

# Depot News from Painesville



# THE DEPOT DISPATCH

## The Heat is On!



With Summer in full swing, so is many of our events.

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This past month we hosted NMRA Div. 5 picnic, had a booth at Painesville Party in the Park, had tables at Jefferson Train Show and had our HoBo day!

August 25 is our Railroad Memorabilia Show. This is our 4th annual show and shows many artifacts from prototypical trains.

September 14, is Boy Scout Day with Div. 5.

September 25 is our Fundraiser Dinner at Texas Roadhouse.

We have some very exciting project in the works. I am hoping to be able to share them with you next month.

These are very exciting times for the Depot!

*Tom Pescha, V.P.*

August is going to be just as busy as the depot is rented for a private graduation party on August 4 and a family reunion on August 10.

Our Fundraiser at Harry Buffalo has been **CANCELLED** do to low ticket sales.

On August 15, we have been asked to have a booth at the LeRoy Heritage "Planes, Trains & Automobiles BBQ at Pheasant Run Airport and be the 'Trains'.

Our Depot picnic is set for August 18, all members and family are invited, but you **MUST** RSVP

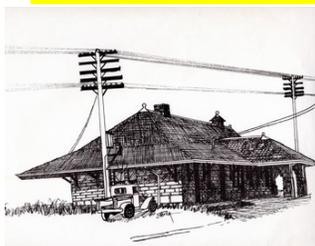
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## Museum Open Hours

Our Museum is now open every Friday 6 - 9 pm and 1st. & 3rd. Saturday 11 am to 3 pm. May through October



# Special Election - BOD

Congratulations to R.J. Price for being elected to the BOD to finish Terry Mowery term.



# DEPOT PICNIC

Our Depot Picnic for our membership is just around the corner, Saturday, **August 18**. All members and their families are invited. This is a catered event so I must have a RSVP by **August 10** so I can order the correct amount of food.



## Cancelled

Do to low Tickets sales for the Harry Buffalo Fundraiser Dinner

It has been **CANCELLED**

# Win this HO Train Set

You can win this train set! Tickets are only \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Tickets will be on sale all summer and the drawing will be at our Oktoberfest.



**WIN THIS TRAIN SET**

Tickets \$1.00 each - 6 for \$5.00

**Drawing October 12, 2019**

at our **Oktoberfest**

Winner need not be present

Proceeds to support the Painesville Railroad Museum

**The Painesville Railroad Museum**  
475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077

The Western Reserve Railroad Association  
d/b/a  
The Painesville Railroad Museum  
a 501(c)3 non-profit  
All donations are tax deductible

## Party in the Park

The Museum had a booth at Party in the Park. The three day event was HOT, with Friday and Saturday temperatures hitting 95 degrees and not much breeze. Because of the high temperatures, attendance was very low. Early Saturday Morning (5 am) thunderstorm caused several tents to be destroyed. Lucky we just had a little water damage, wet flyers. Sunday having temps in the 80's and a light breeze made it much better. I do wish to thank all our members who help with this event.





# HOBO DAY



Our 1st HoBo day was held on July 27. Mother nature was very kind with providing a great sunny day in the mid 80's. The Miracle Band was received well, thanks to Brent Lane and John Penca and the rest of the group. With well over 150 guest attending, it was a fun day. Several of our members and guest took part in the Hobo contest. The food was beyond believe. A big thanks to Jim for preparing the HoBo Stew and Rob helping at fire side. And the HoBo Beans were a big success thanks to Luisa Pescha for all her help. I wish to thank the rest of our members who help make this a big success and fun day.



# Building Updates

Restoration continues as our summer weather does.

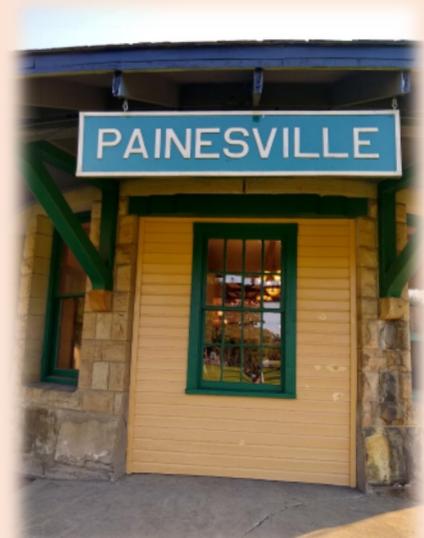
Rick Rocks has been busy scraping paint and putting a fresh coat of paint on the underside of our overhangs.

The crew has replaced all the windows on the East end of the station.

Rob has been busy putting bricks down on our patio.



# Building Updates



# Thoughts from railroad days gone by:

by Dick Gifford , Part 2

*Dick's memories growing up at Painesville Railroad Depot 1950's, 1960's, & 1970's . Part 2 of 2.*

In the summer of 1965 when I was 14 years old was at the station sitting in the ticket office with my Dad. The sun was just about to set. It was a vivid red sunset. My Dad said to me "Would you like to drive the F7 Lighting Striper sitting out there? Well my heart just about stopped. Once I could form coherent words that would come out of my mouth and said "YES, OF COURSE!!!" it was a go for launch. The engineer & I crossed the high iron and climbed up into the cab in the yard — WOW! First, the engineer gave me a full tour of the whole locomotive. Standing inches from the engine I could feel the sound of the great '567' prime mover permeating throughout my body. We had to yell into each other's ears to be heard. Yes, I finally found out where the toilet was located. After showing me all the controls, I eased the throttle forward going eastward in the yard. I got to blow the horn two short blasts each time I started the locomotive moving. We moved three times back and forth the whole length of the yard. We had three cars hooked onto the engine. What a rush! That was one of the greatest experiences of my lifetime.



In 1966, the Central installed two computer systems. The one was the IBM punch card type. The other was the paper tape type. They were to keep track (no pun intended) of the Painesville freight. They were located in the Trainmasters office.

By the way, every time a passenger train was stopping at the station, either my dad or the ticket agent on duty (three shifts, or three tricks as they were called) would announce the train over the PA system, (say like: "Train number 43 Eastbound for Buffalo, Albany, and New York City arriving on track 2") then it was a brisk rush out to the baggage cars for loading and unloading.

Riding the Rails - The Great Steel Fleet - 1950's, 1960's, 1970's, 2000's My family: me, my Dad, & my Mom always took my Dad's vacations on the train. We journeyed everywhere from the East coast westward to Chicago. About 40% of our travels

were in the coach seats, which by the way were very comfortable to ride and sleep in. The other 60% of the time we rode in the sleepers which had couches and seats during the day and were converted by the porter into beds (upper and lower) when we were ready to go to sleep. The sleeper also had a private bathroom. Every time the train would stop at night I would wake up and see what was going on outside. Of course, one of the best things was eating in the dining car for our breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Pure white linen tablecloths and napkins. Sterling silver "silverware" and all silver adornments on the table with NYC's special plate ware. They always filled the dinner tables, so you got to meet other people from anywhere in the country, or the world.

We rode on seven Class 1 railroads: The New York Central, the B&O, the ACL, the SCL, the L&N, The Southern, and the Penn Central. I myself rode on Amtrak in 2003 from Cleveland Ohio to Portland Maine round trip. I took a 6-day sailing voyage on the 92-foot deck Schooner 'American Eagle' in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Maine. The boat was built in 1930 as a fishing boat.

Some of the cities we stopped at and visited were Columbus Ohio, Cincinnati Ohio, Atlanta Georgia, Buffalo New York, Niagara Falls New York, New York City New York, Boston Massachusetts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Washington D.C., Sanford Florida, Detroit Michigan, Cedar Point Ohio, and Chicago Illinois.

A lot of the times there were as many as 17 passenger cars to the train. The public was encouraged to venture about and walk the length of the train if they pleased. My favorite part of that was walking between the cars. You had to time yourself just right to transverse between the two cars. I spent as much time as I could in the last car out on the veranda watching the tracks and the scenery traveling into the distance of our great United States of America.

There were a number of experimental paint schemes on the E units:  
Painted green were 4053, 4083 and E7B 4108  
Painted black were 4052, 4055 and 4080  
Painted grey with GOLD lettering was 4047.

## Upcoming Dates and Events

- Fri. Aug 9, Age of Steam Roundhouse trip 8 a.m.
- Sat. Aug. 10, **Fundraiser** at Harry Buffalo
- Thur., Aug 15, Planes, Trains & Automobiles , Pheasant Run Airport, 4—8 pm.
- Sat. Aug. 18, **Depot Picnic**, Noon to 5 p.m.
- Sun. Aug. 25, **Railroad Memorabilia Show** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sat. Sept 14, **Boy Scout Day** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Sun. Sept 29, Farm to Flea, 177 Main Street, Painesville, 10 am—4 pm

For a complete list of locate Train and Toy Shows visit [www.cleveshows.com](http://www.cleveshows.com)

## Depot Dispatch

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## New Fire Pit



# THE WESTERN RESERVE RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

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## PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM



[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)

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## Planes, Trains & Automobiles

This years Planes, Trains and & Automobiles BBQ is a fundraiser for LeRoy Heritage Association being held at Pheasant Run Airport and Museum.

The Painesville Railroad Museum will once again have a booth at this Event.

Dave Metzger will also be displaying his G gauge layout and Bill Osborne will be displaying some of his railroad signals.



## Planes, Trains & Automobiles 2019 BBQ and Car Show at Pheasant Run Airport & Museum



**Pheasant Run Airport and Museum**  
8752 Trask Road, Madison, OH 44057 (Leroy Twp.)  
Thursday, August 15 4 – 8 PM

On the beautiful grounds of the Pheasant Run Airport and Museum in Leroy Township, enjoy a summer BBQ amid vintage planes, model trains and classic automobiles and motorcycles. Fun event with flyovers, music, artisans, raffles, and more! The first 50 car show entrants will receive a dash plaque and trophies will be awarded. Ticket includes a BBQ dinner by Smoke BBQ Grill, and museum admission. Please call 440-897-9671 for more information or to purchase tickets by check or Paypal. This events supports the LeRoy Heritage Association.



## PAINESVILLE — FARM & FLEA —

Farm goods, antiques, vintage art, prepared food, live music, and more!

Sunday June 23, 2019, 10-4  
Sunday Sept 29, 2019, 10-4

177 Main Street Painesville

September 29, the Downtown Painesville Origination will be holding it Farm & Flea Market. We have ad a both there for the past several years and with Rob's help, we will be part of it again this year.

Rob will need help setting up and manning our both.





# DEPOT PICNIC

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Noon to 5:00pm

Eats around 2 pm

At



**The Painesville Depot**  
475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077



[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)

**Join in on good fellowship  
and railfanning!**



### Menu:

- Breaded Chicken
- Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Chips
- Hobo Beans,
- Desert
- Pop & water
- If you wish - Dish to pass



Food is being provide by PRRM

Admission: **Free** to all Depot members and immediate family.



RSVP by **August 10, 2019** to Tom at:

(216) 470-5780 or send an e-mail to [cleveshows@att.net](mailto:cleveshows@att.net)

**Be sure to bring your Camera!**



# RAILROAD MEMORABILIA SHOW

## COME AND SEE ARTIFACTS OF RAILROADS GLORY DAYS



### Sunday, August 25, 2019 10 am to 5 pm

### PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM

475 Railroad Street  
Painesville, Ohio 44077



#999 Engine



Admission: \$5.00 adult, \$3.00 child (3 to 12 year old)  
\$12.00 Family (max 2 adults, 3 children)



See railroad signals, plate setting ware (Dinner Ware) that were used in the dining cars, railroad lanterns, paper work from different railroads, conductor hats, engineer hats, and much more from railroads of the past. Some items will be for display only by private collectors and some items will be available for purchase.



**Vendors** - If you wish to only display your item (not sell them) then your table is Free  
If you wish to sell items, then your table cost is \$25.00 per table

Food and Drinks available.



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[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)  
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### Aug. 2019 Railroad Memorabilia Show

PLEASE PRINT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit# \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ No of Tables \_\_\_\_\_

Return this part

6' X 30" Tables

Display only - Tables are free

Selling items - Table cost \$25.00 each

Load in Sat. 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Sun. 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

**Make Checks Payable To:**

**WRRRA**

**Mail To:**

Tom Pescha  
3942 East 364<sup>th</sup> Street  
Willoughby, Ohio 44094  
Phone (216) 470-5780  
[www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org](http://www.painesvillerrailroadmuseum.org)

Please send table request by Aug. 16, 2019

Please return this part only

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# BOY SCOUT DAY

## AT

# PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM



### September 14, 2019

### 10 am to 4 pm



### Earn your Railroad Merit Badge

### Classes being present by National Model Railroad Association

### MCR Division 5 cost \$25.00 each



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**lunch included**  
**Limited to max. 20**



Boy Scout Day Sept 2019

Scout Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Troop #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email : \_\_\_\_\_

Boy Scout Day Sept 2019 merit badge

Make Check payable to: **NMRA MCR Division 5**

Mail To:

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13333 Chardon Windsor Rd.

Chardon Ohio 44024

Phillipbaioni@hotmail.com

440-226-9621

# Fundraising Night

Take a break from cooking at home and come and join us for a fun dinner at Texas Road-

house, and help the museum at the same time. 10% of your bill will be donated to the museum

by Texas Roadhouse and you have a great meal at the same time!

Just show your server the attached flyer when ordering your meal or show them a pic of it on your phone. That is all that it takes.

## FUNDRAISING NIGHT!



Help Support the

**Painesville Railroad Museum**

By giving Mom a break and take her to dinner on

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

3 pm to 8 pm

### 10% Donation Night

Support this cause by presenting this invitation to the listed Texas Roadhouse® location and Texas Roadhouse® will donate 10% of your total food purchases to the fundraiser!



(440) 833-0570

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