

**2017 Pilgrimage to the  
American Battlefields of WW1—3-11 June 2017  
Registration Form and Terms and Details Supplement**

**Terms and Details**

- **Tour Price:**
  - \$2,300 per person for double occupancy.
  - \$350 single occupancy surcharge.
- **Foreign Exchange Rate Fluctuation:**
  - The prices quoted above are valid for a Euro / \$ exchange rate up to €1.00 / \$1.25.
  - In early July 2016 the exchange rate is approximately €1.00 / \$1.12.
  - If the average exchange rate for the first quarter of 2017 exceeds \$1.25, the tour price will be increased.
  - In that event, the additional cost would be due by April 30, 2017.
- **Covered Costs:**
  - Most costs—excluding airfare—will be covered in the above price.
  - Individuals are responsible for their private gift and food purchases.
  - Three dinners will be “on your own” at the participant’s expense.
- **Travel Arrangements:**
  - Individuals are responsible for arranging their own airfare and travel dates that will allow them to meet the tour at the stated day/time.
- **Airfare Estimates:**
  - At recent industry levels, one could expect to pay around \$1,200 for a non-stop round trip flight from the East Coast to CDG.
  - Cheaper rates can be found for stop-over flights; but there is also greater risk of delays.
- **Payments and Deposits**
  - 50% deposit due by Nov. 1, 2016.
  - The balance is due March 1, 2017.
  - The early payment is required to make deposits for the coach and certain hotels.
- **Minimum and Maximum:**
  - Failure to achieve a 15-person minimum number for the tour by November 1, 2016 will result in cancellation of the tour.
  - The tour can accommodate a maximum of 45 participants
- **Cancellations and Refunds**
  - Full refunds are available up to Nov. 1.
  - Thereafter, the level of refund will be pro-rated based on any deposits paid prior to the refund request.
  - One exception: If your refund disadvantages your roommate, you forfeit the \$350 single surcharge.
- **Passports**
  - Current passports are required.
  - **Please be sure that your passport is valid at least six months beyond the date of the tour.**

- **Travel Insurance**
  - Participants are strongly encouraged to explore travel insurance options.
- **Medical Considerations**
  - Participants should check their medical insurance regarding coverage outside the United States.
  - Participants should bring their medical insurance cards and a list of all their medications.
  - Because of the presence of much rusted metal, participants are advised to make sure they have had a tetanus booster within the last 5-7 years.
- **Disabilities**
  - Participants must understand that handicap and disability laws are significantly less advanced in Europe.
  - It is therefore impossible to guarantee wheelchair or other disability accessibility for tour participants.
- **Events Outside our Control**
  - It follows that the sanctioning organization or the tour operate cannot be held responsible for events outside their control; including strikes, terrorist attacks, etc.
  - That said, they will make a reasonable effort to mitigate any disruption that occurs.
- **Terrorism**
  - One fact to consider is that most of the tour will take place OUTSIDE of the major metropolitan areas that terrorists tend to target.
- **Handling of Dangerous Items**
  - **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE SHOULD ANY TOUR PARTICIPANT ATTEMPT TO PICK UP OR HANDLE ANY POTENTIALLY LIVE ROUNDS, SHELLS, GRENADES, ETC. TAKE A PICTURE OF IT (FOR YOURSELF) AND MAKE OTHERS AWARE OF THE RISK.**
  - **IT FOLLOWS THAT SUCH ITEMS SHOULD, IN NO CASE, BE PICKED UP AND TRANSPORTED IN ONE'S BACKPACK OR SUITCASES. THEY SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT ON THE COACH AND THEY SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT INTO THE HOTEL.**
  - **FRENCH OFFICIALS HAVE BECOME MUCH STRICTER ON THE REMOVAL OF BATTLEFIELD ARTIFACTS.**
- **Weather and Clothing**
  - Participants should be ready for all types of weather in early June; including lots of rain as in 2016.
  - Below are the average high and low temperatures for Paris, according to the Weather Channel:

<u>Month</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
May	64	49
June	70	54
  - The tour guide prefers a three-part combination: a long-sleeve shirt, a wool sweater and a rain shell / coat. This gives maximum flexibility for a wide range of conditions.
  - Regarding footwear, hiking boots or trekking shoes are strongly encouraged for the field.
  - Participants should also pack nice casual clothes and shoes for evening meals.
- **Cultural Tips**
  - Participants with limited travel experience in France are encouraged to read one or more books on cultural tips regarding travel in France: Why? It will make the trip much more enjoyable.
    - The tour guide still enjoys the somewhat outdated, "Savior Flair! Two Hundred and Eleven Tips for Enjoying France and the French" by Polly Platt.
  - The tour guide's website, <http://meuse-argonne.com>, contains various cultural and travel tips.

## WW1HA 2017 Pilgrimage Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Health   Excellent      Good      Fair      Poor

(Circle one. This will help us judge the walks and alternate events included in the trip.)

Emergency  
Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please check the appropriate lines:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the terms and details on the two preceding pages.  
**(Checking this is required!)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am going, and I have a roommate. His/Her name is: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am going, but help me find a roommate.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am going, but I want to have a single room. (\$350 single supplement.)

\_\_\_\_\_ You should also contact \_\_\_\_\_ about this trip.

Contact Details: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have an interest in a particular person or unit. If possible, I would like a stop included.

Details: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to share my expertise in a particular subject on the tour.

Details: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Please return this form in electronic format to Randal Gaulke at [ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com](mailto:ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com) or via snail mail to 584 Valley Road, Gillette, NJ 07933.
- To hold a reservation participants must also pay the 50% deposit (\$1,150 double / \$1,325 single) by November 1, 2016. This can be paid electronically via PayPal to [ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com](mailto:ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com) or by check via snail mail to 584 Valley Road, Gillette, NJ 07933.
- Questions: Randal Gaulke, [ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com](mailto:ww1hatour@meuse-argonne.com) or 908-451-0252. Please call weeknights after 7:00pm EST or on weekends.