



The Roundhouse Reporter

October 2017

Tractors, Trains and Trails! Oh My!

September was no time for catnaps in the caboose. It was a very busy beginning to fall at the Sioux City Railroad Museum. As mentioned in the last newsletter, work continues on the Grand Scale Train Project. We are also beginning to gear up for our annual Halloween at the Roundhouse Event which looks to be a huge success this year, with even more activities to participate in. Read on to see other updates from the Sioux City Railroad Museum.

Ag Rail Success!

Ag Rail was a wonderful success. Visitors enjoyed hay rack rides, motor car rides, tractor pulls and parades, and various children's activities. The hobos, Crazy Joe and Arlo, entertained visitors with stories and songs. The museum, as well as the farmers who volunteer, enjoy this annual event. We find that by sharing our industrial and agricultural heritage with the visitors, we are able to tell a unique and vibrant story of early life in rural Iowa.



A big thank you to our friends at Icon Ag and Turf for providing sponsoring our motorcar rides for this event.

**Great Northern
Railroad Historical**

Society Group Photo



Great Northern Railroad Historical Society Pays a Visit to the Museum

On September 19th, the Sioux City Railroad Museum played host to the Great Northern Railroad Historical Society. Nearly 100 guests visited the museum for a day of exploration, learning, and of course trains. The group began their day with a tour of the museum. After the tour the group took a break for lunch and a lecture from Sioux City's very own railroad expert, Dr. Rudy Daniels.

Although the day was full of excitement, the highlight of the day was the viewing of our 1355 Great Northern Steam Locomotive. The visitors from the Great Northern Historical Society looked on as the locomotive was shunted from the roundhouse and onto the turn table. After photographs and many thank yous, the group was on their way back home. We hope to entertain this wonderful group of train enthusiast again in the future.

MRHD Awards Sioux City Railroad Museum Grant Funds

Missouri River Historical Development (MRHD) is a great supporter of non-profit organizations in Woodbury County. On Wednesday, September 28th several non-profits from Siouxland gathered and were presented with grants for their projects.

The Sioux City Railroad Museum was granted \$80,000 for our parking and trails system. This money goes towards building a paved trail through the complex as well as paving our parking lot. We are so excited to get this project underway and improve access for our visitors.



Thank you to MRHD for this generous grant and their commitment to improving quality of life for the people of Siouxland

Upcoming Events

Halloween at the Roundhouse

Saturday October 28th 10-4 pm

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Sunday October 29th 12-4 pm

Be An Engineer Day

(Final Engineer Days for 2017)
October 14th & 15th



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