



# THE TRANSFER TABLE

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### MEETING MINUTES

May 18 meeting of the Wilmington Chapter NRHS

President Steve opened the meeting.

There were no minutes. There was no treasurer report. **Hurlock Fall Festival will be Saturday, October 7.** Volunteers needed.

Next meeting will be **Thursday, September 21** at the Claymont Community Center.

**Michael Burkhart** gave the evening's presentation.

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### Chapter Officers

President	Steve Barry
Vice President	Mike Burkhart
Treasurer	Dave Warner
Secretary	Bruce Barry (acting)
Chapter Representative	Tom Posatko
Trip Director	Steve Barry
Editor	Bruce Barry
Web Master	Dave Warner

### Thank you Allan!

After over a half decade as editor of the Chapter's newsletter, Allan has chosen to step down. We want to thank Allan for putting together the newsletter for our chapter many times a year. Having done the chapter newsletter prior, I know the dedication and time put into each newsletter as each deadline fast approaches. Again, Thanks Allan!

With that said, I will be coming back as editor of the newsletter. - Bruce



The Joseph R. Biden, Jr. station in Wilmington, DE, is decked out for the ill-fated train to the inauguration for President-Elect Biden. The stairs had just been painted and are blocked off. President-Elect Biden was going to take a train from his namesake station to Union Station in Washington, DC but the plans were changed due to dramatically heightened security surrounding the inauguration. Dave Warner photo



Amtrak didn't waste any time once 2021 came around posting a 50th Anniversary banner in Wilmington. Dave Warner photo



On July 3, 2023 in Wilsmere, DE, CSX Chessie System heritage unit is leading train M216 from Louisville to South Philadelphia. The heritage unit was unveiled to the public a couple of weeks earlier.

Michael Burkhart photo

The Edinburgh light rail line at Newhaven (Edinburgh, Scotland), is a three-mile extension opened on June 7, 2023. The first part of the line from Edinburgh Airport to centre city opened in 2015. On June 17, 2023, ten days after the new extension was opened, Dave was trackside and photographed the tram at the Newhaven stop.

Dave Warner photo



# Volunteers Needed

Wilmington Chapter members will again be train car hosts for the Hurlock Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct 7, 2023. Volunteers are needed. This is always a fun event and the more volunteers, the lighter the workload (i.e., you will get to take a break and leave the train to walk around the festival and grab lunch). If you can volunteer, please let Bruce know by emailing me at [wilmnrhs@yahoo.com](mailto:wilmnrhs@yahoo.com).



In 2017, SW900 in the Conrail Express livery was used on the west end of the consist. 2017 was a celebration of 125 years of incorporation for Hurlock, Md as noted on the attached banner. Five 1-hour round trips are run during the day. Wilmington Chapter members volunteer to be the train car hosts. Contact Bruce at [WilmNRHS@yahoo.com](mailto:WilmNRHS@yahoo.com) if you can volunteer this year.

Bruce Barry photo

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Mike presented his photographs from his travels in 2022 and some from 2023.

Photos from 2022 included the Bristol 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary electric, Wilmington Chapter NRHS streetcar charter, EBT night photo, Rockhill trolley night photos, EBT M1 run, Pennsylvania Southeastern night photos, Amtrak at Crum Lynn, Maryland Midland, Cumberland for McHugh 1309 charter, Wabash, Monongahela, Central of Georgia, Lackawanna, Penn Central and Conrail heritage units, R&N 2102, Black River and Western 60, New Hope and Ivyland GP 30, SMS steam test on #9, R&N 2102 revenue freight run. A trip to the Salt Lake City

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area in May included an industrial park GP-9, Kennecott Copper display, and mainline UP freight. More action in the area included Heber Valley Railroad, FrontRunner, and the Bonneville Salt Flats. CSX business train. Tower at Pocomoke City. Oil train with CN power. 2102 passenger special. North Shore special. 1309 summer run to Frostburg, Everett Railroad LV SW with passenger train, night photos at Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, SMS various power, Morristown and Erie fundraiser caboose trips, #9 mine tour, Buffalo and Pittsburg, Oil Creek and Titusville, charter on the NY&LE, NJT coast line, Boonton night photo session including NJT CNJ painted GP and other equipment, West Chester B&O ALCO and a freshly painted West Chester GP-9. A trip for KCS including Memphis streetcars, Texas Oklahoma and Eastern, The Rock Island, Columbus and Greenville, Buckingham Branch passenger and light engines. Included was the CSX Santa Train, Roanoke, Canary Islands Tenerife light rail and London Heathrow Airport Station.

Mike then showed some photos from 2023 including the Stourbridge Line, Delaware Lackawanna, and Strasburg Railroad.



## CHAPTER EVENTS

### 2023

Thursday	September 21	7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Presentation TBD
Saturday	October 7	9:30 AM	<b>Hurlock Fall Festival</b>	We will be car hosting this event. Meet at the Hurlock train station.
Thursday	November 16	7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Presentation TBD
Sunday	December 3	5 PM	<b>Annual Christmas Dinner</b>	Presentation by Steve Barry

### 2024

Saturday	February 10	10 AM	<b>Super Saturday Streetcar Charter XXX</b>	Starting location TBD
Thursday	March 21	7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Presentation TBD
Thursday	May 16	7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Presentation TBD

The Wilmington Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society (NRHS) meets at 7 PM at the Claymont Community Center on Green Street in Claymont, Delaware.

Visitors are always welcome. Admission to the regular meetings is free.

Check out our website (thanks to Dave Warner) at:

<http://www.WilmingtonNRHS.com>