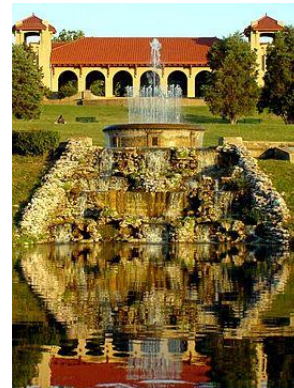


The Gateway to the West

The area that would become St. Louis was originally inhabited in the 800s by Native American Mound Builders, whose settlements can still be explored today. European settlers, starting with the French, arrived in the late 1600s and in 1764 Pierre Laclede and Auguste Chouteau established the settlement of St. Louis. With its prime location on the Mississippi River, St. Louis quickly flourished into a major trading post and when President Jefferson purchased the Louisiana Territory in 1803 the city and area began to really expand. Through the 1800s, St. Louis served as an entrepôt of trade with the American West and soon gained the nickname “The Gateway to the West”.



At the turn of the 20th century, St. Louis was the fourth largest city in the United States. In 1904 St. Louis hosted both the World’s Fair and The Summer Olympics. St. Louis expanded its industry through the 1900s into automobile production, aerospace, brewing, and several other areas. By the turn of the 21st century St. Louis had become a leader in the biomedical and agribusiness industries.



Renaissance Grand Hotel St. Louis

Our meeting location will be the Renaissance Grand Hotel on St. Louis’ famous Washington Avenue, in downtown. It is located in a great spot for entertainment and restaurants and is within walking distance to the historic riverfront.

- Mention the group “IEEE Transformers” for group rate rooms
- See the link on the committee’s website for reservations
- Hotel does not provide shuttle to/from the airport
- Estimated taxi fare to/from the airport: US\$40 (one way)

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Early Bird Event

Saturday Evening, October 19

To start the meeting off right, sign up to go bowling at St. Louis’ Flamingo Bowl. This is one of the coolest art deco bowling alleys in the country. A private room contains private lanes for bowling, a pool table, elegant seating areas, and other Wii gaming stations for entertainment to suit everyone. Dinner will be served in the private room.

Evening Dinner Social

Wednesday, October 23



This event will be unlike anything you have ever experienced! Dinner will be setup in the grand lobby of the Peabody Opera House, a historic building that has undergone a \$100 million renovation to restore its glory. Throughout the evening tours of this amazing building highlighting its history and architecture will be offered.



In addition to enjoying the building and dinner, the evening’s true entertainment will be the celebration of Tony and Tina’s Wedding. This is interactive theater where guests are more than a member of the audience; they are a member of the family. The fun starts with the ceremony and continues with the reception. With creative, warm, and hilarious improvisation, Tony and Tina’s Wedding is sure to be a great time.

*This event is tentative and may be changed.

Technical Tours



The H-J Family of Companies

Monday Evening, October 21

Please join us in touring H-J’s two facilities located just outside of St. Louis. Spread out through 150,000 sq. ft. it includes a foundry, epoxy molding line, test labs, and highly automated machining and assembly areas. This is H-J’s primary manufacturing site producing connectors, bushing assemblies, accessories, and components for transformer, switchgear, and breaker OEMs. This location also serves as the distribution point for all of H-J’s International business as well as its global headquarters. Dinner will be served and transportation will be provided. *Space is limited



ABB St. Louis

Tuesday Evening, October 22

ABB will be hosting a tour of their medium power transformer manufacturing facility. A tour of the production facility as well as field processing/test equipment is planned. This facility manufactures new medium power transformers and repairs & remanufactures a wide range of industrial and power transformers for the US, Canada and Mexico. In addition, the facility is headquarters for ABB’s North American transformer service operations. Dinner will be served and transportation will be provided. *Space is limited

Spouse/Companion Tours

Monday, October 21

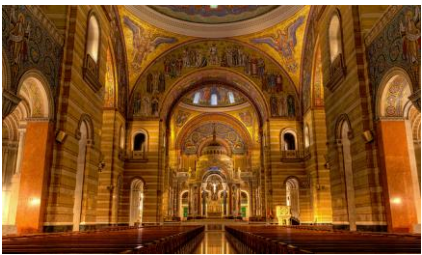


We begin the day at the Missouri Botanical Garden. Stroll through this beautiful 79-acre National Historic Landmark where you will see the country’s largest Japanese Garden, an English Woodland Garden, Chinese Garden and the Rose Garden displaying 200 varieties of roses. Walk through the Temperate House containing plants of that region and the Climatron, which contains a rain forest.

Next it’s on to a cooking workshop with one of St. Louis’ best chefs. This cooking demonstration will feature a taste of St. Louis and will end with the guests enjoying the meal that was prepared. This will be educational, tasty, and fun.

After lunch, it’s on to the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, known to locals as the New Cathedral. Built in 1907, this is one of only 40 basilicas in the United States. Known for its Byzantine interior, this awe-inspiring landmark contains one of the largest collections of mosaics in the world.

On the way back to the hotel we will stop at Ted Drewes Frozen Custard on Historic Route 66. Since 1929 Ted Drewes has been a St. Louis tradition enjoyed by everyone.



Tuesday, October 22

Your first stop today is at the Butterfly House. At the butterfly house, more than a thousand live tropical butterflies fly freely in the glass conservatory. You can watch a butterfly emerge from a chrysalis right before your eyes, or, weather permitting, go outside and visit native and migrating species in the Butterfly Garden.



Next, it’s on to Chandler Hill Vineyards. In the early 1870s, a former slave, named Joseph Chandler, traveled north from the war-torn south and settled near Defiance, Missouri. He settled on a hill overlooking the beautiful Femme Osage Valley. Chandler Hill Vineyards operates on the same property he once owned. The tasting room and winery stands on the site of Joseph Chandler’s modest cabin. Here you will be treated to lunch and a private tasting in The Tasting Room. With its amazing view of the Missouri valley, vineyards and refreshing lake it is nothing short of majestic.

After lunch, it’s on to Saint Charles, a river city with a unique historical perspective, beautiful sights, friendly people and a pace just a little slower than that of the big city.

You will be on your own to shop the ten-block, 200-year-old Historic Main Street, Missouri’s first and largest historic district. You can shop in the same buildings as many early explorers did in the 19th century. Dress up your home with framed art, antiques, Victorian accessories, lamps, stained glass, quilts, pottery, or dress up yourself with classic silks and custom or costume jewelry.

