



June 7, 2011

Dear Fellow HCCA Members & Families:

Greetings from the South Carolina Upstate!

Our 60th Annual *Nothing Could Be Finer* Tour is just a few short weeks away scheduled for July 18th through July 22nd, we've planned a great week of touring in Greenville and our surrounding Upstate counties. As indicated in our earlier letter, our home base this year is the Embassy Suites Greenville Golf Resort and Conference Center.

A made-to-order breakfast awaits you daily in the hotel Atrium, and tour start times most days will be 8:30 am. Each afternoon is capped off with a Manager's Reception starting at 5:30 pm

Please note that the enclosed registration form contains an optional BMW Manufacturing Plant tour, which will require early registration due to our club's insurance regulations and arrival on Sunday, 07/17 for those wishing to tour the plant.

Regular **Monday** registration will begin at 11:00 am. in the hotel Atrium, with a short tour to begin at 1:00 p.m. to a local retirement community. Our Monday evening ***"take me out to the ball game"*** outing is a downtown Greenville Drive baseball game starting at 6:00 pm. The Drive is blocking off the street in front of the stadium just for us and will even feature a few lucky members to take their cars on a parade lap on the field during the game! Security will be provided to watch the cars while we are enjoying the game. The Drive will provide vouchers for admission and dinner at the park. For those not wanting to drive to the game, bus transportation to and from the park will be provided.

Tuesday we hit the backroads and will head north to tour historic Landrum, SC, Tryon and Saluda, NC. We'll peruse the foothills before returning along North Greenville County's beautiful watershed route. Lunch will be served along with some much needed leisure time for browsing in some of Landrum's historic district stores.

Wednesday we're west to Pickens County, with lunch at historic working Hagood Mills, with a return along the Cherokee Foothills Scenic Hwy past Table Rock and Caesar's Head. Upon our return to the hotel, an HCCA Golf Scramble has been arranged as an option for the afternoon for those that want to participate. So bring your sticks, or you can rent clubs for a nominal fee. Wednesday evening will be topped off with a fantastic homemade ice cream and watermelon social at the Embassy Pavilion.

Thursday we head north again and will be traveling the back gravel roads of the Green River Preserve meandering up a gradual grade leading to Cedar Mountain. We will return via a stop on top of Caesar's Head to overlook the vistas leading to the Piedmont. Thursday evening is open for an optional beach music concert event.

Friday we will be taking a short tour in and around Greenville and will be visiting the UpCountry History Museum, The Greenville Children's Museum, Liberty Bridge at Falls

Park, the historic West End, and all that downtown has to offer. Lunch will be on your own with numerous choices along downtown's Main Street eateries.

Friday night's banquet will be at 7:00 p.m. hosted by the Embassy Suites in the Pinehurst Ballroom.

As indicated in our earlier correspondence, an initial block of 80 rooms was reserved at the Embassy Suites. Embassy Suites provided a nightly rate of \$89/night through April 3rd, and most of our club members took advantage of this terrific \$60/night savings. Following the April 3rd cutoff, the hotel has released an additional room block at a rate of \$109/night through June 15th.

Please use the following information to complete your reservations:

Embassy Suites Greenville Golf Resort and Conference Center
670 Verdae Boulevard
Greenville, SC 29607 (864) 676-9090

Confirmation Code - North Carolina Horseless Carriage Club

Enclosed is the registration form. Please complete this form and return it to Brad Van Meter, 110 Edgeworth Street, Greenville, SC 29607 no later than June 25th.

If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact me by phone at (864) 451-4276 (anytime) or by e-mail brad.vanmeter@gmail.com

We look forward to spending the week riding, reminiscing, eating and enjoying the fellowship of our HCCA friends and family.

Our best to you and your families,

Brad & Davis Van Meter

Attention Board Members:

There will be a short board meeting on Thursday night at 7:30 pm

