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FLATLAND RAILWAY

The August CIGRS meeting was held on August 18th at the home of Karla and Paul Gunzenhauser in Humeston, IA. President John Myers called the meeting to order at 1:33 PM. John called for visitors and new members to introduce themselves to the club.

New members Andee & John Vocolka, from Johnston, IA attended their first meeting. He has been busy planning and constructing a new layout in their backyard this spring and summer. Andee his wife is the gardener in the family. Long time member **Jim Darby** was a guest at the meeting as well. It was two years ago that the work began on the Flatland Railway. Plantings include, Lillies of the Valley, lots of Iris and Hostas from Garden Grove. The Blood Grass was Red Barron. Her scratch built gazebo turned out great too. The white house came from the Swapmeet. Down in their basement were many of Karla's projects including the Engine House which she completed this past winter.

Treasurer's Report

Next Howard gave us an overview of the Club Budget and much to our surprise we still had a bottom line to crow about.

Old Business

Tour Report: Make a Wish received a check for \$835 which was the net revenue generated by the tour fees and donations. CIGRS received a **thank you letter from Make a Wish** for our generous donation. **Planes, Trains and Automobiles Event in Perry** was scheduled for August 24th. Bill Joy, John Myers, Ron Mash volunteered to help out setting up and or tearing down. Set up was scheduled at 7:00 AM at the south corner of the Carnegie Library across the street from the Hotel Pattee.



Photo by Ron Mash

Upcoming Events

- ***CIGRS meets at LaVonne and Dick Isard's in September***
- ***October CIGRS meeting at Kidman's***
- ***November mtg will be at the Library in Perry, IA***
- ***Master Gardeners & CIGRS Holiday Project opens late in November at the Des Moines Botanical Gardens.***

Special Thanks

To the Gunzenhauser's for hosting the club meeting in August.

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New Business

2014 Lawn & Garden Show next March at the Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fairgrounds. President Myers announced the space CIGRS will be allocated will be 40 X 50 in the south east corner of the building. This is almost 3 times the size of the area we had in 2013. The Chief Engineers and Designers have already begun their layout design work which will provide walk through paths and benches for visitors to sit and enjoy the garden as they make their way around the exhibit area.

Gene Elphic shared information about the **Swap Meet in Hampton, IA** associated with the 2nd Annual Train Show and Sale. This event will take place at the Franklin Co. Convention Center on Sunday, October, 13, 2013 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. More information will be sent electronically or for more information call Gene or Jane Elphic at:641-456-4264 for all the details.

The Des Moines Botanical Gardens have purchased equipment for their exhibit this fall and winter featuring many plantings and trains.

Marilyn and Jim Magnuson gave a raving report on the Sacramento Railroad Museum. It was excellent.

Mike Nolan at Mercy Hospital in the Intensive Care unit for a punctured lung which occurred during a routine procedure. Please keep Mike and Mary Ann in your thoughts and prayers.

Fred Loveridge is holding his own and is homebound mostly.



Photos by Ron Mash



**Important Dates and
Observances
In September 2013**

September Birthdays

Connie Biechler	9-7
Michael Kidman	9-9
Jim Darby	9-12
Gene Pritchard	9-12
Jack Lundy	9-14
Dick Tinder	9-19
Carrie Cozad	9-20
Joe Vocelka	9-20
Dick Shellenberg	9-23
Richard Roemer	9-25

September Anniversaries

Rob & Amy Renes	9-6
Gene & Donna Pritchard	9-9
Peter & Sandra Paeth	9-14

Show and Tell -

Larry Nelson showed off his Bead Roller (New Toy) & his Proline Buildings.



New Members Andee and Jon Vocelka from Johnston, IA

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***CIGRS Meeting at
Southland Express Railway
2818 Southland St. SW,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 50123
Hosted by Lavnone and Dick Isard
September 8, 2013***

Potluck at Noon and CIGRS Meeting at 1:00 PM

Directions to Isard's-

For a map go to: www.cigrs.net and click on September Meeting under Upcoming events.



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

Programs are presented at some meetings, either by one of our members, or by someone 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 locomotives, includes electric operation, battery-powered and trains that actually run on live

steam. Most of our members have, or hope to have, gauge G, or gauge 1 railways in their gardens or back yards.

Meetings are generally held on the third Sunday of each month. Specific dates and times, as well as program topics, are announced in the CIGRS Telegraph. Club members are encouraged to involve themselves in any of a variety of functions, including special model railway exhibitions that are staged in the area.



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