

The Telegraph

The Bill Joy Edition

CIGRS

Dateline: 19 August 2018

Karla & Paul Gunzenhausers Railroad

Humeston, Iowa

Another beautiful day, cool with bright but not overly so skies. Cool shade tree with a great view of the layout. **Ole** called the meeting to order at 2:00 with well over 50 members present and 3 guests.

Howard Hoy gave a brief treasurers report.

Ole introduced our newest members **Albert Morgan** and his wife from Atlantic. **Albert** and his wife are transplants to Iowa from the great railroading state of Colorado. I guess the cost of living in Colorado has sky rocketed so **Albert** decided to relocate to Iowa. According to his membership application **Albert** likes G scale Steam Power but he does have a few diesels. He collects passenger trains and circus trains. Welcome aboard **Morgan Family!** Glad to have you in the club!

Although not introduced officially we also have two other new family's who have joined the mix. Welcome to **Neal & Sue Brown** of Urbandale. If I am not mistaken **Neal** was the guy with the large camera lens who was circling the meeting. You may have seen his handy work in the June tour newsletter. He is responsible for all of the great photos featured in that newsletter. His membership applications interests reads "Garden Railroading, Photographs & Street Rods".... Just sayin' one of these is not like the others! Welcome aboard **Neal & Sue!**



New Business Ole announced that our Day out with Thomas will be begin with Set up on Thursday Sept. 14th. With folks needed to run trains and talk to visitors on the 15th & 16th. The following weekend 9/21-23/2018 will also need members with tear down occurring on Sunday afternoon of the 23rd. Please contact **Ole** if you can man the layouts.

Also on the 15th & 16th the club modular crew is being featured in the Round Barn Train Show in Allerton, IA. This display will be in conjunction with a small town celebration, parade and school reunion. Again Please contact **Ole** if you are going to be at this event. This event was organized by another newer member, **David & Jean Wampler.**

Up next was **Show-n-Tell, Steve Hudson** proudly displayed a "Big Top" circus tent he hand stitched for his new layout. (see photo pg 8) He also showed off some of his Circus Wagons and Railcars. Will make a nice addition to the CIGRS circus railcar collection when they are displayed together.

Under the heading **Show-n-Sell Jay Nugent** had many items for sale. Likewise, Editor **Peter Paeth** brought some goodies also available for sale.

Finally, Hostess **Karla Gunzenhauser** spoke about her multiple layouts she has an outside layout, a basement layout, a nice Garden Shed and is a major contributor to the local railroad and history



museum in Humeston which she opened for tours after the meeting. (see Photos Pg. 3) Her main new feature on the outdoors layout was an "Oval" race track complete with vintage race cars. She proudly explained that watching grandkids hand race cars round the track is an amazing sight to see.

Club entertainment director and cheerleader **Bill Joy** was the hit of the meeting with wild antics and a running commentary on all of the proceedings. It has been a while since **Bill** has been with us and it was a real "Joy" to see him. For an update on **Bill** please see the more private email sent from the **Godfroy's**, Our prayers and thoughts go out to the **Joy's** as they work through some troubling times.



Long time club member Bill Joy

CIGRS July Meeting (cont.)

Photos By: Peter J. Paeth

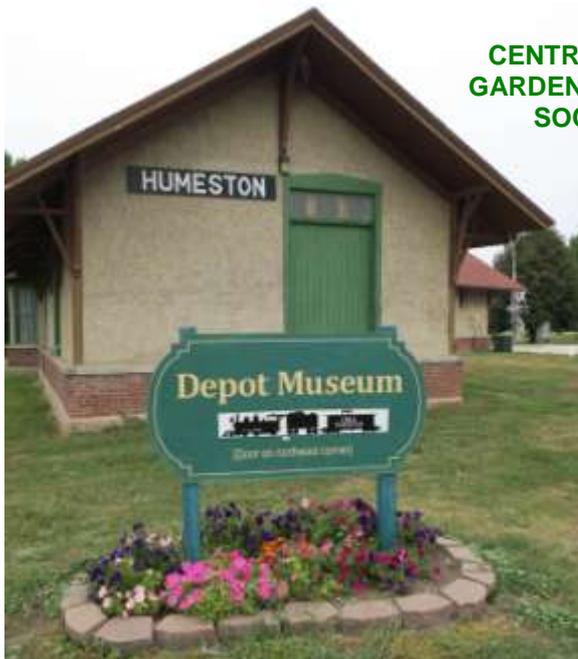
Clockwise: Main Depot, Downtown Area of Garden Layout, Inside Depot Winter Storage Shed, Early Attendance, Hershey's Box Car.

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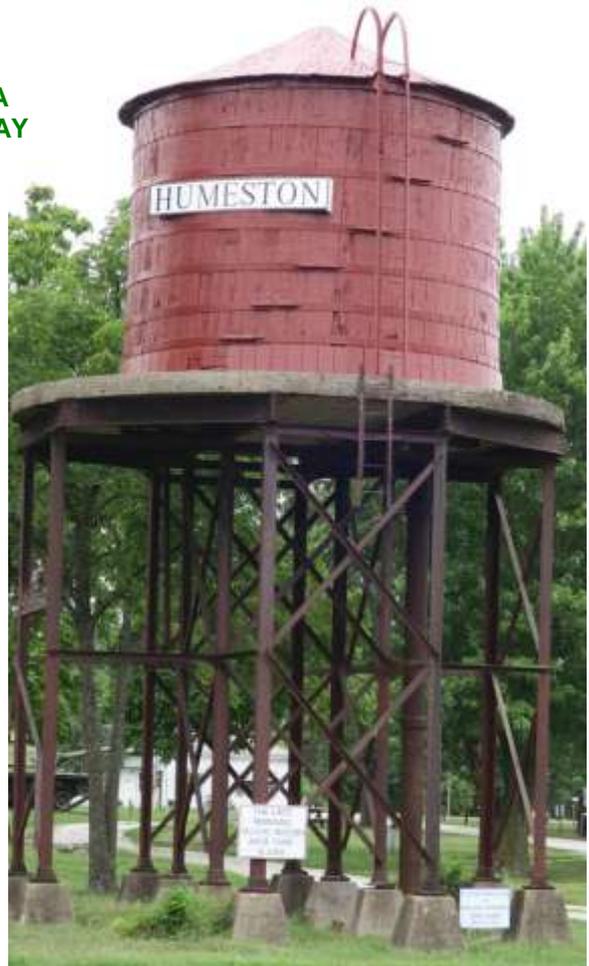


Humeston Depot Museum and Water Tower

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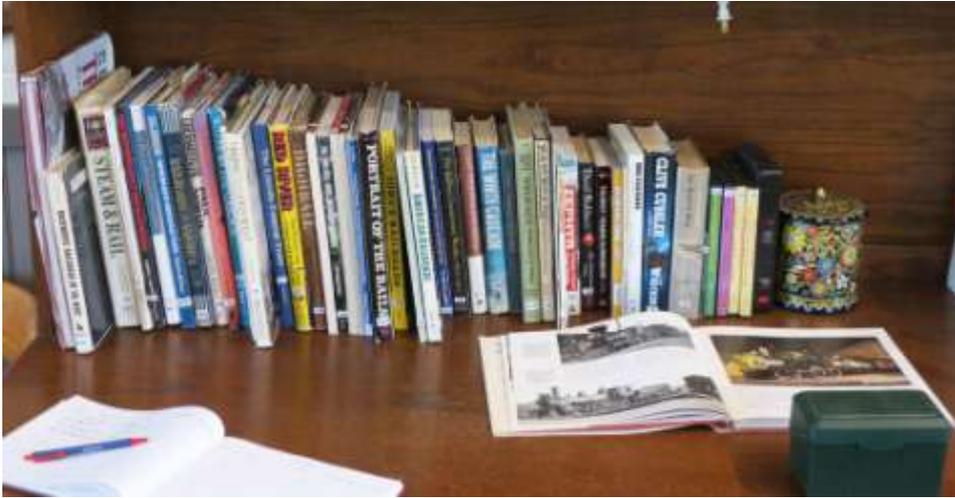
Left: Humeston Museum, Railroad Memorabilia, Painting of Derby Depot

Right: Humeston Water Tower, Sign stating "The Last Remaining Wooden Railroad Water Tower in Iowa", O Gauge display including working telegraph machine.



Photos of the CIGRS Library

Photos By: Peter Paeth



Here it is folks... our official CIGRS Library in all its glory. We are adding more items all the time and if you ever want to check-out a resource contact **Karla Gunzenhauser**.

This is only a portion of the CIGRS Library video section.



New Additions to the CIGRS Library

#206-----The American Heritage History of Railroads in America -----by Oliver Jensen (A coffee table book published by American Heritage Publishing Co. of New York)

This book covers the one and one half centuries of American Railroading, starting with Engine Number 108 of the Pittsburg Locomotive Works in 1883. A look back takes the reader to the English 1803 Trevithick, and the Stephenson's ROCKET of 1829. The book contains a nice mix of photos, drawings, narrative and paintings.

#207-----All Aboard, The Golden Age of American Rail Travel, edited by Bill Yenne. C. 1989. This is another coffee table book that, after an introduction, includes three parts, 1839-1899, 1900-1939, and 1940-1955. Again, it includes many prints, photos, paintings, and enough narrative to give understanding to the visual parts of the book.

For more information on these or any of our other hundreds of tomes contact **Karla Gunzenhauser**.

TRAINS IN THE BARN

Saturday, September 15 • 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Round Barn Site • Allerton, IA

Featuring
Central Iowa Garden Railway Society's
Modular "G" Scale Train Layout



- Trains running in the Round Barn
- Railroad lanterns
- Telegraph keys
- Other railroad memorabilia



Admission by Freewill Donation

Also tour the Round Barn Site's
1869 Williams School • 1887 New York Christian Church • 1897 Queen Anne House



The Round Barn Site is located 1 mile east of Allerton, IA. • GPS Coordinates: 40.70636, -93.34581
From Central Avenue turn East on Maple Street and drive 1 mile. Some navigation devices will try to route using Main Street or Co. Rd. J-44 which is a dirt road. Do not use this route.

This event is running in conjunction with the town's annual Fall celebration, "Allertonworld Fair." There are many things to do and see during the celebration, including a parade at noon. Don't miss out on small town fun at it's finest. Come and spend the day.

If you have a model train layout or railroad memorabilia that you would like to display, please call David at 641-870-6500 to arrange.

A Railroad Man's Prayer

Courtesy of a Anonymous Facebook Post

An old railroad employee was converted at a meeting and was asked to lead in prayer. He hesitated a moment - then with a trembling but clear voice he said reverently, "O Lord, now that I have flagged Thee, lift up my feet from the train of salvation. Let me use the safety lamp known as prudence and all the couplings in the train with the strong arm of love; and let my hand lamp be the Bible. And, Heavenly Father, keep all switches closed that lead off on the sidings, especially those with a blind end. O, Lord, if it be Thy pleasure, have every semaphore block along the line show white light of hope that I may make the run of life without stopping. And, Lord give us the Ten Commandments for the schedule; and when I have finished on schedule time and pulled into the dark station of death, may the Superintendent of the Universe say; 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant, come and sign the payroll and receive your check for eternal happiness.'"



CIGRS Buy Sell or Trade

This is going to become a new recurring page on our newsletters. If you have something you wish to sell, let the editor know send him a photo with price and your contact info.



Jay Nugent

LGB RH Switches Asking for \$15
jcnugent42@gmail.com



Jay Nugent

LGB Street Lamps Asking \$7 apiece
jcnugent42@gmail.com



Cindy Olson

Wooden Engine & box car. Great for a planter stand. Selling for a friend of Cheri Nugent. Scratch built by deceased father would like to go to a "railroad home" Would like \$100 a piece. Leave message if not home.
515.720.8305



Jay Nugent

LGB Switch and Straight Track set Asking for \$25.00
jcnugent42@gmail.com

AUGUST

Birthdays

Barb Kilmer	8-8
Sam Mora	8-11
Connie Joy	8-12
Jay Nugent	8-16
Lavonne Isard	8-23
Hillary Miner	8-24
Kathy Cox	8-25

SEPTEMBER

Birthdays

Connie Biechler	9-7
Michael Kidman	9-9
Gene Pritchard	9-12
Eric Kamp	9-20
Joe Vocelka	9-20

Anniversaries

Gene & Donna Pritchard	9-9
Peter & Sandra Paeth	9-14

OCTOBER

Birthdays

Renee Kidman	10-1
David Elbe	10-6
Denis Biechler	10-12
Albert Morgan	10-16

Anniversaries

Karl & Nancy Swessinger	10-13
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If we are missing yours let us know so we can celebrate with you!



Circus Tent Hand Sewn by Member Steve Hudson

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About Our Organization...

The Central Iowa Garden Railway Society has regular monthly meeting at which we discuss one another's current project, hobby news, and the latest products on the market.

Programs are presented at some meetings, either by one of our members, or by some-one brought in from outside the organization. The programs generally cover some element of the hobby, from the history of local and other Railroads, to rolling stock to track work, to locomotive, includes electric operation, battery-powered and trains that actually run on live steam.

Little Known Railroad Trivia: The Fenlon Place Elevator in Dubuque is the world's steepest and shortest railway.