



**THE FIRST STATE MODEL RAILROAD
CLUB, INC. NEWSLETTER
AUGUST 2017**

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of The First State Model Railroad Club, Inc. will be held on **Tuesday, August 8, at 7:30 P.M.** at Jarrell Station at 1282 McKee Road, in Dover, DE.

NOTES FROM PRESIDENT EATON:

Well we made it through July's heat, now we have to get through August's heat. For those who have not heard Henry Kramer has left us due to a new job offer. I have emailed him and he is doing great in his new job. He is learning all about lead smelting operations. Dick Lush was elected to fill the unexpired term of Secretary until the next election. Also at last month's meeting Reggie announced he too is leaving. He is moving to New Jersey. We wish him all the best.

Not sure if anyone noticed but there is an ad posted on the board about an open house and tent sale on August 11 and 12, which is a Friday and Saturday, at Nicholas Smith. I know some of you have been there but I have not. I thought Friday the 11th would be a good day to go. All those wanting to go that day please sign up on the board. I guess the best time to leave to beat the traffic would be 8:00 and we could stop at IHop for breakfast. We can talk about this at the next meeting on August 8 at 7:30 and make final plans.

Well that's about it for now. Hope to see you all on the 8th. Happy model railroading till then.

Sam Eaton, President

MEMBER LAYOUTS:

Would you like to let others know something about your home layout? There has been a request for info about layouts that our

members have in their homes? If you would like to submit an article (with [hopefully] or without pictures) please submit them to stockslager@gmail.com by the last week of next month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. Your article may inspire others to do the same. Thank you for considering this request. Joyce, Editor

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 5-6, 2017 – Greenberg's Great Train & Toy Show. Maryland State Fair Grounds, 2200 York Rd., Timonium, MD. Admission: Sat.-\$10 (good for both days), Sun.-\$9, kids 11 and under are admitted FREE and do not need a ticket. FREE parking. Show Features: Hundreds of tables of trains for sale, exhibitors from across the country, huge operating model train displays, FREE workshops and demonstrations, FREE door prize giveaways, free test track - test run your trains at the show.

August 12-13, 2017 – Greenberg's Great Train & Toy Show. New Jersey Expo Center 97 Sunfield Ave., Edison, NJ. Admission: Sat.-\$10 (good for both days), Sun.-\$9, kids 11 and under are admitted FREE and do not need a ticket. FREE parking. Show Features: Hundreds of tables of trains for sale, exhibitors from across the country, huge operating model train displays, FREE workshops and demonstrations, FREE door prize giveaways, free test track - test run your trains at the show.

August 19-20, 2017 – 13th Annual "N-Scale Weekend" Model Train Show. Jaffa Shrine Center, Broad Ave. and 22nd St., Altoona, PA. Setup will be Friday, August 18th. Please contact Dave Ferrari, mrgigabyte@yahoo.com, to join the layout with modules or just to help out. More details will follow.

August 26, 2017 – Harrington Heritage Day, Harrington, DE. Delmarva Train Club will have a set-up on display.

August 30-September 2, 2017 – 37th National Narrow Gauge Convention. Marriott Denver Tech Center Hotel, 4900 South Syracuse St., Denver, CO. Clinics on narrow gauge prototypes and modeling from across the world, loads of contest models, two full vendor's rooms, spectacular modular layouts, numerous layout tours that will take place before, throughout and after the convention days, special discount admission prices on all the major railroading attractions, and much more.

September 9, 2017 – Great Lehigh Valley Train Meet. Merchants Square Mall, 1901 South 12th St., Allentown PA. Admission: \$5.00, Children 12 under FREE. 10am-3pm. Now ONE DAY ALL Scales. More vendors and items to buy.

September 23, 2017 – Indian Summer Toy and Train Show. Roxana Fire House, 35943 Zion Church Road, Frankford, DE. 9:00am-3:00pm. Admission \$5.00. Children 10 and under FREE.

September 24, 2017 – Train Collectors Association, Atlantic Division, Fall Train Show. Sheet Metal Workers Union Hall, 1301 S. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia, PA. Members: 8am-1pm, Public: 9:00am-1pm. Admission: \$5.00 (two adults and all children 12 and under.)

FSMRRC PICNIC: Date to be decided at August (?) meeting.

October 5, 2017 – 6 p.m., Club visit to Fred Lagno's. More info to follow.

October 7, 2017 – FSMRRC to set up for Clayton (DE) Days (old State layout).

October 7-8, 2017 – The Great Scale Model Train Show. Maryland State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD. Saturday: 9am-5pm, Sunday: 10am-4pm. Admission: \$9.00 for both days, \$8.00 for Sunday only. Children up to 15 FREE with a paid adult.

October 12-15, 2017 – The Susquehannock, Mid-Eastern Region 2017 NMRA Convention. Harrisburg-Hershey Sheraton Hotel, 4650 Lindal Rd., Harrisburg PA. Clinics, Operating Sessions, Contests, Awards Banquet, Silent/Live Auctions, Tours. Clinics start Thursday, October 12, at 7pm. For more information or to register, go to www.2017mer.org.

AUCTION OF JIM VALLE'S LAYOUT – NOVEMBER 11. See Jim Thompson and/or Les Souder for details.