



THE LAKESHORE SPECIAL

President's Message for November 2019

The only true constant in this world is change but it is human nature to resist it whereby we tend to get set in our ways with a preference to leave things just as they are. In some ways, I am like that and it became obvious around my home where nothing ever seems to change because it is my comfort zone. Lately, I have begun to realize that the house is in need of some upgrading to improve its appearance for that if and when day Maria and I decide to sell it.

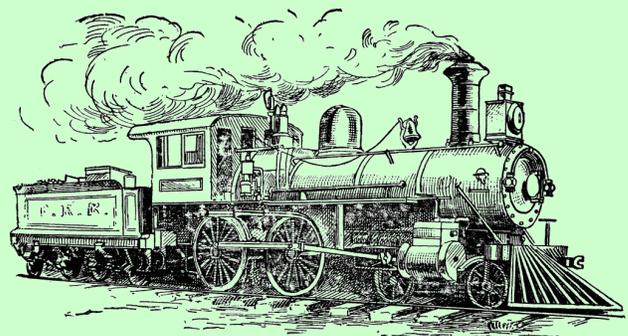
The same holds true of the tinsplate and high rail layouts where they have become our comfort zone and there appears to be some resistance to do anything with them. For the present, my focus will be on the high rail layout and why it is time to make some major changes. The tinsplate layout will be for another time.

The current high rail layout is actually the third one done by the CVSGA. The first one was built and was gone before I came into the organization. The second one was built in 1984 using code 125 rails. It did the job for a while until the rails wore to the point where the wheel flanges on the American Flyer cars and locomotives began to bump across the track spikes. The layout was upgraded to code 148 rails in 2000 with the entire track plan completely revised to what we now have.

The layout sits on the very framework that was first built in 1984 using old ideas without any thought to the difficulties it would eventually create. Granted, some improvements were made recently by removing roughly 200 pounds of

wood from the panels, reduced the number of cross braces using J-bolts instead of C-clamps to attach them (which in itself eliminated another 50 pounds), a roll around box for the legs, and modifications to the bridge sections so that they fit better. There were also some changes to the scenery the most notable of which is the two stone arch bridges that offered greater visual appeal. However, it still has problems with weight, complexity, and wood that is deteriorating. It has served us well over the years but it has gotten old and it is time to replace it with something that is new and fresh with ease of transport and setting up in mind. I will be working with Ken Vendlinger and Darrel Dunham in putting together a workable plan for the new layout.

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President's Message Continued

It is time to start thinking about our annual Christmas gathering. I was considering the Depot Restaurant in Berea until Lee and Cindy McCarty stepped up to host the pot luck dinner at their home in Broadview Heights.

When: 4:00 PM Sunday, December 8, 2019

Where: 8727 Broadview Road in Broadview Hts.

What to bring alphabetically by your last name:

A-E: Bring a main dish that will take care of around 12 people

F-K: Bring a side dish

L-Q: Dessert

R-V: An appetizer

W-Z: Pop

The tinsplate layout is committed to the Winterfest event at the Cleveland Public Library on Saturday November 30, 2019 with setup on Friday. Contact Chuck Fonda for specifics.

With our Snow Dogs train show coming up on Saturday January 4, we need a volunteer to haul the tinsplate layout to the UAW Hall the day before and back after the show.

The next meeting is at the Golden Corral in Macedonia on Sunday November 24, 2019 at 6:00 PM. It is located on Route 82 just off of Route 8 to the west. The restaurant does have a room that is separate from the rest of the facility. See you all there.

Jim Futules

MEETING MINUTES — OCTOBER 20, 2019

The October 20, 2019 meeting of the CVSGA was held at the Tres Portrillos Restaurant in Beachwood, Ohio, and called to order by President Jim Futules at 6:19 p.m. with 10 members present. Jim Futules noted that he had received the Treasurer's report from Gregg Melzer prior to the meeting. We are still in good shape with no outstanding debts.

Old Business - S Spree flat cars are still available for sale as noted in prior newsletters

Discussion continued about the new club layout plans with proposals to be brought forward by Ken Vendlinger and Darryl Dunham at upcoming meetings.

Chuck Fonda noted that we are looking into Spree sites for the next S Spree we would be hosting in either 2023 or 2024, noted that the idea would be to start with a wide range of possibilities up to 35-50 sites by next March and narrowing down the sites to about 15-20 by next spring.

As previously noted, the consensus is that the club trailers will be placed into the club name, and a discussion was had about how insurance

for the trailers will be handled. Among the possibilities discussed was not insuring them during the summer months when they would essentially be in storage.

Ray Diersing and Jim Sima reported that they picked up the club layout trailers prior to the Berea Train Show and at the end of the show transported them back to the lot behind Jim Sima's business, where they will be stored indefinitely. No issues were reported with either trailer.

Chuck Fonda reported that Ken Vendlinger had noted that the layouts ran well at the show, and no problems were indicated. Chuck also noted that the contract for the Winterfest 2019 event with the Cleveland Public Library had been signed and returned. The date of the event is November 30, 2019, with set-up around 4:00 P.M. on the 29th. Anyone planning on assisting should contact Chuck by cell phone at 216-544-6400 or by email at cwalf@aol.com.

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MEETING MINUTES — SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 CONTINUED

New Business - Jim Futules gave the York Report. Biggest news was the decision by the Eastern Division of the TCA to go back to a Friday-Saturday meet starting in April 2020. Jim also noted that large S Spree vendor Gary Clark had a major health issue.

Discussion was had about upcoming shows. Bill Newhouse and Mike Udolph were to take the tinfole layout to the Mt. Hope show on November 2, 2019. but the layouts were not going to any other show before our Snowdogs Train show on January 4, 2020.

We will take our show flyers to upcoming train

shows in the area in November and December, including the TCA and Frieden shows.

Next Meeting. November 24, 2019; Our Snowdogs Train show - January 4, 2020; York TCA Eastern Division show October 17-19, 2019.

With no further items, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Joe Jansky, seconded by Jim Sima, approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Chuck Fonda, Acting Secretary

NOTE FROM CHUCK

While I may see a few of you at the Library event, and some more at the next meeting, I may not see most of you until the Snowdogs train show. So, I just wanted to wish all of you a very safe and enjoyable holiday season, whatever your faith. Our respective holiday seasons are rooted in miracles, whether it is oil for lamps lasting eight days instead of one, or a new faith springing forth in very hard times with a message of compassion and love which was different for the times. A priest I knew quite well would

quote Mother Teresa to me "We are not tasked with doing one or two great tasks, but many small ones". Our lives are really each small miracles, blessed with family and close friends near us. Be happy and be joyful as you celebrate the holidays of your respective faiths, treasuring all the wonders present in your lives. A Bientot - or till we meet again.

Chuck

In Honor of Veteran's Day, Men going to War from the Painesville Depot



Responding to the call for troops, Lake Countians departed from the Painesville railroad station amidst a patriotic celebration.



Upcoming Shows:

Nov. 17, Mansfield Train Show, Mansfield, Ohio

Nov. 30, TCA Meet, Parma, Ohio

Dec. 8, Massillon Trains Show, Massillon, Ohio

Dec. 15, Christmas Train Show, LCC, Kirtland, Ohio

Dec. 29, Mansfield Train Show, Mansfield, Ohio

Dec. 30, TCA Meet, Parma UAW

Jan. 4, Snow Dog Train Show, Parma UAW

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



MANSFIELD TRAIN SHOW

Denny's Trains will have its fifth train show Sunday, November 17, 2019 at The Richland County Fairgrounds 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. in The Fairhaven Hall, 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield, OH 44906 Admission \$6 - under 12 FREE!!

THIS SHOW WILL HAVE ONLY TRAIN-RELATED ITEMS

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Paranormal Investigation

Of The

Painesville Railroad Depot

November 15, 2019, 9 pm to Midnight

Presented by the ladies of
Haunted Housewives

The Painesville Railroad Museum

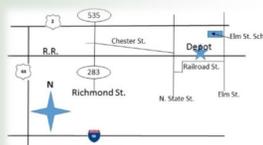
Painesville Railroad Depot

475 Railroad Street, Painesville, OH 44077



This historic building, built in 1893, was used as a passenger depot up until 1971. This haunted building has more than its share of paranormal activity.

VISIT THIS HISTORICAL TRAIN DEPOT



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.

A \$20 donation will be accepted. All proceeds from this paranormal exploration will go to the Painesville Railroad Museum, the group dedicated to the restoration of the NYC Painesville Depot. Visit www.willoughbyghostwalk.com/special-events for ordering tickets.

www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org
A 501(c)3 Non-Profit

The Handmade Market

Art and Craft Show

Hand-Crafted



November 30, 2019

10 am. to 4 pm.

Chinese Raffle

PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM

(NYC Painesville Depot)
475 Railroad Street
Painesville, Ohio 44077
Admission: FREE
For Info:
440-655-4455
prmevent@att.net

Join us at The Painesville Railroad Museum for The Handmade Market. We will be hosting an array of Quality Handmade Artisans and Crafters for Small Business Saturday. Shop Small, Shop Local, Buy Handmade and Preserve History at the Museum. Join the Movement!!



Bake Sale



Refreshments Available



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



**LAKE ERIE CHAPTER
TRAIN COLLECTORS
ASSOCIATION**

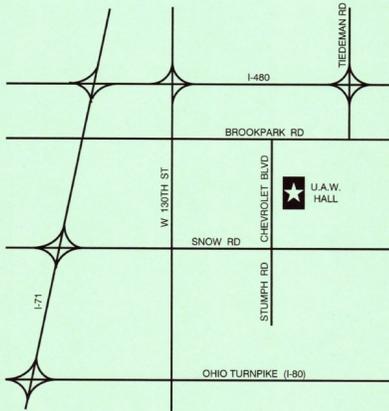
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**THANKSGIVING
TRAIN MEET**

Saturday, November 30, 2019

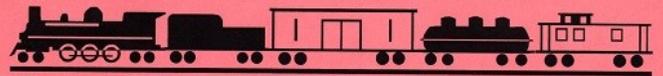
U.A.W. Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio

- Free Parking
- Ground-Level Entrance
- Good Lighting
- Wide Isles
- Refreshments Available
- New and Old Trains
- Parts, Repair Manuals, Price Guides, Books, Etc.
- Train Videos
- Model Building Supplies and Kits
- Lionel, American Flyer, MTH, Williams, LGB, and Many Other Brands
- O, S, HO, N, Z & Large Scale



ADMISSION: Adults \$6 • Children under 18 Free with Adult
Open to the Public 10AM – 3PM
For More Information Contact: tcalakeerie@gmail.com

Jon Ulbright presents the 22nd



Massillon Train & Toy Show

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- NASCAR Items
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Sunday, December 8, 2019

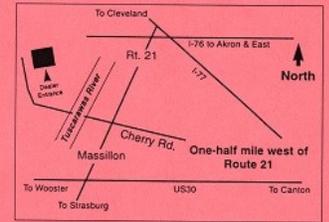
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM • Admission: Adults \$5.00 • Children 12 and under FREE

Massillon Knights of Columbus Hall
988 Cherry Road NW
Massillon, Ohio 44647

No "pack-up" before 3 p.m.

Rules for Dealers:

1. Dealers will set up between 6:00 AM and 9:45 AM.
2. Dealers will accept full responsibility for any injuries or loss to them or their property while attending the show(s). Dealers expressly release the promoters (CJ Trains LLC) and Massillon Knights of Columbus from any liability and agree to hold promoters harmless hereafter.
3. All monies will be refunded for each show that a dealer is unable to attend because of illness or vehicular problems. If unable to attend because of any other reason(s), the dealer must let CJ Trains LLC know one week prior to the show in writing.



4. There is to be nothing attached to the walls.
5. If for any reason the show is cancelled, all sums will be refunded.
6. All boxes and storage material must be placed directly under the tables. No loose material is to be left in the aisles or unattended. Electricity is available if ordered in advance (3-pronged outlet) at no additional cost.
7. All loading and unloading of material, exhibits, and etc. are to be done at the designated entrance.
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Next Show: December 13, 2020

Please Print

Dealers - \$25 per 8' table in advance. — Buy 5 tables, get 1 FREE! — Two free admissions per exhibitor.

I would like _____ tables at \$25.00 each = \$ _____
Free coffee for Dealers till 10:00 AM, courtesy of CJ Trains LLC.

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Email _____

All table orders are prepaid! No exceptions!

Make checks payable to:
CJ Trains LLC
c/o Jon Ulbright
PO Box 446
Wooster, Ohio 44691
www.cjtrains.com

Call after 6:00 PM
Jon Ulbright
(330) 262-7488
e-mail: cathijon@ssnet.com
Massillon - Winter 2019

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**Under New Ownership
Christmas Train
and
TOY SHOW**

2019 BUY - SELL - TRADE

Sunday, December 15, 2019
10:00 am to 3:30 pm
REVISED DATE

Santa Claus will be at the show from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

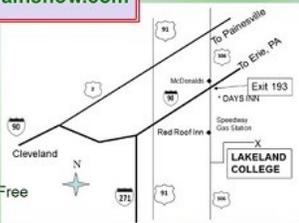
(216) 470-5780

Email: cleveshows@att.net
www.cleveshows.com

Held at:
Lakeland Community College
Athletic & Fitness Center (AFC) Main Gym
7700 Clocktower Dr.
Kirtland, Ohio 44094
Interstate 90 and Rt. 306 (S.E. Corner)

Adm.: Adults \$6.00 Children (6-12) \$3.00, Under 6 Free
Family \$15.00 (2 adults + children under 12)
Active Military Personnel Free

Dealer info at:
www.christmastrainshow.com



Toy Collection for needy families - New in-box toys only (unwrapped). Please no stuffed animals.



Dealer Redeemable this Show
\$25.00 Door Prize Certificate
Drawings at Noon and 2 pm



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Good Food - 24 hr. Police Security

THE NEWS-HERALD

BUY - SELL - TRADE



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Snow Dogs Train Show

Saturday, January 4, 2020

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

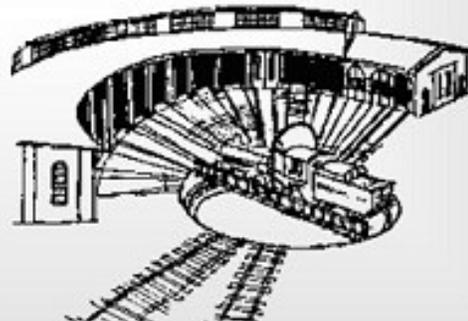
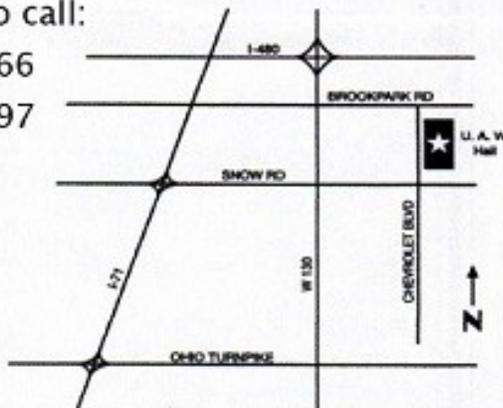
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For Table Info call:

440-833-4366

330-633-9097



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

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, November 24, 2019 , 6:00 pm

Golden Corral in Macedonia

8261 Golden Link Blvd

Macedonia, Ohio 44067



CVSG

Jim Futules,

PO Box 291

TALLMADGE, OH 44278