



Next Weekend Fly-In: Chattanooga, TN (KCHA) May 28-31, 2015

Join us in Chattanooga, TN for a fabulous weekend! We will fly into Lovell Field (KCHA) and park at the FBO, Wilson Air. Ramp fees will be waived, and Wilson Air will offer a discount of \$.50 per gallon for full service fuel. Overnight parking fees will be waived with a minimum fuel purchase of 30 gallons. You can also get self-service fuel that will save an additional \$.40 / gallon. If you would like a rental car or have questions, contact Wilson Air at (423) 855-2299.

Our hotel is the Hampton Inn & Suites Chattanooga/Downtown and is within walking distance to attractions, restaurants and the riverfront! The rate is \$149 for a standard king or double queen room. And of course Hampton provides a free hot breakfast each morning! If you drive, parking is \$8/day. If you would like to extend your trip, the rates are good 3 days prior and after our event dates. To make your reservation **call the hotel directly at (423) 693-0500 and ask for the SE Bonanza Society rate.** (Reservations can be made online at Hilton.com or through the 800 number using the code **SBS**, but you may not see our rate for the extended dates.) **The deadline for reservations is Friday, May 1st.**

On Thursday our local SEBS member, Tom Snow, has a special opportunity for us! T. J. Snow Company, which is located across the runway from Wilson Air, designs and builds standard and special-design resistance spot welding machinery. The company's customer base includes many Tier 1 and Tier 2 automotive parts suppliers and recent projects include machines to spot weld Corvette mufflers and Camaro rear seat frames. For those interested, tours of its 65,000 square foot facility will be available during the arrival hours on Thursday afternoon and Tom Snow will coordinate transportation.

On Thursday afternoon, Hospitality will be up and running by 3 pm. We'll shut down temporarily to head out for a 6:30 pm dinner reservation at 212 Market Restaurant in their private dining room. Dinner will be on individual checks. Upon return from dinner, Hospitality will be back in business!



On Friday morning we'll head to the Coker Tire headquarters for a tour of their facilities and museum. Coker Tire offers the largest variety of vintage car and motorcycle tires in the world. The owner, Corky Coker, is the consummate car guy who has spent most of his adult career building the world renowned Coker Tire Company that his father, Harold Coker founded in 1958. Corky is credited with saving Honest Charley Speed Shop in the late 1990's and took over the



Great Race which is an antique, vintage, and collector car competitive controlled-speed endurance road rally on public highways. Our tour will explore the 100-year-old Coker headquarters including warehouse space, machine shop, museum, and Honest Charley's Speed Shop and garage, a classic car restoration shop. The museum houses more than 60 vintage motorcycles and as many antique cars. Corky's collection includes brass cars, restored vintage cars, hot rods, vintage trucks, airplanes, unique engines, vintage motorcycles and antique race cars. Our tour will conclude in



the museum where we will have lunch amongst historic motorcycles, automobiles and nostalgic automobilia! Lunch will be catered by Jason's Deli!

After lunch we will head to the Chattanooga Riverboat pier to catch the Tennessee Aquarium's River Gorge Explorer for a two-hour cruise which is considered "part thrill ride, part scenic tour"! The high-tech, hydrofoil-assisted vessel will transport us swiftly and smoothly along the waters of the Tennessee River past the foot of Lookout Mountain and into the heart of "Tennessee's Grand Canyon". The tour will be guided by an Aquarium naturalist who will bring local history to life while helping spot wildlife. You can relax in the climate controlled cabin or soak in the scenery from the observation deck!



Upon return from our cruise, Hospitality will open! Friday night dinner is on your own! Refer to the Free Shuttle downtown brochure in your packets for options. Additional activities you may enjoy are the Chattanooga Lookouts baseball game, the Southern Belle's Admiral's Dinner Cruise, and live music at Miller Plaza! A fireworks display at the conclusion of the baseball game can be seen from the Hospitality balcony!



On Saturday we will go to Lookout Mountain to tour the attractions! In the morning we will visit Ruby Falls. Our tour will begin by descending 260 feet into Lookout Mountain by elevator! Our guide will lead us down the cave path, and we will view unique geological wonders with the highlight being the underground 145 foot tall Ruby Falls! It is ½ mile to the falls and then back out. It is always 60 degrees in the cave!

We will then visit Rock City for a self-guided tour. You can take the Enchanted Garden path through spectacular rock formations OR the accessible path to Lover's Leap and Observation Point to view seven states! If still blooming, we may encounter rhododendrons, mountain laurel, and native azaleas! There will be a Birds of Prey program at the

Critter Classroom (check times). Wings to Soar, a non-profit environmental organization who cares for non-releasable birds of prey, conducts the program that allows a unique opportunity to view and interact with birds of prey up close! In addition, there will be live music in the park for the Summer Music Weekend series. Lunch will be on your own. You may take advantage of Big Rock Grill and Cliff Terrace for concessions such as burgers, hotdogs, nachos, and pizza or enjoy a full service restaurant, Café 7, at Lovers Leap (expect delays).



Saturday evening will end the weekend with a banquet dinner at the DoubleTree By Hilton which is directly across the street from our hotel! This fly-in is shaping up to be a great one, so register now!

Please be sure to make your hotel reservation and send the registration form so it is received by Friday, May 1, 2015!