Miles Biked: Total bike miles about 500.4 miles

Days of biking: 16 days

Location: Iceland, Netherlands, Belgium and France

Total Expenses: ~= \$6810.70 USD

#### **Day 1, Saturday, May 7, 2016**

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles for trip (did cycle 17.37 miles before leaving Portland) Location: Portland, Oregon, USA to Seattle, Washington, USA, boarded flight to

Reykjavik, Iceland Points of interest:

- 1. Took the max with my 2 suit cases from my house to the Portland airport.
- 2. Read about Iceland to try figuring out what to do when I arrive in Iceland the next day.

Expenses: None

Accommodations: Slept on Plane

#### Day 2, Sunday, May 8, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles

Location: Reykjavik, Iceland to Vic, Iceland

Points of interest:

- 1. My luggage did not show up in Iceland.
- 2. Thingvellir National Park
- 3. Haukadalur valley Geysir Hot springs
- 4. Gullfoss waterfalls

Expenses: 23,026 ISK and \$229.46 US – Transportation, food, gas and lodging

Accommodations: Slept for a few hours at Puffin Hotel in Vic, Iceland

# Day 3, Monday, May 9, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 22.32 miles

Location: Vic, Iceland to Reykjanesbaer, Iceland.

Points of interest:

- 1. Only slept 4 hours
- 2. Jokulsalon Lagoon
- 3. Dyrholac cliffs
- 4. Eyjafjallajökull volcano that had erupted on April 4th, 2010.
- 5. Cycled the Reykjavik water front.

Expenses: 25,227 ISK – Gas, food and lodging

Accommodations: Slept for a few hours at Alex guest house in Reykjanesbaer,

**Iceland** 

# Day 4, Tuesday, May 10, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles

Location: Reykjanesbaer, Iceland to Amsterdam, Netherlands

Points of interest:

1. Took about an hour to return rental car, check in baggage and get through airport security.

2. Easily took the train from Amsterdam airport to Amsterdam central station.

Expenses: 40.5 Euros and \$2.5 US – Transportation, ATM fee and food

Accommodations: Slept on Frederick's house boat – Air BNB that Nancy reserved

#### Day 5, Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 33.2 miles

Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands

Points of interest:

1. Nancy rented a bike.

2. We cycled the route of the city tour buses.

Expenses: 56.83 Euros and \$2.5 US – Food and ATM fee

Accommodations: Slept on Frederick's house boat – Air BNB that Nancy reserved

### Day 6, Thursday, May 12, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 38.5 miles

Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. Got on car only road with my bike and got cursed at by a man in a car.
- 2. A Lady offered me coffee when I was resting on a bench.
- 3. I ended up on a one-way bike trail and got cursed at.
- 4. Nancy and I took a Canal tour.
- 5. We went to the wax museum.6. We went to the ice bar for drinks

Expenses: 87.82 Euros – Food, Wax Museum, Ice bar and souvenirs

Accommodations: Slept on Frederick's house boat – Air BNB that Nancy reserved

# Day 7, Friday, May 13, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 13.93 miles

Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. Cycled North Amsterdam
- 2. We boarded the Angelina with our gear.
- 3. Then we went to a bike shop and I went for a walk while Nancy did her Laundry
- 4. We joined the others on the tour at about 5:00 PM to get dinner

Expenses: 176.37 Euros – Food, souvenirs and Micro Simms

### **Day 8, Saturday, May 14, 2016**

Daily Bike Miles: 10.34 miles

Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands to Vianen, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. I walked to Jordaan neighborhood and checked out the open markets
- 2. The bike tour meet time was noon and departure time was 1:00 PM. I arrived at the boat around 12:30 PM and everyone was already there and waiting for me.
- 3. The boat left Amsterdam a little about 1:00 PM and we stopped for a short bike ride that evening.

Expenses: 2 Euros – Food

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

### Day 9, Sunday, May 15, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 40.6 miles

Location: Vianen, Netherlands to Gorinchem, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. Day started with a little rain, probably the heaviest rain of any day on this trip.
- 2. Found an open windmill and received a free guided tour, while everyone else was on a coffee break.
- 3. Went to glass blowing demonstration.
- 4. Saw a stork in its nest on a pole.

Expenses: None

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

# Day 10, Monday, May 16, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 29.15 miles

Location: Gorinchem, Netherlands to Den Bosch, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. We walked the city loop trail of Woudrichem
- 2. We walked around Den Bosch.
- 3. Took the under the city canal tour in Den Bosch.

Expenses: 3.75 Euros – Food

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

# Day 11, Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 31.2 miles

Location: Den Bosch, Netherlands to Geertruildenberg, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. We check out the outside of a concentration camp (camp vught)
- 2. Lots of white asparagus farms.

Expenses: 7.9 Euros – Food

### **Day 12, Wednesday, May 18, 2016**

Daily Bike Miles: 42 miles

Location: Geertruildenberg, Netherlands to Bergen Op Zoom, Netherlands

Points of interest:

- 1. Visited Saint Peter's cathedral in Oudenbosch
- 2. Walked around Bergen Op Zoom.

Expenses: None

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

#### Day 13, Thursday, May 19, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 38.19 miles

Location: Bergen Op Zoom, Netherlands to Antwerp, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Crossed the border from the Netherlands to Belgium
- 2. Visited a section of an electric fence from WW1.
- 3. Stopped at wilderness area where I hiked on some of the trails.
- 4. We walked up the stairs to the roof of the MAS building.
- 5. Came across the Red-light district in Antwerp

Expenses: 26.5 Euros—Bottle of rum Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

### Day 14, Friday, May 20, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles Location: Antwerp, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Went on walking tour of Antwerp with Eddie.
- 2. I came across the area where they cut diamonds and was told not to take photos in that area.

Expenses: 5.65 Euros–4 beers

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

# Day 15, Saturday, May 21, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 38.65 miles

Location: Antwerp, Belgium to Dendermonde, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Cycled through a tunnel under the Scheldt River.
- 2. I got a neat photo of a castle with its reflection in a river.
- 3. Saw a neat naked lady sculpture near river side bike trail.
- 4. I got behind and had to follow a group of racers to catch up.
- 5. Went to an artist's house/gallery in the countryside.

Expenses: 10.5 Euros – Food

### Day 16, Sunday, May 22, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 28.48 miles

Location: Dendermonde, Belgium to Gent, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. We only had 5 people cycling, due to predicted rain.
- 2. Went on walking tour of the town of Gent

Expenses: None

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

#### Day 17, Monday, May 23, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 31.17 miles

Location: Gent, Belgium to Aalterbrug, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. We took a small paddle operated ferry across a small canal.
- 2. We took a guided tour of the inside of the Ooidonk castle.
- 3. I walked on wilderness trails near where they park the Angelina for the night.

Expenses: 9.14 Euros – Food

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

#### Day 18, Tuesday, May 24, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 32.43 miles

Location: Aalterbrug, Belgium to Bruges, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. I was the bike group sweep and 2 times we got left behind the group.
- 2. I had a 10% beer at lunch time
- 3. Walked around the town of Bruges

Expenses: 3.9 Euros – Beer

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

# Day 19, Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 30.07 miles

Location: Bruges, Belgium to Ostend, Belgium and back to Bruges, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Cycled by WW1 bunkers.
- 2. Went to Northern Sea.
- 3. Saw a wild pheasant in a field.
- 4. Saw a Belgium horse in a farm pasture.
- 5. Went on the Henry Maes brewery tour.
- 6. I assembled my Bike Friday that evening.

Expenses: 13.25 Euros – Chocolate bar, beer and beer glass

### Day 20, Thursday, May 26, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 19.78 miles Location: Bruges, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Visited main attraction.
- 2. Went on river boat tour.
- 3. Went up the stairs to the top of the bell tower.
- 4. We visited a chocolate factory

Expenses: 161.5 Euros – Food, tours and souvenirs

Accommodations: Slept on Angelina

### Day 21, Friday, May 27, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 20.39 miles

Location: Bruges, Belgium to Lille, France

Points of interest:

1. Finally got my Hertz rental car

2. Cycled around Camp de Mar Park in Lille, France

Expenses: 126.34 Euros and \$157.72 US – Rental car, food, lodging Accommodations: Spent the night in the IBIS Hotel in Lille, France

#### Day 22, Saturday, May 28, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles

Location: Lille, France to Brussels, Belgium

Points of interest:

- 1. Got and lost a photo with Soldiers at the Grand palace in Brussels
- 2. Checked out peeing boy (Manneken Pis) in Brussels.

Expenses: 51.35 Eros and \$134.07 US – Souvenirs, food and lodging

Accommodations: Spend the night in the Sheraton Hotel in Brussels, Belgium

# Day 23, Sunday, May 29, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 0 miles

Location: Brussels, Belgium to Portland, Oregon

Points of interest:

- 1. Walked Nancy to the train station
- 2. Had trouble going from Downtown Brussels to the Ring Road (took ~1.5 hours)
- 3. Once at airport I needed gas and got stuck in the parking garage.
- 4. At the unmanned gas station, I had trouble figuring out how to operate the gas meter.
- 5. Took about 3.5 hours to go from my hotel in Brussels to the Airport gate for my flight home.

Expenses: 74.6 Euros and \$2.5 US – Transportation, gas, parking, food and souvenirs Accommodations: Slept on plan from Belgium to USA

# Post-trip, Monday, May 30, 2016

Daily Bike Miles: 33.53 miles

Location: Portland, Oregon and Vancouver, Washington

Points of interest:

1. Buffy's Memorial Day party in Vancouver, Washington

Accommodations: Slept at home in Portland, Oregon

# Post-trip, Tuesday, May 31, 2016

Returned to work at 8:00 AM