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KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM





The Ontario Trillium Foundation is an agency
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In June 2016, the Komoka Railway Museum was inducted into the North American Railway Hall of Fame

Komoka: Museum mascot

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www.komokarailmuseum.ca

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING April 19, 2018

We thank all our members for attending our monthly meetings.

Over the winter, January, February and March 2018,

there are no monthly meetings scheduled.

The next meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, April 19,2018 at 7:30 pm

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

MUSEUM HOURS

The museum is now closed for the winter months.

The 2018 season will open again on Saturday, April 7th, 2018.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Thanks to all who attended our Christmas dinner on Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 12:30 pm at the Country Hearth Restaurant. We had a great time with great food as always.

TO ALL THE MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, MAY YOU ALL ENJOY
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR





NEWSLETTER

There will be a winter 2018 newsletter coming out in Janury2018 that will be for the months of January, February and March 2018.

The next monthly newsletter will resume for April 2018.

Start of the new section of the deck platform.

Deck section nearly completed.

The ramp is gone and been replaced by a gradual slope. Looks great!!





Thanks to the volunteers for their help. We could use more help in the spring to get more done. Thank you to the Municipality of Middlesex-Centre for the grant to purchase the wood for the deck. Do you have connections to a community group or organization that would like to help? Please contact Rob Hockin.

SOME PICTURES OF THE CP HOLIDAY TRAIN IN LONDON IN DECEMBER 2017

Snoopy guarding the end of the train





Holiday Train arriving at the Richmond St. Station





From the shops:

#4 was manoeuvred under the hoist at the end of November and awaits its annual examination.

The boiler inspector has some concerns regarding the safety valves, but on the good side they seem to be blowing off too early, the pressure gauge will need to be re-calibrated also.

The boiler feed injector may need to be replaced as it only behaves itself under the eagle eye the CME.

The mechanical inspector wants some linkage re-bushed as well as the return cranks being reworked or replaced. (Already in hand)

The plasma cut frames for the Baldwin-Garratt are under the milling machine having seats cut for the keeper plates. According to the pencil pushers, in accounting, having the frames plasma cut was a cost saving and further work will be out-sourced as needs arise until an "in house" plasma cutter becomes "cost effective".

From the stores department;

A further delve into dark corners has revealed some soft coal which will be graded and screened before the next running season.

SOME LINKS THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO YOU.	
Niagara Railway Museum	http://www.nfrm.ca/
Palmerston Railway museum	http://www.palmerstonrailwaymuseum.com/
Toronto Railway Museum	http://www.trha.ca/news.html
St. Jacobs & Aberfoyle Model Railway	http://www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com/
Heimburger House Publishing (Railroad Books)	www.heimburgerhouse.com
Charlie Smiley Videos	www.cspmovies.com
North American Railway Hall of Fame	http://www.narhf.org/

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ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS RAILWAYS DISPLAY

The link below is for the garden gauge railway at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Hamilton, ON.

EDITOR'S NOTE: I have visited these in past and they are worth the visit.

https://www.rbg.ca/trains

Donations for the ongoing maintenance and expansion of our collections are always welcome

YOUR DONATION VIA CAN BE FORWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS

Komoka Railway Museum 131 Queen Street Komoka ON NOL 1R0 OR

If paying via credit card is preferable, please pay online at the following address: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/komoka-railway-museum/

The Komoka museum is a registered charity and your donation of \$20.00 or more can be receipted for income tax purposes.

Submissions due by December 27, 2017 for Winter 2018 newsletter

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FUTURE EVENTS

For more details check out the websites with all the shows listed by following the links below: http://www.collectorshows.ca/ and http://www.railwaypages.com/

TOY & COLLECTIBLES SHOWS

Ancaster Collectibles Extravaganza December 17, 2017

NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS

None scheduled

MODEL TRAIN SHOWS

Woodstock Model Train Show January 14, 2018
Paris Junction Model Train Show January 21, 2018
Hamilton & Ancaster Model Train Show January 28, 2018