Rotary Express Trivia Challenge

Are you a locomotive aficionado? Are you up for learning something new and great at research? Take the Rotary Express Trivia Challenge and you might win a prize!

Complete your form and bring with you to District Conference in Chattanooga – drop in the designated box in the Haul of Friendship before Saturday morning. Winners will be announced during Saturday session!

Term or Question	Answer
\Box "Bake a Cake" is rail slang for?	
□ What is the proper name for the X-shaped sign where the tracks cross a road?	
□ A phrase still used today in reference to people, this term referred to a passenger train that operates late into the night.	
\Box 'Ash Cat' was a slang term for this rail job.	
□ This traveling assembly of business establishments for railroad workers of the Union Pacific during the construction of the transcontinental railroad has a very flashy name. The businesses typically included purveyors of equipment and supplies, as well as gambling houses, saloons, dance halls and brothels.	
□ Originally in service in New Castle, Delaware, this was meant as a signal that a train was cleared to proceed at full speed.	
\Box This animal is used as slang for yard engines.	
□ At Conference, we scheduled a train excursion with what Railway?	
□ How many train excursions will we host at Conference?	
\Box A 'clown wagon' is another name for what?	
\Box A freight train that is given priority and almost never held up, and given the main line is known as what?	
\Box The brake operator on a passenger train might have been known by what childish nickname?	
\Box What would you call a freight car axle on fire? (Besides a problem!)	
□ When pulling the railroad ties out from under the tracks for replacement (pulled by their ends), a special tool is used. What odd name is used for this tool?	
□ The railroad maintenance workers who performed the manual upkeep on certain sections of train trains were known by what other playful title?	

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□ Time varied from town to town, making train travel difficult. U.S. railways met in 1883 at the General Time Convention and adopted a proposal to establish Eastern, Central, Mountain and Pacific time zones. One month later, the U.S. Naval Observatory sent out a telegraph signalling 12:00 PM ET. While it was adopted, Congress officially recognized the system and added daylight savings time to conserve resources for the World War I effort in 1918. TRUE OR FALSE?	
\square What name is given to the rocks that lay under and between the rails?	
The machine that pushes the rocks (described in the question above) under the tracks and raises the tracks onto these rocks is known by what name?	
 This song holds the honor of being the world's first Gold Record. 	
\Box A railroad crane used for various rail needs is known by what name?	
□ Once servicing a luxury hotel atop Lookout Mountain, this attraction is powered by two, 100-horspower engines and a pulley system.	
□ What name describes a computerized freight yard that uses elevation and a braking system to put trains together without locomotives?	
□ Chattanooga became known as a rail station that was a passthrough for many other stations. In that regard, it became known as the spot, "where BLANK meets BLANK" What two commodities are referred to in that phrase?	
□ Who is the Rotarian who gave a Testimonial on the District Conference website that they are looking forward to enjoying dinner on the Tennessee Railway?	
\Box What is one of the choices for dessert on our Train Excursion?	
\Box An iron plate on which the rails sit in, and spikes attach it to a railroad tie is referred to as what?	
\Box Located in Pennsylvania, this is the oldest operating railroad in the US, founded in 1832.	

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