



**J. Neils Lumber Co. No. 5, a three-truck Shay logging locomotive** built by Lima in 1929, heads east on the Museum's main line pulling a caboose train including Burlington Route 13572 (built in 1960), Union Pacific 3786 (1942), Belt Railway of Chicago 223 (1953), Chicago Great Western 601 (1946), and Illinois Central Gulf 199458 (1970). *Photo by Rob Schreiner.*

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## DECEMBER

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## DIRECTIONS

7000 Olson Road, Union, Illinois 60180, in McHenry County

### From Chicago:

Take the Jane Addams Tollway (Interstate 90) to U.S. Route 20, Marengo Exit 42. Turn left on Route 20 and drive about 4 ½ miles to South Union Road, turn right. Follow South Union Road until it ends at West Union Road and turn right. Take this road through town to Olson Road and turn right.

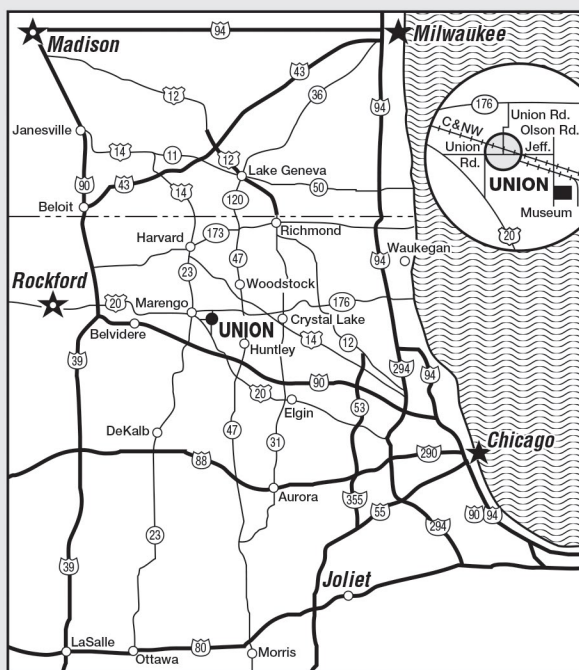
### From Milwaukee and Eastern Wisconsin:

Take Interstate 43 west to U.S. Route 14. Follow U.S. Route 14 south to Illinois Route 23 south to Illinois Route 176, turn left, follow to North Union Road, turn right. Or take any road south to Illinois Route 176 follow west to North Union Road, turn left go into town. The stop sign is Jefferson Street, turn left. Take this road through town to Olson Road and turn right.

### From Rockford and Western Wisconsin:

Take U.S. Route 20 (or Interstate 90 and exit at Route 20 at Cherry Valley-Belvidere) through Marengo. About 1 mile east of Marengo, turn left on South Union Road. Take South Union Road through Union to Olson Road and turn right.

See [www.irm.org/directions](http://www.irm.org/directions) for more information.



## 2021 SCHEDULE

Subject to health and safety guidelines during the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Museum anticipates opening in April 2021 with streetcar operations on Saturdays and Sundays through the end of October. Exact dates to be determined based on current safety guidelines. See [www.irm.org](http://www.irm.org) for dates as they become available.

Steam and Diesel Trains are anticipated to operate weekends starting in May through the end of September.

## 2021 SPECIAL EVENTS

Subject to health and safety guidelines during the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Museum anticipates featuring the following special events during 2021:

**May:** Memorial Day Weekend

**June:** Chicago Day

**July:** Day Out With Thomas™

**August:** Vintage Transport Extravaganza & Diesel Days

**September:** Labor Day Weekend & Museum Showcase Weekend

**December:** Happy Holiday Railway

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Illinois Railway Museum is open to anyone who likes trains or who is interested in the Museum's historic and educational programs. The member receives a pass which identifies them as a Museum supporter, allows them passage on the Museum's operating railway, and a discount on certain educational materials in the Museum Store. Members also receive *Rail & Wire*, the Museum magazine, which is published several times per year.

Memberships are available for an individual or a family (two parents and children under 18). Beyond Associate membership, a member may choose to pay a Sustaining rate, which confers the same membership benefits but provides additional (tax deductible) financial support to the Museum. Sustaining members also receive a hat indicating their support and a pin for each year of their Sustaining membership.

### Membership Rates:

\$50 Individual Associate

\$80 Family Associate

\$100 Individual Sustaining

\$160 Family Sustaining

Annual memberships run from January through December.

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## HELP SUPPORT IRM WITH...

### DONATIONS

The Illinois Railway Museum's success is due to the support of its members and patrons. As a not-for-profit educational organization, we receive no local, state or federal assistance. The Museum's ticket sales don't quite cover basic operations. Donations to our General Fund are needed to bridge the gap and for basic upkeep. IRM depends on help from people like you to fulfill its preservation and educational mission especially during challenging times like these. Please visit [www.irm.org/fundraising](http://www.irm.org/fundraising) for more information.

### VOLUNTEERING

Become an Illinois Railway Museum Volunteer! We need your help, your time, your energy, and your ideas to keep our Museum in motion, to preserve and operate our collection, and to help our visitors make the very most of their visits. Volunteers preserve and restore the equipment, pull the throttles, punch the tickets, dispatch the trains, keep the books, manage the computer systems, and do the thousand and one other tasks needed to run our Museum. Contact the Museum office for more information or visit us online at [www.irm.org/volunteer](http://www.irm.org/volunteer)

### TAKE THE THROTTLE

Our Take The Throttle program will make you engineer for an hour. Live the fantasy of every railfan: ring the bell, blow the horn, wave to the kids, and smile for the camera during this once-in-a-lifetime experience! As a student engineer or motorman you will have full control, under the careful supervision and instruction of an IRM crew member. Or, if you have a railfan in the family, give a birthday or holiday gift that will never be forgotten! The Museum's Take the Throttle program normally operates late afternoons on weekends only (excluding holiday and special event weekends) during periods the Museum is open. For available dates and more information see [www.irm.org/take-the-throttle](http://www.irm.org/take-the-throttle)

### IRM SIGNS WEB STORE

IRM sells obsolete historic Chicago 'L' signs. Your purchase will help historic sign restorations across the museum. Go to [www.irmsigns.org](http://www.irmsigns.org) for more information.

### IRM USED BOOKSTORE

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