

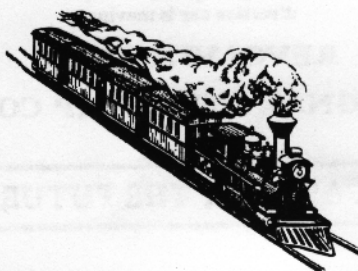
# THE CHRONICLE

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## FOURTH ANNUAL SERIES OF COLORADO RAILROAD HISTORY PROGRAMS



Four "excursions" exploring Colorado's railroad history from the past to the present, are being sponsored by The Local History Collection & Railway Excursion Company of the Douglas Public Library District. This series is the fourth series in as many years.

"Departures" from the Philip S. Miller Library/Depot on the east side of the northbound Joint Line at the Plum Creek Parkway overpass. The programs are free and are open to the public.

### EXCURSION TIME TABLE

**Date/Time:** Sunday, November 10, 1996. 2:00 p.m.

**Excursion:** Effects of 1965 Flood on the Railroads and Railroading in the Plum Creek Valley

**Guide:** James Ozment, D&RGW Construction Engineer, Retired.

**Précis:** Raging creeks and rivers along Colorado's Front Range sought their long unused flood plains in June of 1965. Mr. Ozment was there. He will take us back to the events and the rebuilding of the rails of the Joint Line with photographs, slides, and stories of railroads, including the D&RGW.

**Date/Time:** Sunday, January 12, 1997. 2:00 p.m.

**Excursion:** Then and Now: Railroading in this Decade, and Operation LifeSaver

**Guide:** Steve Neubauer, Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Engineer on the Denver-Pueblo Joint Line.

**Précis:** Railroad history is NOW! We have long trains powered by equipment far beyond the dreams of the pioneering railroaders who laid the tracks through the East Plum Creek Valley. Mr. Neubauer will focus on the modern aspects of railroading, different types of engines, and the locomotive simulator used to train new engineers.

**Date/Time:** Sunday, February 9, 1997. 2:00 p.m.

**Excursion:** Two Miles Above Sea-Level: The Life and Legacy of David Moffat

**Guide:** Steve Patterson, Santa Fe Engineer

**Précis:** In 1902, at the age of 63, mining speculator David Moffat began building the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific Railroad. He, along with William Jackson Palmer, had a great impact on Colorado railroad expansion and therefore the economic development of the state of Colorado.

**Date/Time:** Sunday, March 9, 1997. 2:00 p.m.

**Excursion:** Otto Perry's Railroad Photo Odyssey

**Guide:** Charles Albi, Director of the Colorado Railroad Museum

**Précis:** A lifetime of taking remarkably detailed photographs of steam engines and the coming of diesel-powered locomotives is the rich legacy of Otto Perry to the Western History/Genealogy Department of the Denver Public Library. Most of the photographs were taken in Colorado and surrounding states.

**For further information, Call Johanna Harden, Archivist/Excursion Agent, at (303) 814-0795.**

The Philip S. Miller Library/Depot is located at 961 South Plum Creek Blvd., Castle Rock Colorado 80104-2788.

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The Highlands Ranch Historical Society incorporated in 1991 as a nonprofit, tax exempt organization to bring together those people interested in the history of Highlands Ranch. We are involved in many projects, including collecting artifacts, photographs, oral histories, and biographies; researching

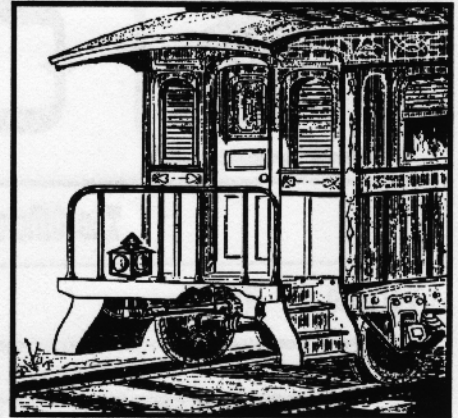
and documenting land grants of original homesteaders; compiling site surveys of historical home locations in our area; and making presentations to schools and to the community.

Please join us at 7:00 p.m. on the last Wednesday of the month at the Library Conference Room, 48 W. Springer Drive, Highlands Ranch. Call ahead to confirm.

For more information about the Highlands Ranch Historical Society, please call (303) 791-3438.

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