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**Thomas the Tank Engine™ Pulls into Durango**  
**Commemorating 60 Years of Thomas & Friends™**  
**June 17 – 20, 2005**

**Durango, CO** – All aboard to celebrate 60 years of **Thomas & Friends!** It's an anniversary party everyday, as Thomas the Tank Engine rolls into Durango for **Day Out With Thomas 2005: The Celebration Tour**. **Thomas & Friends** will be making tracks to great destinations across America, and this stop will be hosted by D&SNGRR, at 479 Main Avenue in Durango, June 17-20, 2005.

2005 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the introduction of *The Railway Series*, the classic storybooks of **Thomas & Friends**. In honor of this milestone, Thomas the Tank Engine is chugging around the country to celebrate with all of his friends! This limited-engagement features a variety of **Thomas & Friends**-themed entertainment for the entire family, including:

- Meet and take a photo with **Sir Topham Hatt™**
- **Imagination Station** featuring hands-on arts and crafts activities
- Storytelling, video viewing and live music
- Many **more** 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events!

At the D&SNGRR, activities will include a petting zoo, bouncy train, temporary tattoos, and a juggling show.

This event is expected to sell out, so advance purchase is recommended to ensure a choice of dates and times. Tickets for a **Day Out With Thomas 2005: The Celebration Tour** are \$16 for ages two and up. Tickets are on sale now and are available by calling toll-free 866.468.7630, logging onto [www.durangotrain.com](http://www.durangotrain.com) or by visiting Ticketweb at [www.ticketweb.com/thomas](http://www.ticketweb.com/thomas). For more information and directions, contact D&SNGRR at 1-888-TRAIN-O7 (872-4607) or [www.durangotrain.com](http://www.durangotrain.com).

**About Thomas & Friends**

Created by a father for his son, *Thomas & Friends* invites children to enter a world of imagination through the tracks of a train and the words of a story. In 2005, *Thomas & Friends* embark on the greatest destination yet – its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Today, families in more than 100 countries enjoy fun and adventure with their engine friends while experiencing timeless life lessons. For more information about the world of Thomas and his engine friends, visit [www.thomasandfriends.com](http://www.thomasandfriends.com).