

PENNYRAIL

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Next Meeting

Monday August 18, 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

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

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The Prez Sez

President Tom Johnson

Greetings, fellow Chapter members.

I am unable to report on the July meeting since I was not in attendance. My father in law was near death and passed away less than 24 hours after meeting time.

Despite the vandalism at the depot which precluded our having a program, it has been reported to me that the people who showed up had a good time out on the platform fellowshiping with one another and doing some train spotting.

A huge thank you goes out to Donny Knight for setting up our trip to the coal unloading facility in Mt. Vernon, IN, on July 12th. I hope Donny will pass along our thanks to his cousin's husband, Danny, the manager of the facility who was such a gracious host. Those of us who went on this trip got a real treat. We even got to get up in the cab of the locomotive and ride along for several minutes as the unloading of the coal cars continued.

Hope to see everyone at 7:00 PM on Monday 8/18/14 at the depot.

Your Prez
Tom Johnson



Minutes Summary of July 2014

- MINUTES: Approved of the June meeting.
- TREASURERS REPORT: Approved
- DIRECTORS REPORT: Wallace reported on the R. J. Corman Dinner train in Lexington. He did not go to the National Convention. Reports KRM is running the BL2 on excursions. Plans to attend board meeting in Nov. and also plans to go to Rutland, VT to National convention next June.
- ACTIVITIES REPORT: None
- OLD BUSINESS: None
- NEW BUSINESS: Birk Fischer donated 2 new remote controlled fans for the chapter and we may also keep the old ones he donated earlier. Thanks Birk! Ricky informs us there will probably be no Friday Night Live in August as our space on the Old Court House lawn has been taken. He will keep us informed. He also reports that our NRHS dues will be paid on-line this fall. We had to meet on the station platform as vandals broke several windows in our meeting room and interior showered with glass. They didn't gain entrance.
- SHOW & TELL: None.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chuck reports tentative date for Crofton Picnic is October 11. Vice President Steve Miller presided in absence of Tom Johnson. There was no program as such nor refreshments due to meeting outside.
- NEXT MEETING: Monday 18 Aug. 7PM at the Center program by Wallace Henderson and refreshments by David Millen.
- Those present were:

1. David Millen	6. Donny Knight	11. Bob McCracken
2. Thomas Bryan	7. Betty Knight	12. Chuck Hinrich
3. Steve Miller	8. Rich Hane	13. Wallace Henderson
4. Birk Fischer	9. Wally Watts	14. Jim Kemp
5. Steve Gentry	10. Jim Pearson	

Financial Statement of July 2014

Beginning Balance	\$1110.73
Income:	
Nat. Dues Rec.	0.00
Chpt. dues Rec.	0.00
Donations	0.00
Other/NRHS Returned Check	\$1194.00
Total Income	\$1194.00
Expenditures	
Nat. Dues Paid	\$107.00
Postage	0.00
Supplies	0.00
Other	0.00
Total Expenditures	\$107.00
	\$2304.73
	<u>\$107.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$2197.73
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



Above: Meeting was outside last month due to vandals breaking out several windows in the depot. It was cool outside though and we were all trackside with this UP led train was heading south.
-Jim Pearson



The north side of The Center looks different with no glass in the windows. Plywood has been installed after vandals busted out most of the windows in the building. It appears that there was no attempt at entry and nothing had been stolen.
-photo by Steve Gentry

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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CSX	800-232-0144
NS	800-453-2530
UP	888-877-7267
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