

BUS HISTORY ASSOCIATION 2020 Convention IOWA CITY, IA

The Bus History Association's annual Convention for 2020 will be held in **Iowa City IA** from **Thursday, June 11th to Saturday, June 13th, 2020**. A full and interesting program is being arranged to allow everyone to renew acquaintances and discuss the transportation industry.

The Itinerary for the convention has not been finalized, but tentative details (subject to change) are shown below:

- **Thursday, June 11** will be spent to areas west and south of Iowa City including Des Moines, Ames (Iowa State University) and Marshalltown.
- **Friday, June 12** will be spent to areas north and east of Iowa City including Cedar Rapids, Waterloo and Dubuque.
- **Saturday, June 13** will be spent visiting the Quad Cities (Bettendorf and Davenport, IA, Rock Island and Moline, IL) as well as Clinton. A stop will be made at the Quad Cities International Airport (Rock Island, IL) in the afternoon.
- The local properties around Iowa City (Iowa City Transit, Cambus and Coralville Transit) will be visited on either the Thursday or the Friday.
- The BHA annual meeting will be held on **Friday evening, June 12**.

The host hotel is the **Hyatt Place Iowa City Downtown** (255 E. Court Street). The hotel is located one block from the Court Street Transportation Center which is serviced by Greyhound, Windstar Lines, Burlington Trailways and Iowa City Transit. The BHA has negotiated a room rate of \$99 per night (plus applicable state and local taxes) for rooms with either a King bed or two Queen beds. The rate also includes free breakfast, complimentary Wi-Fi and valet parking. There are many restaurants located within a few blocks in the downtown area.

There is no Airport in Iowa City. The two closest airports are in Cedar Rapids, IA and Moline, IL. Public transit directions from each airport to the Hyatt are shown below:

- **Eastern Iowa Airport (CID)**, Cedar Rapids, IA – Take Cedar Rapids Transit route 11 from the Airport to the Ground Transportation Center (GTC) in downtown Cedar Rapids. Transfer to Windstar Lines 380 Express route destined to the Court Street Transportation Center.
- **Quad City International Airport (MLI)**, Moline, IL – Megabus provides service between MLI and the Coralville Intermodal Facility. Transfer to the Express route for Coralville Transit destined to the Court Street Transportation Center. Burlington Trailways also provides service between Moline and Iowa City. Take Rock Island Metro 20 Blue route to the Center Station (1200 River Drive) and transfer to a Burlington Trailways coach.

The BHA would like to stress to members to **register early** by filling out and mailing in the attached Annual Convention Registration Form. One charter coach (56 passenger) will be booked with registration being cut off once capacity has been reached. After that point, BHA members **will be put on a waiting list** and will be notified in the event of any cancellations.

The registration package is included with this cover page, which includes a waiver form. Your cooperation in signing the document is appreciated. The BHA will reserve the right to limit access to convention activities if the waiver is not signed.

The Annual Convention Registration Form, Waiver and Hotel Reservation Information have been included with this letter. An information package and detailed itinerary will be issued with your registration package upon arrival at the convention. Please note the following regarding the convention activities:

- The Thursday, Friday and Saturday tours will depart the hotel at **8:00 AM sharp**.

The BHA looks forward to seeing you in June 2020 in the corn state of Iowa. We hope you take advantage of this opportunity to see old friends and new sights.

Hotel Reservation Information – Iowa City IA

Please do not send this form to the hotel.

A block of rooms for convention attendees has been reserved at:

Hyatt Place Iowa City Downtown

Ms. Jodi Welder, Director of Sales

255 East Court Street, Iowa City, IA, 52240

Tel: 319-569-2780 or 1-888-591-1234

Fax: 319-569-2780

Jodi.welder@hyatt.com

The special **BHA convention rate is \$ 99.00 per night (plus applicable taxes of 13.5%)** for a deluxe guest room. This will include up to four individuals in a room with two queen beds or king bed room. This room rate includes free valet parking, free breakfast and free high-speed internet access.

The room block has been set up for arrivals on Wednesday, June 10 and departures on Sunday, June 14. The number of rooms available in the block is limited so it is **recommended that you make your reservations as soon as possible to avoid missing out.**

Please reserve your room by either:

- Calling the Hyatt hotel at 1-888-591-1234. **It is essential that you quote the group name Bus History Association** at the time of making your reservation to get the convention rate.
- To book online, please visit the BHA website at www.bus-history.org where the PDF convention document contains a hyperlink to the Hyatt Place Iowa City Downtown.
- Hyperlink: [BHA 2020 Convention Hyperlink](#)

Note that the online BHA booking site only allows the convention dates from June 10th to 13th inclusive. To book outside of these dates, you will have to call the hotel directly at the 1-888 number listed above. It is at the discretion of the hotel to allow the BHA rate on these dates, depending on room availability.

Please note that all reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. At check in, a major credit card, including where payment is made by cash and a photo ID will be required. Reservations can be cancelled up to 48 hours before the scheduled day of arrival. Any reservations cancelled after 48 hours prior to the scheduled day of arrival will result in a full charge to the credit card.

The room block is available until 11:59 PM on Sunday, May 10, 2020. At that time, any unreserved rooms in the block will be released for resale by the hotel.

ANNUAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State / Province _____ Zip / Postal Code _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

To better help us plan, please indicate which nights you intend to stay at the hotel and the days you plan to join in on the BHA activities.

Iowa City Hotel – Nights of:

Mon. June 8 _____ Tue. June 9 _____ Wed. June 10 _____ Thu. June 11 _____

Fri. June 12 _____ Sat. June 13 _____ Sun. June 14 _____ Additional Nights _____

No. of people in Room _____ Rooming With _____

Or - I will have other accommodation elsewhere (please list location) _____

BHA Convention Events: Please check below for all days that you will be attending.

Thurs., June 11 _____ Fri., June 12 _____ Sat., June 13 _____

Please enclose the **appropriate convention registration fee**, summarized below by day and by member/non-member. Registration fees are listed in Canadian and U.S. \$.

Please circle all squares that apply	Registration Fee (All Three Days)		Registration Fee (Individual Days)					
			Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
	Cdn \$	U.S. \$	Cdn \$	U.S. \$	Cdn \$	U.S. \$	Cdn \$	U.S. \$
BHA Members	135	100	55	40	55	40	55	40
BHA Non-Members	165	125	65	50	65	50	65	50

***** Non-members may pay the lower fee by becoming a BHA Member at the rate of \$35.00 US or \$45.00 CDN *****

Please turn over to page 2 to complete the registration. Don't forget to also sign the waiver ...

ANNUAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM (Page 2)

Please make your registration cheque or money order payable to “The Bus History Association Inc.” and remit with this form to:

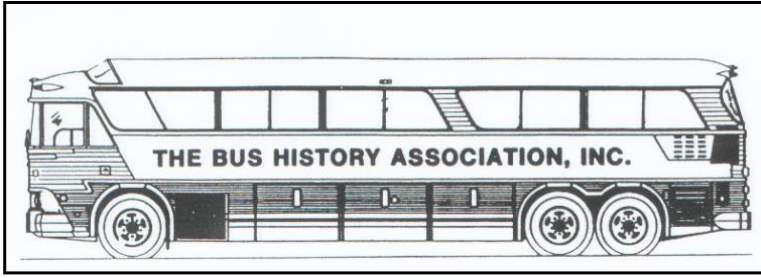
Mr. Bernie Drouillard
Secretary/Treasurer
Bus History Association
965 McEwan
Windsor, Ontario, CANADA, N9B 2G1
(519) 977-0664 bdrouillard3@cogeco.ca

Please list below any special requirements that you may have, or any comments regarding the convention:

Signed _____ Date _____

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Thank you and we will see you in Iowa City.



BUS HISTORY ASSOCIATION 2020 Convention Iowa City, IA

Event Waiver, Consent and Conditions of Use

Event: 2020 Annual Convention

Dates: Thursday, June 11 to Saturday, June 13, 2020

The participant in this Event, and in the case of a participant who is a minor, the parents or guardian of such participant, and the successors or assigns of any participant, agrees that he or she shall not have any claim for liability or damages against the Bus History Association, its Officers, or the organizers of this Event, as a result of any incident that occurs during the Event and that results in loss of or damage to personal property, personal injury or death of the participant, however caused.

By his or her signature below, the participant, or a parent or guardian of a participant, acknowledges that he or she has read and understands the terms of this Event Waiver, Consent and Conditions of Use.

The organizers of this Event reserve the right to revoke their permission for the participant take part in this Event for conduct unbecoming a BHA member or for non-compliance with the rules and operational procedures established by the organizers for this Event.

The Association, the organizers and the participating transit properties may substitute vehicles for those that are advertised to be used for the Event. While every effort will be made to complete the Event at the advertised scheduled time, the Society and the organizers assume no responsibility in the event this does not occur.

The Bus History Association requires that members under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all events. In the case of participant who is a minor, the parent or guardian further acknowledges that: (1) he or she has provided permission to the participant to take part in the event and (2) that he or she has read and understands the terms of this Event Waiver, Consent and Conditions of Use.

I have read and understand the contents of this Event Waiver, Consent and Conditions of Use.

Signed by:

Event Participant **(please print name)**
Or Parent or Guardian of Minor Participant

Event Participant **(please sign name)**
Or Parent or Guardian of Minor Participant

Date (of signing)