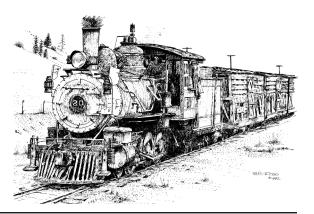
# ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAIL REPORT



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### ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD CLUB • ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

### Salida and the Monarch Branch of the D&RGW

Presented by Jim Ozment

September 14, 2004 • 7:30 PM

The Salida and the Monarch branch is probably one of the most unique branches not only on the D&RGW, but in all railroading. We will see eras from the end of steam in the 1950s, the barrel transfer, three foot gauge, standard gauging, diesels, to final abandonment and removal in 1985. Jim has been working on this presentation for many years and you will find it interesting.

Jim Ozment is well known to many as one of the driving forces to open the Rio Grande after the disastrous landslide in the 1980s at Thistle, Utah. Jim started out on the Bridge and Building gang in 1956. He had previously graduated with a degree in engineering from Washington University. In those days D&RGW President Aydelott felt new hires destined for higher positions first worked "in the trenches." Jim soon advanced in the engineering department and worked for the D&RGW for 36 years. He was the Utah Division Engineer for the last 14 years.

We meet at 7:30 PM at Christ Episcopal Church, 2950 South University Boulevard, at the intersection of University and Bates. There is plenty of parking at the rear of the building. The entrance to the meeting in Barnes hall is on the south side of the building. **All programs are intended to provide an educational experience. The general public is welcome and there is no charge for this meeting.** 

### Video Potpourri

By Steve Mason

Our annual video potpourri program will soon be here. This interesting event will be November 9th. Rob Beyer has agreed to host the event. You can submit your VHS tapes or DVDs to me at the regular meeting on September 14th or at the annual banquet on October 16th. If you cannot submit your video earlier, bring it to the meeting on November 9th and we will do our best to accommodate you. It is best to submit your video early. The video potpourri is one of the more interesting programs when many members show their best clips.

### RMRRC T-REX Tour Saturday, October 2nd, 8:30 AM

Join your friends and take some of the mystery out of the T-REX monster. The Club has arranged for a rail-oriented tour of the Denver Transportation Expansion Project (T-REX). Due to site safety regulations, attendees must be at least 16 years old. Cost of this tour is \$25 per person. Order tickets on the website or use the insert in this *Rail Report*.

We will gather at the T-REX construction office in Centennial, CO, starting at 8:30 AM. After a ten-minute overview of the project, we will board chartered busses

### 2004 RMRRC Events Schedule

September 11 Event:

No. 25 Roll Out and Open House

October 2 Event:

T-REX Tour

October 16 Event:

Annual Banquet

November 9 Meeting:

Video Potpourri

December 14 Meeting:

Grand Excursion

2004

### **2005 RMRRC Events Schedule**

January 11 Meeting

D&RGW Ski Train

February 8 Meeting

C&S Standard Gauge Steam

March 8 Meeting

Joe McMillan's

viaich 8 Meeting

Santa Fe Years 1964 to 1995

April 12 Meeting

South African Garretts

May 10 Meeting

Slide Potpourri

June 14 Meeting

To Be Announced

The deadline for items to be included in the October *Rail Report* is 9/20/04.

Steve Cross at Colorado Railroad Graphics (303-699-9174) provided the drawing of club engine number 20 for the *Rail Report* cover. Other railroad artwork is available.

and proceed to construction sites of interest to a rail group. The Trip Leader is Bob Wilson, phone 303-420-7127.

### From The President - The Club's 66th Annual Banquet

By Mike Gailus

Please plan on attending our 66th Annual Banquet on October 16th. We will be in a new location this year at the Heritage Grill on the Westmoor Golf course, 10555 Westmoor Drive in Westminster, Colorado. We will continue the great RMRRC banquet tradition with four entree choices: Chicken Marcella, a Salmon Filet, a 12 oz. Rib Eye Steak or a Vegetarian Platter. The social hour will be from 5:00 to 6:00 PM with a cash bar. If we have good weather, the bar will be on

the patio overlooking the golf course.

This year, we will have the entire facility to ourselves for <u>quiet</u> enjoyment of our program. Renowned author and C&S authority Hol Wagner will present "A Glimpse of the Colorado and Southern."

Order your banquet tickets using the insert in this *Rail Report* or on the Club website. Everyone seems to enjoy this exciting event – I hope to see you there this year.

Additional door prizes are still welcome. If you or someone you know would be willing to donate a nice door prize, please call me at 303-788-0403 or e-mail me at mike@gailus.net.

### **Be A Gandy Dancer For A Day**

By Barry Smith

Test your track and tie laying skills or learn how it is done at the Comanche Crossing and Eastern Railroad. The site is at the Thain's Rock Island Depot home, three miles east of Strasburg. Join us on September 18th, starting at 10:00 AM and stay until everyone is tired. Hamburgers, hot dogs and train rides will be provided. See page 3 of the August *Rail Report* for a map and more information.

### Colorado Live Steamers Annual Fall Steam-Up

By Don Hulse

On September 18th, the Colorado Live Steamers annual fall steam-up (coal fired, gasoline powered, battery powered, etc.) will be from early morning until everyone gets tired. There will be free rides, hamburgers, and hot dogs.

The steam-up will be held at the Live Steamers 160 acres located 8 miles north of Byers, CO or about 40 miles east of Downtown Denver. From the I-70 and I-25 mousetrap, go east about 40 miles on I-70 to Byers. Exit I-70 at Byers and turn left (north) on US 36 for about 2-1/2 miles. Turn north on Calhoun-Byers Road and go about 6-1/2 miles. After crossing 72nd Avenue, continue north on Calhoun-Byers Road about 1/4 mile. On the left look for the **Colorado Live Steamers** sign, turn left and go in through the double green gates and you are there!

### **Train Book Collection For Sale**

Bill Grudis was a long time member of the Club who wanted his special collection of books to be sold to a club member. All of the books are signed except the Memorial Edition and all are numbered except the Silver San Juan. The books and dust jackets are in "like new" condition except two jackets are "very good (vg)." The appraised value of the set is \$2,000.

- Rails Around Gold Hill, Cafky, 1955
- Colorado Midland, Cafky, 1965 (vg)
- Denver South Park & Pacific, Poor, 1949 (vg)
- Denver South Park & Pacific, Memorial Edition, 1976
- Denver South Park & Pacific Pictorial Supplement, Kindig, Haley, Poor, 1959
- The Switzerland Trail of America, Crossen, 1962
- Silver San Juan, The Rio Grande Southern,
   Ferrell, 1973

Please contact John or Carol Grudis at 303-469-9502 or grudys@aol.com

### **Cab Card Reports For Sale**

Two Union Pacific Steam engine cab card inspection reports in the original steel and glass frames. One is for engine #2121, a 2-8-2 type inspected 10/8/56. The other is for engine #2541, a 2-8-2 type inspected 10/7/52. Both are very legible. \$20.00 each plus shipping and handling. Call Peter Gilbert at 303-777-5363.

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Membership in the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club may be obtained by sending the annual dues to the club address listed above. Regular membership dues are \$35.00. Overseas regular membership dues are \$45.00. Contributing membership is \$50.00. Sustaining membership is \$70.00. Patron membership is \$100.00. Golden membership is \$500.00. An associate membership for spouses and children is \$25.00 additional. Members joining after April may send a payment of \$3.00 for each month remaining in the year. Members of the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club are also members in the Rocky Mountain Railroad Historical Foundation, the non-profit arm of the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club.

### **Club Officers**

President Mike Gailus
Vice President Steve Mason
Secretary Roger Sherman
Treasurer Dave Goss

### **Board Meetings**

Members are always welcome to attend any board of directors meeting. They are held on the Thursday preceding the monthly meeting. Please call the Club's telephone Information Line at 303-979-2806 or contact any Club officer for the date, time and location.

### **Newsletter Contributions**

Newsletter contributions and items for publication should be sent to:

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### The Foundation Board Thanks It's Many Donors

By Jean Gross

The importance of the financial support that our membership and those in the community have given, enabling the restoration of Car No. 25, is not forgotten. The donor list goes back to just a few names in 1992 and has grown to around 250 names today. Many have consistently remembered the Foundation in their annual giving. Some have given to honor a friend or have given to memorialize one of our members. The Foundation's annual fundraising drive is about to begin. Be the first to donate this year. You will be receiving your letter this fall. Because of your continued donations, it is obvious that the mission of the Foundation, historic railroad preservation, remains important to you.

Come to the rollout on September 11th and see what a beautiful restoration project your donations have made possible!

### Thanks to all the Foundation donors:

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The Joe Minnich Memorial fund has received donations this month from Steve Mason and James Ehernberger.

Peter H. Nathrop,

### OS Colorado Current Railroad Happenings

By Chip Sherman

"OS" are the initials for On the Sheets, a reference to what station agents did to notify the train dispatcher that a train had passed his/her station and been noted on the train register. OS Colorado is a joint effort to note the rail activities occurring in and around Colorado.



Amtrak's P42DC 138 led the 15-car special with the Kerry-Edwards "Believe in America Tour" slogan. The train was leaving La Junta, CO, for the trip west on the BNSF line to Albuquerque, NM. Democratic Presidential supporter Cindey Toth was out supporting her candidate on 8/7/04. – Photo © Chip.

# The Kerry-Edwards "Believe in America Tour" Campaign Special

The 15-car Democratic Presidential campaign train dubbed the Kerry-Edwards Special rolled west across Colorado and New Mexico on Saturday, August 7, 2004. Presidential candidate John Kerry and his running mate John Edwards whistle stopped from business car GEORGIA 300. The train made campaign stops at Lamar and La Junta, CO.

The train originated at St. Louis, MO, on August 5th. The train's consist offered a variety of Amtrak and private varnish:

- Three Amtrak P42DCs: 138 (special Sea to Shining Sea Believe in America slogan applied), 134 and 136
- Private car SILVER QUAIL, 800712
- Amtrak II coach 25048, press car
- Amtrak II coach 25065, press car
- Amtrak II coach 25060, press car
- RailCruise America (RCA) dome MISSISSIPPI RIVER 800200
- RCA CURRENT RIVER 800480
- RCA CUIVRE RIVER 800152
- RCA OSAGE RIVER 800610



The John Kerry (left on platform) and John Edwards 15-car Democratic Presidential Campaign train rolled across the Burlington Northern Santa Fe line stopping at Lamar and La Junta, CO, on 8/7/04. On the GEORGIA 300 platform were the candidates and their wives. Mrs. Elizabeth Anania Edwards and Teresa Heinz Kerry are on the right side of car platform. – Photo © Chip.

- RCA dome COLUMBIA RIVER 800031
- RCA MISSOURI RIVER 800066
- Amtrak II coach 25051
- Amtrak II dinette 43369
- Private business car METIS, 800341
- Private business car Missouri-Kansas-Texas 403 (Amtrak car number 800393)
- Private business car GEORGIA 300 used by John Kerry, Amtrak car number 800111

In Colorado and New Mexico the train used Burlington Northern Santa Fe's (ex-Santa Fe) northern route via La Junta. It was found parked east of Lamar, CO, about 8:00 AM as the Democratic Presidential hopefuls went to breakfast at the Best Western's Cow Palace Inn. Back at the Lamar train station, the candidates shook hands and talked to the crowd. The candidates and their wives, Teresa Heinz Kerry and Elizabeth Edwards waved from PV GEORGIA 300 when the train pulled west out of town. The train left Lamar at 10:07 AM. West of town the candidates departed the train for a bus ride to La Junta for a meeting with supporters.

The train rambled along the BNSF line

doing 40 to 45 m.p.h. into La Junta, CO. BNSF held two loaded coal trains and a loaded unit molten sulphur Bonneville, WY, to Galveston, TX, train east of La Junta. These trains were using directional running (southward) from the Joint Line via La Junta to Las Animas Junction where they turned south for Texas. No other BNSF freights were seen on the old Santa Fe line via Raton Pass.

Mr. Kerry and Mr. Edwards held a "Believe in America Tour" campaign rally at La Junta City Park at 1:00 PM. It was broadcast live on the local radio station. The candidates re-boarded the train at La Junta and headed west at track speed. The train slowed at the Trinidad, CO, Amtrak (ex-Santa Fe) station for the gathered crowd. It rolled slowly by the crowd, but didn't stop.

The afternoon thunderstorms were clearing as the train climbed Raton Pass. A crowd of supporters gathered at Raton, NM, where the train slowly rolled through town. The candidates were on the GEORGIA 300's rear platform waving and Mr. Kerry used the speaker system proclaiming "Three more months." The



Democratic Presidential candidate John Kerry waved at supporters from business car GEORGIA 300. The 15-car "Believe in America" Amtrak special, train 933-07, was climbing BNSF's (ex-Santa Fe) Raton Pass (Raton Subdivision) at Gallinas, CO, on 8/7/04. - Two photos © Chip.



Privately owned business car METIS was on the 15-car Kerry-Edwards "Believe in America" campaign train. The train was climbing Raton Pass at Gallinas, CO, on 8/7/04.

Amtrak crew was fresh at La Junta, CO, and rode through to Albuquerque, NM, thus no crew change or stop at Raton.

The train continued south stopping at Las Vegas and Albuquerque, NM. It was a long day for whistle-stopping out West. The Believe in America Tour was well covered by the national networks, Denver TV and newspaper, and the local press. The train wrapped up its trip in Kingman, AZ, on August 9th. It was deadheaded into Los Angeles, CA, arriving on 8/10.

### **UP Special Over The Moffat**

Before the tracks were turned over to the MOW crews on Saturday, 7/24/04, a

westbound Union Pacific 17-car passenger special passed over the Moffat Tunnel Line. The train traveled from Council Bluffs, IA, (Omaha) to Seattle, WA, via Colorado with retiring UP board director Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Jr., an 18 year member of the Board, and his family.

The train was led by UP SD70M 5078 & 5068 followed by 17-cars including business car LONE STAR. It was quite a train to see - if you were in the right place. Departure out of Denver was before sunrise.

The 17-car special passed Arvada, CO, at 6:08 AM in sprinkling rain and under overcast sky. Quite a train just for a retiring Board member. Power cars or baggage cars were in the middle of the train. A dome and track inspection car was on the rear. It was a big UP day in Denver with the 3985 Cheyenne Frontier Days Train set to go as well.

-Arvada Agent

### **UP Business Car LONE STAR**

Business car LONE STAR was formerly UPP 101 POCATELLO. Union Pacific's CEO, Dick Davidson, prefers using this business car with its three-bedrooms. It was completely rebuilt a few years ago by Trinity Group in Dallas, TX. The car was likely renamed in 2002.

The UPP 101 was built in 1950 by Pullman Standard as UP coach 5447. In 1956 it was rebuilt becoming UP business car 100. Union Pacific has applied several numbers to this business car. It was renumbered to 103 in 1957, renumbered 102 in 1968, and renumbered 101 in 1971. The POCATELLO name was applied in 1989.

The LONE STAR made a trip across Colorado in 2003. The UPP 101 was the third car from the rear on the Mr. Kelly (Regional Vice-President, Northern Region) train that arrived Grand Junction, CO, on 4/7/03. The nine-car train had two SD70M units, UP 4579 and 4798. It came from Salt Lake City, UT, as it headed east to Council Bluffs, IA. May it see many

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more trips across the UP system in coming years.

-Jim Lueders, JAA and Arvada Agent

# Ramp One Track Removed at Utah Junction

UP removed the former Denver & Rio Grande Western intermodal ramp one track on or about 7/29/04. D&RGW loaded and unloaded their Railblazer intermodal train that operated Denver to Roper Yard, Salt Lake City in the 1980s. UP continued to use this intermodal ramp until the spring of 2001 or 2002 when UP decided to route the Denver to Salt Lake City intermodal trains via Wyoming. These trains load/unload at UP's 40th Street Intermodal Ramp next to 36th Street Yard.

Track removal is in conjunction with the larger UP Utah Junction Bypass Project. Two new UP tracks will go over the slightly realigned and depressed BNSF Front Range line. The project is expected to be completed by December 2004.

### UP Derailments Delay Amtrak, Reroute Z-trains

Union Pacific suffered two derailments on its Overland route on 7/30/04. A UP train derailed about 29-cars near Kimball, NE, (Owasco east of Kimball) about 2:00 AM. Later that day a smaller derailment occurred at Wamsutter, WY, west of Rawlins resulting in Amtrak's detoured train #6 (P42 204 & 83) due Denver Friday evening, 7/30/04 delayed till Saturday morning. Amtrak #5 and #6 met at Brighton, CO. Train 6 arrived Denver, 7/31/04, about 10:00 AM. Amtrak was detouring across Wyoming as UP wrapped up major track upgrade project in the Colorado Rockies near Bond, CO.

At least three intermodal trains were detoured over the Kansas Pacific line starting 7/30/04. The first two ran east – Z SCKC 29 (Salt Lake City, UT, to Kansas City, MO) and Z OAMN 27 (Oakland, CA, to Marion, Arkansas). On

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The Manitou & Pikes Peak Railway – The Cog Wheel Route – leaves Manitou Springs. – Photo © Ray Kilcoyne.



Manitou & Pikes Peak Railway train at Pikes Peak. - Photo © Ray Kilcoyne.

### Pikes Peak "Blue Moon" Excursion Report

By Don Hulse, Trip Chairman

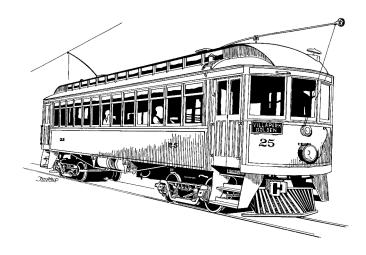
One hundred and twenty-two people enjoyed The Blue Moon journey on the Manitou & Pikes Peak Railway – The Cog Wheel Route. There were riders from several other states as well as from other countries.

Our conductor was very informative with comments and knowledge from Zebulon Pike to events that happen today along or near the railroad. We met an eastbound (downgrade) train below timberline, and saw a herd of big horn sheep, Colorado's State Animal, at about 14,000 feet. A couple of the grades were 25% (climbing 25 feet in elevation for every 100 feet). We saw a beautiful sunset as we left the 14,110 foot summit, but the moon was blue as we didn't see it come out from the cloud cover until after the train arrived at Manitou Springs.

Thanks to all for making this evening trip enjoyable.

# Roll Out, Open House – September 11, 2004

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# The Rocky Mountain Railroad Historical Foundation

Invites you to see Denver Interurban Trolley No. 25 All adults need a Government ID (Drivers License) to enter the Federal Center.

> Denver Federal Center in Lakewood Building #78 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

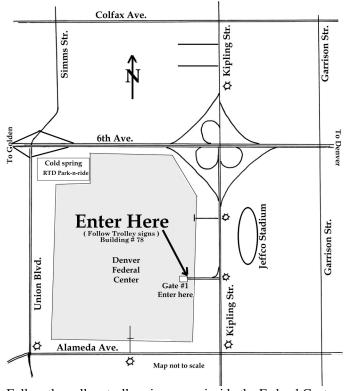
# Denver & Intermountain Trolley Car

On Saturday, September 11, all are invited to this year's open house and "roll out" of D&IM Interurban No. 25 at the Denver Federal Center. This will be an opportunity to see the progress of the restoration and visit with the volunteers who have been working on the project. Work this year includes renovation of the new pilot and work on the seats and floor. No. 25 souvenir memorabilia will be for sale in addition to books that have been graciously donated by friends of the Trolley for the express purpose of raising funds for the restoration. This will be an "open house" for everyone in the community so feel free to bring your family, your friends and your neighbors. Rides are free but donations will be gratefully accepted. Visiting hours are from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

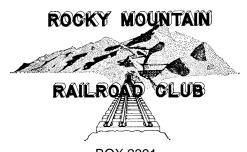
Enter the Federal Center at Gate No. 1 off Kipling St. south of 6th Avenue and just north of Alameda. Tell the guard you wish to go to Building 78 for the trolley open house and then follow the yellow trolley signs.

Note: All adults need a Government photo ID (i.e. drivers license) to enter the Federal Center. Sorry, pets are not permitted and there are no rest room facilities. If you are lost, the Building 78 phone number is 303-232-6386.

Before September 11th, questions may be directed to Darrell Arndt at 303-797-8444.



Follow the yellow trolley signs once inside the Federal Center.



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7/31/04 a Z MNOA 30 moved west making a meet at Byers, CO, about 3:30 PM. A fresh crew arrived at Sable Siding, Aurora, CO, at 10:30 PM on 7/31/04.

Saturday's Amtrak #6, (late out of Salt Lake City, UT, some six hours) ran around deadheading eastbound UP AC4400CW 5878 pulling a 17-car passenger train. The UP train had run west via Colorado (down the Greeley Line and west on Moffat line) with retiring UP board member Mr. Gerry on 7/24/04. Train had departed Denver before sunrise 7/24 and was by Arvada about 6:10 AM.

UP had another derailment near Gothenburg, NE, (249 miles west of Council Bluffs, IA) on 7/31/04. Thus, traffic was hot and heavy after the derailments. Crews were held away at Cheyenne, WY, to help keep trains moving. It was a rough weekend for UP train and maintenance crews.

### Colorado Railroad Museum – 2004 Special Operation Days

For information call 303-279-4591

October 8-10 & 16-17: A Day Out With Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends December 4 & 5:

Santa Claus Special

### **Intermountain Chapter, NRHS 2004 Event Schedule**

For information call 303-298-0377

September 25: "Pea Vine Flyer" Excursion. 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

A unique and very informal rail excursion from Monte Vista through the beautiful and agricultural San Luis Valley to Center, Colorado. We will mosey along 15 miles of track in two hours, ride all over the diesel engine safely and have photo runbys on demand. We will enjoy the scenery of one of

Colorado's supreme agricultural areas that includes a national wildlife refuge and partake of a gourmet picnic lunch provided by the Chapter in the heart of the San Luis Central rail yards in Center.

We will be riding on folding chairs in private boxcars or you can bring your own comfortable seating and arrange it to suit yourself. During the return trip, there may be a tour of a potato processing plant.

### Trains Unlimited, Tours 2004 Trip Schedule

For TUT information call 1-800-359-4870 or visit our web page at: www.trainsunlimitedtours.com/rmrrc/

Sept. 19-Oct. 2 China Steam Spectacular
Sept. 27-28 Rio Grande Photo Freight
Sept. 29 Durango Photo Special
October 2-3 Nevada Northern

Oct. 28-Nov. 12 New England Fall Colors
Oct. 28-Nov. 12 The Old Patagonian Express
November 11-17 Mexican Copper Canyon