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Rider Profiles

Below are profiles and photos of some of the 200+ cyclists taking part in Odyssey 2000®.

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Richard N.

From: Bellevue, Washington

Occupation: Management in manufacturing

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

I'm chasing the most fascinating woman in the world. So we can take our honeymoon. To meet people in many different cultures. AND as a fundraiser: Please help us use our miles pedaled to support Helping Hands for the Disabled (which counts the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation among its benefactors). Make checks payable to **Helping Hands for the Disabled**, and mail to Barbara Barger, Helping Hands for the Disabled, PO Box 6335, Bellevue WA 98008-6335. Please indicate that you are sponsoring Richard.

What are you most looking forward to?

Meeting people. Making more friends in other cultures.

How do you Think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

For the better.



Richard R.

From: Steamboat Springs, CO

Age: 65

Occupation: Bookstore owner

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

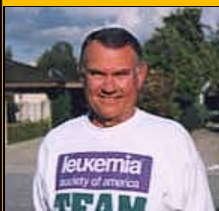
I am new to bicycling. I did the GTE Big Ride in 1998 and got hooked.

What are you most looking forward to?

Other than Canada and Mexico, I've never been out of the U.S. To "see the world."

How do you Think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Exposure to the world from the perspective of a cyclist should create incredible memories and whet my appetite for the next big challenge for an aging amputee.



Richard S.

From: Villa Park, California

Age: 68

Occupation: Retired

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To experience a "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity to visit the many different cultures and societies of the world.

What are you most looking forward to?

To discover, learn, and share the diverse cultures of the world.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

I have no idea! I'll let you know upon my return.



Richard Su.

From: Ephrata, Pennsylvania

Age: 57

Occupation: Dentist

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

I want to expand, stretch myself externally and internally,

physically and spiritually.

What are you most looking forward to?

Meeting people -- other riders and indigenous person; tasting other cultures.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

I'm hopeful that I'll be able to see myself and others at a deeper level. Try to learn what is important in life!

Rita R.

From: Austin, Texas

Age: 39

Occupation: Attorney (represent men on death row); events director for the Lance Armstrong Foundation

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

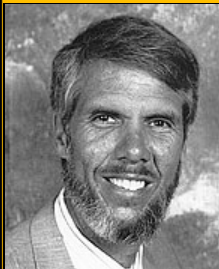
I have wanted to ride my bike around the world for years. Odyssey 2000 will allow me to do so in a way I never could have on my own.

What are you most looking forward to?

The adventure of seeing a new place every day and experiencing the world up close and real.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Who knows? That's the fun of it!



Robert B.

From: Bisbee, Arizona

Age: 54

Occupation: Hospital Administrator

Riding Odyssey 2000® with: Candace B.

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To enjoy a year riding bike around the world.

What are you most looking forward to?

Sightseeing, adventure.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Unknown.

Robert J.

From: Lynnwood, Washington

Age: 65

Occupation: Auto shopowner

Riding Odyssey 2000® with: Suzi J.

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

Adventure of a lifetime.

What are you most looking forward to?

Biking the different countries.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Only time will tell.



Robert S.

From: Drucut, Massachusetts

Age:60

Occupation: Electrical engineer

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To take a sabbatical from 30 years of running a business. To get in shape physically and mentally. To ride without excuses not to.

What are you most looking forward to?

Seeing many countries "from the ground." Taking a break from work and long established routines.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Don't really know.



Rod C.

From: Phoenix, Arizona

Age: 40

Occupation: Mechanical designer

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To take a mid-life break. It's also something I've thought about doing since bicycling across the U.S., but probably wouldn't do it by myself the first time.

What are you most looking forward to?

Seeing the different countries and how people live in other countries.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

I think I'll see and appreciate how good we really have it in the U.S., and probably won't feel like going back to work.



Rod J.

From: St. Petersburg, Florida



Age:33

Occupation: Community care medical center, LLC

Riding Odyssey 2000® with: Mendy B.

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To escape the mad rush of the overbearing corporate chokehold. Mental relaxation therapy.

What are you most looking forward to?

To experience different cultures, and see the world.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Enforce my beliefs that anything is possible -- what the mind can conceive, the heart can believe, the body can do.



Ruth W.

From: Attica, Indiana

Age: 31

Occupation: Automotive technician

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

Adventure and travel.

What are you most looking forward to?

Travel.

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Education and awareness.



Scott and Kathleen H.

From: Santa Barbara, California

Ages: 26/27

Occupation: Scott - Account Executive; Kathleen - Marketing Manager

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

Travel, adventure, physical fitness, and world travel.

What are you most looking forward to?

Scott: 250 friends for life.

Kathleen: The days that we have beds.

How do you Think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Scott: Make me require less maintenance, simpler life.

Kathleen: Make me understand the power of mind over body.

Sean M

From: Annapolis, MD

Age: 40

Occupation: Computer Programmer

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

To experience and learn what no book can teach.

What are you most looking forward to?

Becoming closer to my creator and His awesome creation!

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

Fulfillment from helping the less fortunate through the donations of others.

Sharlene A.

From: La Verne, California

Age:50

Occupation: Mathematics Professor

Why are you participating in Odyssey 2000®?

I'm an adventurist at heart and this seemed too good to pass up!

What are you most looking forward to?

New friends, new cultures, new countries. I've barely been out of the country. I'm planning on making up for lost time!

How do you think Odyssey 2000® will affect/change you?

I believe I will have a new respect for others; a new appreciation and acceptance of different points of view, and different ways of life; and a new gratitude for my many blessings and opportunities.

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