

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The donated Go Kart was sold for \$2,500.00 on March 4. The club is appreciative for the help from Doc Dougherty and Doug Hornberger.

The Executive Committee meet on March 25, and they carefully reviewed the information from the Historic Georgetown Association (HGA) regarding the use of the Historic Georgetown Train Station. The HGA proposed a rent of \$475 per month which would be \$4,275 for nine months of 2014 or \$5,700.00 per year. Our budget for one year is only \$12,000.00. As a non-profit organization, we do not have the financial means to consider this expense. Unfortunately, the space on the first floor is not adequate for our mission to have a model train display and enough room for a youth after school program. In fact, we might not have the manpower to help with the public showing of the historic station. The Executive Committee voted unanimously to decline the proposed rental of the Historical Georgetown Train Station. However, we are still interested in working with the HGA to help with events such as Return Day or Xmas holiday events using a portable modular layout. We would provide a timer with which a curator could turn on the layout trains.

Our Spring Fling Toy and Train Show will be held at the Roxana Volunteer Fire Company, on Saturday, May 3, 2014. Baked goods will need to be prepared before the show day. We will start setting up at 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Friday, May 2. We will need volunteers to set up vendor tables and chairs as well as to help stock kitchen supplies such as beverages, dry goods, and cooking equipment. On Saturday morning the largest group of volunteers will be allowed into the truck bay at 6:00 A.M. Help will be needed to set up more vendor tables and modular layouts including Thomas the Train, G, O, and S gauges. Vendors will need help to unload their ware. At 9:00 A.M. the show will start. Club members might consider running their own train equipment on the G, O, or S gauge layouts. A kitchen crew will serve food to the attendees. The show ends at 3:00 P.M. Hands will be needed to take down the tables, disassemble and pack all the layouts, and clean the area including the hall, truck bay, and kitchen. More details will be offered at our club meeting on April 8 along with signup sheets for volunteers.

Club Meeting

The next club meeting will be at the South Coastal Public Library, 43 Kent Avenue, Bethany Beach, DE 19930, 302-539-5231, on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

The program will consist of the following:

1. Show and Tell.
2. A photo review of the club activities during March.
3. DVD showing of the history of real trains in the United States.

David Lawrence, Engineer

APRIL 5 - Delaware Train Show, Nur Temple, New Castle, 9 - 2.

APRIL 8 - Club Meeting, South Coastal Library, Bethany, 7:00

APRIL 24 - York TCA Show

MAY 2 - set-up Roxana Firehouse 1:00pm

MAY 3 - Spring Fling Train Show, Roxana Firehouse, 9 - 3

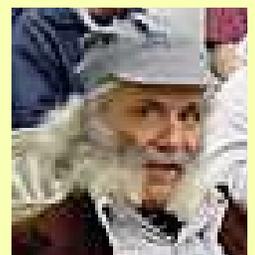
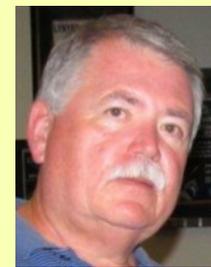
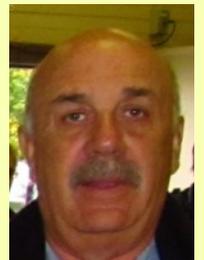
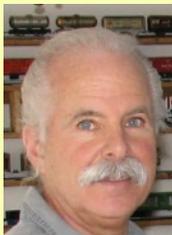
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...MIKE LE NZ - Mike passed away in his home in January. Mike was a former member of our club. He was a train repairman for SeaSide Hobbies. Mike knew more about American Flyer trains than anyone I ever met.

...MODULES - the S (John Hodges), O (Bill Ziegler) , and G (Nelson Davison) committees will be actively working on their modules in preparation for the May show. If you would like to help, call the committee chairpersons listed above.

...CIRCUS ITEMS NEEDED - the G-gauge committee needs G-gauge (1/24 scale) people and animals for their circus layout. Contact Nelson Davidson at 302-284-9368.

...FACEBOOK - we need someone to keep our Facebook page updated. This would be a good way to increase our membership.



Can you name these past and current club members?