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LASSAR PLANS 2015 ANNUAL STATE MEETING CELEBRATING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY 1890-2015



Dear Compatriots:

Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that we are three-quarters of the way through the Hess Administration. Thank you for the support you have shown me, it has been such an honor to visit with all the chapters either at a monthly meeting or a special event to learn of all your projects, activities and youth award programs that you sponsor. I wish to thank each chapter for your kind generosity and hospitality that you have shown me and Katherine as we have made our way across the state.

We are eagerly awaiting our State Annual Meeting, April 24-25th in Lafayette. The Attakapas Chapter will be our hosts and the Executive Committee is hard at work planning a wonderful experience for all of us. Do make plans to attend, as this is such a wonderful opportunity to visit with friends from across the state and celebrate all that has been accomplished in 2014. Please read carefully this edition of the Pelican Patriot for all information regarding the 2015 LASSAR State Annual Meeting.

Without a doubt, I know you will give our conference guests a warm Louisiana welcome! We will have Compatriots visiting from Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas. There is so much to look forward to in 2015. Come, be a part of your state society this April 24 – 25th in Lafayette. I hope to see you there.

Sincerely,

R. G. Hess

LASSAR President



General Philemon Thomas SAR on November 7 hosted a grave marking ceremony at St. Raphael Cemetery, Bayou Goula, La. for Patriot Pierre Belly, Second Lieutenant of the Iberville Militia of Louisiana under Spanish Governor Bernardo de Galvez. Members of the LASSAR in front of the tomb are former LASSAR President Tony Vets, Colfax; Eugene Le Blanc, Homer Baugh, Ted Brode, Monroe; George Washington Chapter President Norman Umholtz, New Orleans; Descendant Willard "Bill" Gueringer, LASSAR President Bob Hess, GPT President Clifford Normand, Greg Lindsly, and former LASSAR President James Morock.

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From the North: Traveling South on I-49, after it passes under I-10 it become NW Evangeline Throughway; continue until you reach the intersection of E. 2nd Street. Turn right on E. 2nd Street, continue and it will become W Congress, follow until you reach the hotel on the right.

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Friday April 24th

Convention Check-In will begin in the hotel lobby at 3:00 p.m. You can check-in and pick up your conference bags, name tags, and conference credential information. If you arrive late you can check in at the reception at Girard Park or Saturday morning back at the hotel lobby.

Reception will take place at the Pavilion in Girard Park, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. In your honor we have planned a traditional Cajun Crawfish boil with all the fixin's. Complete with Cajun Music, entertainment by "Sur la Galerie" a group of UL Lafayette students exploring their musical heritage. They are old school, all acoustic, they don't use amplifiers or microphones; so don't worry that they will be too loud. Bring your dancing shoes and try your Cajun Waltz or your Two Step. And for those of you that "parle francais" they will be happy to converse with you in French. "Ici on parle français". See Directions and map to Girard Park.

As a service project the Boy Scouts & Leaders of Troop 156 will prepare this Crawfish boil for us, they will setup, boil, serve and clean up. Please note: BSA rules prohibits scouts from being exposed to tobacco products or alcoholic beverages. So please go into the parking lot to smoke and get your own beer conveniently located in ice chests, soft drinks and water will also be available.

Saturday April 25th

Convention Check-in: will continue in the hotel lobby from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast is on your own.

LASSAR LADIES AUXILLARY – Meeting – Time & Location TBA

LASSAR Annual Board Meeting: (Evangeline Room 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)

(refreshments will be provided)

Joseph S. Rumbaugh Youth Award Presentation

Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Presentation

George & Stella Knight Essay Award Presentation

JROTC Scholarship Presentation

Ladies Activities:

1. **Historic St. Martinville Tour** (Christy Maraist, wife of Attakapas Chapter President David Maraist will conduct the tour). 9:00 a.m. You will gather in the Hotel lobby and carpool, caravan style to St. Martinville. Visit the Museum of the Acadian Memorial and St. Martin de Tours Church (mother church of Acadians) and other points of interest if time permits. You should be back in time to join your husband for lunch. Christy has worked out a great deal, both venues have agreed to waive their admission fee for the museum or the church. Contact Christy via email [Christy Maraist](mailto:Christy.Maraist)
2. **Cajun Food Tour** (on your own) \$55.00 per person, call in advance to book reservation 337-230-6169, see their website: <http://cajunfoodtours.com/>
3. **Festival International de Louisiane** (music & food, imagine that in Louisiana). A free shuttle departs and arrives every 15 minutes at Cajun field, directly across from the hotel. The vendor's food and drinks do not except cash or credit cards. You have to purchase tickets redeemable for food and beverages, these ticket booths are available almost at every intersection. But if you buy too many and don't use them, they will not refund your money. Here is a hint for you. Remember this is free advice, so it's worth exactly what you paid for it... If going to the Festival, go in a group, not for the reason you might think. You are in downtown Lafayette. But I am concerned for your gastronomic wellbeing. If you go buy yourself you will buy food from a vendor and they ALWAYS serve portions too large. You will be full after sampling one vendor, but of course you won't stop at one. Why, because you are in Lafayette, and you have the opportunity to sample food from every restaurant in town at one location. So you buy more food, when you get back to the hotel, not only won't you want to attend the Banquet; the last thing you will want is more food. If you go in a group, one person buys a single portion and you get multiple spoons or forks and you share that portion, everyone gets a couple of bites. Then you move on to the next vendor, and someone else buys a single portion and you share. This way you don't fill up on one item, and you get to sample several dishes from the best chefs in Lafayette. Your stomach will thank you. In 2011 Rand McNally's "Best of the Road" completion rate Lafayette, best food category for a small town. In 2012 Southern Living Magazine rated Lafayette the "Tastiest Town in the South". See their website: <http://festivalinternational.org>
4. **Acadian Village** (on your own) 200 Greenleaf Drive Lafayette. Phone 337-981-2364, website: <http://www.acadianvillage.org> Open 10:00 a.m. – 4 :00 p.m. Self-Guided Tour \$8.64. The Acadian Village is a collection of buildings, gathered around a pond, that simulates an Acadian village of the 1800s. Most of the buildings are authentic, they were relocated to the Village from nearby towns. The church is a replica.
5. **Vermillionville Living History & Folk Life Park** (on your own) 300 Fisher Road, Lafayette. Phone 337-233-4077. Website: <http://www.vermilionville.org> Open 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Self –Guided Tour (senior discount) \$8.00. Vermillionville is a living history museum and folklife park that preserves and represents the cultural resources of the Acadian, Native American, and Creole cultures – from the time period 1765 to 1890. The park sits on a 23-acre site on the banks of the Bayou Vermilion with 19 attractions,

including seven restored original homes with more than 13 local artisans that provide demonstrations on a variety of essential crafts performed by the early settlers.

Lunch on your own:

So you don't want to go to the Festival, not a problem, you have many options for Lunch in Lafayette. Here are just a few. There are three restaurants close by the hotel near the intersection of Bertrand and W. Congress: [Agave Mexican Cantina](#) - 509 Bertrand Dr. (337) 889-5540.;

[Café Habana City](#) – 911 Bertrand Dr. (337) 267-3060; [Subway](#) – 713 Bertrand Dr. (337) 237-7721. If you are looking for something more upscale, you can try the following: [Jolie's Louisiana Bistro](#) – 507 W. Pinhook Rd. (377) 706-8544 or the [Village Café](#) – 1 Dequalle Square (River Ranch) (337) 981-8085. [Charley G's](#) - The Park, 3809 Ambassador Caffery Parkway. 337- 981-0108. [Imonelli Restaurant](#) - 4017 Johnston Street, (337) 989-9291

President's Reception (Cash Bar Evangeline Room Vestibule) 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

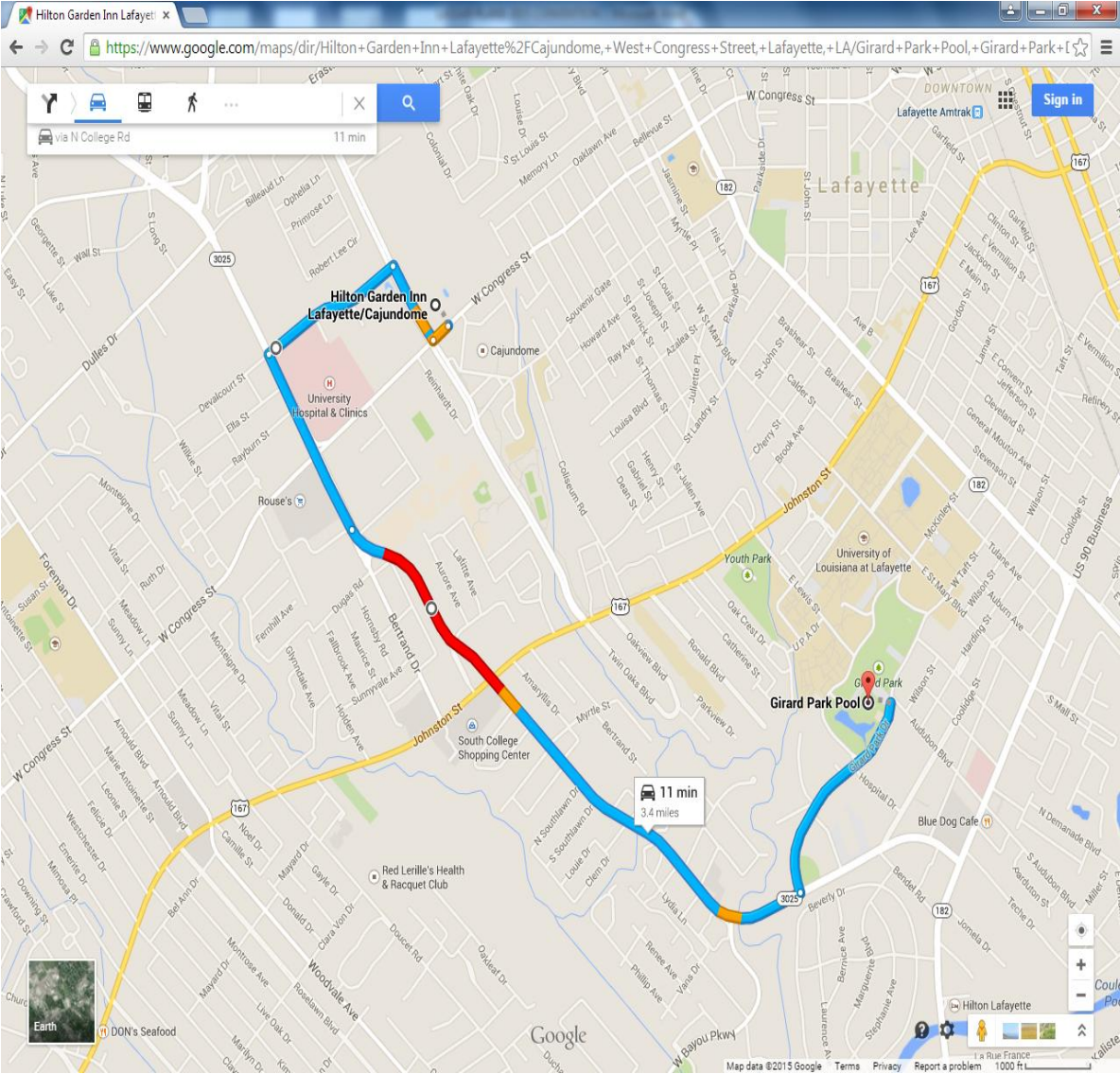
President's Banquet: (Evangeline Room) 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.



Guest Speaker: The Executive Committee of the Attakapas Chapter is pleased to announce our guest speaker for the Presidents Banquet will be: Dr. Kim Todt, currently an Assistant Professor of History at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. She received an MA in American History from Yale in 2005 and an MA and PhD in History from Cornell University in 2009 and 2012, respectively. She specializes in Colonial and Revolutionary American History with a particular focus on the intersections between business and economic history and on the transmission of commercial practices from continental Europe to Colonial America. Her research interests also extend to the Atlantic World, Women's History, and Maritime History.

The title of her presentation to us will be "Merchant, Privateer, and Patriot: Gilbert Antoine de St. Maxent."

Map from Hilton Garden Inn to Girard Park



Directions to Girard Park from Hotel:

From the West side entrance of the Hotel parking lot turn right on to Cajun Dome Blvd, heading North. Continue until you reach E. Devalcourt, approx. ¼ mile, turn left on E. Devalcourt. Continue on E. Devalcourt until you reach the intersection of Bertrand Dr. approx. ½ mile. Turn left on Bertrand Dr., after you pass the intersection W. Congress you will come to a Y intersection, approx. ¼ mile, stay to the left. You are now on N. College Rd. Continue past the intersection of Johnston St. Now you are on S. College Rd continue approx. 1mile you will cross over a small cement bridge at the intersection of W Bayou Parkway, continue on S. College Rd., get into the center turning lane in order to turn left at Girard Park Drive. Continue on Girard Park Drive until you reach the park entrance, approx. ¾ mile, you will see tennis courts on your left, turn left just past the tennis courts into the park entrance. Parking lot #2 is on the right, and our Pavilion is near the far NW corner. Refer to Map of Girard Park we will be at the large pavilion marked in red with a W stamped on your map. See Map on separate page (pdf file).

LASSAR Happenings 2014-2015

- 2/27-28/2015 NSSAR Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY
- 3/27-28/2015 Southern District Meeting, Cleveland, TN
- 4/25-26/2015 LASSAR State Convention, Lafayette, LA @ the Hilton Garden Inn, Lafayette, LA -
- More details later.
- 6/26-7/11/2015 125th National Congress of Sons of the American Revolution, Louisville, KY

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4. Allows importing of SAR-APP PDF file for greater flexibility.

SARApAid can be ordered for \$20.00 directly from Cox SoftWare.com and includes 2 years of free upgrades via the Internet.

Baskets Needed for State Conference

Last year at our state conference we held a silent auction of donated baskets from our SAR Chapters. The money raised helped pay for the awards given to contest winners sponsored by our state society. We would like to have a silent auction again this year and we ask each SAR chapter to donate a basket. Choose your own theme and include whatever you would like to inspire us to bid on them.

Love And War

The Romance of Bernardo and Marie Felicite

By Joe Perez

Following in the footsteps of his father and uncles, Bernardo de Gálvez rose to great prominence in the service of his king. He was a man born to lead others and driven to achieve tremendous success. With each succeeding position of authority, he strove to advance even further toward greatness. As a military man, this meant he would be called upon to lead others in times of war.

Bernardo started his military career at the tender age of sixteen when Spain was at war with Portugal. At nineteen, he came to the New World and fought against the Apache tribe in the northern part of New Spain, what is now Texas. At age twenty five, he survived an attack that left him with an arrow wound in his arm and a chest wound from an Apache lance. In 1772, having fought bravely in the New World, he returned to Spain. Already a hardened veteran at age twenty six, Bernardo sought to better himself as a military leader by enrolling in the Regiment of Cantabria, an admired military organization in France. While there for three years, he learned to speak French, which would be a factor later in his life. At twenty nine, he was wounded in battle, assigned to the Military School of Avila and promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. At thirty, he was sent again to the New World as Colonel of the Louisiana Regiment in a Spanish province formerly settled by the French and populated with many French speaking citizens. A few months after his arrival, he was instructed to serve as Acting Governor of the province, duties that he assumed on January 1, 1777.



Bernardo was a young, powerful and debonair figure who immediately won over his Spanish speaking citizens and with his linguistic talents, charmed the French-speaking citizenry as well. One such citizen who caught his eye was a beautiful woman from a prominent French family but born in America, the lovely Marie Felicite de St. Maxent d'Estrehan.



Marie Felicite was born into French aristocracy to one of the wealthiest families in Louisiana. Her father was Gilbert Antoine de St. Maxent and her mother was Elizabeth la Roche. At age fifteen, she married Jean Baptiste Honoré d'Estrehan and had a daughter named Adelaide. The untimely death of her husband left her a widowed mother at age seventeen. Marie Felicite has been described as a sophisticated woman possessing intelligence, charm and quite the conversationalist. Bernardo de Gálvez was smitten.

The year 1777 was indeed a banner year for Bernardo. He had become Governor of Louisiana, won over both the Spanish and French citizens and was the most beloved Governor this colony had ever seen. He also met and fell deeply in love with the woman considered at the time the most beautiful woman in all of Louisiana.

As a new Governor, Bernardo's tasks were tremendous in running a province, while at the same time, carrying on the mission of providing covert assistance to the American colonists in their bid for independence from England. He was already aware that Spain was considering joining France in allying with the American Colonists which he knew meant leading an army into battle. As a man well versed, well qualified and well respected in military tactics, he welcomed the opportunity to further prove himself in war. In addition to running the province, he spent a considerable amount of time designing preliminary plans to attack the British in the Floridas. But he could not take his mind off Marie Felicite.

As prominent figures in New Orleans, Bernardo and Marie Felicite had several opportunities to become acquainted with each other at social events. There were elegant galas, stately balls, splendid dinners and grand military functions that they attended, all of which they looked forward to as a chance to see each other again. She was enamored with him and he fell completely in love with her. Her beauty, wit, elegance and charm came to possess his heart, a heart hardened in war but now helpless in love.

After a few months of courting, Bernardo proposed to Marie Felicite and asked if she would join him on his life's journey as his wife. She accepted and they were engaged. He made a promise that he would marry and take care of her and her daughter for the rest of his life. As a man of honor, Bernardo did not make empty promises. However, sometimes fate intervenes in a young man's dreams.

While planning the wedding, Bernardo became extremely ill. The severity of his illness gave him and others doubts as to whether he would live long enough to exchange matrimonial vows. Very sick and bedridden, Bernardo wondered if he would be able to fulfill his promise to his fiancée.

As a prominent military man whose every action represented the royal crown, Bernardo was required to get permission from the king to get married. While the requisite permission was requested, it would be some time before official word was received from the royal palace. In the interim, Bernardo was near death with survival in doubt and he knew he had a promise to fulfill. Even in his grave condition, honoring his word to his betrothed was always on his mind. He was a man in love and he would defy official protocol. He would follow his heart and not the mandates of the crown. Bernardo acted as a valiant hero in an ageless love story. He would fulfill his promise to the one he loved and cheat the grim reaper before what seemed to be his imminent death. Unbeknownst to the king and to anyone but a few close friends, family and clergy, who were presumed sworn to secrecy, Bernardo married Marie Felicite in private.

With his promise fulfilled, Bernardo was at peace and ready to accept his fate. But his fate was not death, not at that time, for his health took a different turn and he started to recover. Bernardo gradually continued to improve and, eventually, he was able to resume his duties as Governor. Notice from the king finally arrived and it was good news, permission to marry was officially granted. The public wedding was performed in Havana, Cuba in a grand display of pomp and pageantry.

Bernardo and Marie Felicite's first child together, Matilde, was born in 1778 in New Orleans. When Spain declared war on England, Bernardo had to leave his wife and children, the loves of his life, for war as he embarked on his Gulf Coast Campaign.

In 1782, Bernardo and Felicite had a son, Miguel. In 1785, Bernardo succeeded his father as Viceroy of New Spain and moved with his family to Mexico City, where he and his wife became extremely popular among the citizenry. Bernardo used some of his personal fortune to begin the reconstruction of the Castle of Chapultepec and the completion of the Cathedral of Mexico. He and Marie Felicite were living idyllic lives; in love, deeply admired with a beautiful family and another child on the way. It was in this paradise that Bernardo became gravely ill and after a four month infirmity, he succumbed to his illness and died. Marie Felicite, her children and all the people of Mexico had lost a man they so deeply loved. Bernardo was only forty years old.



In 1786, just twelve days after Bernardo's death, Marie Felicite gave birth to their daughter, Guadalupe. At the baby's baptism, in a gesture of respect, the city government served as the child's godparents. The adoration between Bernardo and Marie Felicite outlasted all they had been through; life and death and love and war.

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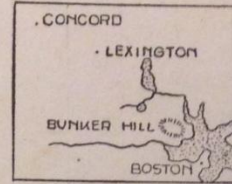
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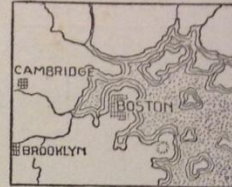
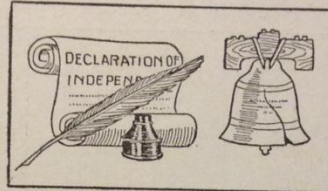
One area of focus in the administration of President General Lindsey Brock is the Patriot Biographies database. Approximately 200 biographical sketches have been submitted to be loaded into this data base thus far. The purpose of this database is twofold: To honor our patriot ancestors by telling their story and to enhance the recruitment of new members. You can see an article on this project in the Fall 2014 issue of the SAR magazine, page 16. Anyone wishing to submit a patriot biography to the Patriot Search database can forward the biography to State Registrar Clifford.Normand@att.net to have the biography added to the Patriot Database.

Interesting Facts about the Revolutionary War

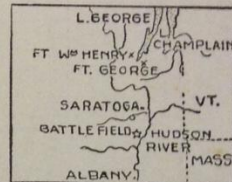
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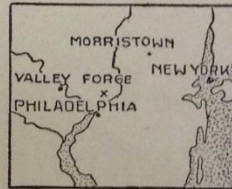
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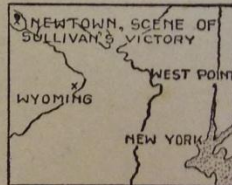
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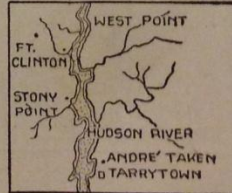
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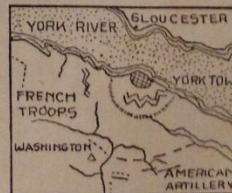
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New LASSAR Chairman appointed for SAR Library.

State LASSAR President Bob Hess has appointed Chris Achee of the General Philemon Thomas Chapter, LASSAR as our state point of contact for the NSSAR Genealogical Library. He will keep us informed of items of interest to our state society as well as being our advocate for the NSSAR Genealogical Library.

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Special Room Rate Code LASSAR. Deadline to reserve a room **April 3, 2015**
Linited Rooms \$139.00 per night plus taxes, attendees must made their own hotel reservations

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday April 24, 2015

Registration at Hilton Garden Inn 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Reception / Registration – Crawfish Boil at Girard Park 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Directions on webside LASSAR.ORG
Entertainment by “Sur la Galerie” Cajun band (all acoustic)
As a service project the Boy Scouts & Leaders of Troop 156 will set up, boil, serve and clean up.
Please note: BSA rules prohibit scouts from being exposed to tobacco products or alcoholic beverages.
So please go into the parking lot to smoke and get your own been conveniently located ice chests,
soft drinks and water also available,

Saturday, April 25, 2015

Registration at Hilton Garden Inn Lobby (continues) 8:00 – 9:00 a.m..
LASSAR Annual Meeting (refreshments provided) 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Joseph S. Rumbaugh Youth Award Presentation Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Presentation
George & Stella Knight Essay Award Presentation JROTC Scholarship Presentation

Ladies Activities

1. Historic St. Martinville Tour (meet at Hotel and carpool – contact Christy Maraist via email) cdm@lusbifer.net
 2. Cajun Food Tour (on your own) \$49.00 per person, call in advance to book reservation 337-320-6169
Food Touts website: <http://cajunfoodtours.com/>; Festival International website: <http://festivalinternational.org/>
 3. Festival International de Louisiane (music & food – free schttle bus at Cajun Field - every 15 minutes)
- President’s Reception (cash bar) 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
President’s Banquet & Officer Installation (Black – Tie Preferred) 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

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Registration (SAR Members only)	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Reception – Crawfish Boil (Must Register by 4/3/15 No Walk Ups)	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Breakfast Saturday Morning (on your own)			
President’s Banquet	\$35.00	_____	\$ _____

TOTALS \$ _____