



**THE HEAD END**

I guess the term “Some like it hot” had a bit of a new meaning at the September 10th meeting! Who would ever have thought it would be 95+ degrees and that humid after labor day, but you never know.

Despite the weather we still had 70 people attend. Some of those who attended had not been to a meeting in a long time. We awarded 5 of the 6 remaining Philadelphia chapter “charter” members with appreciation plaques and “gold” lifetime membership cards. The group photo is on our website. The remaining charter member will be honored at the next meeting.

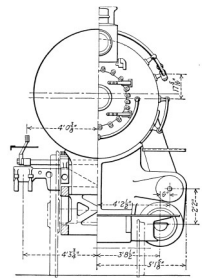
Al Buchan was also on hand to sign copies of his new book PRR Lines West-Erie and Pittsburgh Branch. He is planning to attend our next meeting (October 29) to sign the books again. We will have a limited number of new copies on hand for sale at a special price.

The Steamtown bus trip has been postponed till the spring. I had a couple of health issues during the summer and everything got pushed back, so over the winter we will be planning this trip for all the members to enjoy!

Due to a glitch with the printer, most of you who get a “mailed” newsletter did not get it in time for the last meeting. I apologize for this and we will do our best not to let this happen again. You should have this newsletter in plenty of time. In the future you may want to “list” the dates on your calendar so you have them ahead of time.

Looking forward to seeing all of you on October 29<sup>th</sup>! As always, with this end of October meeting, costumes are optional.....

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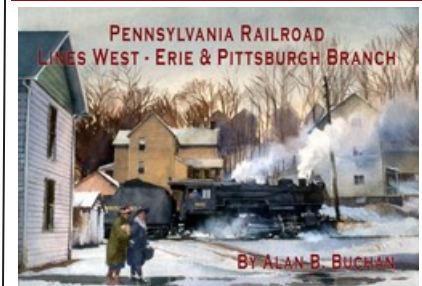
**PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER – SEPTEMBER 10, 2016  
CHARTER MEMBER RECOGNITION**

2016 marks the Philadelphia Chapter’s 40th year of continuous efforts in sharing and preserving the history of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The September 2016 chapter meeting included a special presentation, recognizing founding members (pictured below), without whom the Philadelphia Chapter would not have celebrated its 40th anniversary! Thank you gentlemen!



Founding Members present (pictured left to right): Walt Keely, Ray Machler, Val Pistilli, Andy Hart, Ted Xaras and President Steve Staffieri.

**NEW PUBLICATION**



After 20 years of research and writing, this 247 page book document the Erie & Pittsburgh Branch. Including over 400 photos, track diagrams and two large insert maps!

Al Buchan will be at the October 29 meeting to sign this new book. This is a limited run book so don’t wait too long. Orders will also be taken.

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**CHAPTER MEETING  
OCTOBER 29, 2016**

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

**MEMBERSHIP**

Receipt of membership renewals has slowed. If you know of a member who hasn't renewed, please urge him or her to do so.

We have lot of activities planned in the near future; you must be a member (renewed) to partake in these events.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

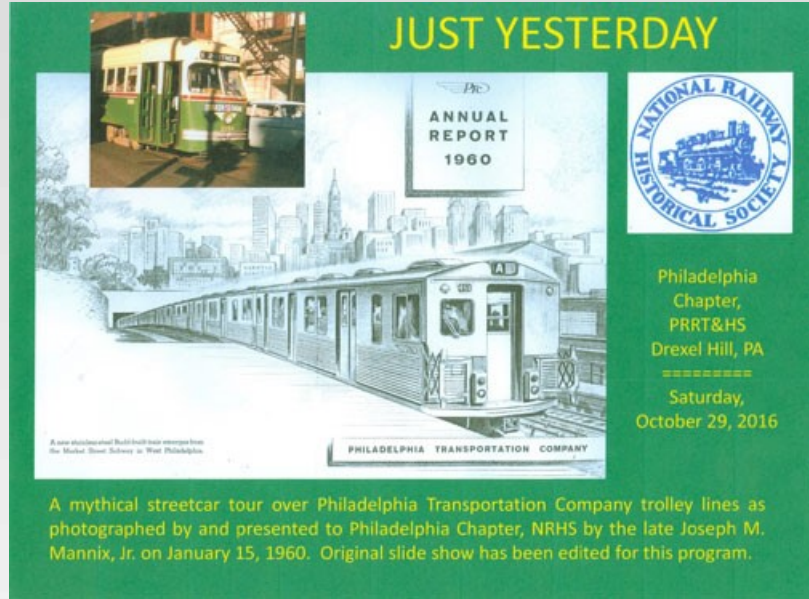
**CHAPTER MEETINGS**

December 3, 2016  
February 11, 2017  
April 22, 2017

**PRESENTATIONS / OCTOBER 29, 2016**

**FEATURE PRESENTATION**

**“Just Yesterday”**  
Presented by Robert Eastwood, Jr.  
(Philadelphia Chapter–National Railway Historical Society)



**CHAPTER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - SEPTEMBER 10, 2016**



**MODELERS MEETING**

Joe Spanarelli and Paul Buckley (left to right), discuss Congressional service.

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