



**Veterans' Association
of the
Chicago & North
Western Railway**



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Train Fest 2011

Train Fest 2011 was an event held in Rock Island, Illinois from July 21 through July 24, 2011 and included the Illinois Railway Museum's historic CB&Q train set – The Nebraska Zephyr. On July 24, the Zephyr took passengers from Rock Island to Bureau, IL and return, this being the first time in over 40 years the public was able to ride the Zephyr off of museum grounds since it was taken out of regular service in the 1960's. The pictures on this page take the Zephyr from the Museum in Union, IL to Rockford, IL where the Canadian Pacific took over. Accompanying the Zephyr was the 411, an ex-Chicago & North Western F7 covered wagon, and a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy SW7 diesel switch engine, the 9255. Handling the movement from Union to Rockford on July 19, 2011 was a former C&NW crew, Engineer **Dave Hawley** and Conductor **Darrell Hubbard**. Thanks to **Mark Llanuza**, we have these pictures.



Engineer **Dave Hawley** show off his track warrant that reads CBQ 9255 West. Now, why didn't the warrant read CB&Q 9911A West since that was the lead unit? The Dispatcher said the computer would not take the letter "A" so the third unit was used, which was the CBQ 9255.



Engineer **Dave Hawley** on the CB&Q 9911A.



Conductor **Darrell Hubbard** and Engineer **Dave Hawley** stand by CB&Q E-5, 9911A



Engineer **Dave Hawley** and retired C.F.T. Engineer **Ray (Stormy) Kramer**.



Coming into Belvidere, IL with the CB&Q 9911A in the lead, then C&NW 411 and last CB&Q 9255.



Engineer **Dave Hawley**, IRM General Manager **James Kolanowski** and Mayor of Belvidere, IL. **Frederic C. Brereton** with the CB&Q 9911A.



Belvidere Mayor. **Frederic C. Brereton**, IRM General Manager **James Kolanowski**, Conductor **Darrell Hubbard** and Engineer **Dave Hawley** in downtown Belvidere, IL. It's a little hard to see, but **Jamie** is receiving the Key to the City from the Mayor.

Belvidere policeman with Engineer **Dave Hawley** in Belvidere, IL. Now, the train tied up downtown Belvidere for at least 25 minutes but the police officer doesn't seem a bit upset.



Ipsen road just west of Belvidere, IL on our way out of town.

Going over the Rock River, approaching Rockford, IL.