

LYCEUM GROUP TRAVELS TO ARGENTINA!

On Friday, February 15, 2008, five Texans arrived in the Buenos Aires International Airport for the first ever Texas Lyceum Optional Trip to Argentina! The trip was planned by Lyceum Director Duffy Crane and was attended by June Deadrick (Director), Jill Warren (Alumni), Karin Richmond (Alumni), Matt Welch (Guest) and Norm Mucha (Advisory Committee).

The group spent three days in Buenos Aires enjoying personal guided tours of the City, an excursion up the Rio Plata into the Tigre River Delta, a Tango Show (including tango lessons) and late nights of dining and dancing! From Buenos Aires, the group flew to Mendoza to enjoy three days in the wine country! While in Mendoza, they visited wineries - Catena Zapata, Ruca Malen, Achaval-Ferrer and Carmelo Patti (where June and Jill secured Carmelo Patti himself for a private wine event in Houston in 2009!). On the final day in Mendoza, the group was treated to an Asado at the Vines of Mendoza property in the shadows of the Andes Mountains! In addition to fabulous food (prepared by Victor the BEST asador in Mendoza) and horseback riding around the property, the Texas Group managed to break a record – the most wine consumed at an asado with 17 bottles!

Lots of fantastic wine, cold Quilmes, thick steaks and hearty pork & lamb were enjoyed by the group! Fabulous shopping and beautiful architecture! Many thanks to Duffy Crane for setting up this fabulous trip! Thanks also to Brenda Crane for serving as the “supervisor” for the group!