

Railway & Locomotive Historical Society

2008 Annual Meeting

Dutch Country Rails

May 28 – June 1, 2008

Strasburg, PA



Enjoy the Pennsylvania Dutch Country with its colorful Amish wagons and beautiful naturally-maintained farm country. This event will be held in the Strasburg, Pennsylvania area from May 28 through June 1. Planned highlights of the



gathering include a full day at the Strasburg Railroad with much steam action and a visit to the world class Pennsylvania Railroad Museum.

At the annual banquet, our guest speaker

will be Bill Middleton, America's most prolific rail history author. There will be an optional excursion to Philadelphia over Amtrak's Keystone Service and a tour of representative SEPTA commuter lines out of Philadelphia.

The Lancaster Host Hotel

The Lancaster Host Hotel has reserved a block of rooms for R&LHS members at a special rate of \$99 (plus tax) per room (double or king) per night.



To secure this special rate, please contact:

The Lancaster Host Resort and Conference Center,
2300 Lincoln Highway East
Lancaster, PA 17602,
Via telephone at (717) 299-5500
Or on the Web at www.lancasterhost.com.

Registration Information

Price, excluding Saturday Philadelphia excursion:	\$175
Additional for Philadelphia excursion:	\$60
Full Program:	\$235

Price includes:

- Social hour hors d'oeuvres (cash bar) and presentation on May 28.
- Visit to National Toy Train Museum Thursday morning, May 29.
- Visit to Pennsylvania Railroad Museum Thursday afternoon, May 29.
Presentation on Pennsylvania Railroad historical archives by Kurt Bell, museum archivist.
- Full day at Strasburg Railroad on Friday, May 30 including shop tour and two round trips, plus possible extras.
- Annual Banquet, with Amish buffet at hotel Friday, May 30 evening.
- Optional excursion trip to Philadelphia on Saturday, May 31st.

- Annual Society membership breakfast meeting June 1st.

Mail completed form with check payable to New York Chapter, R&LHS to:**

Dutch Country Rails
Charles M. Smith
3 Princeton Rd.
Strafford-Wayne, PA 19087-2640

**Registration form and payment must be RECEIVED no later than May 20.

For more information, please access www.rlhs.org (National Meetings tab)

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2008 REGISTRATION

Name: _____
(as you wish it to appear on your convention name badge)

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Companion name(s): _____

Number _____ Partial program @ \$175: _____

Number _____ Full program @ \$235 ea, _____

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Tentative Events Schedule

Wednesday, May 28

- 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM Convention and hotel check-in
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Social Hour with 'light' hors d'oeuvres (cash bar)
Guest speaker: Michael Sussman, OnTrackAmerica.org.

Thursday, May 29

- 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM Convention check-in
9:45 AM Bus departs Hotel for National Toy Train Museum
10:00 AM Bus arrives National Toy Train Museum
11:45 AM Bus departs National Toy Train Museum
12:00 NOON Bus arrives Strasburg RR restaurant for LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:30 PM – Arrive Pennsylvania Railroad Museum (across the street from Strasburg RR)
5:00 PM Bus departs Pennsylvania Railroad Museum
5:15 PM Bus arrives Hotel
DINNER ON YOUR OWN
7:30 PM R&LHS board meeting



Friday, May 30

- 9:00 AM Bus departs Hotel for Strasburg Railroad
9:15 am Bus arrives Strasburg RR
Round trip on Strasburg RR
NOON Shop Tour
Round trip Strasburg RR
Lunch on your own
5:00 PM Bus departs Strasburg RR
5:15 PM Bus arrives Hotel
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Social Hour (cash bar)
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM BANQUET
8:00 PM – 9:00 PM Guest Speaker, Bill Middleton



Saturday, May 31

For those who do not choose the Philadelphia excursion, there are a variety of activities available at the hotel or nearby. Our hotel is a fully-featured resort, with a golf course, tennis courts, indoor and outdoor swimming pools and a miniature golf course. Across the street is a family amusement park, Dutch Wonderland. Other attractions are nearby. See the hotel's website (<http://www.lancasterhost.com>) for more information.

7:10 AM	Bus departs Hotel for Lancaster Amtrak Station
7:55 AM	Depart Lancaster on Amtrak – #660
9:09 AM	Arrive Philadelphia 30th St. Station
9:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Touring SEPTA lines — to be announced
4:45 PM	Depart Philadelphia on Amtrak – #667
5:55 PM	Arrive Lancaster
6:05 PM	Bus departs Lancaster station for hotel
6:25 PM	Bus arrives hotel

DINNER ON YOUR OWN.

Sunday, June 1

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Breakfast: Annual Meeting
10:30 AM	Presentation by Jerry Angier on 2009 Annual Meeting in Portland, Maine.
11:00 AM	Closing remarks and adjournment

