# NAFTS 2018 REUNION EVENTS

# Baton Rouge, LA ~ October 24-28, 2018

# **WELCOME SOCIAL - Free**

#### Wednesday, October 24 (5:30pm – 7:30pm in the Hotel Bar & Hospitality Suite)

After settling in from a long days travel, head to the Hotel Bar and/or the Hospitality Suite to meet up with new friends and reconnect with old. The Hotel will have complimentary snacks and drinks from 5:30 to 7:30 during their Evening Reception (Hotel guests only). We will also have a variety of light snacks and drinks set up in the Hospitality Suite for an evening of informal socializing. What a great way to start your reunion.

#### NEW ORLEANS TOUR / WWII MUSEUM - \$60 PP

#### Thursday, October 25 (8:30am-5:00pm)

Experience the highlights of New Orleans on this sightseeing bus & self-tour, including the bustling French Quarter, the opulent Garden District and Lake Pontchartrain Causeway. Absorb the sights and sounds of the city as you learn about its fascinating history and eclectic contemporary culture from your friendly local step-on guide during the drive from Baton Rouge. Members will be dropped off in the French Quarter to tour and lunch on your own. At 1:00 the bus will pick everyone up for the trip to the WWII Museum.

Since its opening day on D-Day – June 6, 2000 – nearly two million visitors have toured the National WWII Museum. A must-see for history lovers and all patriots, it has been designated by the U.S. Congress as America's official WWII Museum. Powerful images and extraordinary artifacts bring to life the American Spirit, the courage, teamwork and sacrifice of the young men and women who won the war and changed the world. From the 1930s prelude to war, to the Normandy Invasion and the battles of the Pacific Islands, visitors trace America's role in the war and on the Home Front.

#### **SWAMP TOUR - \$45 PP**

# Friday, October 26 (08:30am - 12:30pm)

A 90-minute tour through moss-draped cypress trees, where graceful egrets perch just out of the reach of lingering alligators! The young and not-so young will enjoy this swamp boat tour through one of the most unique wildernesses on Earth.

While on the tour, you'll explore the diverse natural beauty and rich ecological systems of America's largest and most complex swamp ecosystem.

Native tour guides will explain from personal experience what it is like to live on a houseboat or survive off the swamp--while pointing out the abundant plant and wildlife indigenous to the area.

## **LIMBURGER CHEESE SOCIAL - Free**

#### Friday, October 26 (1:30pm-3:30pm)

Please join "Limburger" Leon and the rest of the crew at the Gazebo behind the hotel (exit out the back door of the Hospitality Room) for our Annual Limburger Social. For those of a more faint heart and weak stomach, other food items will be available to hold you over till dinner.

# BATON ROUGE / USS KIDD / CAPITAL PARK MUSEUM / STATE CAPITAL(s) - \$45 PP Saturday, October 27 (10:30am-4:00pm)

Following our General Meeting you will tour Baton Rouge, Louisiana with a step-on guide to experience some of the capital city. From a hot culinary scene to live music, Baton Rouge offers a unique Louisiana experience. Politics is deeply entwined in the culture of Baton Rouge; it can be found both in the storied past of local dealmakers, showcased at the Old Louisiana State Capitol, and in the political history that is being written now inside the art deco skyscraper that serves as the current capitol. As home to the main campus of Louisiana State University and several smaller colleges, the city buzzes with the energy of youth while holding fast to its traditions in Southern

lifestyle and historic sites. A revival is underway in the city center where attractions range from a riverfront casino to the USS Kidd floating museum to the ultra-contemporary Shaw Center for the Arts, which clusters an art museum, gallery spaces, theaters and restaurants in the heart of downtown. A light lunch of Subway sandwiches will be provided during the tour of the USS KIDD.

After the tour the bus will return to the hotel so you can get ready to have your pictures taken by Classic Imaging before our Farewell Dinner. Again, remember that the Hotel hosts an Evening Social in their bar area starting at 5:30pm; a great place to join up before the Banquet begins.

#### **FAREWELL BANQUET - \$50 PP**

# Saturday, October 27 (6:00pm-10:00pm)

Join your friends for your Banquet Dinner at the Hotel; a no-host bar will be set up in the room for cocktails. Following dinner we will have our annual raffle and 50/50 drawing and then dance the night away while enjoying the music of Louisiana performed by the Choupique Cajun Band.

### TOUR CANCELLATION INSURANCE & CANCELLATION POLICY

Protect yourself from unforeseen expenses caused by illness, injury or other causes that may impact your travel plans. Tour Cancellation Insurance allows you to receive a refund of tour and banquet expenses. Please note: Cancellation Insurance expires at noon on the day of the reunion starts. Should you need to cancel your reunion reservations, please contact PJ Rolow, NAFTS Vice President of Reunions, immediately by calling 803-847-9154 and email prolow@alionscience.com to confirm your cancellation. If you did not purchase cancellation insurance, please note: all tour and banquet monies are refundable up until 4 weeks prior to the reunion, at that point all monies paid are non-refundable.

## **Important Reunion Notes:**

- Tours may be cancelled if a minimum of 30 people per bus is not met. In this case full refunds will be given.
- Please understand that a certain amount of walking is necessary to/from the bus in order to view attractions
  and in some instances, to tour or explore the attraction itself. Please note any special needs on your
  reservation form.
- Be sure to bring photo identification (like a driver's license) to all events.
- Tour times are subject to change. Please check registration for the final itinerary.

ALL RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2018. Late reservations will be accepted on a space available basis with a non-refundable \$15 per person late fee. Please make a copy of this information for your records. Should you need additional information call PJ Rolow at 803-847-9154 or email at prolow@alionscience.com. No refunds will be made after this date unless you have purchased *Tour Cancellation Insurance*. Sorry, no refunds will be given for any reason beginning at noon the day of your reunion. Your cancelled check is your receipt as well as proof of purchase. NAFTS will not be held liable for failure of vendors to provide contracted services or any injuries/accidents that may occur during the reunion.