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Editor's Model of the Month by Alden McBee

Division Meeting Schedule

March 19, 2017 - Mon Valley RR Historical Society, 128 Pleasant St, Morgantown, WV 26505 Layouts: Club open at noon; Hohn, DeVault, and Colvin open 11:30 - 1:30 PM Program: Railroad Signals, by Jerry Deevers

SATURDAY, April 29, 2017 - Keystone Division JAM-BOREE at Robert Morris University Sewall Center, 6001 University Blvd., Moon, PA 15108 Registration open at 8:00 AM

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Bring'n'Brag

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 Worshin	

Submission Deadline for the next Flyer:

March 31, 2017

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From the Super's Desk

To all division 2 members and your guests: This a friendly reminder of the upcoming Jamboree at the Sewall Center on the campus of Robert Morris University on Saturday April 29, 2017, starting at 9:00 A.M.

The committee of Jim Sacco, Grier Kuehn and Gary Carmichael have put together another great day of activities. There will clinics all day so you can pick and choose which ones you will attend. They have lined up a very intelligent and likeable Banquet speaker in Lionel Strang from Canada, who was for years an associate editor of Model Railroader. He would write a column each month titled "Workin' on the Railroad" which showcased many different aspects of our hobby.

In Lionel's own words from his Facebook page- if you're unsure whether to attend or not-"please consult with a medical professional and at least two lawyers", when you listen to Lionel. He will have you in stitches and falling to the floor.

Remember to clean out your railroad stuff that you will not be using on your layout and bring that to the Jamboree, where you can sell off the items and profit a few bucks into your pocket. We will have the usual Bring N Brag contest on 4 different areas: Motive Power, Rolling Stock, Structures and a new one called Highway vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).

So if you're a fan of model railroads and want to enjoy a full day of activities along with the great fellowship that we have in Division 2 members, come on out to the Jamboree on April 29th.

As an added bonus, the committee has several top notch layouts that will be open on Sunday for your pleasure.

... Keith De Vault

Video Review - Darryl Huffman, "Easy Scratchbuilding in Wood" by Susan Werner

In this 4-disc series, Darryl Huffman takes the viewer through the building of a small building from concept through finishing and the addition of a porch roof. Each step is carefully explained and demonstrated. Alternatives were offered in places where appropriate. The entire process takes as long to demonstrate (7 hours) as it would to build the small structure. The only part of the process left out is drying time. If the viewer is new to scratchbuilding, this is a very useful guide to doing so. If one is an old hand at scratchbuilding, there are many useful tips to be gained during the course of this video series (even if it is a bit long). Darryl builds his model in O scale, but uses techniques found

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Minutes

The meeting was convened at 2:30 p.m. by Superintendent Devault. He thanked Bob Meir and several Board members of the WPMRM for hosting our get together. They gave a brief explanation of their future expansion plans.

The minutes of the of the previous Business Meeting were approved as published in the Keystone Flyer. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Keystone Flyer: Editor Vagel Keller pointed out that Pike Ads are now due for the Keystone Flyer. He also pointed out that March's submissions for March are due on March 3rd, not February 2nd, as published in the Flyer.

Financial: It was pointed out that as a public corporation, our financial transactions need not be published in the Keystone Flyer in any detail. Hence forward, our financial status will be published only in general terms.

Second, it was pointed out that we should have an alternate for the convention account, who can sign off on monetary transactions, when the primary account holder is not available.

Programs: Today's program after the meeting will be a Power Point presentation on the woes and joys of owning one's very own Pullman sleeping car. Next month's presentation will be on railroad signals by expert Gerry Deevers of the Morgantown Club.

<u>**Company Store</u>**: Susan Werner announced that Morning Sun Books is now venturing into the realm of soft-cover books. If you see anything interesting, contact her. The distributor may also handle more than Morning soft cover books. Neil Schorr still has copies of both the new and old editions of books on the Pa. Turnpike.</u>

<u>Membership & Website</u>: Tom Gaus reported that we have reached a new high in membership of 267 people. The web site should be up to date. If you have any comments or corrections, please contact Tom.

Free-Mo: No report. There were no members of the Free-Mo group present to answer questions. No one seems to have been in contact with Jerry for several months. They are always looking for more volunteers to help, even if just with set-up. We also need someone to take charge of the "club" module.

"Review," cont'd ...

in the same book that my husband, Hans, and I used to build the addition to our house. Each step followed current construction standards and techniques. Building this way ensures that the interior of the building looks correct and aesthetically pleasing. Although the series is quite lengthy, I believe that building structures in this manner will result in a very satisfactory end product.

John Gallagher

Video Library: No Report.

Bring N' Brag: Only 5 entries this month.. Please vote.

Achievement Program: One Golden Spike Award and one Electrical Engineer Award have been presented to members in the last month.

<u>**RPM Meet**</u>. We now have 40 vendors and 36 clinicians.

Jamboree: Grier Kuehn announced that registrations are growing.

We need more donations of new merchandise for the raffle. Remember to thank the donors in writing, or donations will dry up. We have already lost several donors because no one bothered to thank them. If you have a donation, see Charlie Blanko. We also would like to see more contest entries. NMRA contest rules don't apply, so don't be intimidated. You can have your entry(s) judged if you wish. As usual, there will be a "white elephant sale" for those "no longer loved items".

You can now use Pay Pal to pay for your registration.

There will also be N Scale modules on-hand.

There were more endorsements for our after dinner speaker, Lionel Strang.

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

For the Good of the Division: More information on the upcoming TCA convention was circulated. It will include a train ride over Horse Shoe Curve and a tour of PRR railroad facilities in Altoona.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

AMTRAK CHARTER & TOUR OF ALTOONA MUSEUMS

The Train Collectors Association is offering a chartered AMTRAK trip from Pittsburgh to Altoona and return on June 25, 2017. The cost is \$275 per person.

Admission to the Railroaders Memorial Museum, Horseshoe Curve, and lunch is included. Registration deadline is March 31, 2017.

Information on the web at: https://tcaconventionpittsburgh.squarespace.com/ altoona-rail-tour

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Bring'n'Brag

A thank you to the Western PA Model Rail Museum in Gibsonia, PA for hosting Division 2 meeting. With so many and great plans for the future of this great place to come, it will be wonderful to return to see them come true.

This month's Bring N Brag was "Re-Purposed Box Car". First place was Alden McBee for his C&O (Chessie System) WK 108 boom tender. This model was kit bashed from an old MDC 40 ft. boxcar, chosen because of its metal underframe, which was needed for weight. The underframe was milled down so that a wood tie floor and rails cold be added. Various tools and junk where added as well as a Frederick Mfg. truck modified to look more like a prototype truck. The car is fitted with Sergent engineering couplers.

Second Place was split between Marge Meehan for her O-Scale Boxcar that was a On Rail market fruit and vegetable fresh from the fields stand, and Bill Defoe's Logging Camp office/caboose, kit bashed form a LaBelle Woodworking box car kit. Third Place was Jim Braum for his AV DC Boxcar. Originally I.C. since bought patched but placed in M.O.W. service mostly.

Andy Laurince entered photos of his recycle center, made from several old S-Gauge cars, Linka plaster castings and plaster truck shapes. And as always a Thank You to the members who voted for them. Thank you again.



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Name Alden McBee Bill DeFoe Jim Braum Marge Meehan Michael Hohn Neal Schorr **Dick Flock**

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Marge Meehan's Tin Plate market car, above, tied for Second Place, while Jim Braum's relettered and weathered HO model of a second-hand box car, below, garnered Third Place in the B'n'B popular vote.

Highway miniatures made another appearance in the form of a new car transporter "for display only."





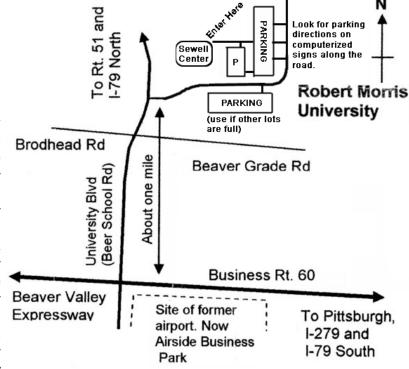
MAP FOR THE SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017 JAMBOREE

Jamboree Update

I can't think of any clever or funny way to say this, so I'll just say it - don't miss this year's Jamboree! We have a great slate of clinics that will soon be posted on our division website. We'll also have our usual contests and a special category for vehicles. Plus food, fun, fellowship and lots of prizes. See our website for more details.

If you're a new member or have recently moved into the area, please feel free to bring samples of your models or interests to share with us. We always have room for displays and it's a great way to meet other modelers.

We have two guest speakers this year - Lionel Strang and Barry Silverthorn. You may remember Lionel was a contributing editor to *Model Railroader*



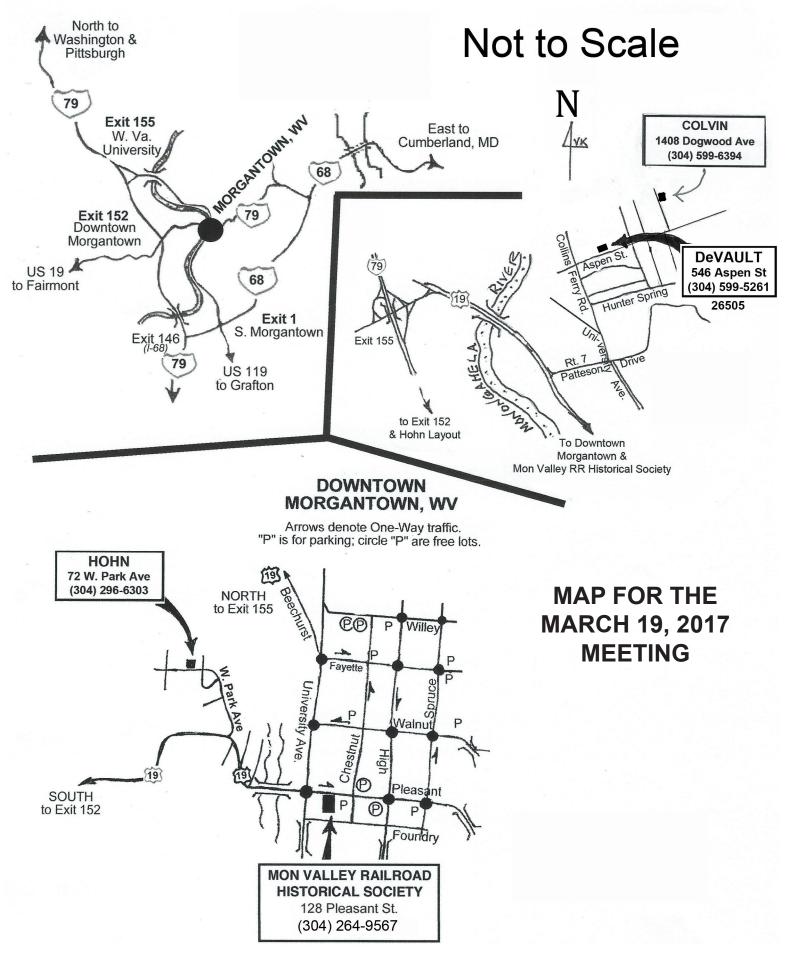
a number of years ago. He currently hosts a podcast called "A Modeler's Life" and some segments of Trainmasters TV for Model RR Hobbyist. Barry is Executive Producer of Trainmasters TV and a professional videographer. He is also an amazing modeler and will present a clinic on making scenery.

Lionel will be our after-dinner speaker. He'll discuss changes he's seen in the hobby while he was away from it for a while, where it's going and how to attract new modelers. He and Barry also discuss a little of what goes into making an episode of Trainmasters TV. That's the current plan. But with Lionel you're never sure, and that's part of the fun of having him as our guest. So show up and enjoy the program!

Lastly, don't forget to bring models for the contests, items for the white elephant tables and to invite others who may not be NMRA members! ... Jim Sacco



Bill DeFoe's very nicely done Office Car, kitbashed from an old Labelle woodworks "kit" tied for Second Place in this month's B'n'B.



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