



Newcomer Fred Metting won Third Place in the Bring'n'Brag for his O scale rendition of an H.P. Hood & Sons Dairy Plant and Office Building. That giant milk bottle lends his model the ambience of "roadside attraction" that used to characterize some of the highways and byways.

Editor's Model of the Month

Division Meeting Schedule

February 16, 2020 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
Rochester Area Heritage Society (open 12:30pm-4pm)
350 Adams Street, 2nd Floor, Rochester, PA 15074
Program: Steve Ross: 40 Years of Railfan Photography

March 15, 2020 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
Scenic Express, Inc. (opens at 11am for shopping)
175 Sheffield Drive, #100
Delmont, PA 15626
Program: Jim Elster: What's New in Scenery?

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Bring'n'Brag

Jan	Anything goes
Feb	Motive Power: Diesel, Electric & Traction
Mar	Motive Power: Steam
Apr	Freight Cars
May	* MCR Regional Convention *
Jun	Non-Revenue (incl. cabooses)
Aug	Passenger Cars
Sep	Vehicles
Oct	Structures
Nov	Prototype Photos

Submission Deadline for March Flyer:
February 23, 2020

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From the Super's Desk

I would like to take a few moments to again offer my sincere thanks for everyone showing up to the pre-convention meeting at Ohio Valley Lines with Regional President Bob Weinheimer. I think we all got a rude awakening about how much planning goes into running a convention. I thank each and every one of you who has volunteered to help with this convention. The Keystone Division as Bob said is one of the strongest groups that he has in the region. We are not done with the planning for the convention to be held in May at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Greentree. The convention will need each one of you to step up and volunteer, such as helping out in the contest room, white elephant room, reservation desk, clinic rooms, etc. I will have sign-up sheets at the next meeting in Rochester. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate ask me, this convention is for all of us in the division.

In talking with some of you at the Ohio Valley Lines after the meeting, it is my belief that we should have a small raffle, not a large one like we have at the Jamboree. I know that it may be too late to send out letters to different vendors, but we have the Greenburg Show coming up in February, and if one or two volunteers who would attend the show go around and ask each vendor, maybe we will get 12 to 15 or more different products to raffle off, and I know a few of us have some new stuff we may not use after we purchased it to donate to the raffle area. This would give us some extra cash for the pocket book during the convention and give the people in the region something else to do with their time. Also on that subject, it was brought to my attention that we need some door prizes for the convention attendees. So please do what you can in procuring all of these items. It would go a long way in making this a very enjoyable convention, not for us but for the attendees to our great division. We do not have a large company store at this convention as we did in the past, so this raffle may help offset that portion of the convention. Remember, along with the raffle we would have the White Elephant with selling of items that you have in your train room, that you will not need anymore. In looking over the venue we will have up to 42 clinics for your enjoyment. Three tours have been planned for you attending the convention, seven different operating sessions will be held on Thursday Night, and we will have up to 25 open house layouts on Sunday for everyone's visiting pleasure. The Clinics are chaired by Don Coulter and Steve Ross, Bob Dengler is handling the operating sessions, and Neal Schorr is handling the tours on Sunday. If you talk with these gentlemen, give them a thank you for their hard work.

So, please think about the raffle and door prizes and let me know if you can help out the division with this project. I look forward to you letting me know, and I will be most grateful for your service. In another area, I would like to recognize Frank Benders as our new Division Superintendent, Andy Blenko as the Assistant Superintendent, and George Pandelios as Chief Clerk for being elected to lead the division in 2020 and beyond. I know these fine gentlemen will keep up the good work for the division.

... *Keith DeVault*

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Bring'N'Brag

Arley Mitchell

Hi everyone! Right off the top I want to thank everyone for bringing their entries on January 19. We had 12(!) entries! I can't remember ever having that many. I want to encourage everyone to participate in the Bring and Brag this year. It gives you a chance to see how others see your models. When we work on something we pour a lot of effort into the subject and we sometimes are "blind" to things that we miss.

First off, I would like to remind everyone of how the membership agreed on how the voting should be scored and tabulated: **First Place** certificate, and **Three points**, goes to the entry receiving the most votes. The **Second Place** certificate, and **Two points**, goes to the entry receiving the second highest number of votes. The **Third Place** certificate, and **One Point**, goes to the entry that receives the third highest number of votes.

Only **1 entry per person** is permitted for each Bring and Brag Contest. **Only entries matching the monthly category** may compete for points. Models not matching will be for display only.

Voting will take place between 2:00PM and 2:30PM. This means that **your models must be in place and registered by 2:00PM.** In January I had to scramble to get everyone's information.

Finally, the Bring and Brag chairman will remind the membership at 2:25PM that only 5 minutes remain to vote.

These are some selected highlights. If anyone would like to review the last set of guidelines, I have them with me during the meetings.

This month's category was "Anything Goes." The top three entries were from:

Julius Fair, a newcomer to the Bring and Brag, won First Place for his **kit-bashed and 3D printed building**, which he made for his HO scale FreeMo module. Great job, Julius!!



Neal Schorr submitted his **Port Royal Overpass** to win Second Place. As always, Neal had a good bit of documentation to show how he got his ideas and measurements. Quality work, Neal!



This is a model of the concrete arch bridge carrying Market Street over the Pennsylvania Railroad in Port Royal, PA. It was constructed by the PRR in 1910 and is still in service today. It was modified in 1937 so that its eastern end could connect with a new steel truss bridge over the Juniata River, accounting for its asymmetrical grade and odd appearance at the end with the abutment. The bridge was scratch-built primarily out of styrene with a few of the architectural details being made out of wooden doll house moldings and MDF. The raised numbers at the top of the arch were graciously 3-D printed by fellow Division member "C. B." It was painted and weathered to represent its appearance in the 1950's. The prototype images show the bridge as it looked in 1997.
- Neal Schorr



Fred Metting, another newcomer to the Bring and Brag, won Third Place with his **H.P. Hood Dairy** (cover photo; prototype photos above). He had some good pictures to document how the prototype building and car loader worked. Great Job, Fred!

Nine additional entries were also offered this month; descriptions and pictures follow on page 7 below and on page 9 of the online edition of the *Keystone Flyer*.

Again thanks to everyone who participated this month.

Name	pts
Julius Fair	3
Neal Schorr	2
Fred Metting	1





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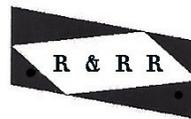


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Feb. 16: Rochester Area Heritage Society

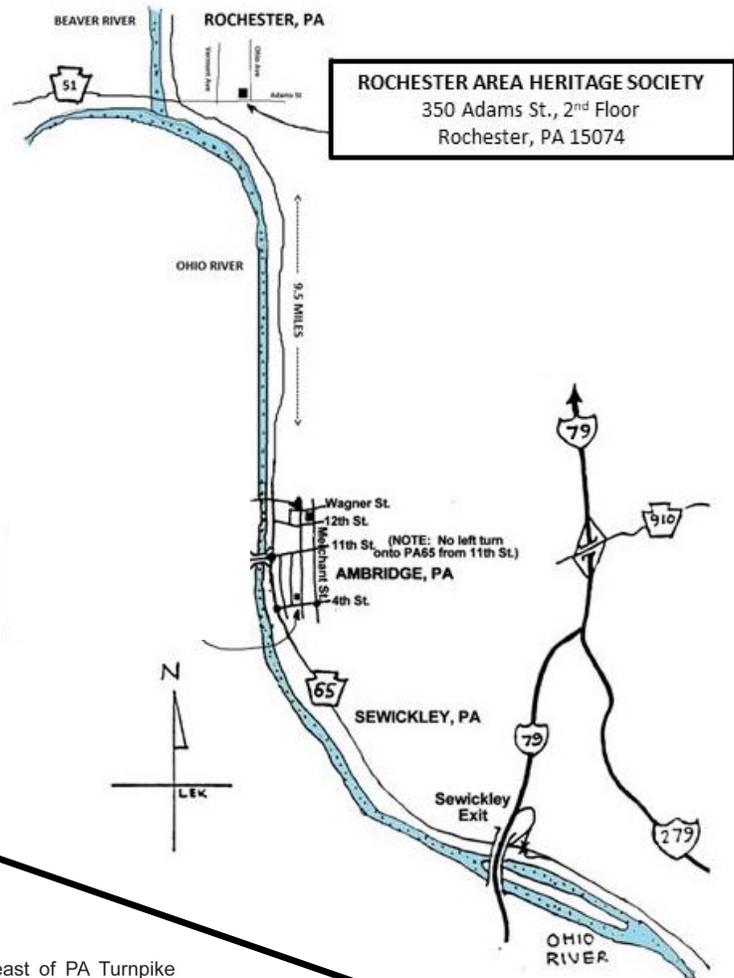
This is our second meeting at this historical society. It is located 9.5 miles north of Ambridge on PA-65, at 350 Adams Street, Rochester, PA 15074. The Society will open for us at 12:30pm; arrive early so you can see the detailed layout and museum displays upstairs. The museum will remain open for a short time after the meeting. The program is not yet finalized at this writing..

Mar. 15: Scenic Express, Delmont

Jim Elster welcomes us back again to Scenic Express, one of our hobby's leading suppliers of scenery material and accessories. For those who have not been here before, come by early, and bring your wallet — you will almost certainly find something you need to dress up your layout, module, or diorama. The program is not yet finalized, though often Jim presents something new and neat after the business meeting. And did I mention that you can shop?

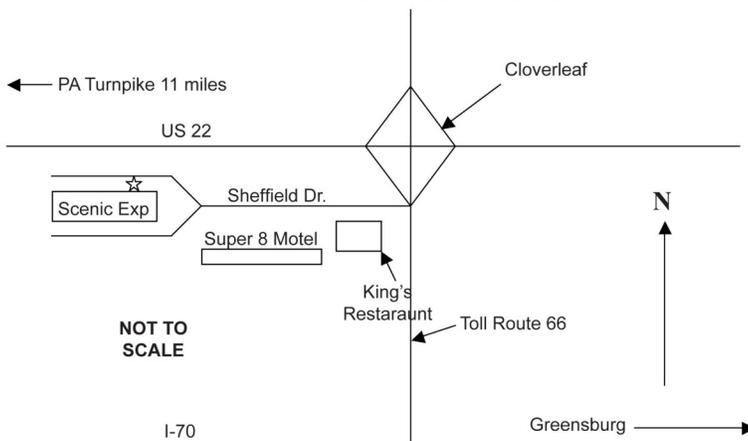
MAP FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING

February 16, 2020:
ROCHESTER AREA HERITAGE SOCIETY
 350 Adams Street, 2nd Floor
 Rochester, PA 15074



MAP FOR THE MARCH MEETING

Delmont is about 11 miles east of PA Turnpike (Monroeville). Sheffield Drive is at a traffic light just south of the 22-66 cloverleaf. Scenic Express is around the right side of the building called Sheffield Business Center.



March 15, 2020:
SCENIC EXPRESS, INC.
 175 Sheffield Drive, #100
 Delmont, PA 15626

January 19, 2020 Business Meeting

Superintendent Keith DeVault gaveled the meeting open at 2:30 PM. He thanked John Gallagher and the Ohio Valley Lines in Ambridge for hosting the meeting.

The hat was passed.

We had two new members – Larry Hundagen and Al Simons. Guests present were Bob Weinheimer MMR, President of the Mid-Central Region and Steve Zapytowski, Regional Contest Chairman.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as published in the last issue of the Keystone Flyer.

Committee Reports:

Flyer: Pat Altdorfer reminded everyone that the deadline for submissions to the Keystone Flyer will be January 26.

Treasurer: Jeff Gregg reported that the division was solvent. The post office has cancelled our mailing certificate. Andy Blenko reported that the Convention account is solvent.

Programs: Frank Benders announced that today's program had changed from that published in the previous issue of the Flyer. Today's program will be Bob Weinheimer "Evolution of an Operating System." Steve Ross's "40 Years of Railfan Photography" is tentatively scheduled for the February meeting.

Company Store: Susan Werner announced that the store was open in the hallway and that she has NYC boxcars, trackside sheds, City Classics items, and is taking orders for books. Anyone interested in receiving the Keystone Flyer via e-mail should contact her; you must opt-in for this to occur.

Membership/Website: Tom Gaus reported that membership now stands at 224. He also reported that the website is up to date, and he will start working on the convention page.

Free-Mo: Pat Altdorfer reported that the Free-Mo group will be present at the Greenberg Train show in Monroeville, PA on February 22 & 23. A 20' x 25' space has been allotted to the group, which now has seven active members. They are looking for help with set-up on Friday (2/21) and tear-down on Sunday (2/23).

Bring-N-Brag: Arley Mitchell reported that there were 12 entries.

Video Library: Bud Brock was present, but there was no report.

Achievement Program: Dennis Vaccaro announced that a Golden Spike and a Scenery Certificate were being submitted. All Achievement Certifications for 2019 has been mailed out.

T-Trak: Richie Jodon announced that T-Trak had been idle but will be present at both the upcoming New Eagle and Greenberg train shows. They will have a 16' x 24' space with space for the Division tables. The Facebook group stands at 11 members, please take a look and "like" the page.

Old Business:

Arley Mitchell announced that after some consideration, the Bring-N-Brag categories will remain unchanged for 2020.

Keith DeVault opened nominations for Division officers. The nominations were:

Superintendent: Frank Benders
Assistant Superintendent: Andy Blenko
Chief Clerk: George Pandelios

Bob Weinheimer noted that per Region bylaws, an uncontested election can be approved by a voice vote of members present rather than requiring a mailed ballot. Susan Werner inquired if this also applied to Divisions and Bob affirmed it did. Since there were no other nominations, Keith asked for a motion to elect the nominees by voice vote. This was to eliminate the need for ballots and costs associated with an election. The motion for a voice vote was made by Susan Werner and seconded by Dennis Vaccaro. The nominees were elected unanimously by acclamation.

New Business:

There was none.

Steel City Express Convention: Keith thanked MCR President Bob Weinheimer and Steve Zapytowski for their assistance with the convention organization meeting. The following convention assignments were made – please get any information to these people immediately:

Neal Schorr — Open House / Layout Tours
Bob Dengler — Operating Sessions
Keith DeVault/Don Coulter/Steve Ross — Clinics

The banquet cost will be \$55 and a choice of pork, fish, chicken or special dietary needs (vegan) will be available. This figure could be lower after Keith will contact the hotel. The following prototype tours will be available:

Light Rail — Friday, May 29
Bridge Tour — Saturday, May 30
Western PA Model Railroad Museum — Saturday, May 30 (only by bus, limit is 50 people)

For the Good of the Division:

Charlie Hallman announced that he was in the process of setting up an S scale operating session for the layout in Dawson, PA. Please contact him to participate. The sessions can take six people; a card system will eventually be used. Right now, they are using switch lists. Also, a friend mistakenly purchased some Atlas HO Code 83 turnouts and wants to sell them. Please contact Charlie for details.

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Bring 'n' Brag ... (cont'd from page 3)

Besides the top three vote-getters, nine additional entries were brought by members to compete in the "Anything Goes" category. They included the following:

George Pandelios brought his **Plasticville Hospital** (below), and he has done a nice job with his storyline, never thought of something like that myself....Good job, George!!



Jim Kubanick brought his **Northern Pacific Tower** (left). This is a hydrocal kit. Good work, Jim!

Minutes ... (cont'd from page 6)

Dennis Vaccaro announced that the Mid Mon Valley train show will take place on January 26 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the New Eagle VFD Social Hall building. Susan Werner announced that 120 vendor tables are being filled. Please plan to attend.

Dennis Vaccaro also announced that N Scale buildings for the Convention are starting to arrive. He is waiting on packaging to make them available for sale. Additionally, a National Narrow-Gauge Convention is in the planning stages for September 2024 at the Doubletree Hotel in Greentree. He is seeking people to help plan and work the event. Bob Weinheimer noted that these conventions can easily draw twice the number of attendees of NMRA National meetings. Dennis said they hope for between 1500 and 2000 people. The Narrow-Gauge committee is hoping for assistance from our division. A \$2000 buy in can provide more than that as a return, as was the case last year in Sacramento, CA when their local Division was a sponsor and made more than they put in. Also, if there is a Division buy in, work on the convention can be used for Achievement Program points.

Keith noted that the next meeting would be at the Rochester Area Historical Society in Rochester, PA on February 16.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM.



Jim Braum had his **WLE GP38-2** that he had been working on. He did a lot of work on this model and I had had been anxious to see how this looked in person as I had seen some previous pictures of this unit. Nice job, Jim!



Mark your Calendars!



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NEXT MEETING - February 16, 2020
 Rochester Area Heritage Society

 <p>Mon Valley Railroad Historical Society 128 Pleasant Street Morgantown, WV 26505</p> <p>Meeting Thursdays at 7:00 PM www.MVRRC.org Call Rich Henderson (304) 276-1046 for more info</p>	 <p>MID-MON VALLEY MODEL RAILROAD CLUB</p> <p>159 Main Street, New Eagle, PA Meetings: Fridays 7:30 pm</p> 
 <p>Visitors Welcome MEMBERSHIP OPEN</p> <p>2209 Walnut Street McKeesport, PA</p> <p>Open Wednesday & Friday Evenings</p>	 <p><i>Model Railroad Museum Library</i></p> <p>A modeler's information resource! OPEN every Monday 7:30 - 10 PM</p> <p>www.ohiovalleylines.org • info@ohiovalleylines.org • 724-226-4787 Memberships Available!!</p>
<p>All aspects of "S":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scale • Narrow Gauge • Hirail • American Flyer <p>Monthly meetings Two portable layouts Membership open Contact: Jon Knox 724-287-6829</p> 	<p>BEAVER COUNTY MODEL RAILROAD and HISTORICAL SOCIETY</p> <p>416 6th St. Monaca, PA 15061</p>  <p>Visitors Welcome</p> <p>Worknights: Tuesdays 7:30 www.bcmrr.railfan.net</p>

Bring 'n' Brag ... (cont'd from page 7)

Susan Werner had her **Barnhart Log Loader**. The entry card is self-explanatory. Super job, Susan!



Jim Ferguson has his **Sheffield Velocipede** (at right). I'm understanding that this is a kit, great job, Jim!



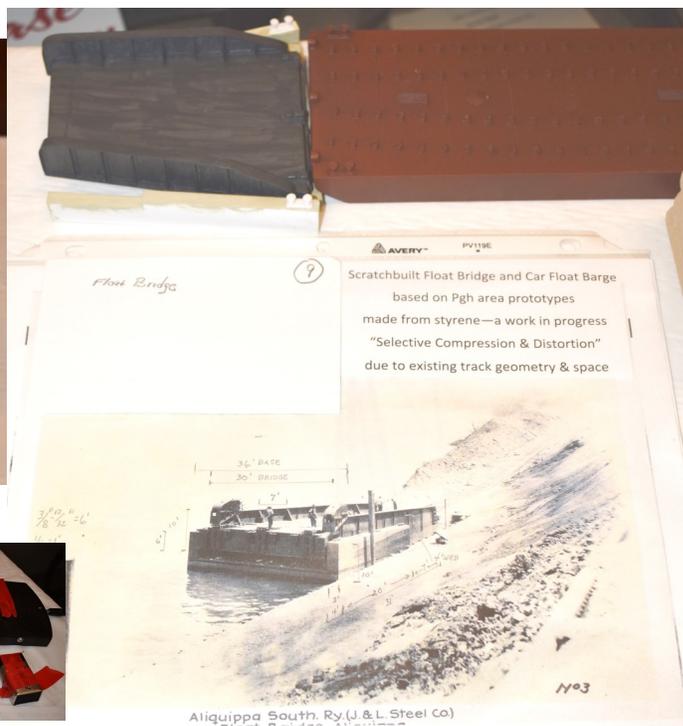
Mike Hohn had a **Gauntlet Track** that he had hand laid (below 2 photos). Very nice work indeed, Mike!



Dennis Vaccaro had an **LMS Beyer Garratt** steam engine. Very nice Dennis!



Tom Frommeyer brought his **Scratchbuilt Float Bridge** (study, below left; model and prototype photo, below right). There are a lot of little details here. Tom, you put a lot of time and effort into this, and it shows! Great Job!



Mike Desensi had his **Maglev 1/1000 train** (at right). This is really small! (That's a 9V battery taped at the bottom right.) There's no way my fingers would ever work with this size. Nice work Mike!

