



Under the title of 'A Heritage Worth Preserving' the Communications Committee has put together a further series of online town hall gatherings which will take place each month until the end of July. As with the first series of sessions several years ago, Greg Coit was the moderator and interviewer.

All the sessions were recorded and can be found on Youtube.

Series 2, Session 1 featured Craig McMullen, a longtime volunteer with the Friends and a master carpenter with long experience in car restoration on such projects as Pullman Tourist Sleeper 470 and the current project D&RGW baggage car 163.

Craig McMullen session video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gEhdojVOg6w&t=35s>

Series 2, Session 2 featured John West and Olaf Rasmussen. Both John and Olaf were fortunate to be able to record the last days of the D&RGW over Cumbres Pass and beyond and had many stories to tell.

Part 1 - John West session video: https://youtu.be/NFv_Q6oJf5c

Part 2 - Olaf Rasmussen session video: <https://youtu.be/NDfCYVq8uUg>

Series 2, Session 3 featured William Diehl. This session was a fascinating insight into the work of a master photographer, with many stunning images to feast the eyes on.

William Diehl's session video: <https://youtu.be/kWTTqHDNrZ4>

Series 2, Session 4 was an ensemble session with Kathy Walser interviewing Greg Coit along with John Ferrell, Melissa Sellers and Randy Worwag, on the delights of volunteering with the Friends.

Volunteering with the Friends video: <https://youtu.be/cz8j9i1aq4Y>

We hope you enjoy their stories as much as we did!

Future Planned Town Hall Dates for your Diary

Sessions planned include:

April 23, 2026 – The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad

May 28, 2026 – Locomotive 223 Restoration

June 25, 2026 - News from the Friends of the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad's 2026 Volunteer Work Sessions

July 23, 2026 - Railroad Trivia Night

More details to follow!