

# Winter Board Meeting

New Orleans, Louisiana

January 20-22, 2017

Airport: KNEW

Hilton St. Charles Hotel

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## POST-Meeting Tour

January 22-23, 2017

Including National WWII Museum

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New Orleans is the most celebrated city in the American South, the largest in the state of Louisiana, and is known by many as “The Big Easy”. A heavenly blend of mouthwatering Creole food, rich history and great Blues and Jazz music make New Orleans the vibrant city that it is! No city in North America can compete with New Orleans when it comes to culture, food, historic architecture, *joie de vivre* and tourism options.

The Crescent City, straddling the mighty Mississippi River, has suffered plagues, wars, imperial regime changes and devastating floods. Yet, it always wakes up with a smile on its face. This may be because its inhabitants step to an easy beat first laid down three centuries ago. Moving at this relaxed pace, visitors are delighted by the French Creole elegance of the Vieux Carre (French Quarter) or the opulence discovered in a streetcar ride through the Garden District and Uptown. Any time of year in New Orleans, you will find live music, amazing Creole and Cajun cuisine, fresh seafood, farmers markets, shopping, nightlife and more.

Join FPA Board of Directors members in this 24-hour city for the Winter



Board Meeting. Spend time with physician pilots and their families, earn CME at the optional Saturday afternoon in the FPA Volunteer Leadership Workshop or extend your visit to spend time with the group on a unique New Orleans City Tour and exploring the old Tremé neighborhood, a 5-course Creole Tasting Dinner at Commander's Palace on Sunday evening, and an exclusive FPA small-group guided tour of the National WWII Museum, including lunch on Monday.

### GETTING THERE AND STAYING THERE

**AIRPORT:** KNEW, Lakefront Airport, located 9.5 miles from the Hilton St. Charles (20 minute drive) is a public use airport located northeast of the central

business district of New Orleans.

Address: 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70126

Telephone: 504.243.4010

**FBO:** SIGNATURE Flight Services, located at KNEW south end.

General Mgr: Addie Fanguy, 504.241.2800

Concessions: FPA planes, \$1.00 discount current gas. Gas purchase waives ramp fee.

Parking: \$10 or less per night..

**CAR RENTAL:** Available through FBO.

**TAXI/Uber:** Approximately \$25 KNEW to Hilton St. Charles.

**COMMERCIAL:** Fly into Louis Armstrong International (MSY) owned by the city of New Orleans and is 11 miles west of

downtown New Orleans. One-way taxi to the Hilton St. Charles is \$45+.

**HOTEL:** Hilton St. Charles Hotel, AAA 4-Diamond

Guest Room: \$169 + 15.75% tax & \$1 occupancy (\$196.62/night)

Address: 333 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans 70130

Phone: 888.490.6547,

Group Code F.P.A.

Cut-off: December 30, 2016 or when room block fills

Amenities: Free Wi-fi in the guest rooms, complimentary coffee and newspapers in the lobby each morning and evening wine reception. Hilton St. Charles was built in 1927 as the Masonic Grand Lodge of Louisiana. Its historic architecture and craftsmanship are still visible throughout the hotel, and it was inducted into the Historic Hotels of America in 2014.

Indoor pool and hot tub, a spacious state-of-the-art fitness center open 24-hours, a lobby library and computer lounge are among the guest amenities. HHonor Club Members have an option to upgrade and enjoy the 24-hour Executive Lounge.

**PARKING:** \$40/night hotel parking with in and out privileges or \$25/day in a public parking lot across the street (no in and out).

**RESTAURANTS:** Luke—Hilton St. Charles' Signature Restaurant under James Beard Award-winning chef, John Besh. Open Daily: 7 A.M. TO 11 P.M. Chef John Besh welcomes you to Luke, his homage to the grand old Franco-German brasseries that once reigned in New Orleans. Luke's is a brasserie showcase of what Besh learned during his time in France and Germany (Alsace) while not forgetting this is New Orleans. Luke's menu has a number of familiar Franco-German brasserie renditions --plus a locally popular raw bar that attracts locals and tourists alike in the late afternoons for fresh oysters on the half-shell and craft cocktails.

New Orleans is brimming with culinary talent unlike any other in the country. Some of the best remain under the national radar while others have risen

## **SCHEDULE:**

### **FRIDAY, January 20, 2017**

3:30 – 5:30 pm Executive Committee

### **6:00 – 7:15 pm WELCOME RECEPTION**

Wine and beer hospitality hour with light fruit and cheese appetizer. Dinner on your own.

### **SATURDAY, January 21, 2017**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

All members, Right Front Seaters and guests are welcome to attend.

12:15 – 4:15 pm

### **OPTIONAL CME LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

New and seasoned chapter and national leaders come together to share the challenges, the successes, and learn best practices in planning, organizing, and executing FPA CME activities and meetings. Begun in 2009 by the former FPA CME Chair, Ron Craig, the workshops have provided the participants opportunities to create new formats, consider change and develop innovative activities. CME Committee Chair Richard Sloan heads the 2017 Leadership Workshop. A working lunch is included in the Workshop Registration.

6:00 – 10:00 pm

### **OPTIONAL BOURBON HOUSE GROUP DINNER**

Dickie Brennan's Bourbon House serves local seafood and classic Creole fare. If it's not in season it is not served. Since its opening in 2002, Bourbon House has received national attention, including being named to Esquire Magazine's list of "Best New Restaurants". Beautiful picture windows overlook the live entertainment known as "Bourbon Street", and prompted The New York Times to name Bourbon House "one of the best people watching perches in the city".

### **WINTER BOARD POST-MEETING TOUR (Optional)**

### **SUNDAY, January 22, 2017**

12:30 – 3:00 pm

### **TREME AND MARDI GRAS INDIAN CULTURE TOUR**

Two hours of excitement as you ride along with your tour guides around the historic Treme (pron. Tree-MAY) neighborhood and city of New Orleans. Hear the intricately woven histories of the Mardi Gras Indians and the oldest neighborhood of Treme. You will be entertained by the Mardi Gras Indian Show and have a personal tasting of local New Orleans Gumbo. It's the most interesting "secret history" of the culture of New Orleans. Transportation is provided with departure and return to the Hilton St. Charles Hotel.

### **MONDAY, January 23, 2017**

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

### **THE NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MUSEUM (Lunch included)**

The National WWII Museum hosts an exclusive FPA group tour of the Campaigns of Courage Pavilion, where the Road to Berlin: European Theater Galleries and Road to Tokyo: Pacific Theater Galleries address the heart of the Museum's mission of telling the story of the American Experience in World War II in the war that changed the world. Why it was fought, how it was won, and what it means today—so that all generations will understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn.

This exclusive small-group experience offers an official museum guide taking the FPA group through the chronological narrative of each theater of combat, bringing to life the drama, sacrifices, personal stories, and strategies of America's campaign to defeat the Axis powers and preserve freedom. Your guide will also highlight several artifacts, displays, and exhibits during the tour, which explores how US citizen soldiers and their Allies secured victory in the 20th century's titanic struggle—a fight for civilization itself.



to the level of celebrity chef. Here are just a few who've reached name-recognition status in New Orleans and beyond: John Besh, Nina Compton, Emeril Lagasse, Donald Link, Tory McPhail, Alon Shaya, and Susan Spicer. Many of the restaurants overseen by these nationally-recognized chefs are only steps from the Hilton St. Charles Hotel.

**STREETCARS:** Getting around New Orleans by streetcar is a great way to see the city. There are three different lines: St. Charles, Canal Street, and the Riverfront, each of which originates downtown but takes you to different parts of the city. Hotel guests may catch the St. Charles Avenue streetcar which rides directly in front of the hotel.

St. Charles Ave Streetcar: All aboard for a trip into New Orleans' past on the oldest continuously operating streetcar in the world! The mahogany seats, brass fittings and exposed ceiling light bulbs are from a day when plastic seats

and aluminum rails were not even a thought. Rumbling around the "neutral ground" of St. Charles Avenue and Carrollton Avenue for more than 150 years, the streetcar symbolizes the charm and romance of the City of New Orleans.

The route traditionally forms a 13.2-mile crescent from Carondelet at Canal Street in the Central Business District through the oldest and most majestic section of uptown New Orleans, around the Riverbend to Carrollton at Claiborne Avenue. Swaying along St. Charles Avenue through a tunnel of Live Oaks, the streetcar passes dozens of antebellum mansions, historic monuments, Loyola and Tulane universities, the sweeping grounds of the Audubon Park and Zoo, shopping centers, fine restaurants and hotels.

Streetcars in New Orleans offer \$1.25 fares and can be paid with exact change when you board. One and three-day unlimited ride "Jazzy Passes" are also available at reasonable cost.

## HOTEL RESERVATIONS-MEETING REGISTRATION

Reserve your guest room at the Hilton St. Charles at your earliest convenience. With these hotel room rates, the block will fill quickly. Deadline for the rate: December 30, 2016 or when block fills.

**WBM MEETING REGISTRATION CANCELLATION:** Meeting registration cancellations are made with the FPA Headquarters office: 936.588.6505, or ahenderson@FPAdrs.org. The cancel administration fee for Winter Board Registration only through 1/15/17 is \$20.00 per person; from 1/16/17 through 1/18/17 \$50.00 per person; no registration cancellation refunds after 1/19/2017. **NO cancellation refunds for the Post-Meeting Tour or Saturday Group Dinner.**

## FPA WINTER BOARD MEETING REGISTRATION & POST-MEETING TOUR

Go to [www.fpadrs.org](http://www.fpadrs.org) to pay by credit card. Or, complete this form and mail to FPA Headquarters, 11626 Twain Drive, Montgomery, Texas 77356. Payment must be received in advance for all social functions.

### WINTER BOARD MEETING

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\$95 x \_\_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

WBM Registration includes Friday Welcome Reception with wine/beer hospitality, Saturday morning coffee break

### FPA LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

**Jan 21 afternoon**

\$49 x \_\_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Workshop includes lunch and program, immediately following Board meeting.

### FPA Group Dinner at Bourbon House

**Jan 21 evening**

*Cocktails/wine/beer cash basis. Please check your food choices next.*

Romaine Salad \_\_\_ OR Corn & Crab Bisque \_\_\_

Redfish on the Half shell \_\_\_ OR Grilled Filet Mignon \_\_\_ OR Vegetarian \_\_\_

New Roads Pecan Pie

Redfish or Vegetarian: \$58.00 x \_\_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Filet Mignon \$68.00 x \_\_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### NEW ORLEANS POST MEETING\*

**Jan 22-24**

\$230 x \_\_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Tour includes Sunday Afternoon New Orleans tour, Group Dinner at Commander's Palace, Monday National WWII Museum admission and exclusive FPA group guided tour (2 movies "Beyond All Boundaries" and "Final Mission", Campaigns of Courage: European and Pacific Theaters, museum guide and group lunch)

\*PLEASE NOTE – due to the pre-Mardi Gras preparations and season in New Orleans, guarantees must be received and finalized. Restaurants and tours will NOT REFUND the fees and guarantees.

***Group tour limited, and no late reservations accepted.***

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TO ASSURE A SPOT IN THE SOCIAL EVENTS/OPTIONAL TOURS – registration payment must be received in full.