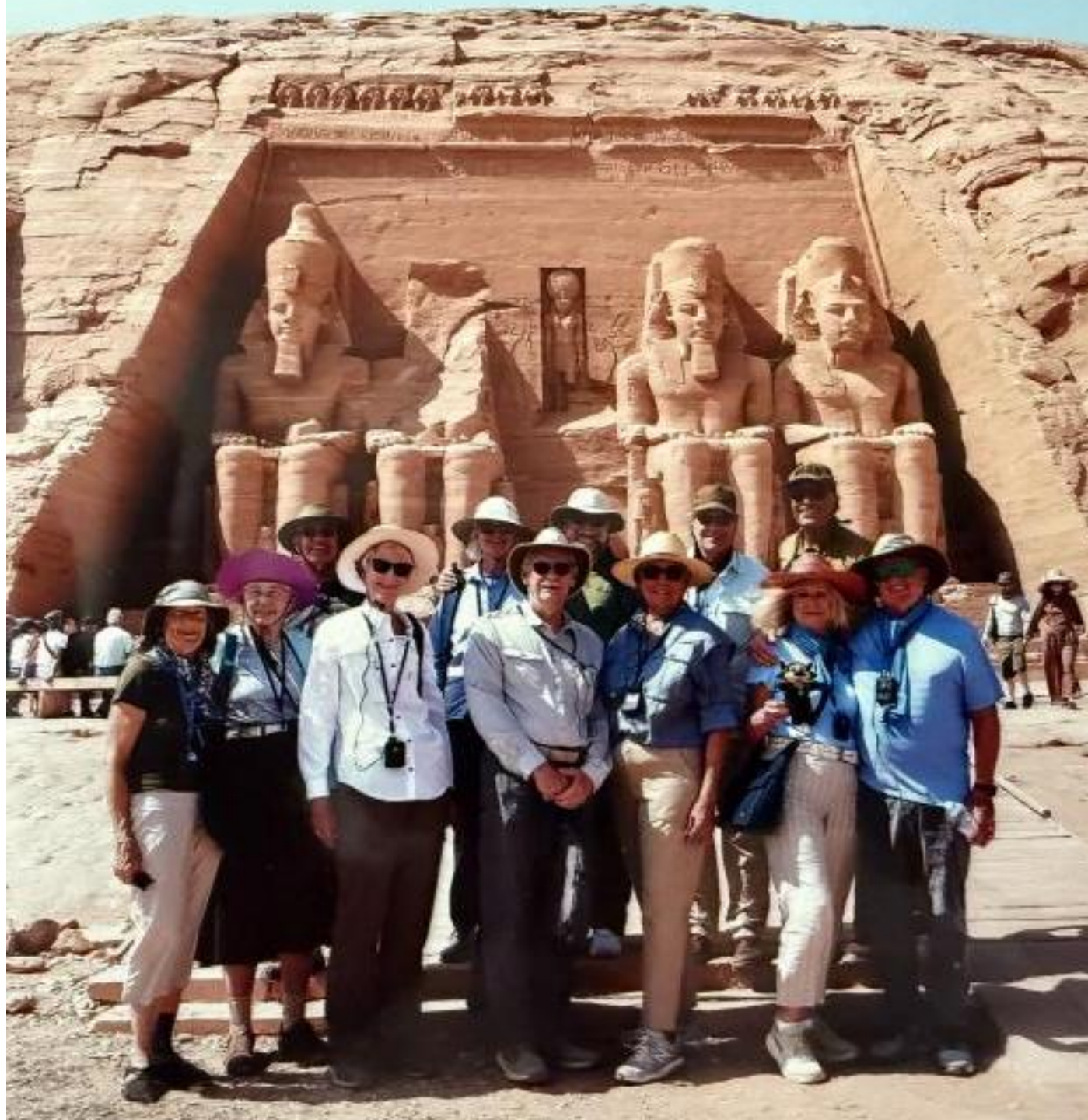


Egypt and the Eternal Nile

October to November 2025

“Being there is so much different than reading about it in a book. It was deeper and richer than I could have ever imagined. Egypt: There are not enough superlatives to describe the pleasure we derived from this experience. I will speak only in superlative terms as every aspect exceeded expectations. Carolyn and I want to thank you most sincerely for all the CU Alumni Center and Odysseys Unlimited did to make this what we are calling ‘The Trip of a Lifetime.’”

— Roy Blackwood (MFA’72)



Iceland and Northern Lights
November 2025

Morocco and Canary Islands
April 2024

“It’s good to go on a trip with other CU alumni — it’s fun to meet people and see what other CU alumni have done with their lives. Since I’ve gotten older, I like a more organized tour — guides who know what they’re doing.”

—Pete Wennermark (A&S’62)



Cruise Italy

June 2025

“Our CU trip host was awesome, the enthusiasm and school spirit she brought to the program was so much fun. She definitely brought the Buffs community together. From organizing group dinners to the social hour get-togethers, she went above and beyond! They even flew the Buffs flag high on the ship’s mast!”

—Mark Ingraham (Soc’90)



Iceland and the Northern Lights

November 2025

“There were so many highlights! Looking for the Northern Lights, Dimmurdorgir lava field, the small fishing town of Siglufjördur. Also loved the observation deck at the Perlan, a geothermal plant. It was great and I anticipate joining more trips in the future!”

—Alice and Charles Greifenstein (Parents)



Grand Danube Passage

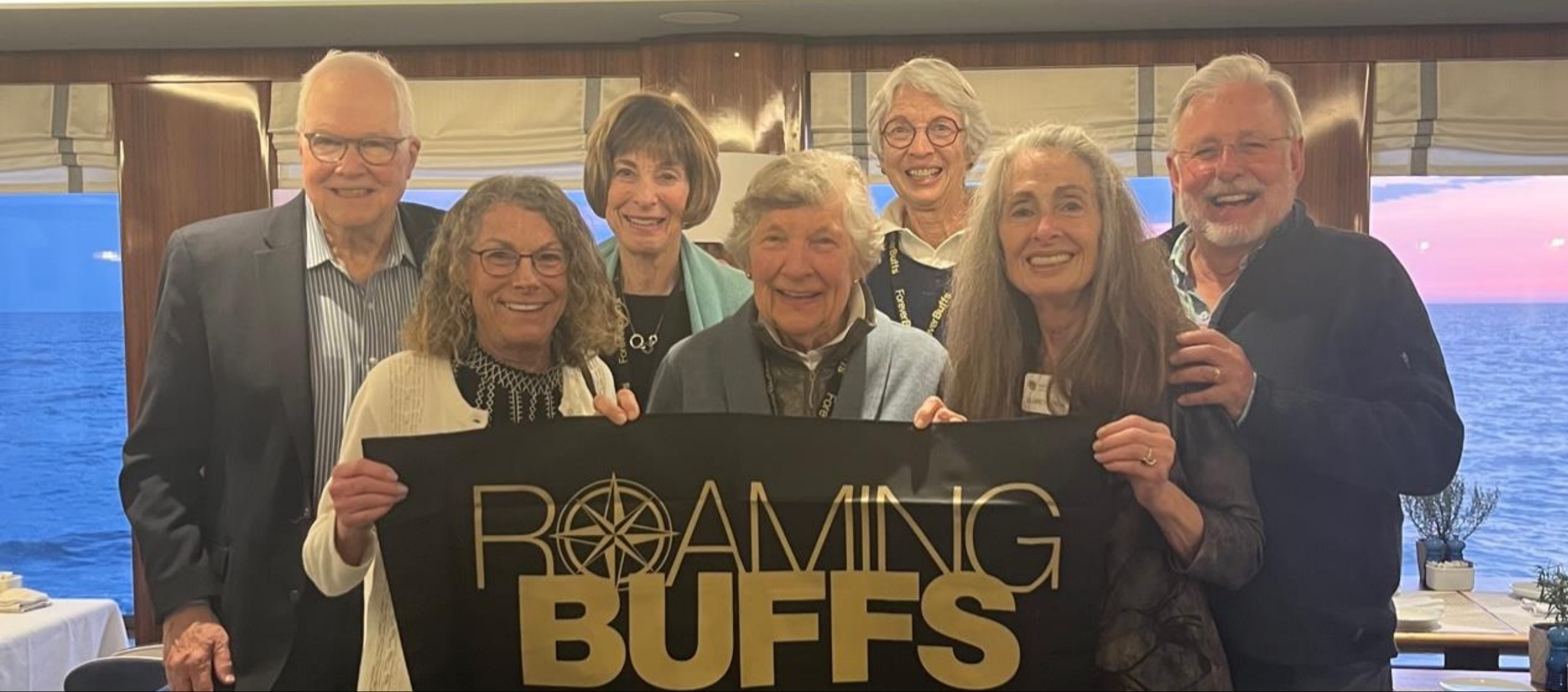
October 2025

"I enjoyed participating with fellow friends and alumni and being part of a well-organized tour that also benefited the university."

— Greg Frenette (Comm'88)

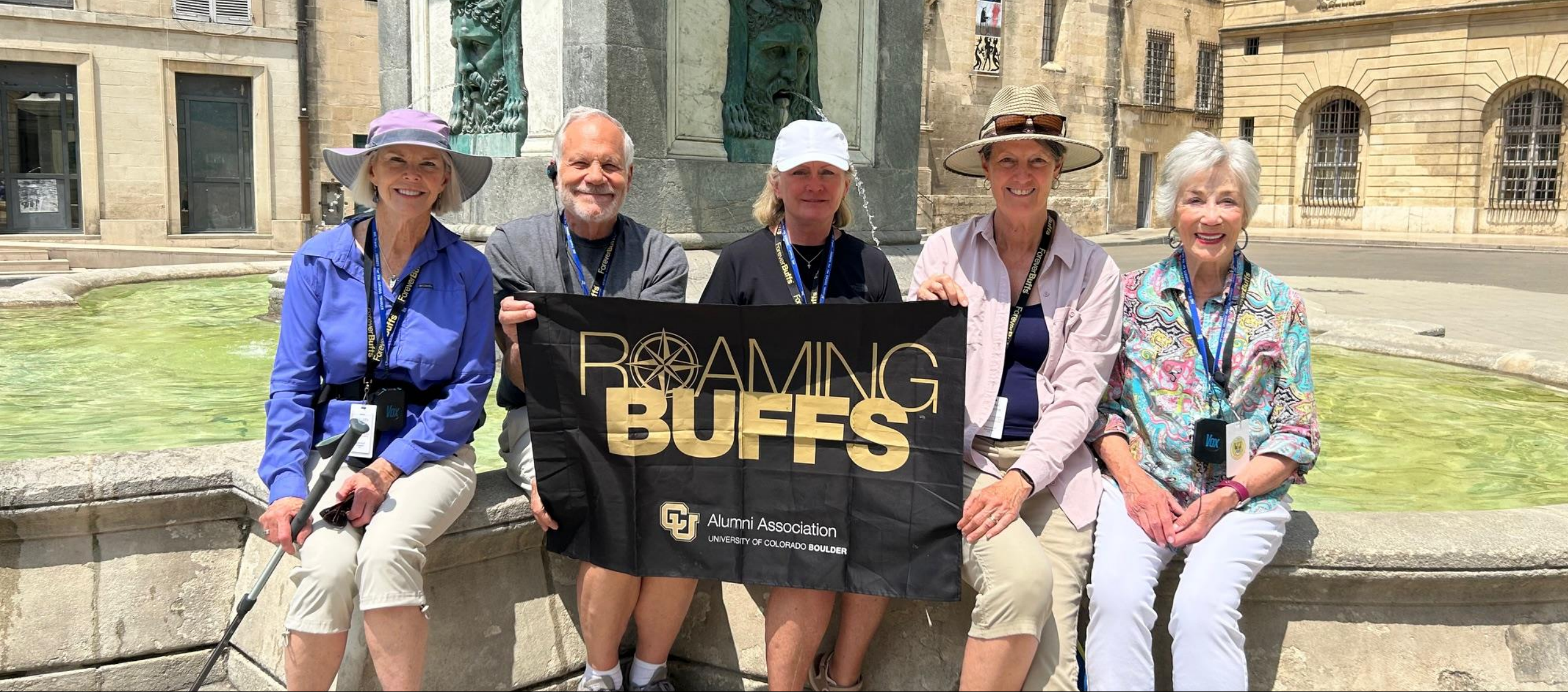
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European Coastal Cruise

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Pleasures of Provence

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Scottish Isles and Norwegian Fjords

June 2025

“We wanted to see the location of our favorite Britbox detective series, Shetland. I enjoyed the visit to Orkney with the explanation of how it became part of Britain.”

—Carl DePrima (A&S'65)

ROAMING **BUFFS**® SCOTLAND



January 2024

- *Monica Davis-Knudson and Steven Knudson (Fin'75; Law'79)*



Mayan Splendor in Mexico's Yucatan

February 2024

"The pyramids at Chichen Itza and Uxmal were definitely a highlight. Our tour director, Bernardo, and our guide, Edwin, were great. Both were knowledgeable, thoughtful, spoke excellent English, and led us around to the highlights of each site. We had several travelers who were a bit mobility challenged. They were careful to make sure everyone stayed with the group and were included."

—Dennis Ebbets (PhDAstroPhys'78)

"We were completely satisfied with the program and the sites we visited. The pelota match in the Merida city center was excellent and unexpected!"

—John Stowell (Phys'70)



Morocco and the Canary Islands

April 2024

“We have always had great times on our previous Roaming Buffs programs, and had never been to these destinations (Morocco and the Canary Islands). We generally weren’t fans of group travel until we did our first Roaming Buffs trip to Southern Africa. We found that small group travel is great, with all of the logistics taken care of by professionals, which makes the experience much better.”

— Kristina and John (Phys’70) Stowell

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Iceland and the Northern Lights

February 2024

“The guides were wonderful. Very organized.”

— Dawn Braud (Jour’79)

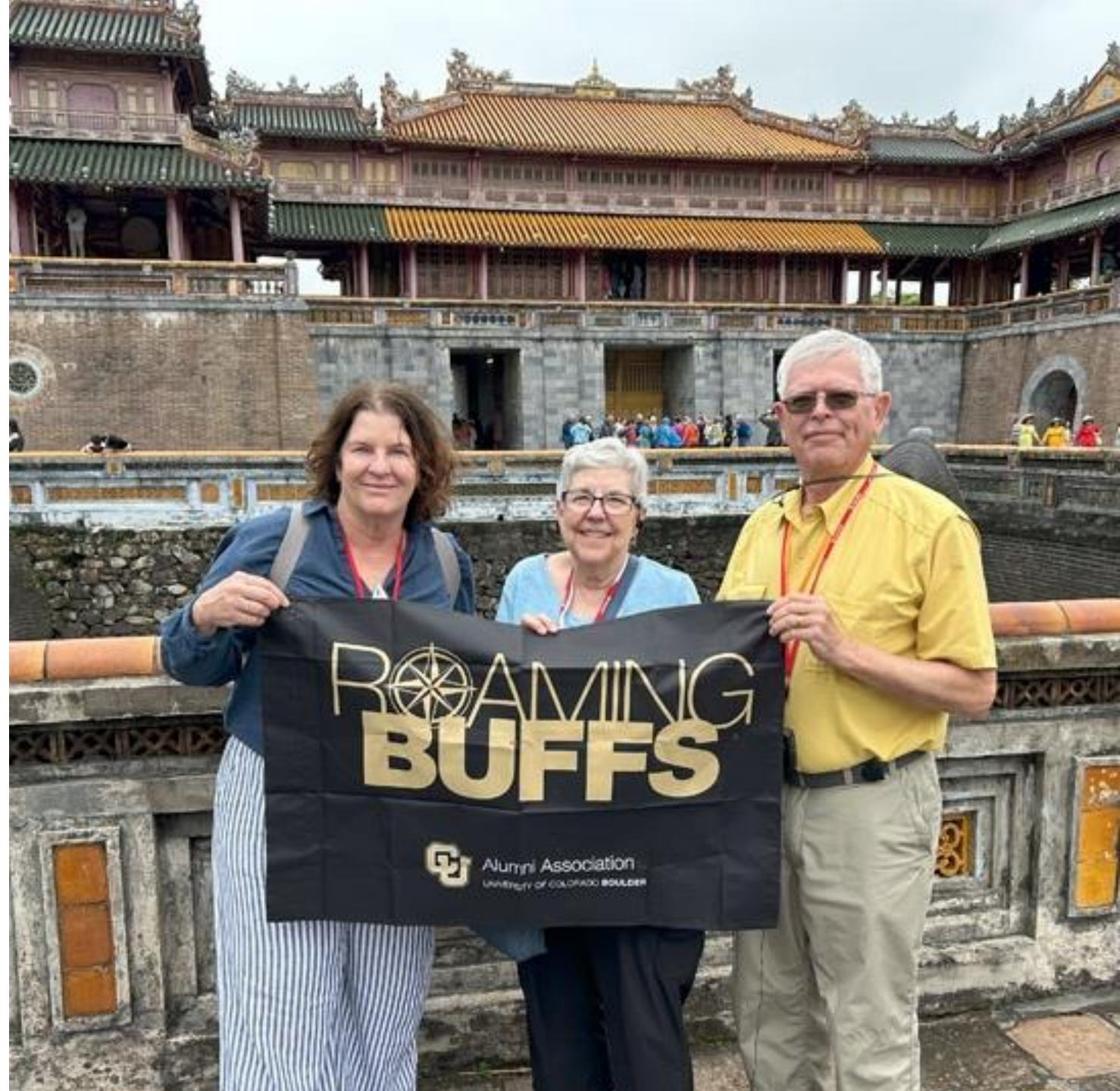


Vietnam By Land and By Sea

February to March 2024

*“We had a terrific trip to
Cambodia and Vietnam.”*

— Phillip L. Evans (AeroEngr, EEngr'71)



Circumnavigation of Iceland

June 2024

“One trip highlight was the glacial water trip amongst the frozen icebergs in freezing rain and wind. It was something I’ll never experience again! It was wonderful to travel with knowledgeable folks who are easy-going if any changes come about. The lectures aboard were excellent and helped fill in further information about our surroundings.”

— Judith Waldren (Edu’61)

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Easy Company: England to the Eagle's Nest

June 2024

“Our tour manager, historians and guides were all very professional and so knowledgeable which made it an easy trip for us. We were able to relax and enjoy the whole experience from beginning to end.”

— Ann Buttermore (Fin'91)



Croatia and Cruising the Dalmatian Coast

June 2024

“Everything was well set out and described. The multiple stops to swim in the Adriatic were a plus.”

— Don (PhDBus'77) and
Becky Sciglimpaglia



Scotland Stirling

August 2024

“Visiting the castles and historic sites was a highlight. It is amazing how old some of the castles, churches and ruins are.”

— Jim and Patricia Watkins (Parents)



Village Life of France

October 2024

“Plaza Madeleine in Sarlat was the perfect location to make daily trips to surrounding villages and caves. Not needing to pack and unpack to move hotels made the trip most enjoyable. Gohagen Travel and their guide, Letitia, made the trip very welcoming and hassle free.”

— Anne Golden (A&S’64)



Panama Canal & Costa Rica

February 2025

“Traveling on a Roaming Buffs trip is a special experience. We enjoyed meeting other fellow Buffs as well as a number of alums from other schools. We had a fabulous time! The snorkeling excursion was a highlight. The water was perfect and the fish viewing was excellent.”

— Tom Shepherd (Bus’78) and Karen (EBio’78) Shepard

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Tulips and Rhine

April 2025

“We had a fantastic time and would not change a thing! Highly recommend the Cochem Castle visit. Would definitely recommend the bike ride and signing up for it for the Black Forest!”

— Cortney Hutmacher (IntPhys'08; PhDPhysTher'13)

“One highlight was the beauty and variety of plants in the Kuchenhof Garden. Truly magnificent and well-described by our tour guide. We enjoyed the camaraderie among other alumni organizations. Special attention was paid to my spouse's dietary restrictions — it was like she had her own personal chef.”

— Jim Robin (Chem'68)



D-Day: The Invasion of Normandy and the Liberation of France

June 2025

“Being on Omaha Beach on D-Day was a privilege and unforgettable!! The quality of The WWII Museum guides and program is truly exceptional!”

— Lori Thompson (IntlAf'84)

ROAMING **BUFFS**® NORMANDY



Enchanting Ireland

June 2025

“The trip was really great, we had some very special experiences: dinner with a local family, a Sheepdog demonstration, abbeys, castles. We left Chip with our last bus driver on the Belfast extension...a mascot for good luck!”

— Gary (MBA’74; PhDBus’77) and Melissa (Mktg’77) Porter

ROAMING **BUFFS**® IRELAND



Wild Alaska Escape

June 2025

“A great time was had by ALL! Service and attention to detail from the crew was a highlight. All very friendly and accommodating, well-practiced providers. Trust that you will be cared for properly with expertise and experience.”

— Virginia Clair (Comm'93)

ROAMING **BUFFS**® ALASKA





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Lauren Kachel

*Edinburgh, Scotland
Integrative Physiology*

“Receiving this scholarship relieves such a huge financial burden from my shoulders. It is no easy task to afford studying abroad, but this gift has seriously lifted the weight of undertaking multiple jobs this summer in order to pay for tuition and housing. As someone who works while going to school part time, knowing that I can focus more on studies than putting in extra hours is an enormous privilege. Thank you to everyone who made this possible for me. I will never forget this gift or the adventure I was able to experience because of it.”

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT | 2026-27



Shannon Mathias

London, Rome and Prague
Political Science

“Being able to study abroad has been a dream of mine since I was a child, and I am incredibly excited and grateful that the Roaming Buffs Scholarship will allow me to deepen my knowledge of international affairs and gain a better understanding of different political systems and how they impact societies across Europe. Recently, I have become particularly interested in the role foreign service officers play, and it is a career path that I am strongly considering pursuing in the future. Going abroad and receiving this scholarship will provide me with the opportunity to experience different cultures and perspectives firsthand, broaden my worldview and develop skills that will benefit both my academic and professional goals. I am excited to take advantage of this incredible opportunity while creating lifelong memories along the way.”

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT | 2026-27



Story Williams

Madrid, Spain

Astronomy

"To be able to spend a semester in one of the most beautiful cities in the world is, to say the least, a dream come true. The weight of financial stress looms over me daily, as I live in an expensive town attending an amazing university. I never thought I would get the opportunity to go abroad, but with the help of scholarships from help of a Roaming Buffs Scholarship, I can embark on this adventure! I feel so grateful to be able to learn, change, and grow in Madrid this fall. I will be immersed in the language I grew up hearing from my mother, but in a new culture where I can meet new people and gain skills that will stay with me forever. Financial aid will make an immense impact on my time abroad, allowing me to focus deeper on the vivacious city of Madrid."

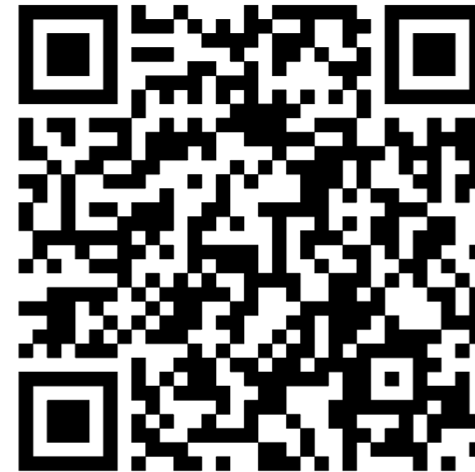
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Homecoming Tailgate**
on Saturday, Oct. 3

