In 1863, during the Civil War, Alexandria was occupied by General N.B. Banks and his Union forces for about two weeks. The following year federal forces occupied the town a second time, and in retreating on May 13, 1864, set fire to the town and almost completely destroyed it.

However, a number of plantation homes and other historic sites remain in the Alexandria/Pineville area. And the Historical Association of Central Louisiana is proud to present seven of them on tour this year, many for the first time.

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Loyd Hall

Loyd Hall was built about 1830 by William B. Loyd who came to Louisiana from England.

There are many legends concerning the 19th inhabitants of the house and unexplained graves near the house and bullet holes and arrowheads in the dining room door.

In the late 1940’s the house was purchased by the Fitzgerald family in a very rundown condition. Since then it has been restored and filled with early 19th Century furnishings.

The Heritage Tour

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10:00 A.M. — 6:00 P.M. each day

Kent Plantation House

Kent Plantation House (circa 1798) has been recently fully restored and furnished and is now on the National Register Of Historic Places and the property of the Louisiana State Park System.

The house was built by Pierre Baillio II in the French and Spanish Colonial architectural style so typical of rural Louisiana.

Kent House was one of the few plantation homes not destroyed in May of 1864 when General Bank’s Union Army burned the city of Alexandria. It was saved because of Pierre Baillio’s friendship with General Sherman.
Inglewood

This plantation house was built about 1820 by Charles H. Flower and is an excellent example of early Louisiana farm architecture.

Inglewood Plantation encompasses 3,500 acres and is one of the largest diversified farming operations in Louisiana. It is owned by the Right Reverend Christopher Keller Jr., the Bishop of the Episcopal Dioceses of Arkansas and Mrs. Keller.

Mt. Olivet Chapel and Cemetery

This building is a Louisiana Historical Landmark, a mission under St. James Episcopal Church and a chapel of the Episcopal Dioceses of Louisiana.

Its construction was begun in 1857. The following year the chapel was dedicated by Bishop Leonidas Polk, the famous Lt. General and "Fighting Bishop" of Civil War fame.
Rosalie Sugar Mill

Gervais Baillio, who was engaged in the growing of cane and the making of sugar, built this mill about 1830. Old records show that the mill was steam-driven and that its products were transported on Bayou Robert.

It is on the National Register Of Historic Places and is being saved as an example of early agricultural-industrial construction in Central Louisiana.

Rosalie

The original plantation was purchased by Gervais Baillio, son of Pierre Baillio of Kent House, in 1832. He was a sugar planter, a judge and a member of the first Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State Seminary of Learning.

Today Rosalie Plantation House, the old Sugar Mill and 154 acres of the surrounding land are owned by Dr. and Mrs. Tom D. Norman.
Tyrone Plantation
Tyrone Plantation was formerly owned by General George Mason Graham, who built the main house in the early 1840's. General Graham was a member of the first Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State Seminary of Learning, the forerunner of L.S.U. and he was instrumental in selecting General William T. Sherman as its first Superintendent.
Colonel and Mrs. Rae Donaldson are the present owners.

Tickets will be available at all seven sites and at Plantation Manor Restaurant on Highway 71 on the days of the tour.
Tickets will be $7.00 per person and will entitle the tour guests to see all seven historic sites.
Advance tickets may be acquired from the tickets chairman at 1744 White Street or calling 487-4163.
Refreshments will be served at both Kent and Tyrone plantations. And 19th Century crafts will be demonstrated in the Sugar Mill at Rosalie Plantation.
The Heritage Tour is a Central Louisiana Bicentennial Event.

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