

TRACKS

Miami Valley Garden Railway Society



2023 Elected Officers

Gene Rahrig, President
Gary Beaver Vice President
Howard Guscar, Treasurer
Debby Kunselman, Secretary

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February 12th, 2023 Monthly Meeting

which will be held at

Aley Church
4143 Kemp Road
Beavercreek, Ohio 45431

Gather around 2:00 PM, meeting
Starts about 2:30 PM

Hosted by Elaine Guscar and Lyn Humston

It is going to be a Valentine Extravaganza



NOTES FOR FEBRUARY 2023 TRACKS

January is past and we are looking forward to another month of inside train runs.

The February meeting feature will be by Howard Guscar helping your weeds grow to death.

I hope by now you have confirmed that your entry in roster is correct so we can print one without a lot of updates. If you did not pay dues for 2023 you may not get any notes I send out between Tracks.

We still have some open dates for hosting meetings May 21, June 11, and July 9. Tell Gary Beaver your choice. Another chance to let us visit your railroad in progress.

Banquet is April 16, at T. J Chumps, Beavercreek starting around 2 and meal about 2:30. You order from menu and get what you want. Speaker to be announced soon. Board decided its up to members if a raffle. That decision to be made at February meeting. Guests are welcome.

Gary Beaver has volunteered to chair Railfest this year June 24-25 with setup the 22nd.

Debby and I will be hosting the September picnic meeting.

See you at Aley church.

Gene

MVGRS Club Meeting Minutes - January 8, 2023

President Gene Rahrig called the meeting to order at 2:27 pm. He thanked everyone for the support of the re-elected Board officers.

Gene reported that Carillon Park for the Winterfest has over 30,000 visitors this year. We only had one train derailment and one time with someone turned the speed down not realizing that the train was on a timer. He was able to talk the volunteer through the steps needed to start the train the second to last night of the Winterfest.

Gary Beaver, Vice-Pres., has the sign up sheets for hosting events. All were encouraged to sign up. He, Clay and Danny Wells set up, ran, and tore down the Club train at the Springfield Show on December 11th. They had two loops and a point-to-point. The next Springfield Show will be Sunday, April 2, 2023. The Club will also have a table at the Montgomery County Train Show on January 22, 2023. We also will have a layout at the Greenville Train show on March 5th.

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes Continued

Arthur Poindexter reported that the website has been transferred to GoDaddy. Members need to log in to see the updates with more coming soon.

Kristi Poindexter is still working on a Facebook page. Hopefully in a couple of weeks it will be up and running.

Gene reminded everyone that Van takes 40 – 50 – 60 pictures at each event the club has. Not all the pictures will be on the website.

Howard Guscar, Treasurer, gave the financial report.

Elaine Guscar, Membership Chair, reported that 35 members had paid their dues for the year so far.

Debby Kunselman, Secretary, reported on the changes the Board made to the meeting schedules due to holidays. The April meeting, the annual banquet, will be the 3rd Sunday of April (the 16th) and the May meeting will be May 21st (also the third Sunday). TJ Chumps has been reserved for the banquet. If we are having a raffle, people need to start looking for items. Suggestions for speakers were Lance Crooks, Tom Morrow (interurbans) or Tami Huggins (author).

Show and Tell:

Gordon Walbroehl brought his Franken engine which is composed of every train manufacturer. Elaine Guscar brought a framed picture of a 3 truck Lima Shay at Cass, West Virginia. It was Howard's Christmas present.

Door prizes were next followed by snack time.

Jack Wilson was the featured speaker this month. He shared his experience on how to keep fish alive over the winter. He had handouts to show how to make the mechanism for your pond to keep ice from forming. You still have to keep on eye on the pond during a cold and snowy spell and keep snow off to prevent icing forming over the whole pond.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debby Kunselman, Secretary



Pictures from January Meeting



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Let's Talk Weeds by Howard Guscar

It's about time again when the little green monsters begin raising their ugly heads. At our next meeting I'll try to share some insight on how you may be able to rid your train yard of unwanted weeds.

Some of the discussion will include adjusting the spray nozzle, ways to reduce damage to adjacent vegetation's, different ways to deliver a product, ways to improve the effectiveness of a product, and inform you of some products that you may not be aware of.

Hopefully, I'll be able to visually demonstrate some of the practices as I discuss the above.

Bring your questions and concerns.



Happy
Valentine's Day



February Birthdays

Jim Engel 3
Randy Watterworth 19
Debbie O'Connor 24
Chad Davis 27
Lyn Humston 27

February Anniversaries

Still to cold to get married

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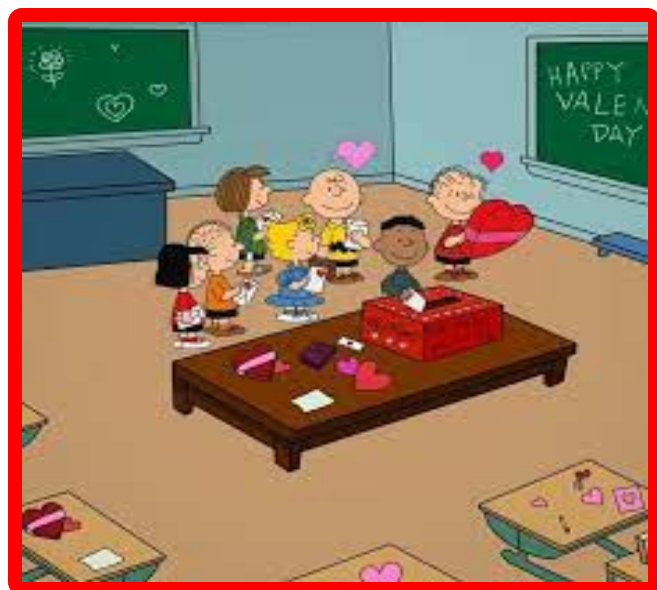
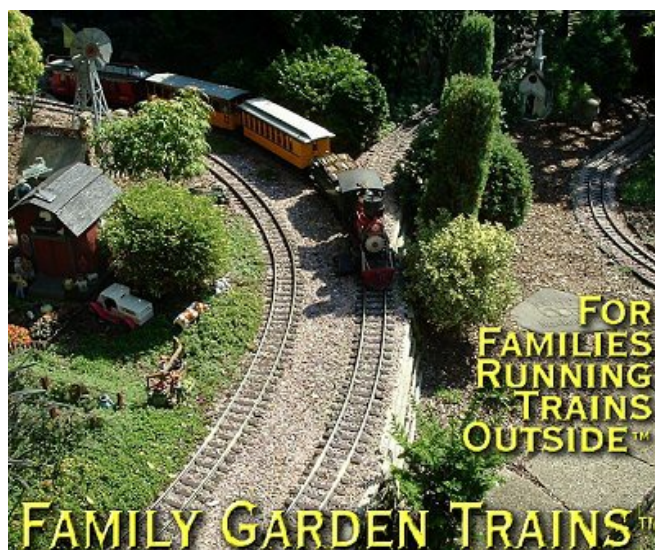
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Annual Membership Dues

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