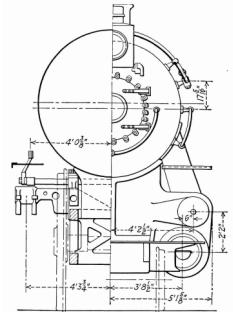




THE HEAD END

2018, lets see... what have we already had so far and what have we to look forward to? Well it sure has been cold enough with a couple snow storms thrown in for good measure..... Our Eagles are (hopefully) Super Bowl bound, at least at this writing. There has to be more, oh yeah, our next meeting!!

I was very pleased to see the turnout for our last meeting, even with the snow....60 members attended. As a treat for those who came to the meeting, braving the snow, the HOAGIES were free!! We also gave a donation to the Boy Scouts group who work the Dining Car for us. EVEN Bill Lane showed up!!! Good timing on his part! It turned out to be a great meeting, with a thanks to Mitch Dakleman for his presentation. We will still have a handful of A/V calendars left for this coming meeting so grab one before they are all gone.



We had elections at the December meeting and your same board will be up there for you to look at for another year. I did mention to those in attendance that 2018 will be my last as president of the Phila. Chapter. Its been 8 years and I feel its time to bring in new leadership with new ideas. I will still be involved with the 2019 Annual Meeting planning for Strasburg PA.

Many people have been asking about the train trip to the Annual Meeting in Altoona this year. Again, at this writing the request have been sent to Amtrak and NS for permission to use their trackage. Hopefully I will have more info by Feb 10th.

In the latest issue of the Keystone Vol. 50 #4, there is a photo on page 4 in the upper left corner. We a DESPARETLY trying to find out who the "unidentified member" is??? Whoever is the first to let me know at the February meeting, will get a FREE A5 print!! No one seems to know who he is???

Looking forward to seeing you all in Drexel Hill on the 10th! Pray for NO snow!

Steve Staffieri, President / (interceptor92@verizon.net)

MEMBERSHIPS & RENEWAL



Membership renewals are underway. If you did not receive your renewal mailing, please contact Tom Lavin at news@philaprrths.com

Renewals may also be submitted via the membership application form, available from the chapter web site. Download the form at: www.philaprrths.com/html/membership.html

Non-members, who may be subscribed to the e-Newsletter, are encouraged to join the Philadelphia Chapter. All new members will receive "The High Line" publication (2017 or latest available addition).

Lastly, please welcome our newest chapter members: Andrew Wilson and Michael Rocchino
Tom Lavin, Treasurer

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**CHAPTER MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2018**

Drexel Hill Methodist Church
600 Burmont Road
Drexel Hill, PA

- 10:30 AM: Doors Open
- 11:00 AM: Modelers Meeting
- 11:30 AM: Dining Car
- 1:00 PM: Business Meeting
- 1:30 PM: Presentation

UPCOMING EVENTS

**PHILADELPHIA
CHAPTER MEETINGS**

April 14, 2018

NATIONAL MEETING

May 9-12, 2018
Altoona, PA

[www.prrths.com/conventions/
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PRESENTATIONS / FEBRUARY 10, 2018

MODELERS PRESENTATION

“Christmas Tree Models and O Scale Schanable Cars”

Lionel Classic PRR and others from Hallmark Christmas Tree Models and O Scale Schanable cars from Bill Spanarelli’s Collection!

FEATURE PRESENTATION

“Duffy’s Cut”

Presentation by Dr. William Watson

Viewing of Irish-American Films’ documentary “The Cut: the journey of the men and women of Duffy’s Cut.”



Dr. Watson (Immaculata University) will follow with discussion of the status of the Duffy’s Cut dig.

Duffy’s Cut is where 57 Irish immigrant railroaders died in 1832, building mile 59 of the Philadelphia and Columbia Railroad, near present-day Malvern.

Duffy’s Cut stone cross and ledger at West Laurel Hill Cemetery (Bala Cynwyd), where five of the Duffy’s Cut victims were buried in 2012.

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(Above) Fred Monsimer - West Philadelphia Station project, presented at the December Modelers Meeting ...more at GATSME



(Left) Bill Lane - B6 Locomotive project, presented at the December Modelers Meeting ...more at lanestrains.com