

LINES WEST – BUCKEYE Region Chapter

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Announcing our next meeting to be held on Sunday, February 22, 2014 at the Upper Arlington Main Library, 2800 Tremont Road, Upper Arlington, 1 - 4:30pm. We will meet in 'Meeting Room B' located in the basement, *lower level*, section of the library.

Note: This room is not the Theater meeting room, but across the hall from the Theater meeting room.

[FYI. Just so no one gets lost...This meeting is being held at the Upper Arlington Main Library on Tremont Road and not the Lane Road Branch, as we have met there in the past. So, fire up your boilers and plan to steam to our February 22, 2015 meeting.] The business meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. followed by an interesting history program by member Ryan Hoover. The title of Ryan's program is "Worthington, Ohio P.R.R." **OR:** Ryan will give a slide program on the P.R.R. in Worthington, Ohio

It is time for renewing Chapter '\$10.00' dues for 2015. A new Renewal Form will be mailed to our current members. Please fill it out and return it with your dues payment to our treasurer, Dick Briggs. You may send your dues by snail mail, or pay your dues at the meeting on the 22nd.

Your dues renewal form is important to the Secretary for accurate record keeping and maintenance of the Lines West, Buckeye Chapter roster.

Election of officers is on the agenda for this meeting. Nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will be accepted at the meeting followed by voting for those positions. The duration of service is for the calendar year.

Modelers. There is lots of table space in the meeting room. This is a good chance to display models you have constructed, built, assembled, etc.. Completed models are welcome as well as works in progress. Show us what you are doing!

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Brief history of the Crestline Interlocking Tower 1890's -2014

1941 photo of wooden tower. *[When tower was replaced with new brick tower the wood was used to build a house in Crestline. Top part was used as living room and bottom part of tower was used for two bedrooms.]* N.Y.C. mail line tracks in foreground, P.R.R. mail line tracks on left photo as well as the three story Crestline Union Station.

Brick tower photo by Ron Widman



The new brick Crestline tower was put into operation in April of 1946. The P.R.R. mail line east/west tracks, New York/Chicago, run parallel to the tower and the N.Y.C. main line tracks, Cleveland/Columbus, are in the foreground of the photograph that set just behind the nearest east/west/north/south track connector. Crestline operators answered all telephone line calls with "Crestline Big Four".

The Crestline tower was finally torn down in December of 2014, by CSX or NS.