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Editor's Model of the Month by Alden McBee

Division Meeting Schedule

November 20, 2016 - New Eagle VFD, 156 Chess St, New Eagle, PA 15607

Layouts: Mid-Mon Valley Model RR Club open Noon - 2:00 PM; Susan Werner open Noon - 2:00 PM & after meeting upon request

Fire Hall open at 11:00 AM for Swap Meet

January 15, 2017 - Old Economy Village Visitors Center, 270 16th St, Ambridge, PA 15003

Layout: Ohio Valley Lines, 1225 Merchant St, Ambridge, PA 15003, open at 1:30 PM

Meeting at 2:30 PM

Bring'n'Brag

Jan	Anything Goes
Feb	Bridges
Mar	Steam Power
May	Scratch Built Model
Jun	Built Laser Kits
Aug	Railroad Stations
Sep	Coal Industries
Oct	Farm Structures
Nov	Layout Photographs

Submission Deadline for the next *Flyer*:

December 9, 2016

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From the Super's Desk

I'm sure most of you have heard the story that the summer time is a slow time for model railroaders with kids out of school, family vacations, outdoor activities, etc. Well, I don't know about you, but for me, model railroading is a 12 month activity.

With our summer just past, I enjoyed working on my model railroad layout in the comfort of air conditioning more than being out in the blistering heat doing yard work. We have now rolled into fall and, with this newsletter, the month of November. This is National Model Railroad month, the time for you to promote our hobby by showing non-model railroaders what our hobby is all about and how much fun they can have.

Tom Gaus, our Webmaster, has put different shows on the website, places to visit during the upcoming holiday season. Let's show our appreciation; go visit and help keep our hobby flourishing.

On another note with National Model Railroad Month, in reviewing the division's membership roster I've noticed several names on the rolls that I can't recall ever seeing at one of our Division meetings. If anyone has a question or a problem with our meetings, please let me know. We rotate around in our division to hold the meetings at different locations to help cut down on travel. In my opinion, the very best benefit of membership in the NMRA and our Division is attending the meetings and talking with other fellow model railroaders to help you expand your knowledge and skills of model railroading. Besides, you get to visit some excellent layouts during our meetings. Show your appreciation and attend. I hope each one of you and your family will have a most wonderful holiday season.

... Keith DeVault

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Bud Brock brought these nifty shanties to the Bring'n'Brag, but he unfortunately hid their lower parts behind hid foam-core label! Donald Austel photo

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Minutes

Mike Hohn

The regular monthly meeting opened at 2:33 pm, with 44 people in attendance, including Andy Blenko's guest, Bruce Light.

Minutes from Previous Meetings: Approved as published without change.

Treasurer: No significant changes in bank accounts and CD's.

Programs: Swap meet is at the November meeting; reminder that the purpose is to swap items; no money involved.

Membership: We have 257 members, up from previous months.

Website: Members were encouraged to send local event details to Tom Gaus for posting on the website.

Free-Mo: We were not allocated space for setup at the November meeting.

Bring'n'Brag: Three models were entered to be judged, all farm-related.

Library: Received new videos of National NMRA convention clinics.

Company Store: We still have some books for sale. A new arrivals list is available including a book on steel mill railroads. Members should see Susan Werner if interested in a 2017 calendar.

Old Business: The 2017 Model railroad Jamboree will be held April 29th at Robert Morris University once again.

New Business: A motion to reduce the number of Keystone Flyers printed each month from 500 to 350 to reduce printing cost from \$301 to \$248 was seconded and passed.

For the Good of the Division: The Youngstown club will hold an open house end of November and early December. The late Don Cassler's layout was to be torn down in next week or two. We lost an old-time and very active member until recent years with the passing of Mel Dithrich.

Next Meeting will be hosted by the Mid-Mon Valley Club in New Eagle.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58.



Marge Meehan's nicely done chicken house/corn crib and hog pen rounded out some outstanding examples of model building in this month's B'n'B contest. Donald Austel photo

Bring'n'Brag

Donald Austel

A thank you to Norwin Public Library for hosting the Division 2 meeting this October, I am all ways happy to return to this Library. This month's Bring N Brag was "Farm Structures" and First place went to Alden McBee for his N Scale Small Farm which had a Branch Line Laser-Art kit, GHQ pewter kits, and Life Like items. Second Place was with his Farm Scene was Dick Flock, and Third Place was to Marge Meehan for her GCLaser 1908 corn crib-chicken coop and Cornerstone hog house & pen. Other models for Display Only, was Rick Peltz N scale diesel engines and Bud Brock who brought two O Scale shanties, as always a Thank You to the members there who voted for them. Next Month November will be the last month for Bring and Brag for this 2016 year. A reminder that the subject is "Layout Photographs" and that you can only have two entries per individual. We only have a small amount of space and the members have a small amount of time to pick. Thank you again.



Name	Points	Name	Points
Alden McBee	57	Bob DiBenedetto	6
Marge Meehan	37	Ken Hannawalt	6
Frank Benders	27	Hans Werner	6
Dennis Vaccaro	23	Mike Hohn	4
Jim Braum	19	Charlie Blenko	3
Bill DeFoe	16	John Gallagher	2
Dick Flock	16	Vinny Kaplack	2
Bud Brock	10	Jim Kubanick	2
Jerry Kyslinger	10	Rick Montysnery	2
Neal Schorr	10	Mark Vinski	2
Joel Everly	9	Bryce Walat	2
Steve Ross	9	Forest Lucas	1
Susam Werner	9	Rick Peltz	1
Denny Lippert	8		

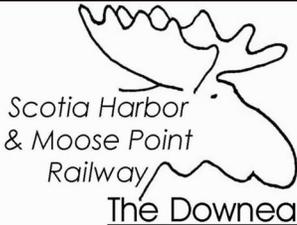
Bring'n'Brag Categories for 2017:

Jan	Anything goes
Feb	Re-purposed box car
Mar	Trucks and tractors
May	Cranes and Derricks
Jun	Structures
Aug	Work –in-progress
Sep	Diesel power
Oct	Tank cars
Nov	Houses of Worship



Donald Austel photo

Dick Flock's HO lift-out farm scene, which also graces his Johnstown & Lake Erie layout, took 2d Place in B'n'B voting.



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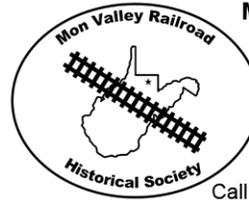
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Date	Open	Close
SAT. NOV. 12	11:00 am	5:00 pm
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SAT. NOV. 19	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. NOV. 20	11:00 am	5:00 pm
FRI. NOV. 25	11:00 am	9:00 pm
SAT. NOV. 26	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. NOV. 27	11:00 am	5:00 pm
FRI. DEC. 2	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
SAT. DEC. 3	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. DEC. 4	11:00 am	5:00 pm
FRI. DEC. 9	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
SAT. DEC. 10	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. DEC. 11	11:00 am	5:00 pm
FRI. DEC. 16	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
SAT. DEC. 17	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. DEC. 18	11:00 am	5:00 pm
FRI. DEC. 23	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
MON. DEC. 26	11:00 am	5:00 pm
TUES. DEC. 27	11:00 am	9:00 pm
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FRI. JAN. 6	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
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FRI. JAN. 13	6:00 pm	9:00 pm
SAT. JAN. 14	11:00 am	5:00 pm
SUN. JAN. 15	11:00 am	5:00 pm

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		12/3	1 - 8 PM
		12/10	1 - 8 PM
		12/17	1 - 8 PM
		12/26	1 - 8 PM
<u>Sundays</u>			
11/20	1 - 7 PM		
11/27	1 - 7 PM		
12/4	1 - 7 PM		
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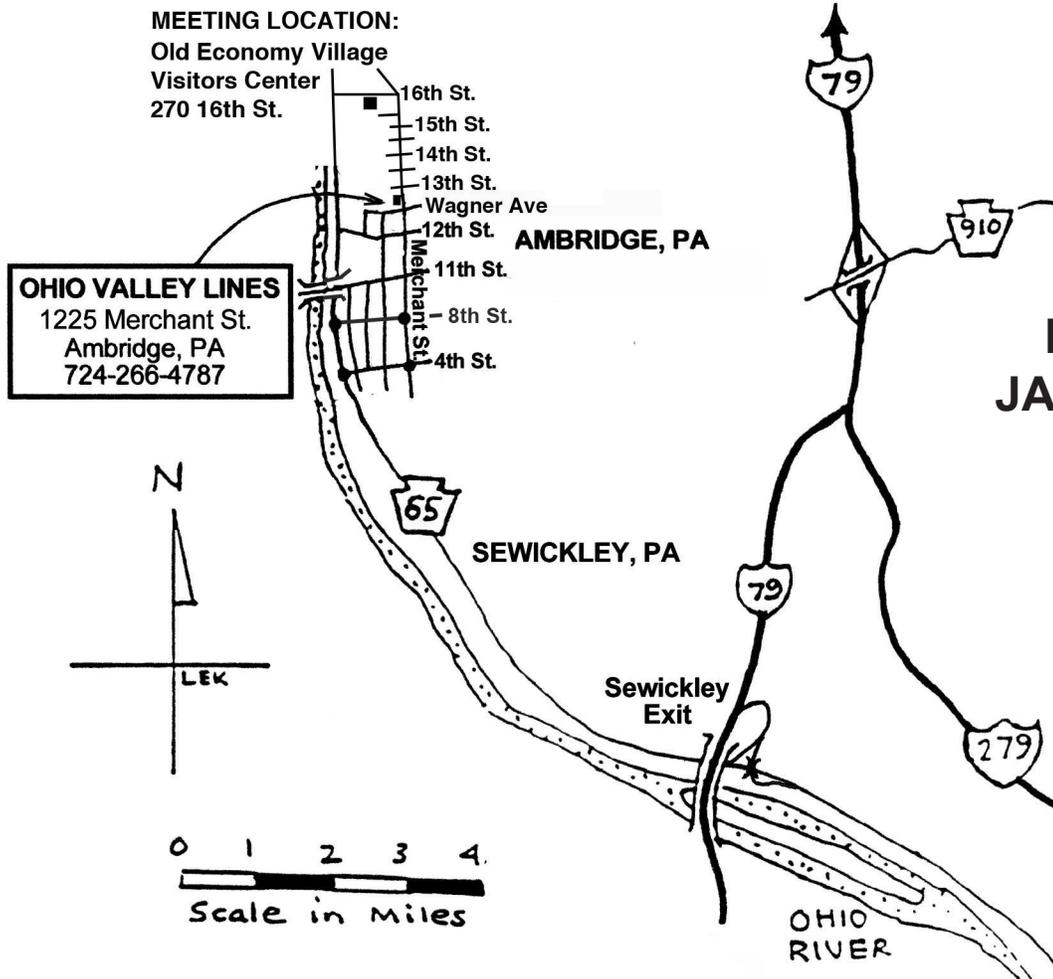
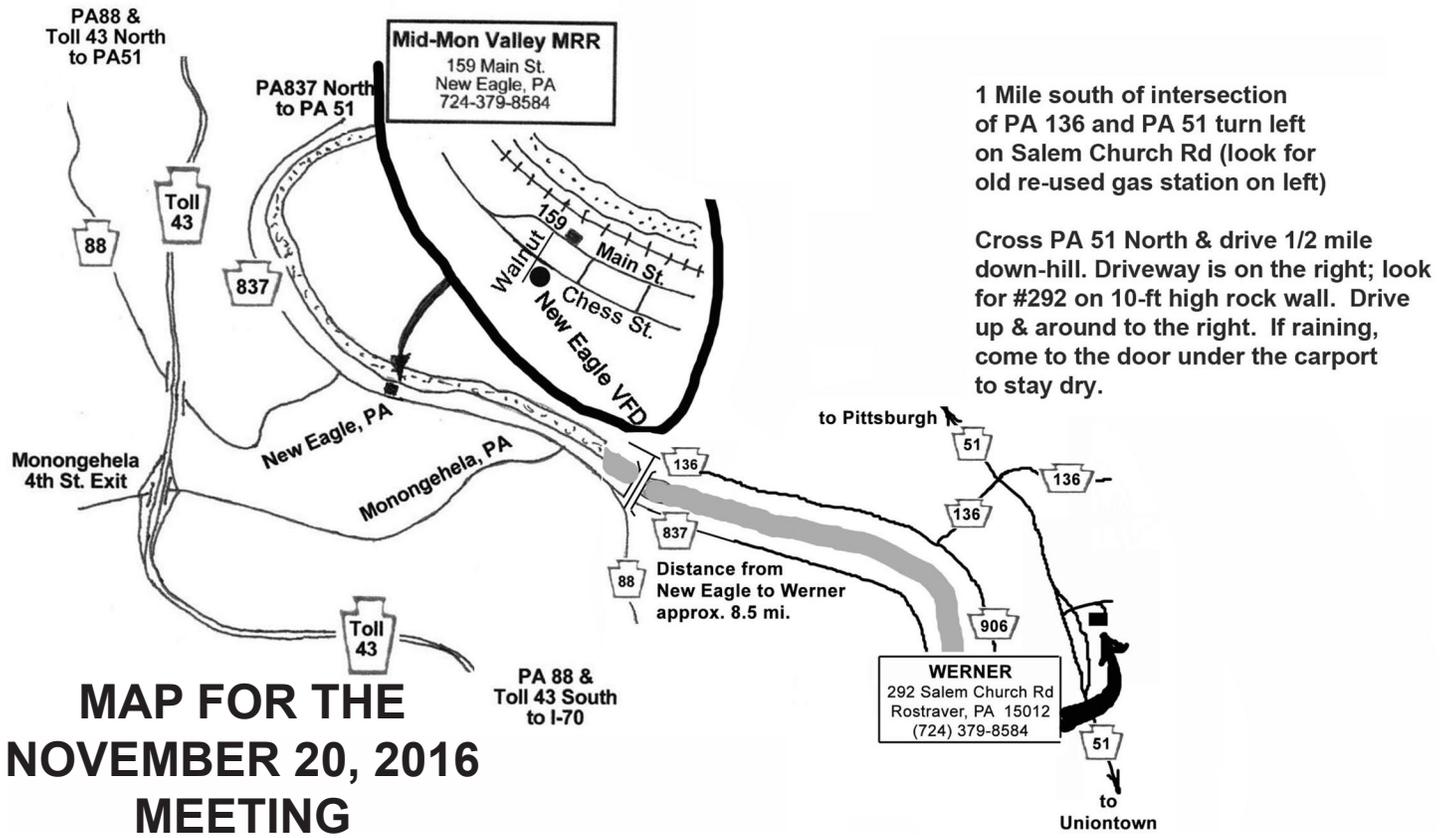
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12/10	12 - 5 PM	12/11	12 - 5 PM
12/17	12 - 5 PM	12/18	12 - 5 PM
12/31	12 - 5 PM	1/1	12 - 5 PM
1/7	12 - 5 PM	1/8	12 - 5 PM

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