



# The Depot Dispatch



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## Elections Over?

**N**ot quite. While November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 was an important Election Day, so is January 10, 2017. On Tuesday January 10, 2017 at our regular membership meeting, *the first of the New Year*, we will be voting for Officers and Board members to propel the **Painesville Railroad Museum** into another successful year. The current

four main officers are running unopposed, but we do have five men running for three positions on the Board of Directors. The five members running for a position on the Board are: Paul Hach Sr., Dennis Marano, Rob Romig, Terry Mowery and Scott Cumming. The last two years have been very successful because of our great leadership. It is very important for the mem-

bership to keep the *best of the best* in a position of management in the coming years. If you would like to run for office or wish to be on the Board of Directors now or in the future, please let your intentions be known by contacting Matt Bolyard at 216-289-8919 or email him at [Maviboproductions@gmail.com](mailto:Maviboproductions@gmail.com).



**S.O.S.**  
Save Our Station

## A Gentle Reminder

**N**ow that we are entering a new year, it is part of my job as secretary to remind the members that it is time to renew our memberships. While we do very well with our fundraising events, open houses and railfanning days, personal donations, area vendor donations and

anonymous donors, membership dues are a key component to our treasury. We have accomplished great undertakings these past two years with our limited resources and our everyday expenses keep going up and up. So let's all do our part by paying our dues promptly and supporting all of our future fundraisers.

# Bulletin Board:

## 2017 Elections

### Officers that are up for re-election

**President:** Jim Wendorf  
**Vice President:** Tom Pescha  
**Secretary:** Leonard Kessler  
**Treasurer:** Dale Porter

### BOD Members that are up for re-election

Paul Hach Sr.  
 Dennis Marano  
 Rob Romig

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## CURRENT EVENTS at or near THE DEPOT

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| <b>Membership Meeting</b>   | <b>January 10</b>    |
| The Painesville Railroad Museum<br>475 Railroad Street<br>Painesville, Ohio 44077 (6:00 pm)                       |                      |
| <b>BOD Meeting</b>  | <b>January 24</b>    |
| The Painesville Railroad Museum<br>475 Railroad Street<br>Painesville, Ohio 44077 (6:00 pm)                       |                      |
| <b>Harry Buffalo Fundraiser</b>   | <b>April 8</b>       |
| Harry Buffalo Restaurant<br>2119 Mentor Avenue, (flyer on page 7)<br>Painesville, Ohio 44077 (3 pm -5 pm)         |                      |
| <b>Model Trains Day</b>   | <b>May 5 &amp; 6</b> |
| The Painesville Railroad Museum<br>475 Railroad Street (flyer on page 8)<br>Painesville, Ohio 44077 (10 am -5 pm) |                      |

## Wi-Fi @ the Depot

**T**hanks to **The Western Reserve Junior Service League's** grant for a new IT station, we now have Wi-Fi at the Depot for one year. We were also able to purchase a new Lap Top computer, software, printer, projector and screen. With the purchase of this new hardware, we will be able to host company offsite meetings and provide PowerPoint Presentations and offer an internet connection.

# The Handmade Market



Once again, the Painesville Railroad Museum offered another non-railroad event. On Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the Painesville Railroad Museum opened its doors to host “The Handmade Market”, a unique

handmade arts and craft show. Lisa Cummings set up the event and was in charge with the help of Julie Rhodes. These two charming ladies are the best thing that has happened to the Painesville Railroad Museum in the last year and a half, and we will be forever grateful. The shop-

pers who did attend, enjoyed themselves and expressed approval on how welcome they felt, many visiting the Depot for the first time. There were more than fifteen vendors, offering a variety of handmade and interesting items that would make perfect Christmas gifts



or great items to adorn their own homes. Our vendors were very pleased with the results and mentioned that they look forward to participating in the next events scheduled for 2017. Shoppers commented on how impressed they

were with all of the renovations done to the building over the past two years. For those who came down with a case of the “hungries”, there were sloppy joes, hot dogs, chip and a variety of drinks available. All in all, the event was

great for both the Depot and its many vendors, so much so that it surely will be on our 2017 schedule.

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# Christmas Dinner – Party 2016



What better way to end another very successful year than with a Christmas party. Once again, one member believed in the concept so much that he offered to pay the bill for the event which was held at the Depot.

Around eighty or so members and family came to the Depot on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 to partake in our second Christmas party, thank you Mr. Paul Hach. The atmosphere was pleasant and everyone was getting into the Christmas spirit. IGA catered the

event and there was plenty to eat for all that attended. People with a sweet tooth had a wide variety of goodies to select from including two large sheet cakes with Season's Greetings on them. The bay window area was well lit, had plenty of Christmas lights, a



Christmas tree and a dancing Santa Bear. The temperature inside the Depot was comfortable for everyone now that the building is permanently heated during the colder months. There was plenty of fellowship and bonding between

a unique group of people that love trains and want to see their Depot restored to the magnificent building it once was, decades ago in a different era. In addition this year, we had a guest speaker Barbara Hacha who gave a very interesting

presentation on Hobo Culture in America. Not only has she written several books on the subject, she actually experienced the life style herself.



## A Great Fundraiser at Harry Buffalo

**T**he Painesville Railroad Museum is holding it's second Fundraiser at Harry Buffalo, 2119 Mentor Avenue, Painesville, Ohio 44077 on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 3 pm to 5 pm. Tickets are only \$20.00 each and include all you can eat appetizers and drink. Drinks include domestic draft beer, house wine & well liquors, soft drinks and coffee. Appetizers include Salad, Smothered Chicken, Sheet Pizza, Boneless Wings, and Fries.

**W**e will also have an excellent Chinese Raffle along with a 50/30-20 raffle. We have some outstanding Baskets for the Chinese Raffle. These fundraisers are vital to the operation of the Painesville Depot and a chance for anyone to share in the camaraderie of the members of the Painesville Railroad Museum.

For pre-sale Tickets, contact Len Kessler at (440) 417-6746 or Tom Pescha at 216-470-5780

Make checks out to 'WRRRA'

## Holiday Tour of Homes



**O**n Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 the Painesville Railroad Museum was open for the beginning of a holiday five historical home tour. The tour was from 1 *pm* to 5 *pm* and started at the Painesville Depot where tickets for the event could be purchased for \$15.00 each. The other four buildings on the tour were; the **Denton-**

**Powers House, the Steele Mansion, the Mathew's House and the Lake County History Center.** 182 guests visited the Depot to pick up their tickets and start their tour of five century homes throughout Painesville. Cookies with Hot Cocoa and coffee were provided by the Depot and Chicken Tenders and Meatballs were donated by

Mr. Chicken of Painesville to round out the buffet.



**holiday tour of homes**  
**December 4<sup>th</sup>** from 1 to 5 PM  
 ticket pick-up at the **Railroad Museum**  
**\$15 per person** limited tickets available  
 order on **eventbrite.com** or contact the DPO

The Painesville Railroad Museum  
 425 Railroad Street, Painesville  
 Denton- Powers House  
 53 Mentor Ave., Painesville  
 The Steele Mansion  
 148 Mentor Ave., Painesville  
 Mathew's House  
 313 W. Washington St., Painesville  
 The Lake County History Center  
 415 Riverside Dr., Painesville

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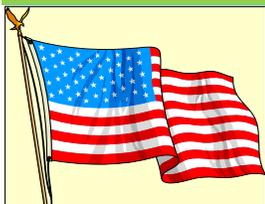
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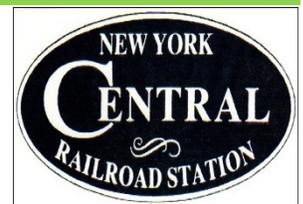
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# PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM FUNDRAISER

Saturday, April 8, 2017 3 to 5 p.m.

## HORS D'OEUVRES & DRINKS

Come and join us for an evening of great Hors d'oeuvres and the fellowship of railroad enthusiast at:

**Harry Buffalo**

2119 Mentor Ave.

Painesville, Ohio 44077



**Menu: *All you can eat and drink for 2 hours***

Smothered Chicken

Sheet Pizza

Bonesless Wings

Salad - Fries



**All you can Drink** - Domestic Draft Beer, House Wine & Well

Liquors from 3 pm to 5 pm

**Cost: \$20.00 Each**

**For Tickets, contact:  
Pre-Sale only**

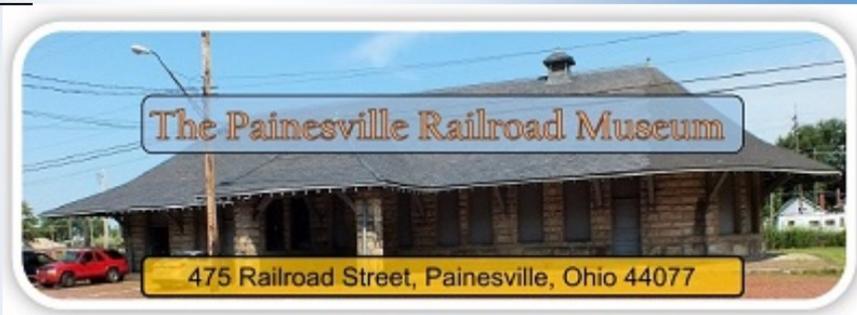
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# MODEL TRAIN DAYS

at

## THE PAINESVILLE RAILROAD MUSEUM

475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077

For info call Len at 440-417-6746

# MAY 6-7 2017

10 am to 5 pm

See operating Model Train Layouts in N scale,  
HO scale, S scale, O gauge and G gauge.  
12 Different Layouts to see!  
Model Train flea market on grounds.



Admission \$5.00 each, Family \$7.00



### Direction to Painesville Depot

- I-90 (exit 200) to Rt. 44
- North on Rt. 44 to Rt. 2
- East on Rt. 2 (1.5 miles) to OH 535 / OH 283 (exit 223)
- South on OH 283 for 200 feet, left turn (east onto Chester St.)
- East on Chester St (0.7 miles) to North State Street
- South on North State Street (under RR Bridge) to Railroad Street.
- East on Railroad Street to Depot.



### Food and Drinks available.

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