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P.O. Box 479, Ocean View, DE 19970

- SEPTEMBER 9 - Club meeting, South Coastal Library, 7:00pm
- SEPTEMBER 26 - Train Show set-up, Roxanna Firehouse, 1:00pm
- SEPTEMBER 27 - Indian Summer Toy and Train Show,;



WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP MAKE THIS A GREAT TRAIN SHOW?

THERE IS A POSTER ON THE BACK OF THIS NEWSLETTER. HANG IT UP IN YOUR POST OFFICE, MARKET, DRUG STORE, CLUBHOUSE, OR RESTAURANT.



DSRC ENGINEER'S REPORT



In 1906 Joshua Lionel Cohen introduced his three rail track called "Standard Gauge". In July, 2014, Craig Thomas may have his own standard gauge. He has received his first piece of equipment. A steam engine! The gauge is 41 inches between the rails. I think he plans to have more rolling stock and track at the SeaSide Hobbies by the first of the year. Hurry into the shop to place your orders, and start your new semi-scale train in your own front yard.

The hobby store is sponsoring the fifteenth annual Xmas Train Tour which will be held on December 6th & 7th , 13th & 14th , 2014, and on January 3rd & 4th , 10th & 11th , 2015. Last year's participants have been contacted by U.S. Mail or by e-mail to see if they want to be on the tour this year. If anyone else is interested in this year's tour, sign up flyers are available at the SeaSide Hobbies shop. The dead line is November 1 to be included in the typed list for the general public.

All summer the HO gauge committee has been working in the basement shop at Doc Docherty's home. They have feverously been producing a unique HO gauge modular layout. There is a sub-structure consisting of four rectangular pieces. Two of the sections have banquet table style tubular folding legs with adjustable caps on each leg for leveling the support platform. The remaining two sections have wood extensions which allow stacking of all four pieces. There are wheels on the one piece to permit the stacked unit to be rolled from one site to another. When assembled as a sub-structure, there are large bolts with attached wood handles to screw the sections together without the need of tools. A level is attached to the inside of the frame to help with the leveling to be completed before the modules are laid on top of the sub-structure. The eight modules are covered with red resin paper to support the scenery and track which is attached to the flexible Homasote on top of the cookie-cutter tabletops. The modules have two stabilizing pins and two bolts with large wooden handles to simplify the connection of the modules to each other. When complete, the layout has a middle rectangular hole. The will be filled in with three piece modules supporting a small town scene. Again no tools are needed to complete the addition of the module set up. Each module has an inside cable of eight color coded electric wires with a male and female connectors at each end made from vacuum tube type base plugs. These wires carry the operating DC power to the entire layout. Wires will be soldered to the track rails and spliced to the cable running between each modular section. Transformers and hand held DCC controllers will be located outside of the structure. The completed track plan will have an inner and an outer loop with two passing sidings. A bakery style rack with adjustable shelves will hold the disassembled modules. Wheels on the bottom of the rack allow the unit to be moved or stored without touching or damaging the modules. Who would like to see this project? Come to the next Club meeting for the display of portions of the layout and to hear from Tom Bradley and the team working on the project.

The DSRC Indian Summer Toy and Train Show will be held at the Roxana Volunteer Fire Company, 35943 Zion Church Road, Frankford, DE 19945, 302-436-2300, www.roxana90.com, on Saturday, September 27th, 2014, from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Volunteers are needed on Friday, September 26th, from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 P.M. for the setup of vender tables and chairs, unload the O gauge modular layout, and stock the kitchen with supplies. On the day of the show we start by 6:15 A.M. to set up the remainder of the vendor tables, complete the setup of the O gauge and G gauge layouts, and to help vendors unload their vehicles. During the show from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. we will run trains, sell food from the kitchen, raffle off a Thomas the Train set, give away a door prize, and **have fun**. After the show we need help to take down the tables, disassemble and pack all the layouts, and clean the area including the hall, truck bay, and kitchen. If you cannot sign up to help at the September 9 club meeting, call Bill Ziegler at home, 302-537-0964, to let him know when you are available. Baked goods will need to be prepared before the show day. The 82 tables are all rented, and there is a waiting list for vendors who were late making their reservation. The train displays will include the club O and G gauge modular layouts, and the HO gauge modular layout provided by the Frankford group which participated in the Roxana Show in September 2013.

Club Meeting

The next club meeting will be held on September 9, 2014, at the South Coastal Public Library, 43 Kent Avenue, Bethany Beach, DE 19930, 302-539-5231. We will further discuss the purchase of a trailer for storing and transporting our many layouts. Other business items include the layout for the Georgetown train station and Return Day November 6, the additional December 9th club meeting, and the Xmas party on December 16.

David Lawrence, Engineer



INDIAN SUMMER TOY AND TRAIN SHOW

Saturday, September 27, 2014 -

9am - 3pm



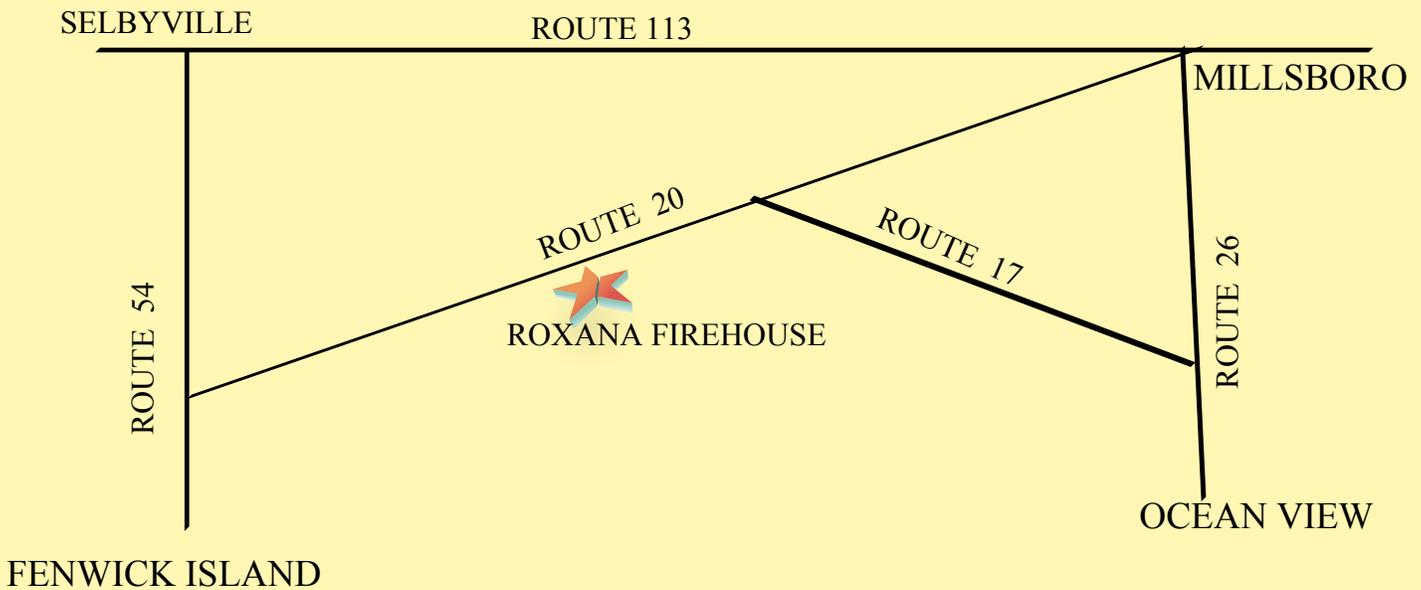
Refreshments



Trains

ROXANA FIREHOUSE

Route 20, between Millsboro and Fenwick Island



Admission \$4.00* children 10 and under free

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