



Editor's Model of the Month

This structure is representative of the fine HO scale modeling that Joe Long has done for the Rochester Area Heritage Society, which hosted the Division Two February meeting for the second year running. This is Joe's rendition of the Olive Stove Works, a manufacturing facility that once stood in Rochester, PA. If you look closely into the receiving door behind the Model A Ford, you can see the glow of the torches as the welders finish up a job. Photo by Patrick Altdorfer, more on page 7.

Division Meeting Schedule

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?

April 19, 2020 - Division 2 Meeting, 2:30pm
Mon Valley Railroad Historical Society
128 Pleasant Street
Morgantown, WV 26505
Program: TBA | 2 Layouts : MVRRHHS & DeVault

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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 April Flyer:
March 22, 2020

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From the Super's Desk

How many of you in the division have a train inventory list? What is your purpose in having a train database? Are you interested in having a nicer input screen, or are you looking for something that will track operations across your layout? In walking around the Greenburg Show, I had an inventory book with me in the convention hall. I found 3 different pieces of rolling stock that I would have liked to purchase, but when I looked at my inventory book, I already had all of those. This allowed me to track the car number and the manufacturer so I never duplicated that car unless I knew that it had been damaged or destroyed.

In using an inventory control system like Excel, Car Card Generator, Yard Office or numerous other software programs designed to track your inventory, it makes it a whole lot easier to keep track of the vehicles that you have on your own layout. These systems can do car cards and/or waybills, if you use any kind of operating system on your home layout. These systems give you full and detailed inventory of your locomotives, the DCC address, the make of the locomotive, and much more information.

Using an inventory program would be most helpful if you are into buying and selling rolling stock on Ebay, train shows, or at our upcoming White Elephant sale at the Regional Convention. It is also helpful as an aid to dispose of unneeded items, after you take your "last train ride," or if anything would damage or destroy your home layout and you need to replace some of your rolling stock.

Last month's meeting at the Rochester Area Heritage Society was full of excitement for the upcoming Regional Convention. Thanks to many of you who attended the pre-business meeting for the convention, we got a lot of ideas and other important business handled for the convention. We now have a total of four tours for the convention, of which one will be the Washington Trolley Museum in Washington, PA. This tour will be the same day after the PAT Tour from South Hills to Station Square. The trolley museum has agreed to host the group of convention attendees and take an inside look at the back shops and other interested sights. Please look at the website for the time and cost of the tour. I know in the past that we had a regular monthly meeting and rode one of the trolleys, and this was one of our most attended meetings in recent years. So, if you plan on attending the convention, please look at taking in the four tours that the committee has lined up for your enjoyment. This tour will not be listed in the Kingpin, but it will be on the extra fare sheet on the convention website. Please pass the word that we have added this additional tour for the convention .

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Bring'N'Brag

Arley Mitchell

Hello everyone!! Once again, we had a great response from our members for entries in February, in the category "Motive Power: Diesel, Electric, or Traction." In all, seven models were entered:

Jim Ferguson won **1st place** with his F18AA in HO scale (below). Some very good modeling work here, several of us looked for the joining areas and couldn't find any. Jim did a great job with this unit, and it certainly is something that not many of us are going to have.



Fred Metting won **2nd place** with his PGJ RPO Trolley in O scale (right and below). A lot of great work went into this model. Fred even built a model of the model's interior so we could see what was actually inside the trolley. Outstanding job Fred!!



Arley Mitchell won **3rd place** with his Amtrak E Unit consist (right). These started out as undecorated models, they were painted, decaled, weathered, and detailed. On the A unit magnet wire was used for MU hoses. The A unit also has a working Mars light. I had a really trying time getting the grills to adhere properly on the A unit.



Four additional models were entered in this category. Richie Jordon brought his BNSF SD70's (below). Great paint and detail on these N scale engines!



Bob DeBenedetto brought his Scale Trains CNW SD40-2 (left). These models really look and run good!

Pat Altdorfer brought his Lima model of a DRG ET 165, a Weimar era Berlin "S-Bahn" (commuter train), which plied the City-Ring from 1927 through 1997 (right). Nice work, Pat!



Rick Peltz brought his UP SD24B in N scale. I'm really amazed at the detail that N scale has. I know my railroad empire would be a lot larger in N scale but not with my old eyes! Nice job Rick!



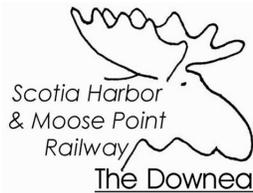
Bud Brock brought for display an Artist Cottage (below). Nice work, there is even another artist out behind the building painting another model.



Photos by Patrick Altdorfer (1, 2, 3, 5, and 9) and Arley Mitchell. (4, 6, 7, and 8).

Name	pts
Julius Fair	03
Jim Ferguson	03
Fred Metting	03
Neal Schorr	02
Arley Mitchell	01





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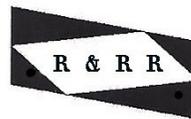


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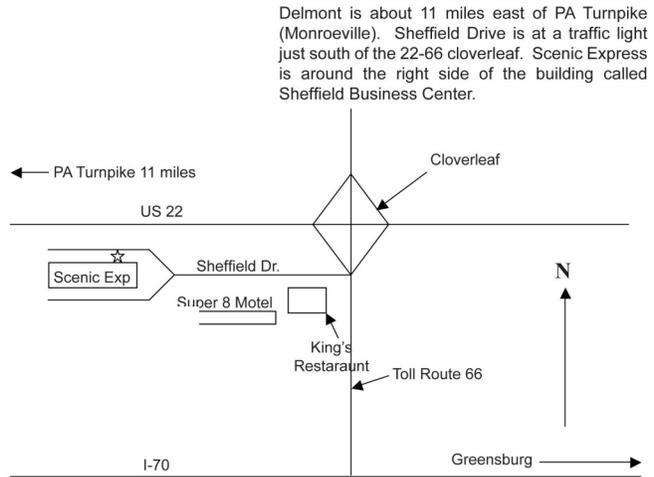
Jim Elster welcomes us back again to Scenic Express, one of our hobby's leading suppliers of scenery material and accessories. Jim is opening at 11:30am for our shopping convenience before the meeting, and after the business meeting he will demonstrate some new scenery ideas, tips, and products now available.

Apr. 19: Mon Valley RR Historical Society

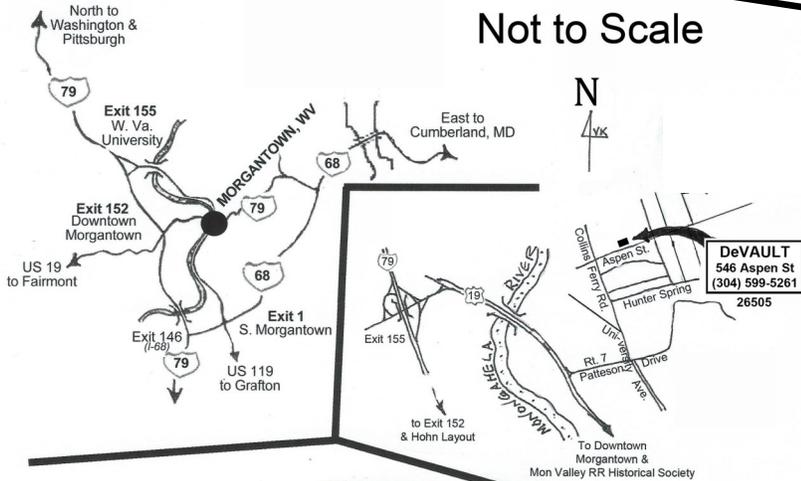
The MVRRHs hosts our April meeting in Morgantown, West Virginia. The club layout will be open, as will at least one of the fine local home layouts (at this writing Keith and Janet DeVault are confirmed). As such, please consider the map to be printed next month (in the April Keystone Flyer) to be more authoritative than the maps below. The program after the meeting is also not yet determined at this juncture.

MAP FOR THE MARCH MEETING

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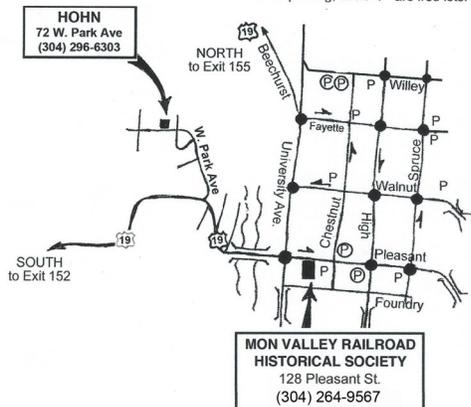


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DOWNTOWN MORGANTOWN, WV

Arrows denote One-Way traffic.
 "P" is for parking; circle "P" are free lots.



MAPS FOR THE APRIL MEETING

April 19, 2020:
MON VALLEY RAILROAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
 128 Pleasant Street
 Morgantown, WV 26505

February 16, 2020 Business Meeting

Superintendent Keith DeVault gaveled the meeting open at 2:30 PM. He thanked The Rochester Area Heritage Society for opening up the building and displaying the model train area and other parts of the museum for the division.

The hat was passed.

We had one guest, Bryan Jodon, visiting with his brother Richie.

The minutes of the January 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 February 23. The Keystone Flyer Pike Ads are now due to the treasurer with a cost of \$15. If you want to make a change of your ad, please submit to Patrick as soon as possible.

Treasurer: Jeff Gregg reported that the division was solvent. The post office has cancelled our mailing certificate. Andy Blenko the convention treasurer was out of town on family business and no report was presented.

Programs: Frank Benders announced that today's program will be Steve Ross and his Railfan Photography. The March meeting will be at Scenic Express and Jim Elster will be presenting the program on what's new with Scenery. Doors will open at 11:30 for your shopping pleasure before the 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 225. He also reported that the website is up to date, the convention page is up and running, and more will be added so please check back often.

Free-Mo: Pat Altdorfer reported that 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 7 entries.

"The Prussia" was one of 21 locomotives built in Philadelphia for the Berlin-Potsdam Railway between 1839 and 1841. Photo by Patrick Altdorfer.



Video Library: Bud Brock was present and the library is on the table next to the company store in the hallway. He has 3 volumes on Craftsman Kits along with some NMRA DVDS.

Achievement Program: Dennis Vaccaro announced that he has one Golden Spike Award to submit.

T-Trak: Richie Jodon announced that T-Trak will be present at the upcoming Greenberg train show. He has 5 members already signed up to help at the show. 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: No old business was announced.

New Business: Motion by Rick Feltz and seconded by Bud Brock that the division headed by Dennis Vaccaro purchase a new division computer for use for the convention and meetings. The vote was taken and approved by the membership.

Steel City Express Convention: Keith thanked everyone in the audience who attended the convention meeting before this meeting. The meeting was well attended and everything is progressing very well now. The article to the Kingpin has been submitted, and Neal Schorr is working on one additional tour during Friday afternoon to help with the cost of the bus:

Light Rail – Friday May 29

Bridge Tour – Saturday May 30, Friday morning because of parking on the tour

Western Pennsylvania Model Railroad Museum – open Saturday May 30, 1-4, only by bus (limit is 50 people).

For the Good of the Division:

Dennis Vaccaro announced that the sale of the estate of Jerry Kyslinger went very well and the proceeds from that sale went to his family. He thanked everyone for purchasing items from that sale.

Dennis announced that the Mid West Region hosted by Gary Kohler will hold their show on March 27th in Ohio.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM.





Our second meeting at the Rochester Area Heritage Society gave us another chance to explore Joe Long's intricately detailed HO scale model train display, which depicts some of the important industries and daily life in Rochester, PA around 1900. Joe explained that he was in kind of a hurry to get this model (left) completed for the layout, and when he realized he did not have enough time to finish it, he simply placed workman on ladders and on the roof, to "install" the windows and to finish the roofing asphalt and wall caps (detail, at right). This is how the structure will stay for the time being, because it nicely conveys action and daily life in Rochester ca. 1900. This is the only model on the layout that represents a building that still stands today—the bowling alley.



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