HOG HEAVEN!

Setting our sights to the North, we avoided Washington, DC like Bush does, or would like to. We spent the night at Fredricksburg, VA at a lovely Coast-to-Coast Park. Continuing on we spent the next night at Hershey, PA. The next day we went back to York, PA and took the tour of

the Harley-Davidson manufacturing plant.

There are 90,000 people go through this plant every year. At the present time, you cannot take pictures inside the facility.

The tour starts with an interesting movie depicting the history of the company. Then you are processed through security and are given safety goggles and an ear receiver and battery pack to hear the guide tell you what's happening. The walking part covers at least a half a mile as you wind among the assembly lines.



It is amazing to see how they produce 750 bikes a day. One is finished every 5 minutes. It takes about 2 hours to make one from start to finish. The whole plant is as clean as a kitchen.

After the tour we got on the road again and stopped for the night at a nice little park situated on a lake in the Pennsylvania hills.

Ever since we have been in Pennsylvania we have traveled on some of the worst roads encountered yet. We finally made it to Vermont and we thought it would be a quick trip through it because it was only 69 miles across the state. We are still here in Vermont!

As we passed through Bennington, VT we saw a Covered Bridge Museum. We stopped! It turns out that it was only about 2 months old and is the only one of its kind. The history of covered bridges and the construction of them is covered in detail and is displayed within a covered bridge. Other parts of this museum displayed paintings, woodcarvings, and an Indian exhibit.

It seems that you can zip through three or so states in a day, back here in New England! We had planned to take a ferry from Bar Harbor, MA to Halifax, NS, as we did a few years ago, for \$109. I called up the ferry co. and found they only run a 55 mph catamaran that takes 3 hours and is only \$610! We are not in that much of a hurry.

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