

Rail Tales

February 2009

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NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

If interested in joining All Aboard Westcliffe, call Doris Porth at 719-783-2217.

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Visit the All Aboard Westcliffe
website:

www.allaboardwestcliffe.org

February 13, 2009 – Celebrating Valentine’s Day – chili or vegetable soup, veggies, bread and drink for \$6.00 starts at 5:30 p.m.

*Desserts will also be available.
Old Fashioned Bingo at 6:30 p.m.*

*March 13, 2009 – Celebrating St. Patrick’s Day – meal at 5:30 p.m.
Bingo at 6:30 p.m.*

*April 17 and May 15 are also scheduled.
More details will follow for these dates.*

Volunteers are always welcome to come help with the various activities of All Aboard Westcliffe. Call Tim Thrun at 783-0423.

Wet Mountain Valley Community Foundation Support

It was announced at the January AAW meeting that we have received \$2,508.00 from the WMVCF and community! THANK YOU for all donations and contributions that help to keep AAW active and well...on the right track!

Bingo is back!

Bingo details were discussed at the January AAW meeting. Following is a schedule of winter bingo games and the special occasions that will be celebrated with each night of games.

The AAW membership is requested to help out and participate in the games and events scheduled. We need everyone’s help so that its NOT just a few people doing all the work.

2009 Work Plans Reviewed

Several projects are continuing through the winter and new projects being added to the list of things to do:

- Restoration of the freight wagon display continues
- Engine House Museum work continues
- Cataloging contents for display in Engine House Museum continues
- Forklift caboose onto track (Two failed attempts)

If you are available to help out with any of these projects, give Tim Thrun or Mel Porth a call.



Railroad Museum Grand Opening in Planning Stages

A grand opening for the Railroad Museum is in the planning stages for May 2-3, 2009. Several AAW members are organizing and planning for this event. Anna Stubbs, Marie Thrun, Addie Heck, Beverly Goertz and Delores Stoesser agreed to serve on this committee.

Help will be needed to get the Museum ready for the Grand Opening. Volunteers are urgently needed. Call Tim Thrun at 783-0423 if you can help. The planning committee will also be looking for volunteers to help with the two day event with refreshments, etc.

It will be a great community event. Railroad Memorabilia is always accepted. AAW members, members of the community and interested parties with railroad memorabilia, photos, etc. to donate to the museum, please call Tim Thrun or Mel Porth

Model Rail Road Club..."HELP WANTED" by Tim Thrun

Anyone with Paper Mache' experience or related skills should apply at the Basement of the AAW Interpretive Center any Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. The Texas Lariat Loop framework is up and needs covering.

The Westcliffe Model RR Club is an equal opportunity employer and complies with all government and social regulations concerning wage and hiring practices.

Storage Building at Caboose

The storage building on Main Street north of the caboose is just about complete. All that remains to do is the door trim and to put the door hinges and



hardware on. Then a painting party will need to be put together to finish completely and have it ready before the Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast.

Annual Meeting is coming April 20, 2009. Traditionally this meeting begins with a covered dish dinner and includes a guest speaker or some form of entertainment.

Mark your calendar and bring your friends.

Start your spring cleaning early. Items for the AAW Yard Sale are always needed. Your donations are gratefully accepted!!

All Aboard Westcliffe Looking at Different Ideas for Fundraisers

At the January meeting, it was brought up about looking at different ideas for fundraisers. Several ideas were brought up. One of those was from Ray Koch about selling photos of the individuals taken in front of the caboose. Everyone thought it would be a great idea.

Anyone with other ideas, please let AAW know!

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