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Greetings,

The next meeting of the Society will be held on Monday June 11 at 6:00 PM. The location is 122 Airport Road in Concord, at Johnny Prescott and Sons Oil company. The meeting will be in the main office building and then we will tour the new building housing the big 12 passenger coach and other artifacts that Tom Prescott has brought together in his recreated old Concord Main Street.

The group should congratulate Cynthia Maimone and the others who worked on the Bon Ton fund raiser. Almost \$700 was raised through their efforts. Cynthia and Pat spent many days at Bon Ton selling the booklets and their efforts paid off. Thank you!!

Peter and Verna James made presentations in Grantham and New London since the last meeting. They are getting our message out to groups and it seems that one presentation leads to another. They are also selling a few items from the gift shop at these presentations to bring in some additional funds.

Various ideas have been offered in regards to setting up displays in the barn which will better show some of the different work areas that would have been involved in building the coaches. Hopefully we will have some preliminary plans for this upcoming meeting. When we do get started, there will be something for everyone to do. You do not need to be a skilled carpenter or electrician. We will need helpers and people to assist so please plan on being a part of this effort.

Plans are moving forward for the trip to Amesbury, Mass. for the big carriage festival on June 30 and July 1. We have been told that we will have a sponsor to help with the transportation costs. This should be a good event and give us some great exposure. We hope that many of our members can plan on attending.

We have received a generous donation of some bunting from Ed and Marge Cowles to use in decorating the coach when we put it in parades. They also gave us some coach related items to sell in the gift shop. Thank you!!

This month's pictures show Tom Prescott's 12 passenger coach and a couple of photos taken at the New London Historical Society when Peter and Verna made the presentation there. The three in front of the coach are some of Charles E. Shepard's descendants with Peter. C. E. Shepard was a prominent stage operator. The other is a group around the coach as Peter was pointing out some of the features.

We hope to see you at the meeting on the 11th.

