

ALTOONA-HORSESHOE CURVE



BUS TOUR

Saturday & Sunday

August 23 & 24, 2008



The **Cornell Railroad Historical Society** (www.lehighvalleyrr.com) will be sponsoring an overnight bus excursion from Ithaca to Altoona and Horseshoe Curve in Pennsylvania on August 23-24. We'll depart Ithaca on a luxury Swarthout Coach at 7:15 a.m. Saturday morning. Our first tour stop will be the Tyrone Railroad Park & Museum, where we'll enjoy lunch adjacent to Norfolk Southern's (NS) busy former Pennsylvania Railroad mainline. Next, the group will visit one of the fine model railroads in Altoona before checking-in to our hotel, the Holiday Inn Express. (*A block of rooms is reserved, but participants will be responsible for their own reservations and payment, and details will be sent to all registrants.*) Saturday evening, a BBQ dinner is scheduled at the Altoona Railroaders Memorial Museum, adjacent to the NS mainline. Members of the Horseshoe Curve Chapter, NRHS will be on-hand to aid in our interpretation of the Museum's exhibits, all of which will be open for inspection. Sunday morning, after the hotel's complimentary hot breakfast, we'll head to the Allegheny Portage Railroad National Historic Site in Cresson, where canal boats were once hauled over the mountain summit on flat cars. After that, stops will be made at the Cresson Railfan Platform (overlooking the NS helper locomotive terminal) and the Gallitzin Tunnels, before finally reaching Horseshoe Curve, where a box lunch will be served. At the Curve, we'll have several hours to view the heavy train traffic that can be seen at this World-famous railfan location before starting our trip home. A dinner stop (not included in the fare) will be made on the way back to Ithaca, where our expected arrival is 10:00 PM.

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NAME(S):

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E-MAIL:

Please reserve ___ Altoona Trip tickets @ \$120 (includes bus, all admissions, two lunches and Saturday dinner, but not the hotel or Sunday dinner). My check is made payable to the *Cornell Railroad Historical Society*. TOTAL ENCLOSED \$_____

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Confirmation of your registration, including all trip details, will be mailed to you shortly after receipt of payment.

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