LINES WEST – BUCKEYE REGION CHAPTER

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A number of Lines West members are just back from our National P.R.R.T. & H.S. Annual Meeting, May 18-21, 2017, in Camp Hill, Pa.. Highlights included the exciting train ride on **"The Iron Ore Special"**, the 27 mile **Shamokin Valley Railroad**, Sunbury to Locust Summit. A most relaxing train stop in Shamokin, Safe Harbor Power Plant Tour, Harris Tower, in addition to many P.R.R. history seminars, well attended banquet, layout tours and more. There were well over 400 P.R.R.T. & H.S. members in attendance.

National News: Our Lines West president Al Doddroe says: Dave Scott and Frank Napoleon are re-elected as society Directors.

George Stanley is becoming Publisher of the Keystone magazine

The society Treasurer is resigning due to personal family commitments. A search is on to find a replacement. Need someone who has financial expertise. If you meet the qualifications and are interested in the position, contact the society or chapter president.

Next year's annual meeting will be in Altoona, Pa, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Railroad Technical & Historical Society.

Upcoming News: Al continues..."The next Lines West-Buckeye Chapter meeting will take place on Saturday, 10 June 2017. The location will be the Marion Union Station in Marion, Ohio.

This will be a different format than our previous meetings. We are having a combined meeting with the Central Ohio 'O Scale' Engineers club (COOSE). This is intended to be an informal fun day of socializing and train watching and includes a pot luck meal.

Our meeting will be held at 11 a.m., come earlier if you want. Bill Brubach will bring his gas grill for cooking, between 12 p.m. and 1p.m.. (As mentioned...you can arrive earlier if you wish and go to whenever.) COOSE has reserved the facility and we will share the costs with them.

For the pot luck, bottled water, ice, plates, cups, plastic ware, etc. will be provided. You are asked to bring your own food to grill and a covered dish (with food on it!) or a dessert of your choice to share with everyone. Please bring serving utensils for the covered dish/dessert. For other than bottled water you must bring your own drinks.

We expect "AC Tower" to be open, and possibly the Marion Model Railroad Club. You are encouraged to bring models, finished or in progress and railroad artifacts for display and show and tell. Beyond that, this is primarily just a fun day of train watching. Remember to bring along a folding chair.

Also: The Bradford Railroad Historical society recently contacted me announcing their annual Bradford Railroad Heritage Festival, to be held on Saturday, 3 June 2017 and asking if we would have our chapter meeting there during their festival. That obviously will not happen since we are committed to Marion on the 10th. However, you are encouraged to participate in the festival on your own. They are a good group that is active in establishing their museum, and refurbishing the Bradford Tower. They deserve our support. Check them out on their web site at www.bradfordrrmuseum.org. "



Bradford Flyer.





Bradford, Ohio "BF Tower" "BF" Model Board & Controls PHOTOS BY RON WIDMAN 2017



Bradford "BF Tower"

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Marion "AC TOWER". PHOTO: RON WIDMAN. 2010 [THANKS TO LINES WEST MEMBER ALEX CAMPBELL WITH HIS COMPUTER ASSISTANCE.]