



## **June 2012 – Newsletter** **SVGRS Schedule for 2012**

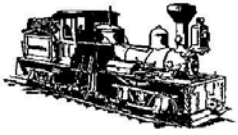
**June 23- 1PM till 5 PM** - Open house at Robert McCreas (see details below)  
**July 21 – 1PM till 5PM** - Open house Phillip Shoop (see details below)  
**August 8th @ 7:00PM** - Executive Board Meeting  
**August 18 - 1PM till 5PM** - Open house  
**September 8th @ 11:30 AM-** SVGRS Club Picnic  
**September 22 @ 1 PM** Clean up of club equipment at Bob Segessenmans  
**October 18th @ 7:00PM** - General Club Meeting at the Brethren Home  
**November 10 – Rocky Ridge** setup  
**November 23 thru December 31** running trains at Rocky Ridge  
**December 8rd @ 5:00pm** - SVGRS Christmas Party and Election of 2013/2014 club officers

### **Open House Tours for 2012**

**June 23 – Open House at Robert McCrea's 1PM till 5PM, 550 Summit Drive, Carlisle, PA. Phone 717-258-8566. Tom McCloud will have plants for sale and will do a Seminar at 2PM. Robert McCrea will do a Seminar at 3PM on building Trestles and placing them in your layout. (In the event of bad weather call)**

**July 21 – Open house Phillip Shoops 1 PM till 5 PM, 1918 Lyndon Ave., Lancaster, PA Phone 717-390-0406. Light refreshments will be available. Phillip has done a lot of upgrading to his layout this spring and has added a lot of details. (Don't miss this one)**

**August 18 – Open house at Marlyn Geesey, 2932 Exeter Drive, York, PA and Richard Rutledge, 2835 Woodshead Terc., York, PA. These two layouts are joined together making a large display.**



**Following are some photos of Phillip Shoop's newly renovated layout.**



**The finished mine railway with the storage siding and bumpers added.**



**Another view of the storage track with the mine supply car (hlw mini-series flatcar) sitting on it.**



**The little Davenport Loco was derailling almost every time coming into the switch through the curved leg. This photo shows the small brass strip that I put on the guard rail to pull the loco away from the frog. I have not had a derailment since.**



**After adding the RPO I bought at the ECLS My passenger train no longer fit in the siding so I moved the switch around the curve closer to the bridge. This is the finished result.**





## **SVGRS 10-June-2012 General Meeting held at Bob Segessenman's House.**

- Meeting called to order at 6:05pm
- Officer's Present: Turk, Jeff, Joe, Rob (Barry was on vacation)
- 14 Members including Spouses present
- First summer meeting to be held at member homes - Went well!
- Secretary read previous meeting notes from Oct 2011, but noted that he had missed one general meeting
  
- Vice Pres discussed by-law changes noting copies of the new by-laws had been emailed/mailed to the membership for review. The primary shift was in adding an incentive to the membership to take on leadership roles by waiving yearly dues for the term in office. Discussion ensued. Motion made by Marilyn, Bob seconded to try the new rule. Vote was 12 for & 2 against with the officers present abstaining.
  
- Treasurers Report indicated the following balances;  
Checking: \$1,511.03  
Savings: \$5,895.54
  
- Also reported that the recent investments (since last meeting) were for a USA Trains GP-38 (PRR), a rail clamp tool and an \$88 Christmas Train Set for the Rocky Ridge raffle.
  
- Vice Pres discussed Rocky Ridge and the discussion to have with that show's coordinator concerning heat and new platforms
  
- East Coast Large Scale Train Show coordinator (Rob) made final report with the profits (\$275) outweighing the expense (\$157)
  
- Picnic Report (Joe) indicated there has been a lot of work done to set this up with the following plans in place.

Date: September 8th, 2012

Time: 12:00 noon till whenever

Food: Catered Pig Roast/2 sides/salad/cake and drinks Porta Potty, Tent and Chairs will be provided Reese Family will organize the pulling and drifting contests Segessenman Family will insure track and power pack are pulled from club trailer.

- Open House Schedule

Bob McCrea ~ June 23rd

Phillip Shoop ~ July 21st

Marlyn Geesy & Neighbor ~ Aug 18th

Ken Murry and Phillip Shoop have also be gracious enough to open his layout to a bus load of folks visiting from the Columbus Garden Railway Society on Oct 6th.

- Recent Train Trips

Turk talked about EBT closing for the season

Rob talked about riding the C&T opening day

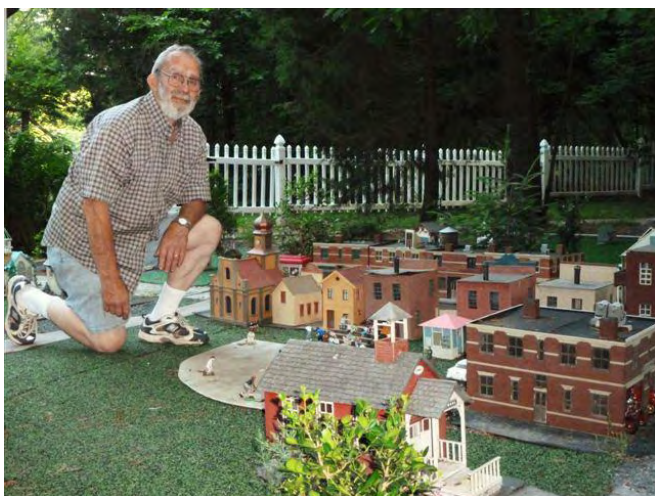
Rich Rutledge talked about riding a plantation train in Central America

Bowers to investigate a club trip for 2013 on the Delaware & Western

- Cleaning Date was moved from the traditional hot summer to September 22nd at 1:00pm

- Next General Meeting October 18th - Location TBD

- Next Officer's Meeting August 8th - Location TBD





A few Pictures from the Western Maryland Photo Train on May the 12 Submitted by James Hitz.

As a new member to SVGRS and fairly new to G scale garden trains I was very grateful that you posted advanced notice for the Western Maryland Photo Train. In order to save money, I drove down and back the same day (long day). It was my first photo train and was worth every penny. We had some delays on the way back and missed a few photo shoots but that didn't bother me. I took two cameras and tried to get equal use out of both because and later was very glad I did because when I got home and reviewed the one camera, I found one of the movies was of poor quality so I deleted it. Unfortunately either the camera or the SD card malfunctioned and shorted out the card and I lost half of my movies and half of my pictures.

If anyone new would want to take this trip next time I have a few warnings. Take clothing that will help guard against ticks and poison; take protective coverings for the equipment and never ever stand a hundred feet into the tunnel to get a movie of the train coming through. Ha ha and many thanks to the people who arranged the trip.

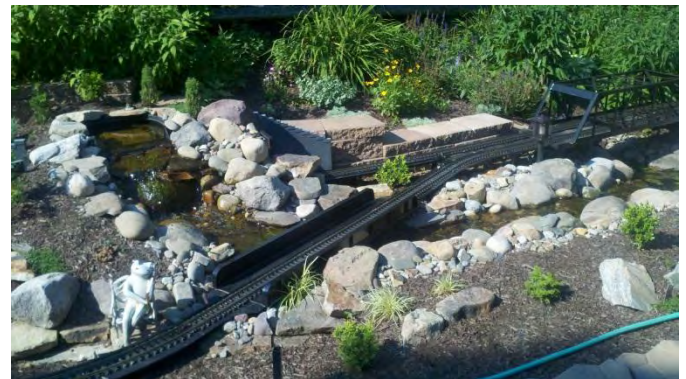
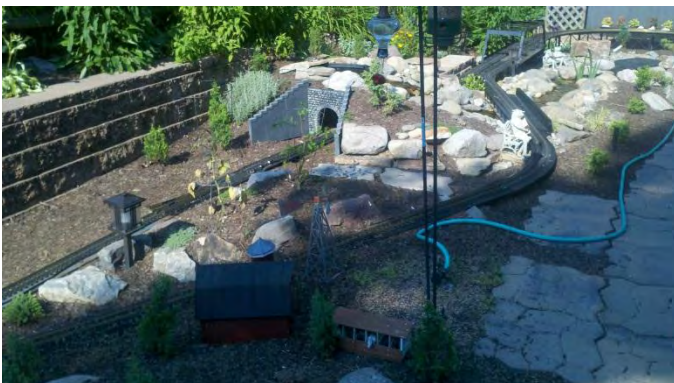
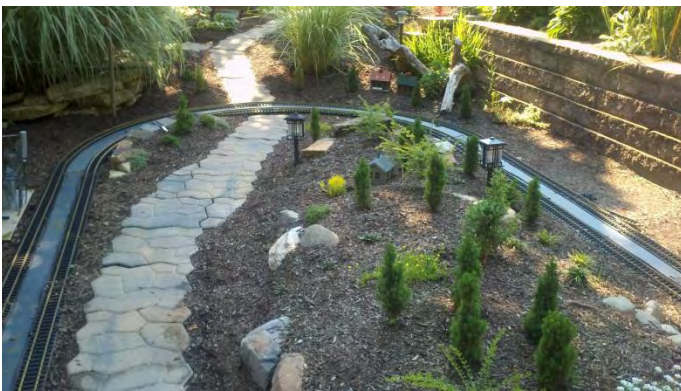






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**Fred Wendling has been working hard this spring on a new lay-out. Following are a few pictures showing his efforts. Maybe next year we can talk him into an open house.**



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## **SVGRS 2012 Picnic September 8**

The picnic will be held at the home of Joe Mower, 39 Pennway Drive, Carlisle, PA phone 717-241-6483. This is a free event for you and your immediate family. The picnic will be a Pig Roast catered by Crider Meats in Shippensburg. The menu includes Pulled pork, 2 side dishes, salad, cake and drinks. Plates, silverware, cups and napkins will be provided. We will have a tent and port-a-potty available.

Richard Reese and wife will be chairing the events including the pulling contest, freewheeling contest and other events.



### **Looking for a fall trip? Here is one idea.**

Wolf bus has a four day Adirondack, NY trip on September 13-16. It includes a dinner aboard a Dome Car on the North Creek-Saratoga Railroad and A ride on Plattsburg Amtrak alongside Lake Champlain and a visit to Railroads on Parade, four magical miniature worlds of model trains. Also a scenic voyage on Lake George is included. Nancy and I have already signed up for this trip.

For more information go to [WWW.wolfsbus.com](http://WWW.wolfsbus.com)

Joe Mower





The Columbus Garden Railway society will be traveling our way and be in Lancaster on Saturday Oct 6 . They have asked us to provide a few layouts in the afternoon for them to go and visit.

They are riding the Strasburg train at 11:00am. After that they would like to visit our member's railroads. I would estimate arrival time at 2:00 and then around 3:00 they are traveling by bus. There will be 40-50 folks on board with them so be prepared.

I spoke with Cecil Easterday I today and gave them the info. Cecil's number is 614-889-1424.

The following members have volunteered their layouts:

Phillip Shoop  
1918 Lyndon Ave  
Lancaster Pa 717-390-0406

Ken Murray  
209 East New .Street  
Mountville Pa 717-285-5660

Any questions please call Turk 717-762-8873 or cell 717-977-1000



**From:** [Turk Russell](#)

**Subject:** East Broad Top Railroad won't run this summer - LewistownSentinel.Com  
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