



Web Site

centralbranchrailroad.com

Membership

Individual Annual: \$40

Family Annual: \$55

Individual Life: \$100

Family Life: \$150

Schedule a Ride

Call Ann at 785-363-2343 (H)

785-799-4294(C)

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Volunteer to Work

Contact Larry Moon

lm@centralbranchrailroad.com

Board Members

President - Randy Rundle

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Secretary - Ann Walter

Treas. - Georgena Lindquist

Dave Crawford

Gene Harding

Larry Moon

Ray Petr

Larry Springer

Charlie Weickert

Events

- On-Line
Calendarcentralbranchrailroad.com/Calendar.html

Archives:

Past newsletters can be found on the MCRHS web Site

- centralbranchrailroad.com/Newsletters.html

Gearing up for a new season:

Spring is upon us and in preparation for weed maintenance along the rails the MCRHS has purchased a new spraying rig. We began having a lot of trouble with the previous sprayer and finding parts for the boom nozzles. The new sprayer is a North Star with a 100 gallons tank. Larry Moon picked up the sprayer at Northern Tool & Equipment in Lenexa, KS. Gene Harding is working on getting a spray boom and nozzles mounted on the sprayer.

Last fall, Randy Rundle, MCRHS president, had lunch with the Heinen Brothers Ag Service out of Seneca and they volunteered to keep leftover spray to donate to us for weed control. They recently delivered two bulk storage tanks of spray.



Grant Proposal:

The MCRHS Board of Directors is in the process of applying for a Grant from the Tom E. Dailey Foundation. One of the categories of their grants is "Railroad Heritage - projects promoting the History of railroads, restoration of historic equipment, and other historic rail related projects". The Dailey Foundation has awarded 191 grants totaling \$606,416 since its creation in 2013. Our proposal is a combination of crossing repair in Waterville, KS and tie replacement.

Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad Deed

The MCRHS recently came into possession of a Warranty Deed dated June 26, 1874 in which the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad sold 80 acres to Joseph Stritesky for the sum of \$100. The deed has been scanned and can be viewed using the following link. The links for the front and back of the deed appear at the top of the list on the Newsletter page of our website. The file sizes of 5-6 Mb prohibited inclusion in the newsletter itself.

<http://www.centralbranchrailroad.com/Newsletters.html>

Depot Razed

The Missouri Pacific Depot in Blue Rapids, KS has been demolished. A few years ago the MCRHS looked into what it would take to renovate the depot and the contractor who inspected it advised against trying to renovate the structure. The land that the depot sat on is leased by the Farmers Cooperative and they had been using the building for storage.

Whistle Stop History Ride

Sunday, June 11

- Ride from the East end West to "Somewhere"
- History reenactments along the ride
- History performances at the Waterville Opera House
- Light meal at the Weaver Hotel
- \$35 per person
- Space is limited - Call Ann for reservations.

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- MCRHS is a 501 (C) (3) Nonprofit Corporation. Donations are appreciated.
- P.O. Box 242, Waterville, KS 66548-0242
- Want to become more involved? Contact any board member to find out how you can volunteer.
- email questions to centralbranchrailroad@gmail.com

MCRHS Newsletter Subscription and Renewal Form

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (optional): _____ E-mail: _____

In order to improve the communication with members, the Marshall County Railroad Historical Society is producing a monthly newsletter. In addition to printed newsletters that is mailed via the United States Postal System, extra copies will be printed for advertising purposes.

The MCRHS Board understands that most members paid a life membership but operation costs to maintain the railroad have and are increasing greatly. For the Central Branch Railroad to remain viable, MCRHS simply cannot absorb the cost of mailing newsletters without additional member support.

Please indicate your preference for the method of delivery of the newsletter and enclose an annual fee of \$20 to support this and other efforts for the continued success of the CBRR. This form and your payment can be sent to the address below.

I prefer to have my newsletter sent by _____ E-mail _____ Parcel Post Mail

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