

## NRHS Bulletin Update

2018 saw some interesting *NRHS Bulletin* issues that have been well received by the membership including articles on the WW&F Railway in Maine, the color photography of O. Winston Link and an entertaining and informative article on Steve Lee and the UP Steam Program that is hitting member mailboxes now.

The *NRHS Bulletin* will be publishing 4 issues in 2019. The first issue of 2019 is in layout and features two articles; one on the Western Maryland and one on short lines in Oregon. We are working with a variety of authors on additional articles which will go into production throughout 2019.

Some of you may have noticed that we have a new volunteer *Bulletin* Staff member named Irene Szabo. For the first time in many years we have an individual dedicated to proofreading our manuscripts and page layouts. We welcome her efforts and hope that it will result in a better quality publication.

Some of you may wonder where the *NRHS Bulletin* gets the articles that appear in the magazine? When I first took on the editor position, 18 years ago, most of the articles that appeared in the *NRHS Bulletin* were from our members. However, many of those authors are no longer with us and the current membership does not appear to be interested in writing articles. I have periodically run appeals to the membership in the *NRHS News*, in fact one ran just a few months ago. However, these rarely get even a single response. Occasionally I receive and publish an article from one of our members but most of the content in the *NRHS Bulletin* is generated by contract writers who are not NRHS members.

I am always looking for articles to run in the *Bulletin*. Articles can range from 2,500 - 10,000 words. Smaller articles need to be accompanied by 15-25 high resolution images (or original slides/prints) and larger articles can accommodate 35-45 images. Given our 8.5x11 format and the layout of the magazine, at least 3 or 4 of the images need to be oriented vertically. **Finally, several recent submissions have had large sections of the article plagiarized from Wikipedia or other sources on the Internet. Any manuscript submitted for publication must be original work of the author.** If you or someone in your Chapter has an idea for an article, please reach out to me at [bulletin@nrhs.com](mailto:bulletin@nrhs.com).

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