

Historic Lincoln Highway

17th Annual Conference

"Welcome back to Indiana, where the LHA was born!"

June 16 - 20, 2009 South Bend, Indiana

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The 17th annual conference of the Lincoln Highway Association is hosted by the Indiana Lincoln Highway Association and the City of South Bend



Conference Overview

Monday, June 15, 2009

Pre-conference East Tour – Ligonier, Goshen and Elkhart

- Visit the historic brick section and original alignments in Ligonier
- Visit the Old Bag Factory in Goshen shop in the furniture, art, pottery, antique, and quilt shops
- Visit the RV Hall of Fame in Elkhart

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Welcome event at the Century Center's Great Hall in South Bend

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

Charter Bus Tour to Indianapolis via the Dixie Highway.

- Stops at historic sites related to Carl Fisher and James Allison Lincoln Highway Visionaries.
- Tours include the extraordinary Crown Hill Cemetery, Millionaire Row (the homes of Allison and Fisher), Stutz Buildings, Monument Circle, and Indianapolis Motor Speedway Hall of Fame Museum.
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The Athenaeum Building (Rathskeller Restaurant). Credit: The Rathskeller Restaurant

• Lunch at the Athenaeum. Set in the historic 19th century Athenaeum Building downtown, The Rathskeller is reminiscent of both a quaint inn tucked in the Bavarian hills and a lively beer hall in Munich. Voted Best German Restaurant seven years in a row, even a true German feels at home here.

Credit: BruceS

• Wild and mild buses will be available to fit your personality!

Thursday, June 18, 2009

A Day on the beautiful St. Joseph River!

- This seminar day features a keynote speaker on national byways and an artist and authors' reception open to the general public free of charge.
- Dedication of historical markers on the Lincoln Highway in downtown South Bend.
- Special invitation event for LHA Life Members, dignitaries and 2009 LHA Conference Sponsors.
- Twilight tour of the University of Notre Dame campus including the famous Grotto, touchdown Jesus, and the Golden Dome.

Friday, June 19, 2009

Lincoln Highway Day Parade through South Bend featuring the 90th Anniversary U.S. Military Cross Country Convoy organized by the Military Vehicle Preservation Association and the LHA.

• The convoy will be departing Washington D.C. on June 10th, connecting with the LHA main route at Gettysburg, and arriving in South Bend on Thursday, June 18th.

- Military vehicles will be staged for the public at the Studebaker National Museum and at the Howard Park Vietnam Veteran's Memorial following the parade festivities.
- Afternoon offers conference attendees free time to tour area attractions, shop, and dine at the many specialty shops in the twin cities of South Bend/Mishawaka.
- The day will conclude with an Awards Banquet at Century Center.

Saturday, June 20, 2009

Breakfast buffet and annual membership meeting and door prizes at the Holiday Inn Ballroom.

Post conference Tour

Follow the military convoy west to the Illinois line.

Suggested stops include New Carlisle Viaduct, the Old Republic and the Lincoln Highway kiosk at City Hall on Michigan Street; restored train depot in La Porte; Bob's BBQ at US 20 and State Road 2; Historic Mill at Deep Private Parky Valuations's City Hell Lincoln Highway M.

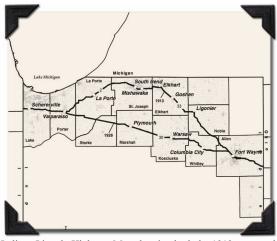


THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY

Historical Marker on Dixie Highway north of Indy.

Crownhill Cemetery: Burial place of Carl Fisher and James Allison *Credit: Monarchmom*

at Deep River County Park; Valparaiso's City Hall Lincoln Highway Monuments; shopping at Merrillville's malls, and the Ideal Section-Henry Ostermann Monument at Schererville.



Indiana Lincoln Highway Map showing both the 1913 route and the 1926 route. *Credit: Kevin Patrick*

South Bend

Located a short 90 miles east of Chicago, South Bend/Mishawaka is rich in culture, heritage, history and fun! A guided tour of the University of Notre Dame campus, combined with elegant dining and a multiple of lodging options, will be a must. (After all, it is the second highest visited attraction in the state!)

In addition, you probably have heard of the famous Studebaker automobile, maybe even had the privilege of owning or driving one! The Studebaker heritage and story is told in their hometown of South Bend. Not only can you tour the Studebaker National Museum but you can also dine in the elegant ambiance of the Studebaker family mansion, Tippecanoe Place Restaurant. Combine those national treasures with Copshaholm – the Oliver Mansion and the sinfully rich South Bend Chocolate Company tour!

Family Fun

Extend Your Stay With These Optional Adventures

- Rent a Raft on the East Race Kayak Course
- Ride the South Shore the only remaining interurban in the U.S.
- Shop at the historic Farmer's Market at Sample and North Side Blvd.
- Visit Shipshewana the best of Amish Country
- Visit the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Lake Michigan
- Visit Deep River Water Park in Merrillville
- Visit the College Football Hall of Fame
- Visit the University of Notre Dame
- Visit the Studebaker National Museum and the Northern Indiana Center for History
- Visit the Studebaker-Packard Archive by appointment



Credit: East Race Kayak Course

Shopping

There are many shopping malls, specialty stores, and antique malls in the South Bend-Mishawaka area.

- University Park Mall
- Michiana Antique Mall
- Picker's Paradise

Dining

- South Bend Chocolate Café Great coffee, great food, candy and a children's indoor play area
- Fiddler's Hearth Irish food, music and great beer
- The LaSalle Grill a four diamond Award restaurant, fine food and wine
- Tippecanoe Place, Studebaker Home Perfect for lunch or dinner!



Credit: South Bend Chocolate Company

Conference registration will be available online beginning September 30, 2008.

For more information and to register for the LHA 2009 conference, visit:

www.lincolnhighwayassoc.org

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Credit: Holiday Inn Downtown South Bend

Conference Hotel: Holiday Inn Downtown South Bend – site of the Oliver Hotel once the Control Station on the Lincoln Highway in South Bend. This hotel is located 1 block west of the Century Center at 213 W. Washington Street. 574-232-3941 Conference rate: \$99. Amenities include indoor parking garage, restaurant, wireless high speed internet access, rooms with views of the old Lincoln Highway and nearby night life including an Irish Pub, a sports bar, and a jazz club.

Additional Accommodations:

Camping – RVs to tent camping

- Spalding Lakes Campground 269-684-1393
- Elkhart Campground Inc. 574-264-2914
- Potato Creek State Park 574-656-8186- 12 miles from South Bend. Book several months in advance – this park fills up quickly.
- Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park Plymouth on U.S. 30 West 574-936-7851 Bed and Breakfasts
- Beiger Mansion, Mishawaka on the Lincoln Highway 574-256-0365
- Old Republic, New Carlisle on the Lincoln Highway, nine miles west of South Bend 574-654-3897
- Oliver Inn, South Bend upscale with whirlpools, fireplaces, elegance 574-232-4545

Travel Information:

To and From Chicago:

Fly into the South Bend Regional Airport or take the train *The South Shore*, the last Electric Interurban Railway.

South Bend Mishawaka Convention and Visitor's Bureau 401 E. Colfax Street. South Bend, IN 46617 574-234-0051 or 800-519-0577 http://www.livethelegends.org/

Go to this website for more information about South Bend and *The South Shore*, and click on video for an overview of the area.

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