

***NRHS Railway Heritage Grants Program  
Announces Financial Support for  
Railroad History Preservation to Ten Finalists***

**Listed below are the ten (10) NRHS Railway Heritage Grants for 2009, totaling \$40,000, that were awarded by the Heritage Grants Review Board:**

ALEXANDER CHAPTER NRHS \$4500

COLFAX RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC \$2900

FRIENDS OF THE VALLEY RAILROAD \$3850

LACKAWANNA & WYOMING VALLEY CHAPTER NRHS \$4500

NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY \$4500

NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY \$4500

THE NORTHWEST RAILWAY MUSEUM \$4500

FRIENDS OF THE TEHACHAPI DEPOT \$4500

TRUCKEE DONNER RAILROAD SOCIETY \$4250

WATAUGA VALLEY CHAPTER NRHS \$2,000

## ***NRHS Railway Heritage Grants Program Awards Impressive Financial Support for Railroad History Preservation to Ten Finalists***

**Ten Railway Heritage Grants totaling \$40,000 were awarded to three National Railway Historical Society Chapters, and seven organizations and museums that preserve railroad history.**

### **Alexander Chapter NRHS**

Hickory, NC

**Awarded \$4,500** for purchase of the necessary materials (wood, steel, and fittings) to restore a newly acquired narrow gauge boxcar that belonged to East Tennessee & Western North Carolina Railroad to ensure that the car is both restored accurately and preserved for future generations.

### **Colfax Railroad Museum**

Colfax, WI

**Awarded \$2,900** for the acquisition, fabrication, and installation of replacement truck bolsters, drawbars, brake rigging and roofing on an 1885 Omaha Route mail car #301. Additional volunteer labor will complete the installation of replacement doors, windows, and siding and the painting of the car.

### **Friends of the Valley Railroad**

Centerbrook, CT

**Awarded \$3,850** for the acquisition of and/or fabrication of interior cab components for a 1941 Heavy 0-6-0T Porter steam locomotive which serve as a static, educational display at the Essex Steam Train.

### **Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Chapter NRHS**

Scranton, PA

**Awarded \$4,500** for the purchase of the last order of rivets, and their installation, to complete the boiler and firebox repairs of Boston & Maine locomotive 3713, a joint venture of the chapter and the National Park Service's Steamtown Historic Site.

### **New England Electric Railway Historical Society**

Kennebunkport, ME

**Awarded \$4,500** for restoration purposes and education purposes related to the Seashore Trolley Museum's 1906 Atlantic Shore Line Railway wooden electric locomotive No. 100 (ASL-100).

### **Northwestern Pacific Railroad Historical Society**

Santa Rosa, CA

**Awarded \$4,500** for transportation of Central Pacific Railroad coach 29/Northwestern Pacific Railroad (NWP) coach 123, built by Watson in 1861, to Petaluma, CA for restoration as an historically correct working railroad coach. Surplus funds will be allocated to purchase and overhaul two appropriate wood-beam standard gauge passenger trucks for this coach.

### **The Northwest Railway Museum**

Snoqualmie, WA

**Awarded \$4,500** for the preparation of an historic first generation diesel-electric locomotive for permanent exhibit, including elements of rehabilitation and restoration, and production of an exhibit sign.

### **Friends of the Tehachapi Depot**

Tehachapi, CA

**Awarded \$4,500** for the restoration and refurbishment of the historic railroad signals, structural artifacts representing a portion of the Bill Stokoe Collection. The signals were purchased by the City of Tehachapi, from the family of former UPRR Signal Supervisor Bill Stokoe.

### **Truckee Donner Railroad Society**

Truckee, CA

**Awarded \$4,250** for the weatherization and stabilization of the paint on a recently received Pullman to weatherproof the roof and remove rust on its sides so that the car can undergo restoration.

### **Watauga Valley Chapter NRHS**

Johnson City, TN

**Awarded \$2,000** for the restoration of the interior of the former Southern Railway "Crescent Harbor" lounge/sleeper, including removal of interior debris, preparation for painting, and painting of the car's interior.

***NRHS Railway Heritage Grants Program  
Has Awarded Over \$400,000 in Financial Support for  
Railroad History Preservation in the Past 18 Years***

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS AWARDED..... \$429,880\***

**NUMBER OF GRANTS AWARDED IN 18 YEARS..... 176**

**NRHS CHAPTERS RECEIVING GRANTS..... 79**

**OTHER ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING GRANTS..... 97**

**GRANTS HAVE BEEN AWARDED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:**

Archival document and photograph preservation.....	24
Book publication projects.....	2
Video and film projects.....	3
Caboose preservation.....	11
Freight car preservation.....	6
Passenger car preservation.....	35
Locomotive preservation, steam & diesel.....	36
Electric traction, streetcar, preservation.....	16
Railbus preservation.....	2
Depot and Tower preservation.....	21
Maintenance of way structures and equipment.....	4
Railway museum development.....	4
Railway signals preservation.....	3
Railway crane preservation.....	1
Track work.....	5
Turntable & bridge preservation.....	3

\* This entire sum has come from donations, so that absolutely no NRHS dues money has been expended.