

Sawmill Explorer Cruise

Ride the "Sawmill Explorer" from Sawmill Creek to the Huron Harbor along the shore of Lake Erie. The Sawmill Explorer is the former Cedar Point ferry "Dispatch" built in 1954; serving passengers from downtown Sandusky to the park for 20 years.

The cruise will take roughly one-half hour from Sawmill Creek to the harbor. Enjoy the fall colors along the lakeshore as we go around the Huron Harbor Lighthouse and enter the harbor. The boat will then disembark passengers at the Huron Municipal Boat Basin where we will board a bus to be taken to the Huron Docks. The Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway will ask visitors to sign a release; then we will be able to explore and photograph on the dock. If possible, the Wheeling will have locomotives and their new hopper cars on display while we are there. After visiting the dock, and if time allows, we will board the bus to visit other W&LE/NKP sites in the area. It will be unlike any "railroad" excursion you have ever experienced.

**Passage on the Sawmill Explorer and Bus will be \$25.00 per person.
Include the total cost of passages on the Convention Registration Form**

Please consider the following:

- The cruise will depart 1:00 PM from the Sawmill Creek Marina. Lodge transportation to the dock will be available for those who want it starting at 12:45 PM. You can also walk to the ferry dock from the hotel; be there by 1:00 PM.
- **The cruise will depart rain or shine, as long as Lake Erie conditions will allow it. The Captain of the Sawmill Explorer will make the final decision on whether the boat will depart. If lake conditions will prevent the boat from departing at any time; the boat trip/tour may be conducted on Friday the 10th or Sunday the 12th, or conducted entirely by bus. There will be NO REFUNDS if the boat does not depart due to lake/weather conditions.**
- PLEASE PREPARE TO DRESS ACCORDINGLY. Weather and water conditions could vary widely on Lake Erie this time of year.
- The cruise and dock visit may be scheduled on either Friday October 10th or Sunday, October 12th if actual or anticipated lake conditions would not allow it on Saturday the 11th, but would allow it on either of those days.
- If motion sickness could be a problem; consider limiting your food intake at lunch. Consult your personal physician for information or a prescription motion sickness medication if necessary, or bring an over-the-counter product. If lake conditions are good, this should not be an issue for most persons.
- If demand warrants, you may be offered the opportunity to take the land portion of the cruise; visiting inland sites and/or the docks first, then board the boat at the Huron Boat Basin for the return to Sawmill Creek.

PLEASE BOOK YOUR PASSAGE AND SEND CONVENTION REGISTRATIONS NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 9, 2008!