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THE SUPERS REPORT

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Well another meeting under my belt and things went well! Some members got to operate on what Galon has of his layout. His layout is really coming along compared to last year. He has a lot of track hanging, but I don't think I would want to run an engine or even a car on some of the track that's hanging, Unless that string is stronger then it looks.

The food was good as usual. But the ice cream must have been really good, because Drummy had 2 helpings. BUT DON'T TELL ANYONE!

A lot of questions came up at the business meeting that will have to be resolved, so we can go on as normal. What is normal?

If anyone has any suggestions on a new logo? Please see Harry for he is in charge of that. Would like to see something railroad related and from our area.

Thanks Galon for another great meeting. Hope to see everyone at St. Marys.

Lunch and the business meeting will be at Hoss's. I know Hoss's will be serving something everyone will like. Thanks again.

Rolly

ICON OR LOGO

We need some **IDEAS** for our new **LOGO**Even if you are not sure about the logo? Give us some ideas on what it should pertain to.

Like we are a coal region or something about the area. Maybe if everybody puts their 2 cents in, we could put it all together and come up with something we can all agree on. I know at other meets you have thrown some good starting ideas to work with? Even if you don't think much of it? We have to start somewhere?

Email me at redbankrr@yahoo.com or Harry at dunworth@comcast.net We need some ideas? Thanks, one who lacks ideas!!!

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2012 Station Stops and Host				
JAN	Brookville	Gary Lasher		
FEB	Punxy	Bill Drummond		
MAR	Chicora	Howard Heltman		
APR	StMarys	Larry Brown		
MAY	Dubois Mall	JAMBOREE		
JUN	Renovo	Paul Kurutz		
JUL	Field Trip	Titusville OC&T		
AUG	Reynoldsville	Galon Tonell		
SEP	St. Marys	Alan Morean		
OCT	NewBethlehen	n Rolly Miller		
NOV	Treasure Lake	Bob McKay		
DEC	Dubois	BANQUET		

"ELEVEN"

By Bob Ginter

Many of you know I worked at Black Moshannon State Park Campground for many years. I signed in campers, did reservations, sold a few boat permits and helped keep the peace. On a window I kept a sign "Model Railroading spoken here" that I would quickly remove when the boss approached. I got several replies.

One notable was a man who said

"I'M Pittsburgh and Lake Erie".

I told him you don't see many P & LE modelers.

He said "No, I'm the Vice President of the railroad". Zowie! He was in campsite 11, a non
reservable odd numbered site. He said how he liked
and wanted to reserve it for a couple times that sea-

He was disappointed and then mentioned how with access to the railroad, he could make things happen for me. Let's do a deal!!

son. **SORRY, Non –reservable**.

Next time he was due a sign went up on eleven "Closed for Repair" How in God's name do you close a flat piece of dirt for repair? Well, it helps to know the right people. For his "reserved" site the rest of the summer, I was given a dinner plate from the P & LE business car numbered 2.

Everybody was happy, graft is terrible unless you're on the receiving end, then it's pretty neat.

Since that worked so well I did the same "Closed for Repair" on another odd site for another guy. Each time he gave us a garbage bag (yes, the big one) full of Snyder's of Berlin Red-Hot potato chips. He was a tester. We ate like hogs. Every guy on the crew got in on that one.



Now the campground office is gone, the boss is gone, and my job has been gone for 20 years, but when I rarely get back to BMSP and pass #11, I remember.

Notes from the Webmaster

This month was a busy one. Paul, Galon, and Bob McKay handed in a huge pile of photos from the national convention in Grand Rapids. In addition, Paul sent in several groups of photos from past division meetings, as well as a few from a visit to Lou Millard's in Erie. Much of that is now on the web site.

On the home page, there is a link to <u>Photos from the 2012 National</u> which leads to a series of pages of photos. Also on the home page, a link to <u>Division 11 History</u> leads to a table of contents for the history files. On that page you'll find a link to <u>Visits Here and There</u>, which currently leads to the visit to Lou's; and a link to <u>2012 Meetings</u>. There you'll find links to photo collections from the January through July meetings.

I have photos from the August 2012 meeting, but my kindly concern for the newsletter crew caused me to hold off posting until after the newsletter comes out.

Also on the home page is a link to On the Trail of NS Heritage Units. Howdy sent photos of a couple of them that wandered into Clearfield, which started that ball rolling. Later, I obtained photos of a couple other units elsewhere. As time passes, more will be added, but I can't post what I don't have.

Behind the curtain, I'm fooling around with an improved presentation of some photos. I will say no more, lest it not pan out. Stay tuned.

East Brady, Tunnels, Railroads, etc.

By Bob Netzlof

East Brady sits on the tip of a loop in the Allegheny River. Route 68 travels down the spine of the ridge on the inside of the loop. As originally located by the Allegheny Valley Railroad, the Pittsburgh to Oil City line ran along the east bank of the river all the way. Sometime in the first few years of the 20th century, the PRR constructed three tunnels cutting through the narrow neck of three river loops. East Brady was the southernmost, the others were Kennerdell and Rockland.

The other two were out in the middle of nowhere along the river, not so for East Brady. The Allegheny Valley's one major branch, the low grade line to Driftwood met the AV main at the mouth of Redbank Creek, a couple miles downstream from the narrow neck of the loop. The yard needed to service that junction was located at Philipston, a mile or so above the narrow place. The result was that the Philipston yard, which had originally been strung out along the AV main, ended up as a spur sticking out from the new main once the tunnel was constructed.



Philipston's relative isolation from the main line may explain why the coaling tower was located so far from the yard. Putting it there allowed trains moving along the main to avoid going into the yard. The DEM visualization shows the approximate path of the tunnel. The PRR acquired the Allegheny Valley Railroad in 1910, although PRR had a lot to say about running the AV in the several years before 1910. Construction of the AV passed through East Brady in 1867, give or take a year. The low grade branch was built in the period 1871 – 1874. I've not found a good date for any of the tunnels, but it seems likely they were all constructed about 1915, or perhaps a year or two earlier.



Answer to last month's puzzle:

BERWIND-WHITE COAL MINING COMPANY



This month's name is one with the snows of yesteryear, although part of it lived on into fairly recent times. 5 words

AAAA B DD E G HHH II L M NNN OO P RRRRR SS TTTT UU W



Special Presentation

This year 's Lower Sink award goes to our ever thirsty intrepid Editor, the renown guru of anti-rock, and layout provocateur Bill (BTF) Drummond.







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The TIMETABLE

By Bob Netzlof

Sep 8-9, Buffalo Central Terminal Train Show Buffalo NY Fall Hamburg Dutch Train Meet Hamburg PA Sep 15, Great Lehigh Valley Train Meet Allentown Coolspring Power Museum Open Days Sep 15-16,

Coolspring PA

Sept 16 NMRA MCR DIV 11Meet

Alan Morean HOST StMarys PA Sep 23, Penn-Ohio Model RR Train Show Sharon PA Clarion PA Sep 30, Autumn Leaf Festival Train Exhibit Oct 2-7, Autumn Leaf Festival Train Exhibit Clarion PA Oct 6-7, Carnival of Model Railroading Berea OH Oct 11-13, Fine Scale Model Railroader Expo Lancaster PA

OCT 14 NMRA MCR DIV11 Meet

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Coolspring PA				
w York PA				
Cincinnati OH				
Oct 21, Norwalk & Western Model Train Show Lorain OH				
Cleveland OH				
Timonium MD				
Leechburg PA				
Medina OH				
Kirkland OH				
Akron OH				
Erie PA				
Allentown PA				
Monroeville PA				

NOV 11 NMRA MCR DIV 11 MEET

Robert McKay Host Treasure Lake

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Nov 17	Upper Ohio Valley Train Show
Nov 18	Model Railroad Swap Meet
Nov 18	Beaver County Model Train Show
Nov 25	Kittanning Train & Toy Show

DuBois PA

Wheeling WV Conneaut OH Monaca PA Kittanning PA



Fabulous memories of Bruce Chubb's Sunset Valley RR at the Grand Rapids National Convention, attended by Galon Tonell, Paul Kurutz and Bob McKay. We came, we saw, we operated.

For more great pictures of layouts visited, be sure to check the Division 11 website:

WWW.div11-mcr-nmra.info



Runner up to the now famous umbrella man for division 11 picnic technique is our publisher seen pathetically preparing his special "Cloud-Burst Chicken" at Oil Creek State Park. The recipe begins: "First, soak each breast of chicken...."



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Minutes August 12, 2012, Div. 11 NMRA meeting held at Galon Tonell's opened by Rolly at 1405 with 20 members present.

Minutes approved by motion by Howdy

Treasurer \$45 deposited for the month, \$12 cash on hand, \$126.52 expended for treasurer//publisher items. motion by Bob N.

No bills presented.

Acknowledged and thanked Galon for hosting meeting Alan Morean discussed September 16 meeting in St. Mary's with 1000-1200 at Teaberry & Southern and lunch at Hoss's with meeting afterwards, then B&W in the afternoon.

Bring and Brag will be maintenance of way equipment. Old Business: Thanks to Bob McKay for the picnic location last meeting.

New Business: NS Employee Steam Excursion, Heritage train will do Horseshoe Curve tomorrow, and return on the 20th. Toy Train Heaven is advertising NS Heritage SD70 ACE Athearn available list \$300 available for \$240 and non sound \$160 in 2013.

Upcoming: NE Region Convention, next national in Atlanta 2013, Cleveland 2014 only 3 hours from us with potential for prototype and model tour.

Thanks to Paul for setting up train ride OC&T last month. Gary brought up discussion Act 2 of 2012 Small Games of chance regarding our raffle in May. Check with county treasurer for more info. (revenue.state.pa.gov)

Rolly brought up the logo and redesign of logo.

Harry will check on it.

Committees: Newsletter: Bill – OK, Publisher:

Bob – info needed ASAP for Publishing.

New members, no report,

B&B report given for meeting: 13 entries, 1st Larry Brown, 2nd Gary Lasher, 3rd Mike Rabbitt.

Webmaster and Historian Bob N discussion.

Achievement and Build and Bring, Chris, decision next month on building.

50//50 won by Paul. Good of the order and adjourn. Galen showed pictures of trip to Colorado and New Mexico and recent convention, featuring Sunset Valley Respectfully submitted, Steve Waltman, Chief Clerk





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"Smoke gets in yer eyes"

Guess what time that starts???

Right after lunch on the 16th of September.

The oily taste comes from the morning adventures on the Teaberry and Southern. Lets don't be laying blame on Hoss's, after all they are the innocent Lambs here.

The leaves will be turning on the Maples, and the tent worms will have those pesky nests covering everything.

We live in Coal Country, and now we are going to have "GAS". What does that do for YOUR modeling interests?

It won't be long before homes will reek of that familiar "TESTORS" smell through every room, emanating from many work benches. RIGHT GARY?

Bill D

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From the Brookville Shops

From: "Allen Crate" <ALCPnS1776@windstream.net> Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2012 8:38 PM

The other day they were sandblasting another ex-KCS Sd40. Couldn't see the number.

Tuesday the B&P 922 was outside the shop. Don't know what they are doing to it.

Part of the hood of a TZPR SW10 is outside the shop also. I'm guessing they are changing the generator.

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BRING & BRAG REPORT FOR August 2012

Steve Waltman B&B Chairman

Entries: 1st Larry Brown – schnabel car 2nd Gary Lasher – 3 trailers 2 flat cars

3rd Mike Rabbitt – log car **Honorable Mention:**

Bill Drummond - log load on bulkhead flat

Al Morean – money train

Harry Dunsworth - BP gondola with containers

Zack Roush – flat car with front end loade

Steve Waltman – scrap load in gondola

Rolly Miller - steel loads

Bob McKay - mill scrap

Galon Tonell -

Paul Kurutz – auto parts load on flat car Howdy Veihdeffer - lumber load

Totals for 2012:

28	Bob Ginter	12
27	Zack Roush	12
25	Chris Lasher	8
23	Mike Rabbitt	5
21	Galon Tonell	4
19	Howdy Veihdeffer	2
19	Steve Waltman	2
14	Alan Morean	2
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Bring & Brag Categories for 2012/13

September '12, maintenance of way equipment

October '12 prototype RR photograph

November '12 cabooses

December '12 annual banquet January '13 fallen flag boxcar

February '13 RR related structure

March '13 IGMO

April '13 locomotive

May '13 3 car passenger train June '13 mineral handling car

July '13 open loads

August '13 something kitbashed

There were 13 entries total for the eighth Bring & Brag of 2012. The category for August was "open loads". The competition for August took place at the meeting held at Galen Tonell's in Reynoldsville. As a reminder, all modelers must register their models on the Sign-Up sheet. Also make sure to fill out a description card for your model. Each modeler is permitted to enter one model, each month. Your cooperation with this will enable the B&B Committee to keep accurate records for this competition. Don't forget September B&B is Maintenance of way equipment. For our eighth Bring n' Brag we had 13 entries.



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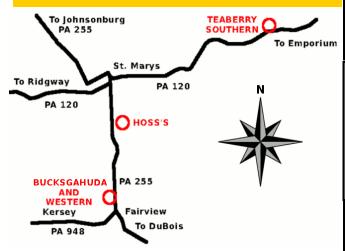
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SEPT 16 HOST: Alan Morean Teaberry & Southern 10-12 Meeting at Hoss's and Meeting till? B & B M of Way Equipment Bucksgahuda & Western till 4? Donations gratefully accepted.



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