Dear University of Utah Alumni Association and Friends,

‘The Cape’ – Cape Cod, located in eastern Massachusetts is among New England’s favorite summer vacation destinations and it thrives on tourism, beautiful ocean beaches and small unique businesses. Travelers come to lose themselves amongst endless miles of windswept seashore, dune-studded landscapes, inshore forests and historic sights. Unpack and enjoy 6 nights at one hotel on ‘The Cape’ to experience its beauty and history while also visiting amazing Boston, mansion filled Newport, RI and via ferry the two most scenic and famous islands off ‘The Cape’, Martha’s Vineyard & Nantucket.

The Cape’s recorded history starts with the Plymouth Pilgrims who first set foot in the New World at the tip of Cape Cod in 1620. The sight of the island of Nantucket coming into view from the bow of a ferry is a stirring one as lines of foaming breakers crash against vast stretches of sands on the shore while 17th century architecture dots the downtown horizon. Boston is one of America’s oldest cities, first incorporated as a town in 1630 with a rich economic and social history. Boston today is the economic and cultural hub of New England yet retains its rich history in education, arts, culture, cuisine and architecture. The island of Martha's Vineyard is only seven miles off the coast of Massachusetts, but a world all its own. ‘The Vineyard’ is a true island as there are no bridges from the mainland, and most visitors arrive by ferry or plane. Explore the seaside city of Newport, RI famous for its historic mansions and an upscale downtown filled with cobblestone streets & brick sidewalks. Enjoy these wonderful New England sights during your 7 day adventure from your home base on ‘The Cape’.

Connect with other alumni and join us for a wonderful trip along the beautiful eastern shores of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Cheers,

John Ashton
Executive Director, Alumni Association

The University of Utah Alumni Association
presents

Cape Cod & the Islands
featuring Boston, Martha’s Vineyard, Nantucket & Newport

7 Days August 20 - 26, 2017
Daily Itinerary

Day 1: Flight to Boston
Today fly to Boston. Upon arrival meet your Tour Director and transfer to your Cape Cod hotel to begin a six night stay. 
Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 2: Hyannis, Plymouth & Sandwich
Today enjoy a Hyannis Tour to learn more about the history of the Kennedys and this seaside resort. Travel through Hyannis Port, home of the Kennedy Compound and see the Kennedy Memorial & St. Francis Church. Later visit Pilmoth Plantation, an accurate re-creation of the Pilgrim’s 1627 village where costumed interpreters portray colony residents in this living history museum. Later board the Mayflower II, a reproduction of the original ship that brought the pilgrims to the new world in 1620. Also see famous Plymouth Rock, the place where the Pilgrims first stepped ashore after a 66 day trans-Atlantic voyage. Later journey to the charming village of Sandwich. Incorporated in 1639, it is the oldest town on Cape Cod and known for its glassware. Visit the Heritage Plantation, where a collection of Americana ranges from early art and artifacts to horticulture, military history and a 1932 carousel. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner this evening with your fellow travelers. 
Meals: (B) Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 3: Nantucket Island
This morning board a ferry and cruise to scenic and historic Nantucket Island featuring a cobblestoned Main Street, unspoiled beaches, sea captains’ houses and art galleries. Enjoy a visit to the Nantucket Whaling Museum including its rooftop observation deck overlooking the harbor. See other whaling exhibits. All reflections of an island that some 300 years ago was the whaling capital of the world. Enjoy some time at your own pace to shop or explore the yacht filled harbor and waterfront. This afternoon board a ferry and return to your Cape Cod hotel. 
Meals: (B,D) Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 4: Boston City Tour
Today visit the historic city of Boston. Enjoy a Boston City Tour featuring Boston Commons, the Old State House, the Old North Church from where Paul Revere got the signal to start his famous ride, the Old South Meeting House, Beacon Hill and Old Ironsides. Visit the Faneuil Hall Marketplace, located in downtown Boston near the waterfront and originally gifted to the city in 1742. Enjoy leisure time to grab a bite to eat, wander, people watch and shop. This evening enjoy dinner in Boston at a popular local restaurant then return to the Cape. 
Meals: (B,D) Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 5: Martha’s Vineyard Tour
This morning enjoy a scenic ferry ride to famous Martha’s Vineyard where little has changed since European settlers arrived early in the 17th century. The island’s resident population includes writers, artists, entertainers and fishermen. Your Martha’s Vineyard Tour includes the colorful Victorian cottages of Oak Bluffs, Edgartown with its stately houses filled with whaling captains, pristine beaches and colorful yacht harbors. Also view the picturesque Aquinnah Lighthouse and Gay Head. Later return via ferry and back to your hotel. 
Meals: (B) Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 6: Newport Sightseeing
Today visit Newport, Rhode Island, one of New England’s most delightful coastal cities and a long time favorite vacation site of affluent socialites and yachting enthusiasts. Enjoy a Newport City Tour and drive by the Touro Synagogue, the oldest synagogue in America, the International Tennis Hall of Fame and the splendid estates along Bellevue Avenue. Marvel at the extravagant life-style of a bygone era with a guided tour of The Breakers Mansion, the Vanderbilt’s lavishly decorated turn of the century mansion. Follow “Ten-Mile-Drive” along the magnificent rocky coast which boasts exquisite estates from the early 1900’s. Enjoy some leisure time in Newport to explore the galleries and quaint shops. Tonight’s Farewell Dinner is at a traditional New England Lobster Dinner. 
Meals: (B,D) Overnight: Hyannis/Yarmouth, MA

Day 7: Cape Cod - Boston Flight Home
Today transfer to the Boston airport filled with wonderful memories of your Cape Cod & the Islands Tour. 
Meals: (B)