

# **Mid-Continent Railway Museum**

## **Restoration Department Year End Progress Report October 31, 2012**

### **Support:**

#### **Fundraising:**

- Raised in excess of \$20,000 in donations (various donors) this year for Restoration Projects
- Donor and Board granted a \$3500 donation for the Car Shop concrete
- Obtained approx. \$2500 in donated materials (Hartje)
- Sold some excess coach seats to IRM and Car 57 Project (Cheyenne, WY)

#### **Operating Funds:**

- MCRM Board authorized funding for the exterior restoration of the C-74 caboose

#### **Volunteers:**

- Over (30) volunteers have participated in the Restoration Department projects over the past year.

### **Completed Maintenance and Restoration Projects**

#### **Duluth Missabe & Iron Range C-74 caboose**

- exterior restoration (wood replacement, repainted and re-lettered)

#### **Duluth & Iron Range #5537 flat car**

- repainted and re-lettered

#### **Lake Superior & Ishpeming #2011 box car**

- built one new side door
- re-built a side door
- installed the roof walks

#### **Chicago & North Western #10 NG box car**

- completed exterior re-painting
- re-installed the brake wheel

#### **Great Northern #3261 coach**

- repositioned coach seats to the proper location
- repainted the floor

#### **Chicago & North Western #7409 combine**

- repainted the floor and seat bases
- repainted the baggage room

## **On-going Restoration Projects**

### **Copper Range #25 combine**

- fabricated and assembled replica coach seats
- made replacement oak veneer ceiling and headlining panels
- applying gold leaf striping to the oak veneer panels (ongoing)
- made floor repairs and repainted
- re-varnished the interior (on-going)

### **Wisconsin Fish Commission Badger No. 2 fish car**

- installed interior hardware
- trimmed doors
- recoated the roof

## **Preservation Efforts**

### **Lake Superior & Ishpeming #1**

- constructing framing for enclosing the car

### **Chicago & North Western #613 coach**

- recoated the roof

### **Chicago & North Western #1099 NG combine**

- loaded and transported the car to the Car Shop

## **Other Restoration Department Projects**

### **Car Shop concrete**

- formed and poured for addition concrete work surfaces

### **Car Shop electrical**

- ran conduit to south end of the building for additional service