

# Depot News from Painesville



# THE DEPOT DISPATCH

## An End to an Other Year



As 2019 is coming to an end, we have covered much ground. The Restoration Crew has once again done an outstanding job, from refinishing the Main Lobby floor, repairs on the inside of the Bay Window area, windows in the East end, the patio bricks, to repairing, scraping and repainting the underside of the overhangs, just to mention a few. To all you guys, a very big **THANK YOU!**

should have a signed agreement with the **Collinwood High School Alumni Association** to make the Painesville Railroad Museum the home for the #999 engine. We have done restoration to the engine so it is once again road worthy and we are making plans to have it in parades.

We just received word that we have had a Trolley donated to us. More to follow on this next month.

We also have had a 7" gauge Live Steam Engine donated to us. See Page 2.

You might be wondering where we are going to put all of this. The BOD approved adding a new garage/engine barn to house these items.

These are very exciting times for the Depot!

*Tom Pescha, V.P.*

Christmas Dinner date has been set for December 14, 2019, 4:30 pm to ????. Dinner will be served around 5:30 pm. You must **RSVP by Dec. 5** so I can order the correct amount of food. I wish to thank Paul Hach for providing our dinner.

The Christmas Train Show is December 15, 10 am to 3:30 pm at Lakeland.

2020 is shaping up to be very exciting with several new acquisitions. We

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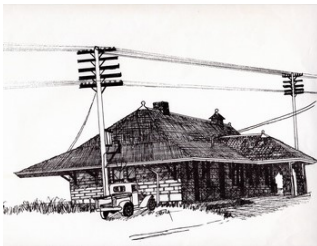
## Secretary Needed

With the passing of Len Kessler, this leaves us with a void for secretary. If anyone would like to fill this void, please contact me or Jim.

## Elections

Two of our BOD members are up for Re-election. Alan Shupp and Barry Uszko. If you wish to serve on the BOD, please Contact Tom Pescha.

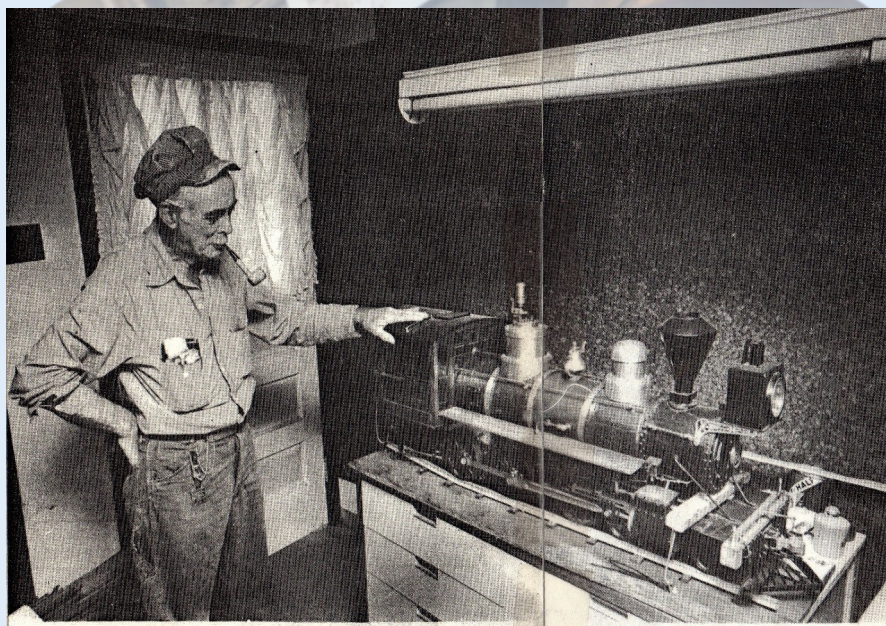
## Dues are Due





# Live Steam Engine

One of our more recent donations is a 7" gauge Live Steam Engine (like the ones that run at Penitentiary Glen. This was built by 'Zip' Heth in 1968. Heth's love for railroad life prompted him to so spend "four years of spare time" to build a six-foot replica of a turn-of-century (4-6-0) locomotive, complete with accompanying tender, flat car and caboose.



ZIP'S BABY — "Zip" Heth, 68, of Willoughby gives his handmade replica of a turn-of-the-century locomotive a tender pat. Once a Nickel Plate Road employee, Zip has never lost his love for railroad lore. Aside from adding little extras to his "Walnut Creek" line, Zip also makes railroad car toy boxes, thus far for 27 area youngsters. (News-Herald photo by Dick Prochaska, chief photographer)



# How to Build a Model Railroad Day

On November 2, 2019, the Depot hosted 'How to Build a Model Railroad Day' for NMRA Div. 5. This event has several mini clinics on different aspects of building a Model Railroad. This was the first time holding it at the depot. It was received very well by the public and Div. 5.





# Pics of Nets show

The Museum had tables at the NETs Model Train Show in memory of Bob Orlando. This year Mother Nature was very kind to us and we had a good attendance with over 300 guest and vendors attending the Show. Rob, R.J., Rick Rocks and Dennis did a great job manning the booth.

I wish to thank all who came out and help support us by manning our booth.

Tony Spena donated 10% of his table sales to the depot, thank you Tony.





# OUR STATION

New Christmas Lights and train . Thank you Rob for a great job!





# Hand Made Market

Our Handmade Market was held on November 30 and Mother Nature was very kind to us. The rain that was forecasted held off until late night.

Painesville City provide a trolley to run between Steele Mansion and us with stops at Our Treasures and Painesville Furniture. Park in one place and ride the trolley around town. Talk about a through back in time, in the 1920's this was a trolley route.

I wish to thank all that help and a very **BIG Thank You** to Rob and Stephanie for all the hard work the did in running the event.



# Upcoming Dates and Events

Dec. 14, Depot Holiday Party

Dec. 15, Christmas Train Show—Revised Date

Jan. 4, 2020, Antique & Collectible Toy Show - Lakeland Community College

March 14-15, 2020 Railfest - Lakeland Community College.

March 14, 2020, Railfest Dinner - Depot.

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

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## Around the Station



# THE WESTERN RESERVE RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

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# PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM



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# CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 14, 2019

SOCIAL HOUR 4:30 P.M.,

'DINNER' AT 5:30 P.M.

*Guest Speaker* will be Tom Pescha

presenting the Cleveland, Painesville and  
Eastern Trolley Line.



**Seasons Greetings**



## MENU

Tossed Green Salad  
Italian and Ranch Dressing on the side  
Breaded Chicken  
Roast Beef  
Ham  
Mixed vegetables  
Au Gratin Potatoes  
Rigatoni  
Cake for desert.

Again this year the dinner will be catered, so will need a head count to order the correct amount of food. Please **RSVP** Tom Pescha by email at [cleveshows@att.net](mailto:cleveshows@att.net) or call him at 216-470-5780 **no later than Thursday December 5.**





# Under New Ownership Christmas Train

and

# TOY SHOW

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**Sunday, December 15, 2019**  
**10:00 am to 3:30 pm**  
**REVISED DATE**



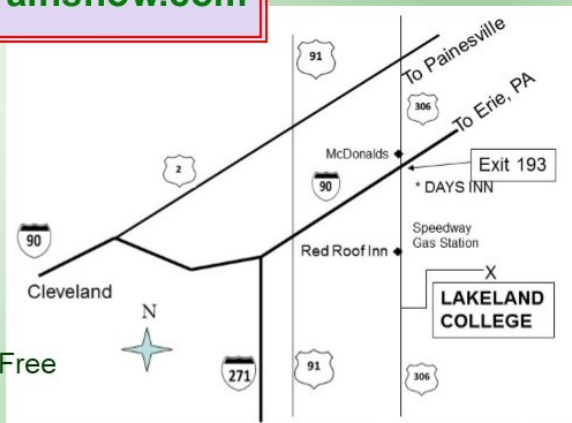
*Santa Claus will be at the show from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.*

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**Dealer info at:**  
[www.christmastrainshow.com](http://www.christmastrainshow.com)

Held at:  
**Lakeland Community College  
Athletic & Fitness Center (AFC) Main Gym  
7700 Clocktower Dr.  
Kirtland, Ohio 44094  
Interstate 90 and Rt. 306 (S.E. Corner)**



**Adm.: Adults \$6.00 Children (6-12) \$3.00, Under 6 Free**  
**Family \$15.00 (2 adults + children under 12)**  
Active Military Personnel Free

**Toy Collection for needy families – New in-box toys only (unwrapped). Please no stuffed animals.**



Dealer Redeemable this Show  
**\$25.00 Door Prize Certificate**  
Drawings at Noon and 2 pm



Featuring:

**300 + Tables \* One Floor \* Operating Train Layouts \* Free Parking**  
HO Trains – Structures – Accessories - Lionel, American Flyer, G-gauge, N scale trains  
Good Food - 24 hr. Police Security

THE NEWS-HERALD

**BUY - SELL - TRADE**





