

TECHNICAL TOURS

NOTE: The tours require some walking. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather. Tours will take place rain or shine.

CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE

Sunday, October 14, 2018

8:30am – Noon

Limited space available

Fee: \$40.00 per person

- Tour is open to registered delegates.
- Advance registration is required. (see page 17)
- Buses will load from the hotel lobby at 8:15am.

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Majestic...Gorgeous... and the world's largest continuous over-water steel structure when it opened in 1952, at 4.3 miles, the William Preston Lane Jr. Memorial (Bay) Bridges dual spans are still among the world's longest and most scenic overwater structures and carry more than 27 million motorists across the Bay each year. The bridge provides a direct connection between recreational and ocean

regions on Maryland's Eastern Shore and the metropolitan areas of Baltimore, Annapolis and Washington, DC. Take in views of the beautiful Chesapeake Bay like never before and learn more about this important link that did not exist in the days when colonial Marylanders traveled by boat, with the Chesapeake Bay as their highway!



FT. MCHENRY TUNNEL AND MDTA OPERATIONS CENTER

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This two-part tour will take you behind-the-scenes at the Maryland Transportation Authority's Fort McHenry Tunnel and Authority Operations Center (AOC).

- When it opened to traffic in November 1985, the Fort McHenry Tunnel was the largest underwater highway tunnel, as well as the widest vehicular tunnel built by the immersed tube method in the world. The eight-lane tunnel is nearly 1.4-miles long and closed the final link of the East coast's most important interstate route, I-95. This tour will provide an interesting look at the tunnels control center and ventilation system. The clean air duct was used to film the motion picture *Enemy of the State*, featuring Gene Hackman and Will Smith. You will see and experience the power of 48 300-horsepower ventilation fans that completely exchange the air in the tunnel every minute! Now that's some impressive power!
- The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is the primary traffic and systems monitoring center for the Maryland Transportation Authority's facilities. Traffic Management and MDTA Police Dispatch are housed within the EOC. Providing a central location for these two integrated functions now allows maximum communication, efficiency and effectiveness in providing the MDTA's customers with the exceptional customer service and response and safe roadways that they deserve. Join us as we visit the MDTA's new state-of-the-art EOC, which just opened.