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KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM

NEWSLETTER





The Ontario Trillium Foundation is an agency
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Monthly meetings are held at the museum on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

There will be no regularly monthly meetings till April16, 2015

The museum will be closed till April 2015

Editor's Note

We are wishing Al Ward, our president, a speedy recovery and hope that he is up and about soon to join us at the Museum once again.

NOTE: The first monthly meeting of 2015 that was scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2015 has been rescheduled to Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

Please pass the word on.

There are a number of projects that are going to require some volunteer labour to hopefully complete in 2015.

- 1) Sort out the contents of the building where the cement floor will be installed to determine what needs to be kept, throw out, recycle, etc.
- 2) Finish the interior of the baggage car to allow the sorting and setting up of the library and moving the circus train collection from the "barn" to the baggage car once the roof has been sealed in May 2015.
- 3) If there is time, clean out and get the caboose ready as part of the museum tour.

If you have connections to groups or individuals in the community that would like to volunteer with time, donation of materials to complete baggage car etc, we would welcome their contribution.

NOTES FROM THE SHOPS

Work is complete on the Climax. The machine shop got lucky and got the wheel sets in the big lathe to make a cut behind the wheels and the wheel sets went under the press and were pressed home up to the axle shoulders. A stainless steel grate has been fitted with minor modifications to the ash pan. An emergency boiler feed pump fitted first time and the plumbers did a neat job of connecting it to the boiler. The rolling road was also re-gauged and for all intents and purposes the Climax is ready for a steam test when weather permits.

The car shops are promising re-vamped cars for the spring, more anon.

Ed Spencer



TENTATIVE STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2015

Komoka Railway Museum

Saturday Schedule

April 18, April 25, May 9, May 16, May 23
June 6, June 13, June 20, July 11, July 25
August 8, August 22, August 29, September 12

Approximate times are from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The schedule is subject to weather conditions and locomotive availability.

Other dates by prior arrangement through the museum.

Birthday parties, car clubs, service club outings etc. are welcome

For further information or to confirm steaming operation,

call Ed Spencer at 519-488-1622 or 226-973-4462

FUTURE EVENTS

There is now a website with all the shows listed on it, please check it out for all the details. Here is the link http://www.collectorshows.ca/

TOY & COLLECTIBLES SHOWS

March 22, 2015 Woodstock Toy and Collectibles Expo April 3, 2015 London Collectibles Expo April 12, 2015 Woodstock Toy and Collectibles Expo

MODEL TRAIN SHOWS

March 15, 2015 Kitchener Model Train Show and Sale April 19, 2015 Woodstock Train Show and Sale

NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS

March 29, 2015 Delaware Nostalgia Show April 12, 2015 Kitchener Collectibles Expo

Check out the following link for some neat stories and videos of the Toronto Railway Museum. http://www.trha.ca/news.html

Submissions due by March 23, 2015 for April 2015 newsletter

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