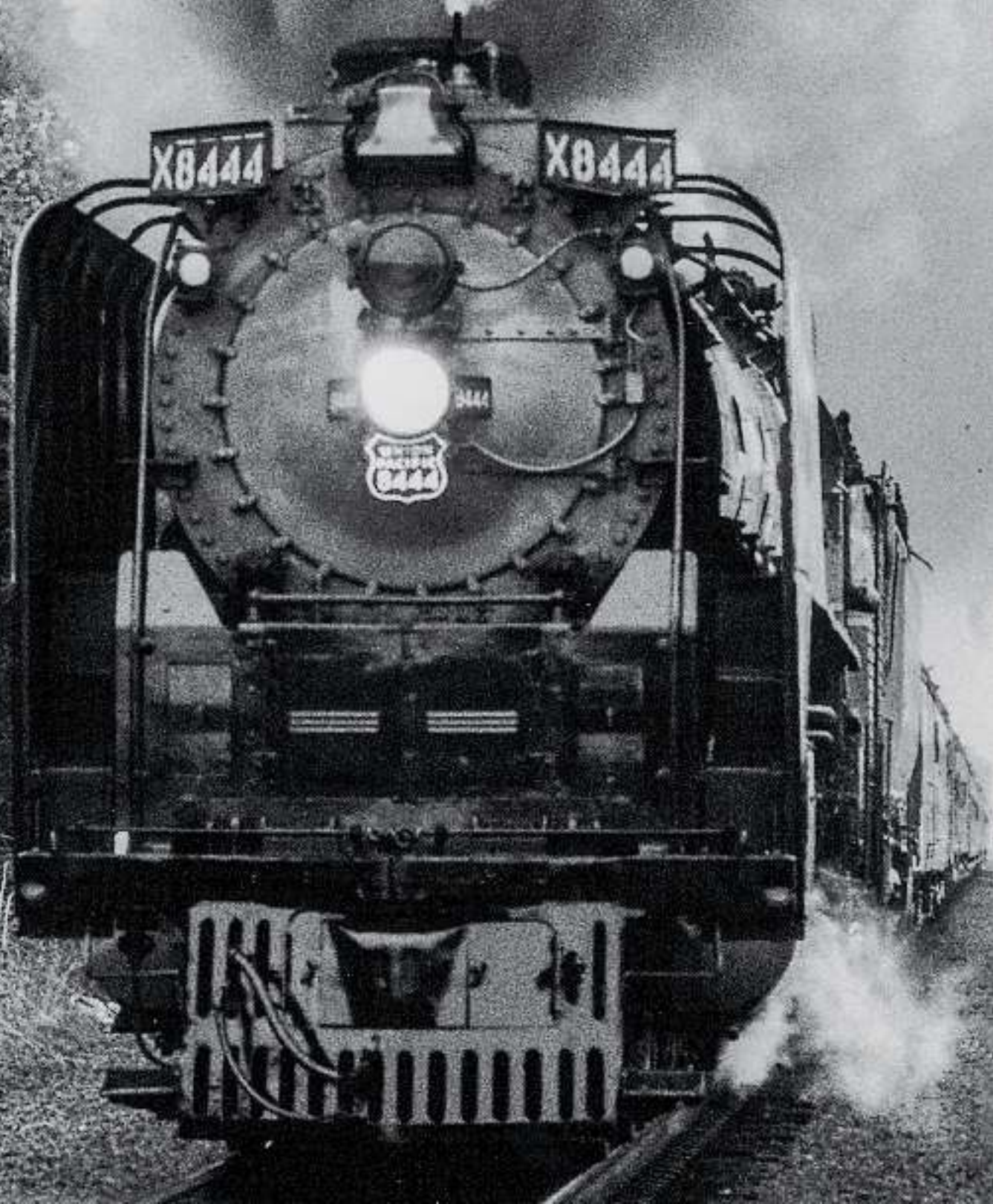


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Founder of the Railroad Evangelistic Association

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1. We believe in the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired by God, and inerrant in the original writings. They are the supreme and final authority in faith and life.
2. We believe in one God eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
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7. We believe in "that blessed hope," the personal, premillennial, and imminent return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
8. We believe that all who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become children of God.
9. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting, conscious punishment of the lost.

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Psalm 96:2

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Dr. Rev. Magead Salloum
President of REA

MainLine

A Breakthrough is coming!

II Kings chapter 3 tells the story of how Moab rebelled against the new king of Israel and refused to pay taxes. Mesha, King of Moab, assumed that Jehoram, king of Israel, was a weak leader and would not do anything about it. But, Jehoram convinced two other kings- Jehoshaphat, king of Judah and the king of Edom- and their armies, to join him against Moab. They journeyed through the wilderness of Edom for seven days and were without water. They almost gave up on living. Jehoshaphat realized, that in order for three armies to obtain water and survive in the wilderness (an impossible task), they needed to hear from God and asked the following question: "Is there not here a prophet of the LORD, that we may enquire of the LORD by him?" One of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, "Here is Elisha, the son of Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah."

The prophet reminded the people that it would be an easy thing for the Lord and instructed the three kings to dig many ditches. Once that was done, they would have water to drink and live, and, also, they would have victory over the Moabites.

The kings obeyed, and the next morning, God supernaturally filled the ditches with water. They and their armies drank and lived. When the enemy looked toward the three armies, they thought they saw blood, for the sun shone upon the water and made it appear red like blood. (Continued on page 7)

Jesus said

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel."

Your membership, subscriptions and tax deductible donations are greatly appreciated, as they are the only means we have to continue publishing and proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to the entire railroad community worldwide through the *Railroad Evangelist* magazine. Your financial gifts underwrite the cost and make it possible for us to send the *Railroad Evangelist* magazine out individually and in bulk supply as our home and missionary outreach. We thank God for each and every one of you who have joined with this railroad literature evangelistic ministry with your prayers and finances.

We pray and trust God will abundantly bless you for your sacrificial giving as He **"is able to make all grace abound towards you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, have an abundance for every good work."**

2 Corinthians 9:8

"A LITTLE IS A LOT WHEN GOD IS IN IT"

Luke 9:12-17

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Celebrating 71 years



The Railroad Evangelistic Association held its 71st Annual Convention once again at the beautiful Bongiorno Conference Center in Carlisle, Pennsylvania this past September 10-14, 2012. Pray, plan and prepare now to attend the next REA Convention September 9-13, 2013.



Dr. Rev. Mageed Salloum REA President giving a powerful message on "Witnessing with Power" our theme for this year.



May God bless each and every one of these first time visitors to our REA Convention this past September.

From left to right is: Kay Reese, NJ. John Stewart, Minn. Paula Bates, NY. Virginia Consiglio, NY. Mary and Gary Dunham NY.

Pastors "**Round Table**" where REA members are giving an opportunity to ask pastors questions. From left to right is: Wilson Riley, Arulraj, Mageed Salloum, Paul Campbell and Moderator Mrs. Ann Grissom.



Pray, plan and prepare to come

of Railroad Ministry

"The REA Convention is my annual mountain top experience, where I can fellowship with both Christians and railroaders, (including modelers and rail fans) and get recharged to go back to the valley where we all serve. It is a wonderful group of committed Christians."

Allan Carpenter
Norfolk, Virginia



REA Members and friends from New York State, left to right is REA President Dr. Rev Magead Salloum, Pastor Bob Glass, Daniel Burke, Ben Salloum. Front row is REA Registrar Beverly Salloum, Paula Bates, Rosalind Ragonese, Virginia Consiglio, Bonnie and Gary James.

REA Alexandria Chapter members and friends. From left to right is Shirley Zurek, Jane Hessler, Helen Bootenbaugh, Allen Carpenter, Doris & Don Robey, Wilson Riley, Bryan Goodwin, Rev. Paul Campbell and International Railroad Evangelist Arulraj from Chennai, India. Seated is Daniel Granizo.



REA Malaga Chapter and friends. From left to right in the back row is Pastor Keith Holt, Craig James and George Sampson. Ladies from left to right are Linda Holt, Ruth Lounsberry, Mary Tozer, Marlene Sampson, Mary Clifton, Bonnie James, Kay Reese and Carol Clifton. Seated is Mary Holt, oldest and longest REA member.



next September 9-13, 2013



The Bible says, that ***"he that wineth souls is wise."*** I want to be a soul winner and if you want to do something well I've been told you need to be around people that are interested in the same thing. It was a dream come true for me to go to the REA convention this past September. God blessed me with a lot of inspiring testimonies, great singing and new friendships formed. Thank you Jesus for a week I will treasure forever!

John Stewart
Minnesota,
BNSF Engineer

Left to right in the photo is Rev. Paul Campbell, Allan Carpenter and John Stewart.



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Fish enjoying an old time
gospel hymn.



Musicians' Daniel Burke
and Ben Salloum (at wall).



Jane Hessler



Everyone sing-
ing Happy Birth-
day to Mary
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International
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brother Arulraj
from Chennai, India



Wilson
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Rev. Paul
Campbell



Dr. Rev. Magead
and Beverley
Salloum

(Continued from page 3)

So the Moabites thought that the three armies had slaughtered each other and decided to attack; but to their dismay, they were surrounded by Israel, Judah, and Edom, and were defeated.

The water here gave God's people two results:

1. Sustenance and life. 2. Victory over the enemy. Likewise, when we dig our ditches, when we dig out of our hearts, the dirt and the sin, the anger and deceit, then God will fill our hearts with the water of life and abundance, and will also give us the victory over any situation, any circumstance, any difficulty and cause us to triumph over the devil. Amen.

We must know that one word from God can change our world. We also need to act upon the word that is going to break the drought and shift us into the abundance and the overflow, and carry us into a new season. This day is our day of a breakthrough for a turnaround. -end

Traveling on my knees

By Sandra Goodwin

Last night

I took a journey to a land across the seas'
I didn't go by boat or plane, I traveled on my knees.

I saw so many people
there in deepest depths of sin;
and Jesus told me I should go - as there were souls to win.

But I said,
"Jesus, I can't go and work with such as these."
He answered, "yes, you can - by traveling on your knees."

He said,
"You pray; I'll meet the needs; you call, and I will hear;
be concerned about lost souls of those both far and near!"

And so I tried it,
I knelt and prayed; and gave up some hours of ease;
I felt the Lord right by my side, while traveling on my knees.

As I prayed on,
I saw lost souls saved, and twisted bodies healed,
I saw God's workers' strength renewed
while laboring in the field.

I said,
"Yes, Lord. I have a job! My desire,
Thy will to please,
I can go and heed Thy call, by traveling on my knees.

BlueBell Railroad Sussex, England



In the above two photos of this little steam engine, notice the coal bin on the rear, I took, (Joe Spooner) when I attended the International Railway Mission conference In Eastboarne, England in 2007. The Bluebell Railway is a heritage line running for nine miles along the border between East and West Sussex, England. It uses steam trains which operate between Sheffield Park and Kingscote, with an intermediate station at Horsted Keynes. After more than 50 years of separation, a resumed connection to the UK's rail network, to a UK terminus station north of Kingscote, in East Grinstead, is expected to open in March 2013.

The railway is managed and run largely by volunteers. The Bluebell also has a collection of almost 150 carriages and wagons, most of them pre-war, unrivalled in the south of England. The Bluebell Railway also preserved a number of steam locomotives even before the cessation of steam service on British main-line railways in 1968. 2007 marked the railway's 125th anniversary. 2009 marked the Bluebell Railway Preservation Society's 50th anniversary. 2010 marked the Bluebell's 50th anniversary of running services. To mark the event, the railway held a gala in August 2010 with all available home engines and two visitor engines. (information from Wikipedia)

"SCREAMING EAGLES" Photographer



One of our newest REA members is a "Screaming Eagles" photographer who has had a life-long passion for trains and railroading. Since his first days of railfanning on the Missouri Pacific in 1978, Jay Glenewinkel has photographed over 1000 roster shots of MP power, walked over 500 miles of MP track in all types of weather, collected over 100 slides, as well as obtaining over 50 timetables and rule books. "Screaming Eagles" was a nickname given to the Missouri Pacific RR due to a stylized eagle in rapid motion emblazoned on the side of their locomotives. The MoPac or MP and her sister railroad, the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, used an emblem called a "buzz saw" – appearing like the blade of a circular saw. However, they are considered "Fallen Flag" railroads. The C&EI was merged into the MP, which was merged into the Union Pacific RR in the 90s.

Jay is a Christian who places his faith in God, believing in Christ and the scriptures that he reads. He considers himself strongly spiritual, but not involved in any formal religious sanction. He knows Satan overwhelms him at

times to the point where he feels temporarily "lost," but knows Satan is clever at doing that. Jay's Christian life has been shaky – not that his faith itself has faltered – but his belief in religion is of question during these times. Jay knows God created the earth and that anywhere he goes upon its soils or waters he gets a greater appreciation for the work of God's handiwork. Religions are made by man, and look what man has given us. Through Jay's family, he has acquired a wealth of exposure to a myriad of different religions – none of which he claims for his own. He is non-denominational in Christianity, developing his spiritual nature by confirming his faith in Christ. Christ alone died for our sins, whereas NO religion can save or make a Christian. God, through the work of Jesus Christ, takes a person to heaven to be with Him eternally.

Railroading may be in Jay's blood for he grew up around the MoPac and Southern Pacific, with a sprinkle of the old "KATY" (MKT). He made numerous railfan journeys across the USA. Through a good friend who was a MoPac engineer, Jay operated his first real train, a MoPac SD40-2 #6044, at the age of 14 in 1984. He has since operated other locomotives. He went on to become a railroad employee as a crew van driver for the MP, then SP, then again for the UP in the 1990s. In 2006, Jay drove crew van for the BNSF, but kept alert and learned a lot of the nuts and bolts of railroad operations. Jay had quit the UP in 1997 after he lost two very good friends who were killed in a head-on collision in June of that year. (See Jay's TRIBUTE to this incident in the summer issue of **ALL ABOARD!** Jay carries some guilt, because he was scheduled to work with southbound UP the night of the collision. He had traded shifts 12 hours before he was to have gone on duty.

Jay has an interest in model railroading, but is not presently active in the hobby. He prefers spending time around the prototype. He has a small HO collection of locomotives that he personally painted. He feels he will re-join the hobby someday soon. Railroading is just in his blood.

Along with his railroad interest, Jay enjoys photography, writing, and traveling. He has authored several accomplished articles and poems. Jay recently finished a composition on Missouri Pacific's SD fleet that has been submitted to **DIESEL ERA** Magazine. Someday, he would like to write a book about the 1997 head-on collision of the two Union Pacific freight trains in Texas. He has many "Screaming Eagles" photo-



Model Railroader

The Model Railroader and Rail Fan pages are done by Associate Editor Rev. Stephen Seidler.

Graphs on-line and has contributed numerous articles on the MoPac Historical Society site. To mention a few; "Cotulla Crash", "Abilene Southern," "SD Story," (the original), "MP 3211," and "Dark Territory. On a sister site, 'PLAINS-WEST," you can find many of Jay's photos of other railroads. You can access some of Jay's photos by Googling "Jay Glenewinkel" or checking his Facebook.com page. In addition to his being a life-long railfan, Jay had some involvement in the country music industry from 1991-2003. Most of this was on a local/regional level as it was a part-time career juggled between his regular jobs as crew van driver for the Union Pacific. Jay felt he was a most active and energetic person in those days.

There is another side to Jay that he may be too humble to admit, but he really cares about helping his fellow man. He produced and promoted a fundraising event for the American Red Cross as part of an effort to help the victims of major flooding in San Antonio in October 1998. He participated in a fundraising event for the Texas Special Olympics, hosted by the Dallas Cowboys. Jay personally donated from his own financial resources and promoted a fundraising event for the St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis TN. In 2002, he coordinated the efforts of several non-profit organizations to raise money for a family who had lost their daughter in a fire. Then in 2005, Jay volunteered again with the American Red Cross to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina – personally adopting a family and helping them purchase food, clothes, and locating a place to stay. In March 2008 he volunteered as part of the TV show, "Extreme Makeover Home Edition" to help build a home for a displaced hurricane-related family. He then helped build a new church near downtown New Orleans. Jay has had ups and downs in his life, but it is easy to see that this railfan has a heart full of kindness and good intentions.

For the future of **ALL ABOARD!** and our entire REA Ministry, Jay is full of suggestions and a desire to see us reach out with the Gospel. He thinks we should increase the size of the magazine; should produce a full fund-raising rail calendar; should get our information into the hands of more hobby shops and actual railroad yard facilities. I am so glad to see a new member with a forward thinking direction. Look for articles by Jay in future issues of **ALL ABOARD!** Currently, he is putting the finishing touches on a story of one of our members who retired from the New York Central RR. We are always looking for printable material. "Thanks, Jay Glenewinkel!"

Jay behind the throttle of MP No6044 in 1984



CASEY JONES - "The Lost Episodes"

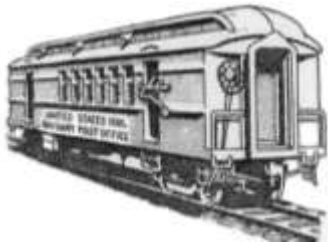


The only authentic photo of Casey at the controls of his locomotive, No. 631.

"Crash" Corrigan's studio Corriganville in the Simi Valley, CA. The locomotive used was the Sierra No. 3. It was also used in "Little House on the Prairie" and many other TV shows. Although there are some transfer issues, you can view most of the episodes on [YouTube](#). Google "Casey Jones Girl In The Cab part 1" to get started. (Three parts: 10 min, 10 min, 6 min.) You can then access other episodes off the screen menu. The episode "Dutch Clock" is a single 25:59 showing. Google "Casey Jones TV Series" for a complete listing and description of all 32 episodes. You will also find info on purchasing the complete 4-DVD series for around \$50. This will take your railroad viewing pleasure back to the enjoyable 1950's.

My TV fare in the 1950's included Rin-Tin-Tin, Roy Rogers, and Sky King, but I wish I had known about the American children's Western series that ran during the '58-'59 TV season. Based around the pioneering western railroads, **CASEY JONES** aired 32 episodes in the USA, UK, and Australia. The series was set in the late 19th Century featuring the adventures of RR engineer Casey Jones (Alan Hale, Jr. "Gilligan's Island"), and the crew of the "Cannonball Express" steam locomotive, with fireman Wallie Sims (Dub Taylor) and conductor Redrock Smith (Eddy Waller), working for the Midwest & Central RR. Casey lived in Midvale, a fictional town within commuting distance of St. Louis, MO, with his wife Alice (Mary Lawrence), their young son Casey Jr. (Bobby Clark), and their dog Cinders. Although there really was a famous locomotive engineer named Casey Jones, the TV series was very loosely based on him. It did use the real name of his train, "The Cannonball Express," and his fireman, Wallie. The 32 half-hour black & white episodes were shot on a special set at Ray

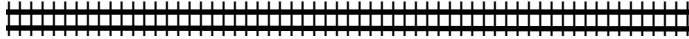




LETTERS

From our REA MAIL BAG

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REA,

The Heritage Baptist Church comes to our Manor once a month to hold a service. I gave a copy of the Railroad Evangelist magazine "All Aboard!" to a man who was sitting at my table and he fell in love with it. He also shares it with people at his workplace as well. He thinks it is the greatest magazine and reads it from cover to cover.

Love in Christ,
Dorothy Steffen
Minot, ND

REA,

I wanted to write as I liked the poem you had in your last magazine. I read it to a friend who is dying of cancer as over the years she has been very good to me. I love God and the railroad for all the life I can remember.

Sincerely in Christ,
David A. Meeks
Logansport, IN

REA,

I was inspired and blessed at our REA convention. I recently delivered our magazine to patients at a nursing home.

In Him,
Shirley Zurek
Warrenton, VA

REA,

Time to restock the "Laugh Track" and "The Station" tracts. Since the last supply, they have been distributed at: Frederick Mennonite Community Railroad Days, Frederick, PA. Railroad Days, Bordentown, NJ. Atlantic Country 4H Club Model Railroad Club Show, Pleasantville, NJ. Greenburg Train Show, Wilmington, DE. Edison NJ, Project 12, Conrail THS Annual Meeting. New Jersey Southern Train Display at Belhaven Resort, Green Bank, NJ and Keswick Conference Center, Keswick Grove, NJ.

Regards,
Norman Seidelmann
Pennsauken, NJ

REA

The REA convention was wonderful, God has blessed REA.

Love and prayers.
Lorraine Creamer
Newfield, NJ

REA,

Many thanks for sending the Spring and Summer issue of "All Aboard!". I made a photo copy of the article you published about my boating life and my model railroad on my boat, (Fall 2011, p11). I then had it laminated and posted it in the window of my boat, so that it could be read by people walking by when I moored up. Quite a number of people have stopped and read it.

Yours in Christ,
Peter Brooks
Nottingham, England

REA,

Would you please send me about a dozen copies of "All Aboard!". These magazine are being well received by people I know here in Albuquerque, both saved and unsaved. Thank you very much.

Yours in Christ,
David Wiegand, Jr
Albuquerque, NM

REA,

Seems like the "old days" were better for winning hearts to Jesus as now people don't seem to have the time. I have met up with a young Christian here at Selkirk and we will begin spreading the good news. I am taking the "All Aboard!" magazine to him tomorrow. I would also like to start a local REA chapter or the Prayer Fellowship.

Thank you.
Troy Thompson
Selkirk, NY

REA,

I am a retiree interested in joining REA and getting 10 magazines each month to have at our NARVRE (Unit # 38), meetings here in Tampa, Florida. I have been a born again follower of Jesus since 1981.

Bill Stagg
Tampa, FL

ATTENTION: The **N.A.R.V.R.E.** Florida State Associations has planned an 2013 Carnival Cruise Line for a 3 day cruise from Port Canaveral, FL to Nassau, the Bahamas leaving January 17th. For more information contact: Email: 1jbarker@bellsouth.net, phone (904) 269-7090



SP&S 700 Christmas Train getting ready for a Christmas kiss from a new BNSF freight engine in the Vancouver, Washington yards.



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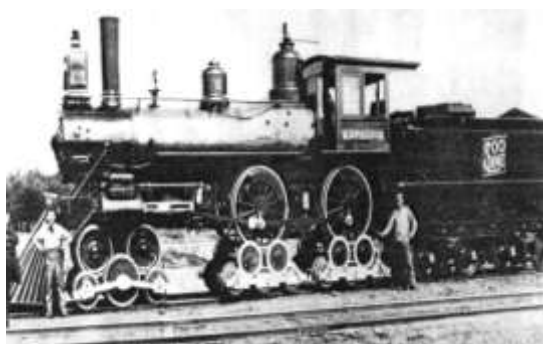
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WHAT in the world?

In our Spring 2012 issue we asked our readers what in the world was this early railway contraption.

We receive two responses. First response was from Rev. Steve Seidler, (Owatonna, MN), who is our Associate Editor of the Model and Rail Fan pages.

That is a photo from the collection of Jim Lydon. A Mr. Holman, inventor of the Holman Truck Appliance, leased locomotive No. 6 from the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Company...or better known as the SOO LINE. His purpose was to demonstrate his contraption in 1894 on SOO rails in Minneapolis. The appliance reduced the revolutions of the driving wheels and increased the speed of the locomotives. However, his invention was a failure. I imagine it failed for any number of reasons. Can you imagine a UP "Big Boy" operating on this contraption?

The second one was from John Lounsberry, (Hammonton, NJ), who has been a member of the Patcong Valley Model Railroad Club, (see Summer 2012 issue) and is currently their Vice President.

The device under the locomotive wheels was called "The Holman Speeding Truck", manufactured by the Holman Company. The device was designed to permit greater speed without increase in either piston speed or fuel consumption. It was also supposed to reduce track damage by spreading the locomotives weight over the additional wheels. The Reading's Atlantic City Railroad took delivery of one such locomotives, #10, from the Baldwin Locomotive Works in 1897. On one occasion a speed of 105.8 mph was reached on a test run with a five car special train. This engine was used between Winslow Jct. and Cape May, NJ. The one drawback to the design was the elevated center of gravity, which made it easier to tip over. Locomotive #10 was used for only a few months when it derailed near Cape Court House, NJ.



> Perhaps the best way to avoid a quarrel with your wife is to let her go her way and you go hers.

> There is only one thing more painful than learning from experience - and that is not learning from experience.

> Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on your front door forever!

> I wish the buck stopped here; I sure could use a few.

> It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere!

> These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter. I go somewhere to get something and then I wonder what I'm here after.

> We childproof our homes, but they are still getting in.

> If I had known I would live this long, I'd have taken better care of myself.

> One mystery of life is how a two pound box of candy can make you gain five pounds.

> He put out the clock and wound the cat. He hung up his pajamas and put on his hat. He turned off the bed and climbed in the light, All because she kissed him good-night!

*"A cheerful heart
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Proverbs 17:22 - Living Bible

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Jesus said...

"I AM the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6

"I AM the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." John 8:12

"I AM the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." John 6:35

"I AM the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved..." John 10:9

"I AM the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep." John 10:11

"I AM the true vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." John 15:5

"I AM the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?." John 11:25,26

Think about this for a moment; either Jesus was a complete fool or He was in total deception, believing a lie, telling people He was the only way to God. Or, He was who He said He was.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 2:16,18

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My words and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life." John 5:24

"For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." John 3:17

The Bible says:

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to clean us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9

"That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9

"God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life." I John 5:11,12

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal Life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

Please consider the words of Jesus carefully as your ultimate conclusion and decision will have eternal consequences.

"God be merciful to me a sinner. Jesus come into my life and make Yourself real to me, fill me with Your Holy Spirit to help me live for You all the days of my life. In Jesus name. Amen."





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For a donation of any amount the Cross Over Memorial page is a place where both God and your loved ones will be remembered and will help us to continue publishing the Good News of Jesus Christ to the worldwide railroad community through the Railroad Evangelist magazine. All donations are tax deductible.

"Well done, good and faithful servant . . . enter into the joy of the Lord"



Mary Jane Green by Charles Green

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"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning." Psalm 30:5

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Welcome Aboard!

Thank you for your on going support in helping to keep the gospel of Jesus Christ to be published and proclaimed through the printed page.

These two photos are from the first "Time Travel" at the Village of Yesteryear here in Owatonna, MN. The first session, to which 30+ children and their parents attended, was on train travel in the 1880's. We did not have a passenger car, so the caboose stood in for train travel. The children picked out period costumes, then proceeded to the Bixby Depot (Milwaukee Road) and purchased their tickets. They visited the freight depot and mail room and then proceeded to the caboose. I explained passenger travel as well as life in the caboose, then punched their tickets. The top photo shows Jerry Ganfield and



me (Rev. Stephen Seidler) at the Bixby Depot ticket counter. Jerry, behind the counter was the ticket agent. The photo to the left shows Jerry and me on the caboose. Rev. Stephen Seidler said, "We had a great time and it was a lot of fun!"

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Are you on the right track?

Jesus said,

**"I am the way, the truth, and the life.
 No one comes to the Father except through Me."**

John 14:6



REA Malaga Chapter met this past summer at the Christian Camp called "**Camp Halawasa**" which stands for "**Hallelujah What A Savior**". There was an open Barbeque lunch and a 3 1/2 mile ride on the camps narrow gauge railroad. There were also bus tours to the different parts of the camp as well as to Fort Adventure, Tee Pee Town, Frontier Village and many more. We all had a wonderful time said Marlene Simpson, REA Malaga President.

My Sheep

*My sheep I know, they hear my voice,
 They follow me, it is their choice.
 Eternal life I give to mine,
 The branches of myself, the vine.
 For all their trials, pain and grief,
 My word has balm and sweet relief.
 And when they meet me in praise and prayer,
 I am in their midst will bless them there.*

*My sheep I know, I have them sealed,
 The way to them has been revealed.
 Their sins I bore upon the cross,
 To save them from eternal loss.
 I cleansed them from their guilt and sin,
 By grace to live no more therein.
 Their lives are hid in God above,
 The fruits of my redeeming love.*

*My sheep I know, they are mine own,
 I leave them not in trials alone.
 I will be with them to the end,
 Their hope, their joy, their dearest friend.
 And when their time on earth shall cease,
 Their spirits dwell with me in peace,
 With me in glories yet untold,
 A blessed, joyous, blood-bought fold.*

By G. D. Hance

Note: The above poem was written by Dorothy Steffens great grandfather.



The CHRISTmas season is a time of giving and receiving as we celebrate the birth of our Savior with family and friends. We all need to be grateful to our Creator who came to earth, disguised as a man, the man Jesus Christ as scripture declares: ***“Immanuel, God with us.”*** (Matthew 1:23)

Gods free gift of eternal life is just that; a gift. It is something you can't purchase, work for or be good enough to deserve, as it is a free gift. All we need to do is gladly receive it as the scripture says...***“as many as receive Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, but of God.”*** (John 1:12,13).

Do you see the progression? First, **believe in His name**. You can choose to believe in anything you want in this day and age, but when it come to receiving the free gift of eternal life you must choose to believe what Jesus said about Himself is true, that ***“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”*** (John 14:6).

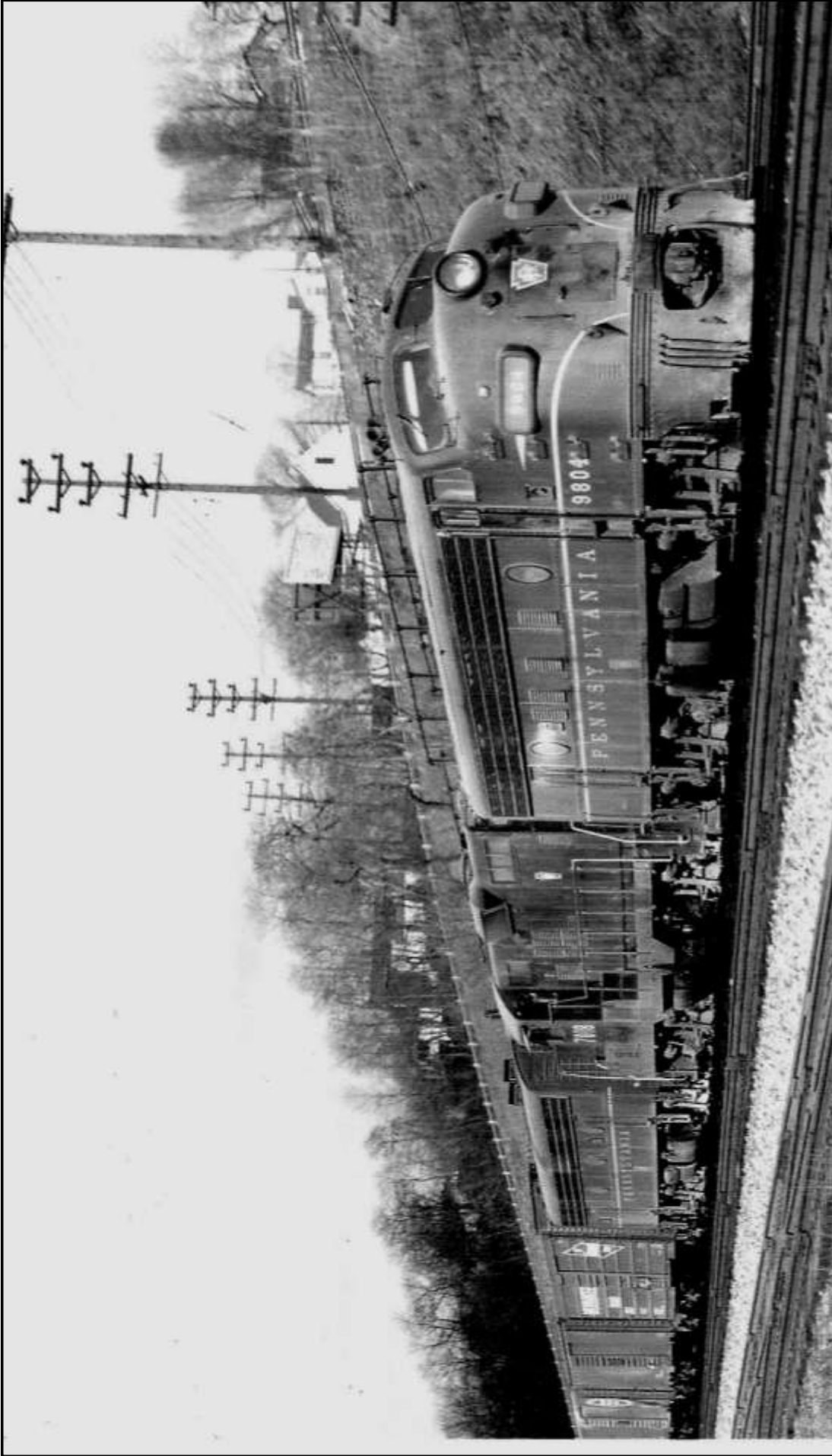
Second, we **receive Him**; you're are not joining a church, club or organization, you are receiving Him, the person of Jesus Christ.

Thirdly, you **become children of God**. The Bible calls this ***“joy inexpressible”*** (I Peter 1:8). The gift of salvation is free but it is not cheap. Salvation is a gift of grace from God who sent his son to take our place on the cross so we could have eternal life. I encourage you to examine the scriptures yourself. See page 12 for what Jesus said about Himself. To conclude, the Bible speaks very clearly and concisely when it says, ***“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*** (Romans 6:23)

- Joe Spooner

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