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Upcoming Events

Aug. 25, 2009 - Club Meeting
7:00p.m. At the Clubhouse
5259 Washington Road in
Albany, Ohio

Sept. 8, 2009 – Work Session
7:00p.m. At the Clubhouse
5259 Washington Road in
Albany, Ohio

Upcoming Birthdays

July 30 – Kenneth Shank
Aug. 26 – Matthew Jackson

Meeting Minutes

May Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 28, 2009

MEETING STARTED: 7:11PM

PLACE: The clubhouse at 5259
Washington Road in Albany, Ohio

OFFICERS PRESENT: Secretary
Roger Crigger and Treasurer Don
Schultz.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Walter Parks,
Bill Creighton and Keith Morrow

MEMBERS: David Jackson, and
Kenneth Shank

GUEST: Ralph Stobbs

SECRETARY REPORT: Minutes
from May meeting were approved.
1st Walter Parks
2nd Keith Morrow
Approved by Members

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We Have a Home!



We are homeless no more. As of July first we now have a place to meet, setup the club layouts, and work on them. This new home also provides us with a place to store the club assets and be able to find and use them. Everything will finally be in one place.

The building is located on Washington Street in Albany, Ohio, very easy to find, we're right across the street across from the funeral home. The building itself is 35 x 39 feet with multiple electrical outlets all along the walls. Two large windows in front provide display areas for layouts, signs and posters to announce who we are and encourage others to join us. This could be the start of something big.

If you were a past member that lost hope in the club, we ask that you consider checking us out. We hope to rekindle the camaraderie, which was lost in the past. At the present we have a club meeting on the fourth Tuesday and a work session on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We are working on getting all current members a key to the clubhouse so they can have access to the facility any time. We are just asking members to sign in and out. The clubhouse is a smoke free; alcohol free area and family members and friends are always welcome.

We encourage you to give us a second look and hope to see some of you old members again.

Happy Railroading!!!
By Walter Parks

TREASURER REPORT: The checking is at \$2099.12. There was a check written for \$700.00 for rent and deposit for clubhouse. The CD is at \$13,184.23. The storage space has been cleaned out and the key has been returned and deposit will be sent to the club.

1st David Jackson

2nd Kenneth Shank

Approved by Members

BUSINESS:

1. At the meeting there were 7 members out of 12 members, which would make a forum.
2. Don Schultz reported that to get insurance for the stuff in the building, the club needed to get a figure for the value for are stuff that we have.
3. Roger Crigger hand out paper work for possible clubhouse rules. Most of the rules were pretty basic and were overall accepted with minor changes here and there. Roger Crigger said that he would make the changes and will represent the rules at the next meeting when more members are present to see if the club wants to vote on it for official clubhouse rules.
4. Roger Crigger then handed out a possible new membership to club format that would included a initiation fee to the club and would limit use to the clubhouse for new members for the first three months. Roger Crigger said this idea came from during research on the web about what other clubs do that have a clubhouse. Roger Crigger said that with are current membership policy, somebody could walk off the street, pay dues and ask for a key to the clubhouse and by are bylaws we must do it. (Even if nobody in the club knows the person). Roger Crigger believes that because of that changes needed to be made to protect the club. The idea was not well received by member present and it was said that it should be represented at another meeting when more members are present to see if it is something the club should do.
5. Roger Crigger and Walter Parks are working on getting the newsletter up and running again and plan to send it to current members and old members to tell them what is going on with the club and try to get some of them to come back to the club.
6. There are plans to get the Ho scale layout up and running soon so we can work on it and get it ready for Railfair and any open houses we have.
7. It was said that club needs chairs, tables, and bookshelves and that all members should to look out for a good deal on them.
8. Don Schultz said that he might have a small airbrush system that he could bring to the clubhouse for members to use on club layouts.
9. It was said that all members should get the first key to the clubhouse for free, but if they lose it. It would cost \$5.00 to replace it.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 1st Don Schultz, 2nd David Jackson

TIME MEETING ENDED: 8:32PM

Club Picnic, Pt.1

By Walter Parks

On the 18th of July, five members of the club and one guest met at SEOVAC in Athens, Ohio at around 7:45 a.m. Members Kirk and Jason DePeel, Roger Crigger and his brother Rick, Tom Metters and Myself (Walter Parks). Shortly after 8:00 a.m. we headed west for Cincinnati in a day of train watching both model and real. We arrived at EnterTRAINment Junction about three hours and a pit stop along the way later. EnterTRAINment is located north of Cincinnati, Kirk's old stomping grounds. He let us know that this was his territory.

EnterTRAINment Junction is a very impressive model railroad. It is housed in a 25,000 square foot, climate controlled structure.

Upon entering the lobby you are in a false front faced of early 20th century building and shops. You can get sandwiches, drinks, ice cream and other snacks. There is also a gift shop, which you can browse in. We headed for station ticket window and got our tickets and headed through the tunnel portal into the world of trains, something like Alice going through the looking glass and down the rabbit hole.

As you go through the portal you are entering the world of logging and mining which says, heisler's and climax's working the local industries switching cars and moving trains loads of logs and coal around the town and through the scenery.

I guess the scenery is what really hits you. In many places it goes from floor to ceiling and it is not just mountains and trees. The hillsides are dotted with mini scenes, which draw the eyes away from the actual trains and leave you wondering who came up with all the ideas for this totally fascinating layout.

As you wind your way through the layout you discover places of historic interest, a parade through a small town, river boats on a real wet river, engine facilities, a gallows turntable, a blacksmith shop and people 1/24 scale of course doing what people do everyday.

The next section depicts the era of big steam and early diesel. The large city has a trolley system, which travels through the streets while coal drags, and passenger trains travel the right-of-way. Bridges abound and trains pass overhead disappear through tunnels and reappear at what appears miles away.

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