NRHS News update For NRHS Board March 18, 2019

The *NRHS News* continues to be published on a regular schedule. Thus far this year, there was an electronic (.pdf) issue in February as well as an eight-page print issue in March. Work is underway on the April issue. Since the April issue includes the list of NRHS Heritage Grants (which was announced at the board meeting) – and since the grants committee asked that the list not be released until this meeting – the proofs will not be sent to contributors until after this meeting.

We have been told by Aloha Printing (which produces and mails the print issues) that the new U.S. Postal Service rates will allow an additional two pages to be included in each issue with no increase in postage. That means that the *News* can be increased from eight to 10 pages if and when the space is needed.

Since the deadline (May 10) for the June issue of the *News* falls during the annual NRHS convention, the distribution of that issue will be delayed in order to allow contributors to return to their home to prepare and submit articles and photos. At least one contributor plans to spend a few extra days in the west before returning home.

The next issue of the print edition of the *News*, scheduled for July, has been moved to May. The move will be made in order to address two concerns. First, the annual member discount list will be ready soon, and that will be included in the May issue. That will allow members to have a printed copy of the list (before the start of the summer vacation season) to take with them on their trips. A .pdf version of the discount list, with "live" links to the listed attractions, will be posted on the NRHS website. Also, moving this issue will prevent a conflict between preparing a July issue (deadline of June 5) while finishing the preparation of the June issue.

Please remind your chapter officials to continue to send in articles and photos for inclusion in the *News* or on the Facebook page.

The NRHS Facebook page continues to grow in popularity, growing by 10-15 "likes" per week for a total currently approaching 3,500.

Thanks for time and consideration.

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