

## **RPCA SAFETY CLASS – Kevin Moore and Gary Carter**



Kevin is the owner and operator of Deep River Rail Ventures. In that capacity, he is involved with the chartering services of the luxury private railcar, The Berlin Sleeping Car. A retired dentist, he has had a passion for trains since childhood. He graduated from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and the University's School of Dental Medicine.



Gary is a retired pharmacist who started collecting railroad dining car china in the 80's. From there, his interest progressed to passenger equipment, where he is currently part owner in an open platform ex-Canadian National touring car that is being brought on line in 2024. He has served on the RPCA Board of Directors and was co-chairman of the Safety Committee. He compiled the RPCA safety manual, has taught safety at the conferences and writes a monthly safety column for the

Information Exchange newsletter.

## **WHEEL AND COUPLER GAUGING AIR BRAKE CLASS– Bill and Mike Jubeck**



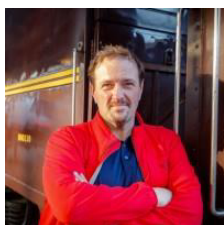
Former President of Pittsburgh Air Brake Co. Inc. for 20 years, Bill Jubeck worked for the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad for 23 years. He followed in his father's footsteps at the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad.

Bill got into the training business through RPCA. The organization tasked him with assembling an airbrake training committee to satisfy Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)

rules. The initial RPCA instruction expanded as the Class Ones asked him to come and train their passenger departments. Concerned about insurance, the Jubecks offered to buy the airbrake education committee, which is now the Pittsburgh Air Brake Training Department.

Mike Jubeck is co-owner of Pittsburgh Air Brake Co. Inc. with his father. Mike, who has a culinary degree, enjoys the air brake work but is most motivated by the classes. He fabricates brakes in a box, which is a complete setup with all the components to make three connections.

## **WINDOWS AND GASKETS & HVAC Mike Brown**



Mike Brown founded and is President and CEO of the Diamond Rail Group. He is an experienced Consultant in the transportation/railroad industry and is skilled in negotiation, operations management, project management, and sales. He has worked as a Canadian Pacific road conductor and locomotive engineer.

## **HISTORY OF THE SAM SHORTLINE – Lee Kinnamon**



Lee Kinnamon, a sixth-generation resident of Sumter County, is passionate about railroads and history. For 21 years, he has served as Chairman of the Southwest Georgia Railroad Excursion Authority, which oversees the SAM Shortline. He recently retired after teaching history for nearly 30 years with Sumter County Schools. A lifetime of serving on numerous boards and authorities at the state and local levels culminated last year when he was elected as the Mayor of Americus. Lee's volunteer service has included chairing the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Board, serving as president of the Sumter Historic Trust, and serving as a regional vice president on the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Historical Society.

## **ASK AMTRAK/FRA – Michael DeAngelo Stephen Robusto (Amtrak) Steven Zuiderveen (FRA)**



Michael DeAngelo is the Senior Charter and Special Movements Specialist at Amtrak. Before that, he was the Director of Strategic Partnerships, Travel Trade at Amtrak.



Stephen Robusto, is the Commercial Contract Administrator at Amtrak. He holds valid Locomotive Engineer and Conductor Licenses and certifications in 49CFR, parts 218, 229, and 238 to inspect and test Tier I and Tier II Equipment.



Steven Zuiderveen is a safety specialist at the Federal Railroad Administration in Washington, DC. He began working at the FRA in 2008. Steve was a former staff engineer at ENSCO, Inc. and a former equipment specialist at MARC Train Service. He was a volunteer at MSTRP Inc. and the Steam Railroading Institute. Steve's railroad experience includes steam locomotive fireman, passenger car foreman, project manager for commuter equipment overhaul, and construction of new track geometry cars. In his present position at FRA, he is a subject matter expert for air brakes and tourist and excursion railroads.

## **FRA SAFETY – John Brahaney**



John Brahaney is a Railroad Safety Specialist and Associate Instructor (SME) (motive power and equipment) (operating practices) at the Federal Railroad Administration. He represents the 4th-generation of a railroad family with over 20 years in the industry in 5 crafts. He was a firearms & tactics instructor and 3rd generation veteran of the United States Army. Before working for the FRA, he was Manager of Operating Rules & Training for the Alaska Railroad. He is an expert in railroad operating rules, classroom & field instruction, and operational testing for Freight & passenger operations.

## **STATE OF STEAM- Harold Weisinger**



Harold B. Weisinger is a Federal Railroad Administration mechanical engineer and steam locomotive specialist and is an expert in steam locomotives. He has served in the FRA Motive Power & Equipment Division in the office of safety and as manager of compliance and training. He prepared and presented 49 CFR Part 238 training courses for federal certification of RailPlan mechanical forces at MARC and VRE commuter agencies. Harold was also the Director of Engineering Standards at PDI Rail Solutions. He served with Amtrak as Officer, Equipment Standards, NW Fleet Engineer, Supervisor-Private Cars.

## **FREE PUBLICITY – Cheryl Myers**

Cheryl Myers is the Executive Director of Marketing and Communications for Georgia Piedmont Technical College in Metro Atlanta. She oversees all aspects of internal and external communications for GPTC, including public and media relations, paid and organic advertising, and marketing efforts.



Cheryl started her 30+ years in the communications industry as a television news reporter/anchor and producer. Her experience in that world parlayed into successfully generating regular news coverage in every organization she's been affiliated with ever since. In her presentation, Cheryl will share some tricks of the trade when it comes to getting "free publicity" for your organization.

## **BANQUET PRESENTATION - Charles “Casey” Thomason**

As the official photographer for Norfolk Southern (NS), Casey has traveled throughout the United States and taken hundreds of thousands of train photos. Starting at an age when he could barely walk, Casey photographed trains with his father, Richard, who was Chief Photographer for the Columbus (Georgia) Ledger-Enquirer newspaper. His passion continued, and he began a career with NS in 1997. He continued to couple his railroading with photography and was published in every NS calendar for 13 consecutive years. NS CEO Wick Moorman recognized his talent, and he was promoted to corporate photographer in 2010. He returned to the throttle after a major restructuring at the freight railroad in 2020 and continues to be featured in the NS calendar.

