Last month, The Postal Record listed some attractions in Los Angeles that delegates to NALC’s 70th Biennial Convention and their families might enjoy this August. We continue that list, including some destinations that may take longer to reach from downtown L.A. or may involve a full day’s visit.

THE GETTY CENTER

Funded by the estate of billionaire industrialist J. Paul Getty, the Getty Center offers spectacular views inside and out. With more than a million visitors each year, the Getty Center is one of the most popular museums in the country. The building is host to part of the Getty Museum’s collection of Greek, Roman and Etruscan antiquities dating from as early as 6,500 B.C., and other artwork and photographs. (The rest of the collection is at the original museum site at Getty’s former home, known as the Getty Villa, in Pacific Palisades.) Outside, the building’s soaring architecture, Central Garden and stunning view of the city from the lofty site is enough to justify a visit.

The only public entrance to the Getty Center is located at N. Sepulveda Boulevard and Getty Center Drive. Admission is free, but parking is $15 per car, $10 after 4 p.m. The parking lot opens at 9:30 a.m., and there is a 3/4-mile uphill walk to the building, but an automated tram can also carry you there. The museum and gardens are open Tuesday to Friday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. It is closed on Mondays. For more information, go to getty.edu.

GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY

Another great view of the city can be seen from Griffith Observatory—but it also comes with a view of the heavens. Beyond several telescopes, the observatory, which opened in 1935 and expanded in 2006, is a modern museum of dazzling displays about astronomy and cosmology, including a planetarium, a giant pendulum that swings with the Earth’s rotation, live science demonstrations and the largest image of space on Earth, a photo covering an entire wall—150 feet by 20 feet.

The observatory is located on the southern slope of Mount Hollywood in Griffith Park, 2800 East Observatory Road. Parking is free but limited—visitors are urged to carpool or, on weekends, use the public shuttle bus that runs from the Vermont/Sunset Metro Red Line station.

Except for a small admission fee for the planetarium, admission to the observatory and grounds is free. The observatory is open Tuesday to Friday, noon to 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. It is closed on Mondays. See griffithobservatory.org for more information.

DISNEYLAND

Walt Disney reinvented animation and then reinvented theme parks by creating Disneyland, and it is still one of the largest and most awe-inspiring amusement parks in the world. Disneyland has grown into a complete resort with two theme parks (the Disney California Adventure Park was added in 2001), hotels, restaurants and attractions for both kids and adults—and adults who wish they were kids again. The latest attraction, Season of the Force, lets guests experience the “Star Wars” saga like never before.
The resort is located on Disneyland Drive in Anaheim and is accessible from downtown L.A. by car or bus. Disneyland parks are open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days a week. Ticket prices vary; go to disneyland.disney.go.com for more information.

**KNOTT’S BERRY FARM**

This popular theme park had more humble beginnings than Disney’s grand vision—it began in the 1920s as a roadside stand selling berries, preserves and pies. Since then, it has grown into a 160-acre amusement park with roller coasters, themed rides and loads of family-oriented fun, all without losing its old-school charm. The park calls itself “America’s first theme park.” The park’s beloved Ghost Town, where an old western town comes back to life, celebrates its 75th anniversary this year. While Knott’s Berry Farm has many modern thrill rides, one fun feature is an old-fashioned wooden rollercoaster. (It was built in 1998, so it probably isn’t going to collapse any time soon. Probably.)

Knott’s Berry Farm is located at 8039 Beach Blvd. in Buena Park, southeast of downtown L.A. and a short distance from Disneyland. Ticket prices vary. The park opens at 10 a.m.; it closes at 8 p.m. on weekdays and 10 p.m. or 11 p.m. on weekends—see knotts.com for more information on hours, tickets and directions.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM AND BOTANIC GARDEN**

Do your tastes lie less with the fantastical and more with the natural? Seek solace at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden, a 127-acre site with some of the best of flora and fauna from California and around the world. Nestled next to a scenic lake lie nine distinct gardens and an indoor greenhouse with nature’s treasures on display.

The arboretum is also an official wildlife sanctuary. It’s famous for its peacocks that stroll the gardens, but visitors will see many other species of resident and migratory birds and other creatures. Historical structures on the grounds include a Mexican-era adobe structure, an 1890s-era train station, a Native American shelter and the quaint Victorian cottage built by the original property owner in 1885 on the shore of the lake.

The arboretum is located at 301 North Baldwin Ave. in Arcadia, west of downtown. Admission is $9 for adults, $6 for students and seniors (age 62 or older), $4 for children ages 5 to 12 and free for children under 5. There is no admission charge the third Tuesday of each month. The grounds are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Go to arboretum.org for more information.
THE QUEEN MARY

This 1,019-foot ocean liner once ferried luxury-minded passengers across the Atlantic, and served a stint as a troop ship during World War II. The jet age put the Queen Mary out of business in 1967, and she is now berthed at Long Beach as a hotel and venue for restaurants and bars, a tea room, shows, exhibits, concerts and even ghost tours to introduce visitors to the many spirits said to linger within her hull.

The restaurants, bars and tours aboard the Queen Mary each have their own opening and closing times. Go to queenmary.com for more information.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DISABLED ATTENDEES

Convention attendees who may require assistance due to a disability can avail themselves of the following accommodations in adherence with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):

DEAF OR HEARING-IMPAIRED

General-session video presentations, including podium and floor action, will be open-captioned so hearing-impaired delegates can sit with their delegations. Delegates who need other special accommodations, including a signing interpreter in workshops, should contact Secretary-Treasurer Nicole Rhine at NALC Headquarters by June 24.

WHEELCHAIR AND SCOOTER RENTAL

Electric mobility scooters and wheelchairs are available for rent from Scootaround. For advance reservations or for more information, call 888-441-7575 or visit http://locations.scootaround.com/NALC.

OXYGEN

If you require oxygen refills while in Los Angeles, you may contact Oxygen Concentrator Inc., which can help you choose the portable concentrator that will meet your needs. Available portable concentrators include the Inogen One G2, Respironics SimplyGo, Respironics EverGo, SeQual Eclipse, Inogen One G3, DeVilbiss iGO and Oxlife Independence. Weekly rental packages start at $245. Call 877-303-7062.

PARKING

Handicapped parking is available to individuals with valid disability parking permits in designated parking areas.

WHEELCHAIR LIFT VEHICLES

The NALC is providing free shuttle bus service to/from the Los Angeles Convention Center for hotels within the block that are not within walking distance. (A complete list will be available later.) To comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a vehicle equipped with a wheelchair lift will be made available during all convention hours on an on-call basis. Requests for use of this service can be made directly by calling the operations manager on-site. The number will be listed on bus flyers available at the bell desks in all hotels for which shuttle service is provided.

KEY CONVENTION DEADLINES AND TOURS

Delegate eligibility lists for the national convention have been mailed to all branches. The lists must be completed and returned to Secretary-Treasurer Nicole Rhine’s office at NALC Headquarters no later than June 15 in order for branch representatives to be registered as delegates to the convention.

All proposed amendments to the NALC Constitution to be submitted for consideration at the convention must be received by Rhine’s office by June 15. That date is 60 days in advance of the convention, as prescribed by the Constitution.

Proposed amendments will appear in this July’s Postal Record for the membership to review.

Resolutions to be considered by delegates also must be received by the June 15 deadline in order to be printed in the Resolutions and Amendments book provided to delegates.

Resolutions received after June 15 still may be considered at the convention.

TOURS

Information on tours that will be available to delegates and their families during the convention is presented on the following two pages and is available on the convention page of nalc.org.
Tours available on Monday

LACMA

The Los Angeles County Museum of Art is the largest art museum in western United States. It holds more than 150,000 works spanning the history of art from ancient times to the present.

Natural History Museum Tour

The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County is the largest natural and historical museum in the western United States. This museum has a collection of nearly 35 million specimens and artifacts that cover 4.5 billion years of history.

Hollywood and Celebrity Home Tour

This tour will take you all over Hollywood to view the homes of over 40 stars, including Sandra Bullock, Katy Perry, Al Pacino, Ellen DeGeneres, Elvis Presley, Michael Jackson and more. See famous landmarks like the Hollywood sign, the Walk of Fame, Mulholland Drive and more.

Tours available on Tuesday

Warner Brothers VIP Studio Tour

Learn the history of film in a three-hour tour. Get an exclusive look inside. You will have the opportunity to see sets for famous movies and hit TV shows, along with custom costumes from Marvel characters and more.

Universal Studios Theme Park and Studio Tour

Go behind the scenes on the legendary studio tour to explore Hollywood’s most famous back lot in the world’s largest working movie studio. Visit 13 city blocks and tour acres of historic studio lot in the largest set construction project in studio history, built with creative consultation from Steve Spielberg.

Tours available on Wednesday

A Day at the Beach/Annenberg Beach House

Enjoy a day at the beach or at the Annenberg Beach house. This beach house is a historic home that includes a swimming pool, gym, café and beach equipment rental. Soak up the sun in beautiful California.

Rose Bowl Tour

Walk through a National Historic Landmark where countless moments in history have been made. Your tour docent will show you all of the behind-the-scenes locations, including the UCLA locker room, the original 1922 locker room, the new Terry Donahue Pavilion, the Court of Champions, the playing field and more. Also, get a special inside look at a Coldplay concert in production.

Tours available on Thursday

Beverly Hills Shopping Tour/Hollywood Shopping Tour

Enjoy shopping on the famous Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills followed by a shopping tour on Hollywood Boulevard.

Cars and Culture at the Petersen Automotive Museum

View 150 historic vehicles in one tour. This is one of the largest non-profit automotive museums, specializing in history and education. If you have a love for cars, this is the tour for you.
Los Angeles Tour Program

Registration Form

Reserve early to save your spot!

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Mail or Email: Specialty Tours & Events 11135 Weddington St. Suite 115 North Hollywood, CA 91601. events@rheventgroup.com Questions answered at 818-760-6779

* All tour orders must be received by July 11, 2016. All tours subject to availability and cancellation.