

Chamber offers Spring 2014 Cuba trip

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The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is offering Wilmington residents a unique and exciting experience next spring. The chamber has partnered with Chamber Explorations to offer a trip to Cuba next May.

The trip, which was recommended by the American Chamber of Commerce Executives, (ACCE) will run from May 15-20.

According to a press release, the trip features “visits to the Plaza of Revolution, Cuban Institute of Music, Old Havana walking tours, as well as a walking tour of the Colon Cemetery.”

In addition, the trip will also include tours of the Bocoy Rum Factory, Cuban Literacy Museum, Hemingway’s Farm, and many other “historically and culturally rich areas of the country,” the release stated.

Cost of the trip is \$2,899 per person, which includes round-trip airfare out of Miami, five nights in hotels, ten meals, and a number of transportation options. While some people might be concerned about safety, Wilmington Chamber of Commerce CEO Connie Majure-Rhett is confident there is nothing to worry about.

“This trip was recommended to us by the ACCE,” said Majure-Rhett, “so we are very confident safety will not be an issue. We are very comfortable offering this trip.”

According to the press release, Chamber Explorations has been issued a specific license by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, as well as the Office of Foreign Assets Control. This license authorizes registered guests to visit Cuba legally. While there are no applications to complete, space is limited. There is an interest meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.

As for the trip, Majure-Rhett believes it will be a rewarding one. “This is going to be a great experience,” said Majure-Rhett, “it’s a great chance to experience a new culture as well as visit new places and meet new people.”
