

# The Ghost Train Journal



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## Golden Spike Award Presentation

## A New Look to the Gallows Signal



Mark Granville presented a Golden Spike Award to Chuck Almori of Biswanger Glass located in Bristol, CT. He was given the award as the result of making generous contributions as the result of the vandalism that took place Nov. 3, 2009. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Things are really starting to look good as museum members put the finishing touches on the stairs recently installed to the Gallows Signal. (Jean Lambert Photo)

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- 11/21 - Monthly membership Meeting - 7:00PM - Windham Memorial Hospital - Be prepared to vote for 2011 Officer State
- 12/5 - Monthly Business meeting - 7:00PM Windham Memorial Hospital
- 12/19 - Monthly Membership meeting 7:00PM - Windham Memorial Hospital
- 1/1/2011 - Happy New Year Everyone!
- 1/2 - Monthly business meeting - 7:00PM - Windham Memorial Hospital
- 1/16 - Monthly Membership Meeting 7:00PM - Windham Memorial Hospital
- 1/22 - Annual Banquet - Leventis' Restaurant - details inside.

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A membership meeting of the Connecticut Eastern Chapter, National Railway Historical Society will be held at Windham Memorial Hospital on **Sunday, Dec. 5, 2010 @ 7:00 PM**

**Please note! If you have photos, short articles, or just want to make a comment – please forward them to: Robert A. LaMay - Editor @cermf19@comcast.net**

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### Museum Website -

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Adrian Atkins uncovers numerous stumps during the clean-up behind the round-house. (Jean Lambert Photo)



Duke York continues to apply his skill in the restoration of the Central Vermont Center Cupola caboose No. 4052. (Jean Lambert Photo)



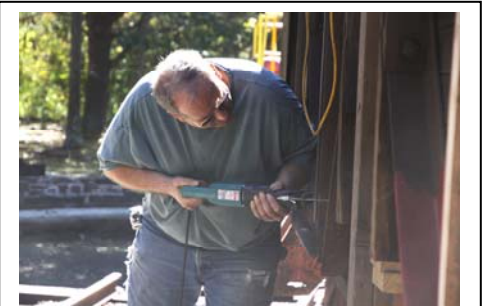
Members of the New England Blacksmith Guild join at the museum for their Fall Gathering Event. (Jean Lambert Photo)



The museum patch is available for \$5.00. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



The new museum pin is also available for \$5.00 (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Member Steve Melady cuts out a rusted section on the Central Vermont Center Cupola Caboose no. 4052. (R LaMay Photo)

### New Items for Sale

We recently received a new museum patch and pin produced by Sundance Marketing Inc. The blue & white patch measures 3" x 1 1/2" while the pin measures 1" by 1/2". Please contact Jean Lambert for purchasing details.

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Mark Granville (L) and Dick Arnold (R) apply white paint on Gallows Signal stairs. (Jean Lambert Photo)



A week before the stairs were installed in the Gallows Signal I was able to photograph New England Central's train 610 passing the museum on its way to Palmer, MA. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



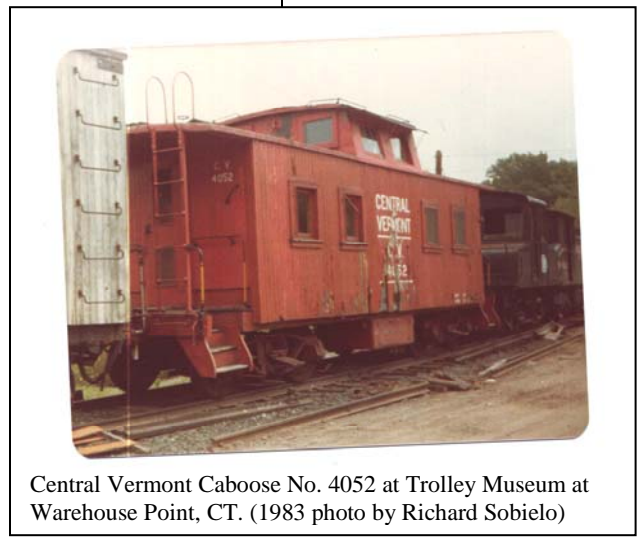
Dick Arnold and Art Hall Jr. roll stair case into position as Mark Granville looks on. (Jean Lambert Photo)



Katina Nanos along with her sister Callie watch the model railroading action during the CERM Fall Train Show. (Tom Nanos Photo)



Figuring next step. (Jean Lambert Photo)



Central Vermont Caboose No. 4052 at Trolley Museum at Warehouse Point, CT. (1983 photo by Richard Sobielo)

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## Annual Banquet – First Notice

Adrian Atkins

The Connecticut Eastern Chapter's Annual Banquet will be held on Sunday, January 16, 2011 at 2:00PM. Once again the banquet will be held at Leventi's located in the Columbia Shopping Center on Route 66 just east of the junction of Route 6 and 66 in Columbia, CT.

Our menu choices and pricing will be the same as last year. Selections will be Baked Boston Scrod - \$26.00, Baked Stuffed Chicken Breast - \$26.00, or ( a very large serving of) English Cut prime Rib - \$33.00.

Reservations should be made by sending your check payable to CERM. We need to receive the checks by **January 9, 2011**. Please mail your checks to :

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If you are concerned about the weather or your plans may change – Please give Jeff Laverty a call at 860-429-7961. However if you call after the 9<sup>th</sup> your choices will be limited to either the Baked Scrod or English Prime Rib.

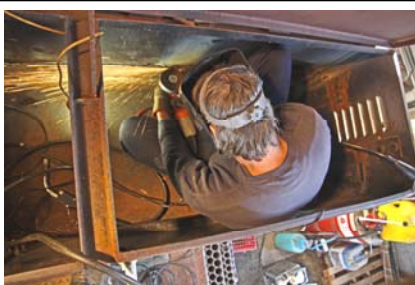
Following the program, which will be described in the next GTJ, President Mark Granville will be presenting his annual review of 2010 at the museum. For those of you who have seen this in past years know it is entertaining and funny. Those of you have not seen it, may this is the time to see it. Please attend this great event as it is fellowship laughter, and a time to share good railroad stories and conversation.

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Fred Minarik with Ken Sigfriedson's crane truck loads rail onto Bob Leach's RCW contracting trailer. Evan Sigfriedson and Howard Raphaelson assist with the loading. (Adrian Atkins Photo)

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Steve Dolan works on welding seams in the battery box on the SW8 switcher. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Bob Hassett burns off rusted rail bolts at the rail recovery that took place at Hartford, CT. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Andy Fischer and Art Hall, Jr. pull up old spikes from rail taken at the rail recovery project at Hartford, CT. (RA LaMay Photo)



Steve Dolan cuts out a rusted section on the Central Vermont Center Cupola Caboose No. 4052. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)



Rolf Johnson makes some adjustments on the Gallows Signal currently under construction at the museum. (Robert A. LaMay Photo)