8TH AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 1, 2017
HILTON – NEW ORLEANS AIRPORT

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

1:00pm	-	6:00pm	**Reunion Registration**
1:00pm			Memorabilia/Gathering room open throughout reunion
6:00pm	-	7:00pm	Welcome Reception, followed by dinner on your own
7:00pm	-	9:00pm	8th AFHS Board Meeting
7:00pm	-		392nd BGMA Hospitality Suite open

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:30am	-	8:30am	Continental Breakfast for Package #1 participants
8:00am	-	11:30am	**Reunion Registration Open**
9:30am	-	2:30pm	WWII MUSEUM *(description follows)*
1:00pm	-	6:00pm	**Reunion Registration Open**
3:00pm	-	4:30pm	Curator's Corner
6:00pm	-	9:00pm	Cash Bar Reception
7:00pm	-	9:00pm	Buffet Dinner w/ CEO of National WWII Museum & WWII Historian

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:30am	-	8:30am	Full Breakfast for Meal Package participants
8:00am	-	11:30am	**Reunion Registration Open**
8:00am	-	9:15am	392nd BGMA Group Membership Meeting
9:30am	-	2:30pm	WWII MUSEUM *(description follows)*
1:00pm	-	6:00pm	**Reunion Registration Open**
3:00pm	-	4:30pm	Q & A WWII Vets
6:00pm	-	9:00pm	Cash Bar Reception
7:00pm	-	9:00pm	392ndBGMA Rendezvou Dinner

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

7:30am	-	8:30am	Continental Breakfast for Meal Package participants
8:30am	-	12:00pm	**Reunion Registration Open**
8:45am	-	10:15am	General Membership Meeting
10:30am	-	12:30pm	Researchers/Webmasters Meeting
10:30am	-	3:30pm	CITY TOUR *(description follows)*
10:45am	-	3:45pm	PLANTATION TOUR *(description follows)*
12:00pm	-	3:30pm	8th AFHS Board Meeting
4:30pm	-	5:30pm	**Reunion Registration Open**
5:30pm	-	6:30pm	Cash Bar Reception at the hotel
6:30pm	-	7:00pm	Transport from hotel to WWII Museum for Banquet
7:00pm	-	10:00pm	Gala Dinner and Program, followed by transportation back to hotels.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:30am	-	8:30am	Full Breakfast for Meal Package participants

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TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MUSEUM

Thursday & Friday, September 28 & 29

Dedicated in 2000 as the National D-Day Museum and now designated by Congress as the country's official WWII Museum, this remarkable attraction illuminates the American experience during the WWII era. From the Normandy invasion to the sands of the Pacific Islands and the Home Front, you will see the courage, teamwork, and sacrifice of the men and women who won *the war that changed the world.* Explore moving personal stories and powerful interactive displays. Visit the U.S. Freedom Pavilion: The Boeing Center, which tells the story of our nation's unprecedented industrial capability during the war years. Explore the evolving strategy for fighting across the Pacific and in Asia, and the cultural differences and tremendous range of extreme conditions that confronted our soldiers. Learn about the faltering first battles in North Africa to the bloody struggle at Germany's doorstep. The immersive galleries recreate actual battle settings and villages. Included in your ticket price is the film, ***Beyond All Boundaries,*** narrated by executive producer, Tom Hanks. Embark on a 4D journey through the war that changed the world. ***Beyond All Boundaries*** features dazzling effects, CGI animation, multi-layered environments, and first-person accounts from the trenches to the Home Front. The film will be shown on Thursday at 11am and noon. Your time slot will be determined by which bus you are riding and announced that morning. Simple box lunches including a sandwich, chips, cookie, and a bottle of water will be provided each day.

9:30am board bus, 2:30pm back at hotel
$94/Person includes bus and escort for both days, two-day admission, a box lunch for both days, and the film.

WWII Veterans Price is $66 per person which covers bus and escort for both days and a box lunch for both days. Admissions are complimentary for WWII Veterans.

Tour Options for Saturday, September 30

Choose Only One

CITY TOUR

Today's tour takes you into the French Quarter, where a blend of French and Spanish cultures intermingles with a modern lifestyle. Also witness the bustling seaport activities, which are such an important aspect of the city's economy. Lunch is on your own in Jax Brewery, an old landmark transformed into a modern complex of shops and eateries. Today's tour also includes a trip down historical St. Charles Avenue complete with universities, parks, old oaks, stately charm, and an operational streetcar line. Hear the stories of Hurricane Katrina and see first-hand the long-lasting effect it has had on New Orleans. Your tour of the Crescent City includes views and stories of unique above-ground cemeteries and Lake Pontchartrain as well.

10:30am board bus, 3:30pm back at hotel
$39/Person includes bus and guide. Lunch on your own.

PLANTATION TOUR

A day learning about plantation life awaits. Hear stories and learn the history of several local plantations. Once at Oak Alley, built in 1839, experience a bygone area in one of the South's most beautiful settings. Marvel at the unbelievable view of a quarter mile long alley of twenty-eight magnificent oak trees, each over 250 years old. Perhaps the most photographed plantation ever, Oak Alley has been the setting for many motion pictures. Enjoy a Cajun buffet outside under a tent. Lunch includes a salad bar, soup, crawfish etouffee with rice, jambalaya, red beans &, vegetables, rolls, dessert, coffee, tea, and water. Your guided tour will reveal the fascinating stories of the home and its history. Notes: The second floor of the house is only accessible via stairs. This tour is limited to the first 150 people registered.

10:45am board bus, 3:45pm back at hotel
$77/Person includes bus, guide, admission, and lunch.