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IN MEMORIUM

Douglas (“Doug”) Dean Hagestad earned his bachelor’s degree from Washington & Lee University in 1965 and his MBA from Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management in 1966, before he gained career experience as a transportation industry executive and consultant. He served the Illinois Central Railroad for 18 years, starting in the intermodal department and eventually working his way to Senior Vice President of Marketing. He also taught transportation and management courses at several universities, including a popular transportation marketing course for Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management.

Doug had a passion for rail and was a driving force behind the foundation and rapid expansion of the Northwestern University Transportation Center’s Sandhouse Rail Group. In recognition of his hard work and dedication to NUTC, Doug was appointed to NUTC Associate Director in August 2006. When he passed away just one year later, his fellow members became the Hagestad Sandhouse Rail Group to honor Doug’s memory.

YOUR SUPPORT

NUTC and the Hagestad family established the Sandhouse Hagestad Memorial Fund to provide the Hagestad Sandhouse Rail Group with the financial support necessary for continuing the quality presentations and programs Doug would have wanted. Your charitable gift will ensure the group’s reputation and Doug’s memory live on.

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Locomotives carry sand for traction, because steel wheels on steel rails sometimes slip, particularly in wet conditions. In railroading’s classic era, the sand for this purpose was dried in engine terminals in small buildings known as sandhouses. With their sand-drying heaters, sandhouses were among the few warm places in the terminal, so they served an important function in bringing together many of the different roles in rail—hostlers, engineers, brakemen, oilers, maintenance technicians, carmen, etc.—away from management. This allowed a free exchange of facts, stories, and rumors. The Hagestad Sandhouse Rail Group is a continuation of such practices, aiming to stoke lively discussion and spur new ideas for the rail industry.

To learn more about the Hagestad Sandhouse Rail Group, NUTC, upcoming events or opportunities for further involvement, please visit www.tiny.cc/Sandhouse or contact NUTC’s Assistant Director of Communications & Outreach, Joan PInnell: joan.pinnell@northwestern.edu.