



STUDENT PHOTO SESSION AT ROCKHILL TROLLEY MUSEUM

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High School Students Get Experience on Photo Shoot

Why do they call them trolleys? What is that funny thing on the front? Do they always switch that pole when they change directions? These were some of questions 31 students from the art classes at Greencastle-Antrim High School asked at a photo shoot. The event was held at the Rockhill Trolley Museum in Rockhill Furnace, PA on Friday, September 30, 2005.

The students were participating in a photo shoot sponsored by the Cumberland Valley Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, *Trains*, and the National Railway Historical Society (NRHS). Designed to introduce high school students to photographing historic rail equipment, the shoot brought representatives from *Trains* and the NRHS to Orbisonia, Pennsylvania and the Railways to Yesteryear Museum to teach the student about techniques to photograph rail subjects.

Jim Andrisen, Vice President of Public relations for NRHS and Barry Smith, Secretary of NRHS taught the students many of the secrets to photographing large moving objects. A photographer from *Trains* magazine was unable to attend the activities due to a family emergency.

"Awesome" was the way Katie Musser, a sophomore from Greencastle-Antrim described the experience. Alicia Mixell, a sophomore, said the "experience was fun and I learned how to make the trolley go."

Art teacher Carolyn Baker said that she "was impressed with the knowledge I gain about trains. The day was a great opportunity for the kids."

Jason Durham, a senior, said he liked the experience. "I learned a lot about taking pictures. It was a good experience."

Diana Catron said she had "an awesome experience. We learned about the history of trains. Driving the trolley was awesome. I love taking pictures."

Smith said he enjoyed working with the students from Greencastle. "The students were very interested in photography and appeared to learn a great deal about photography. The National organization wants to appeal to younger people and get them interested in railroads as a hobby. We are glad that *Trains Magazine* shares our interest in appealing to young people."

Personnel at the Trolley Museum provided a surprise experience for the students when they allowed them to operate the trolley cars for short distances along the tracks. The students were thrilled with the experience.

Trains Magazine and the National Railway Historical Society provided the lunch and materials used in the photo shoot. Greencastle-Antrim School District provided the bus for the activity.

The NRHS sponsors a variety of activities focused on rail education and training for young adults, including our annual week-long summer camp program, RailCamp. For more information on that program visit www.railcamp.com.

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Photo Information: Photography students from Greencastle-Antrim High School set up for a picture of one of the trolley cars at the Rockhill Trolley Museum. The students participated in an activity sponsored by the National Railway Historical Society and Trains Magazine.



** Photo by Barry Smith

