

# Mad River & NKP Railroad Society, Inc.

## The Caboose Cable News Letter



### *Faces - Of Museums*

**Elections** – The museum elections are coming up at the March annual meeting. You will see this year's ballot included in this newsletter.

Even though it is past time to submit your nominations you can write in the name of someone that is willing and able to run for office. Please Note: If nominating someone (or yourself) as a write-in for an office, they

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must have been a paid up member for 2 years. Trustees must have been a paid up member for 1 year, to be eligible. Also, you MUST have their permission to nominate them.

If you cannot attend the annual meeting and election on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2009 at 6:00 pm, you can mail your ballot to arrive by 20 March 2009

Earl Daniel the current but out going president of the museum will not run again. You will see on the ballot that the office for president is open. We need some strong young leadership for the future. If you have an interest in trains and think you can help make the museum better, then come to the annual meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup> and make a statement for being our new president.

Nominations are wide open. We need some strong leadership so get involved, nominate yourself, and come to vote.

While on vacation last week I had a chance to visit the Gold Coast Railroad Museum, which is about 25 minutes from the cruise ship docks south of Miami.FI. It boasts the Presidential rail car "Ferdinand Magellan"; and the southernmost steam locomotives in the U.S. They offer rides on a GP-7 engine, and a short narrow gage live steam train. They are hosting Thomas the train this weekend. Unfortunately their web site is currently down, but check it out when it comes back up. It is a great little museum. If you are in south Florida stop and check it out. <http://gcrm.org/>.



Why a snow plow on an engine in south Florida ?? This GP-7 started its life with the US Army in Alaska.



Earl Daniel – Out Going, Mad River & NKP Museum President

Dale Owens – Newsletter Editor

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### *BOD Meeting Notes – December 08*

- Dave Robinson presented information for the project to “close in” the Monument Station north side train display area. The goal of the project is give a more finished look to the museum building. The bid(s) should be due back by January 14<sup>th</sup>. Dave will also pursue some grant money that may be available to help pay for the project.
- A motion to move forward with getting bids was approved.
- The # 7 car needs to be cleaned to make sure no valuable items get lost during its time at Carl Nourse’s place. The brakes need to be fixed and the work is under way.

### *BOD Meeting Notes – January 09*

- Dave Robinson presented the bids for the work to be completed on the monument station. A motion was made and approved to award the work to A.V. Lake.
- Cleaning the #7 car was completed and valuable items removed.
- The Ken Benton Family donated 150- 200 railroad books
- The BOD approved the partial payment of a new computer for the VP (Chris Beamer) to use.
- There is a guard shack donated by Armstrong that could be used for a viewing stand. It still needs to be moved.
- The museum is hosting the 2010 NKP convention. Chris Beamer is chairing the committee, and is looking for members. Please contact him if you are interested.

### *Join us for a delightful "Dinner in the Diner"*

#### **Mark April 25th on your calendar**

Authentic railroad diner recipes will be served in the museum's dining car by society members in the true old-fashioned style of the glamorous days of the "Golden Age of Railroading".

Remember, **"Nothing could be finer than dinner in the diner"**

#### **Time and Date:**

April 25th, 5pm with a second seating at 7:30 pm if sales are sufficient.

Each table seats 4, if your party consists of fewer than 4, you will be seated with others. Seating will be assigned at time of ticketing

NOTE: Please be aware that due to its historical nature this equipment is **NOT** handicap accessible.

Entree choices are as follows:

- 1) Sauté of Chicken Breast A La Marengo (Pullman Co. recipe) with Potatoes Romanoff (Illinois Central recipe)
- 2) Florida Shrimp Creole (The Seaboard Air Line Rwy recipe) served over rice.
- 3) Slow-Braised Swiss Steak (Wabash Railroad) with Potatoes Romanoff

#### **All meals served with salad, vegetable, bread & butter, dessert, coffee and tea**

Details are being finalized at this time. To receive further information as soon as it is available, please call Ruth at 419-483-6235 or send a written request to; Mad River & NKP Railroad Society, Attn: "Ruth", "Dinner in the Diner" , 233 York Street, Bellevue, OH 44811

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MAD River & NKP RR Society

2009 Election Ballot

President (Vote for one)

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Secretary (Vote for one)

- Patti Gray  
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Vice President (Vote for one)

- Chris Baerner  
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Trustees (Vote for 2)

- Deen Messer  
 Richard Goulet  
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Mail ballots to: Nominating Committee  
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### *Keeping On Track – Schedule of Events*



#### **March**

- Each Tuesday – Geezers Restoration Club at Burger King at 9 AM – weather permitting. General Work Session 7 PM – Bring a friend.
- March 11<sup>th</sup> - BOD meeting 7 PM
- March 21<sup>st</sup> - Annual meeting and Potluck 6 PM

March 25<sup>th</sup> - No General Membership Meeting

#### **April**

- Each Tuesday – Geezers Restoration Club at Burger King at 9 AM – Weather permitting. General Work Session 7 PM – Bring a friend.
- April 4<sup>th</sup> - **Spring cleaning museum grounds**
- April 8<sup>th</sup> - BOD meeting 7 PM
- April 11<sup>th</sup> - **Spring cleaning museum grounds**
- April 15<sup>th</sup> - Newsletter deadline
- April 18<sup>th</sup> - **Spring cleaning museum grounds**
- April 25<sup>th</sup> - **Spring cleaning museum grounds**
- April 25<sup>th</sup> - **“Dinner in the diner”**
- April 29<sup>th</sup> - General Membership Meeting

#### **May**

- Each Tuesday – Geezers Restoration Club at Burger King at 9 AM – weather permitting. General Work Session 7 PM – Bring a friend.
- May 13<sup>th</sup> - BOD meeting 7 PM
- May 27<sup>th</sup> - General Membership Meeting

Museum open weekends 12-4 starting May 2nd