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George L. Carter Chapter National Railway Historical Society

To: NRHS Board members, Chapter representatives and general membership

Subject: Fall 2014 NRHS Conference

The George L. Carter Chapter (GLCC) of NRHS is hosting the Fall 2014 NRHS conference which includes the Board of Directors' and Advisory Council meetings, November 13 -16 at the Carnegie Hotel 1216 W. State of Franklin Road, Johnson City, TN 37604. The hotel is across the street from East Tennessee State University (ETSU), which is the location of the George L. Carter Railroad Museum and home to the GLCC.

The following activities are planned in addition to the NRHS Board of Directors' and Advisory Council meetings. On Friday we will take a bus to **Natural Tunnel State Park** just outside Duffield, VA. We will use the chair lift to reach trackside at the tunnel and maybe see trains. After leaving Natural Tunnel we will visit the **Fannon Railroad Museum**, Kenny Fannon's museum is partially housed in the depot used in the movie *The Coal Miner's Daughter*. Enroute to and from Natural Tunnel we will pass the famous **Copper Creek Double Railroad Trestles**. The taller trestle is 185 feet above the water and is 1,160 feet in length. This trestle was built in 1908 by the Clinchfield or CC&O RR, now CSX. The lower trestle was built for the Virginia & Southwestern (Southern RR), now NS. Lunch will be at each individual's expense in the former Clinchfield Station in Johnson City. This station is now home to Tupelo Honey Café. After lunch we will depart for Hampton, TN and a ride on the remaining active Narrow Gauge portion of the ET&WNC to Pardee Point in Doe River Gorge. The Wellington Restaurant is located in the Carnegie Hotel and opens every day at 6:30am, Mon –Sat and serves all 3 meals, but is only open on Sundays for breakfast. The restaurant is scheduled to open at 6am on Friday, as we depart at 7:30am. Several fast food eateries are located on the east side of the hotel, and Ruby Tuesdays Restaurant is located on the west side of the hotel. Saturday evening will be a buffet with Alan Bridwell telling about the history of Johnson City's Railroads.

Johnson City does not have AMTRAK service. The closest AMTRAK station is Lynchburg, VA or Greenville and Spartanburg, SC. Lynchburg has one train each way on the NEC. The SC stations are served by the Crescent with both trains arriving in the very early morning hours. The GLCC is **unable** to provide van/bus service to any of the AMTRAK stations. Johnson City is served by both Delta and US Air at Tri-Cities Regional Airport. The local airport code is **TRI**. The Carnegie Hotel will have a shuttle van to the airport for pickup and drop-off of attendees. You must let the hotel know your arrival time and flight number. There is a \$20 per person charge to or from **TRI**, if a group of 5 or more are going in the same van the charge will be \$60 per group one way.

Hotel reservations must be arranged individually by Oct 31. The Carnegie Hotel has a NRHS conference rate of \$88 per night plus taxes for the period November 13-16, 2014. Please call the hotel at 423-979-6400, and mention you are attending the National Railway Historical Society Conference to obtain this special rate, which does not include breakfast.

For further information please call our hotline at **(423) 439-3382** and leave a message, or send an email to **rrbill@embargo.com**. We will get back to you as soon as we can. Sincerely,

Jim Pahriss
Chairman, 2014 Fall Conference

Fred J. Alsop, III, Ph.D.
President, George L. Carter Chapter, NRHS

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NRHS Fall 2014 Conference
With Board and Advisory Council Meetings
REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline for orders October 31, 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		\$40.00	
Friday November 14th		\$65.00	
Saturday November 15th – Banquet – Alan Bridwell presentation		\$45.00	
		Grand Total	

Please mail completed form
and your check made payable to
George L. Carter Chapter, NRHS
Attn: Fall 2014 Conference
P.O. Box 70697, ETSU
Johnson City, TN 37614

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