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Next Meeting: September 12, 2016, 7pm Poodle Dog, Fife

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August Birthdays –

Peter Mourer (August 5<sup>th</sup>), Barbara Lanchester (August 6<sup>th</sup>), Dennis Weaver (August 18<sup>th</sup>), Shirley Wilkinson (August 21<sup>st</sup>), Dan Simmons (August 22<sup>nd</sup>), Andy Breeding (August 29<sup>th</sup>), Tom Huffman (August 30<sup>th</sup>)

September Birthdays – Andrew Frame (Sept 13<sup>th</sup>), Jana Meehan (Sept 15<sup>th</sup>), Ted Karanson (Sept 15<sup>th</sup>)

KLS Board Members have approved a new membership category giving active duty military a 50% discount from regular membership dues. Updated applications are available at the depot and on-line under "Become a Member" or the "Membership Renewal" tab on the home page menu.

Kitsap County Parks Advisory Board 2016 Meeting Schedule Meeting Time – 6:00 PM

> August 17, 2016 Long Lake Community 5448 Long Lake Rd S Port Orchard, WA

September 21, 2016 Eagle's Nest 1195 NW Fairgrounds Rd Bremerton, WA President's Message by Tom Huffman



WHOA... Never know what's around the next bend.

We are well into the summer season with only six scheduled run days left. We decided to have a Special Run Day this Labor Day Sept. 5, 10-4 or normal operating hours. We are looking for volunteers to fill all of the slots we normally need. Please drop me an e-mail and let me know if you can help.

The Ghost train is Oct 29<sup>th</sup> We are starting earlier this year at 5:00 P.M. ending at 9:00 P.M. and the ticket sales have been limited to 1200. Don Rogers is our coordinator this year for the event. Please check the signup list, all volunteers are needed. The Ghost Train is our last railroading action show of the year. All of our newly learned skills and sharpening of our old during this summer will be put to the test. The night running, high passenger count, rainy weather, witches and goblins it could get scary.

We will be starting on our 10-year plan soon. Please submit any idea you have, as crazy as they may seem.

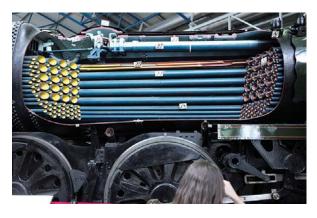
#### **Superintendents**

Looking for Superintendents for run-days. Please contact Ken Olsen at 206-718-9401. This is a extremely important function that helps maintain KLS's position in the park. Not sure what to do? Just ask Ken.



Excited Rider

## Bill and Sylvia Hartung's Trip to Europe



A fabulous cutaway showing the tubes inside the full size boiler.

The oldest inside connected locomotive in the museum (1846), it's not operable due to bomb damage during WW2.





A non-operating replica of George Stephenson's 1829 Rocket.

Mallard holds the all-time speed record for a steam locomotive.



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As I stated in my July report, I would be away for most of last month. Sylvia and I visited members of her family in Germany, but along the way we stopped in York, England, to see Britain's National Railway Museum. I'd heard so much about that collection that I was a bit worried the real thing might be a let-down. Silly me, it turned out to be way more than I expected, and I even learned a little about 1/8 scale track, so it's an appropriate topic for my report this month. As you can see in the photos, the collection is mostly steam, but they do have examples of some of their early diesel and electric equipment. The thing that really surprised me was the vast collection of small railroadiana, things like dinner ware from classic dining cars, early time tables and station signs, control levers from interlocking signal towers, even the "Platform 9 3/4" sign from the Harry Potter films. And there were literally hundreds of scale models in display cases or on shelves behind glass doors. Walking through that part of the museum, what they called 'The Warehouse', felt like rummaging in somebody's attic: the aisles were narrow and the pieces were piled one on top of another. Included in this part of the collection was the oldest existing electric scale model railroad (according to Guinness), built in 1912 and still in use to train railway signal operators.

Continue Next Month

## **Friends and Family**

















Photo taken by Alan Halfhill and Don Deffley

## It's that time again ...

Planning is underway for the 2016 "Ghost Train" run which is scheduled for 29 October 2016 for the benefit of the Kitsap Foster Care Association.

There will be a crew briefing at 4:30 pm, the run will start at 5 pm and end at 9 pm. This is a high profile run for KLS and routinely draws a big crowd of riders. With ticket sales fixed at 1200 riders for the four hour period of the run,

the pace will be intense and will require a lot of help.

I would like to have key positions assigned so that we can better prepare and plan for the event.

We plan on putting 8 locomotives on the line with each pulling 2 ride-astride cars. We will need engineers and conductors for these locomotives.

If you are planning on running your personal locomotive for this event please contact me and let me know. I also need to know if you have a conductor, and if you will be bringing your own ride-astride cars.

We will need a crew to run the Depot:

I have a couple of volunteers for this area but can always use more so if you are interested please let me know as soon as possible.

We will also employ a Crash Crew who will be in a standby status with equipment prestaged to handle derailments, mechanical problems and other issues that may arise. Again, let me know if you are interested in being a member of this very important group.

This is a super fun event and a great opportunity for KLS to work with the public. So, please, come on out and help. Let's make the 2016 edition of the "Ghost Train" run the best ever!

More details to follow, but let me know by return email how you can participate,

Thanks, Don Rogers



#### Membership

By Carole Moss

KLS will provide one name tag for an Individual Membership, and two are provided with a Family Membership. Additional or replacement name tags can be ordered for \$10.00 Please contact Carole at each. withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843 for replacements or additions. Please notify us if you have a change of your contact The Membership/ information. Renewal application form is also downloadable from our website www. kitsaplivesteamers.org.

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### **Rolling Stock**

By Tom Caparrella

We have had a good month with our train rides. At the end of the last Run Day we found out that car 403 was giving a few problems with derailing on one of the curves. As long as it was taken around the curve slowly there wasn't any problem. We are going to look this car over to determine what the problem is and get it resolved. It was found that there was a broken brake cylinder. It has been repaired and then the car has been checked out and is working fine. It has been returned to service. All the other cars seem to be working fine with no other problems. I want to thank several of the men that spend some of their time coming to the track and repairing not only the straddle cars but the locomotives and all the other areas needing attention. This makes a BIG different so we don't have to take time out on a Run Day to repair and fix other areas of the grounds and buildings.

#### Sunshine By Carole Moss

Please encourage our members that we miss. You can send a card, email, call or drop an encouraging card. It's just nice to know someone is thinking about you! Also, please remember the caretakers, if appropriate. If you know of someone who needs encouragement, please contact Carole at withane65423@ gmail.com or 253-566-3843

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## SHOW YOUR KLS SUPPORT

Wear a sweatshirt or hoody with our new logo in 3 colors (red, black, and goldish). Anyone wanting an Ash Gray crewneck sweatshirt or hoodie, please let Carole know as soon as possible (withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843). We need to have a minimum of 12 to order and we have 9 pending. Crewneck cost is \$25.00 for S, M, L and XL. Hoodies (no zipper) are \$35.00. For XXL and XXXL sizes, add an additional \$5 for each.

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#### **Printable Roster**

A complete printable Membership Roster is now available. From the Home Page follow the green menu strip to Membership Directory. Two options are available; the first is a quick search providing phone number and if the member has email, a link. The second option will provide a comprehensive roster including member's mailing address, phone and email. Click on the first line, titled "KLS Membership Roster (date)," and it will automatically load. This can be printed for your future reference, however, you will need a pdf program such as Adobe.

If you would like to have a printed copy sent to you, or there is an error in a listing, please let me know, 253-566-3843 or withane65423@gmail. com.



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# Kitsap Live Steamers Calendar

August	20	Fun Day. Conductor and Engineer Training
	27	Run Day in the Park - TBD
September	5	Labor Day Run in the Park
	10	Run Day in the Park- TBD
	12	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	24	Run Day in the Park - TBD
October	3 0	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	8	Run Day in the Park- TBD
	22	Run Day in the Park - TBD
	29	Ghost Train - Don Rogers
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