

The Ghost Train Journal



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Henry Hyland holds Seth Parker for a closer look at the trains as Bobie-Jo Walsh looks on. They are from West Hartford, CT. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Bill Voorvaart works intently on cutting out the bad areas on the CV 4052 caboose. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- 4/5/09 - Monthly business meeting - Windham Memorial Hospital - 7:00PM
- 4/17/09 - Western Connecticut Chapter visits CERM
- 4/19/09 Monthly membership meeting - Windham Memorial Hospital - 7:00PM
- 5/2/09 - 2009 Museum Season Opens with Metal Fest
- 5/3/09 - Monthly business meeting - Windham Memorial Hospital - 7PM
- 5/17/09 - Monthly membership meeting Windham Memorial Hospital - 7PM

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The next scheduled meeting of the Connecticut Eastern Chapter, National Railway Historical Society will be held at Windham Memorial Hospital on

**Sunday, April 19, 2009 @
7:00 PM**

Please note business meeting will held Sunday April 5, 2009 at the Windham Memorial Hospital at 7:00 PM.

Please note! If you have photos, short articles, or just want to make a comment – please forward them to:

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Volunteer Time Sheets

By Joseph Sokol

I'm repeating this since it's very important when we apply for any type of grant. A lot of members are working at the museum but are not submitting their volunteer time sheets. This is very important since it greatly helps us when we apply for various grants. So please take the time and complete the necessary paperwork and get them to Joseph Sokol, 1170 Hartford Tpke, Apt E-51, and Vernon, CT. 06066 or leave them in the section house.

During the Off-Season

By Robert A. LaMay

When the gates close at the end of a season, there is still quite a bit that takes place at the museum, as long as the weather is favorable. Members gather every weekend to continue working on various projects both in-doors and outside. In the roundhouse – finish pit number 4, install rail both in and outside,

and continue the restoration of CV caboose no. 4052.

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Rich Cizik uses a little heat to remove some rusted areas of number 4052 during its restoration. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)

Outside work projects such as the construction of the blacksmith shop, lead tracks for 1, 2, and 4 tracks and the asphalt track extension, are on-going. As time draws closer to opening season, grounds work needs to be taken care of for opening day. As you can see, there is lots to do, and if you can spare some time – come on down and give us a helping hand. There is something for everyone – no matter your skill level.



Andy Fischer aligns turntable during the restoration of pit track 4. Note the new progress to the left of Pit 4. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Dick Arnold built a working model of the 'Gallows' signal that once stood at the Bridge St. crossing. (RA LaMay Photo)

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False Start – All ready to go – but it didn't go – needs a police escort. It'll be coming to Wili soon???? (Robert Hassett Photo)



Sigh of the times on the Central Vermont caboose number 4052 project. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Melissa Sheardwright with her son Colin, from Woodstock Valley, CT. observe mode detail painter, Katharine Alley at our spring train show. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



With weather and warm sunshine around the museum a lot of progress is taking place both inside and outside as evidenced by this photo of Bill Voorvaart doing some restoration works on the 4052 caboose. (Robert Hassett Photo)



In the photo to the right, Duke York Performs some badly needed restoration In the cupola of the Central Vermont 4052 caboose project. (RA LaMay Photo)

Don't forget – May 2, 2009 Museum Opens 2009 Season at 10:00AM - Come see – Metal Fest – Blacksmiths at Work.
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Dick Arnold, Art Hall, Jr. and Andy Fischer mark the necessary places while aligning track 4 during its restoration. Ongoing progress continues on Pit tracks 1 thru 3 to the left. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Photo right – Mark Granville drills holes Necessary to hold timbers in place in front Of pit number 2. Once this is done – rail and Ties will be put down – (RA LaMay Photo)



Andy Fischer checks to make sure the alignment string is correct on track number 4 during its restoration. (Robert Hassett Photo)



Rich Cizik works on getting some badly rusted bolts during the restoration of the Central Vermont 4052 caboose project. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)