

# THE PENNYRAIL

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE  
WEST KENTUCKY CHAPTER OF  
THE NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Next Meeting

Innovation Station

Monday, February 20, 7:00 PM

Program

By

Blair Terry

Refreshments

By

Bill Farrell

President-Keith Kittinger

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Vice President-Steve Miller

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Sec/Treas-Bill Farrell

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Chapter Rep-Will Kling

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Director at Large-Cooper Smith

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Editor-Bill Thomas

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**My daughter in NY sent me  
this snap shot of her cat.**

**Anyone see any  
resemblance to a famous  
RR mascot?**

**Hint: Sleep like a kitten...**



# January 2023 Minutes

President Keith Kittinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, January 16, 2023. There was a total of 14 members present for the meeting. We also had 3 guests from Bowling Green, Comer family. The minutes from the November 19, 2022 meeting were approved as printed in the PennyRail. Motion to except the minutes by Will Kling, seconded by Jim Pearson. The minutes were approved by the members present. The treasurers report was given by our beloved treasurer William Farrell, of 3,356.08. There were 4 debits for a total of 631.62 and one deposit for 970.00. Bill reported that no 2023 dues have been deposited to the checking account yet. Motion to except the treasures report was made by Will Kling and seconded by Steve Miller. The treasures report was approved by the members present.

Old Business; Jim Pearson reported that the chapter calendar sales were going well and there was only one calendar unsold. The price of the chapter calendars is 20.00 each. Jim reported that the club would make about 68.00 on the calendar sales. Ricky Bivins reported that the modular layout has been moved to his father’s storage building for safe keeping. He also reported that the modular layout was a success at True Value hardware with many positive comments. The plan is to do this again next year with a few tweeting’s. There was some discussion about a donation to KRM. Bill Farrell suggested that we contact KRM and see if we can get a representative to come down and give us an overview of the restoration of the 152. If they agree to do so we would make a donation of 250.00 toward the 152 restoration. Motion was made by Steve Miller to donate the 250.00, to KRM with chapter members doing private donations, seconded by Jim Pearson. Motion passed be the members present. Bill Farrell reported on the Lionel Ready to run Raffle. The project brought in 970.00 before expenses. Bill also reported that chapter dues for the 2023 year have been mailed and are presently being excepted.

New Business; Jim Pearson announced that the chapter is presently in the middle of a photo contest. The contest will run until the last day of the month with an entry deadly of February 7th. Bill Farrell reported that he discontinued the chapter post office box due to the increasing cost. The price has risen to 176.00 a year. All chapter mail will now go to Bill post office box which is 457. The Sign-Up Sheet for programs and refreshments was passed around for 2023 meetings.

With no further business at hand Ricky Bivins made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Will Kling. Motion passed by all the members present. Business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully; William Farrell, 1/18/2023

# NEWS BRIEFS



## Tunnel to Nowhere



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## Photos!



## NS at Warrior Coal

## Ostlund Oddity



The engine number is obscured, but this late model Southern Pacific cab-forward is sticking its nose out of a dead-end tunnel. Say-what..? The location is Cascade Summit on the line from Eugene to Klamath Falls, Oregon.

A helper district from Oakridge ended here at the summit. The helpers were cut off and turned on a wye for the return trip downhill. The problem here at Cascade Summit was cramped space, and a turning wye requires a fair amount of real estate to function.

Problem solved, burrow a tunnel long enough negotiate the movement. The track leading out of the picture to the left links up with the Westbound mainline towards Klamath Falls. The other towards Oakridge and Portland. . A turntable was impractical unless covered, and snowplows easily keep the wye clear. To my knowledge this arrangement is unique to the Southern Pacific. Photo and caption submitted by Gary Ostlund.

# PHOTO GALLERY



A LITTLE ODD - This loaded CSX coal train on the Warrior branch, Madisonville was long hood forward on February 10, 2022, when editor Bill Thomas caught it idling and waiting on a crew.

(Apple iPhone SE (2nd generation) Wide Camera—28 mm f1.8. 2682 × 1509)



An all-NS day at Warrior Coal. Photo by Bill Thomas

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# Railroad Interchange

Also looking for HO scale railroad junk parts such as barrels, diesel parts, tools, etc. for an engine house diorama scene.

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