

2019 Tennessee State Rally – October 17-20, 2019

Ward Ag Center, Lebanon, TN

Our theme this year is celebrating country music. Nashville is only a short distance from the rally grounds in Lebanon, TN and is the hub of Country Music.

Pre-rally scheduled tours:



Redneck Bus Tour – is a drive by many of the most famous and historic sites. This 2-hour tour is filled with plenty of side-splitting humor. You will be guided through the heart of Nashville with the help of an experienced guide and host from the comfort of a climate-controlled tour bus. Some of the awesome sights you'll see in Music City include the Ryman, Music Row, and the famous Country Music Hall of Fame.

The Redneck Comedy Bus Tour is a hilarious way to see the great things that Nashville has to offer, plus it's the only place to get Redneck Certified! Dubbed one of the top things to do in Nashville and one of the top attractions in Nashville, you will definitely enjoy some awesome entertainment as you travel along Music City, but some hilarious redneck lingo as well. For a one-of-a-kind journey with one of the unique tours in the country, be sure to hop on the big camouflaged bus with bull horns and don't miss your chance to take the Redneck Comedy Bus tour. (Handicapped accessible, wheelchair stored on bus).

**** The 2-hour tour starts at 11:00 AM at the Nashville Palace, 2611 McGavock Pike (AKA Music Valley Drive), Nashville, TN 37214 with departure from the Ward Ag center rally grounds at 10:15 AM.****



Nissan Motors Manufacturing Plant tour unavailable due to unexpected temporary plant closure- The plant covers 5.4 million square feet, employs about 7000 workers and can produce about 500,000 vehicles annually. Nissan receives parts from 93 of Tennessee's 95 counties. The factory tour is about 75 minutes long starting with a short video. Next you ride on a tram through the factory and watch the actual assembly of the vehicles to include their quality control features. You will see some of the painting process. The paint is water based and goes through 29 steps. They say the vehicles spend longer in painting than the entire rest of the process.

Cellar 53 Winery optional visitation and tasting tour. \$10 wine tasting fee & can keep the wine glass. Depart 2:00 pm Wednesday Oct 16th and return about 4:00 pm. Tasting lasts about 45 minutes.





Cracker Barrel Deco Tour - At the Cracker Barrel home office, we offer Décor Warehouse tours given by one of our very own décor team members, detailing the history of our unique décor, curation process, and how that makes Cracker Barrel unique. We're excited to share Cracker Barrel's authentic décor, our history and how our stores become a home-away-from-home with you!

Here are a few fun facts about Cracker Barrel's décor and the Décor Warehouse: Our Décor Warehouse building measures 26,500 square feet and houses 90,000+ artifacts. Each Cracker Barrel is designed to incorporate artifacts that reflect the local community. Whether your town was known for farming or entertaining, take a look at the walls at your local Cracker Barrel and you'll notice pieces that pay homage to that. On average, there are 1,000 items per store. This includes the porch, our retail store and dining room.

*****The 45-minute tour starts at 2:00 PM Thursday at the Cracker Barrel Décor Center, 305 Hartman Drive, Lebanon, TN with departure from the Ward Ag Center rally grounds at 1:30 PM. Due to high demand, a morning tour is also now planned*****

Thursday Golf Outing: Most likely at Pine Creek Golf Course in Mt. Juliet, about 15 miles away. See www.pinecreekgolf.net or call 615-449-7272 for course information. Senior rate \$35 per person including electric cart. Actual time and departure from Ward Ag will be determined by interested golfers. Rental clubs are available.



By popular demand from past Rallies we will arrange for a \$10.00 narrated tour of Fiddler's Grove Historical Village. This is a walking tour however a golf cart is available for handicap if needed. The village is within walking distance of the RV sites and one can do a non-narrated walking tour on your own, if desired. Some buildings currently over 50, each with a unique story, are open for the narrated tour. Tours will be scheduled for Wed, Oct 16th afternoon and both morning & afternoon on Thurs Oct 17th.



Some options to do on your own:



There are many tours related to Country Music in Nashville of various lengths and cost. For a fairly comprehensive listing that you may be interested in, either pre or post rally, go to www.tripadvisor.com. Then seek Nashville tours. Two 3.5 hour popular tours (both by Grayline) are the: "Discover Nashville City Tour with admission to two attractions" and the "Grand Legend Tour -Grand Ole Opry Backstage Tour & Opryland Resort Delta River Flat Boat Ride". This is a fantastic facility. Both tours are \$78.00 and start 1:30. Discover Nashville also starts at 9:00am. You can be picked up for the Grand Legend tour at the Grayline Music Valley stop at 2416 Music Valley Dr. Payment is required when reserving on internet. Full refund within 24 hours.

GRAND OLE OPRY

This is a radio broadcasted show that made country music famous. It features a dynamic line-up of new stars, superstars, and legends of country music in each performance. Unlike a typical concert, the Opry presents eight or more artists on each show, giving the audience a sample of each artists music style. Artists are added with a complete listing a week in advance. Tickets range from \$40 -110 depending upon seat location. Can make seat selection from seat chart on internet. This is a 2.5 hour show starting at 7:00 pm. For reliable ticket purchase & information go to www.opry.com/calendar.



Lane Motor Museum – replaces Nissan tour at rally

Specializing in Rare and unusual automobiles. You don't have to be a car enthusiast to have fun at the Lane Motor Museum. It displays Unique cars from around the world. It is home to the largest European Collection in the US and displays 150 + rare and unique cars and motorcycles. Also features cars from Japan and the US. Museum is open 10 am to 5 pm daily except Tuesday and Wednesday. Located at 702 Murfreesboro Pike Nashville, TN. www.lanemuseum.org or call 615-742-7445. 29.5 miles from Rally Grounds.



Music City Star Train Ride from Lebanon to Nashville w/Downtown Nashville Tour

Other than just taking the Commuter train to Nashville and returning, trips to include touring downtown Nashville makes this an all-day trip. Latest return from the River Front Station to Lebanon in the AM departs Nashville at 8:25am and arrives in Lebanon at 9:20 am, if one just desires to enjoy the train ride.

For seeing sites in Nashville best train schedule would be:

Depart Lebanon 6:35 am – Arrive River Front Nashville 7:30 am

Return from Nashville 5:05 pm – Arrive Lebanon 6:00 pm or

Return from Nashville 5:45 pm – Arrive Lebanon 6:40 pm

Alternative would be to drive to Mt. Juliet station

Depart Mt. Juliet 7:45 am – Arrive Nashville River Front 8:15 am

Return from Nashville 4:20 pm – Arrive Mt. Juliet 4:50 pm

Lebanon station is at 834 W. Baddour Parkway

Mt. Juliet station is at 225 Division St.

One way ticket prices: Lebanon (\$5.25), Mt. Juliet \$5.25 | \$4.75 in advance)

Seniors 65+, Medicare card holders & retired military \$2.00 one way. You have to buy Discount Tickets at Mt. Juliet or Lebanon City Halls or at Nashville Riverfront.

If departing downtown, the Music City Hop On/off is a Nashville original narrated tour of Nashville stops at 15 stops (Ryman Auditorium, Country Music Hall of Fame, Green Brier Distillery, & more) with over 100 points of interest. The 90-minute tour operates 7 days a week 9am – 5:00 pm April thru October. Fee is \$39.00 + tax for the hop on/off tour. The 15 stop Hop On/Off tour of downtown Nashville takes off from the River Front Train Station. Enjoy breakfast shops and area around the River Front Station while waiting for tours to start.

Search internet for Music City Hop-on Hop-off Trolley Tours Nashville for more information.

There will be map locations of train stations, etc. available at the TN Rally.

Directions to the Ward Ag Center: GPS address: James Ward AG Center, 945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN or I-40 Exit 239 North to the main entrance on the right.

Look for more tours, activities, and updates at www.tnvolstatewinnies.org as we get closer to the actual date of the Rally.