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Steam train to ride the rails through Henry County next month

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Cambridge, Ill. — Nickel Plate Road 765, a historic steam locomotive out of Fort Wayne, Ind., will pull a special train made up of vintage passenger cars through Geneseo, Atkinson and Annawan on July 22.

The excursion is part of Train Festival 2011, to be held in Rock Island's Schwiebert Riverfront Park July 21-24.

The festival will feature model trains, railroad-related vendors, ride-on garden sized trains, authentic steam locomotives, vintage diesel locomotives and passenger cars, and Amtrak equipment.

The most popular features of the event are day-long and two-hour train rides, including a steam-pulled excursion to Bureau Junction on July 22.

This train will hold 600 passengers, and the trip is open to the public.

Premium and parlor class seats are sold out, and there are less than 80 coach seats remaining for this excursion.

Tickets and information about all Train Festival excursions are available on the Train Festival website,

www.trainfestival2011.com; or call the Quad Cities Convention and Visitors' Bureau at 800-747-7800.

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