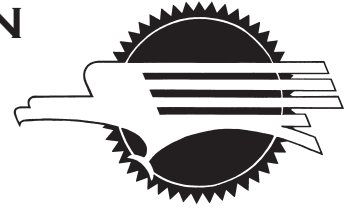


MISSOURI PACIFIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY

30TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 8 & 9, 2010
BEST WESTERN STATE FAIR INN
SEDALIA, MISSOURI



This year's annual meeting and convention will be held at the State Fair Inn in Sedalia, Missouri. The convention will feature six informative, entertaining and quality presentations by noted historical authors and MPHS members.

Friday morning will be for initial registration. Those who register prior to 12:15PM will receive a free lunch! The annual business meeting will start at 1:00PM, followed by two tours and finish with a reception for retired MoPac employees of the Sedalia Facilities. A slide auction will close out the day's activities.

Saturday will start with some historical presentations about the MoPac facilities and the railroad's impact on Sedalia. Following these programs, two of our members, Ed Hawkins and Jerry Michels, will enlighten you on passenger car and caboos construction and rebuilding efforts at the huge Sedalia shops. After lunch, Tom Taylor will give us a behind the scenes view of Kansas City Union Station, followed by viewing model displays with a popular vote contest and member swap meet/vendor sales. Our evening and final presentation is on the Warsaw Branch by another MPHS member, Ken Bird.

Our Convention Facilities

Hotel Information & Rates:

This year's Annual Convention will be held at the Best Western State Fair Inn, South 65 Highway & 32nd Street in Sedalia, MO. Web site: <http://www.bestwesternmissouri.com/hotels/best-western-state-fair-inn/>

Room rates are \$65.00 One/Two persons in guest room, \$6.00 each additional person in room, plus tax. (Rate includes free breakfast) Call direct free at 1-877-826-6101 and ask for the Missouri Pacific Historical Society rate. All reservations should be made by September 25 and members must guarantee their own reservations.

Amenities:

Free high-speed Internet access, cable satellite television with HBO®, free long distance access, toiletries, iron/ironing board, coffee/tea maker and hairdryer in the rooms. And a Jacuzzi®, sauna, indoor swimming pool, fitness center, Carousel Dining Room family restaurant and Carousel Lounge are located on the premises.

Special note: The registration fee this year includes free lunch and snacks/beverages both days and a free 'do-it-yourself' meal at the Friday night reception. Cost for members is \$40.00 and spouses \$20.00 if they attend convention activities. Attendees will only have to pay for their evening meal on Saturday. (And Thursday evening meal if you arrive early)

Some Sedalia Area Attractions:

- Everyone will receive a Sedalia visitor's guide
- Daum Museum of Contemporary Art: State Fair Community College Campus — free admission
- Pettis County Museum: 228 Dundee Ave — free admission, donations accepted
- Pettis County Courthouse Murals: 415 S Ohio Ave (downtown) — free; the Sedalia hobby shop is located on the corner south of the Courthouse.
- The Sedalia Murals: 200 S Osage Ave (downtown) — free
- Located north of the convention motel on Hwy 65 are an MP caboose (west side) and an MKT passenger car, now a diner (east side). A steam loco is on display by the entrance to the State Fair Grounds.
- Special treat: UP 3985 Challenger with train will arrive Saturday, mid-day, and leave Sunday for Kansas City via the River Subdivision. There should be photo opportunities at the siding.

THIS IS ONE CONVENTION YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS! WE'LL SEE YOU IN Sedalia!

Agenda

Friday October 8

- 9:00AM BOD Meeting
- 11:00AM Registration (lunch both days included with registration)
- 1:00PM Business Meeting
- 2:00PM Tour of the Historic Katy Depot (Includes MP items)
- 3:30PM Tour of UP Signal Shop (ex MoPac shop)
- 6:00PM MoPac Retired Employee Reception at Katy Depot hosted by MPHS
- 8:15PM Slide Auction

Saturday October 9

- 8:30AM **Building the Sedalia Shops** • By Bill Claycomb, local historian and author of *On the Mainlines: Railroading in Sedalia, Missouri* and *Pettis County Missouri — a Pictorial History*. Describes the post-Civil War politics up to the turn of the century and the history and background of the Sedalia Shops: pre- and post-1904 construction period.
- 9:00AM **Impact of Missouri Pacific Facilities in Sedalia** • By Dr. Rhonda Chalfant, Instructor at State Fair Community College, Political Science Department; historian, author, and columnist. Describes Sedalia prostitution and the railroads; and the impact of the 1922 railroad strike.
- 10:00AM **Some Passenger cars and the Sedalia Shops** • By Ed Hawkins, MPHS life member, and Manager and Editor of *Railway Prototype Cyclopedia*. Content is about MoPac passenger cars built new or rebuilt at Sedalia Shops during the 1940s, 1950s, and into the 1960s.
- 11:00AM **Missouri Pacific Sedalia-built Standard Steel Cabooses and More** • By Jerry Michels, MPHS life member, and author of *Cabooses of the Missouri Pacific*. The talk will center around the 180 welded steel cabooses built at Sedalia from 1949-1950, their

predecessors and contemporaries, and the caboose rebuilding program and their fate as the caboose era drew to a close.

- 12:01PM Lunch
- 1:30PM **Kansas City Union Station** • By Tom Taylor, historian, author, and member of Jackson County Historical Society and Kansas City Postcard Collectors organization. A slide presentation about Kansas City's Union Station, the third largest train station in the United States. Presentation will cover its glory years, decline, and restoration. The presentation includes historic photographs, slides from Tom's post card collection, and photos he has taken through the years.
- 2:30PM Member Displays, Swap Meet, Vendor sales, Popular Vote Model Contest
- 7:00PM **History of the Sedalia, Warsaw & Southern Railroad** • By Ken Bird, MPHS member and author of *Rails to the Osage*. Details the operation of the Warsaw Branch, a short line which operated as narrow gauge from 1891 to 1902, and as standard gauge from 1902 until abandoned in 1946.

General Scheduled Items

- **Swap Meet:** Saturday 1:00PM to 3:30PM. Bring, sell, and swap Missouri Pacific related items and models. One table free to each member on request.
- **Silent Auction:** Friday 8:15PM. Don't need a table, but have stuff to sell? Bring any of your railroad-related items for sale (models, magazines, memorabilia, books, china, etc.). Set your minimum price, and sell to the highest bidder.
- **Model Contest:** Bring your Missouri Pacific, T&P, C&EI, MV, KO&G (or other subsidiaries) models of locomotives, rolling stock, and structures for popular judging or just display.

Missouri Pacific Historical Society 2010 Convention Registration

NAME:			
SPOUSE NAME:			
ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	PHONE:
ARE YOU GOING TO ATTEND THE RECEPTION? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	QUANTITY	COST EACH	TOTAL COST
REGISTRATION FEE: MEMBER		\$40	
REGISTRATION FEE: SPOUSE		\$20	
SWAP/DISPLAY/SALES TABLES: (MEMBERS INDICATE IF YOU WANT ONE FREE TABLE)		NO CHARGE	NO CHARGE
ADDITIONAL TABLES:		\$10	
TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE:			

Mail form and check to:

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