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Division Meeting Schedule

September 17, 2017 - Schiappa Library, 4141 Mall Drive, Steubenville OH 43952 Meeting at 2:30 PM ORNRy Bunch layouts open 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (except 1/2 hr before) and after meeting. Note: Individual layout times are shown on the map, p. 7.

October 15, 2017 - Norwin Public Library, 1 Caruthers Ln, Irwin, PA 15642 Layouts: Andy Blenko and Bob Prehoda open 11 AM -2 PM & after the Meeting until 5 PM. Program: Andy Blenko, "Walt Disney's Railroad, Pt. 2"

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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 Worship

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From the Super's Desk

Railroads take great pains to ensure shipments arrive at their destination intact, especially hazardous materials. Sitting in a lawn chair this month at our annual picnic, watching trains pass by, I began to wonder how these trains were blocked in each

manifest. The train wreck on CSX tracks near Hyndman made me wonder about each piece of rolling stock and what caused the wreck.

This holds true on our own model train layouts. We have all seen this before, you visit a beautiful layout overflowing with scenery and eye-catching scenes, then comes this train around the curve with a detailed steam engine followed by a tank car of gasoline, a box car of dynamite and a gondola toting telephone poles in front of the caboose. Due to some oversight on the layout owner's thinking, the pretty local ends up on a siding smacking the hind end of a string of box cars, or derailing on a curve. In real life, this would create a mess; in our world, just some work getting the cars back on the track.

Real railroads in blocking cars take into consideration force, the type of car, motion and loads of each car. They also factor in where the train will be going, whether uphill, downhill, over flat spaces etc. We all know that first, heavier cars should travel near the front of the train, then light and or empty cars should populate the rear of the train. In watching the trains pass at the picnic I saw about a dozen empty trailer train cars on the rear with a box car at the very rear to hold the EOT. In another train, I saw box cars near the locomotive, then tank cars in the middle and then some box cars or covered hoppers at the rear. The heavier cars on the front near the locomotive ease coupler strain, and empties on the rear prevents buckling and jackknifing during shoves.

What does all of this have to do with model railroading. We all try to duplicate how the real railroads operate, so maybe we should follow this practice. Let's try this for example: if your average model train in operating sessions is 10 cars, use three cars as your standard between the car carrying the dynamite after the locomotive and or the occupied caboose. Apply this simple procedure while operating and provide an authentic flavor for your operators.

I would like to mention that we will be voting on a theme for the upcoming 2020 Regional Convention that we hope to be hosting in the Pittsburgh area. The vote will be at the meeting at the library in Steubenville this month. Please attend and give us your ideas on the project that the division will be chairing. Also, Carl Volkwein would like to extend his sincere thanks to all of you for the many cards and get wishes on his recovery from his recent fall.

... Keith De Vault

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Minutes

John Gallagher

The meeting was convened at 2:00 p.m. by Superintendent DeVault. He thanked John Gallagher for making the arrangements to use Henley Park. Since everyone seems to like the facility, it was moved and seconded to have the picnic at this location next year. The motion passed by acclimation.

The meeting was very brief to allow the members to enjoy the picnic.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the Flyer. The motion passed by acclamation.

The upcoming meetings were discussed. Next month, in addition to the layout tours, there will be a speaker from Ohio Steel.

The October meeting will be in Norwin as usual.

The November meeting in New Eagle will feature a slide presentation on the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad.

Superintendent DeVault and Jim Sacco have been working on a theme for the 2020 Regional Convention. In addition, we will be offering a laser cut building as a fund raiser instead of the usual freight car. The first kit will be available next summer.

Committee Reports

The Superintendent asked if any of the Committee chairmen had anything to discuss. Since there was nothing important to discuss, we skipped the Committee reports

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

For the Good of the Division:

It was announced that the NYC Historical Society would be opening their permanent headquarters in Ohio. All are invited to the grand opening. Check their website for particulars

There were 7 entries for the Bring N' Brag. Please hurry up and vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.





This HO Scale P&LE Hopper was one of many realistically detailed and weathered models to see in the model room at the Railroad Prototype Modelers meet in Greensburg in March this year.

Bring'n'Brag

Henley Park at Leetsdale, Pa. was a beautiful day for a NMRA Division 2 picnic. The August Bring N Brag was "Work in progress." First place was Bill DeFoe's Coaling Tower. This was scratch built from a series of articles in 1950's-era *Model Railroader* magazines. Today you can get a kit, but Bill did this beautiful reproduction all by hand. Second Place was Alden McBee for his Conveyor with Caboose office. These models depict a small operation at the east end of the Grafton, WV yard, where bad order hoppers were unloaded and coal transferred to another hopper. Third place was Neal Schorr for his Goodman's Feedmill at Port Royal, Pa.

Other Bring-N-Brag entries were Dennis Vaccaro's PRR Shire Oaks Switcher, Jim Braum's Diesel engine, Brayce Walat's Merchant's Row 1, and Mark Vinski's Airslide covered hoppers. All where interesting pieces of work in progress at all levels of workmanship.

The picnic food was great, sorry if you missed it, and as always a Thank You to the members there who voted for the modeling work done. Thank you again.

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Bill DeFoe's First Place B'n'B entry this month harkens back to days when the model railroading hobby press published for a readership with much different needs and interests than is evidently the case today. Bill built this beautiful HO-scale structure from plans that appeared in a series of articles in issues of 1950's-era *Model Railroader* magazine.

The plans were based on a prototype built by the Roberts and Shaeffer Co. in 1922 for the Central Vermont Rwy. in St. Albans, VT. According to Bill, "It's official title was 'Roberts and Shaeffer 300-Ton 2 Track Automatic Electric Shallow Pit Coaling Plant and Gravity Sand Plant.' How's that for a mouthful! If you google Roberts and Shaeffer you will find that they built quite a large array of coaling towers." He added that the plans later led to the development of a kit.





Donald Austel

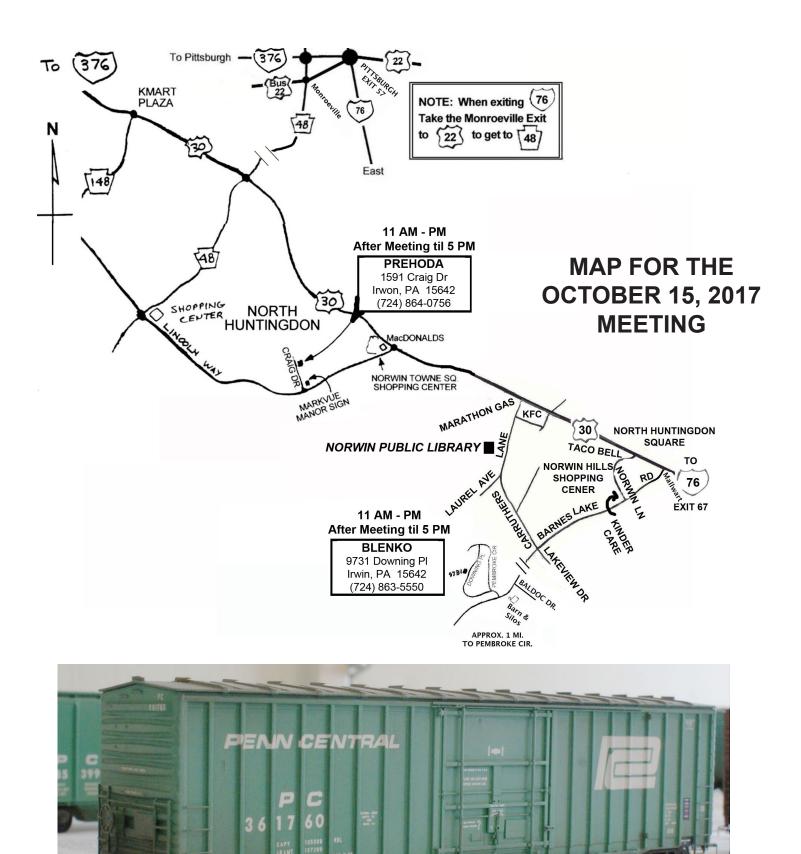
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	Dick Flock Dennis Vaccaro	9 9	Jerry Kyslinger Andy Laurince	2 2
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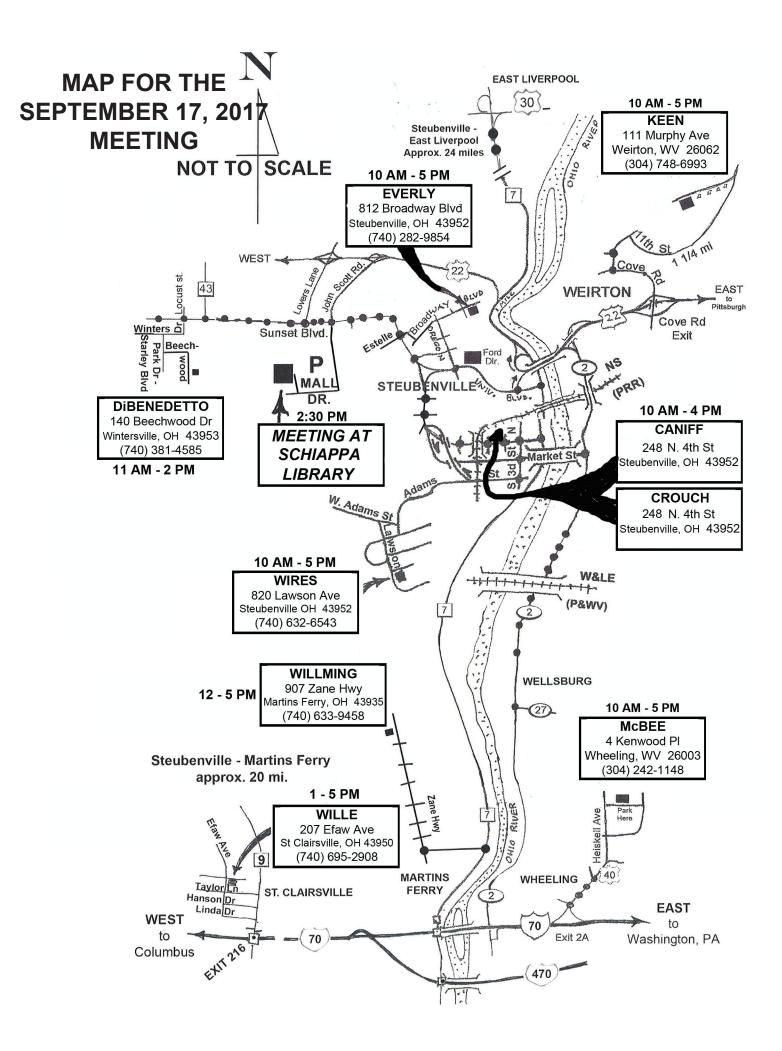
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Another of the many fine models displayed at the Railroad Prototype Modelers meet in Greensburg in March this year.



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