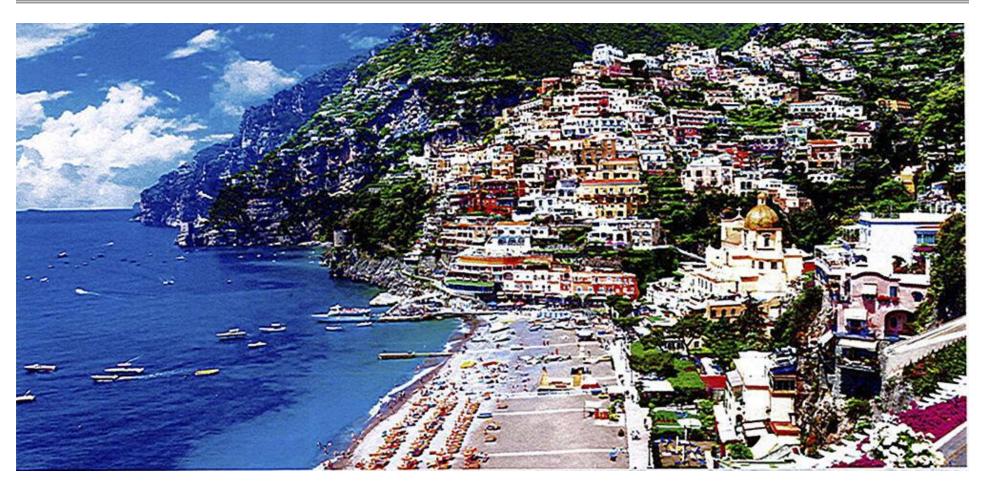
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The Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce's next international trip will be to Italy's Amalfi Coast this fall.

The eight-day Chamber Explorations trip is Oct. 17-25, with the option to extend for three additional days and two nights in Rome.

Italy was picked as the destination after positive feedback from trips to Italy in the past, said chamber membership director Jessica Banks.

"We had multiple people say 'if you go to Italy, let me know, I'm gonna sign up,' " Banks said. "The location and the pictures that we've been provided, the hotel pictures, all of that just looks really nice."

Banks said the chamber' goal is to have 100 people attend, and the trip is open to both chamber members and others.

According to the chamber's trip flyer, travelers will start in Rome, visiting the Sorrento Coast. This will include Ravello, Positano, Amalfi, Isle of Capri, Naples and Pompeii.

Those who extend their trip will visit the various monuments within Vatican City and have time to explore the rest of Rome on their own.

Banks said that differing activity levels and ability were considered when booking daily tours and locations, and that is why guests will stay in the same hotel for the duration of the trip. By not switching hotels frequently, people will have the ability to opt in and out of activities as they see fit. Some of the highlighted activities include a limoncello demonstration and tasting in Ravello, cliff-side shopping and sightseeing in Positano, visiting Swedish doctor and writer Axel Munthe's hometown at Villa San Michele, a panoramic city tour in Naples and witnessing the site of the volcanic destruction in Pompeii.

"We have gotten nothing but great feedback from every chamber trip that we have put on," Banks said. "A lot of people that go on these trips let us know, like when they're back, that they want to go on the next one ... so they always have a really good time."

The trip costs \$3,575 with the chamber booking discount, which offers a \$100 discount per person if the final payment is made by check. Call chamber at 803-283-4105 for a reservation form and details.

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