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CALENDAR

June 10 - 14, 2014
2014 NRHS Convention
Springdale, AR
www.nrhs.com

NRHS RailCamp 2014
East - July 6 to 12
NorthWest - July 27 to August 3
www.nrhs.com

November 14 - 16, 2014
2014 Fall Conference
Advisory Council and Board of
Directors' Meetings
Johnson City, TN
George L. Carter Chapter

January 10 - 11, 2015
2015 Winter Conference
Advisory Council and Board of
Directors' Meetings
Roanoke, VA
Roanoke Chapter

April 15 - 19, 2015
2015 Spring Conference
Advisory Council and Board of
Directors' Meetings
York, PA
A joint conference of the
NRHS & ATRRM

Bids are being accepted for future
Conferences.
Contact Bob Bitzer for informa-
tion. Gopullman@prodigy.net

NRHS 2014 Elections Voting Has Begun

Bob Ernst

Ballots for the NRHS 2014 Election have been prepared and are being mailed. All members who receive a ballot are encouraged to vote. The Electoral Committee gathered a full slate of candidates for all of the positions. The official slate of candidates is:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Candidate</u>
President	Gregory P. Molloy Al Weber
Vice President	Joseph Maloney, Jr.
Global Director	E. Steven Barry
Global Director	David Flinn
District 1 Director	Mia Mather
District 2 Director	Harold Shaak
District 3 Director	Frank Fowler
District 4 Director	Sam Williamson
District 5 Director	Jim Pahriss
District 6 Director	John Goodman
District 7 Director	Steve Siegerist
District A Director	Jeffery S. Smith
District B Director	Jack Hilborn

Ballots must be returned no later than August 1, 2014. Any ballots received with a postmark after August 1st will not be counted.

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Results will be available in late August once the counts have been certified and the candidates notified. The *NRHS Telegraph* will run the complete election counts.

Contact Electoral Committee Chairman Bob Ernst at secretary@nrhs.com with any questions regarding the election and the nomination process.

Help Wanted NRHS Telegraph Editor

Bob Ernst

The *NRHS Telegraph* Editor wants to be replaced. He has taken on the demanding role of NRHS Secretary and is looking for a volunteer to become editor.

The job consists of gathering information and articles for each issue, which mainly come from the Officers, Directors, Service Directors and the National Office, creating the newsletter and having it posted to the admin website. The average time spent on an issue is 12-16 hours.

If you are interested or know someone who is interested in becoming editor contact Bob Ernst at secretary@nrhs.com.

Website Changes

No changes to report.

Chapter Address Changes

The following chapters reported address changes to the National Office:

Intermountain Chapter/Membership Committee

PO Box 16664
Denver, CO 80216-0664

End of Track

The following members of the Society have passed away recently - we join their families and friends in remembering their lives:

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Name</u>
At-Large	John E. Brinkley
At-Large	Brian D. Lusk
Baltimore	George J. Voith
Baltimore	Mr. Donald Young
Collis P. Huntington	William W. Conley
Collis P. Huntington	Paul O. Coster
Collis P. Huntington	Roger Young
Delaware Valley	Thomas S. Ambler
Greensboro	Terry G. Woodings
Harrisburg	Susan Arter
Harrisburg	Marlin C. James, III
Kansas City	Ernest N. Griffin
Niagara Frontier	Robert E. Fogle
Niagara Frontier	Russell A. Putney
Niagara Frontier	Robert M. Smith
Paducah	Richard Binkley
Paducah	Peter W. Wolff
Pocono Mountains	Mary Hund
Rivanna	William Gray Clark
Rochester	Greg Sullivan
Suncoast	William James Dixon
United Kingdom	G.D. Borley
Utica & Mohawk Valley	Brian Finnerty
Watauga Valley	Harriett M. Williams
Wilmington	Paul G. Fortin
Wilmington	David C. Watterson

Synopsis of the Board of Directors' Meeting

Submitted by Bob Ernst - Secretary

The NRHS Board of Directors met in Lewisburg, PA on Saturday, April 26 and Sunday, April 27, 2014. Bill Bain, Walter Zullig and John Fiorilla participated via a teleconference connection.

The Board **elected** Frank Fowler for the vacant seat in District 3 for which the term ends in 2014 and Wes Weiss for the vacant seat in District A for which the term ends in 2016.

President Greg Molloy reported his concerns on the lack of accurate financial information available to complete the 2013 financials due to accounting issues at Fernley & Fernley. The NRHS has engaged the services of **Your Part-Time Controller** for accounting oversight and financial management in 2014 and beyond. Fernley & Fernley continues to properly handle the other aspects of NRHS business.

District 5 Director Wes Ross completed work on the **2014 Membership Discount Program**. The complete list will be in the June issue of the *NRHS News*.

The **NRHS Strategic Plan** was pared down to the effective goals based on a the latest board survey. Gary Reinbolt is seeking the tactics for each of the goals. All of the Strategic Planning Committees will be involved in the creation of the plan's tactics.

Vice President Joe Maloney gave a report on the **Chapter Anniversary Certificate Program**. He felt there is a lack of interest from the chapters for the program because, each year, few chapters answer our correspondence about plans for anniversary celebrations. The Board assigned the responsibility of the distribution of the certificates to the District Directors.

The **Relationship Committee** set three initiatives for the District Directors to better understand and know their District's chapters. The initiatives include visits, meetings arranged at the Conferences and reports to the Board on chapter health.

The Preservation Committee reported on two projects. One is the **Film Digitization Project**, which received a large monetary donation, is set to begin digitizing the 8mm films in the NRHS Film Library. The other is the presentation of a **historic plaque** for the centennial of Utica Union Station.

Jeff Smith reported the status of the upcoming **dues renewal process** change. The project is on schedule with testing to occur in July or August.

The **2013 Audit** has been completed with the final report to be distributed for the Board at the Springdale meeting. Work is started on completing the IRS 990 form for 2013.

A joint session of the NRHS Board and the Trustees of the **NRHS Fund** was held. The NRHS Fund has applied for 501(c)3 status with the IRS. The Board seeded the Fund with a \$50,000 loan to cover expenses of the Fund. The Fund was allowed to set up bank accounts and will now assume responsibility for NRHS fundraising.

A final convention report was presented to the Board for the **2013 Anchorage, AK Convention**. The convention had 371 registrants and was profitable. The **2014 Convention** in Springdale, AR is running close to 90% of capacity. Costs are coming in as budgeted and sales continue to come in. The **2015 Convention** in Rutland, VT is scheduled for June 16 - 20, 2015. Walter Zullig volunteered and was appointed General Convention Chairman for this convention.

Synopsis of the Board of Directors' Meeting Continued

The NRHS Board awarded the **Fall 2014 Conference** to the George L. Carter Chapter. The Conference will be held November 13 - 15, 2014 in Johnson City, TN. The Board also awarded the **2015 Winter Conference** to the Roanoke Chapter. The Conference will be held January 10 - 11, 2015 in Roanoke, VA.

The NRHS Board handled a number of business items at the meeting. The Board approved the **Bylaws changes** that were presented to them by the Advisory Council. The changes take effect immediately subject to their ratification by the membership at the 2015 Membership Meeting in Rutland, VT. The Board also approved an extension of the current Fernley & Fernley contract until June 30, 2014. Negotiations continue on a new contract. A continuing 2014 Budget Funding Resolution was approved through the Springdale, AR convention meeting. The Board reviewed the financial arrangement made with Your Part-Time Controller. The terms of the agreement are open-ended with no penalty for cancellation by either party.

The Board withdrew the charters of the Texas Eagle and Seven Railroads Chapters. Both withdrawals were on the requests of the chapters to disband.

A complete version of the Board of Directors' Meeting minutes will be available in the public section of the NRHS admin site upon approval by the Board at the Convention. <https://admin.nrhs.com>

Chapter Officer Changes

The following chapters reported changes to their chapter officers. This list is sorted by chapter and shows the most current change reported to National. If any errors are noted contact your chapter's Electronic Billing Contact to verify the chapter officers on the Chapter Data Profile Sheet. The same sheet is used to report any officer changes to National.

Collis P. Huntington Chapter

President: Brian A. Cavender, Saint Albans, WV 25177-9537	25-Feb-14
Vice President: Willard F. Reinhard, Ashland, KY 41102-9283	25-Feb-14
Membership Contact: Joe Rosenthal, Huntington, WV 25705	25-Feb-14

Horseshoe Curve Chapter

Secretary: Joseph A. DeFrancesco, Tyrone, PA 16686-3112	18-Mar-14
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Intermountain Chapter

Editor: Ruth Overfelt, Westminster, CO 80020-3004	31-Mar-14
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Leatherstocking Chapter

Vice President: Vacant	13-Mar-14
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Old Pueblo Chapter

Vice President: Paul Kruppenbacher, Tucson, AZ 85704	25-Feb-14
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Pacific Northwest Chapter

National Representative: Al Baker, Beaverton, OR 97006-2365	25-Feb-14
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Paducah Chapter

Vice President: Charles Gibbons, Paducah, KY 42001-4249	29-Apr-14
National Representative: John Maxfield, Elizabethtown, IL 62931	25-Feb-14
Secretary: John Maxfield, Elizabethtown, IL 62931	25-Feb-14
Editor: Charles Gibbons, Paducah, KY 42001-4249	29-Apr-14

Rappahannock Chapter

Treasurer: Dave Daubert, Watertown, MN 55388	29-Apr-14
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Southeast Louisiana Chapter

Secretary: Vacant	18-Mar-14
Editor: Vacant	18-Mar-14

Suncoast Chapter

National Representative: Vacant	25-Feb-14
Editor: Roderick D. Smith, Sarasota, FL 34238-2644	25-Feb-14

Washington DC Chapter

Vice President: Andrew H. Van Scyoc, Silver Spring, MD 20902-2751	31-Mar-14
Editor: Henry Anderson, Montgomery Village, MD 20886	25-Feb-14

Wilmington Chapter

Vice President: Vacant	29-Apr-14
Editor: Allan Davis, Landenberg, PA 19350	29-Apr-14

WELCOME ABOARD

The following list is all the At-Large members who have joined from February, 2014 to May, 2014. Chapter membership directors are encouraged to contact these new members and explain the benefits of belonging to a local NRHS Chapter, thus enhancing their relationship with the Society. The list is sorted by zip code. International members are listed at the end of this list. Contact the NRHS Office for complete mailing information at info@nrhs.com.

Ryan Laverdiere	Swansea	MA	02777
Anita H. Krauth	Middlesex	VT	05602-4417
Anne Nelson	Montville	NJ	07045-9521
Michael Nelson	Montville	NJ	07045-9521
James L. Dent	Oakland	NJ	07436-3312
Carl J. Guzzo	Spring Lake	NJ	07762
Christopher Yocco	New Providence	NJ	07974-1455
Lewis Speaks- Tanner	Jackson Heights	NY	11372
Gary Faucon	Riverhead	NY	11901-5513
Hopewell Depot Restoration	Hopewell Junction	NY	12533
Michael Edmondson	Willseyville	NY	13864
Linda L. Moore	Oil City	PA	16301
Andrew W. Richards	State College	PA	16803
William P. Richards	State College	PA	16803

Steve Clark	Carlisle	PA	17015-7110
Darren Pitts	Scranton	PA	18508
Philip Kent Scruggs	Burke	VA	22015-2419
Christopher Manthey	Alexandria	VA	22304-7727
Anthony C. Durso, Jr.	Luray	VA	22835
Steve Layman	Charlottesville	VA	22911
Jordan Knapp	Hampton	VA	23669
Cindy Smith	Candler	NC	28715
Thomas Smith	Candler	NC	28715
Terry Koller	c/o Georgia State Railroad Museum		
	Savannah	GA	31401
Jerry Kische	Afton	TN	37616
West Webb	Lakeland	TN	38002
Amy York	Clinton	MS	39060
Jerome Lehtola	Iowa Falls	IA	50126-1145
William S. Palasek	Coralville	IA	52241
Liam King	Lisbon	WI	53089
Derek A. White	Ingleside	IL	60041
Harold A. Edmonson	Chicago	IL	60646-3903
Richard Browder	Cameron	MO	64424
Mark Browder	Cameron	MO	64429
Wes Lee Haas	Lincoln	NE	68516
Michael Thomas	Baton Rouge	LA	70810
Ann Davis	Hot Springs Village	AR	71909-5608
David Vogt	Sherwood	AR	72120
Dorothy Post	Fayetteville	AR	72703-0001
Michael E. Orite	Mulberry	AR	72947-8864
Dennis Stepp	Edmond	OK	73003
Robert Crawford	Muskogee	OK	74403
Mark C. Walbrun	Richardson	TX	75081
Jim Norwood	North Richland Hills	TX	76180
Jason Smith	San Antonio	TX	78245
Jennifer Smith	San Antonio	TX	78245
Shay Smith	San Antonio	TX	78245
Skyler Smith	San Antonio	TX	78245
Friends of the Joseph Branch	Enterprise	OR	97828
Brenda Waters	Sunbury	VIC	3429 Australia
Jonathan Lee	Doncaster	DN12 1SP	United Kingdom
Victor Lines	Doncaster	DN4 9JH	United Kingdom
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