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CHAPTER MEETING JUNE 3 AT T&OC STATION IN COLUMBUS

Our next chapter meeting will be on June 3 at the former Toledo and Ohio Central Station at 379 West Broad Street in Columbus. The former station is now used by the Columbus Fire Department, and has been beautifully restored. It is adjacent to railroad tracks that cross overhead on West Broad. The doors will be open at 1 p.m. with the business meeting scheduled for 1:30. After the meeting, we have an open slide show with members encouraged to bring whatever slides they want to share with the group. A Carousel projector will be available for those who bring their slides in Carousel trays.

As always, members are also encouraged to bring models and archives to display. Models do not need to be finished—in progress models are welcome.

If you haven't paid your annual dues yet, it's time. Please bring your payments along with the application form that is included in this newsletter. Do remember to look up your PRRT&HS membership number and include it on your dues application form. We ask you to fill out the form annually so we can keep the roster up to date on your addresses, etc.

LEWISTOWN ARCHIVES ARE OPEN TO RESEARCHERS

The archives at Lewistown are slowly becoming accessible for those wanting to do research in the history of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Work groups are in the process of identifying and entering descriptions of materials into a computer file. Currently all the correspondence files and most of the smaller drawings are available for those wanting to see them. Also, mechanical drawings were put on microfilm by Penn Central, and we have a full set of these. A large number of valuation maps are available, although these are not indexed well.

If you want to go to Lewistown for specific research, the first step is to determine whether there is anything there on your topic. The best way to do this is to contact Ian Fischer at [Ian Fischer at Ianfischer\(underscore\)lakenelson@verizon.net](mailto:Ianfischer(underscore)lakenelson@verizon.net). (type the underscore symbol—don't write it out). He has ready access to the data in the computer, or can tell you how to search the EXCEL files.

The second step is to determine when there will be someone to let you in, show you where to look, and close the facilities after you are finished. Currently, we are doing this during work sessions, usually Monday through Thursday, about every six weeks. For specific dates, contact Charlie Woodward, at woodwacb@yahoo.com.

The attached article was written by Tim Garner for the *EAST WIND*, the newsletter for the New England chapter. We thank Tim for giving permission to reprint it. It is included as an attachment to this Newsletter.

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Grove City, Ohio, 43123-8489 or bring to the chapter meeting.**

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