

THE LAKESHORE SPECIAL



President's Message for April 2018

Ok, So I will write just one more President's message since technically I am still President until I get voted out of office in June. Since the biggest thing happening right now is York and the Spree, I will confine my comments to those subjects.

York Train Meet for spring 2018 is now history, and like all York meets had its unique moments. On the good side, the now repaired van transmission worked like a charm and we had no problems what so ever with transportation of all the stuff that I, Max Gruber, and Tom Scott had to take with us. We actually left some inventory at home because I was concerned about the weight of all that stuff overloading the springs, but we had no troubles in transportation. Coming back home we had a lot less weight to carry from three very good sales days at the show. No hassles from the show people in spite of the fact that many of the dealers on Saturday just ignored the constant threats about not packing up until two PM and were on the road home by noon.

Once again, we proved that many people are simply idiots when it comes to money and spending. Brian and I had a lot of cheap ten-dollar cars, about sixty of them, that were totally ignored by everyone when we polished them up and put a price tag on them. So, we said the heck with it and just dumped them all in a tub with a sign "ten dollars each or three for twenty-five dollars" People went nuts! They were digging through that box and we sold cars in lots of three all day.

Finally, we reached a point when they were not selling very well, so we crossed out the ten and put up an eight-dollar sign, but we forgot to change the three for twenty-five sign. People went nuts again only this time they were buying cars at eight dollars each or three for twenty-five, and guess what? They all bought in threes and handed us twenty-five dollars to get the bargain.

Doesn't say much for math teachers, does it?

We also had an incident of a jerk and a 21115 engine. The guy picked up the tender to the most valuable engine we had on the table, grabbed the side frame to the truck, said "Is this thing original or re-glued?" and proceeded to rip the side frame off the tender, spilling the wheels on the floor. He then said "See I told you it was repaired." Then of course he put the parts down and walked away triumphantly, leaving me to do an emergence repair right at the table. Somehow those jerks are always around.

So anyhow we had a great time, nobody we knew died between Yorks, and we all made money. Not a bad week after all.

So now we head for the 2018 S Spree in Dayton in three weeks. It is on the eleventh and twelfth of May, and is a meet just for S Gaugers, put on by S Gaugers. There will be the usual layout tours, clinics, lots of stuff for sale, a model contest, layouts from other clubs, and even some new products brought by the manufacturers you have come to know and buy from. Now you can meet these people in person and see firsthand what their products can do. The cost of this show is very little even with it being a two-day show. Just check out the website of the Miami Valley S Gaugers for convention details. If you are looking for a place to crash for the night, I have a room in the main hotel with twin king beds and plenty of towels. You are welcome to move in if you need a place to spend a night.

For some of you new comers, this is a great place to meet people, get free advice on a variety of topics, and learn about model railroading. I will see you at Dayton.

Lee



NEWS AND NOTES:

Our next meeting will be held on May 20, 2018 at the home of Jim and Mary Ann Sima, 32185 Burlwood Road, Solon, Ohio 44139, and on June 3, 2018 we will be having the picnic at the Live Steamers in Medina. More information on both events will be high-lighted in next month's newsletter.

As noted in the minutes, our slate of officers is set, with the exception of club secretary, so we still need someone to step up for that vital position. I want to comment everyone who has stepped forward to help out with the club.

Please note that the dues are due and with the change in officers, newsletter editor and chairman of the board, we are requesting again that nobody make payment to the officers, etc. All dues should be sent to our treasurer, Gregg Melzer, 19230 Saratoga Trail, Strongsville, Ohio 44136.

We have two upcoming train events in May:

May 5, 2018 is the TCA show at the UAW Hall in Parma, Ohio, which is noted on our website, and I believe has a flyer included in this newsletter, and the 2018 S Spree held in Dayton, Ohio and hosted by the Miami Valley S Gaugers, and also has a flyer included in this newsletter; The Spree is always an excellent event where you can meet with members of the other clubs, enjoy events unique to that Spree, purchase and/or acquire neat items for your layout or collection, get ideas for your own layout or the club layouts, and just generally have a good time. So, think about heading down to the Spree. If you need a ride, check with other club members to see who is going.

Also, please note that both the hi-rail layout and the tinplate layout will be undergoing repairs and remodeling this spring and summer, the hi-rail going between Jim Futules' and Lee McCarty's residence, the tinplate layout scheduled to be at Jim Zborowski's. Check the newsletter and website for further info. We will need people to help

on both layouts

It is hard to believe, but it has now been six years since I went to York. While I wanted to go this time, it was probably better that I did not go, as it may have been risky due to the cold. As it was I finally got to start some layout renovations on my home layout, the Tykerville, Grinchberg and Timberland (can you guess which town is named for my in-laws, har-har!!), and will be working on these renovations through the spring and summer and into the fall.

With this newsletter, I am introducing you to our new editor, Tom Fritsch, who has already done an excellent job in putting together the bulk of this Newsletter. Tom's contact info is tgfritsch.1@juno.com; Tel: (330)-285-9994. It is hard to believe nineteen years has passed in my doing the newsletter, and that I am approaching the end. See you somewhere soon.

Chuck

PAINESVILLE DEPOT

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125TH BIRTHDAY

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August 4, 2018 Admission **FREE**
10 am to 5 pm Donations accepted and appreciated!



The First Painesville Train Station was built in 1850 for the Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula Railroad. The first train ran from Painesville to Cleveland on November 20, 1851. The trip took about 2 1/2 hours. The alternate form of travel was a 14 hour, once per week stagecoach ride, horse back or walking.

The present Painesville Depot was Built in 1893 under the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad (LS&MS). The LS&MS railroad merged with the New York Central Railroad in 1914. This Station served as a passenger station until 1971 when Amtrak was formed.

The Western Reserve Railroad Association, doing business as The Painesville Railroad Museum, received ownership of the station in 1997.

Live Music
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Free Birthday Cake
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Ice Cream
One serving per person

MEETING MINUTES — MARCH 25, 2018

The March 25, 2018 meeting of the Cuyahoga Valley S-Gaugers was held in the Dining Car at the El Tren Grill in Tallmadge, Ohio, with the meeting called to order by President Lee McCarty at 6:20 pm with 13 members present.

Gregg Melzer our treasurer is doing fine and is in good spirits. Gregg has indicated that he wishes to continue as our treasurer. Gregg will be having surgery on April 10th. Chuck Fonda made a motion that the club should send flowers to Greg and Bill Newhouse seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

As requested, Jim Futules purchased a new set of Cinch Jones plugs for the tinplate layout and turned them over to Tom Scott who will get them to Bill Shaw. Jim also indicated that he had to pay to have the chairs picked up at the UAW Hall for our January show. He also paid the reservation fee for the El Tren dining car. He was asked to submit his expenses to the treasurer. The Cleveland Public Library paid Tom Scott for the use of his All Aboard layout and the club for the use of the tinplate layout at their Thanksgiving weekend event.

NEW BUSINESS:

The club's 2019 S-Spree Train Show was brought up. A down payment was made to reserve the Crown Plaza hotel for our 2019 Spree. The Crown Plaza Englewood hotel will be offering the club twice the space over what the club had at the 2016 Spree with a free hospitality room. The hotel is also providing three rooms free to the club. Lee suggested that the club have them as door prizes or sell tickets as a raffle. The hotel has 110 tables available. The club will have to rent the additional seventy-five to one hundred tables. The banquet would be held on Friday night for approximately eighty people. A 2019 convention car will not be done. A "2019 Cuyahoga Valley S Spree Burning River" convention T-shirt will be offered. The remaining Forest City Nursery themed 2016 CVRR flatcars with trailers and American Flyer container flatcars will be available for sale.

UP AND COMING ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2019:

The election of officers that are normally held in March was postponed until May with the following slate.

President: Jim Futules

Vice-President: Bob Shaw

Treasurer: Gregg Melzer

Secretary: **IS STILL OPEN.**

Tom Fritsch will be doing the Newsletter.

UP AND COMING EVENT:

June 3rd the club will go to the Live Steamers for our club picnic. Approximately seventy-five people will be attending.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was motioned by Chuck Fonda and seconded by Bill Wyatt. The motion passed with the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. Our next meeting will be at the Bone Yard Restaurant in Broadview Heights.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Futules, Secretary



Snow Dogs Train Show

Saturday, January 5, 2019

Wind, nor Rain, nor Snow will kept a train fan from a good train show!

UAW Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, Ohio 44130

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

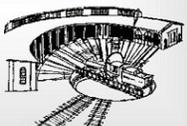
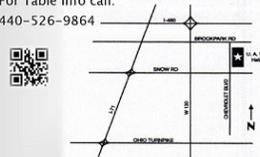
Admission: \$6.00, Kids under twelve Free

Free Parking

This is an ALL Gauge Show with over 150 tables of trains and toys.

Operating Layout of several gauges
Good Food at reasonable prices
Free Parking

For Table Info call:
440-526-9864



Show sponsored by Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge Association (www.cvsqa.com)

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Upcoming Shows:

TCA Train Meet, May 5, 2018 Parma, Ohio, UAW Hall, Parma, Ohio

Model Train Days, May 5-6, 2018, Painesville Railroad Museum.

S Spree - Dayton, May 11 & 12, 20

Miami Valley S Gaugers

<http://www.sspree.info>

Jefferson Model Train Show, July 21, Jefferson, Ohio

Be sure to check www.cleveshows.com for the most complete list of NE Ohio Train and Toy Shows!

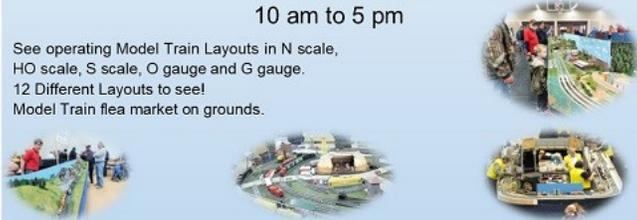
MODEL TRAIN DAYS

at
THE PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM
475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077
For info call Len at 440-417-6746

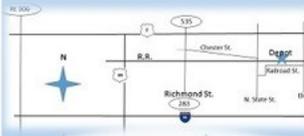
MAY 5-6 2018

10 am to 5 pm

See operating Model Train Layouts in N scale, HO scale, S scale, O gauge and G gauge.
12 Different Layouts to see!
Model Train flea market on grounds.



Admission: \$5.00 adult, \$3.00 child (3 to 12 year old)
\$12.00 Family (max 2 adults, 3 children)



Direction to Painesville Depot
I-90 (exit 200) to Rt. 44
North on Rt. 44 to Rt. 2
East on Rt. 2 (1.5 miles) to OH 535 / OH 283 (exit 223)
South on OH 283 for 200 feet, left turn (east onto Chester St.)
East on Chester St (0.7 miles) to North State Street
South on North State Street (under RR Bridge) to Railroad Street.
East on Railroad Street to Depot.

Food and Drinks available.
Proceeds to help the restoration and preservation of the historic NYC Painesville Depot and bring her back to its glory days of the NYC.

www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org
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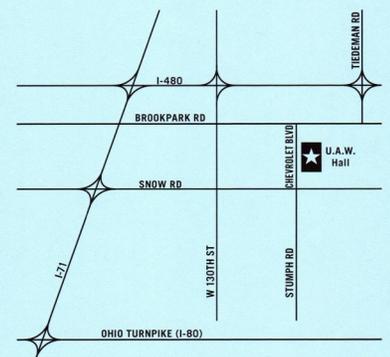
**LAKE ERIE CHAPTER
TRAIN COLLECTORS
ASSOCIATION**

SPRINGTIME TRAIN MEET

Saturday, May 5th, 2018

U.A.W. Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio

- Free Parking
- Ground-Level Entrance
- Good Lighting
- Wide Aisles
- Refreshments Available
- New and Old Trains
- Parts, Repair Manuals, Price Guides, Books, etc.
- Train Videos
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- Lionel, American Flyer, MTH, Williams, Weaver, LGB
- O, S, HO, N, Z & Large Scale



NEXT LAKE ERIE CHAPTER MEET: NOVEMBER 24TH, 2018

ADMISSION: Adults \$6 • Children Free
Open to the Public 10 am - 3 pm

For More Information Contact: tcalakeerie@gmail.com

Jefferson Historical Society

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Saturday, July 21, 2018

10:00 am - 3:00pm Admission \$2.00 Children under 12 FREE!

Train and Railroad related items only
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Website www.jeffersonohiohistoricalsociety.org
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Tables (6') _____ @ \$12.00 ea \$ _____

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Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to:
Jefferson Historical Society
P.O. Box 574 Jefferson, Ohio
44047

The officers and members of the Jefferson Historical Society are not responsible for any loss, damage, injury or tort during this event or related activities.

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Note -Table Rental Money will be refunded if this event is canceled



2018 Spring S Spree

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INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

SPREE CAR INFO

DIRECTIONS

May 11-12, 2018

Hosted by

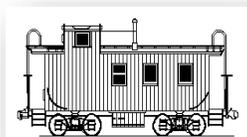
Miami Valley S Gaugers

LOCATION:

Crossroads Expo Center
in the IBEW Building
6550 Poe Avenue
Dayton, Ohio 45414

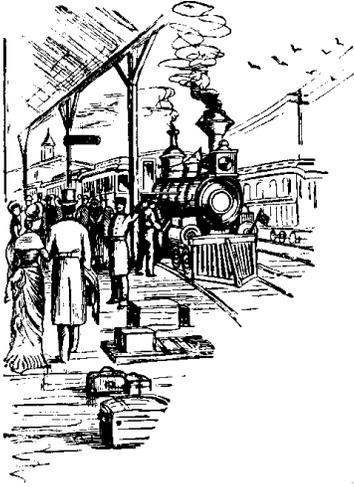


For more information, contact Spree Chair Walt Schnee at
email: wschnee@woh.rr.com



NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, April 29, 2018, 6:00 PM

The next meeting will be held at Maison Chez McCarty, the home of our beloved president Lee McCarty, 8725 Broadview Road, Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147. Lee has been working hard on his layout, and has actually installed DCC, so he will want to show that off. For questions or directions, contact lee at (440)-526-9864 (home); (440)-665-0243 (cell) or via email at macsir@aol.com). The meeting will start at 06:00 PM, so be there to enjoy Lee's layout,



CVSG

Lee McCarty

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