Message from President Dwaine Hubbell
As this year comes to an end, I would like to say a we hope that you have enjoyed the stories and our meeting in Springfield, IL this year. Traditionally, the last few months of a given year are the slowest business months for the Society and this gives the Board of Directors some time to do a final accounting of all business conducted during the year and plan for next year. Although the final financial numbers will not be tabulated until after January 1, 2016, I can tell you that because of your support of various Society projects, we have had a successful year, and will not be forced to raise dues for 2016. With that being said, please If you have not renewed please do so and get back onboard as soon as possible. This will help greatly to allow for future Society savings when it comes time to mail that first issue of the NEWS this spring. Now, we fully realize that economically speaking, times are as tough as they have been for sometime. If renewal is a problem, please contact Secretary Gary Osing, and let's work it out so we don't lose contact with a member and friend, and so you don't miss out on anything the Society will produce for 2016. Gary can be reached at the Society address at: P.O. Box 382303, Germantown, Tn 38183, or at garyosing@gmail.com. We will not leave any of our friends behind if we can help it.

With the new year there will be new a few changes. Editor Ken Donnelly will be stepping down from that position one that he has held many times over the years. The folks at White River will be taking over this job. Ken thanks for a great job done. I would also like to say it has been enjoyable the last few years being your President and in the past being in other positions these past 30 years. I have gotten to know many of you and have enjoyed the friendship. If I can be of any help to anyone you can contact me at gmrrodl109@hotmail.com

Elections
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Publications
The GM&OHS staff is in search of items for upcoming articles. If you have any of Ross Davidson photos we are in need for The Men Who photographed the GM&O. Also a photo of the Okolona, MS depot during the GM&O days. Do you have an idea for a story may it be the job you had or memories of the people you worked with we would like to hear from you. We have people who can help you put into words you experiences. Just contact the secretary and we will get things moving.

Message from Secretary Gary Osing
Just a reminder. We are now accepting membership renewals for the year 2016. All membership run on a calendar year basis, with a December 31st expiration date. To make things easier we have sent out forms via email and also the postal service for those that we do not have their emails. You may use the PayPal link on the website GM&OHS.org. Our Publications committee have plenty of interesting stuff waiting to release next year, you do not want to miss out. We know it’s the holiday season, but please don’t forget to renew you membership.

Also The Society is moving in the direction of using electronic mail more. This new year we will be sending our Switchlist, Renewal Forms, Show Flyers and other items this way to you to inform you better. If you would when you send in your renewals which was emailed to you in November please include your email address and membership number to simplify things. If you do not have email you will receive items through the mail.

The Society does have a few 2016 calendars left. Price is $15.00

Note to our Life Membership: do not send any payment unless you would just like to make a donation. Again this year we are asking you to renew, We would like to make sure that all of your information is correct, just as the regular membership does each year.

Annual Meeting Questionnaire
Enclosed is a flyer concerning annual meeting the officers and directors would like your impute on this. There has been much discussion as to whether we continue with them or not. Please let us know what you think.

The society has learned that the Timothy B Blackstone has been moved from California to the Monticello Railway Museum in Monticello, Ill along with IC Shadroc Bond.

Also we are sad to say that former member and director Robert Jones passed away last month at the age of 62. Bob worked for the UP in the signal dept. If Gene Glendenning was the info man on the C&A. Bob was the ultimate collector of C&A items or he would know who had it.

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