

# PENNYRAIL

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## Next Meeting

**Monday July 21, 2014 @ 7:00pm**  
**Former L&N Depot**  
**38 W. Arch St. Madisonville, KY**

**Don't forget to bring something  
for Show & Tell!**

## NRHS Mission Statement

The National Railway Historical Society promotes railway heritage preservation and educates its members and the public about rail transportation, its history and impact, with a focus on North America.

### Objectives:

1. To foster the experience of rail transportation
2. To develop and expand educational services and programs
3. To build and maintain archives, to encourage and to support archival activities, and to disseminate information in archives
  - A. To increase collaboration between existing archives
  - B. To develop listing of National and Chapter archives
4. To support preservation of memorabilia and artifacts
5. To facilitate association and networking
6. To maintain and grow the organization

## In this issue...

- This back issue is to report on previous business of missed newsletters.

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# Western Teaser Photos!



What is this? Is it the first signs of the BNSF mainline that parallels I-40? I think it is! Judging by the digital time stamp of the photo (gosh digital cameras are nice like that) this was taken in New Mexico, west of Albuquerque on Saturday, July 5th. This day, I let my sister drive for most of the day. I drove all day Friday, the 4th, and some on Saturday until lunch in Albuquerque. Was it due to being tired? Well, thats what I told my sister. Real reason? I knew that the better half of the afternoon we would be right beside the BNSF mainline through New Mexico and Arizona, all the way to Barstow, California. So I had to take advantage of using her brand new DSLR camera. What better way to break it in than with train photos while traveling at 80mph?

*Alright! The first train spotting of the trip!  
Well, you're not going to get the good photos that easy! Plus, I think this is the rear of a westbound anyway.*

## Minutes Summary of June 2014

- MINUTES: Approved of the May meeting.
- TREASURERS REPORT: Approved
- DIRECTORS REPORT: None
- ACTIVITIES REPORT: None
- OLD BUSINESS: None
- NEW BUSINESS: Mt. Vernon trip is planned for Sat. July 12. We will meet at the old Wal-Mart location in Henderson and car pool from there. Rich gave report on the apparently abandoned trip to Mayfield.
- SHOW & TELL: Keith had show and tell item; a whistle apparently from the power plant in Earlington. David's item was a VHS on the Georgetown RR. David also suggested a possible trip to LST 325 in Evansville.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS: None
- NEXT MEETING: Monday July 21 program by Thomas Bryan and refreshments by Keith Kittinger.
- Those present were:
 

1. Matt Gentry	7. Donny Knight	14. Rick Bivins
2. Thomas Bryan	8. Betty Knight	15. Tom Johnson
3. Keith Kittinger	9. Bob Moffet	16. Bill Thomas
4. Steve Miller	10. Jim Pearson	17. Joe Thomas
5. Dave Millen	11. Bob McCracken	18. Birk Fischer
6. Rich Hane	12. Chuck Hinrich	19. Jim Kemp
	13. Wally Watts	

## Financial Statement of June 2014

Beginning Balance	\$2476.73
Income:	
Nat. Dues Rec.	0.00
Chpt. dues Rec.	0.00
Donations	0.00
Other/June Raffle	0.00
Total Income	0.00
Expenditures	
Nat. Dues Paid	\$1351.00
Postage	0.00
Supplies	0.00
Other; KY State Treasurer	\$15.00
Total Expenditures	\$1366.00
	\$2476.73
	<u>\$1366.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$1110.73
Membership Stats:	
Beginning Membership	40
National Members Added	0
National Members Deleted	0
Chapter Only Members Added	0
Chapter Only Members Deleted	0
Ending Membership	40

*Presented by Wally Watts, Treasurer*



*Boy, those are some gosh darn good looking rocks, as my best friend and Geologist would say. Well, at least I put a train in this photo. Am I teasing you yet without adding any "true" train photos of the journey?*



*Hey look, more rock formations! I can hear it now: "OK, Matt, this isn't funny anymore. Show us the good pictures!" Well, shucks. I'm all out of photo space in this very abridged July issue...in September.*

PENNYRAIL is your publication. If you have photographs or other material of current or historical interest that you would like to share with Chapter members, your editor would appreciate hearing from you. Your material will receive the best of care while being readied for publication. Your help is appreciated.

*Matt Gentry, editor*

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**NS 800-453-2530**  
**UP 888-877-7267**  
**Amtrak 800-331-0008**

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[www.kyrail.org/](http://www.kyrail.org/)

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[www.indianarailwaymuseum.org](http://www.indianarailwaymuseum.org)

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**Illinois Railway Museum**

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[www.tcry.org/](http://www.tcry.org/)

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