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Hello Islanders,

I write to invite you to Brazil. This time we're going to northeastern Brazil – Salvador, Bahia, the Recôncavo region and the Cocoa Coast. Why here? This is the cultural soul of Brazil and one of the most unique, and beautiful, places in the Western hemisphere. So myself, Ms. Rebecca Brown, Ms. Barbara McAdams – all veterans of Brazilian travel, and Andrea Gurgel, our Brazilian guide extraordinaire, will lead this summer's trip. This **is not** a DeLaSalle sponsored trip. Brazilian Adventures has made this trip exclusively available to current, and former, Islanders because of our successful history with this company.

We'll take up to 30 travelers: some 2011 graduates, those currently in college and some who have graduated. This is an **academic trip** and the places we're going provide both current and historical relevance and a warm, sunny classroom where you can use your brain. Our partner is Hamline University and you will have the opportunity to earn four semester hours of college credit for your participation in the trip and completion of the coursework. For the 2011 graduates the cost of those credits is \$250 and they will transfer to nearly any university you attend. Currently, a four-semester hour class at Hamline costs about \$3,400 – which is more than the cost of the entire trip, the credits, your 10-year Brazilian visa and spending money.

Dr. Bonnie Ploger will accompany our group and the 10th and 11th graders traveling before you. She is the past chair of the Hamline biology department, an artist and an experienced traveler. Her interests, and expertise, in plants will fit well with our course: The History, Literature, Business and Ecology of Chocolate. The cultivation and export of cocoa, sugar cane and tobacco each played significant roles in the formation of Brazil and the Atlantic slave trade. If any one area in the Western world starkly demonstrates this process it is Salvador and the surrounding regions.

There will be clear academic and behavioral obligations for our travelers. It is more than expected that you will be curious, civil and exactly where you are supposed to be exactly when you are supposed to be there. Our trips succeed because the more than 200 travelers prior to you have embraced these ideals. The impressions you leave upon our hosts are critical for the experiences of Islanders who will venture to Brazil in the future.

Details are on the back. Deposits are being accepted immediately. Checks Please contact me with questions.

Abraço,

Mr. Brad Casey

**De LaSalle/Hamline - Study Tour
Salvador da Bahia Brazil
August 12 - 22, 2011**

Daily Itinerary:

Day/Date	Overnight City
Friday, August 12	Depart MSP for Salvador
Saturday, August 13	Salvador
Sunday, August 14	Salvador
Monday, August 15	Cachoeira
Tuesday, August 16	Cachoeira
Wednesday, August 17	Itacare
Thursday, August 18	Itacare
Friday, August 19	Salvador
Saturday, August 20	Salvador
Sunday, August 21	Salvador and/or Praia do Forte
Monday, August 22	Depart Salvador

Tour Package Includes:

Round-trip airfare from MSP to Salvador da Bahia, Brazil
All hotel accommodations (double or triple occupancy)
All ground transportation
All meals (B, L, D), including one non-alcoholic drink and gratuity
Full-time bilingual guide
All tourist activities as outlined

Tour Package Does Not Include:

United States Passport
Brazilian Tourist Visa: \$160 for 10 years
Hamline University Registrar fee: \$250
Activities not mentioned
Meals not mentioned
Items of a personal nature

Package Price (assuming a minimum of 22 travelers):
\$2,790 per person **Deposit \$400 - non refundable - Made out to DeLaSalle**
2nd payment \$1,195 due May 1st, 2011 Final payment \$1,195 due June 1st, 2011

Airline Itinerary:

AA1676W 12AUG Minneapolis to Chicago 745A 905A
AA1374W 12AUG Chicago to Miami 205P 620P
AA 980W 12AUG Miami to Salvador 910P 630A
AA 980W 22AUG Salvador to Miami 750A 555P

AA2049W 22AUG Miami to Minneapolis 730P 1015P