

## **NOTES ABOUT THE TOUR OF THE NATIONAL WWII MUSEUM IN NEW ORLEANS**

This museum is now rated by Trip Advisor the number one attraction in New Orleans, rated the #4 museum in the United States and #11 in the world. It is an outstanding museum, to say the least. Instead of our typical tours to different places on the Friday and Saturday of our reunion, we will dedicate both days to this museum. It will take that long to do it justice and see it all.

At first when you look at the cost of the museum tour, you may have a little “sticker shock”. Please remember though that the cost shown is for BOTH days at the museum, bus transportation and driver gratuity for both days as well. When you see that, the cost per day is much more reasonable.

***Our WWII Veterans may tour the museum and view “Beyond All Boundaries” at NO CHARGE.***

**ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH** we will all ride down to the museum together, leaving the hotel at 9:00AM and begin the museum tour. At 10:45AM we will meet at the Solomon Victory Theatre to watch the Tom Hanks presentation, “Beyond All Boundaries” (*note: Elements of Beyond All Boundaries may aggravate certain medical conditions. These elements include loud noises, flashing lights, fog effects and sudden chair movements. Stationary seating is available. To assist hearing impaired guests, Assisted Listening Devices are available for Beyond All Boundaries. Please inquire at the Visitor Services desk in the Solomon Victory Theater*)

For an additional charge there is also an optional live stage show performed by The Victory Belles and hot buffet lunch that will be served on Friday, October 15th. After the movie, those who opted for the buffet lunch and stage show will move on to the Stage Door Canteen while those who did not register for the lunch and show may continue their museum tour.

Although specific menu choices have not been made yet, it will consist of two entrees, side dishes, salad, soup, desert and non-alcoholic drinks. After the luncheon, the Victory Belles will take the stage for a one hour performance. The Victory Belles are a delightful vocal trio performing the music of the 1940s, serenading audiences at The National WWII Museum and across the globe. The music of the 1940s brought hope and joy to our GIs and those on the Home Front alike—and the Victory Belles keep that tradition alive in rich, three-part harmony. Their repertoire includes all the treasured gems of the WWII era plus patriotic classics including a musical salute to each branch of the US armed forces.

For those of you with us in Dallas last year, the Victory Belles will remind you of the outstanding entertainment we had at the banquet that night.

Shuttle buses will be available to pick up anyone who wants to leave the museum beginning at 2:00PM. They will pick up where we dropped off in the morning and will continue on to the French Quarter where they will stop momentarily to let off anyone who wants to explore that area and then return to the hotel. They will pick up again at 3:00 & 4:00PM at the museum and 3:15 & 4:15PM at the French Quarter.

**On Saturday, September 16th** the buses will again leave the hotel for the museum at 9:00AM and in the afternoon the shuttles will run the same route and times being available from 2:00PM with the last one leaving the museum at 4:00PM. Lunch is on your own Saturday, the museum has an excellent café.



***The Victory Belles***



***The Stage Door Canteen***