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2000 Directory of Rail Attractions offering Discounts to Our Members

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ALABAMA

North Alabama Railroad Museum, Inc., P.O. Box 4163, Huntsville, AL 35815-4163, 256-851-6276:
10% discount on train rides for card carrying members. www.suncompsvc.com/narm/

ALASKA

White Pass & Yukon Route Railway, P.O. Box 435, Skagway, AK 99840, 800-343-7373: 15% discount in the Train Shoppe. www.whitepassrailroad.com

ARIZONA

Verde Canyon Railroad, LC, 300 N. Broadway, Clarkdale, AZ 86324, 800 293-7245: 12% off on all First Class and Coach train tickets. This is our group rate. www.verdecanyonrr.com

ARKANSAS

White River Scenic Railroad, Inc., P.O. Box 160, Cotter, AR 72626, 800 305-6527: 10% discount on train fares. www.trainfun.com

Hot Springs White River Scenic Railroad, P.O. Box 160, Cotter, AR 72626, 888-824-1022: 10% discount on train fares. Call for schedule. www.trainfun.com

1886 Frisco Depot Museum, Mammoth Spring State Park, P.O. Box 36, Mammoth Spring, AR 72554, 870-625-7364: \$1.00 discount off admission for members.

Arkansas & Missouri Railroad Passenger Train, 306 East Emma, Springdale, AR 72764, 501-751-8600: 10% off Passenger Train Excursions(except October); 10% off select items in gift shop. www.arkansasmissouri rr.com

CALIFORNIA

Detcanso, Alpine & Pacific Railway, 1266 Alpine Heights Road, Alpine, CA 91901, 619-445-4781: 10% off Gift Shop items except snacks and drinks.

Fillmore & Western Railway Co., P.O. Box 960, Fillmore, CA 93016, 805-524-2546: 10% discount on daytime rides, dinner trains or gift shop purchases. Not to be used with any other discounts. www.fwry.com

Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad, 56001 Yosemite Highway 41, Fish Camp, CA 93623, 559-683-7273: 10% discount on regularly scheduled daytime excursion. Limit 4 persons. www.ymspr.com

California Western Railroad, Foot of Laurel St., P.O. Box 907, Fort Bragg, CA 95437, 800-77-SKUNK: 10% off regular train fares; 10% off gift shop items. www.skunktrain.com

South Coast Railroad Museum at the historic Goleta Depot, 300 North Los Carneros Rd., Goleta, CA 93117-1502, 805-964-3540: 10% discount in Museum Store. www.goletadepot.org

Shasta Sunset Dinner Train, P.O.Box 1199, McCloud, CA 96057, 800- 733-2141: 15% discount in Gift Shop, excluding sale items. www.mctrain.com

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, Inc., 1649 El Prado, San Diego, CA 92101, 619-696-0199: \$.50 off entrance admission. www.sdmodelrailroadm.com

Yolo Shortline Railroad Co., 1965 East Main St., Woodland, CA 95776, 800-942-6387: \$.30 discount on train tickets. www.yosrr.com

COLORADO

Canon City & Royal Gorge Railroad, P.O. Box 217, Georgetown, CO 80444. 800-RAILS-4U: 10% discount on train fares, only. Does not include cab rides, gift shop items or food, and cannot be used with any other discounts. On arrival one must present their NRHS membership card and a picture ID. Members should identify themselves at the time the reservation is made. Reservations are required. www.royalgorgeroute.com

Pikes Peak Historical Street Railway Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 544, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, 719-475-9508: No entrance fee and 10% discount off all gift shop items.

Georgetown Loop Railroad, P.O. Box 217, Georgetown, CO 80444, 800-691-4FUN: 10% discount on train fare. If you choose to include the Lebanon Mine Tour along with the Georgetown Loop train ride, we will extend the 10% discount for the mine tour. Reservations are required. On arrival, members must present their NRHS membership card and a picture ID. Members should also identify themselves as such when they made reservations. This discount does not include gift shop items or food and cannot be used with any other discounts. www.georgetownloop.com

CONNECTICUT

Danbury Railway Museum, P.O. Box 90, Danbury, CT 06813-0090, 203-778-8337: 10% off admission, 10% off gift shop, and 10% off excursions. www.danbury.org/drm

The Shore Line Trolley Museum, 17 River St., East Haven, CT 06512, 203-467-6927: \$.50 off each fare up to a maximum of \$3.00. www.bera.org

Connecticut Trolley Museum, Route 140, P.O. Box 360, East Windsor, CT 06088-0360, 860-627-6540: \$1.00 off Adult and Senior (62+) tickets and .50 off child ticket. Not valid Halloween or special events.

The Valley Railroad Co., P.O. Box 452, Essex, CT 06426, 800-767-0103: 10% off on Train only or Train-Boat admission. www.valleyrr.com

FLORIDA

Fort Myers Historical Museum, 2300 Peck St., Fort Myers, FL 33901, 941-332-5955: \$1.00 off each adult admission and 10% off in Store.

West Florida Rail Road Museum, P.O. Box 7156, Milton, FL 32540: Admission is free. 10% discount in gift shop.

Mount Dora Scenic Railway Co., P.O. Box 641, Mount Dora, FL 32756, 800-625-4307: 10% discount on train fares. www.doradoodlebug.com

GEORGIA

Historic Railroad Shops, Savannah, 601 W. Harris St., Savannah, GA 31401, 912-651-6823: 10% discount on admission to museum. www.chsgeorgia.org

HAWAII

Hawaiian Railway, P.O. Box 60369, Ewa Station, Ewa Beach, HI 96706, 808-681-5461: \$1.00 off all train fares. <http://members.aol.com/hawaiianrr/index.html>

ILLINOIS

Silver Creek & Stephenson Railroad, P.O. Box 255, Freeport, IL 61032, 815-232-2306: Buy one adult ticket for \$4.00 and get second ticket 1/2 price (\$2.00).

Historic Pullman Foundation Visitor Center, 11111 S. Forrestville Ave., Pullman-Chicago, IL 60628-4649, 773-785-8901: 2 for 1 Admission. Guided walking tour of the Pullman Historic Landmark District. First Sundays, 12:30 & 1:30. www.historicpullman.net

Valley View Model Railroad, 17108 Highbridge Rd., Union, IL 60180, 815-923-4135: \$1.00 off adult admission, .50 off child admission, and 20% discount in Gift Shop.

IOWA

Railswest Railroad Museum and HO Model Railroad, 1512 S. Main St., Council Bluffs, IA 51503, 712-322-0612: \$.50 off admission.

KENTUCKY

My Old Kentucky Dinner Train, 602 North Third St., P.O. Box 279, Bardstown, KY 40004, 502-348-7699: 15% discount on all Gift Shop items. www.kydinnertrain.com.

Railway Exposition Co., Inc. P.O. Box 15065, Covington, KY 41015, 606-491-7245: 25% discount on Museum Tours (\$3.00 for adults, normally \$4.00 and \$1.50 for children, normally \$2.00) Must show NRHS membership card. Good for entire family.

Kentucky Railway Museum, Inc., P.O. Box 240, New Haven, KY 40051, 800-272-0152: 10% off regular train fares, good through 31 December 2000. www.rrhistorical.com/krm/

MAINE

Biddeford Station, Inc., & Great Northern Narrow Gauge Railroad, P.O. Box 661, Biddeford, ME 04005-0661, 207-282-9255: 10% discount (everything).

Seashore Trolley Museum, P.O. Box A, 195 Log Cabin Rd., Kennebunkport, ME 04046, 207-967-2712: 10% discount on admission and 5% discount on gift shop items. www.trolley-museum.org

MARYLAND

Baltimore Streetcar Museum, Inc., P.O. Box 4881, Baltimore, MD 21211, 410-547-0264: 10% discount to NRHS members. Members must show membership card PRIOR to sale. www.baltimoremd.com/streetcar/

Brunswick Railroad Museum, 40 W. Potomac St., Brunswick, MD 21716 301-834-7100: \$1.00 off any admission price. www.bhs.edu/brun/rrmus/html

MASSACHUSETTS

Old Colony & Fall River Railroad Museum, P.O. Box 3455, Fall River, MA 02722-3455, 508-674-9340: NRHS Member only-Free Admission.

Cape Cod Central Railroad, 252 Main St., Hyannis, MA 02601, 508-771-3800: \$2.00 off on scenic excursion.

MICHIGAN

Junction Valley Railroad, 7065 Dixie Hwy., Bridgeport, MI 48722, 517-777 3480: 10% discount on train ride. Not valid for Railroad Days, Halloween Ride or Christmas Ride. <http://gtesupersite.com/jvrailroad>

Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, 5045 Stanley Rd., Flint, MI 48506, 800-648-7275: Members admitted at group rate. www.geneseecountyparks.org

Iron Mountain Iron Mine, P.O. Box 177, Iron Mountain, MI 49801, 906-563-8077: \$1.00 off per person (up to 4 people) on mine tour. www.ironmountainironmine.com

Michigan Transit Museum, P.O. Box 12, Mount Clemens, MI 48046, 810-463-1863: 10% discount in depot museum gift shop on sales exceeding \$20.00. www.alexsi.com/mtm

Toonerville Trolley Train and Boat Tours, RR 2, Box 938, Newberry, MI 49868, 888-77TRAIN: 10% off regular fare prices - any tour. Good for up to 6 fares. Not valid with any other discount offer.

MINNESOTA

The Old Depot Railroad Museum, 651 W. Hwy #12, Dassel, MN 55325, 320275-3876: 10% discount for entrance ticket.

Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad, 506 W. Michigan St., P.O. Box 16211, Duluth, MN 55816-0211, 218-624-7549: 1/2 price adult fare. Season starts July 10, 2000 and runs through the Sunday before Labor Day. Operations on weekends only. Fall colors are planned in October. Please call for details and to confirm all operating dates.

North Shore Scenic Railroad, 506 W. Michigan St., Duluth, MN 55802, 800-423-1273: \$1.00 off the price of any excursion. www.duluth.com/Isrm/

MISSOURI

Museum of Transportation, 3015 Barrett Station Rd., St. Louis, MO 63122, 314-965-7998: Buy one admission ticket, get one of equal or lesser value free. Limit 2 free admissions per card carrying member. www.museumoftransport.org

Patee House Museum, 1202 Penn, St. Joseph, MO, 64502, 816-238-4335: One free admission with one paid adult admission. www.ponyexpress.net/~breeze/PateeHouse/

The Frisco Railroad Museum, 543 E. Commercial St., Springfield, MO 65803, 417-866SLSF: \$1.00 off all admissions. www.frisco.org

MONTANA

Izaak Walton Inn, P.O. Box 653, Essex, MT 59916, 406-888-5700: 10% discount on room rates. www.izaakwaltoninn.com

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Hartmann Model Railroad, Ltd., Town Hall Rd., Route 302/16, P.O. Box 165, Intervale, NH 03845, 603-356-9922: \$1.00 off of Entrance fee and 10% guaranteed in the Brass Caboose Hobby Shop. www.hartmannrr.com

Cafe Lafayette Dinner Train, RFD 1, Box 85, Lincoln, NH 03251, 603-745-3500 or 800-699-3501 (outside NH): 10% off meal portion of fare. www.cafelafayette.com

Conway Scenic Railroad, P.O. Box 1947, North Conway, NH 03860, 603-356-5251: \$.50 discount-Conway trip, \$1.00 discount-Bartlett trip, and \$2.00 discount Crawford Notch trip. www.conwayscenic.com

NEVADA

Virginia & Truckee Railroad Co., P.O. Box 467, Virginia City, NV 89440, 775-847-0380: \$.75 off adult ticket price of \$5.25 (Member price \$4.50) Good for all adults in party. Cab Rides available to members most days. Ask at Ticket Office.

NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe Southern Railway, Inc., 410 S. Guadalupe, Santa Fe, NM 87501, 800-989-8600: 10% discount on Train rides and 10% discount on Gift Shop items. www.sfsr.com

NEW YORK

Hyde Park, NY Railroad Station, River Road, Hyde Park, NY, 914-297-0901: 15-25% discount on items in gift shop.

Trolley Museum of New York, 89 E. Strand, P.O. Box 2291, Kingston, NY 12402-2291, 914-331-3399: \$1.00 discount on trolley fare (normally \$3.00-adult). www.mhrec.org/tmny/

Upper Hudson River Railroad, 3 Railroad Place, P.O. Box 424, North Creek, NY 12853, 518-251-5334: 15% discount to card carrying NRHS members on scenic train trip. www.upperhudsonriverrr.com

Cooperstown & Charlotte Valley Railroad, P.O. Box 681, Oneonta, NY 13820-0681, 607-432-2429: \$1.00 off any train ride in the 2000 season. www.lrhs.com

Tioga Scenic Railroad, 25 Delphine St., Owego, NY 13827, 607-687-6786: 15% discount on train fares. www.tiogascenicrailroad.com

Salamanca Rail Museum, 170 Main St., Salamanca, NY 14779, 716-945-3133: 10% discount in gift shop.

Adirondack Scenic Railroad, P.O. Box 84, Thendara, NY 13472, 315-369-6290: 15% discount on train fares.

NORTH CAROLINA

New Hope Valley Railway, P.O. Box 40, New Hill, NC 27562, 919-362-5416: 20% discount for members of the NRHS and their immediate family. Must present card in person to apply. Applies to ride tickets only. www.mindspring.com/~nhvry

North Carolina Transportation Museum, P.O. Box 44, Spencer, NC 28159, 704-636-2889: \$1.00 off per train ride ticket. Good for up to 4 persons per group. www.nctrans.org

Wilmington Railroad Museum, 501 Nutt St., Wilmington, NC 28401, 910-7632634: 10% discount on admission and 10% discount on gift shop items. www.wilmington.org/railroad

NORTH DAKOTA

Fort Lincoln Trolley Co., 29 Captain Leach Dr., Mandan, ND 58534, 701-663-9018: 25% discount on fares.

OHIO

Carillon Historical Park, 1000 Carillon Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409-2023, 937-293-2841: 10% discount on admission.

Dennison Railroad Depot Museum, P.O. Box 11, Dennison, OH 44621, 740-922-6776: Buy 2, get one free Museum admission. www.dennisondepot.org

Ashtabula, Carson and Jefferson Scenic Lines, Inc., P.O. Box 517, Jefferson, OH 44047-0517, 440-576-6346: Group rate on all ticket purchases (50¢ per ticket - no limit). No reservation is required.

Trolleyville, USA, 7100 Columbia Road, Olmsted Township, OH 44138, 440-235-4725: One free adult admission with one paid adult admission. www.trolleyvilleusa.org

OKLAHOMA

Railroad Museum of Oklahoma, 702 N. Washington, Enid, OK 73701, 580-233-3051: No admission charge.

Hugo Heritage Railroad & Frisco Museum, 309 N "B" St., Hugo, OK 74743, 888-773-3768: 10% discount on train rides, 10% on Gift Shop items, and Museum is free.

The Train House, 26811 N 3990 Rd., Ramona, OK 74061-9734, 800-845-5781 20% off all items in shop.

OREGON

Phoenix & Holly Railroad, 2512 N. Holly St, Canby, OR 97013-9118, 503-266-3581: Free train ride for one person in a group or family for card carrying NRHS member during our running season. www.flowerfarmer.com

Oregon Electric Railway Historical Society, P.O. Box 308, Lake Oswego, OR 97034, 503-222-2226: Willamette Shore Trolley -\$1.00 discount on Round Trip - Lake Oswego to Portland (14 mile round trip) www.trainweb.org/oerhs/member.htm

PENNSYLVANIA

Mine Hill & Northern Railroad, c/o Heritage Railcar, P.O. Box 334, Palmyra, PA 17078-0334, 717-838-3143: Equipment at Cressona, PA. No admission and no gift shop.

RailTours, Inc. (Train Rides), P.O. Box 285, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229: 10% discount on train fares.

Old Mauch Chunk H.O. Scale Model Train Display & Gift Shop, 41 Susquehanna St., Jim Thorpe, PA 18229. 570-325-4371: One complimentary admission when a second admission of equal or greater value is purchased.

Stourbridge Line Rail Excursion/Happy Rails Gift Shop, 303 Commercial St. Honesdale, PA 18431, 800-433-9008: 20% off excursion tickets, excluding Bavarian Festival and Dinner Theater. 20% off any item in Happy Rails Gift Shop. www.waynecountycc.com

New Hope & Ivyland Railroad, 32 W. Bridge St., New Hope, PA 18938, 215-862-6160: \$1.00 off adult ticket and 50 cents off child's ticket. www.newhoperrailroad.com

Lake Shore Railway Museum, P.O. Box 571, North East, PA 16428. 814-825-2724: 10% discount on items purchased at our gift shop.

East Broad Top Railroad, Rockhill Furnace, PA 17249, 814-447-3011: Buy one ticket, get one free.

Person must show valid NRHS membership card at Ticket Window. offer expires October 1, 2000.

Rockhill Trolley Museum, Meadow St., Rockhill Furnace, PA 17249, 610-965-9028: Special all day rate of \$2.75 per NRHS member. www.vicon.net/~trolley

Steamtown Museum Association, 350 Cliff St., Scranton, PA 18503-1961: 10% off one regularly priced item in the museum shop, excluding film and batteries.

Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, 1 Museum Rd., Washington, PA 15301-6133, 877-PA-TROLLEY: \$1.00 off with the purchase of 2 or more admissions. www.pa-trolley.org

Tioga Central Railroad, P.O. Box 269, Wellsboro, PA 16901, 570-724-0990: \$1.00 discount on the purchase of excursion train tickets. Applies to immediate family only. Does not apply to Dinner Train tickets. www.tiogacentral.com

West Chester Railroad, 230 E. Market St., West Chester, PA, 610-430-2233: Less 10% on Special train fares and less 15% on Regular train fares.

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Museum, 110 Industrial Park Road, Winnsboro, SC 803-796-8540: One free ride with presentation of current card. 5% discount in Gift Shop. www.serm.org

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga Choo Choo Model Railroad Museum, 1400 Market St., Chattanooga, TN 37402, 423-266-5000: One free adult admission with one paid adult admission. 10% off purchase in Depot and All Aboard Gift shops, excluding candy/cigarettes. www.choochoo.com

Tennessee Valley Railroad, 4119 Cromwell Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421, 423-894-8028: NRHS members showing current card-receive group rate price which is \$8.50 adult/\$4.00 child. Limit 4 group admissions. This is approximately a 10% discount. www.tvrail.com

N.C.& St.L. Depot and Railroad Museum, P.O. Box 2508, 582 Royal St., Jackson, TN 38302, 901-425-8223: 50% off T-shirts and note cards.

Little River Railroad & Lumber Co. Museum, P.O. Box 211, Townsend, TN 37882, 423-448-2211: No admission charge and 10% off any souvenir from Gift Shop.

TEXAS

Center for Transportation and Commerce, 123 Rosenberg, Galveston Island, TX 77550, 409-765-5700: \$1.00 off admission for up to four people. www.tamu.edu/rmmuseum

Railroad and Pioneer Museum, 710 Jack Baskin St., P.O. Box 5126, Temple, TX 76505, 254-298-5172: Buy one get one free. www.ci.temple.tx.us

UTAH

Heber Valley Railroad, P.O. Box 609, Heber City, UT 84032, 435-654-5601: 2 tickets for price of one. Buy one and get second of equal or lesser value free. Some restrictions apply - not valid on holiday. Valid through December 2000. www.hebervalleyrr.org

VERMONT

Green Mountain Railroad Corp., P.O. Box 498, Bellows Falls, VT 05101-0498, 802-463-3069: \$1.00 off per person. Limit 4 to a membership. www.rails-vt.com
Shelburne Museum, U.S. Route 7, P.O. Box 10, Shelburne, VT 05482, 802-985-3346: \$2.50 off adult tickets and \$1.00 off child tickets. Paid admission valid for two consecutive days. www.shelburnemuseum.org

VIRGINIA

U.S. Army Transportation Museum, U.S. Army Transportation Center, Fort Eustis, VA 23604-5260, 757-878-1115: Admission is free. www.eustis.army.mil/DPTMSEC/museum.htm
America's Railroads on Parade, 1915 Pocahontas Trail, Suite A-4, Williamsburg, VA 23185, 757-220-TRAK: Admission: Under 3 free, 3 through 18 \$2.00 (This is a 20% discount), adults \$4.00 (20% discount), seniors \$3.50 (30% discount). 3rd and 4th child free (with parents). Merchandise-10% on non-sale items, except lamps and art prints. www.trains.ontheline.com

WASHINGTON

Chehalis Centralia Railroad Assn., 1945 So. Market Blvd, Chehalis, WA 98532, 360-748-9593: \$1.00 off ticket price for steam train ride.
Mt. Ranier Scenic Railroad, P.O. Box 921, Elbe, WA 98330, 360-569-2588: 15% off train fares.
Northwest Railway Museum, P.O. Box 459, Snoqualmie, WA 98065, 425-888-3030: Snoqualmie Valley Railroad - One dollar off any regular season train fare (April through October 2000), limited to 8 tickets. Not valid for Santa Train or in combination with other discounts. This represents a 20% discount for children and a 14% discount for adults. www.trainmuseum.org
Yakima Valley Rail and Steam Museum, P.O. Box 889, Toppenish, WA 98948, 509-865-1911: 1/2 price museum admission and 10% discount on Gift Shop items.

WEST VIRGINIA

Toy Train Museum and Joy Line Railroad, Rt. 3, Box 315, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425, 304-535-2291: 50¢ off train ride (\$1.50 per person) and 50¢ off museum (\$1.50 per person). www.mountainrail.com
The World Famous New River Trains, sponsored by the Collis P. Huntington Chapter, NRHS, P.O. Box 457, Kenova, WV 25530, 304-453-1641: 10% discount on tickets. www.cphrrhsserve.com

WISCONSIN

National Railroad Museum, 2285 S. Broadway, Green Bay, WI 54304-4832, 920-437-7623: Buy one, get one admission. When a member presents a valid membership card and purchases a regular admission (\$6.00), they will be entitled to one of equal or lesser value free of charge. Only one free admission may be obtained per day and this offer is not valid during Museum Special Events (i.e.: but not limited to Railfest, Vintage Auto Show, Terror on the Fox, etc.) and also does not apply to any excursion operated by the museum. www.nationalrrmuseum.org
Camp 5 Museum and Lumberjack Special Steam Train, Laona, WI 54541, 800-774-3414: \$1.00 off adult ticket. www.campsmuseum.org
Osceola & St. Croix Valley Railway, P.O. Box 176, Osceola, WI 54020, 800-711-2591: \$2.00 off adult fare on regular excursions, May through September 2000 (No specials). www.mtmuseum.org
The Mining Museum and Rollo Jamison Museum, P.O. Box 780, 405 E. Main St., Platteville, WI 53818 0780, 608-348-3301: Buy one admission and receive second admission of equal or less value free during regular open hours (May 1- October 31, 2000).
New London Railroad Museum, 900 Montgomery St., New London, WI, 920-9825186: Admission-free.

Iowa Chapter NRHS and Chicago, Aurora & Elgin #320

In 1959, Iowa Chapter-NRHS started negotiations for the purchase of CA&E interurban #320 not long after the discontinuance of passenger service. Only after a failed referendum for a transit authority to take over the CA&E operations and seemingly endless legal battles, Commercial Metals Company acquired the line for scrapping. The #320 was selected because of its condition and historic value, being one of the last Jewett wooden body cars built in 1914.

Finally, on April 7, 1962, Iowa Chapter members Allan Vaughn, Jim and Bob Levis and Ed Wilkommen arrived at the CA&E Wheaton Shops to take delivery of the #320. Spare parts, including extra trolley poles, headlights and other assorted hardware were loaded into the car. Third rail shoes were removed and the windows were boarded up for the trip to Centerville, Iowa where the car would operate on Iowa Chapter excursions on the Southern Iowa Railway. Commercial Metals used their exEJ&E Alco switcher to cut the #320 out of a line of cars where it had sat for three years.

The #320 then made its last trip over the CA&E Aurora Line behind the EJ&E switcher and was set out on the CB&Q interchange on the north side of Aurora. With a custom built towbar, a CB&Q switcher moved the car into Eola Yard where it was loaded onto a flatcar for the trip to Centerville. Dates, times and routing information for this movement have been lost. The CB&Q loaded and moved the car at no cost to the Iowa Chapter, so needless to say, it was not a priority traffic item.

On the evening of May 1, 1962, Allan Vaughn and Dick Billings arrived at the SIR / CB&Q interchange in Centerville and did a flashlight inspection of the #320 and after finding that the car had made the trip from Eola in good condition retired early for the long day ahead. The following day, the two Iowa Chapter members and three SIR employees built a ramp using two 27 foot 8 x 16 stringers supported

by ties for cribbing. The #320 was pulled off CB&Q flatcar 94027 on May 3 at the end of a long cable by SIR box motor #100. On the other end was another long cable tied on to SIR motor #400 and two hopper cars for braking.

Through the summer of 1962, Iowa Chapter members spent most weekends working on the #320 for its inaugural fan trip on the SIR over the weekend of October 20-21. Iowa Chapter continued to operate the car on the SIR until the end of electric operation when it was conveyed to Midwest Old Threshers at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa in 1968 for their Midwest Electric Railway operation.

MER operated the car for a number of years until it became apparent that major body work had to be done if the car was to survive. The years of outdoor storage on the SIR had taken its toll and seven years ago the #320

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Tom Boland (left), President of Midwest Electric Ry., receives an NRHS 1999 Railway Heritage Grant check from NRHS Treasurer, Dick Billings. They stand in front of the grant project, Chicago, Aurora & Elgin interurban #320, undergoing a complete interior / exterior restoration to its original appearance, as built by Jewett Car Co. in 1914 including the arch windows with art glass covered over by the CA&E years ago. Photo by R. K. Plummer

Another Special from Indiana University Press

We are pleased to again announce that our special arrangement with the Indiana University Press has been extended and expanded to include several new titles. By ordering these publications through the Society, our Members will receive a substantial discount from list prices. In addition, the Society receives a commission on every book sold.

New Titles

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad: Steam Locomotives, Ships, and History

Richard E. Prince

This is a reissue of the book that Prince first published in 1966; it has been out of print for 20 years. hardback, \$49.95.

NRHS Members Price: \$39.95

Books due mid-February 2000!

Seaboard Air Line Railway: Steam Boats, Locomotives, and History

Richard E. Prince

Another reissue. This one was published in 1969 and has also been o.p. for 20 years. hardback, \$49.95

NRHS Members Price: \$39.95

Books due mid-February 2000!

A Sampling of Penn Central: Southern Region on Display

Jerry Taylor

This was self published in 1973 and covers Penn Central operations at the Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis terminals in the early 1970s. hardback, \$59.95

NRHS Members Price: \$47.95

Books due mid-May 2000!

The Pennsylvania Railroad in Indiana

William J. Watt

A brand new history of the Pennsylvania Railroad and its predecessor companies in Indiana. Few corporate institutions had such widespread impact upon Indiana's people or

their way of life--the "Penny" once operated one-fourth of the state's rail mileage. Highlights of its story include coverage of its famous passenger trains, its impact upon the state's economy, the railroad's contributions to Allied victory in World War II, and the post-war decline which led to merger into Penn Central. Illustrations recreate images of its speedy passenger trains and heavy-tonnage freights, as well as advertising and other promotional materials dating back to the 1840s. hardback, \$49.95

NRHS Members Price: \$39.95

Books due end of April 2000!

"Yet there isn't a train I wouldn't take"

Railway Journeys by William D. Middleton

A half-century career as an engineer, Naval officer, and university administrator took Middleton to almost every part of the globe, and everywhere he took with him an abiding interest in railways, and a notebook and camera to record his experiences. From polar bear country on Hudson Bay to Minnesota's Mesabi Range and from the coasts of Costa Rica to the Orient Express, Bill Middleton's journeys prove that, in Edna St. Vincent Millay's words, there truly isn't a train he wouldn't take. hardback, \$39.95

NRHS Members Price: \$31.95

Books due mid-March 2000!

Previously-Offered Titles Still Available!

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Norfolk & Western "J" #611 - Fifty this May

Ed Note: Our thanks to Roanoke Chapter Member Bill Arnold, for bringing this item to our attention.

In May, 1950, the N&W Locomotive Shops in Roanoke, Virginia rolled out the newest addition to their fleet of sleek design Class J streamlined passenger locomotives. Christened No. 611, she became their twelfth family member. Although unknown at the time, she would be the only surviving member of a family of fourteen. Fortunately for railfans everywhere, the 611 was saved and retired to the Roanoke Transportation Museum in 1963 until she was taken to the

Birmingham Steam Shops (1981) and returned to excursion passenger service in 1982. After a "second life" of 12 years of delighting railfans and non-railfans everywhere over the eastern half of the US, she returned to the Virginia Museum of Transportation where she now stands for all generations to see and photograph,

In honor of her 50th birthday, the Virginia Museum of Transportation will hold a special birthday party on Saturday, May 6th, 2000 (10:00 AM to 5:00 PM). Festivities include a new exhibit titled Streamlined Steam: A Story of Class, which exhibits the history of N&W Class J's; lectures; a birthday cake; 2000 Railfair & Model Mania; and much more. Everyone is invited to attend, regular museum admissions will apply.

Iowa

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was taken into the MER shop for complete rebuilding. It was decided to restore the car to its original appearance after it was discovered that the CA&E had left the arch windows in place when they boxed them in years ago. The arch top of each window set was carefully removed and set aside while framing was rebuilt. When completed, the #320 will be the only wooden CA&E car out of several in museum operation around the country to appear as it was built.

In 1999 the NRHS Heritage Grants Program provided \$5,000.00 for the completion of the CA&E #320. Work is progressing well with a goal of having the car ready for the Old Threshers Annual Reunion over Labor Day Weekend this year. When completed, the car will remain indoors except when in operation so we can all look forward to many years of enjoying this beautiful old wooden Jewett interurban.

Central Region Meeting

All Society Members are cordially invited to attend a gathering, hosted by **Iowa and Overland Chapters**, to be held at the Midwest Old Threshers in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, over this 4th of July weekend. Featured attractions include: the narrow gauge steam of the Midwest Central Railroad; standard gauge trolleys and interurbans on the Midwest Electric Railway (including CA&E #320 - see left); as well as the nation's greatest collection of steam traction engines.

Packages are available covering hotels, shuttles, and all activities, as well as an all inclusive Amtrak package, originating in Chicago. For reservations and further information, please contact: Overland Chapter NRHS, 1412 Twelfth St., Moline, IL 61265; 309-764-1834; or 309-764-4147 (fax).

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Dear Member:

The Annual Meeting of the National Railway Historical Society, Incorporated will be held at the STAMFORD MARRIOTT HOTEL, 2 STAMFORD FORUM, STAMFORD, CT 06901-3299, AT 3:00 PM, EDT, Friday, July 14, 2000 for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The attached proxy is solicited by the management. In order to guarantee that the wishes of each individual Chapter will be carried out, the management pledges that this proxy will be exercised to elect all duly chosen Chapter Directors.

A cordial invitation is extended to the membership to attend the annual meeting and to enjoy the convention activities planned by our host, the WESTERN CONNECTICUT CHAPTER.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
BRUCE J. HODGES
Secretary

April 1, 2000

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, the undersigned member of the National Railway Historical Society, Inc., do hereby appoint Leroy S. Dietrich, Gregory P. Molloy and Bruce J. Hodges, or any one of them, my true and lawful attorney and agent, with the power of substitution, for me and in my name to vote at the Annual Meeting of the members of said Society, to be held in Stamford, CT on Friday, July 14, 2000 or at any adjournment or adjournments thereof, for the election of all Chapter Directors, and in their direction, upon any other business that may properly come before said meeting, hereby revoking all previous proxies.

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