Trolley Barn Newsletter

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Recognition Events: Remember (and RSVP if you're coming);

8/12 - HSJ Volunteer Recognition dinner at 5:30 8/20 - CTRC Volunteer Recognition BBQ at 5:00

Holidays: The museum will be closed 9/7 for Labor Day

Monthly Furlough: HSJ staff will be taking Monday 9/14 off as their monthly furlough because 9/7 is a holiday.

Kelley Park Line: We cleaned out the flange grooves on the last 750 feet by dragging a pick through the dirt then sweeping the dirt away. The first run was done without "crutches" and was very successful. More runs were made to wear the groves wider/deeper. **The entire line is usable for both cars.** Motorman availability is our limiting factor to more frequent service. We're always looking for new people.

We now have 5 fully qualified motormen and 4 more working toward that goal with 3 of the 4 almost there.

The city Parks folks installed trolley crossing signs at the JFG parking lot for motorists. They also installed 20 feet of fence at the North end of the JFG Ivy covered fence for people safety. Thanks.

Birney Brakes: New brakes shoes were installed on the Birney without a hitch. Shoes on one end were well worn down and the other end was a bit crooked. We inherited some interesting hardware on this car, but she runs fine.

HSJ Recognition Event: For those that may not make it to the event,

Eric Butler will be recognized for 25 years of service

to our museum. He told me that he started by doing community service in High School. He also volunteers in the Print Shop. 25 Years!

Engine1215: The steam locomotive team continues to spend one day a week cleaning up engine 1215 and it's tender. Amazing progress thanks to John Ezovski and team.

Motorman/Host assignments for SEPTEMBER:

SAT.	Motormen	Host	SUN.	Motormen	Host
5	Baker	Ouimett/Boehm	6	Bingham	Schneider
12	NO TROLLEY	NO HOST	13	Ullman/Maurer	Stallard/ Raby
19	NO TROLLEY	NO HOST	20	Ryan	Compton
26	Butler	Traill	27	Ouimett	Hansen

9/12 – car show 9/13 – Antique Autos 9/19 - Air Systems No HTE scheduled as of 8/10

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Steve watching for excessive wheel-to-rail arcing during run-in

Photo: Jim Maurer

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Enjoying it like a puppy with his head out the car window



Successful run-in of final 750 feet. Wonderful day. Photo: Jim Maurer