

April 2017

THE LAKESHORE SPECIAL



President's Message for April 2017

Happy Spring everyone ,

So far it has been a relatively mild and warm climate around here which of course is a total relief from the winter nasties we have put up with for months. Cindy and I and our granddaughter Clarissa went south to Key West and Ft Myers Beach last month for two weeks of warm and dry temperatures and had a great time.

While we were there we dropped in on Marty and Mary Lou Lydecker in their winter condo at Ft Myers. Marty took me to the model train museum he has become associated with, one which has a pretty fair sized S gauge layout featuring American Models code .148 track and switches and a lot of east coast railroad equipment. The museum also has a live steam, ride it railroad of about one and a half mile length, through a lowland swamp and park area which to us northerners was a nice sight of alligators, herons, and many other birds and a lot of little creatures of the wetlands. I also met another volunteer named Dennis from the State Line S Gaugers who will host the S Fest this fall. A very nice fellow! The Lydeckers want everyone to know they are doing fine and expect to be back in town about middle May.

While we were in sunny Florida the club held its annual business meeting and election of officers. First of course Greg gave his report on the financial health of this organization, and rest assured we have a healthy treasury under Greg's watchful eye.

While we are talking about elections and officers, let me mention briefly about our Treasurer Greg Melzer. Even though the president gets all the publicity and attention, the most vital position in this club by far is the person in control of the funds. If that person is not totally honest they can

wipe out our treasury before we know what happened. Some of the old timers in this organization will remember that nearly happened many years ago when the treasury had some serious shorts because of some "creative bookkeeping". Greg took over the Treasurer's duties and we have not had a penny go missing since he took the job.

Greg and I have been friends for over thirty years now. I value his abilities and honesty as much as I do anyone in or out of this club. Thanks, Greg, for all you have done for us over the years. We also lost our long time Vice President, Joe Janski, who has decided to take some time off to spend with his family and brood of grandchildren. Joe, do not think that I will no longer depend on you for help on occasion, but with a very dependable Jim Futules taking over your office, you will no longer have to do all the work by yourself. Maria Futules who has improved our records and minutes by a big margin, has agreed to carry on as Secretary for another year for which I am greatly grateful.

Finally you guys in your infinite wisdom have re-elected me as President once again. Time to be honest, although I grumble about being "President for life" I love doing this job, and am grateful that you all put your trust in me once again. My best friends are right in this club and I consider it an honor to elected your leader once again.



President's Message Continued

One sad note this month: when I got back from Florida I found out that our webmaster, Tom Pescha suffered perhaps the greatest loss that someone can have, the loss of his step daughter, Ryan, who passed away from natural causes at the age of 35 in late March. Ryan was a special needs girl who quickly became the center of attention wherever she went. I only had the chance to meet her once, but that was enough to find out she was a special girl. Our condolences go out to Tom and his wife on their loss.

A memorial service and reception was held at the Painesville railroad Depot where both Tom and Ryan spend quite a bit of time. Several of our members attended the reception and service. It was a good sized crowd that was there also.

Coming up this month will of course be York, where we will be camped in our usual spot at the end of F and G aisles in the White Hall, sell-

ing this massive Flyer collection we have recently acquired. York is really late this year, on the 28/29/30th of April. If you need a spot to collapse and rest a while, we will have extra chairs for visitors.

Finally, don't forget the S Spree in Marion, Ohio, just north of Columbus on the weekend of May 5 and 6. We have been to the place before, an indoor football stadium with thousands of square feet of display space. Last time our club layout was on the thirty yard line. Most of us are also looking forward to the tour of the new roundhouse on the Ohio Central Railroad, the only new roundhouse built in the US in the past forty years, I am told.

See you somewhere down the road soon. Lee



NEWS AND NOTES:

DUES,DUES, DUES. Dues are due.

Coming Soon!



Upcoming Shows:

April 27-29, 2017 TCA – York Train Meet – York County, PA Fairgrounds

May 4- 6, 2017 S Spree – Marion, Ohio County Fairgrounds

May 6, 2017 - TCA Train Meet, Parma UAW Hall

May 6 & 7, 2017 - Model Train Days, Painesville Railroad Museum.

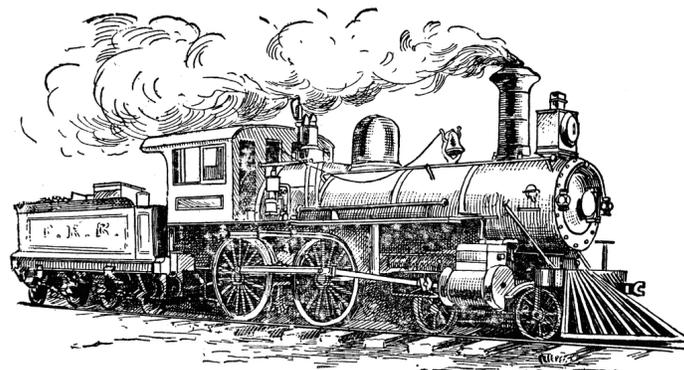
July 15, 2017 - Jefferson Ohio Historical Society - Train Swap and Sale Event , Jefferson, Ohio

July, 22, 2017 Open House at Painesville Railroad Depot

Ryan Marie Morris - Pescha 1981-2017

I wish to thank the club and everyone from it that came to Ryan's Celebration of Live. To say it has not been hard is an understatement. Ryan brought so much joy with her laughter, it was hard not be happy around her.

Tom and Luisa Pescha



MEETING MINUTES — MARCH 26, 2017

The March 26, 2017 meeting of the Cuyahoga Valley S-Gaugers was held at the Bone Yard Restaurant in Broadview Heights. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Joe Yansky at 6:20 pm with 13 members present.

Greg Melzer gave the treasurer's report. All is well with no outstanding debts.

Chuck Fonda took over the meeting to conduct the election of officers. Joe announced that he is stepping down as Vice-President. The slate of officers for election was presented.

President:	Lee McCarty
Vice-President:	Jim Futules
Treasurer:	Greg Melzer
Secretary:	Maria Futules.

The slate of officers was unanimously accepted. With Lee out of town, Jim Futules took over the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

The power pack for the HO layout is burned out and has to be replaced. Maria Futules motioned to replace the Power Pack for \$10.00. Tom Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The 2017 NMRA Railfest in Kirtland on March 18-19, was discussed. It was the intention of the CVSGA to have the tinfoil and high rail layouts at the event. The trailer used to haul the high rail layout had a flat tire and a cracked inflation valve stem on three of the four wheels. There was not enough time to take care of the problem. The high rail layout never got there leaving only the tinfoil layout which worked flawlessly throughout the event. During pack-up of the tinfoil layout, our group started thinking about the situation that was presented to us.

Brian Stopar stated that the trailer for the high rail layout has a number of serious issues. In addition to the cracked inflation valve stems, the floor is rotted away with rusted out support beam and splash fenders. It has basically reached the end of

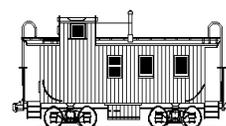
the road and should be replaced. Joe Jansky stated that the cost of a new trailer is in the range of \$4200 to \$4500. This got some of our members to start asking some hard questions, the biggest of which being why do we need three layouts; tinfoil, high rail, and universal (formerly the scale layout). Two is enough thus one of them has to go. For certain, the tinfoil layout stays. This leaves the high rail and universal layouts. The consensus appears to be in favor of keeping the high rail layout and refit the trailer used for the universal layout. However, this is a long term thing and not something to be decided on at the meeting. It was mentioned that if we are to spend that kind of money, it would be better to spend it on upgrading one layout and get rid of the other. Both layouts have their good and bad points. The universal layout was in limbo for many years and the high rail layout is heavy with no serious maintenance done in over 15 years. Brian motioned that the matter be given study to determine the best course of action and seconded by Chuck Fonda. The motion passed.

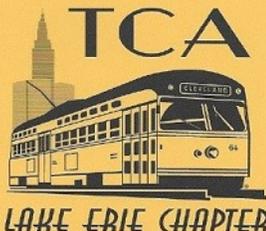
The 2017 Spring S-Spree was brought up. The S Spree is in Marion, Ohio on May 4-6, 2017 at the Veteran's Memorial Coliseum, 220 East Fairground Street (Marion County Fairground). The Tinfoil layout has been committed for that weekend and will require a crew for setup at 5:00 PM on Thursday May 4 and pack-up at 3:00 PM on May 6. It will also require people to operate it from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Friday and from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturday. Please contact Jim Futules at 330-633-9097 or email at jfutures@neo.rr.com to let him know what days you can be there to help out.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Joe Jansky and seconded by Tom Scott. The motion passed with the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. We will be meeting at Wayne Tomsic's home on April 23, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Futules, Secretary





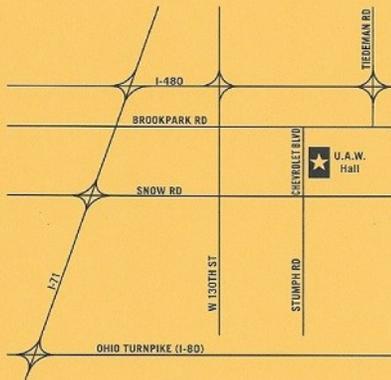
LAKE ERIE CHAPTER TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION THANKSGIVING TRAIN MEET

Saturday, May 6th, 2017

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
- Model Building Supplies and Kits
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- O, S, HO, N, Z & Large Scale



NEXT LAKE ERIE CHAPTER MEET: NOVEMBER 25TH, 2017

All TCA National Division Chapter Rules will be enforced.

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

For More Information Contact: David Stachnik at tcalakeerie@gmail.com.

MODEL TRAIN DAYS

at
THE PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM

475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077

For info call Len at 440-417-6746

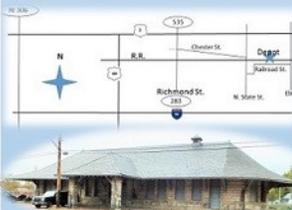
MAY 6-7 2017

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 each, Family \$7.00



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.

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RAILROAD MEMORABILIA SHOW

COME AND SEE ARTIFACTS OF RAILROADS
GLORY DAYS

Sunday, August 27, 2017 10 am to 5 pm

PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM
475 Railroad Street
Painesville, Ohio 44077
216-470-5780



Admission \$5.00 each, Family \$7.00

See railroad signals, plate setting ware (Dinner Ware) that were used in the dining cars, railroad lanterns, paper work from different railroads, conductor hats, engineer hats, and much more from railroads of the past. Some items will be for display only by private collectors and some items will be available for purchase.



Vendors - If you wish to only display your item (not sell them) then your table is Free
If you wish to sell items, then your table cost is \$25.00 per table

Food and Drinks available.

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Aug. 2017 Railroad Memorabilia Show

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Permit# _____ Amt. Enclosed \$ _____ No of Tables _____

6' X 30" Tables

Display only - Tables are free
Selling items - Table cost \$25.00 each

Load in Sat. 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Sun. 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

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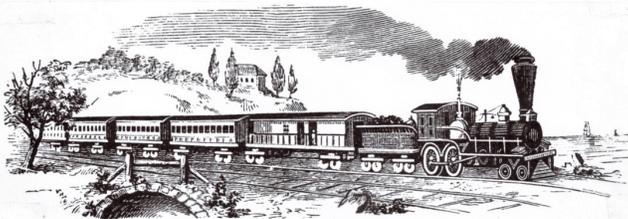
Tom Pescha
3942 East 364th Street
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Please send table request by Aug. 18, 2017

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Jefferson Historical Society presents the first annual

Train Swap and Sale



Saturday, July 15, 2017

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

Good food available at reasonable prices!

Train and Railroad related items only

Jefferson Community Center

11 East Jefferson St., Jefferson, Ohio, 44047

Email jeffersonohiohistoricalsociety@centurylink.net

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

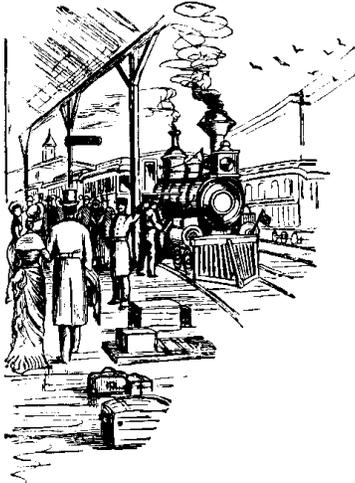
The officers and members of the Jefferson Historical Society are not responsible for any loss, damage, injury or tort during this event or related activities.

We are a small, 43 table event.

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Our next meeting is SUNDAY April 30, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

Meeting to be held at Wayne Tomsic's house, 990 East Boston Road, Broadview Heights, Ohio. Telephone number is 440-526-1587. Email is clewayne@sbcglobal.net. Coming from Broadview Rd and Rt. 82, head south on Broadview road, and turn left on E. Boston Road. Wayne's house is 2nd driveway on left (before development), and you can also park in neighbor's driveway (first driveway on left).



CVSG

Lee McCarty

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Broadview Heights, OH 44147