

2004 SLHTS Convention Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday, August 20, 2004:

Registration 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
General and Society Sales 4:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Contest Entries 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Prototype Modelers' Gathering 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Live Presentations 7:00 PM, 8:00 PM, 9:00 PM
Members' Slides and Videos .. 10:00 PM - 1:00 AM

Saturday, August 21, 2004:

Registration 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
General and Society Sales 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Live Presentations 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM
Contest Viewing and Voting 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Contest Pick-Up 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Luncheon / Annual Meeting .. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Mid-Continent Trains . 12:30 PM, 2:00 PM, 3:30 PM
Mid-Continent Guided Tours ... 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Soo Line 2017 Open 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
R & GN Shop Tour 4:00 PM
Social Hour 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Banquet and Speaker 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Annual SLHTS Archives Auction 9:30 PM

Sunday, August 22, 2004:

Board of Directors Meeting 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
North Freedom Trains 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM
R & GN Trains from 10:00 AM
Layouts Open 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mid-Continent Railway Museum runs its trains at 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 2:00 PM and 3:30 PM daily.

The Badger Steam and Gas Show is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The **Riverside and Great Northern** is open daily beginning at 10:00 AM.

For maps and directions to the above locations, see the other side of this folder.

Friday and Saturday Live Presentations and Banquet Speaker

Friday Evening, 7:00 PM

Mark and Marv Preussler, SLHTS members, Soo Line and GBW modelers, and published authors, will discuss their work in modeling locomotives, equipment and structures of their favorite railroads.

Friday Evening, 8:00 PM

Bill Buhrmaster, long-time member of Mid-Continent Railway Museum and lead on the Copper Range 60 restoration project, will present a clinic entitled, "History and Restoration of Copper Range Coach No. 60." This is one of the coaches that will be featured in Saturday's guided tour.

Friday Evening, 9:00 PM

David Leider, long-time member of the SLHTS and frequent author featured in *the SOO* as well as other journals, will provide "A Look at Soo Line Work Equipment in the Seventies".

Saturday Morning, 8:00 AM

Todd Brown, SLHTS Webmaster, will present segments of a DVD produced by CP locomotive engineer Mark McKinney covering a narrated diesel cab view on a main-line run from St. Paul, MN to Portage, WI.

Saturday Morning, 9:00 AM

Rick Johnson, staff of and contributors to the Soo, will hold a discussion session on recent articles, upcoming content, ideas for new articles, how to research a topic, and materials available from the SLHTS Archives and other sources.

Saturday Evening Banquet

Our featured speaker will be **Fred Dahlinger**, a published historian on the subject of Circus Trains. His two books currently in print are *Trains of the Circus 1872-1956* and *Show Trains of the 20th Century*. His topic will be "Giant Show Trains of Steel," somewhat different from our usual fare, but certainly appropriate for our proximity to Circus World Museum and its extensive and well-maintained railroad circus equipment collection.

Other Special Convention Activities

Friday Evening, 10:00 PM

Members' Slides and Videos: Members are invited to show slides in 10-20 minute segments. A standard slide projector and equipment to project digitized photos should be available. Please sign the sheet indicating name, topic and approximate time for your segment.

Saturday, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Mid-Continent Guided Tours: Mid-Continent Railway Museum members will lead small groups through the Soo Line business car *Oak Park*, DSS&A coach 213, as well as the newly restored Copper Range coach 60 and Milwaukee Lake Shore and Western coach 63. These cars are very seldom open for inside viewing and we guarantee you'll enjoy and appreciate your exceptional experiences here.

Saturday, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Soo Line 2017 Open: This diner-lounge car was rebuilt by the Soo Line from a coach in the 1950s for service on *the Laker*. This car is the prototype for one of the first cars in the SLHTS brass side standard passenger car series. We expect to have a display of dining car china inside and refreshments may be available for purchase.

Saturday, 4:00 PM

R&GN Shop Tour: The Riverside and Great Northern Railway in Wisconsin Dells has invited us to visit their live steam operation and picnic grounds and also to participate in a tour of the shops where their locomotives and cars are maintained and built. Discounts on tickets for rides and items in their gift shop will be available to us Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday, 10:00 AM - 12:00 or 1:00 PM

Layouts Open: Please see the separate sheet in your convention envelope for directions to Bob Welke's Northern Wisconsin / Upper Michigan HO layout in Baraboo and Bob Wundrock's Rice Lake, Dallas and Menomonie (Soo Line) HO layout in Verona (Madison suburb). These layouts will be open to our attendees Sunday morning only.