

THE PENNYRAIL

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WEST KENTUCKY CHAPTER OF
THE NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Next Meeting

Innovation Station

Monday, June 19, 7:00 PM

Program

And

Refreshments

By Ed and Cathy

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President-Keith Kittinger

Vice President-Steve Miller

Sec/Treas-Bill Farrell

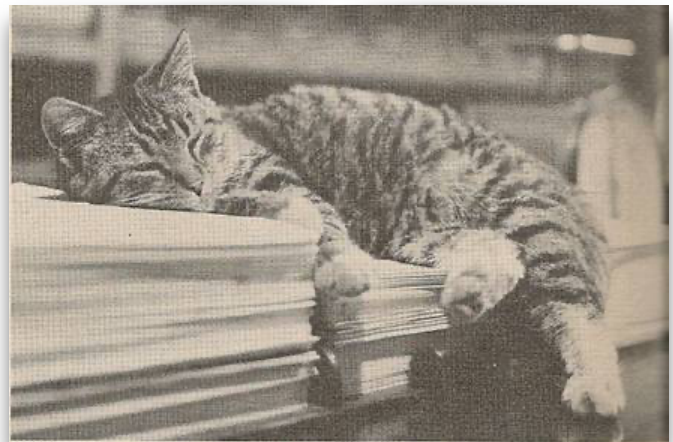
Chapter Rep-Will Kling

Director at Large-Cooper Smith

Editor-Bill Thomas

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Cats on the C&O



May 2023 Minutes

Vice President Steve Miller called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm, May 17, 2023. There was a total of 12 members present for the meeting and three guests.

The minutes from the April 17, 2023 meeting were approved as printed in the PennyRail. Motion to except the minutes by Jim Pearson, seconded by William Farrell. The minutes were approved by the members present.

The treasurers report was given by Steve Miller, of 3,243.63. Motion to except the treasures report was made by Steve Miller and seconded by Blair Terry. The treasures report was approved by the members present.

Old Business;

Jim will judge the photos from the March contest and pick the winners in his professional opinion. Bill Thomas gave his report on the chapter Christmas Party. This year’s party will be held at Bill’s home in Madisonville. Membership will meet at 5:00 pm and eat at 6:00 pm on December 9th. As usual family members are invited and the meal will be pot luck.

Ricky Bivins reported that he will be sponsoring “Trains in the Gap” on May 20th. Members can start gathering at 9:00 am in Morton Gap. The annual chapter picnic will be held on September 30th, in Crofton, Kentucky. Gather time will be at 9:00 am and last until the final train passes. Bill Farrell reported on the NRHS Survey. Due to the lost of Bill’s voice he will give a full report in the June meeting.

New Business;

Jim Pearson reported that our chapter was presently in one of our famous photo contests. So, get out and take a picture of a beautiful train.

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

Respectfully;
William Farrell
5/29/2023

NEWS BRIEFS



Kentucky Railway Museum News



May Meeting Minutes



March Photo Contest Winners



Fallen Flags Through Mortons Gap

Kentucky Railway Museum

How You Can Help 152

Help Us Bring L&N 152 Back To Life!

Our goal is to put one of the Last L&N Steam Engines in the world back to work pulling excursion trains for our museum, as well as educate the public regarding the heritage of Kentucky's Railroads and the people who built them.

The L&N 152 needs both boiler and running gear work.

Please visit the [Crew 152 Facebook page](#) for the most up to date information and photos.



Ostlund Oddity

Submitted by Gary Ostlund

Handle with care

I A WAYWARD KITTEN, hungry and trembling from exposure to the sharp winter of Du Bois, Pa., stopped, lowered his head, and butted open a door of the Baltimore & Ohio car shops.

In a mannerism that has persisted through the ages, the tight-ribbed kitty stared up at Chief Clerk Bill Hilliard. Then the animal mewed. Hilliard grinned.

“Looks like the Chesapeake & Ohio calendar cat,” he said.

Secretaries Adair Hetager and Evelyn Penman agreed — and they named him Chessie Honey.

The shop superintendent bought tins of tuna. Miss Hetager brought a rug, even though Chessie Honey frequently napped on record books Miss Hetager needed or the very chair on which she intended to sit. Chessie Honey did what he knew how to do best: he merely existed and acted the animal he is, a cat’s greatest repayment to man’s kindness. In time, Chesapeake & Ohio photographer Bill Baltz took a picture of Chessie Honey. Newspapers throughout the nation snapped up the story with gusto akin to that of the Twenties and Thirties. Chessie Honey, now an articulate feline, ranks as top 0-2-2-0 on the current B&O roster.



Note: This tale came from the May 71 TRAINS Magazine. For the less-than-avid railfan, 0-2-2-0, is a wheel arrangement on a steam loco. In plain English it would be: no pilot wheels, two axles of drive wheels, followed by no trailing wheels.

Gary O. Ostlund



March 2023 Photo Contest Winners



1st Place winner of the West Kentucky Chapter of the NRHS March 2023 Photo Contest by Bill Grady - Norfolk Southern Intermodal #219 is coming through the cut at Depauw, Indiana on a nice, clear, spring morning as it heads to Louisville, KY with 4530 leading the way. March 4, 2023.

**May winners will be
published in the July
PennyRail**

March 2023 Photo Contest Winners



2nd Place winner of the West Kentucky Chapter of the NRHS March 2023 Photo Contest - PAL 3812 heads across the Tennessee River at Grand Rivers, Kentucky as it leads a coal train to West Paducah.



3rd Place winner of the West Kentucky Chapter of the NRHS March 2023 Photo Contest - CSX locomotive 3377 on the lead of train I025 at the north end of Kelly, Kentucky.

Photo Gallery

Fallen flag cars by Ricky Bivins...



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