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## Cover Photo

With the 611's residency at Strasburg allowed some interesting photo opportunities, such as this Amish family enjoying the in-your-face experience from the rear platform. The 611 will be spending the winter at Strasburg, and receiving its five-year inspection during the time.

Photo by Gary Ballard



## Meeting Notice

**Meetings to resume in January!** At least we hope. We will be moving our meetings back to the Link Museum auditorium as we did in the past. This is due to several factors, not least of which is the Church is still not back open, and we do not know if and when that will happen. While we do appreciate their willingness to host us,

it was simpler to go back to Link. Now that does come with a price and several board members have agreed to donate to cover the \$600 cost for the year, but it would be nice if everyone offered to pitch in on the cost of our meetings. Of course, if the COVID-19 Delta-variant continues to grow, this may change our schedule.

# From The Head End

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## Cards and Flowers

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If you know of a Chapter Member who is sick, lost a loved one or has a new birth in the family, please contact Delta Helmer Pelgram. Delta is responsible for Chapter cards and flowers and can be reached at membership.rcnrhs@gmail.com or 703-627-7847.

## Deadline for Turntable Times

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The deadline for the next issue of Turntable Times is Friday, November 12, 2021. Please send articles, information and exchange newsletters to: Editor Turntable Times, P.O. Box 13222, Roanoke, VA, 24032. All parties sending newsletters to the Roanoke Chapter via email should send them to Gary Ballard [gtgns611@aol.com](mailto:gtgns611@aol.com),

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## Meeting Cancellation Policy

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Any Chapter meeting will be considered cancelled if any of the following conditions are due to weather: Roanoke City Schools are closed on the day of or for the day after the meeting, or Virginia Western night classes are cancelled for the night of a meeting. Obviously, we have cancelled all meetings until further notice due to the pandemic. We hold Board Meetings via Zoom and will go to in-person meetings as soon as it is safe to do so.

## New Chapter Meeting Location and Time

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With the pandemic, many places have had to shutter their place of business. Many restaurants have closed their doors.

This, for non-profit groups meant the lack of

suitable meeting locations, if they can even meet at all. With the requirements of cleaning and sanitizing, it puts extra burdens on folks to maintain what they have.

Therefore, as noted on the front cover, we will be meeting at the Link Museum auditorium once again, beginning with the Annual Meeting in November. There is no December meeting scheduled, we usually try to do some sort of social event, and that remains to be seen, but we will notify members if it occurs.

The main reason we left the Link Museum was the expense. We are attempting to save as much money as possible, and Link costs \$600 a year to cover a staff person on duty. Thankfully, several Board members have stepped up and volunteered to pay the cost. What we would like to see, is a number of folks offer up some towards keeping that cost down. Please see any board member to discuss.

The meetings are our primary social function, and beginning the first of the year, we will need programs once again. Please step up and help us out!

## Local News

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While this was published in the last issue, it is significant enough that we are running it again. One of the things we need is someone writing up some record of the local activity. This is really important in the long term as things recorded in this publication usually cover details that may never be noted anywhere else. In many years past, Richard Shell and myself both were out and about and reported on rail activity, neither of us are as active as we once were, but there are others out here. I realize that it might not be everyone's particular thing, but it is truly a vital activity to record. Whenever we go back and look at the Turntable Times in years past, In my job as editor of N&WHS' Arrow, I will find local information in back issues of Turntable Times that certainly seems to not be recorded anywhere else, this provides a record for future historians.

All that said, we really would like to find some folks who are out recording the local area scene to provide us with a report of what is new, or seen, torn down, replaced, etc. It does not need to be hugely long or excessively detailed, but recording this for posterity. Please get in touch with the publisher or editor and we can help you, help us out!

## Sick List

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Sadly, we have much to report this time. Please notify Delta Helmer Pelgram as noted in the left hand column if you are aware of any thing.

Chronologically we offer the following:

Brent Stevens reported the passing of his mother, Francis Stephens on July 29th. Francis had worked with the accounting for the Chapter for some years.

In addition, another long time member and well known N&W historian and author Louis Newton passed away on August 13.

Laurie and Fred Boettner lost Laurie's mother, Barbara Rose Beckner on August 23, 2021.

Member Ken Mosig passed away at age 69 on August 27, 2021 after a battle with Front Temporal Dementia.

Long-time member and excursion food crew leader Jo Hodges passed away on September 16, 2021 at age 88. Clarence and Jo were fixtures in the kitchen of the 1148 on many trips.

In addition, another long time member and well known N&W historian and author Louis Newton passed away on August 13.

Member Betsy Biesenbach's mother, Mary Braden passed away at age 85 on September 24.

Member Bob Simpson's wife, Linda, also passed away on September 29.

In addition, Sam Putney's wife Barbara passed in September as well.

Our condolences and thoughts are with all the families in this time.

### Emergency Notification Phone Numbers

You may use these phone numbers to report emergencies or other conditions affecting railroad operations, including trespassers, vandalism, fires, defective equipment, etc. If at a railroad/highway grade crossing try to provide the unique crossing number/DOT number posted nearby, usually on a small blue sign.

- Norfolk Southern . . . . . 800-453-2530
- CSX . . . . . 800-232-0144
- Amtrak . . . . . 800-331-0008

### 2021 Chapter Directors

- Chuck Akers . . . . . President
- Lewis Foster . . . . . Secretary
- Gary Gray . . . . . Vice President
- Delta Helmer Pelgrim . . . . . Treasurer
- David Foster . . . . . National Representative
- Ken Miller. . . . . Director
- Rick Rader. . . . . Director
- Richard Shell . . . . . Director
- George Stein. . . . . Director

Our Chapter Board meets at least once a month, usually the first Tuesday; contact a board member to find the date and location. Board meetings are open to the membership. The Board will take up business as necessary via email or telephone until then.

### Treasurers Report

by Delta Helmer Pelgrim

Thank you to my faithful auditor Paul who has found a way to make the audit happen during Covid. Please let me know if you need any financial statements or Treasurer information. The Treasurer email address is treasurer.rcnrhs@gmail.com or I can be reached by phone at 703-627-7847.

Please continue to sign up/use your Kroger and Amazon.com community support – keep eating and buying stuff. If you need help signing up please let me know. This is an easy way to make money for the chapter.

### Membership

By Delta Helmer Pelgrim

I mailed and emailed everyone a membership application for 2022 and a blank application is also included in this issue of Turntable Times. If you need an additional e-mailed or mailed copy please do not hesitate to contact me.

Again this year, I will be happy to submit your application to National on your behalf. You are welcome to submit to National on your own, but please do not do both. The prices for membership have not changed this year.

As a reminder, printed copies of the Turntable Times are \$10 for the year.

Happy to answer any questions or concerns - membership.rcnrhs@gmail.com.

### Annual Meeting and Election of Board

The Annual Meeting of the Roanoke Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society will be held on Thursday November 18, 2021. The meeting will begin at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held at the O. Winston Link Museum, masks and social distancing are required. The O. Winston Link Museum is located at 101 Shenandoah Ave NW, Roanoke VA

The candidates are (note the \* indicates an incumbent:

- Chuck Akers\*
- David Foster\*
- Gary Gray\*
- Delta Helmer Pelgrim\*
- Eddie Mooneyham
- George Stein\*

All five directors who's terms expire are willing to stand for re-election. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting, please be sure you have that person's consent before making a nomination.

The Roanoke Chapter is soliciting nominees for

Directors to be voted on at the November Annual Meeting. There are five (5) positions to be voted on. Please consider putting your name in nomination. Please consider helping out. You may contact a member of the nominating committee - headed by Andy MacArthur with Ken Miller.

Instructions for Absentee Ballot: This year we will elect five (5) directors by secret ballot. Any member in good standing may vote by absentee ballot.

Please Note: if you are interested in running, or know of another Chapter member who is, please contact the nominating committee promptly.

If there are no more candidates than positions, a motion to elect by acclaim will be accepted.

To vote by absentee ballot, one must:

1 - Request an absentee ballot from the Secretary or a member of the nominating committee. You will receive (a) one ballot; (b) one "ballot" envelope; and (c) one mailing envelope.

2 - Mark the ballot (vote for not more than five (5) directors. If more than five (5) votes are cast, the ballot will be discarded).

3 - Place the ballot in the "ballot" envelope and seal. Do not put your name on the ballot or "ballot" envelope.

4 - Place "ballot" envelope in the mailing envelope. Write your name and return address on the envelope and mail to:

Roanoke Chapter, NRHS  
P.O. Box 13222  
Roanoke, VA 24032-1322

or the envelope may be hand delivered to the Secretary anytime before the election at the annual meeting. The ballot must be in the Post Office box prior to November 12, 2021.

Please note, this meeting planned to include refreshments and program is planned.

## **Holiday Dinner - December 9, 2021**

by Dave Foster

This year we have made special arrangements with our tenant Chanticleer Catering to provide a great evening at the Virginian Station for our membership. Cost is only \$20 for members, and \$25 for family/guests.

Social hour 6 pm, Buffet Dinner 7 pm, Program Afterwards

### **MENU**

Beverages Holiday Specialty Cocktail, beer & soft drinks; hot tea & coffee

Passed Hors d'oeuvres

Warm Fiesta Fritters w/Roasted Corn, Black Beans, Poblano Peppers w/Tex Mex Dip

Crostini w/Pesto Boursan Cheese & Tomato  
Bruschetta

Set Appetizer - Board of Select Cheeses, Spreads & Charcuterie w/Cracker Crisps

Buffet Dinner

Crisp Spring Salad Greens, Carrot Curls, English Cucumbers & Cherry Tomatoes,

Shaved Parmesan, Herbed Croutons Cider Dijon Vinaigrette & Ranch Dressings

Pork Tenderloin w/Vidalia Onion & Gala Apple Sauce  
Lemon Thyme Roasted Chicken

Smashed Buttermilk Potatoes w/Garlic Parmesan & Leeks, Griddled Vegetables, Southern Baked Sweet Corn Pudding

Rustic Bread Basket of Housmade Rosemary Flatbread & Sage Corn Bread Muffins

Dessert Tiers of Petite Sweets - Cherry Chantilly Cheesecake Parfaits & Chocolate Tortettes kissed w/Chocolate Mocha Ganache

Please RSVP promptly. Caterer needs final count by December 2.

Send checks to:

Roanoke Chapter NRHS,  
P.O. Box 13222,  
Roanoke, VA 24032.

Because mail is slow, and the box is not checked daily, please also email your response to our dinner coordinator David Foster at: [dfoster342@aol.com](mailto:dfoster342@aol.com). Please put "Xmas Dinner" in the subject line. This will help us keep a current count of expected attendance.

## **Passenger Train Update**

by: Gary Ballard, Photos by the author

I just finished taking Amtrak to the western region of the Country with a bright report on the return to full-service dinning. It comes after what seemed like forever since Amtrak riders on long distance trains could enjoy a fully cooked meal in the dining car. Chapter member Louie Santos and I took train No. 3, "The Southwest Chief" from Chicago to Flagstaff in July. Currently, this service is offered only to those with sleeping car accommodations. These fully cooked meals are included with your private room and for the time being are offered on Amtrak's western trains. The long-range goal is to have full-service dinning on the eastern long-haul trains and make it available to those in coach by the end of this year. Right now, the service is being monitored with both positive and negative feedback considered.

We'll start off with breakfast. The well known "Railroad French Toast" is back. In both presentation and taste, this is something worth taking the train. Thick Texas style toast served with whipped cream

with blueberries and strawberries and Smucker's syrup. Hardwood smoked bacon, pork or chicken sausage links and a full range of hot and cold beverages are your choices to complete your order.

Louie had the three egg omelet. It comes with cheddar or Swiss cheese, red and green peppers, tomatoes and onions. A large croissant and fried potatoes come with it. Seating is available in the dining car, or your meal can be brought to your private room as well. With this breakfast, along with fresh coffee and our choice of bottled spring water or sparkling water, we were pleased. The crew was nice and attentive.

The lunch menu includes a Caesar salad. You can add pan roasted chicken if you like. Savory Chili comes with optional baked potato. Toppings include cheddar cheese, bacon, sour cream and scallions. A hefty fresh cooked Angus Burger with all the toppings you can muster including big slices of onion along with terra chips and coleslaw. There's an artisan grilled cheese sandwich with roasted turkey, provolone and cheddar cheese on a hickory smoked onion bread. Choice of beverage and a dessert from the Dinner Menu will complete your order. Also, think big portions here. Lunch will hold you over while you sit in the sightseer lounge car until dinner time.

The evening meal is a three-course affair and this one did not disappoint. Amtrak now offers an appetizer, something never found on the menu before full-service dining was discontinued. We had the lobster crab cake served over farro, butternut squash and raisin salad with sriracha cream. This was amazing. Other choices of appetizer include green chile cheese tamale and a mixed Green Salad with balsamic vinaigrette. While the chef prepared our lobster crab cake downstairs in

the kitchen, we enjoyed the view from our table as the train dipped down from the plateau and rounded the S-curves heading westbound into Raton, New Mexico.

For dinner, I had the Flat Iron Steak with a cabernet sauce topped with green beans, carrots with a choice of cheddar polenta or steamy hot baked potato. Louie had the Grilled Atlantic Salmon topped with grains, green beans and carrots, all smothered in a morel mushroom sauce. A complimentary alcoholic beverage is included if you like along with soft drinks, coffee or water.

Imagine this delicious meal as you look out the window in the dining car, looking beyond the fresh yellow Rose and to the sight of the climb up Raton Pass. Other items for diner include pan roasted chicken breast, marinated with mushroom risotto, English peas, fava beans and carrots. Or the tortellini with pesto cream served with grape tomatoes, English peas in a pesto cream sauce, shaved cheese and some added pan roasted chicken if you like.

Dessert includes a flourless chocolate torte with chocolate sauce, Philadelphia cheesecake with fresh strawberries and carrot cake made with raisins, pineapple and walnuts with caramel sauce. Whipped cream is available on all desserts. We had the cheesecake and carrot cake. With some red wine and the passing scenery, this meal was a beautiful way to watch the sunset in New Mexico.

If the meal selections have you thinking this was spectacular for an Amtrak train, you are correct. Now add to our trip the word "delayed" and I'll explain how the trip was great despite the delay. This entire trip was running 11 hours late due to a BNSF freight train derailment in Missouri. We were bused around the crash scene and caught up with the The Southwest Chief at Kansas City Union Station in the middle of the night. This waiting train was originally the eastbound Chief. It made it as far as Kansas City and was stopped to avoid the damaged tracks in Missouri. One of the buses behind ours got caught up in a bad storm that had multiple tornados. They arrived at 4 am. With everyone delivered to the waiting train all safe from their stormy ride, we left KC at dawn.

This is where the extra efforts of the crew really made this trip so good in addition to the delicious food in the dining car. Our sleeping car attendant had all the beds made and each room was ready upon boarding in Kansas City. The shower was a welcomed sight with fresh towels all set out. By sunrise the aroma of fresh brewed coffee was in the car. There was bottled water and snacks ready to go. We



Gary Ballard Photo  
The three egg omelet breakfast.

were one of the first ones who selected the 6 am breakfast call. WE all know that a "late train gets later" and the growing lateness of the train meant running in territory in daylight that would have been at night, with arrival in Flagstaff at 8 am when it should have been at 8:32 pm. We had time to grab the Amtrak shuttle bus to Williams and board the Grand Canyon Railway for three days there.

Many of us have been part of the onboard crew on excursions with the N&W 611 and 1218. Some of us have worked on the railroad. We know what it's like to plan for a special trip and have delays happen for a multitude of reasons. We know what it's like to keep smiling and push on and give the people a good time. With that said, the way this crew on The Chief functioned gave everyone a good trip. Smiling faces throughout the train. We managed to catch the Grand Canyon Railway train to the canyon. The hotel in Williams reimbursed us for the previous night's stay that we missed, and Amtrak gave passengers a refund for the portion of the ride that went by bus between Chicago and Kansas City.

Full-service dining is in the works to come to Amtrak's eastern long-distance trains by the end of this year. I was told that commissary operations and logistics need to be returned to full working order as furloughed employees are brought back. The service is coming to coach passengers as well. If you're planning a trip, remember to reserve your ticket well in advance to get the best lowest fare.

## Mixed Freight

By Mr. Robin R. Shavers

Granted the head-end traffic of this Mixed Freight column should have been presented with the previous Mixed Freight. Amtrak's 50 year anniversary slipped up on me this past May 1st. On that day now a few months back three other railfans and I journeyed to Raleigh, NC, for the Neuse River Model Railroad Club's annual spring event. The model railroad clubs of the Tarheel state must be doing something right to be able to present their events and thus keep hobbyists happy and safe. The turnout was good as well as the great weather. Our biggest challenge was securing breakfast that morning. You'd had thought there were major college sporting events going on by the crowds at nearly every place we hit for breakfast in the metro Raleigh area. No, we didn't spot any of the Mayberry gang out there.

Remembering Amtrak May 1, 1971. At that time my railfanning approach to the hobby was different com-



Gary Ballard Photo  
French toast is back!

pared to today. I was in high school in Danville on that day. My dad yells to me, "Your Amtrak is in the news." Of course the only newsman that I allowed to present to me the news about Amtrak on Day One was Mr. Walter Cronkite. He spoke with sincere hope that Amtrak could get America's passenger train network into a worthwhile and respectable entity. They had their work cut out for them in more ways than one. My favorite railroad The Southern along with the Denver & Rio Grande Western and a third road that escapes me at this moment opted not to join. The Rock Island comes to mind. I looked thru quite a few of my back issues of Trains, Railfan and of course Railfan/Railroad and Passenger Train Journal during the era of Amtrak being created. It was hard for me to put those magazine issues down so I could get down to the business of completing this article. As a railfan and citizen of this country I try to support Amtrak by letting my elected officials know my take on the issues facing the carrier. I also encourage the public in general to ride Amtrak despite past unpleasant experiences. For me, it is an ongoing personal project. I personally am very happy with the success of Amtrak's service to the Roanoke Valley and additional service to the Tidewater region of the Commonwealth of Virginia. As I have noted for years there is absolutely no excuse for a nation such as the United States not to have a passenger train network that is viable, reliable and affordable to its citizens.

The way things are looking right now, a number of railfan hobby events are planned for the fall. But whether this new covid strain could change a lot of those plans remains to be seen.

2021 marks Amtrak's 50th birthday. It also marks 40 years since Conrail under the direction of L. Stanley

Crane had a fourth track between Altoona and westward past Horseshoe Curve in Pennsylvania removed. Management felt that traffic could be easily handled via three tracks. One less track means less maintenance and also less in taxation.

Fallen flag piggyback trailer fans take note. When leaving Roanoke on my way to Christiansburg two weeks after Memorial Day weekend via a scenic route I spotted an NW Norfolk and Western 45-foot piggyback trailer at a business located at 3372 Shenandoah Avenue at the intersection with Luckett Street in an open parking lot with a few other plain Jane trailers. I don't know if the trailers are for sale or lease. The NW trailer is in a perfect spot to be photographed or observed. Trespassing does not appear to be an issue.

I am glad to see Amtrak back to 100% fully operational. Living in Richmond I saw a number of Amtrak cars being ferried to terminals where they would be added to trains as things got back to normal after the covid shut down. Some trains had a many as six extra cars added to their consist.

A highlight for me this past summer was being able to attend the annual RAIL DAY celebration held at the North Carolina Transportation Museum at Spencer the weekend of May 22nd and 23rd. No, the attendance was not as great as the pre-pandemic days, but it was brisk and folks were obviously ready to enjoy the festivities in lieu of last year's event cancellation. Even the weather was about 15 degrees cooler.

A highlight of that weekend was meeting a couple of color who were born and reared in West Virginia near Norfolk and Western tracks. He's a railfan and thanks to 611 being on hand and steamed up for her journey to Strasburg in a few days, the railfan bug bit her too. She said she had heard stories of a bullet nose train that pulled passenger trains between Norfolk and Cincinnati. Seeing and hearing 611 really impressed her to the point that she wanted to learn as much about railroading as possible. She was impressed by my knowledge and I quickly told her that I have been into the hobby for decades and I learn something about railroading often. You're not gonna learn it all in a short time. Keep it in mind as a hobby and not a job that you HAVE TO DO. I told her that I read a lot and listen to others in the form of career railroaders and/or hobbyists. I told her that the North Carolina Transportation Museum and the Virginia Museum of Transportation are two great places to get started. I also informed her of magazines, periodicals and other historical societies and a plethora of websites.

## **Mechanical Committee Report August 2021**

Article and  
Photos by Lewis  
Foster

This summer quite a few things have been going on at the yard.



The largest news is that several pieces of the Chapter's equipment that had been at the Virginia Museum of Transportation or stored in Shaffer's Crossing have been moved to the yard, including N&W T-6 No. 41, Nickel Plate GP-9 No. 532, and CH class Caboose No. 518409.

For those of you that haven't met them, we have a



family of cats that live at the yard. Stretch, Knuckles, and Sissy are always interested in what we're working on (and are also very happy to show everyone where the food should be put out for them).





We've continued working on the car shelter over the summer as well. The sheet metal sides have been installed between the foundation columns along both sides of the building and the drainage on each side has been finished. A workstation with a back wall to protect the cloth of the building cover has been set up as well. Cloth covers to allow both ends of the building



to be closed in order to cut the wind for painting and welding have been ordered and are expected to arrive sometime this fall.

Several people have been working on both GP-30 No. 522 and T-6 No. 41 to get the batteries back in shape. We've gotten good results from the batteries in the No.



41 but it looks like we may have to swap out the batteries in the 522. We've also removed the governor from the engine in the 522 and sent it out for rebuild to resolve some issues setting the injectors properly.

Work has proceeded on several things inside N&W P-2 class coach No. 512 as well. All of the seat frames, cushions, and upholstery have been removed and stored. We are currently in the process of getting





quotes for having the upholstery redone with historically accurate material (the current cloth is very worn). We hope to have prices in time to apply for grants to help cover the cost of that work next year.

We've also removed all of the interior light fixtures from the car. The florescent fixtures will all be rewired for LED replacement bulbs. This will make them much more reliable and reduce the power load on the car's



generator. The fixtures will also be cleaned and polished to remove 70 years of tarnish and paint.

The window shade rebuilds for the 512 are also in progress. We've worked with a weaving mill to produce matching fabric to the original shades in the car and plan to have that order in place in the next couple of weeks. We've also been working with Adlake to rebuild the rollers, cables, and pulls for the shades so they will all be in like new condition when they are reinstalled.



## Roanoke Chapter National Railway Historical Society

Dear Member,

It is now time to renew your chapter membership. The Roanoke Chapter can process your National dues again this year or you can submit the national dues directly to Nationals on your own. If you are a member of another local chapter, you only need to pay the local Roanoke Chapter dues.

You must be a member of both the Roanoke Chapter and the National to be a member in good standing.

Chapter rates are as follows:

Regular Membership \$22  
Additional Family Membership \$3 each  
Student Membership \$12  
Youth Membership \$3  
Paper Copy Turntable Times \$10

National dues are as follows:

Regular Membership \$50  
Additional Family Membership \$7 each (up to six family members)  
Student Membership \$16  
Youth Membership \$5

Please make your check payable to "Roanoke Chapter NRHS". Unfortunately we are not set up to receive chapter payments electronically at this time. Applications may be given to me at a general meeting or mailed to:

Roanoke Chapter NRHS  
Attn. Membership Chairman  
PO Box 13222  
Roanoke VA 24032-3222

As a reminder, if you are interested in receiving a paper copy of the Turntable Times, we ask that you pay \$10 to help offset the cost of printing and postage.

If you have any questions you may call me at (703) 627-7847 or email me at [membership.rcnrhs@gmail.com](mailto:membership.rcnrhs@gmail.com). If you have special circumstances regarding payment please contact me.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to renew with the chapter.

PLEASE do not send your Local dues to the National organization and please do not pay Nationals to me if you have already paid Nationals online.

Delta Helmer Pelgrim  
Membership Chairman, RCNRHS

This form is to be completed by all members renewing for 2022.  
Please correct any information that has changed.

Name	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Telephone	
E-mail	

Additional Family Member Names (up to six at the same address)


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Recently, we've received the donation of a 235 KW Cummins generator that will be placed in N&W REA Box car No. 404 to put it back in service as a power car for the train at VMT. This will allow us to use the head end power connections for the cars instead of running the individual generators underneath the cars.

While we have not been operating public trips at VMT since the start of the pandemic, we do have a special event charter coming up at the end of the month. The Candy Corn Express and Candy Cane Express this October and December will be operating. We hope to be seeing the public on our train again soon.

If you're interested in volunteering at the yard on the weekends, or even if you'd just like to drop by and see what we're working on, feel free to contact Gary Gray or Lewis Foster. Photos of our projects are also available on the Chapter Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/roanokenrhs>

## Of Note

Special congratulations to past President Paul M. Howell who very recently celebrated his 90th birthday. Wishes for many more Paul!

## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

**Regular Meeting Locations will be at the O. Winston Link Museum. Board Meetings move around, or are held via Zoom, please get in touch with a board member to attend.**

October 5 - Board Meeting

October 21 - Chapter Meeting (cancelled)

November 2 - Board Meeting

November 18 - Annual Meeting

December 7 - Board Meeting

December 9 - Holiday Dinner  
Virginian Station

January 4 - Board Meeting

January 20 - Chapter Meeting

February 1 - Board Meeting

February 17 Chapter Meeting

March 1 - Board Meeting

March 17 - Chapter Meeting

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