



# NORFOLK & WESTERN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Annual Convention 2023

### June 8-11, Beckley, West Virginia

The theme of this year's convention is coal and, since we haven't met in four years due to COVID, the program is purposefully designed to create fellowship in a relaxed, non-rushed environment.

It is hoped that many old friendships will be renewed and new relationships will be established.

And now that bus services have succumbed to inflation (almost \$5,000 per bus has been the cheapest quote!) We likely have to resort to car pooling for group transportation. While we are still exploring the possibility of making arrangements with churches and other civic groups, we are planning at the moment to carpool.

**Reservations @ \$111.00, plus tax, per night can be made by calling the Country Inn & Suites in Beckley @ 304-252-5100. Ask for the N&WHS group rate.**

A Ruby Tuesday's and Cracker Barrel are adjacent to the hotel. Tamarack and other eateries are an easy drive or 10-minute walk.

A modeling contest will be conducted by and judging coordinated through Steve Summers. Entrants may contact him by e-mail at [summers1218@yahoo.com](mailto:summers1218@yahoo.com)

A packet of applicable materials will be presented.

If you have an idea for a clinic, suggestions for topics, or can present a clinic, we'd love to hear from you! Please e-mail Tim Hensley with your suggestions or offer to help.

#### Thursday, June 8

Registration (\$35 at Desk in Front Lobby or ordered in advance), Display and exhibitor/vendor Set-Ups  
BOD Meeting (2 p.m. in hotel's Convention Center)  
Dinner on own.  
Presentations in hotel's Conference Center at 7 p.m.

#### Friday, June 9

9:30 a.m. Tour Beckley Exhibition Mine & Children's Museum (\$15), Box lunch on premises (\$15).

If you've never been underground, this is a real delight. Conducted in a safe environment by retired, certified miners who will thoroughly explain the pro-

cess. On the premises are a mining museum, the Rahall company store, Superintendents house, 1940s miners cabin (this is a jewel!), church and remnants of the Mark Twain High school in Stotesbury, where Senator Robert C. Byrd attended.

2:00 p.m. Princeton Railroad Museum, Depart for 1 p.m. Cookies & Refreshments to be served

4:00 p.m. Return to Hotel departs

*Dinner on own*

*Presentations commence this evening @ 7 p.m.*

So far, we have Alex Schust (Friday), Jim Nichols, Grant Carpenter, Ken Miller, Sam Phillips, Everett Young (after Saturday banquet), Virginian Interest Group, Modeling Committee, Tim Hensley and others scheduled for 50-minute time slots. Bear in mind speakers and programs are subject to change.

#### Saturday, June 10

9 a.m. Leave for new Consol Itmann Loadout

10 a.m. Tour Itmann Complex, with NS train staged to load

12 Noon Return to Hotel. If time permits, we may stop by the Mullens Museum & Caboose

*More Presentations in afternoon*

6:00 p.m. Cocktail hour at Tamarack

7-9 p.m. Annual Banquet (\$50), Keynote speaker is Chris Hamilton, president of West Virginia Coal Association and influential state business leader.

9:30 p.m. Presentations & Fellowship, Convention Center

#### Sunday, June 11

9:30 a.m. Annual Meeting in Convention Center

11 a.m. Dismissal

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Tim Hensley*

*N&WHS President/Convention Chairman  
304-633-8512 or [caseyatkenova@aol.com](mailto:caseyatkenova@aol.com)*

*Steve Summers*

*Co-Chairman*

**Please print and completely fill out the form below.**

Event	Price	Quantity	Total
Registration (Family)	\$35.00		
Friday Tour (per person)	\$15.00		
Friday Box Lunch (per person)	\$15.00		
Saturday Evening Banquet (per person)	\$55.00		
TOTAL ENCLOSED			

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