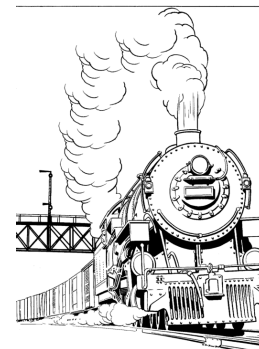




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Spring Banquet

February Meetings

We discussed track projects that will be under taken this year. It was brought up that the locks at the park have not been changed in many years. Bob M is investigating new keys for the park. Ed K. presented information on the possibility of the club giving rides at Trainfest. Dave G. will check on the feasibility of this. The removal of the steps to the inner circle was discussed. Wayne F. said we will need a batch of lollipops made for the new turn-outs that will be constructed. At the BOD meeting Bob M. gave the financial update. Thanks to Bob for the time he puts in for his thorough report. Ken J. gave a presentation for Trainfest concerning MLES members giving rides. Dave G. will visit the site to see if it is something we will go forward with. Thanks to Dave for taking the time to follow up on this. Brett C. gave an update on the new website. He is adding or upgrading areas of the web page. We are asking Perry S. to give a current list of what is available at the store. We are asking Bob C. to give a list of club materials available at our club library. Wayne F. will assemble a more complete history of the club. We are asking members to submit pictures for a new member directory. Pat C. MLES Sec.

T-Rail Cars

Just want to go over a few things for any MLES members regarding T-Rail Cars. As most of all know when pulling the public giving rides at Railroad Park, passengers are to ride on T-Rail Cars or Flat Cars with fixed wood bench seats. MLES has 2 of the green T-Rail Club Cars. The rest of the colored cars are owned by me. I would like to remind that ANY MLES members can use them at anytime they want. This include the 3 Amtrak Superliners as long as you have a locomotive that can handle them as they are draw bared together. For those of you who will have T-Rail car space on your storage track I will encourage you to keep them in your train. Only thing I ask is for you to let me know of any problems you have with the cars and I will fix them. Any questions about this, please feel free to ask. David G.

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VP News Express

Well, March is here and hope soon the weather will improve so we can get into the park and see what the hard winter left us. We will be announcing the turnout building date soon. Hope by the March meeting. Our BOD meeting was great. We want to thank Gene S. for hosting this again. Our major topic was train rides to be given at Trainfest. I have a planning meeting on the 12th with State Fair Park and the new Trainfest director. Results will be discussed at the March meeting and details will be in the April Gazette. The Roundhouse Committee met and track storage has been set. Most will stay in the same place. Things that have changed is that we want to have what I call "Road Ready Trains" for pulling the public. Meaning that some of the T-rail cars will be stored on members track hooked up to their locomotives. This way train can be brought out and in service without chasing around to the rear building to pick up cars. Non active members who require storage have been moved to building C or D so we can keep the T-rail cars up front. Please read the column in the Gazette " T-Rail Cars " for more information. Also do not forget about the Banquet and hope to see you all at the March meeting. Please check your Gazette for time and location. David G.

Calendar

Membership Meeting
Maude Schunk Library
Memomonee Falls, WI
March 13
6:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Club Banquet -Boneyard
Drinks 4PM Dinner 5 PM
Sussex, WI
March 23

April

Membership Meeting
Maude Schunk Library
Memomonee Falls, WI
WEDNESDAY, April 9
6:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

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M.L.E.S. March Meeting: Thursday, March 13, 2014

The Regular meeting of the M.L.E.S. will be held at the
Maude Shunk Public Library located at W156 N8446 Pilgrim Road,
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051, at 6:30 p.m.

See you all there!

If you have a presentation, or know of someone with an interesting program, please give our
program director, Ed Kofroth, a call at 414-425-7945.
He'd be glad to follow up on speakers or outings for club meets

Storage Track Assignments

At the February BOD meeting the Roundhouse Committee met and have the results posted in this Gazette issue. Please study it over and let me know of any problems or concerns by end of March. Final draft will be posted in all buildings by May 1st.

David G.
Roundhouse Superintendent

Storage Track Assignments 2014

There are currently 29 tracks for storage, numbered 0 thru 28 and the buildings are lettered A thru D. Building A has tracks 0 thru 9 at 31ft in length, this building is located in the front and also houses the water pumps and compressor unit and main power. Building B is the Trainfest building and houses tracks 10 thru 18. Lengths are 40ft on tracks 10-14 & lengths are 50ft on tracks 15-18. This building also houses the club office. Building C is the large building in the back by the steaming bays. This building has tracks 19 thru 23 and they are all 30ft in length. Building D is the Small Building in the back with the 20 foot tracks and the transfer table with tracks 24 thru 28

The following are track assignments for 2014. If there are any questions on these assignments please contact the Roundhouse Superintendent Dave Gehrke by the end of April. If there are any changes, they will be made in the May Gazette, otherwise these stand for this year.

Track #	Building	Length	Name / Names of Assignment
0	A	31'	Mike Michaud
1	A	15' & 15'	Mike Michaud & Ted Erdman
2	A	31'	Jim Zahorik
3	A	20' & 11'	Perry Schulz & Scott Kruschke
4	A	31'	Perry Schulz
5	A	31'	Bob Calhoon & Danny Steingraber & T-Rail
6	A	31'	Danny Steingraber
7	A	31'	Bruce Schrimpf & Bob Gallegos
8	A	15' & 15'	Bruce Moffat & Paul Weigand
9	A	27'	Tom Budny & T-Rail
10	B	40'	Jim Wolf
11	B	40'	David Reinert
12	B	40'	Wayne Friedrich
13	B	40'	Tim McComis
14	B	40'	Amtrack Superliners & T-Rails
15	B	50'	Ken Rodig
16	B	50'	Brad Smith
17	B	50'	David Gehrke & T-Rail & Handicap Car
18	B	50'	Pat Cleary & T-Rails
19	C	26'	Jim Radman
20	C	30'	Henry Nye
21	C	30'	Rick Radke
22	C	30'	Weed Spray Car, Club Box Car, Leaf Blower
23	C	30'	Chris Gehrke
24	D	10' & 10'	Bob Motl & T-Rail
25	D	20'	Bob Motl
26	D	20'	T-Rail
27	D	20'	T-Rail
28	D	12' & 8'	Chad Smith

Joe's Car down at the Domes

This was brought to my attention about the move for Joe's Steam Car that is down at the Domes. The train show ends March 30th and then the car has to be removed. Due to not having the car prepared for the move and providing use of a safe trailer we lost the help from Tim's friend who took it down to the Domes. We need to figure this out at the meeting. However it gets back to Joe's place it will have to be stored in Joe's garage or the trailer. Please read Tim's email to me.

David G.

Dave,

I am concerned about how we are going to get Joe's car home from the Domes. Just so you are aware, it took 2 tow trucks and 4 hours to get it to the domes. It is a dead end alley and it doesn't get plowed. It took that long after I shoveled snow and ice for over two hours.

The trailer is not safe, the bearings are shot and the wheels wobbled. Also the frame is rotten and the body has no support. Before we could even get the car out of the yard, there were lots of other items that had to be emptied out of the trailer. I used up a few favors getting it there as the trailer wasn't as great as reported, it was more than just tires.

The last time I went past Joe's alley the ruts were deeper than my car. We haven't had the greatest of weather and I don't know how we are going to get it back to his yard until the ice melts.

We need a trailer that is 60 inches wide and 6 feet long. I hope we can come up with a solution soon.

Tim

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