



NORFOLK & WESTERN
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Annual Convention 2017

July 13-16 •Strasburg, PA
Featuring Norfolk and Western
Class M No. 475

Join us in Strasburg for a farewell visit with one of only two Class M locomotives remaining, and the only one under steam! The N&W 475 is going out of service for its 1,472 federally mandated inspection after this season, and it may be some time before it returns to operation.

Some members question why we are off N&W rails in Pennsylvania. If you study your N&W history, it is not that far fetched, the great Strasburg Railroad lovingly restored N&W Class M, No. 475 to operating condition some years back. The Class Ms were famed in many roles on the N&W, originally mainline service, but as they were replaced by larger and larger power, the Ms came to serve what is unquestionably their best-known role that of branch line power. Most famously on the Abingdon Branch, the Class Ms was also used across the remainder of the N&W for local freight and branch service. Some, including 475 served almost to the end of steam. The 475 was decorated up as an earlier appearing locomotive for Roanoke's 75th birthday celebration in 1957 and kept for historical display for several years. In addition, there is no question of the Pennsylvania Railroad's great influence on the N&W in the early part of the 20th Century. What better place to visit than the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania right across the street from Strasburg?

For those that have never been, Strasburg is a great tourist location, it is a true family vacation destination! Shopping, museums and great food make for a worthy trip for all. The best thing for members is the chance to socialize, renew old friendships and make new ones amongst the varied activities.

Our headquarters hotel is the Clarion Inn, who has 60 rooms blocked off with a special rate for N&WHS members.

Convention Hotel

Clarion 60-room block, majority of rooms are two doubles and double queens, 6 rooms are king (please note all second floor rooms have stairs). \$95 a night special NWHS Rate, must request on reservation.

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Strasburg Railroad

Revised Timetable – 7-1-17

Thursday July 13th:

- Commissary open from 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM.
- 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM BOD Meeting - Commissary Room
- 4:30 - 5:30 PM TCS presentation - Car #92, track four
- 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Modeling Committee Meeting
- 6:30 - 7:30 PM Steve Smith, N&W model announcement
- Passenger Car #92, track four
- 7:30 - 8:30 PM 475 Presentation - Passenger Car #92, track four
- 8:30 PM - Matt Herman/ESU LokSound Presentation - Passenger Car #92, track four

Friday July 14th:

- Commissary open from 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM.
- 8:00 AM Hostling Tour
- 10:00 AM Landisville RR tour: Leave hotel 9:15
- 2:00-3:00 PM Greg Davis and Bob Harpe Presentation: N&W GP-30 in HO scale.
- 3:00-4:00 PM Casey Thomason, NS Corporate Photographer
- 4:00-4:45 PM Greg Comstock, Norfolk Southern
- 5:00 PM Train Departs for Picnic, return time is 7:45 PM
- 8:30 - 10:30 PM Virginian Interest Group Meeting - Passenger Car #92, track four
- 9:15-10:30 PM Evening Photo Shoot

Saturday July 15th:

- Commissary open from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- Contest voting will take place during this time frame.
- 9:00-11:00 AM Strasburg Shop Tour
- 1:00 PM General Membership Meeting
- 3:30-5:30 PM N&W 475 Mixed Train
- 6:30-7:25 PM Banquet Cocktail Hour: The Fireside Inn
- 7:30 - N&WHS Awards Banquet and Dinner: Fireside Inn

Please note, schedules, speakers, motive power and events are all subject to change due to weather, mechanical failure or schedule conflicts.

Registration

Convention Cost: \$75 (Family):
One Limited edition N&W drawing by Andrew Fletcher
Unlimited rides on the Strasburg (Coach) trains for both Friday and Saturday combined.
One time admission to the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania
Society only mixed train using #475 with photo run-bys (Saturday)
Silent Auction

Friday Activities

Landisville Railroad Tour (Friday)

Join us for an interesting outing to the nearby Landisville Railroad. Located northwest of Lancaster. This will be a car pool event for members due to its nearby location. It will feature: Cab rides, facility tours and staging for photo opportunities. **For all visitors, railroad-appropriate attire (long pants, boots) is required. No shorts or open-toed shoes!**

Known in the railroad industry by its AAR reporting mark, “LVR”, Landisville Railroad interchanges with Class 1 railroad Norfolk Southern at Landisville, Pennsylvania. LVR is situated on over 20-acres, located near major interstate highway systems, linking our facility to northeast U.S. and mid-Atlantic ports, industries, warehouses, businesses and other markets. LVR is the site of transloading operations for a wide range of commodities.

Annual Model Contest

Our model contest is always a highlight, bring your best work and share with other members. The membership votes for their favorite models and awards are presented at the Annual Banquet. The Model Contest room is open on Friday and Saturday, hours TBD. The categories are as follows:

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| N&W Steam | Norfolk Southern |
| N&W Freight Car and Caboose | Locomotives |
| N&W Passenger Car | VGN Steam |
| N&W Diesel Original | VGN Diesel/Electric |
| N&W Diesel 2nd hand (merger) | VGN Passenger and Freight Cars |
| N&W Structures | VGN Structures |
| | Photograph (b&w and color prints only) |

Afternoon Clinics or Presentations

Several different clinics or presentations will be made, please see the schedule on the opposite side. Additional clincs may be added. All clinics will be held in parked passenger coach 92 on track 4 next to the Strasburg Railroad parking.

Stasburg Hostling Tour (Friday)
Strasburg Shop Tour (Saturday)

For the true steam fan, come out early and get up close and personal with the 475 as she is fired up for the weekend. Learn how Strasburg brings the locomotive up to working pressure in time for the trips in the same day. Tour the famous Strasburg shop with a special guide and learn how they work their magic on equipment and locomotives. **For all visitors, railroad-appropriate attire (long pants, boots) is required. No shorts or open-toed shoes!**

Friday Night Picnic

The picnic will be on Friday night before the night photo shoot. The cost is \$20 per person and will include:

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| Hamburgers | Lemonade, punch or iced tea |
| Hot dogs | Hand dipped ice cream |
| Baked beans | Lancaster County |
| Two cold salads | Whoopie Pie |
| Potato chips | |

Night Photo Session (Friday)

An under the stars photo session with 475 in several locations. Weather permitting.

Saturday Activities

475 Mixed Train

The exclusive N&WHS mixed train with 475 includes multiple photo locations. Ride this rare opportunity to see the 475 reminiscent of branch line operations in the 1950s.

General Membership Meeting

Join us to learn what is new with N&WHS and ask questions of the officers and directors.

Annual Banquet

The banquet will be on Saturday night at the Fireside Inn. Cost is \$35 per person and will include:

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| Crisp Garden Salad | Corn O’Brien |
| with Ranch and Balsamic | Roasted Red Skinned Potatoes |
| Vinaigrette Dressings | Pulled Pork BBQ |
| Coleslaw | Mesquite Chicken Breast |
| Rolls and Butter | Apple Crisp |
| Baked Beans | |

The Commissary
Our Commissary will be open and fully stocked throughout the Convention in the Clarion Hotel.

| Event | Price | Quantity | Total |
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| Registration | \$75.00 | | |
| Strasburg Shop Tour | \$16.50 | | |
| Night Photo Session | \$25.00 | | |
| Hostling tour | \$30.00 | | |
| Landisville Railroad Tour | \$5.00 | | |
| Friday Night Picnic | \$20.00 | | |
| Saturday Evening Banquet -Fireside Inn | \$35.00 | | |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED | | | |

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