Changing Tides of History

Cruising the Baltic Sea

Denmark • Poland • Estonia • St. Petersburg • Finland • Sweden

Featuring Guest Speakers

Lech Wałęsa
Former President of Poland

and

Sergei Khrushchev
Son of Nikita Khrushchev

June 4 to 13, 2015

Bucknell University Alumni Association
Dear Bucknellian:

Encounter lands and legacies forged by centuries of Baltic history and hear firsthand from participants in pivotal 20th-century moments—former President of Poland Lech Wałęsa and Sergei Khrushchev, the son of Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

We are pleased to offer this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet and attend enriching lectures by President Wałęsa, a historic world leader and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, and Dr. Khrushchev, a noted author and award-winning scholar, on this unique Baltic Sea voyage. One of the great cruises of the world, it features six Baltic countries and seven UNESCO World Heritage sites and is scheduled during the best time of year—when extended sunlight lengthens the early summer days.

Experience the cultural rebirth of the Baltic States and the imperial treasures of St. Petersburg, Russia, while cruising aboard the exclusively chartered, Five-Star small ship M.S. Le Boreal, which features only 120 deluxe Suites and Staterooms and provides all the luxury and sophistication of a fine hotel. In the tradition of ancient Viking mariners and medieval merchants, set forth from Denmark’s beautiful and sophisticated, innovative and exceptionally “green” capital city of Copenhagen to the cosmopolitan and royal Swedish capital of Stockholm. Immerse yourself in the historic epicenter of the Solidarity movement in Gdańsk, Poland; enjoy the well-preserved medieval Old Town of Tallinn, Estonia; spend two days docked in the heart of regal St. Petersburg, with a tour of the world-acclaimed State Hermitage Museum and visits to the Peter and Paul Fortress and the spectacular czarist palaces at Petrodvorets and Pushkin; discover the stunning architecture of Helsinki, Finland; and tour the seldom-visited Hanseatic League town of Visby on Sweden’s Gotland Island. During the extraordinary Wonders of Norway Pre-Cruise Option, visit the vibrant city of Bergen and travel through stunning fjordlands and majestic mountains by private cruise and one of the world’s steepest railway lines.

This comprehensive and exclusive travel offering features Five-Star accommodations, an included, specially arranged shore excursion in each port and all meals. I urge you to make your reservation, as capacity is limited and this popular program sells out quickly.

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Melissa Plaisance '82
President
Bucknell University Alumni Association
U.S. Thursday, June 4
Depart the U.S.

Copenhagen, Denmark Friday, June 5
Arrive in Copenhagen, the cosmopolitan and lively Danish capital, and embark the Five-Star M.S. Le Boreal.

Gdańsk, Poland/Lech Wałęsa Saturday, June 6
Once a flourishing Hanseatic League port, today Gdańsk showcases its glorious architectural heritage in the meticulously restored, elegant patrician mansions featuring late Renaissance and Baroque façades in the Old Town. See the iconic Neptune's Fountain and visit the 14th-century Artus Court, a Gothic guildhall inspired by the ideals of Britain's legendary king; it now houses a fascinating collection of Polish art.

In 1980, workers led by Lech Wałęsa founded the Solidarity movement, the first independent trade union in Eastern Europe and the key factor in winning the Polish struggle against Communism. See the historic Lenin Shipyard, where the movement began, and its Monument to the Fallen Shipyard Workers.

By special arrangement, meet the leader of the Solidarity movement, former President of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa, on board the ship this evening. Mr. Wałęsa will discuss his perspective on Solidarity, globalization and progress in the region, with time for questions and answers.

Cruising the Baltic Sea Sunday, June 7
Spend the day at leisure cruising the Baltic Sea and enjoying a series of enriching lectures. This evening, attend the Captain’s Welcome Reception.

Tallinn, Estonia Monday, June 8
Having largely escaped the ravages of World War II, Tallinn’s Old Town, now a UNESCO World Heritage site, has remained virtually unchanged for 600 years. During a walking tour, see Toompea Castle—the seat of Estonia’s Parliament—the landmark Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and the 13th-century Church of St. Nicholas. Visit the medieval Town Hall, the only intact Gothic-style hall in Northern Europe.

St. Petersburg, Russia Tuesday, June 9
Peter the Great founded majestic St. Petersburg in 1703 as his “Window on the West.” Cruise into the heart of the city to explore its historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where legendary landmarks are scattered across more than 100 islands linked by more than three times as many bridges. St. Petersburg’s main thoroughfare, Nevsky Prospekt, showcases exquisite examples of Russian Baroque and neoclassical architecture.

The picturesque town of Visby burgeoned as a Hanseatic League center from the 12th to 14th centuries.

On the morning tour, see the ornate Church of Our Savior on Spilled Blood (Church of the Resurrection of Christ), built on the site of Emperor Alexander II’s
assassination, and the 19th-century St. Isaac's Cathedral, with a striking golden dome that is one of the glories of the city's skyline. Visit St. Petersburg's first building, the Peter and Paul Fortress, constructed to secure the country's access to the sea. See the impressive Baroque Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, containing the tombs of 32 czars, from Peter the Great to Nicholas II, the last of the Romanovs.

Later, see one of the world's greatest art repositories on the tour of the incomparable State Hermitage Museum, former czarist palace of Catherine the Great and a UNESCO World Heritage site. The spectacular collections are rivaled only by the museum's lavish interior.

The evening is at leisure. Optional opportunities are offered to attend a ballet performance held in the Hermitage or Palace Theater or a Russian folklore show performed in the Nikolaevsky Art Centre.

St. Petersburg

Wednesday, June 10

This morning, visit the imperial compound of Pushkin and Catherine the Great's elaborate rococo palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site, highlighted by a special visit to the extraordinary Amber Room, said to be the “Eighth Wonder of the World.” Then, enjoy a lunch of traditional Russian specialties.

The traditional fishing boats and colorful edifices along Copenhagen's Nyhavn canal retain the waterfront's authentic 18th-century maritime character.

This afternoon, visit the splendid parklands and extravagant Grand Palace of Petrodvorets, a UNESCO World Heritage site, commissioned by Peter the Great to rival Versailles. The elaborately landscaped grounds feature magnificent formal gardens and cascading fountains. Return to St. Petersburg by hydrofoil, skimming over the Gulf of Finland.

Helsinki, Finland

Thursday, June 11

Helsinki was named the 2012 World Design Capital for its innovative use of design in stimulating an urban environment. On the morning tour, see the old fortifications of Suomenlinna, a UNESCO World Heritage site, the stately Senate Square, the lively Market Square and the diplomatic quarter of Kaivopuisto.
Visit the modernistic Temppeliaukio Church, or “Church of the Rock,” impressively hewn out of natural bedrock, and Sibelius Park, where Eila Hiltunen’s remarkable sculpture honors Finland’s most beloved composer, Jean Sibelius. Then, enjoy a private concert in the prestigious Sibelius Academy.

Visby, Gotland Island, Sweden
Friday, June 12
Call at the Baltic island of Gotland, rich in Swedish history with abundant ancient sites and more than 100 medieval churches. The marvelous Old Town of Visby, the Baltic hub of the Hanseatic League, is a UNESCO World Heritage site and arguably the best preserved medieval city in Scandinavia. See the 13th-century walls; the original medieval gates, towers and stone warehouses; the iconic Cathedral of St. Mary (the only one of Visby’s Gothic churches not in ruins today); and the small but spectacular botanical gardens that have drawn garden enthusiasts to this “city of roses” since 1855. This evening, attend the Captain’s Farewell Reception.

Stockholm/U.S.
Saturday, June 13
Be on deck as you cruise through the scenic Stockholm archipelago, to the magnificent “Venice of the North.” Disembark and continue on to explore the historic splendor and dramatic beauty of Stockholm on the Post-Cruise Option. Or, depart for the U.S.

See magnificent summer cottages along the lush banks of the Nærøy Fjord, a UNESCO World Heritage site, on the Wonders of Norway Pre-Cruise Option.

Wonders of Norway
Bergen • Fjords • Copenhagen
By Mountain Railway • Coastal Ferry
Pre-Cruise Option
Immerse yourself in majestic Norwegian landscapes and traditional Scandinavian culture on this unique and exclusive four-night journey from Bergen to Copenhagen.
Tour the historic city of Bergen, including Bryggen (the old wharf), a UNESCO World Heritage site, and visit Trolldhaugen, the home of famed composer Edvard Grieg.
Ride the Flåm Railway, one of the steepest train lines in the world, through pristine fjordlands, passing snowcapped mountains, cascading waterfalls and alpine lakes. Enjoy a scenic cruise by private ship on spectacular Nærøy Fjord, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and a panoramic tour of Copenhagen during an exclusively chartered cruise along the city’s idyllic canals. Accommodations are for three nights in comfortable hotels, including the historic STALHEIM HOTEL, and one night aboard the CROWN SEAWAYS ferry.

Splendors of Stockholm
A Royal and Nobel City
Post-Cruise Option
One of the most handsome Scandinavian cities, Stockholm is a harmonious blend of medieval and modern architecture showcased on 14 small islands connected by more than 23 bridges. Visit the magnificent City Hall, the site of the annual Nobel Prize banquet. Walk through the historic Old Town (Gamla Stan) and visit the maritime museum built to house the Vasa, the only preserved 17th-century war ship in the world. Accommodations are for two nights in the ideally located SHERRATON STOCKHOLM HOTEL.

Pre- and Post-Cruise Options and the Optional Excursion are available at additional cost. Details will be included with your reservation confirmation.
**FIVE-STAR, SMALL SHIP**

**M.S. LE BORÉAL**

**Small Ship, State-of-the-Art Design**
The exclusively chartered M.S. LE BORÉAL represents the newest generation of state-of-the-art Five-Star small ships, having been launched in 2010. It features only 120 deluxe Suites and Staterooms and distinctive French sophistication.

**Spacious 100% Ocean-View Suites and Staterooms, 95% with Private Balconies**
Each large, air-conditioned deluxe Stateroom and Suite (200 to 484 square feet) features luxurious Five-Star hotel amenities and a private bathroom with shower. Most accommodations have two twin beds that convert to one queen bed, individual climate control, satellite flat-screen television, wireless Internet access, safe, minibar, full-length closet, writing desk/dressing table, plush robes and slippers.

**Chic and Casual Dining**
International and regional cuisine are served in the stylish and spacious La Licorne dining room in single, unassigned seatings; alfresco in the casual La Boussole Restaurant; or from 24-hour room service. Continental and buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and a four-course dinner are served daily. Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.

**Spacious Public Areas/ World-Class Service and Facilities**
Inviting and spacious public areas accommodate all passengers comfortably. Enjoy views from the Panoramic Lounge, nightly entertainment in the Main Lounge and lectures, cultural performances and film screenings in the state-of-the-art theater. There is a library, Internet salon, Sun Deck, swimming pool, beauty salon, spa, Turkish bath-style steam room, full range of fitness equipment and two elevators. The infirmary is staffed with a doctor and nurse. The highly trained and personable, English-speaking, international crew provides attentive service.

**Respect for the Environment**
The state-of-the-art propulsion system and custom-built stabilizers provide an exceptionally smooth, quiet and comfortable voyage by minimizing vibration and engine noise. By design, the ship is energy efficient and environmentally protective of marine ecosystems and has been awarded the prestigious “Clean Ship” rating, an extreme rarity among ocean-cruising vessels. The ship has two tenders.
Acclaimed Guest Speakers
◆ Former Polish President and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Lech Wałęsa.
◆ Scholar and author Sergei Khrushchev, son of Soviet Union Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

Included Features
On board the exclusively chartered, Five-Star Small Ship M.S. LE BORÉAL
◆ Eight-night cruise from Copenhagen, Denmark, to Stockholm, Sweden, featuring port calls at Gdańsk, Poland; Tallinn, Estonia; St. Petersburg, Russia; Helsinki, Finland; and Visby, Sweden.
◆ Spacious, Five-Star, ocean-view Suite or Stateroom accommodations, each with a private bathroom.
◆ Captain’s Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
◆ All meals—continental breakfast, buffet breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and dinner—throughout the cruise, featuring fine international and regional cuisine, served at single, unassigned seatings.
◆ Complimentary wine and beer are served with lunch and dinner.
◆ Tour of the world-renowned State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
◆ Excursion to two UNESCO World Heritage sites—Peter the Great’s Petrodvorets and Catherine the Great’s palace in Pushkin, featuring the Amber Room—including a lunch of traditional Russian specialties.

Enhanced Travel Services
◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced, English-speaking local guides.
◆ Complimentary state-of-the-art audio headset for each participant during guided excursions.
◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
◆ An optional cultural performance is available at additional cost.
◆ Hospitality desk in the hotels and aboard ship.
◆ The services of experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Directors throughout the program.
◆ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
By exclusive arrangement, Lech Wałęsa, former president of Poland (1990 to 1995), Polish hero and international icon in the pursuit of freedom and democracy, will meet with our group on board the M.S. LE BOREAL. From his position as a marine electrician in Gdańsk's Lenin Shipyard, Mr. Wałęsa emerged as a world-renowned figure in the struggle against Communism during the 1980 shipyard workers’ strike and the establishment of the Polish Solidarity labor movement. Despite winning the right to form an independent union, Mr. Wałęsa and Solidarity continued to confront the Soviet-backed regime of General Wojciech Jaruzelski, which jailed Mr. Wałęsa and imposed martial law in Poland in December 1981. Mr. Wałęsa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, a watershed moment widely considered to have been the first crack in the Soviet Union’s Iron Curtain, which crumbled with the Berlin Wall in 1989. Mr. Wałęsa became the first foreign non-head of state to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress in 1989.

A distinguished author and scholar, Dr. Sergei Khrushchev is the son of former Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev (1957-1964) and a visiting professor of Slavic studies at Brown University, where he has also been a senior fellow at the Watson Institute for International Studies. Dr. Khrushchev’s research has focused on the history of the Cold War and the turning points in relations between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. in the Khrushchev, Eisenhower and Kennedy periods; the history of Soviet missiles and space development, in which he played an active role; and the Soviet Union’s transformation from centralized to decentralized government and market economy. He co-authored his father’s memoirs, The Time, the People, the Power (1999), and translated them into English (2005-2007). Dr. Khrushchev is a popular commentator for the American media and the author of more than 350 books and articles including Khrushchev on Khrushchev (1990), Nikita Khrushchev: Crisis and Missiles (1994) and Nikita Khrushchev and the Creation of a Super Power (2000).

Scheduled guest speakers may be altered due to circumstances beyond our control. See Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.
### LAND/Cruise Tariff (Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy)

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* An Owner’s Suite (Deck 6, Le France) is available upon request at a cost to be advised, on a first-come-first-served basis.

### Cruising the Baltic Sea Reservation Form

**Send to:** Thomas P. Gohagan & Company  
209 South LaSalle Street, Suite 500  
Chicago, IL 60604-1446  
Phone: (800) 922-3088/Fax: (312) 609-1141

- **Title**  
- **Full Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)**  
- **Bucknell Class Year**

- **Street Mailing Address (no P.O. Box number please)**  
- **City**  
- **State**  
- **Zip Code**

- **Telephone:** (Home)  
- **(Mobile)**

- **Email Address:** (Business)

- **Preferred Name(s) on Badge(s)**  
- **Tour No.** 034-06/04/15-010

Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person and $200 per person Wonders of Norway Pre-Cruise Option and $200 per person Splendors of Stockholm Post-Cruise Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I/we agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

- Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $____, as deposit.
- Make checks payable to Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.
- I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $____ to:  
  - Visa  
  - MasterCard
- **Card Number**  
- **Exp. Date**

The applicable deck plan is available on request from Gohagan & Company and reflects the only valid cabin categorization of the vessel.

Please make my/our reservation(s) in Stateroom Category:

- 1st Choice ___ 2nd Choice ___
- Double occupancy (two twin beds).
- Double occupancy (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed). Please make my/our reservation(s):

  - Wonders of Norway Pre-Cruise Option:
    - Double at $2195 per person.
    - Single at $2695 per person.
    - I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

  - Splendors of Stockholm Post-Cruise Option:
    - Double at $820 per person.
    - Single at $1195 per person.
    - I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

- I/We want to book my/our air from [fill in departure city] to Copenhagen, Denmark, with return from Stockholm, Sweden, at an additional cost to be advised.  
- Class: [ ] Economy [ ] Business [ ] First
- Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

- I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.

Signature as it appears on credit card  
All FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by February 27, 2015.