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REMEMBERING FRANK SHERIDAN



Last Run At Frank's



Bobbie and Al Schmidt hosted this month's meeting. We were warm and cozy in the Grace Church Parish House. Al provided an N scale train, which Bill Keller was able to setup and get running.

We had a wonderful lunch of pulled pork sandwiches with side salads and of course, great desserts. The food was enjoyed by all.

Attending: Alice Irizarry, John Craven, Ed Ramming, Joan Bishop, Bill Keller, Joe Profetto, Donna and Larry Grady, Patti and Bob Moffit, Susan and Phil Hatrak, Becky and Jim Lincoln, Jim Fox, Lou Ricciardi, Ned Young, Al and Bobbie Schmidt and Brian Steager.

BUSINESS MEETING

Ed Ramming, Pres. called the meeting to order at 2 P.M. with a flag salute and the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Ed Ramming thanked Bobbie and Al for their work on this luncheon.



NEXT EVENT

OCEAN CITY TRAIN SHOW

December 2 & 3, 2017 10 - 5

Setup on Friday Starting at Noon

Ocean City Music Pier

Please let Al know at

al.schmidt@verizon.net or 856-672-0172

if you can attend and

you will bring buildings for the layout and/or trains to run.

Treasurer: Donna Reported all bills have been paid. Also, the club has received acknowledgements for donations in memory of Larry Paakh and Rudy Irizzary.

Sunshine: Patty Reported 4 Birthday Greetings sent out. Also 2017 end of year report as follows:

60 Birthday Cards sent

4 Sympathy Cards sent

3 Welcome Cards sent.

Also noted **Phil Hatrack** made a visit to the "Engine Repair Facility". **Phil is doing well and on his feet. Way to go Phil.**

Communications: Al reported that **Jim Marshall** will not be able to attend the Ocean City Train Show but has offered his buildings. Jim will deliver them on Friday and Pick them up on Sunday. **Thank you Jim.**

Web Master; No Report.

Welfare: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS

Ocean City Christmas Show, December 2nd & 3rd with setup on the 1st

Show Coordinator, Al Schmidt:

OCEAN CITY SHOW

All participating members need to wear a club badge. If you need one, let Al know and he will have one for you at the show.

Al reconfirmed the information needed sent to **Kathy** to take your vehicle on to the boardwalk for unloading. She will need a copy of your:

1. Vehicle insurance,
2. Vehicle & trailer registration
3. Driver's license of person driving.

Jim Lincoln has emailed our information to **Kathy for unloading the club trailer**. There was a request for the postal address for Kathy:

Kathryn A. Caraballo
City of Ocean City, NJ
861 Asbury Ave.
Ocean City, NJ 08226

Al reported the Ocean City Schedule:

Track set up noon on Friday Dec 1,
Scenery set up about 2P.M. Friday Dec 1,
Show dates Dec 2 & 3 starting at 10A.M.
Breakdown Sunday Dec 3 after show approx. 4 P.M.

Patti reported that Thomas and his friends are ready. She also reported that candy canes are purchased and adequate engineer certificates on hand.

Please plan to bring what you can. We can use rolling stock, houses, people and snow blankets.

Jim Marshall cannot attend the Ocean City Train Show but **has offered his buildings** for our use. Thanks, Jim.

We will have a coffee urn and some donuts available to sustain workers. Jim and Becky

plan to provide hot sandwiches similar to last year.

Remember that the club will provide up to \$20/meal/per day for those working all day to setup (Friday) and to breakdown (Sunday).

If anyone is staying over, the Foxes and Joe Profetto are staying at the Passport Inn.

PERMANENT LAYOUT

Nemours Children's Hospital

Joe Profetto reported on Nemours Project:

Hoping to get track donated, (Jim Fox donating from his layout). Also hoping to get wood donated from local retailers for base cabinet. Ed Ramming handling electronics. Joe also presented letters from patients at Nemours to send out to business owners. Bob Moffit completed and presented diagram for Nemours Layout.

Jim Lincoln said he has plywood for layout from Frank Sheridan's Layout that he is disassembling.

Contact **Joe** if you can help.

Reorganize the trailer: Al Schmidt, Alice Irizarry and John Craven met with Jim and Becky Lincoln at their house to redesign the trailer and repack it for the O.C. Show. Jim thanked all for their work on that cold day. One side of the trailer is now set up to hold plastic, interlocking tubs. These hold our items much more efficiently than the shelving that was there before.

Newsletter Editor Needed: Many Hands Make Light Work. Al can post it to our web site and email it out BUT he needs help to record the minutes of the meetings and build a printable version of our newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

New Controllers needed for Thomas and Friends. (Post meeting Jim Fox has controllers available) Phil will put Governors on controls to limit speed.

Nominations:

The following nominations (unopposed) were presented:

- Ed Ramming President
- Jim Lincoln Vice President

Motion was made by Al, second by Bob to accept nominated members by acclamation for year 2018, motion carried.

Other Venues:

Brian Steager has opportunities for Shows both at Gloucester County (Thurs – Sunday - July 20 – 29 from 10 AM – 10 PM) and Salem County (Tuesday – Friday) State Fairs, possibly in conjunction with Green Planet Nursery. More later.

Spring Luncheon:

Donna asked membership for their opinions on going back to Smithville for annual luncheon. All on board for location and aim for an April 7th date. Will advise when confirmed.

The Friday after Thanksgiving there is a train show in Bordentown at the old City Hall

Jim reported that the Shoreline club is having a show December 8th, 9th and 10th.

Meeting adjourned 3:05 PM

News you need to know

Prayers for: Becky & Jim Lincoln and Aiden and Tom & Anita Brown.

Jim and Marilyn Fox will have a new address starting in December.

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Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

50/50 – Lou Ricardi was the Winner of \$30.00. Other prizes were won and enjoyed.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4 th	Bill Keller	8 th	Anita Brown
8 th	Tom Walker	25 th	Doug Hotmer

MEETINGS AND EVENTS 2017

Mark Your Calendars

- Dec 1 Setup for OC Show (start-noon)
- Dec. 2&3 Ocean City Train Show

MEETINGS AND EVENTS 2018

Mark Your Calendars

- Jan 14 Meeting at Lurakis (1 PM)
- Feb. No Meeting
- Mar Meeting at Grady’s (1 PM)
- Apr 7 Annual Luncheon
- Apr/May Green Planet Show
- May Meeting at Ramming’s (1 PM)
- June Meeting Open
- Jul Meeting Open
- Aug Meeting @ Green Planet (1PM)
- Sept Meeting Open
- Oct Meeting at Lincoln’s (1 PM)
- Nov Nominations Meeting Schmidt’s
- Dec No Meeting (O C Show)

If you can host a 2018 meeting, please contact Al Schmidt – 856-672-0172 at al.schmidt@verizon.net or Anita Brown – 609-646-1102 at nanabl@comcast.net