Division Meeting Schedule

September 19, 2010 - Pensnylvania Trolley Museum, 1 Museum Rd, Washington, PA, 15301 Meeting at 2:30 PM Admission: \$8.50, \$7.50 seniors (62+), \$4.50 children 3-15. Tour & trolley ride following meeting

October 17, 2010 - Norwin Public Library, 1 Caruthers Ln, Irwin, PA 15642 Layout: Bob Prehoda's Huntingdon Northern open at 11:30 AM & after meeting Meeting: 2:30 PM

November 21, 2010 - New Eagle, PA VFD Social Hall, 156 Chess St. New Eagle, PA 15067 Layout: Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club, 158 Main St., New Eagle, PA 15067, open 1:30 PM Meeting: 2:30 PM

Bring'n'Brag

- Feb Commercial Structures
- Mar Advertising and Signage
- May Built Resin Kits
- **Jun** Refrigerated Cars
- Aug Diesel Power
- Sep Houses of Worship
- Oct Steel Industry
- Nov Tank Cars

Ohio Valley Lines plans to make up train sets to give away at their holiday open houses this year. They seek donations of any of the components of a traditional train set (locomotive, rolling stock, track, powerpack, etc.). This would be a good way to contribute to the hobby while getting rid of that old toy train stuff that you've had stored away for years. Just drop them off at the clubhouse in Ambridge.



From the Super's Desk



In the previous installment of this series, I spoke to you about the Achievement Program and how it is to be seen as recognition of skills learned and models built. That brings us to the issue of judging and Merit Awards. Judging need not be done in a contest setting; it can be done on a one-on-one basis if that is more comfortable for the individual. Judges are not out to destroy your self-confidence, they are there to help you rise to a higher standard and learn to build a better model. Judges should be willing to explain the reasoning behind the score

and what the modeler can do to improve the model or skill. I improved my modeling skills by trying to get ahead of the nitpicker with whom I live. In order to earn a Merit Award, a model must get a score of 87.5 points out of a possible 125. That works out to be a 70% score – that's a grade of C in the classroom. Surely we can all aspire to that level! Give it a try and ask for help from the AP chairmen and others who have earned some of the Certificates if you are unsure. We are all here to help each other. The work toward the MMR will ultimately lead to a well-rounded modeler.

John Gallagher has agreed to serve as our Education Chairman. As part of his duties, he is collecting the names of Division 2 clinicians and the titles of their clinics. All of this data will be shared with the rest of the Mid-Central Region and will be used to make our events such as the Jamboree and Regional conventions more interesting by bringing clinicians from outside our own area to our events. If you have a clinic that you are willing to do, please let John know so he may add you to the list. If you have an idea for a clinic, but have not yet tried it, offer to present it as a program for a Division 2 meeting. That will give you the feedback you need to expand it into a good clinic. Clinics are a good way to earn points toward the Model Railroad Author certificate.

Congratulations to Jim Sacco for receiving an NMRA President's award for his ongoing contributions to the organization, namely his graphic design work over the past decade.

... Susan Werner

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Minutes

Superintendent Susan Werner called the August 15, 2010 meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. at Henley Park in Leetsdale, PA. The attendance was 49 members and guests for the picnic.

Susan thanked John Gallagher for arranging the spot for the picnic and to Hans Werner for being the cook. We had one new member Joe Lofland and his wife. We had one correction to the minutes from June and the location should have been Wilmerding not East Pittsburgh. The minutes that were published in the Keystone Flyer were approved with that one correction.

The Treasurer Carl Volkwein was present and give his report on the status of the organization.

Dick Flock presented his report on the company store, with this being the last day to order 2011 calendars, with the division selling them for \$ 9.00. He has new books available such as PRR Triangle, B & O Facilities, PRR Facilities, PRR in the 60's plus many more books if you are interested please talk to Dick.

Tom Gaus gave his report on the membership that we have 259 active members and he has not got the total of new members from the Greensburg show.

Bob Meier the Free Mo chairman stated that the group was at the Greensburg show on July 24 and 25 at the new Monroeville Convention Center, with many people running trains, he is asking for interested people to help work and transport the modulars to different venues, so if available, please talk to Bob. The next show will be November 13 and 14 at Monroeville and then in January.

Paul Gallick has 7 entries for bring n brag, so please stop by with your vote.

Bud Brock had no report on the video library.

Mike Hohn the assistant superintendent thanked everyone for coming out today with the next program to be at the Trolley Museum in Washington, PA, no place yet for October and November will be at the Mid Mon Club in Monongahela.

We then took a time out for a train going west with 3 units, then the meeting started again, with no report on the Achievement Program.

Susan appointed a Constitution Review Committee to report back to the group about our constitution and bylaws to coincide with the Regional Constitution and Bylaws as it pertains to elected officers. They are Andy Blenko, Tom Gaus, Cindi Wilson and Marge Meehan.

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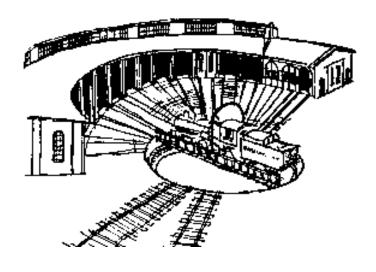
In old business, directories are still available for purchase.

John Gallagher, the Education Chairman had no report at this time.

No new business was presented to the group. Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Today's program was good food and fellowship

A long-handled serving spoon was left behind at the picnic. To reclaim it please contact Bob Meier at (412) 491-9748 or email SD45Bob@aol.com.



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Bring'n'Brag

August's Bring 'n' Brag contest was held at the annual Division 2 summer picnic at Henley Park in Leetsdale, PA. This month's contest category was "Diesel Power" and seven entries were submitted.

First place went to Grier Kuehn for his consist of three HO scale locomotives painted and lettered for the P&LE. The engines included an Atlas GP38, an Athearn SW1500, and a Stewart U28B. Grier added Kadee couplers and weathered the factory painted engines using airbrush, powders, and chalks.

Dennis Williams won second place for his set of HO scale doodlebugs and NW2 switcher locomotive. Dennis custom painted and lettered all three entries and added sound, and interior lighting to the PRR doodlebug.

In third place was Marge Meehan for her N-scale Diesel Locomotive servicing facility.

Other entries for this month's contest included:

Robert Hickman entered a set of HO locomotives including a Tower 55 ES44AC lettered for the UP, an Athearn Genesis MP15AC lettered for the DB&UP, and a Trix 22107 diesel.

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Dennis Williams also entered a pair of UP rail detection cars he found in the bottom of a 55 gallon drum.

Jim Whipple entered a 42" gauge S scale critter painted for the Connequenessing Gravel Company No. 2.

Joe Lofland entered an HO scale Lackawanna switcher he scratchbuilt from styrene on a Hobbytown drive and an Erie-Lackawanna SDP45 he kitbashed from an Athearn shell.

Thanks to everyone who brought in models and voted. The next contest will be at the September meeting where the category will be "Houses of Worship."

🖒 Bring'n'Brag Standings:

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	Grier Kuehn	26	John Gallagher	2
	Dennis Williams	22	Vagel Keller	2
	Marge Meehan	20	Larry Kline	2
	Steve Raque	10	Jim Kubanick	2
	Steve Hertzer	9	Kevin Kuzman	2
	Fred Abrew	8	Dennis Lippert	2
	Neal Schorr	7	Joe Lofland	2
	Bill DeFoe	6	John Lynd	2
	Robert Hickman	6	Don Reed	2
	Tim Moffat	6	Steve Ross	2
	Jim Whipple	5	Roy Ward	2
	Keith DeVault	4	Bob Weinheime	r 2
	Dennis Vaccaro	4	Robby Whipple	2
	Patrick Altdorfer	2	Dave Wilson	2
	Andy Blenko	2	Charlie Hallmin	1
	Charlie Blenko	2	Andy Loince	1
	Dick Flock	2	George Turak	1



PUBLIC TIMETABLE

Pennsylvania, Monaca — The Beaver County FALL Model Train Show will be held November 21, 2010 at Center Stage, 1495 Old Brodhead Road, Monaca, PA 15061. Hours will be from10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Admission: \$4.00, adults; and children under 12 admitted free. For more information contact: Glenn Wallace (724) 775-8023; e-mail: <u>info@bcmrr.railfan.</u> <u>net</u>; Website: www: http://www.bcmrr.railfan.net

Pennsylvania, Monaca — The Beaver County Model Railroad and Historical Society's 2010 Christmas Season Open House will be held NOV 27-28, DEC 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, and JAN 1-2 2011 at 416 6th Street, located across from the Monaca Legion in the old Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad station, right next to the tracks. Hours will be from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free; donations are very much appreciated. For more information contact: Glenn Wallace, (724) 775-8023; Website: www.bcmrr.railfan. net/openhouse.html

At the Div. 2 FreeMo layout (right) during the July 2010 Greenberg's Show, from left to right: Don Reed, guest, Jerry Kyslinger, and Fred Abrew.

Events of Interest

Pittsburgh - PHIPPS Conservatory Garden Railroad Oct. 16 - Mar. 6, 2010, Trains chug over bridges and through tunnels, with miniature plants and shrubs providing living landscape. The world's first N-Scale garden railroad will be an added feature.

Submissions welcome! Contact the Editor with announcements, including dates, times, location name and address, and sponsor's name and contact information.





Grier Kuehn won 1st Place in the August B'n'B for his HO-Scale P&LE Diesels.

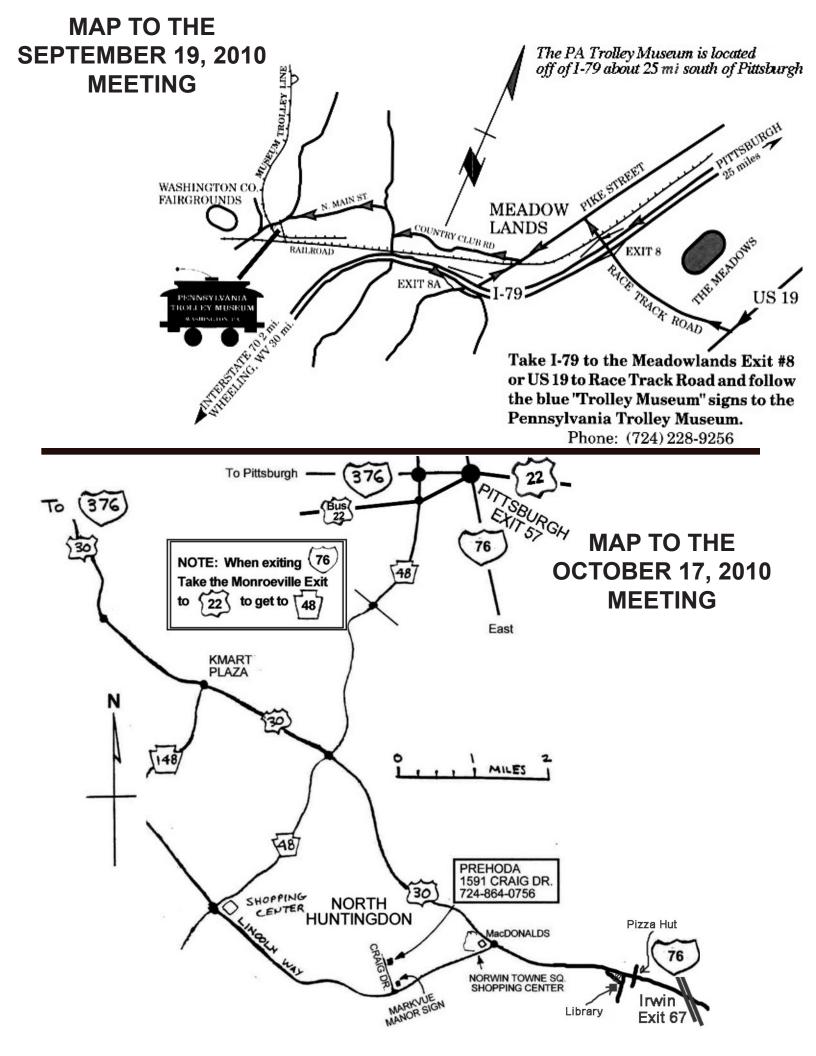




This overhead shot of the B'n'B table at the August picnic shows Marge Meehan's 3d Place N-Scale diesel serving facility in the foreground and Dennis Mitchell's custom painted HO-Scale brass diesel-electric "doodlebugs" at upper left. Below, a closer look at Dennis's doodlebugs:



Paul Gallick photo.



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NEXT MEETING: September 19, 2010 Pennsylvania Trolley Museum Washington, PA

