

Take your Tennessee tour groups to the
Victorian mansion



Where history is fun!

Falcon Rest

McMinnville, Tenn. ♦ 931-668-4444 ♦ www.falconrest.com

Built in 1896 by “Gorilla Pants” manufacturer Clay Faulkner, this 10,000 sq. ft. Victorian mansion has been called “Tennessee’s Biltmore” by PBS.

Choose from our group-friendly mansion tour and three interactive, history-based shows that make stars of the people in your group.

Humorous tales from the past ... food like Grandma used to make ... an 1890s department store ... and a friendly ghost: they all add up to special entertainment and a meal your folks will never forget!

**On your way to anywhere
thru Middle Tennessee**



Nashville.....	1 1/2 hrs.	Atlanta	3 1/2 hrs.
Chattanooga..	1 1/2 hrs.	Birmingham	4 hrs.
Pigeon Forge.....	3 hrs.	Jack Daniel's.....	50 min.



The Victorian Gentleman

Vaudeville-Style History Show & Tour

No song and dance (thank goodness!) but lots of amusing stories about the mansion and the people whose lives it touched from our fun-loving “Victorian Gentleman.”

The entertainment is served up along with a delicious meal while your folks are seated comfortably in our Victorian Carriage House dining room.

Then they tour the mansion at their own pace, enjoying its exquisite construction and museum-quality antiques.

There are no ropes or barriers at Falcon Rest

Murder at the Mansion

Your group members are the real stars of our original interactive murder mystery show. They assume the characters of actual people from 1897 attending a banquet given by the Faulkners to celebrate the opening of their new mansion.

There are no lines to remember, so they’re free to ad lib as much or as little as they like ... and they can be counted on to come up with some pretty hilarious dialogue. When a dastardly murder mars the celebration, audience members help special guest

star Buffalo Bill Cody discover which of them is the culprit! Delicious meal and mansion tour included.



Buffalo Bill Cody

The Four Faces of FUN at Falcon Rest Mansion

The Honeymoon Ball of Gen. John Hunt Morgan



General John Hunt Morgan

Based on first-person accounts of Civil War events in McMinnville during the spring of 1863, this interactive show is hosted by General John Hunt Morgan, who later took his raiders farther behind Union lines than any other Confederate commander, and local poetess Lucy Virginia French.

Group members assume the roles of Morgan’s 21-year-old bride Mattie, local citizens and Morgan’s soldiers.

It’s set at a banquet and ball given to honor the Morgans and ends as 6,600 Union troops attempt to capture the General. Includes authentic period meal and mansion tour.

Designed to tickle the funny bone more than tingle the spine, this interactive show combines stories of the suspected “spirits” at Falcon Rest with a light-hearted ghost convention ... where the audience members are the ghosts!

Anyone no longer living could show up, from Henry VIII to Lady Godiva to Elvis, so group members portray people from all eras of history. The show ends with a special surprise twist and is followed by a meal and a tour of the Falcon Rest mansion.

Ghost at the Mansion



The Clay Faulkner Ghost

Area step-on guide service available — more rib-tickling history stories plus beautiful waterfalls

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Peak season: Open 7 day a week year round; group entertainment and meals scheduled at your convenience

Group rates per person (plus tax)

Vaudeville-style history show and mansion tour

Lunch.....\$25 Dinner \$27

Murder at the Mansion play, meal and tour

Lunch.....\$28 Dinner \$30

Ghost at the Mansion play, buffet and tour

Lunch..... \$28 Dinner.....\$30

Honeymoon Ball of Gen. John Hunt Morgan, meal and tour

Lunch.....\$28 Dinner \$30

Step-on Guide Service in addition to show..... \$2

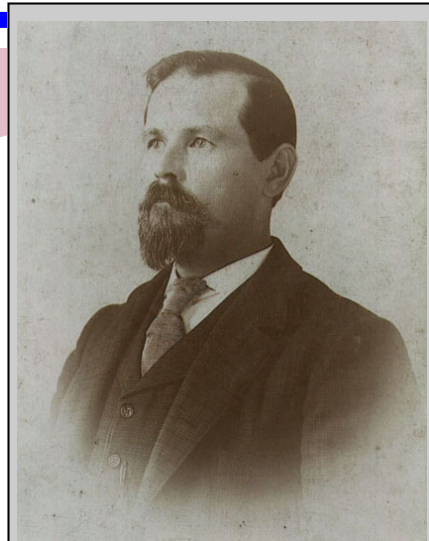
The Victorian Gentleman boards your coach and tells more rollicking tales about the history of "Mc-Minn-ville," Tennessee. The tour includes a stop at the beautiful waterfalls of Rock Island State Park. A local landscaping nursery can be included if desired. McMinnville is "the nursery capital of the world."

Group policies: 20 person minimum for Vaudeville-style, Murder and Honeymoon Ball shows.
30 person minimum for Ghost show.
Escort and driver complimentary with minimum number of paid guests.
Allow 2-1/2 to 3 hours for entertainment, mansion tour, meal and shopping; 1-1/2 hours more for step-on tour.
If less time is available, we can adjust the program to fit your schedule with advance notice.

Amenities: Get your folks off the interstates; as little as 30 minutes from I-24 and I-40. Alternate routes thru McMinnville offer beautiful scenery and great roads.
Elegant Victorian Carriage House dining room seats up to two motorcoach groups.
Free motorcoach parking.
Ample rest rooms.
1200-square-foot Victorian Gift Shop (lots of things that could have been in the mansion in the 1890s, but nothing you'd find at Wal-Mart).
All buildings are connected by sidewalks; minimal walking is required.

Menus: Meat, salad, two vegetables, dessert, rolls, iced tea, and our famous Falcon Rest pink lemonade, prepared in our kitchens specifically for your group.

Marketing Aids: Color brochures, photographs. Downloadable catalogue notes, color and b/w art, images, posters available online at www.falconrest.com/publicity.htm.



In 1896, entrepreneur Clay Faulkner promised his wife Mary he'd build her "the grandest mansion in Tennessee" if she would move next to their woolen mill a couple of miles from downtown McMinnville.

Mary agreed, and Faulkner supervised construction as enthusiastically as he promoted the mills' Gorilla Pants (so strong even a gorilla couldn't tear them apart) and mineral water at the Faulkner Springs Hotel, the "ideal health and pleasure resort" he would eventually open down the road.

Faulkner's solid brick, 10,000-sq.-ft. mansion had all the "modern conveniences" when it was built — indoor plumbing, electric lights, central heat, and more.

Today, the National-Trust-award-winning property is filled with museum-quality Victorian antiques.

And some say it's presided over by a friendly ghost — perhaps the proud builder himself.

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