



NRHS SPRING 2014 CONFERENCE  
LEWISBURG, PA  
APRIL 25-27, 2014

**NRHS**

The Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the NRHS is hosting the Spring 2014 NRHS Conference which includes the NRHS Board of Directors Meeting, and the Advisory Council Conference at the Best Western Country Cupboard Conference Center located just north of Lewisburg, PA. The Board of Directors' meeting will be held on April 26 & 27. The Advisory Council Conference Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 26. Refer to the Notice of Meetings email from the National Secretary for the specific meeting times and the agenda. All meetings will be held at the Best Western Country Cupboard Inn Conference Center. The Registration Fee is \$ 40.00 (1 per household) payable by check or money order, and is due by April 7, 2014. You must register for the NRHS conference in order to be able to purchase train tickets. The following activities are planned in addition to the NRHS Board Meeting and the Advisory Council Meeting. Your registration packet and tickets will be available for pickup at the Best Western Plus Country Cupboard Inn, starting on Thursday, April 24, from 6 to 8 pm, and on Friday, April 25 from 7 am to 9:00 am, and from 5 pm to 7 pm. Saturday, April 26 from 7 am to 10 am.

**Events:**

On Friday, April 25, a chartered passenger train provided by the North Shore Railroad will operate over the ex-Reading Railroad SS&L line between Allenwood, PA and Winfield, PA a distance of approximately 15 miles in both directions in Union County, PA. Transportation from the Best Western Country Cupboard entrance will begin at 8:30 am, with departure of the train at 9:00 am. The train will also operate over a recently restored 4 mile section of track from White Deer to Allenwood that had not seen rail service since 1976. This excursion will be the first public excursion over this restored section of track. The SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority recently rebuilt the White Deer railroad bridge washed out in 1996, to reopen the rail line to Allenwood. This will be the first opportunity to ride a train to Allenwood. Coach tickets are \$ 70 per person. Lunch will be at the Central PA NRHS White Deer Station and Museum and photo runbys & photo stops will be held at various locations. For motive power, a Lycoming Valley Railroad EMD GP35 locomotive painted in their Reading Railroad scheme has been requested subject to motive power availability. Motive power is at the sole discretion of the North Shore Railroad Group. Return time is expected to be mid-afternoon. On Saturday, April 26, an all you eat buffet banquet featuring Prime Rib, Ham, Chicken and Fish, beginning at 6:00 pm will occur at the locally famous Country Cupboard Restaurant adjacent to the Best Western Conference Center, and a guest speaker from the North Shore Railroad Corporation will discuss the 7 shortline railroads they operate, their phenomenal growth and their expectations going forward for rail service in Central PA. The cost for the banquet is \$ 26.00 per person. The Country Cupboard has a large shopping complex as well and has a full service restaurant that is open from 7 am to 8 pm each day featuring regular menu and buffet options. For baseball fans, the Little League World Museum complex is located 18 miles away in S Williamsport, PA at the birthplace of Little League.

The Best Western Country Cupboard Inn has an NRHS conference room rate of \$ 115.00 a night plus 9% taxes. **Reservations must be made individually by calling the hotel directly at 570 524 5500 and asking for the NRHS rate.** All room reservations must be accompanied by one night's deposit via a credit card authorization for room and tax. **Reservations with the hotel must be made by March 27, 2014.** The Best Western Country Cupboard Inn is located along US Route 15, at 7701 West Branch Highway Lewisburg, PA 17837. The hotel conference center website is [www.countrycupboardinc.com](http://www.countrycupboardinc.com) Check in time is 4 pm, checkout time is 12 Noon. Lewisburg is just 4 miles south of Interstate I-80 in Central PA and is the home of Bucknell University. The closest Amtrak service is located in Harrisburg, PA, 1 hour away, which is on the Amtrak Keystone Line with regular service to and from New York and Philadelphia. Air service is also available in Harrisburg (MDT) which is served by all major airlines except Southwest. Another air option is the Wilkes-Barre Scranton (AVP) through Delta, US Airways and United Airlines. The chapter will not be providing any shuttle service from any location to the Best Western Country Cupboard Inn.

The Central PA Chapter looks forward to your attendance at the Spring 2014 Conference in Lewisburg, PA, questions can be directed to Mark Eyer- NRHS Director, District 2- at [meyer@dailyexp.com](mailto:meyer@dailyexp.com) or via phone at 717 574 1035. Please use the attached form to order tickets.

The National Railway Historical Society and the Central PA NRHS (hereafter known as Sponsor) shall not be held responsible in any way as a result of sponsoring the Spring 2014 NRHS Conference. Participation in an event constitutes agreement that you will not hold the Sponsor liable for any injury, damages, loss, accident, or irregularity caused by vehicle defect, defaults, or carriers or their personnel, or any additional expenses due to delays, illness, weather or other causes. The Sponsor reserves the right to cancel an event without notice. In such case, the Sponsor liability shall be limited to solely to the fare event paid and that will be refunded. No refunds will be made for a missed event.

#### **Liability Release**

All participants may be required to sign a release of liability and indemnity form for the train excursion. Please do not sign up for that event if you do not feel comfortable signing a release. No refunds will be given if refuse to sign the release and are not allowed to go on that event.

**All reservation forms must be mailed to the Central PA NRHS with a check or money order for payment to the following address: the deadline for hotel reservations is March 27, and the deadline for NRHS conference reservations is April 7, 2014**

**Checks are to be made payable to Central PA NRHS and mail reservation forms to the following address**  
**2014 Spring Conference**  
**Central PA NRHS**  
**P.O. Box 145**  
**White Deer, PA 17887**

NRHS Spring 2014 Conference  
With NRHS Board and Advisory Council Meetings

# REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline for orders April 7, 2014

Name \_\_\_\_\_ NRHS Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone -Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME TAG: Must be worn during all conference events**

Name as desired \_\_\_\_\_

Office \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse name (for name tag) \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (for this meeting only)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Ticket Orders – Enter quantity of each item desired in the number column and the total amount for each item in the right column.

Event	Number	Price	Total
Registration – 1 per household for entire conference		\$40	
Friday April 25 <sup>th</sup> –Train Excursion on the Union County Railroad from Lewisburg to Allenwood and Winfield. Multiple photo stops. Lunch included at White Deer Station. Coach seats are \$ 70 /person, you must register for the conference to purchase tickets.		\$70 Per Person	
Saturday April 26 <sup>th</sup> –Buffet Banquet at The Country Cupboard Guest Speaker from the North Shore Railroads Corp on their operation and growth		\$26 Per Person	
<b>Grand Total</b>			

Please mail this completed form  
and check made payable to:

**Central PA NRHS**  
Spring 2014 Conference  
PO Box 145  
White Deer, PA 17887

Hotel reservations must be arranged individually. The Best Western Country Cupboard has a NRHS conference rate of \$115 per night plus taxes for the period April 24 thru April 27. For reservations please call the hotel at 570-524-5500 by 3/27. Please mention you are attending the National Railway Historical Society Conference to get this special rate. This rate does not include breakfast, however the hotel complex has an on-site restaurant adjacent and there are numerous restaurants within driving distance.

For Office use only	Check Number	Date Received
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