



THE STEAM WHISTLE

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SAFETY MEETING

The season is upon us! The March Run Day activity will, at the very least, commence with the mandatory Safety Meeting. The primary purpose of the meeting is to read through the Safety and Operating Rules so that the Society can operate safely for the year. Steve Zuiderveen has come through with some helpful revisions to the rules, and the Board of directors has accepted them for the 2005 season. These changes will be presented to the membership at the Safety Meeting. If the weather is more accommodating than in previous years and someone brings a locomotive, there may even be a short run. Hint: Some long range forecasts include cold temperatures which are not conducive to our type of fun.

VALENTINES PARTY

Around 35 Society members, family, and guests met at Snyder’s Willow Grove Restaurant in North Linthicum on February 13th for the annual Valentine’s Day buffet. The buffet selection was the standard fare, but your editor found it to be especially tasty this time and put special stress upon his shirt buttons. Others appeared to enjoy themselves, too. Poul Pedersen made his pitch for this year’s Cass adventure. There were an abundance of items donated for the drawings – this year there were three picks made out of the box. The winners will remain unnamed here because each is a current board member and questions might be raised...

TIMONIUM TRAIN SHOW

Several Society members attended the February Train Show at Timonium. Bob Schwoerer had an amazing display of his CSX diesel on a trailer which looked for all the world like a girder trestle at the exit of “CALs Tunnel”. Herb Schroeder also had equipment on display. Here’s hoping that there were some people impressed enough to sign up for Society membership. Other members working at the display were Larry Law, Mike Looney, Mike Schroeder, and Tim Allen.



Photo by “Rob” Schwoerer

JUNE MEET AT GODSHALL'S

Don and Wayne Godshall report that the Shermans Dale, PA, Valley Railroad has scheduled its meet for June 25/26, 2005. Please attend regardless of the gauge that you model and meet with new and old friends. Bring your equipment to operate or just for show. One inch is still going strong, and new people are showing up on a regular basis. Food will be catered on Saturday and Sunday. Operations will begin on Friday to accommodate those wanting to get an early start.

Food will be available at local shops. RSVP if possible. Phone for info: 717-582-4029 or 717-582-4405.

SOCIETY STATISTICS

Provided by Larry Law from the 2004 directory and observations:

Full Members	52	//// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //
Associate members	35	//// //// //// //// //// //// //// ////
Affiliate Members	44	//// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// ////
Student Members	6	//// /
Honorary Members	5	////
Total Members	142	//// //

Participation:

Run Day	approx 22	//// //// //// //// //
Picnic	approx 30	//// //// //// //// //// //// ////
Annual	approx 50	//// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// ////
Wed. work	range 11 – 20	//// //// //// ////
Sat. work	range 2 – 5	////
MOW	approx 6	//// /
Project	approx 8	//// ///
Special Project	approx 4	////
Inspection	approx 5	////

If you are not participating, call your Society President, Larry Law, to discuss how you might help.

2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
<u>JANUARY</u>			
Wed 5	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
<u>FEBRUARY</u>			
Wed 9	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 13	1:00-4:00 PM	Valentines Party	Snyder's
<u>MARCH</u>			
Wed 9	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 13	11:00-3:30	Safety Meeting - Required	Tracksite
Sun 27	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
Wednesdays	9:00	Car Inspections	Tracksite
<u>APRIL</u>			
Wed 6	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 10	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Fri 15-16	9:00	Boiler Inspection	Hamilton's
Sun 24	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
Fri 29-5/1	All DAY!	CASS w/ CALS 2005	Tracksite
<u>MAY</u>			
Wed 4	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 8	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sun 22	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 28	10:00-4:00	Herb Festival	Tracksite
<u>JUNE</u>			
Wed 8	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 12	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sun 26	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite

NOTE: Contrary to the schedule listed last month, the Boiler Inspection will be April 15 and 16 (Friday and Saturday) at the Hamilton's.

WORK RECORD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WORKERS</u>	<u>WORK ACCOMPLISHED</u>
02/26	Close	We'll catch up next month!

PROJECT LIST

Additions and status:

1. Implement use of the third container - pretty much in use; interior painted white
2. (new) Install new 1 ½" – 1" crossover
3. Complete the fence around the track
4. Upgrade the current signaling system - initial plan done and box constructed
5. (new) Find drainage piping and fix
6. Install the third track (siding) at the Headquarters building – drawing made
7. Install new switches for the siding
8. Add siding signals to the signaling system
9. Upgrade the drainage systems
10. Install light pole at east side of steaming bays
11. Continue upgrade of track
12. Fix post holes for customer-control ropes at station
13. Install car racks in container #2 - brackets being made

Work sessions are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday mornings – say 9 o'clock or so. There is always something to do – see above. Thanks to those who have been giving their time.

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