



SEAALL 2007 Annual Meeting

Baton Rouge, Louisiana
April 11 - April 14, 2007

Optional Tours

In addition to the visits that you will make to the Louisiana State University Museum of Art, Thursday, April 12, 2007, at the opening reception and the Rural Life Museum, the setting for the Friday, April 13, 2007, Cajun social, there are exciting “on your own tours” available during your stay in Baton Rouge. SEAALL headquarters, the Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel, is located at 102 France Street, in short walking distance from Belle of Baton Rouge Casino, the USS Kidd Naval Museum, the Louisiana Art & Science Museum, and the Irene W. Pennington Planetarium. Here are a few of the choices:

Restaurants

A complete listing and area map of downtown restaurants and night and weekend venues can be found on the Downtown Development District’s web page at www.brgov.com/dept/ddd.

Gaming Entertainment

Belle of Baton Rouge Casino, 103 France Street, Baton Rouge, 225-378-6000; 800-676-4847 (www.belleofbatonrouge.com). **Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge**, 1717 River Road North, Baton Rouge, 225-709-7777; 800- 447-6843 (www.casinorouge.com).

Museums

Louisiana Arts and Science Museum, Irene W. Pennington Planetarium, and ExxonMobil Space Theater. Located in an historic railroad depot on Front Street. This museum offers educational and entertainment opportunities for visitors of all ages. (www.lasm.org). **Louisiana Governor’s Mansion.** Built in 1963; located on Capitol Lake. Tours by appointment Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. 1001 Capitol Access Road, Baton Rouge, 225-342-5855. **The Louisiana State Capitol.** The tallest capital building in the U.S. and site of Huey Long’s assassination. State Capitol Drive, Baton Rouge, 225-342-7317 (<http://www.crt.state.la.us/crt/tourism/capitol/capi>). **The Louisiana State Museum - Baton Rouge.** Features thematic exhibits on the diverse aspects of Louisiana history, industry and culture. 660 North 4th St., open Tuesday-Saturday, 9 AM-5 PM; Sunday, noon-5 PM (<http://lsm.crt.state.la.us/br/br.htm>). **Old Arsenal Museum.** Built in 1838, houses exhibits on military history, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. State Capitol Grounds, Baton Rouge, 225-342-0401, open Tuesday-Saturday, 9 AM-4 PM (www.sos.louisiana.gov/museums). **Old State Capitol Center for Political & Governmental History.** A national historic landmark, the museum contains interactive exhibits and political memorabilia; the museum store accepts major credit cards. 100 North Boulevard, Baton Rouge, 225-342-0500 or 800-488-2968 (<http://www.sos.louisiana.gov/museums>). Open Sunday, noon- 4 PM, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 AM-4 PM. **SUMA-Southern University Museum of Art.** African and African-American art collection, more than 2,000 artifacts and other treasures. 10 AM-5 PM, Tuesday-Friday; 10 AM- 4 PM, Saturday. Closed Sundays, Mondays and holidays. Free admission. Martin L. Harvey Hall, Southern University campus, 225-771-4513 (www.sus.edu/suma). USS KIDD. Baton Rouge is the home port of the Fletcher-class

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destroyer **USS KIDD** (DD-661), the "Pirate of the Pacific," a memorial to the men and women of the American armed forces (www.usskidd.com).

Events while you are in town:

- Wednesday, April 11, 2007, 1:55 PM. **USS KIDD Memorial service**, anniversary of the Kamikaze attack on this date in 1945. More information email info@usskidd.com.
- Thursday, April 12, 2007, 8 PM. **Shaw Center for the Arts** David Tanenbaum, classical guitarists.

Red Stick Farmers' Market. Every Saturday 8 AM-noon; downtown Baton Rouge on 5th St. between Main and North St., inside the parking garage in case of rain. **Main Street Market.** 7 AM-4 PM, Monday-Friday, 8 AM-2 PM, Saturday.

Catch the Trolley! The Capital Park Trolley runs Monday-Friday, 10 AM-2:30 PM, Free! Complete listing of stops and map at (<http://ci.baton-rouge.la.us/dept/ddd/trolley.htm#stops>).

Historic Homes in Baton Rouge and the surrounding area

Baton Rouge: Magnolia Mound Plantation. Authentically restored 1792 French Creole plantation house, outbuildings, and gardens. Partial handicapped accessibility. Admission charged. Group tours by appointment. 2161 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, 225-343-4955 (www.magnoli mound.org).

Mount Hope Plantation. Circa 1790, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built by German immigrants. 8151 Highland Road, Baton Rouge, 225-761-7000. **Some homes along**

the Historic River Road: Choctaw Plantation. Plantation home, c. 1830, the train depot and scale house. Group tours by appointment. 5151 Ellwood Road, Brusly, 225-749-2205. **Houmas**

House Plantation & Gardens. Crown Jewel of Louisiana's River Road. (Hush, Hush Sweet Charlotte was filmed here.) 40136 Hwy 942 Burnside, 225- 473-7841 (www.houmashouse.com).

Nottoway Plantation. The largest plantation home in the south. Daily guided tours 9 AM-5 PM. Savor Cajun and Creole cuisine for lunch or dinner in the restaurant. Gift shop offers unique items and collectibles. 19 miles south of Baton Rouge on LA 1. 30970 Highway 405, White Castle, 225-545-2730 (www.nottoway.com).

Poplar Grove Plantation. 10 minutes from downtown Baton Rouge. Built as a pavilion for 1884 World's Fair in New Orleans and moved by barge in 1886 to its current location. Occupied by descendants of the original family, on the National Register of Historic Places. Restaurant serves Creole cuisine, (vegetarian entrees by advance request).

3142 North River Road, Port Allen, 225-344-3913 (www.poplargroveplantation.com).

In St. Francisville, LA: 25 miles from Baton Rouge. Many historic homes and gardens (www.stfrancisville.net), including: **Butler Greenwood Plantation, Catalpa Plantation, Greenwood Plantation, the Myrtles Plantation, and Rosedown Plantation & Gardens.**

Area Attractions: Alligator Bayou Swamp Tour. 15 minutes from Baton Rouge. Louisiana nature: egrets, pelicans, herons, and of course! alligators. Reservations are required, call ahead. 35019 Alligator Bayou Road, Prairieville, 225-677-8297. **River Road African-American Museum.** Dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting art, artifacts and buildings related to the history and culture of African Americans in the rural communities along the Mississippi River between Baton Rouge and New Orleans. 406 Charles Street, Donaldsonville, 225-474-5553 (<http://www.africanamericanmuseum.org/tours.html>). **West Baton Rouge Museum.** c.1830 French Creole Aillet House, 22 ft. model sugar mill; c.1850 Allendale Plantation cabin. Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 AM-4:30 PM; Sunday, 2 PM-5 PM. 845 N. Jefferson Ave., Port Allen, 225-336-2422.