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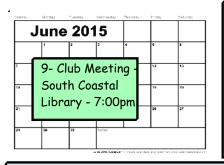
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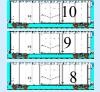
The easy way to contribute to our club is to go to our website and click on the DONATE TO DSRC button.

To visit a sponsor's site, click on the SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS button.





In honor of Dave Letterman's retirement, we present the TOP TEN REASONS NOT TO TAKE A TRAIN TRIP WITH BILL MIXON



It will cost you money

You may have to do some walking.

Things may not go as planned



7 Wilmington and Western Fall Foliage Trip - Engine de-railed



Wilminton and Western Christmas Lights Trip - very few lights



California Zephyr Trip - train delayed by track work, lost all right-of-ways.

Arrived in Chicago 24 hours late



Auto-train #1 - after a week in Panama City,
drove to station to find out train was out of
service because of Hurricane Sandy. Drove home.



Auto-train #2 - returned from cruise, drove to the station. The auto train was again out of service because of a Northern ice storm. Drove home.



Silver Meteor South - an hour before Jacksonville train stopped because of a dead body on the tracks. Train delayed 2 hours.



Silver Meteor North - because of the Amtrak accident in Philly, the Silver Meteor only returned as far as Washington. This made it difficult to drive home as my car was in Wilmington.

.....NEWS.....NEWS.....NEWS....

<u>NEW HOME</u> - work is continuing on getting our new home ready for the grand opening

GO FUND ME - our website to collect donations has not been overwelmed. We need your help. Contact ALL your friends and family to go to the site: http://www.gofundme.com/r4c4nw7f. We are asking for small donations such as \$5 or \$10. Also ask them to friend us on Facebook and share all our posts. This will not work without your help. The following patrons have contributed to our club:

Jean Layton
John Hodges
Nelson Davison
Scott Stedman
Jim and Peggy Ross
Tom Hodges
Stephanie Naski
Ronald Frahm
Cheryl Tarlecky

<u>CLUB SHIRTS</u> - most club shirts have been delivered. You can still order shirts and hats by calling Bill Mixon at 302-827-4278.

SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL - a special thank you goes to the Sussex Country Council and Councilman George Cole for their grant of \$1,500

CORDREY RAILROAD LINES - In case you missed it, there was a fine article in the Sunday, May 31 edition of the Coastal Delaware magazine about club member BillHaughey's work with the East Coast Garden Center's "G" scale railroad.. The train display was built by Bill and can be seen in the main retail greenhouse.



Paint, Paint and more paint. Well, that's what it probably seems like to many of our friends who, Unlike their engineer, have been working feverishly to make the new club building ready for operations. I've been away for two weeks so I hope to join them on Wednesday for another work session, and if you can make it let me or another officer know so we can keep up the pace.

Some of the guys have likely already projected what equipment and displays we'll want to install for our first opening, and for our special opening for our generous sponsors. The Sponsors Night will be a great opportunity to explain to these business owners just what we do and how we plan to use the new facility to promote the hobby, by working with local schools and community groups to conduct workshops and other ongoing activities. If you want to volunteer for some of these activities as the rest of this year progresses, please let us know so we can work you into the schedule of openings.

We also need to encourage our donors to continue to support us throughout the following years. Our Fund Raising committee will be working on plans of how we help promote our partners in their respective businesses, and how we acknowledge their support.

Our next meeting, at the South Coastal Library in Bethany Beach, will be at 7:00 pm on June 9th. As we help to plan out our various activities, we welcome the great levels of attendance we've seen recently, and this only makes it easier to get great ideas and make decisions in a timely manner. So, I really appreciate seeing roughly 50% of our membership at the monthly meetings.

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John Hodges, Engineer