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Pack your bags! This summer, tours of the Frances Willard House Museum are highlighting **stories of women's mobility and travel**. The Willard House, which Frances Willard nicknamed "Rest Cottage," offered temporary rest and relaxation for a woman whose organizing and lecturing career required touring the country and the globe. From carrying cases and travel diaries to portable tea sets and international petitions, many items on display at the Willard House provide insight into the ways in which women crossed borders, transcended boundaries, and formed wide-ranging coalitions.

Whether you're visiting from afar or live down the street in Evanston, we'd love to see you! Remaining July tours will be held at 1pm, 2pm, and 3pm on the following dates:

- Sunday, July 16
- Thursdays, July 13 and 27

Tours are available by reservation only. Masks are required. Visitors should request a tour by emailing [info@franceswillardhouse.org](mailto:info@franceswillardhouse.org) or calling (847) 328-7500. Tour fees are \$15 per person. Admission is free for students at all levels. Payment must be made online or over the phone once the tour day and time has been confirmed. We ask that reservations for Sunday tours be made by the preceding Friday at 5pm.

Can't visit us in person? Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) as we profile travel artifacts all summer long! The most recent item we shared was "Old Faithful," Frances Willard's carrying case from when she was president of the WCTU. It did double duty as a pillow and a footrest during her extensive work-related travels by train and by boat.



Discovered during conservation efforts in 2017, the satchel contains what Willard was carrying when she died in 1898, in New York en route to England: invitations to events, a letter, a temperance pledge card, leaflets, periodicals, and a manuscript of a speech on germs she planned to give before a London audience.



Today, Old Faithful is on display in Willard's office, serving as a reminder of her relentless career as a traveling lecturer and organizer.



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