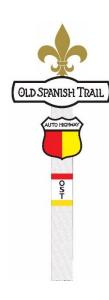
# OLD SPANISH TRAIL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ASSOCIATION NEW ORLEANS OST100 CONFERENCE





## CENTENNIAL REENACTMENT OF 1923 OST NEW ORLEANS CONVENTION MARCH 23 – 25, 2023

OST100 CENTENNIAL REENACTMENT REGISTRATION IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, ANYONE LOVING THE OPEN ROAD. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ENSURE ENOUGH COMPLIMENTARY FOOD AND MATERIALS DONATED BY GENEROUS BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

REGISTRATION DUE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE BELOW AND ON www.oldspanishtrailcentennial.com.

## **WEATHER**

Louisiana enjoys mild spring, but rain and unusually cold days can occur. Both swim suit and warm outer wear may be needed and a light jacket or umbrella for rain showers. Layers are always good for traveling and air-conditioned or heated buildings.

## **VENUES**

Thursday, March 23rd Registration Site and evening Welcome Reception INN at the OLD JAIL 2552 St. Philip Street
One block east of N. Broad Street New Orleans, LA 70119 504-301-5743





www.innattheoldjail.com

Brothers Todd & Nick Schwartz will be our hosts this year at Inn at the Old Jail, a Queen Anne Victorian constructed in 1902 as a NOPD jail and patrol station, later used as a library & community center. The building has been awarded by the Louisiana Landmarks Society for Excellence in Historic Preservation post-Katrina restoration, and was placed on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places.

Friday, March 24th Seminar and Exhibits

New Orleans Fair Grounds Racecourse
1751 Gentilly Boulevard
Gate at west end of Onzaga Street

New Orleans, LA 70119
504-944-5515

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www.fairgroundsracecourse.com
Third oldest thoroughbred horseracing course in America still in operation.





Start: Stallings Gentilly Playground
Listed as 2700 Lapeyrouse St.
1600 block of Gentilly Boulevard
Between Laharpe and Lapeyrouse Streets
Just south of the Fairgrounds,
New Orleans, LA 70119
nordc.org/parks/stallingsgentilly

## End: Ridge Boardwalk Trail of Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge

20876 Chef Menteur Highway At west end of Bayou Sauvage NWR New Orleans, LA 70129 985-882-2000 www.fws.gov/refuge/bayou-sauvage-urban Site for complementary picnic lunch





# THURSDAY REGISTRATION, VOLKSSPORT WALKS, TROLLEY RIDES, and WELCOME RECEPTION Thursday, March 23, 2023

## **ALL DAY REGISTRATION**

Upon arriving in New Orleans, sign in and pick up Name Tags, OST Historic Walk and Drive Booklets, and other materials for the conference at any time Thursday, March 23 at **INN at the OLD JAIL.** 

Maps and stamps for **American Volkssport Association** *New Orleans* and *New Orleans Garden Walks* along Canal Street and St. Charles Avenue OST, as well as packets for new AVA members, will be available at the INN at the OLD JAIL Thursday and at the Exhibit Hall on Friday.

## OST DOWNTOWN HISTORIC WALK

**Trolley** All-Day "Jazzy" Passes may be purchased for Canal Street and St. Charles Avenue Trolleys, which allow you to depart and board at various historic OST sites on the route detailed in the Historic Walk Booklet. www.norta.com/ride-with-us/how-to-pay/jazzy-passes

#### 6pm - 8pm INN at the OLD JAIL WELCOME RECEPTION Casual or 1920s attire

Many local historic, preservation, and civic organizations, as well as businesses helped prepare for, or sponsored, this conference. Their members have been invited to register and join us Thursday evening in the charming INN at the OLD JAIL to meet and greet the lecturers, authors, and conventioneers, some of whom have come many, many miles to share their enthusiasm for the Old Spanish Trail auto highway. Scrumptious complimentary hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided by our sponsors. Keeping with the prohibition era theme, BYOB will be disquised in tea cups.



## FRIDAY SYMPOSIUM, EXHIBITS, and PLENARY SESSION Friday, March 24, 2023

**8am - 10am Complimentary BREAKFAST** in the Lecture and Exhibit Hall of the Fairgrounds.

**9am - Noon SYMPOSIUM** Fairgrounds Lectures. Speakers knowledgeable about the 1920s provide insight into activities that developed with the paving of the Old Spanish Trail auto and truck highway.

9:00 - 9:40am Charlotte Kahl Women Organize to Improve Highway

Living near the San Antonio Headquarters Section of the Old Spanish Trail auto highway, Charlotte was appointed in 2004 to create a national centennial celebration association to commemorate the history of those early roadbuilding pioneers and preserve their work.

9:50 - 10:30am Dr. Kelerin Rylance The Alcohol Trail

Keli Rylance, with a M.A. Information Studies from UW-Madison; and a Ph.D. Art History from Pennsylvania State, is head librarian at the Saint Louis Art Museum. While serving as director of Tulane University's Southeastern Architectural Archive, she developed a fondness for the history of American highways, and periodically works on her book devoted to New Orleans motels, highway infrastructure and historic preservation.

10:40 - 11:20am Dr. C. Eddie Palmer Lighting the Headlights

Sociologist and Anthropologist Dr. C. Eddie Palmer is Professor Emeritus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, author of articles and poems, owner and operator with wife Ann of a Rayne, LA antique store. As volunteer Chair of the Rayne and Lafayette OST100 Committees Palmer has organized local OST100 Networking Conferences, annual "OST Days", and helps other towns create OST100 Committees and become "Official OST Cities".

**11:30am – Noon Connie Sue Low** *Grand Finale* 1929 – 2029

Travel and Texas history writer Connie Sue Low with an Angelo State PhysEd/Sports Medicine degree (History minor) after years of teaching in British Columbia now leads Kimble County Historical Commission and Edwards Plateau and Texas Pecos Trail Historical Associations. She and Kimble County Historical Museum docents will share Host-City-Preparation suggestions for the centennial reenactments of the 1929 transcontinental OST Motorcades.

#### Noon - 2pm Complimentary LUNCH in OST100 Exhibit Hall

**1pm - 4pm EXHIBITS** A large Fairgrounds room will become the Old Spanish Trail Exhibit Hall for the afternoon. Join the gathering of enthusiasts informally discussing their knowledge of the history of the Old Spanish Trail auto highway. Your city, county, or parish can take this opportunity to register for a free table to share stories of your OST corridor's history or successful preservation, beautification and revitalization efforts. Afternoon Fair Grounds Thoroughbred Horse Racing may be watched from the Exhibit Hall.



1:20pm -1:40pm PLENARY SESSION A 20-minute official business meeting of the Old Spanish Trail Centennial Celebration Association (OST100) will take place among the exhibits. Just as the 1920s OST Association invited federal, state and local elected officials to hear the discussions of how to pave a transcontinental highway across the southern gulf and border states, OST100 host organizations, partners, and those attending this conference will create resolutions to enhance the Old Spanish Trail scenic route of today. City and County/Parish exhibitors will receive an artistic document painted by 1920s OST artist Mary Bonner recognizing their area as an OFFICIAL OST CITY, COUNTY, or PARISH to present to city mayors, county judges or supervisors, and parish presidents.

## **SATURDAY**

# MOTORCADE DRIVE to BAYOU SAUVAGE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE Saturday, March 25, 2023



#### MOTORCADE ORLEANS PARISH, LOUISIANA

OST13-mile motorcade of vintage and modern autos and trucks will follow Gentilly, Chef Menteur, and Old Gentilly OST route. **START Stallings Gentilly Playground** in the **1600 block of Gentilly Boulevard** (listed as 2700 Lapeyrouse Street, New Orleans, LA 70119) between Laharpe and Lapeyrouse Streets just south of the Fairgrounds. Not to be confused with Starlings Riverside Park downtown.

**9 am** Drivers of vintage and modern vehicles will gather in the 1600 block of Gentilly Boulevard.

**DEPART Promptly at 9:30am** The motorcade will proceed north on Gentilly Boulevard.

END about 10:30 at Ridge Trail Boardwalk of Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge 20876 Chef Menteur Highway. Complimentary PICNIC LUNCH.

**Sunday, March 26, 2023** Not an OST100 event, some may be interested in staying over to watch Louisiana Derby at Fair Grounds Racecourse. www.kentuckyderby.com/prep-races/louisiana-derby

Although the OST100 conference is free, registrations are required for each event. Please be sure to mark boxes for all events you will be attending. If you expect to have guests with you for any part of conference, please have them register also to ensure adequate materials and meals will be available.

PLEASE SUBMIT REGISTRATION BY FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023.

Various Louisiana state, parish, and city entities; and local organizations have generously offered their resources to enable OST100 to provide free events for this conference. As a courtesy to organizers and event coordinators, if you have registered and find you will be unable to attend, please notify us before March 20.

If you or your business would like to sponsor materials, or meals please see the SPONSORSHIP section below for advice. Questions about registration, particular events, exhibits, etc. (210)735-3503 or OST100Kahl@aol.com.

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## **EXHIBITS**

Free table spaces will be available in New Orleans Fair Grounds
Noon to 4pm Friday, March 24, 2023 to highlight your county/parish, city, museum, or historic site.
Please coordinate your exhibit with Charlotte Kahl (210)735-3503 or OST100Kahl@aol.com.
PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR EXIBIT FORM BY FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023

## **SPONSORSHIP**

Conference sponsorship opportunities are available for entities that wish to partially or entirely sponsor buffet meals, snacks, social events, materials, or the conference in general. For sponsorship questions please contact: Charlotte Kahl (210)735-3503 or OST100Kahl@aol.com.