## BERKS HISTORY CENTER

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# BHC RIDING THE RAILS WITH WHITE STAR TOURS

OCTOBER 29TH-31ST, 2022 3 DAYS & 2 NIGHTS

\$600/PERSON FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY \$775/PERSON FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY

\*Non-members of the BHC pay an additional \$25/person

Take an all-day excursion aboard a vintage steam locomotive in West Virginia. The Cass Scenic Railroad will have you climbing Back Allegheny Mountain to Bald Knob for a spectacular view of the valley below bursting with fall foliage. Beautiful views of the cascading Blackwater Falls, along with an expedition deep into Seneca Caverns completes this unique stay in the Appalacians!

### **PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- 2 nights lodging
- 2 Breakfasts
- One Lunch
- 2 Dinners, including an evening of entertainment
- Cass Scenic Railroad
- Smoky Hole Caverns

- Blackwater Falls State
   Park
- A souvenir gift
- Luggage handling
- Tax & Meal Gratuity
- Motorcoach
   Transportation









For more information, or to make a reservation, contact:

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## BHC RIDING THE RAILS | TRIP ITINERARY

This sample itinerary described below is approximately like the itinerary your group will be following during your stay with the Berks History Center and WHITE STAR TOURS, however, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary.

## DAY 1

An early morning departure has you beginning your journey to wild and beautiful West Virginia with a leisurely drive through the Allegheny Mountains (enroute we will stop for lunch). Along the way, we will visit Blackwater Falls State Park that features a spectacular waterfall plunging 63 feet into the canyon below. After checking into your hotel, dinner will be at a local restaurant, followed by time for you to relax and enjoy the beauty of the area.

#### DAY 2

Enjoy breakfast, then depart for a fun-filled day of "riding the rails" through the beautiful countryside. Climb aboard the Cass Scenic Railroad and begin the long haul to Bald Knob. Panoramas of the lofty Appalachians become more beautiful as the train climbs higher and higher, and passengers suddenly realize they are entering a totally different world because of the change in trees, flowers and atmosphere. By climbing from Cass to Bald Knob on Back Allegheny Mountain, you have the equivalent to an 800-mile trip to Canada in climate because of the higher altitude. Here are found spruce trees, snowshoe hares and other plants and animals typical in the far north. The rustic overlook affords one of the most awesome, overwhelming spectacles in the east... a ride on the Cass Scenic Railroad is an unforgettable experience! A "King of the Road" hobo lunch will be provided to enjoy while you ride as well. At the conclusion of the train tour, your group will enjoy a chance stop at the Rail & Trail Store before departing for dinner and an evening of entertainment.

## DAY 3

Following breakfast, check out and depart for a visit to the Smoky Hole Caverns. The caverns contain an abundance of flowing stone, gleaming creamy white stone that looks like a rock waterfall! The buildup of minerals from the steady flow of water builds beautiful monuments of stone that are as breathtaking as the mountain scenery above ground. After your exciting visit, depart for home (enroute, again, we will stop for lunch) with lasting memories of your rail trip to West Virginia. Halloween costumes are optional on this day; participants with the Most Historical (or Hysterical) costume will win prizes.

Trip cancellation protection is strongly encouraged for medical emergencies that may occur through NTA/AON Insurance via their website https://nta.aontravelprotect.com and provide the Tour Operator Location #386097.