

Briefing Tour Schedule



Day 1 Monday 3/11

Hotel: **816 Hotel**, 801 Westport Road, www.816hotel.com
[Some participants arrive already on Sunday]

11.30 Meeting Point in Hotel Lobby, Welcome

12.00 Walk (20 min.) to Café Trio, 4558 Main Street

12.30 Lunch Meeting with Judy Ancel, Missouri Jobs for Justice and director of Worker Education and Labor Studies (WELS)

15.30 Will Kraus, State Senator. Kraus is lead author of the constitutional amendment establishing an early voting period on the ballot.

18.30 Dinner at Fiorella's Jack Stack Barbecue (Country Club Plaza) 4747 Wyandotte St, with Rev. Brian D. Ellison and Troy Lillebo.

Day 2 Tuesday 4/11

8.30 Breakfast at 816 Hotel with Prof. Greg Vonnahme. He is an expert in state politics, including the politics of Kansas and Missouri.

10.30 Departure by Tour Bus (possible stops at voting stations and Union Station and the Museums at 18th and Vine, which include the American Jazz Museum and the Negro Baseball Museum)

13.00 Lunch with Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach (at Panera Bread, Overland Park), who wrote *The Referendum: Direct Democracy in Switzerland* (Dartmouth, 1993)

14.30 Bus Trip back to Missouri

15.00 Meeting at the Kansas City Star newspaper and editorial page writer Barb Shelley

19.30 Around the closing of voting stations across the state we will stop at Jackson County Election Board in independence a missouri suburbs of Kansas City, where the Mormons first decided they were going to wait for the end of the world. the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. At the election board, we will meet with Tammy Brown, the Republican election judge for Jackson Count.

Day 3 Wednesday 5/11

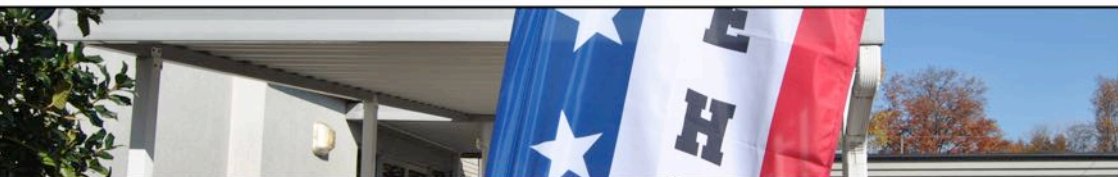
9.00 Departure with our Tour Bus

12.00 Arrival to Carthage/Missouri and lunch meeting with Ed Hardesty, Member of City Council and Mark Elliff, President Carthage Chamber of Commerce; 325 S. Main Street.

14.00 Departure and brief stop at the Buelow House, 1302 S. Main Street.

Around 17.30 Arrival to Little Rock and checkin at Hampton Inn, 320 River Market Avenue

19.00 Dinner with American DD-expert and activist Paul Jacob at President Clinton's favourite restaurant, Doe's Eat





Day 4 Thursday 6/11

Morning meetings at the hotel

9.00 Tim Jacob and Bob Porto, co-chairs of Arkansas Term Limits, the group that led the campaign against Issue 3, a constitutional amendment referred to the ballot by the legislature.

10.00 Jerry Cox from the Family Council on voter education

11.00 David Couch, the most active initiative proponent in the state

Transfer by bus

12.00 Lunch with attorney Bettina Browstein, who deals with direct democracy legal design issues.

Transfer by Bus

14.00 Clinton Presidential Library Tour

Transfer by Bus

16.00 Meeting Paul Spencer, Founder of Regnat Populus, a grass-roots organization named after Arkansas' state motto "The People Rule."

Free evening in Little Rock

Day 5 Friday 7/11

08.00 Departure from Hotel

12.00 Lunch stop in Vicksburg, the seventh largest city in the state of Mississippi, located 377 kilometres (234 miles) north of New Orleans on the Mississippi river.

13.30 Departure

17.30 Arrival to New Orleans, where we stay at St. Vincent's Guesthouse on Magazine Street, www.stvguesthouse.com

20.00 Dinner with Tyler Bridges, veteran New Orleans journalist and author, formerly with the The Times-Picayune, now at The Lens.

Day 6 Saturday 8/11

09.00 Coffee and bagels with John Ayers of the Cowen Institute.

Transfer by Street Car

11.30 Lunch with Peggy Wilson, former city councilwoman and key player in successful term limits measure in New Orleans, at her home, 2415 Coliseum.

13.30 Meeting with the League of Women Voters of New Orleans on the issue of voter education

17.00 Sum-up meeting with Dane Waters, Chairman at the (American) Initiative and Referendum Institute

19.30 Dinner (tentative guest Karen Gadbois, Co-Founder of "the Lens", a nonprofit investigative news site focusing on New Orleans).

End of Tour/Departures

[Some participants will participate in the Democracy International Board Meeting on Sunday, some will stay until Monday]

