



June 29, 2009

TO: PPTA Members and Special Guests

FROM: Martha Knarr Pierce, Executive Director

SUBJECT: PPTA Summer Meeting/Bus & Paratransit Roadeo, August 8-11, 2009

On August 8 through 11, you and your co-workers are invited to our annual PPTA Summer Meeting and Roadeo in Greensburg, hosted by Larry Morris and his team at Westmoreland County Transit Authority. To allow for maximum participation, the Roadeo will include *two* competitions for drivers to test their skills. Our first competition will feature a 35' Gillig, followed by our Paratransit Roadeo featuring a Ford Body on Chassis. **Please note that a minimum of ten (10) drivers must be registered for each competition by July 15 or the event will not be held.**

The PPTA Bus & Paratransit Roadeo will begin on Saturday afternoon with registration at the Four Points Sheraton Greensburg. Our evening activities will feature a family luau at the hotel, complete with swimming, good food, and good times. On Sunday, August 9 the roadeo will be held on-site at the Four Points Sheraton parking lot and includes a continental breakfast and award luncheon.

To round out the day on Sunday, we will meet at the AMS Club in South Greensburg for a delicious Italian meal followed by a fun-filled night of bocce ball on outdoor courts. Bocce is fun and easy to learn, so whether you're a "newbie" or an old pro, you'll have a great time. Transportation will be provided by WCTA.

On Monday, August 10, we're back to business with committee meetings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Sheraton. We will complete our work with a PPTA membership meeting and luncheon. A PPTA board of directors meeting will be held the afternoon of Sunday, August 9.

You're on your own for evening activities on Monday, and information on the Steelers Training Camp hosted nearby at St. Vincent's College is attached. Our games begin again on Tuesday, August 11 with a golf outing at the Hannastown Golf Club in Greensburg.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Four Points Sheraton Greensburg, at 100 Sheraton Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601. To ensure availability, make your reservation as soon as possible, by calling (724) 836-6060. Be sure to mention PPTA to get the special rate of \$105.00. The cut-off on the special room rate is July 15.

You and your staff should plan now to register drivers and judges to participate in PPTA's Annual Summer Meeting and Roadeo. Everyone is invited to join in the camaraderie of the Roadeo and come out for the luau on Saturday evening. Our committee and membership meetings offer excellent opportunities to contribute and network with your peers. So mark your calendar, send in your registration, and get ready for a terrific time! If you have any questions, call PPTA/PennTRAIN at (800) 847-0333.

**WELCOME TO THE PPTA SUMMER MEETING AND ROADEO  
HOSTED BY: Westmoreland County Transit Authority**



**Four Points Sheraton Greensburg  
100 Sheraton Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601  
(724-836-6060)**



**Schedule of Activities  
August 8-11, 2009**

**Saturday, August 8**

**2:00-5:30 p.m. Welcome/Registration for Drivers & Judges  
6:00 p.m. Luau at Hotel**

**Sunday, August 9**

**7:00 a.m. Rodeo Registration/Continental Breakfast  
7:30 a.m. Drivers Walk-thru and Judges Meeting  
Afternoon Award Presentation & Luncheon  
PPTA Board of Directors Meeting (TBA)  
5:45 p.m. Buses Depart to Dinner & Bocce at AMS Club**

**Monday, August 10**

**8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Registration – Four Points Sheraton Lobby**

**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Committee Meetings - First Session**

- ◆ Community Transportation- *Cindy Zerbe, Co-Chairman*
- ◆ Marketing & Communications- *M. Rancone, Chairman*
- ◆ Operations- *Tim Miller, Chairman*
- ◆ Membership Services- *Teri Giurintano, Chairman*

**10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Committee Meetings - Second Session**

- ◆ Human Resources- *John Palko, Chairman*
- ◆ Government Affairs- *David Kilmer, Chairman*
- ◆ Maintenance- *Carl Souder, Chairman*

**2:15 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Membership Luncheon Meeting**

- ◆ Greetings from Larry Morris, WCTA Executive Director
- ◆ Luncheon with Invited Guest Speaker
- ◆ Membership Meeting & PENNDOT Update

**Tuesday, August 11**

**Program Wrap-Up /Adjournment  
◆ Golf Tournament – Hannastown Golf Club ◆**



**PPTA 2009 SUMMER MEETING REGISTRATION**  
**Four Points Sheraton Greensburg**  
**August 8-11, 2009**

**SAVE A TREE! - REGISTER ON LINE AT: [www.ppta.net](http://www.ppta.net)**

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**\_\_\_\_\_ YES! Sign me up to be a Sponsor! \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_ YES! Sign me up to be a Rodeo Judge!**

Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Full Meeting &amp; Rodeo Package</b> <i>(Includes events, Saturday-Monday)</i>	<b>\$130 p/p x _____ = \$ _____</b>
<b>Rodeo only</b> <i>(Includes Sunday breakfast &amp; Lunch)</i>	<b>\$ 25 p/p x _____ = \$ _____</b>
<b>Committee Meetings &amp; Membership Meeting Luncheon Only</b>	<b>\$ 75 p/p x _____ = \$ _____</b>
<b>Luau only</b> <i>(Saturday Evening at the hotel)</i>	<b>\$ 30 p/p x _____ = \$ _____</b>
<b>Dinner &amp; Bocce</b> <i>(Sunday Evening at the AMS Club)</i>	<b>\$ 30 p/p x _____ = \$ _____</b>

**TOTAL Remittance Enclosed: = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Dining RSVP – Please Indicate Total Number Attending**

8/8 Luau \_\_\_\_\_ 8/9 Rodeo Breakfast & Lunch \_\_\_\_\_

8/9 Dinner & Bocce \_\_\_\_\_ 8/10 Membership Meeting & Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Select Method of Payment:** \_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MASTERCARD \_\_\_ DISCOVER \_\_\_ AMEX

Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_/\_\_\_

Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

– Fax to 717-234-7176 –

**OR FAX & Mail By 7/21/08 with Remittance Made Payable to PPTA to:**  
**PPTA, 600 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101**  
**(717) 234-7211 / (717) 234-7176 (fax)**  
**[mpierce@ppta.net](mailto:mpierce@ppta.net) / [cconaway@penntain.net](mailto:cconaway@penntain.net) / [www.ppta.net](http://www.ppta.net) / [www.penntain.net](http://www.penntain.net)**

## ***DRIVING DIRECTIONS***

***Four Points Sheraton Greensburg***  
***100 Sheraton Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601***  
***724-836-6060***

**From Pittsburgh Airport** - Take Rte 60-S to I-279N to I-376E to Monroeville. Take I-76E to Irwin Exit. Follow US-30E for 12 miles. Pass Westmoreland Mall on right. Turn left at first light; hotel at top of hill.

**From East** - Take PA Turnpike/I-76W to New Stanton Exit (#75). Take Rte 119N toward Greensburg. Follow to US-30E. Continue 3 miles; go past Westmoreland Mall. Turn left at the light immediately after the mall.

**From North** - Take I-79S to I-76/PA Turnpike. Follow east to Irwin exit (#67). Take US-30E for 12 miles. Pass Westmoreland Mall and turn left at the light immediately following the mall.

**From West** - Take I-76/PA Turnpike Irwin Exit #67 (Irwin). Take US-30E for 12 miles. Pass Westmoreland Mall on right and turn left at the light immediately after the mall.

### ***AMS CLUB***

**700 Huff Avenue, Greensburg, 15601**  
***(about 4 miles from hotel)***

**!Bus Transportation Provided – Highly Recommended!**

#### ***Hotel to Club***

**Exit hotel turn right onto US-30 West**  
**Take US-119 S ramp toward Connellsville**  
**Turn Right onto US-119/PA-819/S Main St.**  
**Turn Left onto Huff Avenue/PA-819**

#### ***Club to Hotel***

**Travel NE on Cedar St. toward Wirsing Ave.**  
**Take US-30-Bypass E ramp**  
**Merge onto US-30 E**  
**Turn left onto Sheraton Drive**

### ***Pittsburgh Steelers Training Camp***

**AUGUST 7 Night Practice at Latrobe High School – 7:00 p.m. (Small fee charged)**

**Directions to Latrobe Memorial Stadium:**

**From Four Points Sheraton:** Turn left onto US-30 E/E Pittsburgh Street. Travel past the St. Vincent College entrance. Take Route 981. At the Arnold Palmer Regional Airport, make a left at the traffic light onto Route 981 North. Proceed through 2 traffic lights as you will cross a bridge over Loyalhanna Creek. At the third traffic light, make a right onto Jefferson Street. Go straight through one stop sign and at the second stop sign, make a right onto Chestnut Street. Latrobe Memorial Stadium will be on your right on Chestnut Street.

**AUGUST 8-11 Practice at 2:55 p.m. at St. Vincent College – Campus opens at 1:30 p.m.**

**Directions to St. Vincent College:**

**From Four Points Sheraton:** Turn left onto US-30 E/E Pittsburgh Street; follow 6 miles. At stop light at Saint Vincent Drive, turn left onto Fraser Purchase Road (unmarked) and go 1/2 mile to campus entrance sign, turn left onto campus. Stop at the Entrance Booth for parking information and further direction.

***Steelers Experience:*** *The Steelers Experience runs from 1:30 to 6:00 when there is a 2:55 p.m. practice. Camp start times are subject to change. The traveling Coca-Cola Great Hall also will be featured near the practice field. Inside experience the history of the Steelers and broadcast a play-by-play call. Try to win team merchandise on the prize wheel.*

***Steelers Merchandise:*** *The Steelers merchandise tent is open whenever the Steelers have practice at St. Vincent College. The tent is located near the entrance to campus, across from the parking lots.*

***Player Autographs:*** *The best time to obtain autographs from the players is after practice. It's at the player's discretion to sign or not sign on a particular day. There are areas designated for fans to stand to obtain the autographs.*