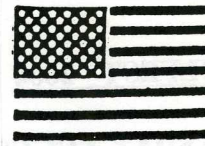


# TRACK N' FEATHERS



The Galloping Goose Historical Society of Dolores, Inc.

## SPRING & SUMMER, 2004

### Six-Year Maintenance

In preparation for Escalante Days in Dolores and Railfest in Durango and Silverton, all twelve wheels of Dolores' Goose No. 5 were removed for maintenance this spring by the Society. This is the first time they have been off the vehicle since the restoration of No. 5 was completed in 1998. Since 1998, the Galloping Goose has travelled over 7,000 miles. All bearings were dismantled, along with milling the wheel treads and brake shoes, as a safety precaution as summer runs approach. Although seven tons, the weight of Goose 5, is light by railroad standards, even so rails, wheels, and bearings "take a beating" in nearly 8,000 miles of travel. Goose No. 5 celebrated her 71st birthday on June 8. In view of the age of this machinery, the GGHS is extra cautious about safety. Nielsons Skanska and Frontier Machine Shop, both long time generous benefactors of the Society, performed all the machining where real know-how was required for such exacting work. As always, their expert machinists have done superb work on the running gear of Dolores' antique darling machine. Strange to say, No. 5 is probably in better mechanical condition today than it was when completed in 1933, when the Ridgway shop of the R.G.S. finished piecing together left-over odds and ends of machinery to create this ingenious rail travelling vehicle. The R.G.S. mechanics made heroic efforts to offset the Great Depression in Western Colorado's high mountains. We are blessed with their ingenuity to these many years after that depression.



Late Spring 2004 - Trucks (wheel sets) Being Removed for Maintenance

Last year we established a line item on our membership form for Motor #5 maintenance. We have received in member donations \$2,457.00. Alf Bond from Australia donated \$1,000 of this amount. A big thank you to Alf and to all of our members who have contributed to the repairs of Motor #5 Pilot & Trailing Trucks.. Thank you also to our members that have contributed to our Track Laying and Coach Restoration projects. Nielsons Skanska have donated their facility for disassembly and reassembly of the trucks and Frontier Machine have donated one third of their man power and time to Motor #5's repairs and maintenance. Thank you all for your dedication and support. With \$64.00 added from our operating account and the \$2,457 from donations we have been able to pay Frontier Machine's bill of \$2,521.00. There will be another bill to come from Frontier Machine but we do not have the amount at this time. We are therefore once again asking our friends and members for support to help cover these final repair costs. Please help us by sending a donation for any amount. The Society is very grateful for your continued support. Thank you.



**July 2004 - Refurbished Trucks (Pilot & Trailing) Delivered for Reinstallation**

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL**

Name _____	\$ 30	Individual Annual
Address _____	\$ 40	Family Annual
_____	\$ 100	Business Annual
Zip _____	\$ 500	Life Sponsor
Phone # ( ) _____	\$1,000	Patron
	\$5,000	Benefactor

Donation for Motor #5 Maintenance: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation for Coach #256 Restoration: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation for RGS Lost Canyon Track Laying: \_\_\_\_\_

**SOUVENIR ITEMS:**

GGHS Coffee Mug	\$ 8.00	_____
Railroad Engineer Hat, without patch	\$ 10.00	_____
Railroad Engineer Hat, with patch	\$ 12.00	_____
Belt Buckle #5, pewter	\$ 23.00	_____
Dolores Depot HO Scale Laser Kit No. 803	\$125.00	_____
R.G.S. Story Volumes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX OR X	\$ 80.00	_____
Sunset on the Rio Grande Southern Volume I or II	\$ 55.00	_____
Return of the Galloping Goose Video Tape	\$ 18.00	_____
Return of the RGS Track Fundraiser Video+Railfest bonus	\$ 22.95	_____
RGS Dolores to Mancos Fundraiser T-shirt M, L, XL, XXL	\$ 17.00	_____
BUY BOTH - FUNDRAISER SHIRT & VIDEO (SAVE \$6.00)	\$ 34.00	_____
Society Adult T-shirts M, L, XL or XXL	\$ 17.00	_____
Kids T-shirts 2-4, 6-8 & 10-12	\$ 12.00	_____
Dolores Depot Plan	\$ 12.00	_____
Lapel Pin	\$ 6.00	_____
Motor #5 Magnet	\$ 2.00	_____
Postcard Motor #5 in front of Dolores Depot	\$ .50	_____
Jan Ron Print (Goose 3 at Trout Lake)	\$ 25.00	_____
Coker Print #5 @ Depot 1950 (signed & numbered)	\$ 25.00	_____
RGS #5 Ink Drawing Print	\$ 10.00	_____
GG #7 Goose #7 model - "G" Gauge	\$499.00	_____
GG # 5 Goose #5 model - "G" Gauge	\$749.00	_____
GG #5 Goose #5 3 Rail - "O" Gauge	\$155.00	_____
GG #5 Goose #5 model HO & HON3	\$170.00	_____
Christmas ornaments Goose #5 or Silver San Juan Logo	\$ 6.00	_____
Silver San Juan Goose Herald 12" x 15"	\$150.00	_____
River of Sorrows Book of Lower Dolores River Valley	\$ 7.00	_____

**GRAND TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL PRICES INCLUDE S & H.**

**Please allow 2 to 4 weeks for delivery . Colorado Residents add 3% Sales Tax**

**GGHS - BITS & PIECES**

**Durango & Silverton Railfest August 18th thru 22nd. Please contact D&SNGRR for more information and reservations at 970-247-2733.**

**RETURN OF THE RGS - DVD**

**Available now. This three film special edition. 120 minutes of incredible footage. The Return of Galloping Goose #5, The Trains of August and The Return of the Rio Grande Southern Railroad. This is a FUNDRAISER for TRACK LAYING. \$23.95 includes shipping.**

**2004 - 2005 MEMBERSHIP**

**Memberships are coming due in September. If you have already sent yours in a big THANK YOU is in order. A friendly reminder for those who have not. We badly need your continued support and ask that you please fill in the enclosed renewal form and mail yours today. Thank you.**

**2004 ANNUAL MEETING**

**The Annual meeting has been set for Saturday September 11th starting at noon in Flanders Park at the rear of GGHS Depot. Come and join us for lunch and see Motor #5. Browse our gift shop filled with books, video's shirts, hats and many other RGS items. Our Museum has had a facelift and many of the artifacts have been newly labeled and reorganized, as well as new items placed on display. Our Historians will be on hand to answer questions. Please come and share an afternoon with us.**

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