



New England Electric Railway Historical Society
Seashore Trolley Museum and the National Streetcar Museum at Lowell
2010 Annual Fund Campaign

WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
Please Help Maintain the Momentum

Dear Members and Friends:

Great Progress

Thanks to your help we're almost to our 2010 Annual Fund Campaign goal! In our last letter in early December we told you that we still needed to raise \$30,000 to ensure your museum would end the year without a general fund deficit. That figure is now down to about **\$6,500**. This is fantastic progress! And there is still time before year end. Your contribution of \$50, \$100, \$500 or more dated by this Friday (December 31, 2010) would be a tremendous help to keep the museum out of the red in this very difficult financial environment. If your check is dated on December 31, 2010, or before, and the envelope postmarked by January 3, it will be counted as a 2010 contribution.

Maintain the Momentum!

Despite being in the throes of the Maine winter, progress continues on a range of projects at Seashore. The photos below have all been taken in the past week. With your continued financial support, these projects will keep advancing:



Fairview Carhouse Repairs: Our contractor has stabilized the west side columns while digging out and replacing the old footings. The blue tarps cover the first two holes. Weather permitting, this project will continue to completion in the coming weeks.



Boston Center Entrance Car 6131: The final pieces of new sheet metal are being aligned and prepared for riveting (left above) and corroded underfloor structural frame members are being built up with welding. Meanwhile, the complicated control switch group (above right) for the car's ABPC 32 multiple unit control has been overhauled and installed below the floor near the center doors.



Cleveland Center Entrance Trailer 2365: The second center entrance car receiving work in the shop is the beautiful Cleveland trailer acquired from the Lake Shore Electric museum collection. One of the few remaining tasks to complete the car is fabricating the seats. Here seat frames, identical to those made for motor car 1227, are taking shape and soon will have springs, padding, and rattan covering added.



Above: The second side of Eastern Mass. 7005 is rapidly taking shape with new and salvaged side panels. The first side was completed earlier in the year.

Left: The newly reconstructed front end of Philadelphia Near-side 6618 looks very sharp in a fresh coat of paint.

Below Left: New side sheets are being installed over a greatly strengthened T-post and side-sill structure on Denver Birney 1. Bernie Bisnette makes a welding repair to the car's belt rail.

Below Right: A coal stove for Cleveland center entrance motor car 1227 takes shape using parts from an original stove donated by the National Museum of Transport in St. Louis.



Donors Since Our Last Letter

The following members and friends have given a total of \$23,500 since our letter in early December. The Society extends its deepest thanks to these generous donors, many of whom have given multiple times throughout this campaign:

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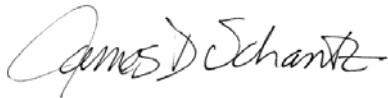
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The Need is Real!

All of the progress shown in these photos depends on the solid foundation provided by the Society's general fund—Electricity, administrative staff, general supplies, snow plowing, trash removal, etc. It is vital that we balance the budget to cover those expenses. *We need to raise another \$6,500 in the coming days to achieve balance.* This will complement the \$68,000 already donated to the general fund this year. Please use the form below (or phone the office with a credit card donation) and support your museum as generously as you can!

Thank you,



James D. Schantz
Chairman, Board of Trustees



Middlesex & Boston No. 41 has been removed from its truck and the body is being straightened in preparation for structural repairs to the car's framing.

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