

January 2016

THE LAKESHORE SPECIAL



President's Message for January 2016

Hi Everybody,

My heavens, is it cold out there today! I just got back from a swim meet in Geneva, Ohio where it is twice as snowy as it is here in sunny Broadview Hts., and I am ready to start looking for property in The Florida keys.

Ok, so I am not going anywhere, at least I can dream, can't I? First order of business, many people have been asking where and when the next club meeting will take place, so here it is. We can't find any place to hold the meeting; the Boneyard has a birthday party booked for next Sunday from four to seven PM, so we are out of luck. Since my place has always been the fall back place to hold our meetings, the next meeting will take place at my home at 6:00 PM. I am pretty well centrally located in the area and it should be a minimum distance to travel even with bad weather for most everyone, so come and play with the trains in the basement this weekend.

We will also be getting the awaited financial report from Greg as to the profitability of the Snowdogs Show on January 2nd. It is the continuing policy of this club not to discuss finances in this newspaper, but Greg has the figures and you will be liking them for sure. We have a treasury that will now carry us through the S Spree this Spring with little trouble.

One thing to note about the Snowdogs Show are the statistics. We had over four hundred and thirty people come through our doors, which was virtually the same number as the TCA Division Show two weeks later. We put up 172 tables and four operating layouts at our show while the TCA, being obsessed with selling tables, had just our tinplate layout and Tom Scott's All Aboard layouts there, but were able to

squeeze in 192 tables. Let me make this point very clear here. The TCA is obsessed with selling tables for the collectors in the hall, and could not care less if there is anything running or not. They only tolerate us because we entertain the kids who come with Dad and Grandfather, but they are there to look for tables filled with goodies.

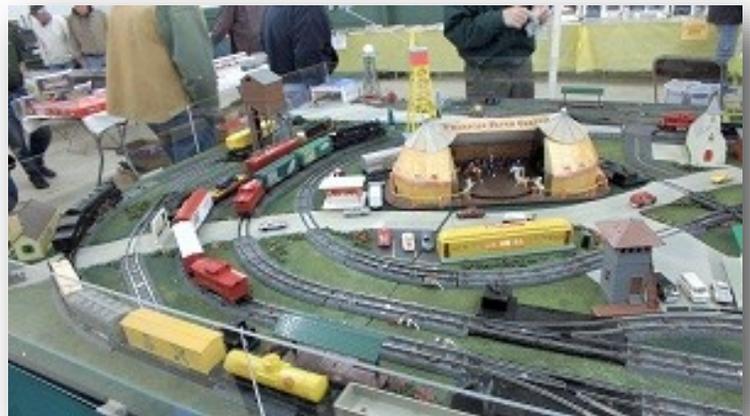
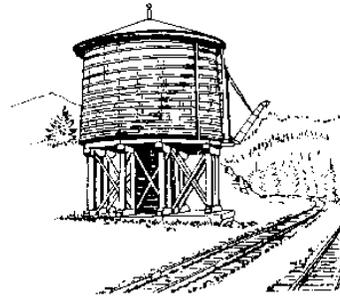
If they can sell some more tables instead of our being there, we will be gone, as has happened before when we were cancelled at the last minute. They put us on the stage because it is the least desirable spot in the hall from their point of view, and they save space for tables full of boxes to see and sell from. I look at it this way, though,. So what if grandpop is not going to climb those silly stairs to get up on the stage, the kids surely will, and it is them that we want to impress with toy trains, not the older generations. We are still doing our mission, promoting trains to a new generation, and getting paid to do it as well.

Speaking of S Sprees, we are getting lot of orders for the Spree cars already. If you plan on buying one of each, which is all you can buy at the moment, I would bring a check to the meeting and give it to Greg. I have a serious concern that by the time of the actual Spree at least the two Flyonel cars will be sold out, which could cause a problem for the rest of the conventioners.



President's Message Continued

All of the magazine advertising for the Spree has been completed, including ads in Model Railroader, CTT, NASG Dispatch, Model Railroad Craftsman, and the S Gaugian, in addition to Tom Pescha and his distribution list. Flyers have been made and are being distributed for the "open to the public" flea market which will be on Saturday, May 14, and we have already had dealers telling us to include them in on Saturday. We will be discussing other events planned for the Spree at the meeting this Sunday as well. See you here, I'll probably be in the basement. Lee



Upcoming Shows:

Feb. 2, 2016 - Medina

Feb. 27, 2016- TCA Winter Train Meet, UAW Hall, Parma

March 19 & 20, 2016 - Railfest 2016 - Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, Ohio, 10 am to 4 pm both days.

March 20, 2016 - Greater Wayne County Train & Toy Show
AKA Dalton Train Show, 10 am to 4 pm

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



MEETING MINUTES — Nov. 22, 2015

The November 22nd, 2015 meeting of the Cuyahoga Valley S-Gaugers was held at the home of Ray and Marcela Diersing and was called to order by President Lee McCarty at 6:27 p.m. with 22 members present.

Greg Melzer gave the treasurers report. Still in good shape.

New Member Dave Groden attended our meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Futules informed the club on the progress of the spree cars and all the difficulties he has run into. The decal manufacturer could not provide the decals for the Forest City Nursery flatcars as desired. Jim had to make the decals with his own printer. For the Mustang flatcars, the milk containers left marks on the flat cars when they were removed requiring touchup. The American Models flatcars with the Forest City trailer are still in process.

Pricing on the spree cars was discussed. It was felt that the AF flatcars are priced too low. It was suggested to retain the prices as shown as an early bird incentive to pre-order before February 1, 2016. The price will be higher after the February 1 date for the limited quantities that are available. The AM flatcars and trailers will remain as originally priced. Lee McCarty made the motion to accept the changes. Seconded by Joe Jansky. The motion was passed unanimously (the website was revised accordingly).

The upcoming club train show at the UAW Hall on January 2nd was discussed. Ray Diersing reported that table reservations were going quite well. An island of tables will be available to the club members at one per member with additional tables only as available. It was proposed that dealers reserving four tables be give a fifth table free. Motion made by Lee McCarty to give dealers a fifth table free. Seconded by Chuck Fonda. The motion was passed. Ray Diersing suggested providing gift certificates to show attendees to spend with any vendor with a number of drawings during the train show. The vendor would then redeem the certificate for the cash value. Motion was made by Chuck Fonda. Seconded by Lee McCarty. The motion was passed. Ray was made the chairman for this effort.

NEWS AND NOTES:

I concur with Lee that we had a nice event at the Snowdogs Train show on January 2, 2016. It sure seemed to me, and to most members of our club that were at both train shows, that we had a better show than the TCA show last Saturday.

I can also report that we had a very successful outing at the Public Library again last November 28. All the layouts went up smoothly and ran quite well. Special thanks to Bill Shaw. Tom Scott, Ray Doersing and Brian, Dawn and Connor Stopar. We had a good time, as did almost all who attended, and we have been invited back for another year.

The upcoming meeting dates are February 28, 2016, March 27, 2016 and April 24, 2016. The next meeting will be at Jim Zborowski on February 28, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS:

The club members were informed that Saturday November 28, 2015 five members would be going to the Cleveland Public Library with the Tin-Plate layout as we have for last few years. Six of our members would be at the TCA Train Show at the UAW hall in Parma running the Universal layout that same day.

Bill Wyatt informed the club members that the 36th annual Tuba Christmas is on December 12th at the E.J. Thomas Hall in Akron. He will be playing his tuba among 500 of them with performances a 12:00 PM and 2:00 PM. It is free to the public but come early as admission is restricted to the number of available seats.

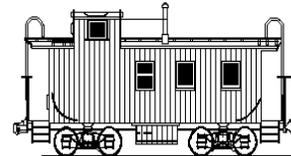
Jim Sima let the club members know that the club's Christmas Party would start at his home on Sunday December 13, 2015 at 5:00 PM and hoping everyone can come.

With no further items, motion for adjournment was made by Joe Jansky and seconded by Tom Ward at 7:38 p.m. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Maria Futules, Secretary

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Finally, Dues are due once again.

See you Sunday. Chuck

Train shows upcoming are the TCA on February 27, 2016, the NMRA Division 5 show at Lakeland College on March 19 and 20, 2016, the Dalton rain show on March 20, 2016 and, of course, our S Spree on May 12-14, 2016. Lee will note that we will be covering both the Dalton and Lakeland shows on March 20, 2016.

There will be a more formal reminder about dues and elections in next month's newsletter. Also, remember to reserve your Spree cars before February 1, 2016.

See you at Lee's, or somewhere soon.

Chuck

The Great Lakes Division
TRAIN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

**WINTER OF 2016
 TRAIN MEETS**

Saturday, January 16, 2016
 Saturday, February 27, 2016

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 Cleveland, Ohio 44130



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- TRAIN VIDEOS
- MODEL BUILDING SUPPLIES AND KITS
- LIONEL, AMERICAN FLYER, MTH, WILLIAMS, WEAVER
- REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE!



LOCATION

DIRECTIONS

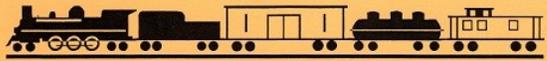
From Northeast
 I-90 to I-71 Southwest to W 130th, to Brookpark Road to Chevrolet Blvd.
 From Southeast
 Ohio Turnpike to I-71 North to Snow Rd. to Chevrolet Blvd.
 From East
 422 West to I-480 West to Tiedeman Road to Brookpark Road to Chevrolet Blvd.
 From West
 I-480 East to W. 138th Street Exit to Brookpark Road to Chevrolet Blvd.

All TCA National Rules will be enforced.

ADMISSION \$6.00 Each, \$8.00 Family
 Children Free
 Open to the Public 10 am - 3 pm

For Meet Information Contact Ed Mularz:
 (440) 665-0882
 emularz1124@aol.com
 www.greatlakesTCA.com

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Sunday, March 20, 2016

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM • Admission: Adults \$5.00 • Children 12 and under FREE

Buckeye Event Center

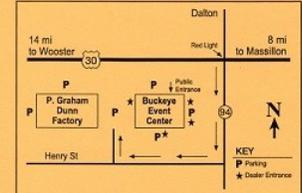
624 Henry Street
 Dalton, Ohio 44618

No "pack-up" before 4 p.m.

Rules for Dealers:

- Dealers will set up between 6:00 AM and 9:45 AM. (Sat. set up 5-9 PM.)
- 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 Buckeye Event Center) from any liability and agree to hold promoters harmless therefore.
- 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.
- There is to be nothing attached to the walls or floor.
- If for any reason the show is cancelled, all sums will be refunded.

Next Show: TBA



Please Print

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

Name _____
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 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
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Please return this form with check.

I would like _____ tables at \$25.00 each = \$ _____
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All table orders must be paid for by March 12, 2016.
 Table orders NOT paid for by this date will be released to those dealers on the waiting list.

Make checks payable to:
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 PO Box 448
 Wooster, Ohio 44691
 www.cjtrains.com

Call after 6:00 PM
 Jon Ulbright
 (330) 262-7488
 e-mail: cathjion@ssn.net
 Greater Wayne County - Spring 2016



RAILFEST 2016

Saturday and Sunday
March 19 & 20, 2016
 10 am to 4 pm
 Buy - Sell - Trade



Lakeland Community College

Kirtland, Ohio 44094
 State Rt. 306 at Interstate 90 - exit 193

Admission **\$7.00**
 Two Day Pass **\$12.00**
 Family (couples) **\$12.00**
 Family (max) **\$12.00**
 (Adults with Children under 18)

Food Service Available at reasonable prices

Features

- Dealers
- RR Flea market
- Exhibitors
- Operating Layouts
- Video Tapes
- Historical Displays
- Train Ride Info
- Food Service Available

Free Parking
 Free Shuttle Bus
 9:30am - 4:30pm



Operating Layouts

- N Scale Layouts (LENS)
- HO Scale layout (LG HO G)
- S Scale & American Flyer (Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge Association)
- Lionel O Gauge LGB G Gauge
- Live Steam Display (Lake Shore Live Steam)

For Information Write:

NMRA MCR Division 5
 PO Box 5081
 Mentor, Ohio 44060
 Phone: (440) 357-8890
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RAILFEST 2016 DINNER

3rd Annual Railfest Dinner March 19, 2016

Will be held at Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot)
 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077

Eleven miles east of College.
 Have Dinner in a Historic Train Station!

Time:

Saturday evening, 5:30 pm, March 19, 2016

Price:

\$20.00 per person

SPEAKER & SUBJECT

The trains that served the Cleveland Union

Terminal Tower - by Tom Pappas

RESERVATION DEADLINE

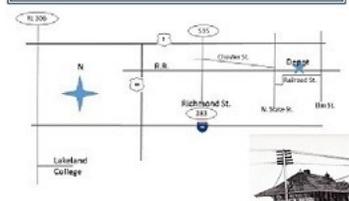
March 11, 2016

DINNER MENU

- Tossed Green Salad
- Italian and Ranch Dressing on the side
- Chicken
- Roast Beef
- Mixed vegetables
- Au Gratin Potatoes
- Rigatoni
- Beverages Stations:**
- Pots of Coffee - Pots of Decaf Coffee
- Pitchers of Coke - Pitchers of Diet Coke
- Coffee Condiments: Creamer, Sugar, Sweeteners

Direction to Painesville Depot

Exit College, turn right (North) onto Rt. 306
 North on Rt 306 to OH Rt 2 (2 miles)
 East on Rt. 2 (8 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.



This Dinner is open to any one that is interested in model railroading or trains in general.

Cut and Return

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Please mail back with **Separate Check** for the Buffet by March 11, 2016.

(Check will be held & deposited March 21, 2016)

Make Checks payable to: Railfest

Print you name: _____ Amount Enclosed _____ Check # _____

Please list and Print all Attending

Mail to:
 Bob Frieden,
 9695 Chillicothe Rd.,
 Kirtland, Ohio 44094

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

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May 12-14, 2016



Visit www.cvsqa.com for Registration Forms

Holiday Inn Select

15471 Royalton Road (Rt. 82), Strongsville, OH 44136
(440) 238-8800

All Gauge Train Show
Open to the Public

Saturday May 14, 2016

9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Admission: \$6.00, Kids under twelve Free



Spree Chairman: Ray Diersing 330-405-1425 mosey3500@aol.com
Sponsored by Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge Association (www.cvsqa.com)

S SPREE 2016 SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2016

9:00 am – 4:00 pm Bus tour downtown to the Rock Hall of Fame and lunch tour of the waterfront on the Goodtime III. This same tour is on the RNC touring schedule next summer.

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016

8:00 am – 10:00 am Dealer and layout set-up No trading or non-dealer allowed yet.

8:30 am – Registration table opens. Club cars for sale or pickup at desk.

10:00 am – S Spree officially opens for business. Hospitality room (Juniper Room) opens to everyone.

10:00 AM – Clinic #1 -“How to repair a Flyer or Flyuonel reserve unit”. Jim Futules and John Modoni. Bring your own broken unit to this Clinic.

10:00 AM Clinic #2 – “How I re-wired the universal layout.” Billy Shaw and Max Gruber talk about the latest developments in DCC operation.

11:00 AM Clinic #3 – “History of early Circus Sets and Allied / Pyro Toys” by Chuck Fonda

1:00 PM Clinic #4 – “Evolutions of the Slot Cars and demonstration of them” – by Marty Lydecker.

2:00 PM Clinic #5 – “Latest in decaling and finishing techniques” by Jim Futules and John Madoni

3:00 PM Clinic #6 – “Cleaning and Restoring Techniques” by John Heck

6:00 – 7:30 PM Buffet Dinner – Self serve and open seating.

7:30 – 9:30 PM Clinic #7 – “Railroading around Ohio” Son Woods and Dave McKay slide collection of Ohio railroading. Don't miss this one!

7:30 PM Dealer Ballroom opens once again.

8:30 PM Auction in Hospitality Room

10:00 PM Trading Room closes for the evening.

10:00 PM Attitude adjustments session, Group sensitivity training Session (Hotel Bar)

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016

9:00 AM Registration Desk Opens for business.

9:30 AM Dealer Hall opens for business. *Show Opens to Public.*

10:00 AM Clinic #8 “The worst has happened, now what becomes of your collection?” presented by Tim Simon and Chuck Fonda, Open to the Public.

11:15 AM Clinic #9 “Restoration, New techniques” by John Heck

12:30 PM S Spree Picnic opens to convention guests. Lunch will be served until 3:00 PM.

3:00 PM Dealer Hall closes for good. Tear down for displays and layouts begins.

3:00 PM Picnic Closes. Layout tours begin.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT SIGNED UP FOR THE S SPREE
FROM MAY 12 TO MAY 14, 2016, PLEASE SIGN UP NOW!**

"Special Early Bird Deal" – For those who register by April 1st, save ten dollars off the registration fee!

2016 S Spree Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____ Family: _____

Club Affiliation: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Registration Fee	\$35.00 _____
Less Pre-registration Discount - Register by April 1, 2016	\$10.00 _____
Friday Only (No Discount)	\$20.00 _____
Additional Family Members	\$ 5.00 _____
Friday Night Banquet Number of Dinners _____ @	\$34.00 _____
<i>Convention Cars - See our Website www.cvsga.com for pictures</i>	
CLV Forest City Nurseries Trailer Flat Car.	\$71.00 _____
CLV Forest City Nurseries Container Flat Car. Limited supply,	Before Feb. 1 \$50.00 _____
	After Feb. 1 \$59.00 _____
CVL 1699 Shelby Mustang Commutative Flat Car. Limited supply,	Before Feb. 1 \$56.00 _____
	After Feb. 1 \$65.00 _____
Extra Display Tables _____ (8 foot) Use of one table free for each	\$25.00 _____
night's purchase of a room in the hotel	
Total	_____

Mail this form to:

Ray Diersing
3500 Cannon Road
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087
330-405-1425 mosey3500@aol.com

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*Mention the Spree
Special Room rate applies before April 15*

Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge Association
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NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, January 24, 2016 6:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be hosted by our renowned president, Lee McCarty at Maison Chez McCarty, 8725 Broadview Road, Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147. Phone (440)-526-9864; Cell (216)-544-6400. Email MacSir@aol.com. Lee notes that work has continued on his layout. So we should see some new features. By now, everyone should know the directions to his place, but in case anyone does not, Lee's place is located on Broadview Road between Wallings and Royalton Roads, with easy access off I-77. You will enjoy seeing his layout and collection, so make plans to join us. Call Lee or myself on my cell phone (216)-544-6400 if you get confused on directions.

CVSG

Lee McCarty

8725 Broadview Road

Broadview Heights, OH 44147