
ST. JOHN’S CATHEDRAL — 914 St. John, Lafayette. (1914-18) First church in Parish. Byzantine architecture. Contains Bishop’s throne. On the grounds there is a 300-year-old live oak, one of the biggest in the U.S. The Confederacy’s Gen. Alfred Mouton (Shiloh) and Gen. Franklin Gardner (Port Hudson) as well as Cidalis Arceneaux, daughter of Louis Arceneaux, the Gabriel of Longfellow’s “Evangeline,” are buried in the cemetery.

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM — 8, College Road, Lafayette. This civic auditorium provides ideal facilities for musical shows, plays, operas, concerts and meetings. Complete banquet facilities for 2000. One of the South’s leading convention centers.

OIL CENTER — Heymann Blvd., Lafayette. (Started 1952.) Called the “million-dollar mile,” over 700 companies connected with the oil industry are located here. The area also has many shops and the Lafayette General Hospital.

BLACKHAM COLISEUM — 2200 Jefferson St., Lafayette. Part of USL, the coliseum is used for many events such as the LAGCOE SHOW, a display of the oil industry’s latest equipment and processes (biennial).


LOREAUVILLE HERITAGE MUSEUM VILLAGE — 10 miles from New Iberia. Follow Hwy. 86 to village of Loreauville — 401 E. Main St. (Open daily, dawn to dusk.) The museum that speaks for itself. Span 3 centuries while browsing through an acre of buildings, grouped to tell the history of the territory.

EVANGELINE OAK — St. Martinville — Located on the banks of Bayou Teche on Evangeline Blvd. The Oak beneath which Evangeline met her Gabriel as immortalized by Longfellow in his poem “Evangeline.”

LONGFELLOW STATE PARK AND ACADIAN MUSEUM — St. Martinville, Hwy. 31. 157 acres of massive live oak trees wearing stately mantles of moss surround the Acadian Craft House, which is typical of early Acadian settlers, and the restored Acadian Museum.

RIP VAN WINKLE GARDENS AND JEFFERSON ISLAND — 10 miles west of New Iberia on Hwy. 14. (Gardens open to the public.) Once the hideout of the pirate Jean Lafitte, English gardens in a tropical setting with exotic plants from the far corners of the world growing profusely with the beautiful native Louisiana wild flowers.

ALBANIA — Hwy. 182 east near Jeanerette. (Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays.) Alabama is built around a magnificent three-story spiral staircase curving in the central hallway. Alabama is now the home of Mrs. Emily Cyr Bridges and contains her famous Antique Doll Collection.
Fact is, you might want to visit all three spots. Cajun Country Sinquefield is a most popular stopping place for visitors that the specialty is Cajun flavored foods to go. You can take home a Cajun smoked ham, turkey, chicken and sausage to friends at very reasonable prices.

Restaurant manager Lionel Broussard will satisfy your every food need at the Towne House, be it a buffet-style lunch or one of the many specialties of the house. Tom Moore has had the facility redecorated and it looks great.

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Truly fine restaurants are a treat and there's no finer treat than a relaxing meal at the Blair House on Surratt St. Pioneers in fine food, the folks at the Blair House expect you to take your time and enjoy every minute and every bite. And the wine selection is tops. Travel east on Pinhook 'til you hit Surratt and the Blair House is on your right.

A good many of you folks probably traveled this way from Houston and we sure are glad to have you. And we would like to make you aware of 'Personally Yours Enterprises.' This Houston-based group is now featuring party bases from the Houston area to Acadia. So, if you're planning to visit us in large numbers, why not give them a call at (713) 221-6435 in Houston and have them help make the trip a true success. Many large groups are expected to arrive for racing and fun in Acadia in the near future.

And once you're in the area you might want to give a call to Cajun Bayou Tours. In Lafayette the number to call is 233-5713, while in New Iberia the number is 369-5724. Day tours through romantic Cajun Country are conducted by well-versed guides and the tour buses depart from major motels. The price is reasonable and the trips unforgettable.

When out with a group of friends there's probably nothing that's more fun than hot pizza and cold beer. Glenn, Landon and company serve both at the Pizza Village on Moss St. They stay open late after the races and open up early enough for you to enjoy pizza for lunch. How about a crawfish pizza for a change?

Restaurant:
Serving the Best Pancake
Breakfast in Acadia
Open for Your Convenience After the Races

Lounge:
Highly Talented Curt Mouton
At the Organ
8:30 - 1:30 nightly
Open 6 days a week at 10:00 a.m.

MICROSTUFF:
Vic Fuglo and Paul Berow
HOSTESS:
Ms. Gomez and Jenny McCracken

In the Roundtown Evangeline Thruway

SHADOWS-ON-THE-TERVE — 117 E.
Main St., New Iberia. Open to the pub-
lic 9:00 to 4:30 daily except Christmas.
The house was built in 1830 by David
Weeks with the Bayou Teche at its
back door and the Old Spanish Fort
(Hwy. 182) at its front. The Shadows is
now a house museum accepted by the
National Trust for Historic Preserva-
tion of Washington, D.C. from the late
Weeks Hall, a noted Louisiana artist
and a descendant of the builder.

JUNGLE GARDENS AND AVERY ISLAND — Take Hwy. 14 to Hwy. 329, 8 miles from New Iberia. Gardens open to the public. An island of exotic nat-
tural beauty with its world-famous Jun-
gle Gardens of 200 landscaped acres
and "Bird City". Sanctuary developed by
the late E. A. McIlhenny, noted nat-
uralist.

OAKLAWN MANOR — Located west of Franklin on Hwy. 522, 8.6 miles from
Hwy. 182. Open 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
This massive brick plantation house on
Bayou Teche was built between 1837
and 1840. Live oak add to the magni-
ficient landscape of formal gardens.

BLUE ROSE MUSEUM ACADIAN
HOME — Located 5 miles south of
Crawley. Open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday through Friday. The only ante-
bellum house named for a variety of
rice.

JIM BOWIE HOUSE — Located on
Loudon Street across from the Cour-
thouse on Hwy. 90 West, Opelousas.
Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Mon-
day. The century-old Bowie Oak stands
an ancient building which houses memora-
bia of the famed hero of the Alamo, who
carved his reputation with the blade
that bears his name.

ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART
GRAND CROSS. Established in 1821.
The 3-story brick structure is elegant
throughout with its open gallery, dor-
mers across the entire length, French
decor, ornamental ironwork, and del-
cicate woodwork.

HOMEPLACE, Built in 1826, the
Shreve family's plantation stands on Bayou
Boeuf. Known for many years as Wick-
offs Landing, it is a souvenir of the steamboat era.

For further information on Acadia, write to the Chamber of Commerce in any of the growing communities or the Acadia Regional Tourist Informa-
tion Center on U.S. 90 at Hwy. 14 near New Iberia. Another information point is the Acadia Tourist Center on Hwy. 167 just north of the junction of Hwy. 140 at Opelousas.