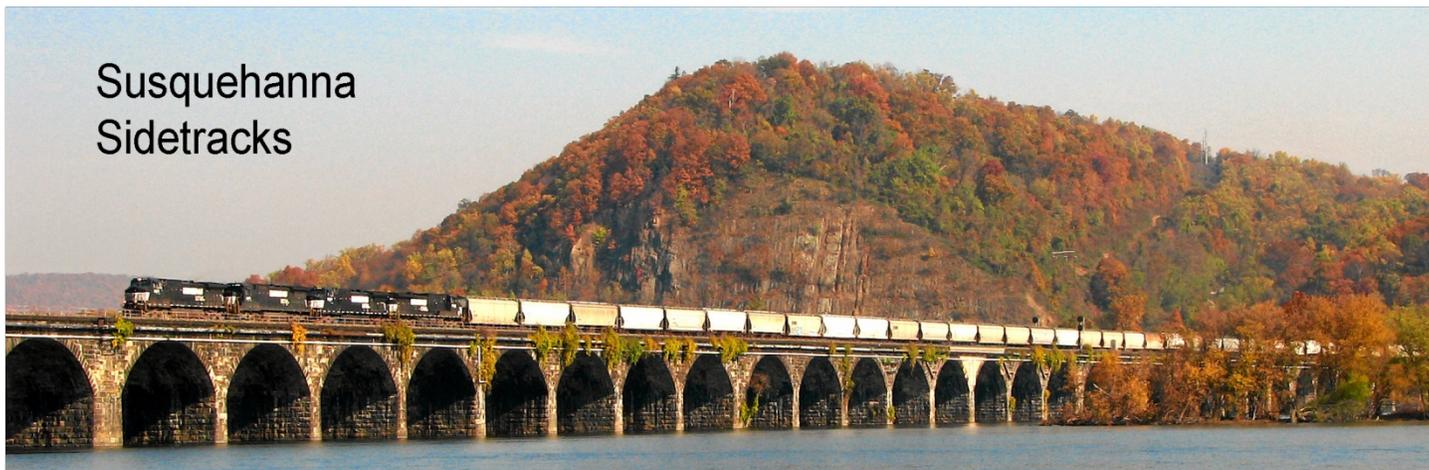


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June 5, 2010, Clinics & Tours

We will host a joint meet with the Chesapeake division with morning clinics at the Camp Hill Giant Food Store and afternoon open houses. Clinics will begin at 9:30 AM, and you may arrive anytime after 9:00 AM. **Per Giant's rules, you may NOT bring along food/drink from home or other sources, but may purchase anything you wish from the Giant (and they do have a coffee shop/prepared food area) to take to the room.** The Giant is located at 3301 Trindle Road, Camp Hill, PA. From PA 581, take exit 5A -- US-11/US-15 North towards Camp Hill. You will see the Camp Hill Shopping Center on your left. You may enter the shopping center from either the light from US-11/US-15 or from Trindle Road (at north end of shopping center). Giant is located on the north end of the shopping center. Enter the Giant and go to the front/left corner (where the prepared food area is located). Take stairs or elevator upstairs. We are in the "big room" at the end of the hallway.

We will have three clinics between 9:30 AM and 12 noon. They will be "Pursuing the Prototype - Modeling from what's been left behind" by Ron Parisi, "Converting the Keystone Model Railroad Historical Society to DCC – Lessons Learned" by Harry Owens, and "Building Cornwall Railroad Engine 122" by James Mattern.

Afternoon tours will be (first three near the Giant, last two toward York):

Keystone Model Railroad Historical Society (12 noon to 5 PM) (open to the public)

Steven Mallery's PRR Buffalo Line (1 PM to 4 PM)

Bob Charles, MMR's, PRR South Penn Division (1 PM to 4 PM)

Jeff Warner's PRR/RDG/WM South Central Region (2 PM to 5 PM)

Bob Martin's Central Pennsylvania Railroad (2 PM to 5 PM)

Addresses and Directions will be available at the clinics, and directly from Jeff Warner closer to the event (e-mail me or call if you need them before the June 5 clinics – contact info on page 2). More details on the tours can be found on our website. **There is no need to pre-register for this event.**

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Division 11 Happenings

Jeff Warner

This is the "ballot" issue that is mailed to all Susquehanna Division 11 Members. As such, I want to remind everyone that if you are reading this, but are NOT on the email list for notification of division events, please send me an e-mail and I will add you to this FREE list. Only division officers may send to the list, so you will not receive ANY junk mail or SPAM by signing up. Also, several members changed ISP's (providers) and didn't send me the updated email address. So, please send me any changes or updates.

We are finalizing a Saturday, October 9th meet in the Wilkes Barre area. More details will be posted on the division website (see top left of this page) when they become available.

There is MUCH more information about the model railroad tours available on-line, including links to websites for four of the five model railroads. Please visit the division website to find it. Also, more information on James Mattern's Cornwall Railroad Engine 122 can be found in the April newsletter (also available on the newsletter page of the website).

This issue (page 3) has a ballot for officers. I have been "convinced" to accept another term (there were no other candidates) and each office has exactly one nominee. If the candidates are accepted, there will be one 1-year term as director vacant (Wayne Betty's) which will need to be filled. If anyone is interested in filling that term please let me know.

The IRS has rejected our 501(c)(3) application...but they did offer to refund our money. I accepted the refund because if we fought the rejection and lost, we would have lost the money. If anyone wants more details, please contact me, but I don't want to waste a lot of space here going over the entire situation.

Per our new advertising policy, you will notice that there are two advertisements at the back of this newsletter. PLEASE let these people know you saw the ads here and that their money was well spent. Their support will help off-set the costs of printing and mailing the newsletter, with any surplus going into the general fund. Please support them as they are helping to support us.

Susquehanna Division 11 Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 22, 2010, at 1 PM. MER general contest chairman Martin Brechbiel will present 2 clinics on judging contest models using AP guidelines. The first will be oriented towards becoming a judge and the second will be oriented towards modelers entering contests. The clinics will be in Camp Hill. **YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT IN ADVANCE.** Register by emailing Jeff Warner at jwarner@susquehannanmra.org or by calling (717) 932-9929 between 10 AM and 9 PM. If you call, make sure you leave a return number so I can contact you with directions. More information on the clinics can be found on page 3 of the April newsletter.

Saturday, June 5, 2010 at 9:30 AM. See page 1 of this newsletter or the division website for more information.

Saturday, Sept 25, 2010 at 9:30 AM. We will host a joint meet with the Philadelphia division with two morning clinics and afternoon open houses in the Allentown area. More details will be presented in a future issue.

Friday, October 1, 2010, and Saturday, October 2, 2010. We will co-host with the OPSIG the Lehigh-Susquehanna Operations Weekend 2 (LSOPS 2). This will give members and visitors a chance to operate some of the fine layouts found in the division, with a group in the Lehigh Valley (Allentown area) and a group in the Susquehanna Valley (York-Harrisburg area). No experience will be required to participate, but you will need to register for the event. More details are available on-line at: <http://www.susquehannanmra.org/lshops>

2010 Susquehanna Division 11 Officer Ballot

Per division by-laws, the positions of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Chief Clerk are open for the term of July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2012. The following are the nominees. As there is only one person per position, you may only vote to accept/reject the nominees. Please respond to Bob Martin at cprboss@comcast.net or 45 W Locust Lane, York, PA 17406 by June 11th with your votes (e-mail votes and photocopies of this page are acceptable).

Nominees:

Superintendent: Jeff Warner

Assistant Superintendent: Wayne Betty

Chief Clerk: Paul Tice

I vote to _____ accept or _____ reject these nominees.

Member name _____

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