

MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE – JULY 13-16, 2017

“Putting the puzzle together...one piece at a time”

Plans are coming together for our meeting in July. The site hotel is the Hampton Inn, 325 N. Thompson Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129, 615-890-2424. King or double rooms are \$129.00; king studio suites are \$149.00. Cancellation is 24 hours prior to arrival. We have a block of 25 rooms from July 11-16; release date is June 26, 2017 or until the group block is sold out. You can call to make your reservation OR you can go to the NOA group page on the web by using the following link:

<http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/M/MBTOFHX-NOA-20170711/index.jhtml>.

And, at last check, ours was the only reservation made so far!

We have three tours scheduled:

Nissan is a 1 1/2 hour tour on a tram; for safety reasons, children under 10 are not permitted; you must wear shirts with at least a 4-inch sleeve and closed-toe shoes; no flip-flops or sandals are permitted; weapons of any kind, cell phones, cameras and all other recording devices are strictly prohibited.

Cannonsburgh Village (1 1/2 hour guided tour) represents approximately 100 years of early Tennessee life from the 1830's to the 1930's. Within the village is a gristmill, school house, telephone operator's house, the University House, the Leeman House, a museum, a caboose, the Wedding Chapel, a doctor's office, a general store, a blacksmith's shop, a well, and other points of pioneering interest.

Stones River National Battlefield will be a 90-minute caravan tour. The Battle of Stones River was a hard-earned Union Victory. At dawn on December 31, 1862, the Confederate Army of Tennessee charged

across foggy fields west of Murfreesboro to begin one of the bloodiest battles of the Civil War. For three days, 81,000 men struggled and nearly one-third of them became casualties. The Battle was a tactical draw, but proved to be a significant strategic victory for the Union.

There is a lot to see and do in the Middle Tennessee area – so come early/stay late to get the most out of your trip!

Registration forms and more information will be in the next newsletter. Be there or be square!

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