

FROM NRHS Media Services Director Mitchell Dakelman
Report for Annual Meeting

Work continues on digitizing, photoshopping and uploading onto the NRHS Website, still photos from the NRHS Collection. These photos are intended for the use of members and guests, as an educational tool. Publishing requests should be directed to Mitch Dakelman at dakelmanm@aol.com.

We are also continuing our heritage film digitization project. A number of 16mm reels from several collections are currently being edited. We are still working on the 16mm films and VHS tapes from long time member Walter Weible.

During the great pandemic of 2020, we still worked on our projects. I worked from my home and made several trips to Phillipsburg, NJ, a distance of 65 miles from my home in central NJ. A request from a retired Chief Operating Officer of the Strasburg Railroad was honored, who wanted to look at the photographs of the John Bowman, Jr. photo collection.

We are planning to buy a new scanner and computer for our photo work. At this present time, my own scanner can not do large size negatives and transparencies.

Marlin Taylor is working with a number of individuals who have the ability to edit video, so that several programs can be made using our films, which consist of a wide range of subjects, including steam action, freight, a pre- Amtrak passenger trains.

Also, on our committee is Tom Coughlan, who has worked on digitizing our 8mm films. We also thank Joe Maloney for his service on the committee.

Respectively submitted,
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