



# THE STEAM WHISTLE

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| Charles W. Kinzer – Secretary         | 4.75”  | Louis A. Koehler – At Large      |
| James L. Carpenter – Treasurer        | 3.5”   | Steven Zuiderveen – At Large     |

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## HOLIDAY PARTY

Time to think about the Society Holiday Party next month. The party will be held on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. That’s the second Sunday in December, just like the Run Day schedule would be. So mark your calendars now: The hours will be from 1 to 4. The party as usual is at St. Luke’s Parish Hall, off Windsor Mill Road (see the directions and map at the end of this issue). Plan on bringing an appetizer, entrée, veggies, or dessert to share.

The monthly BOD meeting will be held on its usual night, that is, Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup>, the Wednesday before the party, unless there is a late announcement.

## RUN DAY

A pretty good Sunday arrived for the October run after some really miserable weather on the days before. There were a limited number of customers, but there were only two trains running, so there was a constant line. As virtually always, Bob Schwoerer had his CSX diesel running all day. He had two brothers helping him . The WM diesel provided the second train. Ryan Nace, Jim Grieshaber, and Herb Schroeder worked as engine crew. Overall, rather light business.

## **TRACK WORK**

**Mucho work to be done!** The Board of Directors has decided that the time is arrived. Our track simply will not withstand more than a year or two before it truly fails; therefore, it has been decided to pull up the entire inside track and replace it as quickly as possible. The pulling can be done in lots of adverse weather conditions (read: COLD) and that will be the work schedule on Wednesdays and Saturdays until it is out of the ground. In parallel and during really adverse weather, new panels will have to be constructed. To that end, a committee was appointed to devise THE instructions for putting the panels together. There will be significant differences from what has been done up to this time. Those instructions will be announced at the BoD meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> and a sample section may be available for display. If you are interested in the new method, please try to come by for the meeting. THE instructions will be posted on the bulletin board in case you come by at another time.

Obviously, this plan will require a lot of manpower to fulfill. Please try to come out whenever you can for the Wednesday and Saturday work sessions. Surely the schedule will involve many long hours at many sessions. If the track is not replaced by April's Run Day next Spring, operations will be run on the single track.

## **BAD ORDERS**

When a car is found to have a problem, such as suspected bad bearings brakes, or coupler, it must be removed from service and marked with a bad order tag. The car should be placed on the floor in HQ. The tags are in a plastic container on the top of the file cabinet. They are blank, 3x5, manila, tag stock (i.e., heavy paper, like an old-time computer card) with a string for tying the tag to the car. Write as complete an explanation of the problem as you can and hang the tag where it will be noticed. Please observe this process so that troublesome cars are not used again without proper maintenance having been performed.

## **DUES - AGAIN**

If you have not paid your dues for fiscal year 7/1/05 to 6/30/06, you have until December 15 to make payment or you will be dropped from the club roster. For more information, call Jim Carpenter, 703-941-3898.

**2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

| <b>DATE</b>             | <b>TIME</b> | <b>EVENT</b>          | <b>PLACE</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| <b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b> |             |                       |              |
| Wed 7                   | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting  | HQ           |
| Sun 11                  | 11:00-3:30  | Public Run Day        | Tracksite    |
| Sat 17                  | 9:00-4:00   | Long work session     | Tracksite    |
| Sat 17                  | 6:00-??     | Night run             | Tracksite    |
| Sun 25                  | 10:30-3:00  | PKU Children's Picnic | Tracksite    |
| Sun 25                  | 11:00-3:30  | Member Run Day        | Tracksite    |
| <b><u>OCTOBER</u></b>   |             |                       |              |
| Wed 5                   | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting  | HQ           |
| Sun 9                   | 11:00-3:30  | Public Run Day        | Tracksite    |
| Sat 15                  | 6:00 PM-??  | Night run (rain date) | Tracksite    |
| Sat 15                  | 8:00 AM-??  | Northern VA Run       | Stapleton's  |
| Sun 16                  | 9:00 AM-??  | Northern VA Run       | Stapleton's  |
| Sat 22                  | 9:00-4:00   | Long work session     | Tracksite    |
| Sun 23                  | 11:00-3:30  | Member Run Day        | Tracksite    |
| <b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b>  |             |                       |              |
| Wed 9                   | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting  | HQ           |
| Sun 13                  | 11:00-3:30  | Public Run Day        | Tracksite    |
| Sat 19                  | 9:00-4:00   | Long work session     | Tracksite    |
| <b><u>DECEMBER</u></b>  |             |                       |              |
| Wed 7                   | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting  | HQ           |
| Sun 11                  | 1:00-4:00   | Holiday Party         | St. Luke's   |

**2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

| <b>DATE</b>            | <b>TIME</b> | <b>EVENT</b>         | <b>PLACE</b> |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------|
| <b><u>JANUARY</u></b>  |             |                      |              |
| Wed 4                  | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting | HQ           |
| <b><u>FEBRUARY</u></b> |             |                      |              |
| Wed 8                  | 7:30 PM     | BOD & Member Meeting | HQ           |
| Sun 12                 | 1:00- 5:00  | Valentines Luncheon  | Snyder's     |

**LONG WORK SESSIONS**

|             |         |                               |             |
|-------------|---------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Wed (every) | 9:00 AM | as long as bodies can hold up | Inside loop |
| Sat (every) | 9:00 AM | as long as bodies can hold up | Inside loop |

## WORK RECORD

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>WORKERS</u>                                           | <u>WORK ACCOMPLISHED</u>        |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 09/28/05    | Krapp, Law, Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen                | Track; Racks                    |
| 10/01/05    | Law, Koehler, A Koehler, Close, Bayles                   | Grass; Trees; Racks; Fan        |
| 10/05       | Krapp, Law, Carpenter                                    |                                 |
| 10/08       | Kinzer, R Schwoerer, Close                               | Clean drains; Trees; Discussion |
| 10/12       | Bayles, Carpenter, Law                                   | Racks; Plan rail roller         |
| 10/15       | Kap & Carleen Pullen, Sharpe, Zuiderveen, Bayles, Krapp  | Switch                          |
| 10/19       | Ryan Nace                                                |                                 |
| 10/22       | Simms, Close                                             | (raining)                       |
| 10/26       | Krapp, Law, Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen, Bayles, Russo | Pull up inside track            |
| 10/27       | M Schroeder                                              | Brakes on electric              |
| 10/29       | R Schwoerer, Close, Law                                  | Pull up inside track            |
| 10/31       | M Schroeder                                              | Brakes on electric              |

## PROJECT LIST

1. Implement use of the third container - fully in use
2. Install new 1 ½" – 1" crossover - completed on 4/9
3. Complete the fence around the track - finished beyond station; playground will be built at end
4. Upgrade the current signaling system - completed
5. Find drainage piping and fix - work done at HQ and other locations
6. Install the third track (siding) at the Headquarters building – triple switch & ~11 sections installed
7. Install new switches for the siding
8. Add siding signals to the signaling system
9. Upgrade the drainage systems -- by bits and pieces as found
10. Install light pole at east side of steaming bays -- pole erected and light installed
11. Upgrade track (not just replacing ties) -- Inside Loop to be replaced/now out of service
12. Fix post holes for customer-control ropes at station - actually in concrete; need to rethread
13. Install car racks in container #2 - rack components painted; brackets being installed

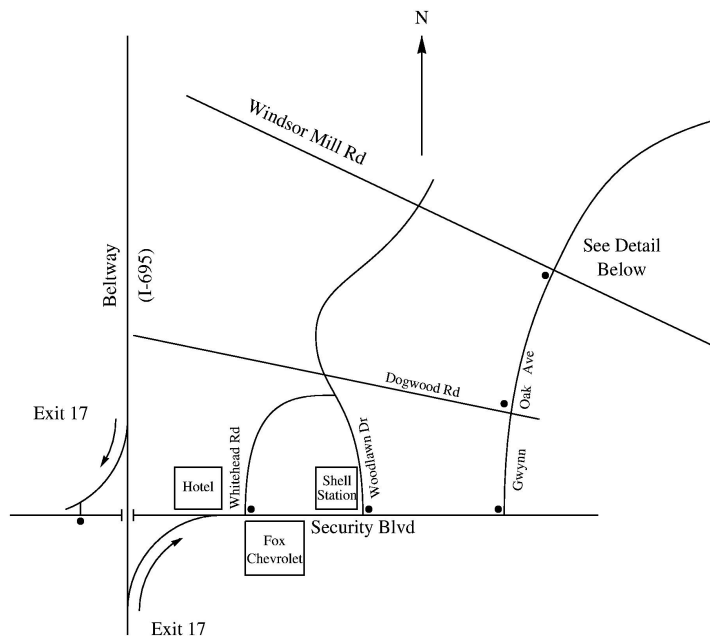
Work sessions are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday mornings – say 9 o'clock or so. There is always something to do – see above. Long session on Saturday between run days. Thanks to those who have been giving their time.

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## HOLIDAY PARTY DIRECTIONS

Directions to St. Luke's Parish Hall: take the Baltimore Beltway to Security Boulevard at Exit 17 (since Windsor Mill does not intersect with the Beltway). If you are coming from the north (outer loop of the Beltway), turn left onto Security Blvd at the traffic light at the end of the ramp. If you are coming from the south (inner loop of the Beltway), stay in the right lane of the exit ramp, which will take you onto Security Blvd. Then from either direction proceed to the 3rd light (Gwynn Oak Ave.) where you turn left. Continue to the 2nd traffic light and turn right onto Windsor Mill Road. There are several store fronts on the left ending at 2 driveways. Turn left into the wide driveway (mailbox on your left) and proceed to the back of the parking lot (shared with the Baptist church). The white building wall that you see ahead is the wall of the Parish Hall. Park and walk up the path on the left side of the Parish Hall (between it and St. Luke's Church) to the entrance. See the two drawings below.

MAP TO ST. LUKE'S



(DETAIL)

