



# THE SIGNAL BRIDGE

NEWSLETTER OF THE MOUNTAIN EMPIRE MODEL RAILROADERS CLUB  
FEBRUARY 2014 - MEMBERS EDITION

Volume 21 - Number 2

Published for the Education and Information of Its Membership

## CLUB OFFICERS

**President:**  
**Fred Alsop**  
ALSOPF@mail.etsu.edu

**Vice-President**  
**John Carter**  
carterjohn92@gmail.com

**Treasurer:**  
**Gary Emmert**  
jbox1015@comcast.net

**Secretary:**  
**Hobie Hyder**  
juliehobie@earthlink.net

**Newsletter Editor:**  
**Ted Bleck-Doran**  
Ted\_mary@memrr.org

**Webmaster:**  
**John Edwards**  
webmaster@memrr.org



## LOCATION

ETSU Campus  
George L. Carter  
Railroad Museum

## HOURS

**Business Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Meetings start at 6:30 PM in:**

**Brown Hall  
Room 312  
ETSU Campus,  
Johnson City, TN.**

**Open House for viewing every Saturday from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.**

**Work Nights are held each Thursday from 5:00 pm until ??**

## UP BIG BOY ON THE MOVE



## THE VIEW FROM THE ENGINEER'S SIDE OF THE CAB.

Our winter remains cold and the promise of spring seems far away as we reach mid-February, but our MEMRR members have remained active working on their hobby at home, attending train shows and supporting the Carter Railroad Museum by operating the layouts on Saturdays and coming to help with the many model railroad projects on Thursday nights. Thanks to all of you for all you do for the hobby, for our model railroad club and for the railroad museum. The club is a very strong one because of the number of active members we have and the railroad museum could not operate without you.

The February issue of *The Signal Bridge* that you are now reading is an important milestone because it means that the Mountain Empire Model Railroad club is important enough for you to have once more renewed your membership and you will be with us another year. The MEMRR is the largest model railroad club in the region and we have entered our 21<sup>st</sup> year as a club; another milestone. For those of you who have been with us for much of these past two decades you have seen many changes. We begin meeting once monthly at the Gray Elementary School and as a modular model railroad club that only got to set up the club's member's modules into a working DC layout only once or twice a year; and then only for a couple of days each time. The club's membership numbered around 30-35 members for the first 14 years of its existence. About 10 years ago the club voted to explore the new technology of DCC and we slowly converted our layout and some of our personal locomotives to operate in this new mode. Shortly afterwards sound came to some of our locomotives and we embraced new possibilities and the more realistic operations that the new technology provided. Around 2004 ETSU's director of the Reese Museum, Blair White, invited the club to display our layout in the basement of this ETSU museum and we were able to have the layout set up and operating for several months for the first time in our history.

That time in the Reese allowed us to work on our modules and the operation of our club's layout as we had never been able to do before and the layout was greatly improved. In 2005 we were invited to move to Tipton-Haynes State Historic Site south of the city by its director, Penny McLaughlin and we remained there for 18 months. As before, we were able to access the layout whenever we needed to, display it to the public on Saturdays and on Sunday afternoons, and to continue to attract more members to the club. ETSU President, Paul E. Stanton, Jr., invited us to return to the ETSU campus and in the spring of 2007 we were given 2,400 sq. ft. of space in the Campus Center Building as the beginning of what would become the George L. Carter Railroad Museum. The museum was formally dedicated with a ceremony attended by President Stanton and other ETSU administrators, many notable community leaders, Mariam Bankus (who had donated the Bankus N-Scale layout), and two living cousins of George L. Carter, in addition to many model railroaders. In our 6+ years at ETSU our MEMRR membership has tripled and the size of the museum has doubled to more than 5,000 sq. ft. The only thing that has remained unchanged for the past decade is the price of membership; still only \$30.00 a year. Some of you who are our newer members have not had the opportunity to be with the club as it has grown, become more complex, and matured into a modern active model railroad club that enjoys a home in a great facility, uses cutting edge technology including our recent move to cab control by radio on the club layout, and is the focus of a lot of community attention and support. More than 3,000 people from the region, and more distant locations, now visit the railroad museum to share your hobby and to see the exhibits you have created each year. We truly have come a long way together as our long-time members will attest. Congratulations! Each of you is a most valued member.



East Tennessee Railroad – Johnson City TN  
Photo by Paul Haynes

**Geoff Stunkard** has once more agreed to be our Heritage Day Event Coordinator and by the time you read this we will have a press release that he has written out in the local media notifying the public of the special railroad treats we will have for them on the last Saturday of the month, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Geoff has done a great job with this brain child of his and through it he has generated excitement for our club members as we concentrate on presenting the selected railroad or regional railroads of the month and bringing in our special locomotives and their consists to promote the event. These Heritage Day events also give us great area publicity each month letting people in our region know about us and what we do and serving as a motivator for them to visit our museum. Some of them are model railroaders, or aspiring model railroaders, and potential members for the MEMRR. When each Heritage Day event is announced please support it by providing Geoff with display items if you have them for our museum cases and plan to operate your special locomotive(s) and their rolling stock on these days.



East Tennessee railroad – Johnson City, TN  
Photo by Paul Haynes

I continue to work with the officers of the ET&WNC RR Historical Society in the planning of their 26<sup>th</sup> annual convention that will be co-hosted by the Carter RR Museum and convened in the Carnegie Hotel in Johnson City 27-29 June. A great keynote speaker who is extremely knowledgeable on the "Tweetsie" railroad will be the evening speaker on Friday night. A train show is being planned for Saturday along with visits to the Carter RR Museum, an after-hours ride on the Tweetsie Railroad in Blowing Rock, NC with dinner at the Tweetsie Palace on the park's grounds. Sunday will offer a train ride on the Tweetsie ROW into the Doe River Gorge to Pardee Point and travel to Newland, NC in the afternoon to see the restoration of the Linville Depot and the 505 ET&WNC caboose that has been recently donated to the Avery County Museum and is now on public display. The

public is invited to participate in only a few of these events, but members can take advantage of them all. Annual membership is only \$20 and I would urge you to take advantage of all it can provide for this one convention alone that will be in our back yard by joining. Members also receive a quarterly newsletter and a quarterly, well-written bulletin called *Every Time with no Complaint*. You can join by sending you check for membership dues to: **LeAnn Lane, P.O. Box 154, McGrady, NC 28649** LeAnn is the Society Treasurer and you can reach her if you have questions by phone at: 336/467-0364 or my email at: [surnursenc@aol.com](mailto:surnursenc@aol.com)

While we are on the subject of the ET&WNC RR let me make you aware of a great article about the railroad entitled, "Eat Taters and Wear no Clothes" by Ron Flanary published in *Classic Trains* magazine, spring 2014.

Secondly, the Tweetsie Trail Taskforce in Johnson City is currently clearing the 6 miles of the developing trail on the abandoned roadbed from Alabama Street (just east of the engine house on Legion St.) to Sycamore Shoals State Historic Park in Elizabethton. Trail surfacing will soon follow and the bridges will be decked, railing installed and benches will be located along the trail. Dedication and opening is planned for Labor Day 2014. Additional sections of the trail will be developed following the opening of the first 6 miles. I serve on this taskforce and will keep you posted on developments.



East Tennessee Railroad – Johnson City TN  
Photo by Paul Haynes

Our own "Tweetsie" Project continues to progress. With "Cranberry Mountain" mostly scened now, attention has turned to completing track work in the Cranberry yard and tracks leading into it. This also involves additional wiring and the installation of switch machine motors. Member **Michael Pascal** from Taylors, SC, has made another trip to work in the

museum in early February. Michael is donating his time to build to ET&WNC RR specifications the 4 metal bridges that were used to span the Doe River at Valley Forge, in the gorge, and at Blevins. The Blevins Bridge is completed and you need to drop in to see for yourself how great it looks. Michael has been using some parts from Central Valley bridge kits, but this is kit-bashing at its best with Grandt Line turnbuckles and brass rods and eyes for the pin-connected bridges. Michael and I made an afternoon field trip to walk the Tweetsie ROW and get additional photographs of the bridges and the stone abutments that support them so we could more accurately model them on the layout.



East Tennessee Railroad – Johnson City TN  
Photo by Paul Haynes

Our sister organization in the Carter RR Museum, the G.L. Carter Chapter NRHS, continues to plan a rail excursion pulled by a steam locomotive on the 3 Rivers Rambler RR in Knoxville coupled with dinner on the Tennessee River that afternoon on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Please mark this date on your calendar for day of fun and support your museum's NRHS chapter. Buses will take us from ETSU to Knoxville and back so you can relax and enjoy the ride by bus, train and boat. Details will be provided as we have them for you.

Some of our members continue to work on the new freight yard on the club's HO layout and it is getting nearer to the point when all the track will be laid in place. The electronics crew has been busy making the electrical connections that will provide power to our locomotives and you will have to see the great LED-lighted boards that **Larry Jackson** has created and installed at each end of the yard for clarity of operation. **John Edwards** has been working hard to integrate radio operation on the layout and several of the members are now using radios to improve communications and overall operations in the yard and on the mainline. These members could use your help to complete these tasks and make the yard and the layout fully operational. When everything is

completed our layout will not only be greatly improved, but operations on it should be much smoother, more fun and much more realistic. There is a small learning curve associated with the new technology and the yard configuration, so I urge you to come down to the museum often on Saturdays and get some friendly tutoring from the “pros” that will soon bring you up to speed on the layout. Please don’t hesitate to ask for help if you need it as all the members will be most ready to assist you in getting the most out of operating your trains, or the club’s, over the HO layout. If you operate in N-Scale or G-Gauge we have layouts ready for you to use as well. Come join in the fun of model railroading with your club on Saturdays and don’t forget we can use your talents, your help and your experience any Saturday for operations and any Thursday evening for exhibit construction and maintenance.



East Tennessee Railroad – Johnson City TN  
Photo by Paul Haynes

We have a great group working under the coordinatorship of **Jim Pahr** who have been spending many hours every week creating the 3 x 16 foot N-Scale layout for the Tupelo Honey Café that will be opening in the renovated Clinchfield Railroad Depot on State of Franklin later this year. The fellows have temporary space in the Paint Shop of the ETSU Facilities Management building on the southwest end of the university campus. They are creating a wonderful layout that **Larry Jackson** is wiring so that 5 trains and a street car line will operate 10 hours daily under computer control with hands-off by humans. If you have not seen what they are building you need to drop by sometime in the next few weeks and check it out. Tremendous work! When the Tupelo Honey Café opens thousands of patrons will be able to see what our model railroad club members can do and this layout should be motivation to many to come visit the Carter RR Museum.

Our club and its members will get great public recognition from this layout through the many media outlets for this very successful restaurant chain.



We had a most successful business meeting in January and one annual scheduled agenda item of importance is the creation of our events calendar for the coming year. That calendar has been distributed by our WebMaster and can be found on our web site. I have also asked our newsletter editor to publish it in this edition of *The Signal Bridge* for your use. There are a lot of interesting and fun things listed on this mutually created calendar, and others that will occur as the year progresses that we are currently not aware of. Check them out and plan to participate in as many of them as you can. Some are family oriented and provide a great social event to bring a spouse or “significant-other” to. An example is the Spring Fling at the Choo-Choo Café in Erwin in March. Put a copy of this club calendar in some conspicuous place and come join us for the fun, the experience and the good-natured company of our club members. 2014 looks to be a great year for the MEMRR.

There are lots of opportunities to use your modeling skills and to learn new ones on the 4 layouts and the other exhibits housed in the G.L. Carter Railroad Museum. We need your help and your expertise and we value your friendship and what you can teach us from your own experiences. We have lots of exhibits, a library to maintain and expand, and almost every facet of the hobby of model railroading has a niche at the club and in the museum. Come exercise your membership and enjoy its benefits. Listen to the sound of the whistle of the train at night and dream of all the destinations yet to come.

*Fred Alsop*  
*President, Mountain Empire Model Railroaders*  
*Director, George L. Carter Railroad Museum, ETSU*

**Mountain Empire Model Railroaders  
2014 Events Calendar**

The following listing of events are the result of the planning that was accomplished by the members attending the January 21, 2014 MEMRR Business Meeting. At that meeting the known events that will affect the club over the coming year were recounted and are listed below. We realize that the listing is not inclusive as some unexpected opportunities for activities may occur and that some things may have been overlooked, and therefore, omitted. But, this should be a good start for planning our activities for the coming year. We look forward to having you with us for as many as of them as possible.

<b>January</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>25</b>	<b>Heritage Day—Northeast Railroads</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>18</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>22</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>18</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>Spring Fling Social, Choo-Choo Café, Erwin, TN</b>
	<b>29</b>	<b>Heritage Day—Steam Up</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>12</b>	<b>Thomas Day and Circus comes to Carter RR Museum</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>15</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>26</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>15</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>20</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>24</b>	<b>Carter Chapter NRSH Rail Excursion, 3 Rivers Rambler RR &amp; dining on the Tennessee River, Knoxville</b>
	<b>31</b>	<b>Heritage Day—Modern Railroads</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>12</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>27-29</b>	<b>ET&amp;WNC RR Historical Society Convention Co-Hosted by Carter RR Museum at the Carnegie Hotel, Johnson City, TN</b>
	<b>28</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>27-29 (?)</b>	<b>Blue Plum Festival, Johnson City---Cope Layout Displayed</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>Jonesborough Days—Cope Layout Displayed</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>10</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312 (picnic planning)</b>
	<b>26</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>

<b>August</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>14</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>19</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>11</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312</b>
	<b>27</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312 (officer nominating committee formed)</b>
	<b>25</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>
	<b>25</b>	<b>Carter Chapter NRHS Fall Rail Excursion (details TBA)</b>
<b>November</b>		<b>National Model Railroad Month</b>
	<b>6-9</b>	<b>NRHS Fall Convention at Carnegie Hotel, Johnson City, hosted by Carter Chapter NRHS</b>
	<b>9</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Coordinators Meeting, 6:00 room 235 Campus Center Building</b>
	<b>14</b>	<b>National Take a Toy Train to Work Day</b>
	<b>15</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary George L. Carter Railroad Museum, ETSU</b>
	<b>18</b>	<b>MEMRR Business Meeting 6:30 ETSU Brown Hall, room 312 (2015 Officers elected; dues renewal for 2015 begins)</b>
	<b>29</b>	<b>Heritage Day ---Rev. Walker China Collection &amp; Streamliner Day</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Newsletter deadline for all materials to editor</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>Annual RR Museum Christmas Party at the Choo-Choo Café , Erwin, TN</b>
	<b>27</b>	<b>Heritage Day (TBA)</b>

**Other Selected Events of Note**

*February 28-29: Asheville Train Show*

*April 5 & 6: Tennessee Valley Rail Excursions Bristol to Radford, VA (5<sup>th</sup>) and Bristol to Bulls Gap, TN (6<sup>th</sup>)*

*May 3: National Railroad Day*

*May 29 to June 1: Big Train Doings at Spencer, NC*

*July 4-6: Jonesborough Days*

*October 18 & 25: Rail Excursions at Spencer, NC*

*November 8-9 (?): Bluefield Train Show*

# JANUARY

 Big South Fork Railway			1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 WORK NIGHT '4:00 - ???	3	4 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
5	6	7	8	9 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	10	11 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
12 SIGNAL BRIDGE DEADLINE	13	14	15 SIGNAL BRIDGE PUBLISHED	16 WORK NIGHT '4:00 - ???	17	18 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
19	20 ML KING Jr DAY G.L. CARTER CHAPTER MEETING	21 MEMRR MEETING NIGHT	22	23 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	24	25 HERITAGE DAY "Northeast Railroads" MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
26	27	28	29	30 WORK NIGHT '4:00 - ???	31	 Tennessee Central

# FEBRUARY

 NC&StL RY #825	 DUKE POWER CO	 NEW HOPE VALLEY #70	 NEW HOPE VALLEY #67	 NEW HOPE VALLEY #699	 NC&StL RY #26	1 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
2	3	4	5	6 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	7	8 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
9 SIGNAL BRIDGE DEADLINE	10	11	12 SIGNAL BRIDGE PUBLISHED	13 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	14	15 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
16	17 PRESIDENT'S DAY G.L. CARTER CHAPTER MEETING	18 MEMRR MEETING NIGHT	19	20 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	21	22 HERITAGE DAY MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 - 3:00
23	24	25	26	27 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	28 ASHEVILLE TRAIN SHOW	 NEW HOPE VALLEY

MEMRR Dispatcher report: Date, January 21, 2014  
 First work train of 2014 was called for 6:30 in the pm.  
 Conductor, Dr. F. Alsop, Engineer, J. Carter  
 Crew consisted of 18 regulars and two new members from the extra board.  
 New members Mike Baker, and Michael Paschall  
 Total crew of 22 souls onboard was accounted for.

- So, with the switches aligned and the derail in the dirt, Conductor Alsop called the departure right on the button at 6:30 and we pulled E A S T (east) onto the M A I N (main) line..

#### Tonight's Lineup:

- First up was welcoming of everyone. Conductor F.Alsop then "railroaded" the past meetings minutes as posted in the previous signal Bridge most likely due to the note taker that December night. All in favor, say "Aye", Minutes approved.
- Then a reminder that dues are "due" and payable until the end of January. After that, they are "past due" dues, but still payable. Please forward your check to G.Emmert (Gary) our Treasurer marked dues and for the appropriate amount. Full-\$30, Associate-\$12, Family member-\$5, and student-\$12.
- A reminder, should you want to get a message out to the entire membership, please send that message in the form of an email to J.Edwards (Web Master) and he can post it to the membership for you.
- This is the 21<sup>st</sup> year of our gatherings as a club and, believe it or not, it is still not too late to get that 20<sup>th</sup> year logo patch designed and submitted for approval.
- Concluding his opening remarks, Conductor F.Alsop reported we had a multitude of visitors over the holidays with SRO (standing room only) and a waiting line for the little engineers room. Word is getting around that the G.L.Carter Railroad Museum is the place to be on Saturday Mornings. The crew then settled into completing the assigned tasks at hand.

#### Old Issues:

- J.Stunkard will be processing the Photo Contest photos to Dick Nelson for judging offsite.
- Member P.Haynes had a photo published in the new Clinchfield No.1 book.
- J.Edwards is preparing to order the new radios and headsets. Express your order to him. Cost will be \$49.00 for two radios & one charger base. Headsets are an additional \$23 each. (2-radios+2-headsets=\$95.00) Radios are sold in pairs with a single charger between them.
- Club will be purchasing radios in lots of three to be used by individuals without radios. **However**, should you wish to use one of these on a Saturday, you will need to **Purchase** one of the headsets available as they will NOT be used among different individuals. The headset will remain yours.
- B.Hensley and J.Hoit openly discussed the NMRA "Compliance Station" that has been proposed. This will enable all cars to be properly checked for weight (1oz + ½ oz per inch of length) and coupler height. It is preferred that metal wheels also be installed on all visiting rolling stock. This is the result of our ever changing track work and the desire to reduce downtime due to derailments and dirty track. All personal rolling stock on layout must meet NMRA standards.
- If your personal rolling stock or tools are to remain on the layout, you should select a color from the color chart located within the yard area and mark your equipment accordingly. This will reduce the chance of someone "Unknowingly" walking away with someone else's 25 pound hammer or railroad equipment. And, if this does happen, the rightful owner can quickly be located by checking the chart.
- The RIP track (desk area at the center of the layout) has a request. If a piece of equipment has an issue & you place an offending car or engine on the RIP track, please take a moment & note the cause

#### New Issues:



- J.Pahris reported on the Tupelo Honey project railroad. Trains are running and progress is being made per our schedule. Work is being done at the ETSU maintenance shops in the paint area should you desire to assist in the building of this N-Scale project. L.Anderson and J.Pahris will be posting pictures of the progress being made at a later date.
- G.Emmert announced that there are a few Green “UNMARKED” shirts for sale (like our club shirts) at \$7.00 each. See Gary for selection.
- The Operating Budget was set for 2014 with the various holdings determined for each operating division of the MEMR..
- The Railroad has announced a “Spring Cleanup” event. Check your modules. Please remove any unnecessary construction materials, or miscellaneous items off the “Property” (floor beneath your module) and tidy up the “Right of Way” clean up any dusty buildings, vehicles, etc., clean your track, and remove any unsightly items from public view. Your M.O.W. department will appreciate it.
- G.Emmert announced the club has accrued a surplus of various rolling stock and buildings. These unneeded units will be sold at a discount price to first come first served club members. Please see Gary for a description of what is available.
- A motion was made to transfer the Cope Layout to G.L.Carter RR Museum property. After, much discussion and determining factors of “work and money” the Motion failed to pass.
- J.Carter made a motion to present each member’s name that is deceased on a plaque to honor their membership. After discussion it was decided to add a picture of the member as well. Vote was taken and motion passed Unanimously.
- **2014 Calendar** was the last project of the evening and it is included here for your convenience in marking your calendar accordingly:

*N=newsletter deadline, C=Coordinator mtg., B=Business mtg., H=Heritage day, S=Social date, ...*

*February: N-2/9, C-2/13, B-2/18, H-2/22...*

*March: N-3/9, C-3/13, B-3/18, S3-21, H-3-29 S>Note:(Spring Fling @ Choo Choo Café)*

*April: N-4-13, C-4/10, B-4/15, H-4/26*

*May: N-5/11, C-5/15, B-5/20, H-5/31,*

*June: N- , C-6/12, B-6/17, H-6/28*

*July: N- , C-7/10, B-7/15, H-7/26*

*S>Note: Summer picnic between June/September..*

*August: N- , C-8-14, B-8/19, H-8/30*

*September:N- , C-9/11, B-9/16, H-9/27*

*October: N- , C-10/9, B-10/21, H-10/25 (nominating Committee @ Business mtg.)*






*November:N- , C-11/13, B-11/18, H-11/25 (2015 dues payable beginning this month)*

*December:N- , C-none, B-see note, S-12-16, H-12/29 S-Note:Choo Choo café CHRISTmas dinner*

*At this point, the crew, completely tired, sleepy and worn out from completing the above tasks and being driven into exhaustion by the railroad foreman/conductor F.Also, voted to adjourn and retire to parts unknown. OOPS, we then went back and set the Saturday working schedules. If you can make the time available, please come out and run your trains or a club train on Saturday and meet some of our fine visitors. You never know who you might see. Then without further ado, the crew dispersed and agreed to markup for the next work train on February 18, 2014 at 6:30. Come on out and join us for an evening of making this club even better than it already is.*

*Respectfully submitted with the switches set and the derail in place and locked:  
Spiker D.Ramey*

# MARCH

						1 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
2	3	4	5	6 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	7	8 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
9 SIGNAL BRIDGE DEADLINE	10	11	12 SIGNAL BRIDGE PUBLISHED	13 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	14	15 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
16	17 G.L. CARTER CHAPTER MEETING	18 MEMRR MEETING NIGHT	19	20 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	21	22 HERITAGE DAY MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
23 31	24	25	26	27 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	28 ASHEVILLE TRAIN SHOW	30 HERITAGE DAY MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00 ASHEVILLE TRAIN SHOW

# APRIL

	1	2	3	4 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	5 TVRR RAIL EXCURSION BRISTOL	6 TVRR RAIL EXCURSION BRISTOL MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
7 SIGNAL BRIDGE DEADLINE	8	9	10 SIGNAL BRIDGE PUBLISHED	11 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	12	13 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
14	15 G.L. CARTER CHAPTER MEETING	16 MEMRR MEETING NIGHT	17	18 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	19	20 MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
21	22	23	24	25 WORK NIGHT 4:00 - ???	26	27 HERITAGE DAY MUSEUM OPEN 9:00 – 3:00
28	29	30				