

REGISTRATION FORM
 50TH ANNUAL MEETING – MAY 9 - MAY 13, 2018
 Blair County Conference Center, Altoona, PA

Event	Price	Quantity	Total Amount
Member registration (per family)	\$50		
Non-member registration (per family) 1 year membership and registration for annual meeting Includes one-year PRRT&HS membership	\$90		
Banquet (includes one hour served hot Hors D'oeuvres)			
Braised Short Ribs	\$45		
Stuffed Chicken	\$40		
Grilled Vegetable Lasagna	\$37		
Vendor's Table*			
Table(s) – 8 'WITHOUT table covering	\$50 ea.		
I get a Corporate or Keystone Member rebate (one table free and the remainder of tables regular price			
Electricity for table (additional \$35)	\$35		
Subtotal – all charges except tours – provide a check for this amount:			
Tours – please provide a separate check for each tour:			
Everett Railroad Trip (Friday)	\$55		
Alternative Trip (Thursday)	\$35		
Museum and Horseshoe Curve (Thursday)	\$45		
Box Lunch Hoagie (CHOOSE ONE) Ham			
(Lunch inc. w/ARRM/Curve trip ONLY) Turkey			
	Italian		
	Cheese		
GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED			

Full payment must accompany registration form and be in U.S. funds. No cash.

Checks or money orders must be made out to: **PRRT&HS**

Mail to: *Richard Ader PO Box 950, Wellsboro, PA 16901*

Send separate check for Registration and banquet, and then separate checks for each individual trip

The following is a list of hotels available: Use PRRT&HS for all special hotel pricing

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| (1) Courtyard Marriott Altoona (814) 312 1800 | \$106.00 +tax |
| This hotel has a direct connection to the convention center. Room block already FULL | |
| (2) Holiday Inn Express (814) 693 1441 | \$124.00 +tax |
| New and less than a block away. Comp buffet breakfast. 40 rooms blocked until 4/09/18 | |
| (3) Altoona Grand Hotel (814) 946 1631 | \$80.00 +tax |
| This hotel is half a mile away and is the best bargain! 50 rooms blocked until 4/09/18 | |
| (4) Hampton Inn (814) 941 3500 | \$129.00 +tax |
| Less than one mile away, Cracker Barrel and sports bar on lot, 30 rooms blocked until 4/11/18 | |
| (5) Comfort Inn (814) 693 1800 | \$100.00 +tax |
| Two miles away, with restaurant, breakfast not inc. Rooms blocked until 4/25/18, group code SE8EY6 | |

There will be SHUTTLE BUSES courtesy of the PRRT&HS running to all four outside hotel locations daily.

All hotels have handicapped rooms available.

We would advise making reservations ASAP this annual meeting will be a record breaker! Naturally, other rooms are available outside of our PRR T&HS “block” but the special price will not be offered.

List your name(s) below as you would like them to appear on your badge(s). Note you must wear your badge to get into PRRT&HS events. Please print legibly.

NAME		CHAPTER (IF ANY)	MEMBERSHIP NO.
STREET ADDRESS		TITLE (IF ANY) – SPECIFY NATIONAL OR CHAPTER	
CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE
(AREA CODE) TELEPHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
IF SPOUSE AND/OR CHILDREN WILL ATTEND, PLEASE LIST THEIR NAMES FOR THEIR BADGES			

Please acknowledge my registration by (choose one):

email **enclosed SASE**

I will volunteer one hour or more at the Registration Table

Yes **No**

I will volunteer one hour or more in the Model Room

Yes **No**

**I will volunteer one hour or more in the Vendor room
for Saturday's public train show**

Yes **No**

***Vendors – I am willing to donate a door prize –**

Yes **No**

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET WITH YOUR PAYMENT

When you register at the meeting, you will receive a packet with a complete schedule of events.

MAIN PROGRAM

50th ANNUAL MEETING – MAY 9-13, 2018

Blair County Conference Center

1 Conference Center Drive

Altoona, PA 16602

Schedule and locations subject to change

WEDNESDAY – May 9

EARLY REGISTRATION – Convention Center Lobby – 2 to 9 PM

VENDOR ROOM – Set-up 2 PM to 9 PM

MODEL ROOM – Set-up 2 PM to 9 PM

PRESENTATIONS – 8 PM to 10 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 7 PM

THURSDAY – MAY 10

REGISTRATION – Conference Center Lobby - 7 AM to 9 PM, Closed for Dinner - 5 to 7 PM

VENDOR ROOM SALES – 8 AM to 9 PM, Closed for dinner from 5 to 7 PM

MODEL ROOM OPEN – 8 AM to 9 PM, Closed for dinner from 5 to 7 PM

PRESENTATIONS – 9 AM to 10 PM (3 tracks!)

FRIDAY – MAY 11

REGISTRATION – Convention Center Lobby – 7 AM to 9 PM, Closed for Dinner - 5 to 7 PM

VENDOR ROOM OPEN – 8 AM to 9 PM, Closed for dinner 5 to 7 PM

MODEL ROOM OPEN – 8 AM to 9 PM, Closed for dinner 5 to 7 PM

PRESENTATIONS – 9 AM to 10 PM (3 tracks!)

SATURDAY – MAY 12

VENDOR ROOM - OPEN FOR MEMBERS AND TO THE PUBLIC

\$5.00 PER PERSON (For non-members)

REGISTRATION - Conference Center Lobby – 7 AM to 3 PM

BUSINESS MEETING – 9 to 10 AM

VENDOR ROOM/TRAIN SHOW OPEN – 10 AM to 4 PM, Vendors MUST Vacate by 5:00 PM

MODEL ROOM OPEN – 10 AM to 3 PM, models removed from 3 to 5 PM

MEET THE MODELERS – 2 to 3 PM

PRESENTATIONS – 10 AM to 3:30 PM (3 tracks!)

MODELERS FORUM – 4 to 5 PM

BANQUET – 6 PM Cash Bar & Hors D'oeuvres, Dinner at 7 PM, Bennett Levin guest speaker

SUNDAY – MAY 13

Altoona Association of Model Railroaders

2930 S 10th Ave, Altoona PA 16601

Open Friday 7:30-10:30PM

Sunday TBD

There will be a list of available layout tours at the registration desk. Please ask upon arrival.

TRIPS

THURSDAY – ALTERNATIVE TRIP (includes BUS transportation)

9 AM leave Convention Center

These are the stops we will be making: Antique Depot, Lunch at Hoss's Steak and Sea House (on your own), Baker Museum, Oak Spring Winery and Boyers Candy Outlet Store.

5 PM arrive at the Conference Center

THURSDAY – MUSEUM AND HORSESHOE TRIP (includes BUS transportation and box lunch)

Altoona Railroaders Memorial Museum trip May 10th and then to the Horseshoe Curve.

Leaving 9:00 am arriving approx. 9:15am. Tours of the MOUNTAIN VIEW in small groups. Box lunch from 11:30am to 12:30pm during the "K4 1361 CENTENNIAL LUNCHEON and EXHIBIT UNVEILING" in the roundhouse.

Leave after lunch and go to Horseshoe Curve for the remainder of the day. No times set for this. Maybe 2 hours.

Box Lunch is Hoagie (choice on form), bag of chips, cookie, macaroni salad, and a bottle of water.

FRIDAY – EVERETT RAILROAD TRIP (includes BUS transportation)

Leaving the Convention Center at 8:30am travel to Hollidaysburg and board the train. Train departure is 9:30am for a trip on the Everett Railroads Cove Line main track, former PRR Morrison Cove Branch, to Roaring Spring passenger station. Disembark train at the station for a photo run-by. Ice Cream available for purchase while train pulls away to have the engine change ends. Return to station and reload for trip back to Hollidaysburg. Train trip approx. 2 hours.

SEMINARS

Al Baker	History of the PRR
Chuck Cover	Modeling the H10s that worked the Shamokin Branch
Elden Gatwood	PRR Boxcars and the things we might not know about them
Matthew Hurst	Express X29s and other head-end equipment
Douglas Nelson	Johnstown
Jim Panza	TTX history
Dave Evans	PRR WWII operations between Altoona and Pittsburgh
Dave Wilson	Modeling the Pennsy in the Monongahela Valley in 1948
Tim Garner	Leased steam on the PRR
Ed Swain	Scratch built NY&LB Scherzer Rolling Lift Bridge from Styrene
Greg Snook	Taking the next steps in building resin kits
Brad Noble	T1 Trust Update
Bill Neale/Curt Larue	The Panhandle
Claus Schlund	Change at Manhattan Transfer
Joe Defrancesco	Wreck of the Red Arrow
Ken Kobus	The 1877 Railroad Riots in Pittsburgh
Ron Hoess	Modeling the PRR Chestnut Hill Branch - Evoking the Philadelphia Landscape
Bruce Smith	To be determined

Panel of George Huemrich, Bill Volkmer, and Bob Watson sharing their experience as PRR employees.

MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED. CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE SCHEDULE AS WE DEVELOP IT.

REGISTRATION – PRRT&HS 50TH Anniversary Inspection Trip

May 9th and 13th, 2018

Please note the following:

- 1) The ride is available to **PRRT&HS members and their partners only**, **\$1000 per person** includes food on trip out to Altoona on Wednesday, Sunday breakfast at BCCC before we go to station, light snacks on way home and bus transportation to and from Altoona Station. Also included is a 76 page trip booklet, a custom embroidered polo shirt and more. **COMPLETE TRIP INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE PRRTHS.COM**
- 2) All FIRST CLASS parlor cars 20 riders in each car.
- 3) Tickets are non-transferrable, but refundable if someone on the waiting list buys your seat
- 4) Tickets will be assigned based on the order deposit checks are received (\$300 per person)
- 5) Applications received after 100 deposits have been received can optionally be added to the waiting list
- 6) Full payment of \$1000.00 is due by April 15th
- 7) Checks returned for insufficient funds will move you to the end of the waiting list.

Name: _____ Spouse/Partner: _____

PRRTHS Membership Number: _____ (**NON-MEMBERS MUST JOIN FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$40**)

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Amount enclosed: _____ (\$300 each rider, due now **after March 31 payment in full is required**)

Payable only by check to **PRRT&HS**

Please circle where you plan to board: **30th St / Paoli / Lancaster / Harrisburg**

If Sold out, place me on the waiting list, circle one: NO / YES - your check will be held

If the ride is sold out by the time your application has arrived, and you do not want to be on the waiting list, then your check will be RETURNED.

Please provide at least one of the following methods of contact:

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Mail this form and your check to:

Steve Staffieri, President PRR T&HS

2963 Columbia Drive

Bensalem, PA 19020

Completed by PRR T&HS
Number:

2018 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE AND PROXY

To all Members: *The PRRT&HS Annual meeting will be held on **May 12, 2018 at 10:00 AM** at the Blair County Convention Center located at **1 Convention Center Drive, Altoona, PA 16602.***

The Board requests that you submit your proxy for the Annual Meeting if you are unable to attend the meeting in person. For your convenience we have included a **pre-addressed postage-paid card**. We urge you to submit your proxy to ensure that we have a quorum at the Annual Meeting to elect Directors and to consider other topics raised by members who attend the Annual Meeting in person.

The following candidates for the Election of Directors in 2018 will serve for a three (3) year term.

Steven Staffieri

Steve has been president of the PRRT&HS since 2015. As national president he has been responsible for the current positive changes in the PRRT&HS including: reduction in book prices, donating of a portion of the society's publications to historical societies and museums and significant improvement to the Lewistown Station. He is head chairman for 2018 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting. Steve models a portion of the 1948 PRR Elmira Branch in HO scale. His other interests include being treasurer for the Bensalem Presbyterian Church, where he also sings in the choir.

Joe Acri

Joe has been a Society member since the mid-1970s. He has been as active member of the Board of Directors since 2012. He has been a volunteer at the Pennsylvania State Archives since 1986. He has been a member of the *Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania* and hopes to be named as a Board Member in 2019. Joe, retired in 2016, and now dedicates his time to the PRRT&HS and the *Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania*.

Dave Evans

Dave's interest in the PRR traces back to his Grandfather, who worked for the PRR for over 56 years. Dave joined the PRRT&HS in 2005. Over time, his interest in history has gravitated towards preserving and sharing the history of the PRR. Since joining the board in 2015, Dave has been working to define the full set of computer system requirements for the Society web site. This effort will include the Society archives, and membership services which will be integrated in order to maximize member services and access to PRRT&HS material while minimizing volunteer manpower required for operations and support. Dave is also the DC chapter vice president and was chair of the presentation program for the 2017 annual meeting.

Rich Ader

Rich's interest in the Pennsylvania Railroad began with a Cub Scout trip to the Philadelphia Zoo. While waiting on the station platform, he watched the PRR trains buzzing by. One train stopped with its cabin car directly across from where he stood. A man in the cupola waived to Rich and he has been hooked ever since. When he returned from military service he took a job with Penn Central and worked the Bel-Del. where he qualified as a conductor from G tower in Belvidere to MG in Trenton. He joined the PRRT&HS in the late 80's and has since become a vital link in the station and archive project volunteer staff. Rich currently serves as Lewistown Station agent and PRRT&HS accessions manager. Rich is also the president of the Middle Division Chapter.

John Frantz

John's interest in the PRR sprouted from being born into it. His father Ivan had been active in the PRRT&HS as a modeler, writer, and Society Director. John joined the PRRT&HS in 2003 and has attended every convention since. John is active on the Paint Committee, has given clinics at conventions, and assisted in running three conventions. In addition to the PRRT&HS John has taken prior leadership roles as Vice President of the Northern Central Chapter of the PRRT&HS, President of his model railroad club, and most recently as Commander of the Pennsylvania Department of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the third generation of his family to serve in that role.