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Subject: Brother Norm "The Mooner" Bruce Says Goodbye!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Appended you will find an e-mail from Brother Bruce. Norm has agreed for this office to pass on his thoughts to all Brothers and Sisters of Division 320.

Murray; Just a note to you, Gerry and Dan {"the young Duke"}... and the Brothers and Sisters of Div. 320....I am passing on my thoughts that I wrote to Locomotive Engineer John Vaughn re-Retirement....and hoped that perhaps you would pass them onto our Bros and Sisters for me...I want to especially thank you for your "Invitation" to use the Room at the Best Western which has been made available for Retirees etc... Certainly a nice option to have considering the distance many of us live from each other here on the Lower mainland.

As I indicated to you and Gerry R. and "the Duke"...it was my wish to make my "Last Run" quietly and "sneak out the back door" and for the most part it was a "quiet exit"...Nice touch for Cond. John Cowan to meet us in Coquitlam and present me with some very special gifts...It was 31 years to the day (June 17th) that John made his first pay trip with me as the HE Trainman on the Shuswap Sub...(Revelstoke-Kamloops)...and so it was kind of "ironic" I guess, that John was there to wish me well on my "Last Run" on June 17th...

I would also like to thank Rd. Manager Gary Shannon for driving Cindy and Joanne to the Engine to bid me farewell... much appreciated... I'm sure all will agree that Cindy and Joanne have been a tremendous help to each of us over the years in arranging time off, juggling our AV Dates etc...and to them I am truly grateful...

I wish to thank all for the, Congrats" and "Best Wishes" from both from "Members of Div. 320" and "Management" at (Coquitlam/ Revelstoke/Calgary) which have been passed onto me since my last day worked...again, much appreciated...I trust that all will not think that I have been "anti-social" in not having a "Retirement Bash"...It's just that I am not very good at saying "goodbye" and I thank-you for understanding...

For the many "Memories and Laughs" that we have shared along the way, I "HOIST A TOAST" to YOU!!... and to all of you, I wish a "Safe Trip" until your "Last Run" and may your "Retirement", be all that you hoped for....CHEERS TO ALL!!!

Sincerely;

"The MOONER"

(Norm Bruce)

We raise a toast to you Brother Bruce, and wish you all the best in your retirement.

In Solidarity,

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