

# Happenings

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D. Barrett

Member Doug McQuat covers up the graffiti on TTC cars 5098-5099



G. McQuat

Member Dave Barrett installs a new liner in a K-35 controller cover, which replaces the original "white miracle fibre"



Members Tom Twigge-Molecey and Ian Smith installing the new furnace in the Gift Shop

## TTC 416

Work on the side windows is now complete. Attention has turned to installation of the new cherry wainscoting panels which is progressing very well. The south side of the car is now complete, and half the north side panels are now installed.

## CP TM-2

The trackmobile project is weeks from completion. The electrical wiring is 90% done, as is the brake system and air piping. The hood and body panels are being stripped, sanded and painted in preparation for reinstallation. The unit will be ready for service by the spring.

## TTC 5098-5099

The Gloucester subway cars were spray painted by vandals on December 29. The south sides of both cars were almost fully "Tagged". The Halton Regional police are investigating. Both cars had the graffiti painted over on January 5. Thanks to Doug McQuat for purchasing the paint and applying it with vigour.

## CP 2211-19 & TH&B 2204-16

Both track machines were moved from storage on Track 37, to the west end in December in preparation for repair work through the winter. Both machines will prove their worth when completing the east end track rebuild this spring.

## TTC TP-11

Work on the plow has resumed at an aggressive pace. The traction motor end caps were cleaned up and painted, and the first motor overhaul is nearly complete. The frame was split, all coils and wiring removed, the case was stripped and insulated, the coils were reinsulated, pole pieces were stripped and all new wiring was installed. Once complete, the traction motors will be "as good as new". Motor installation is hoped to commence in April. Work on reinstalling the brake rigging in the trucks is also well underway.

## Gift Shop

The gift shop renovations are progressing very well. The gift shop area was completely cleared out and the ceiling removed. The insulation and vapour barrier was removed and all new insulation installed. The drop ceiling was reinstalled with the centre section flattened like the back room. New lighting is being installed and the baseboard heaters are being replaced by a new electric furnace, which is suspended above the ceiling. The new system should dramatically increase comfort levels in the gift shop while significantly reducing our energy consumption.

The year 2008 is off to a great start and I would like to encourage all of our members to get involved. Like last year, we are in a good position to accomplish a lot and we are very grateful to all of our members for their continued support.

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