

Smook, Smith Volunteers of the Year

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Two of The Depot railroad museum's volunteers were honored at the Washington County Historical Society's quarterly meeting Saturday, Nov. 20.

Jimmy Snook, Clarksville, was named Volunteer of the Year for his work with The Depot's cabooses and rail car exhibit. Snook, a retired conductor with the Louisville & Nashville and its successor railroads for 40 years, transformed Monon caboose 81402 from a static display to a real-life example of a working caboose. He conducts tours of 81402 for individuals and groups, explains how rail motor cars were used by workers and demonstrates various railroad bells and whistles with an air-powered exhibit he helped design and create.

Cecil J. Smith, Salem, The Depot's volunteer stationmaster since it opened in 2001, was named Volunteer of the Year for his continuing work related to operation of The Depot, and for handling the graphic design and layout of the historical society's newsletter, The Historian. This was the first year

for the newsletter, which is published twice a year.

Kathy Wade was also recognized for five years of service to the Society. Wade is in charge of the Stevens Memorial Museum office.