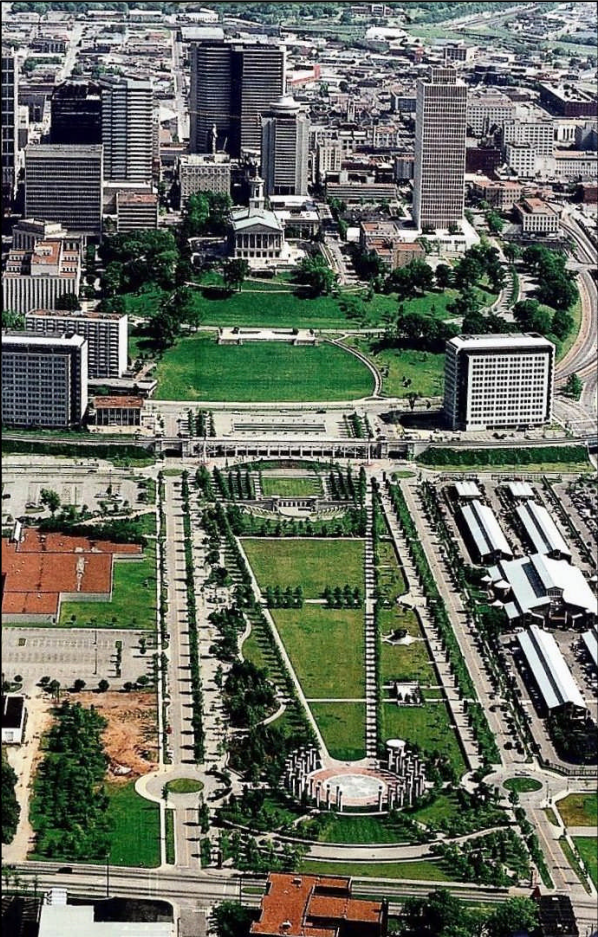

SOUVENIR BUILDING COLLECTORS SOCIETY

ANNUAL CONVENTION – OCTOBER 24, 25, and 26, 2014

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



1 Bicentennial Mall, State Capitol and Downtown

LOOKING FORWARD TO SBCS IN NASHVILLE?
WE HOPE SO!!! PREPARE YOURSELVES FOR
SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY, MUSIC AND MORE!

Friday Afternoon – We’re Here!!

Registration will begin at 11 AM in the lobby of the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel.

Downtown Walking Tour (optional): The tour will leave from the hotel for downtown at 1 pm. Our principal guide will be the Curator of the State Capitol building, who will provide insights into the oldest working state capitol building in the U.S. as well as the Egyptian Revival Downtown Presbyterian Church (a National Landmark with a high “WOW” factor (he’s also on the church vestry). Along the way between the two we will see a variety of sights – including the Legislative Plaza and War Memorial Building, the award-winning Art Deco Men’s Room (2) in the Hermitage



2 Men's Room at the Hermitage Hotel



3 Downtown's Riverfront Park

Hotel, the Arcade and what ever else is on our path down to the Market Street and Lower Broadway Historic Districts (7) and their “Honky-Tonks”.

If you choose to go it alone this afternoon, there’s plenty of options –the big Flea Market at the State Fair grounds will be going all weekend and there’s also a variety of history, music and arts options. (see The Accidental Tourist, p. 3).

Friday Night - Meet and Greet / Show and Tell

In the nearby Historic Germantown neighborhood we will gather at our house and my office (4) to view my collection. Plans include heavy “grazing” (probably enough to call dinner) and drinks. The selections will be from our neighborhood restaurants. Dinner options are also possible, as there are 9 restaurants nearby (most require reservations, info will be available). Please bring two or three special buildings with you to show off - because at some point we will do “show and tell” and we all enjoy showing off our interesting finds.



4 My office and the garden in Historic Germantown



5 Athena Partheneos at the Parthenon

Saturday Afternoon – Getting to Know You, Nashville

Driving Tour (optional): 12:00 – 4:00 pm The tour begins at hotel, driving thru the Historic Germantown neighborhood and the Bicentennial Mall, (1, lunch stop at the Bicentennial Mall’s Markethouse, where there is a variety of small restaurants, lunch on own). Continuing into downtown after lunch, we will drive through the entertainment district to the Schermerhorn Symphony Center for a tour (still working on this), past the Country Music Hall of Fame and Music City Center (new convention center), with our next stop, which will include the Frist Center for the Arts (Art Deco post office renovation), the Union Station Hotel (9, 1900), and Christ Episcopal Cathedral (1890). Driving tour continues out to mid-town and the Vanderbilt University area with a stop at

Saturday Morning – Not All Business

Breakfast will be on your own. Available is the hotel restaurant (and nearby “fast food” establishments, including a Starbucks).

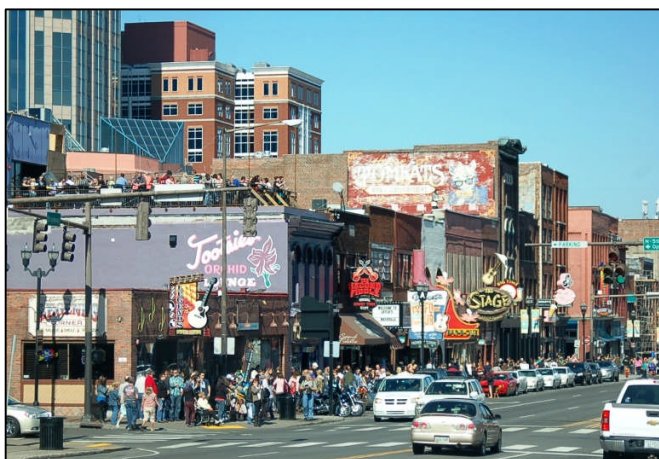
8:30 -9:30 am – Annual Business Meeting: The meeting will be in the hotel lounge (sorry, bar not open, but coffee will be available). Come in and participate in SBCS’s business and help elect the next term’s SBCS officers. President Joe will have many items on which to report.

10:00- 11:00 am – The Swap Meet – Also being held in the Lounge – tempting earlier, but off-limits until after the meeting. Remember – meeting first!

Lunch will be on your own, even if you are on the afternoon tour.



6 Belmont Mansion



8 Lower Broadway Historic District – lots of bars and music!

the Parthenon (5) in Centennial Park and then over to Belmont Mansion(6) for a tour of this 1850s 18-room house museum. We will then return to the hotel by some devious route trying to squeeze in a few other interesting sights.

Saturday Evening – Eat, Drink and be Merry!

Dinner Saturday evening will be at the 1840s Buddeke Mansion in the second floor recital hall (this residence had been converted to the TN Academy of Music in the 1890s). Here we will enjoy drinks while stuffing raffle tickets into buckets (yes, more little buildings), have a Southern-style, dinner and, finally, the auction – who knows what rarities will appear?

Sunday – Foot-Loose and Fancy Free Exploring Nashville on your own

Whether your interests focus on hitting the big Flea Market and antique shops of Nashville and historic Franklin (20 miles south), or visiting country music sites or, even, historic sites, there is more than enough to entertain you.

The Accidental Tourist - Nashville Activity Options

Nashville Flea Market - Tennessee State Fair Grounds

Free admission; parking \$5.00 (transportation on own)

This is traditionally the largest market of the year, with over 800 dealers, over 400 of which are selling antiques.

Friday: 8 am – 5 pm / Saturday : 7 am – 5 pm / Sunday: 7 am – 4 pm

GasLamp and GasLamp Too Antique Malls

Powell Place across from 100 Oaks Mall (not far from the Fair Grounds)

50,000 SF in two stores with over 300 dealers (you will find a few buildings in my booth at GasLamp Too, but you most likely will already have them.)

Monday – Saturday: 10 am – 6 pm / Sunday: 12 am – 6 pm

Historic Franklin, TN 17 Antique shops: About 20 miles south of Nashville off I-65 is the historic town of Franklin – a charming and architecturally delightful pre-Civil War town. In addition to its antique shops, Franklin has a variety of Civil War-related historic sites –the Carter House and Carnton Plantation among them.

In your registration packet we'll have directions to the Nashville Flea Market and the various antique malls as well as Franklin, TN.

Other Sites and Tour Possibilities (all have admission charges)

Ryman Auditorium (original home of the Grand Ole Opry) - www.ryman.com/tours

Country Music Hall of Fame – www.countrymusichalloffame.org

Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art – www.cheekwood.org

Belle Meade Plantation – www.bellemeadeplantation.com



9 Union Station Hotel

The NashTrash Tour – www.nashtrash.com A Nashville tradition, since 1997 the Jugg Sisters have conducted a country musical-comedy extravaganza on their Big Pink Bus, dishing the dirt on your favorite country music legends as they drive around downtown and Music Row. (Note: they often serve crackers and CheezeWiz on the bus.)



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LOGISTICS

Accommodations: For this year's convention we are using the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel. Located 1.5 miles north of downtown, with easy interstate (I-65) access, this hotel had many attractive features, including a very favorable \$119/night rate. (This rate will be available for two days on either side of the convention weekend as well). And, there is plenty of free parking - this alone improves your souvenir building-buying budget! The hotel also provides free transportation to and from the airport as well as to many restaurants and attractions in and around downtown.

Millennium Maxwell House Hotel
2025 Rosa Parks Blvd. – Nashville, TN 37228
615-259-4343

Hotel reservations at special convention rate of \$119.00 per night (plus tax) must be made by September 30 or a higher rate will apply. Rate includes internet access and free parking. Phone (800) 457-4460 (M-F 7:00 am – 7:00 pm) and ask for the **"SBC" group code – 1410SBCCON** or go to their website at: <http://www.maxwellhousehotel.com>

FLYING TO NASHVILLE?

We've a great airport! Plenty of flights in, especially if you can fly Southwest. If you are not renting a car, call the hotel for a pick-up.

DRIVING TO NASHVILLE?

Nashville is located at the junction of I-65, I-40 and I-24. So, coming from north, south, east, or west, you can get here fairly easily. Look for antique malls along I-65, there's quite a few. Less on I-40 (Lebanon, east of Nashville has a bunch) or I-24 (a couple in Murfreesboro SE of Nashville).