



# The Crusader

*"Preserving the Past for the Future"*

June 2011

## 35 Years and a Bus Tour:

The RCT&HS is proud to announce two upcoming events that may peak your interest. First is the planned RCT&HS 35th Anniversary Celebration Banquet and Competition. Second is a bus tour around the Reading area featuring a UGI facility, an electric plant, and historic locations. Information for purchasing tickets is enclosed.

## RRHM Needs Your Help:

The RRHM continues to be lacking in volunteers to staff the museum on weekends. Our museum director, Dale Woodland, needs members to step up and commit to working the museum. Schedules are made a month in advance. Dale would also welcome help in scheduling docents. The more volunteers we have the less pressure there will be on those who already volunteer. Please consider helping your historical society be successful. Training sessions can be scheduled at your convenience. Please contact Dale Woodland at [dwwrdg@verizon.net](mailto:dwwrdg@verizon.net) or 215-723-5848 if you can help.

### *Pay Down the Loan Program*

#### Receipts

Current Month: June, 2011 = \$655.00  
Total: Nov, 2010 thru June, 2011 = \$9,152.72

#### Payments

Current Month: June, 2011 = \$707.23  
Total: Nov, 2010 thru June, 2011 = \$9,100.00  
Outstanding Balance = \$87,900.00

### *Hamburg Museum Track Fund*

#### Receipts

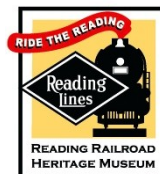
Current Month: June, 2011 = \$30.00  
Total: May 2007 thru June, 2011 = \$28,534.00

#### Payments

Current Month: June, 2011 = \$0.00  
Total: May 2007 thru June, 2011 = \$20,997.15  
Current Fund Balance = \$7,536.85

### RCT&HS Corporate Members

**Russell & Julia Angstadt; Bethlehem Car Works**, John Greene, CEO, Telford, PA (215) 721-3006; **Centralia Coal Sales Co.**, Wilkes-Barre, PA (570) 822-4135; **Municipal & Financial Services Group**, Annapolis, MD (410) 226-910; **G&K Hobbies**, Bill Krug CEO, Reading, PA (610) 374-8598; **Health Insurance Solutions, Inc.**, **Tom and Nanette Poserina**, Health Brokers (215) 721-2220; **"It's All the Rage" Hair Designs**, In memory of Charles W. Moyer, Jr., 1213 Penn Ave., Wyomissing, PA (610) 375-0816; **Jonathan L. Shalter III**, Conservationist-Naturalist-Historian, Temple, PA; **Lancaster Chapter, NRHS**, Christiana, PA (610) 593-4968; **Outer Station Project**, Benjamin Bernhart, historian, author, publisher; **PENNVIA Private Railcars, Inc.**, Passenger Dome car charters in the US and Canada, West Lawn, PA (610) 678-3604; **R. Harris Russo, MD, Neurological Surgery**, Kalamazoo, MI (269) 343-3939; **Rabenold, Koestel, and Scheidt, Attorneys at Law**, Wyomissing, PA (610) 374-2103; **Reading and Northern Railroad, Co.**, Andy Muller Jr., CEO, Port Clinton, PA (610) 562-2100; **Security First Inc.**, Security, access control, surveillance systems, 107 W. Lancaster Ave., Shillington PA (610) 777-8890; **Stackhouse Bensinger Inc.:** Civil Engineering, Landscape Architecture, Land Planning Services, Traffic and Planning Engineering, Storm Water Infiltration, Municipal Engineering, Surveying/GPS, and Recreation Planning & Design. Sinking Spring, PA (610) 777-8000 **Town & Country Newspaper**, Pennsburg PA, (215) 679-5060



## JUNE 28<sup>th</sup> GENERAL MEETING

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President John Brown called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. there were 5 officers, and 34 members in attendance. A moment of silence was held for the passing of member Larry Fickett. A motion to accept the May 2011 minutes with minor amendments was made by Larry Mundell and seconded by Bill Hodson. The motion passed.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Duane Engle 610-929-5661 rcths.dengle@juno.com

The June meeting of the BOD was held at 7PM on June 7th at the Reading Railroad Heritage Museum in Hamburg, PA. Topics of discussion and motions carried are as follows:

- **Financial** – Utilities
- **Museum** – Due to the fact that three grants we hold need to be closed by the end of June, the following expenditures were approved: \$1,200 (\$1,152 from grant) for stone to be used in the rail yard, up to \$12,000 (\$9,000 matching grant) for switch materials, and \$5,400 (\$5,320 from grant) for building stabilization projects. Differences between these numbers and the grant amounts will be paid from the museum fund. Also discussed were security, electrical work, and the continuing dispute with the scrapers.
- **Other** – RCT&HS 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, cars 1189 and 2060, society forklifts, and future museum exhibits. A motion was passed to spend up to \$300 to complete the passenger operations exhibit in the museum. A motion was passed to approve the “Adopt and Painting” program as proposed by Paul Troutman to make the Holton collection ready for display.

The next general meeting of the Executive Board will be held at 7PM at the Reading Railroad Heritage Museum in Hamburg, PA on July 5th.

### TREASURER’S REPORT

Jim Adams 610-777-3764 adamsjimca@comcast.net

RCT&HS FUND BALANCE REPORT 2011		5/31/2011
General Fund		\$5,897.61
Gen Fd Encumb BeeLine, Operation, Sales, Tax		\$43,518.77
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$49,416.38</b>
<u>Restricted Funds*</u>		
Acquisition		\$1,612.12
Transportation Museum		\$54,371.61
Modular Railroad		\$1,050.29
Endowment		\$1,622.30
Transit Bus		\$222.77
Coach 863		\$1,463.75
Comm. Economic Develop. Grant 34501		\$1,286.68
Comm. Economic Develop. Grant 37442		\$5,359.80
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>		<b>\$66,989.32</b>
<b>TOTAL CASH ALL FUNDS</b>		<b>\$116,405.70</b>
<b>CASH CHANGE FROM LAST MONTH</b>		<b>-\$634.61</b>
<b>TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS</b>		<b>\$100,557.23</b>
*Funds that can only be used for stated purpose		

## Reading Company Technical & Historical Society Profit & Loss May 2011

	Total
<b>Income</b>	
Admissions	732.00
Donations	1,970.53
Membership Dues	1,659.00
Sales of Product Income	1,576.49
Scrap Sales	276.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 6,214.02</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
Inventory purchased for resale - COGS	80.00
Sales Expense - COGS	151.74
Shipping Expense - COGS	35.75
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>\$ 267.49</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 5,946.53</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Member Services	408.00
MP & RE	222.20
Museum	3,734.11
Operations/Administration	1,718.26
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 6,082.57</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ (136.04)</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
Interest Earned	6.68
Sales Tax Discount	1.73
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 8.41</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 8.41</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ (127.63)</b>

A motion to refer the Treasurer’s Report to the Finance Committee for audit and vote was made by Don Davis and seconded by Larry Mundell. The motion Passed.

### BUDGET & FINANCE / FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

John Brown 717-426-2238 JWBROWN929@AOL.COM

#### Budget & Finance:

The books for the first quarter have been reviewed and no errors were found.

#### Fund Raising:

Jonathan Barket 570-366-1533 jono1920@aol.com

The fund raising task force has been reviewing options and thus far agreed to sell \$5 tickets for Redner’s sandwiches and \$5 tickets for 25% off Boscov’s for one day. The Redner’s sandwich tickets have no expiration date and the RCT&HS will make \$2 per ticket. The 25% off Boscov’s tickets are good only on October 4, 2011 and the RCT&HS will make \$5 per ticket. All tickets may be purchased at the RRHM or at the general membership meetings.

### MUSEUM OPERATIONS

Dale Woodland 215-723-5848 dwwrdg@verizon.net

Dale e-mailed copies of the latest Museum Docent Guide. Of note yard tour docents should take either their cell phone or a walkie-talkie with them on all tours. This will provide for instant communication if need. Also should a tour

be overtime the docent can be notified. Dale was part of an assembly presentation at the Muhlenberg Elementary Center on May 31<sup>st</sup> for the districts emphasis on reading in Reading. 1,300 students K-4 attended the two sessions. We will work with the district again next year. Eight complimentary ARM magazine subscriptions are available until tonight. A group tour for 31 children from the Reading Children's Home was conducted on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Jeff & Steph Smith, Paul Troutman and Tom Brown for helping me with the tour. A Group tour for 33 people is scheduled for July 1<sup>st</sup> 10AM. We are awaiting two other group tour arrangements. The Museum Berks Time Train segment was aired on TV 69 5:30PM June 6<sup>th</sup>. Having had several recent requests for special photography sessions in the display yard we felt we needed to develop a policy. Photo Policy: Photography is permitted for personal use only. Any public/commercial use of photographs requires a written release from the Director of Museum Operations. Photo groups shall not exceed eight people per docent. Guests getting on equipment need to sign a waiver. We will open only one example of a car or locomotive. Additional fees apply - \$20/hour groups of 1-10, \$30/hour groups of 11-20 people. We need a better handle on items loaned to the museum. Loans In: The period of time for the loan must be stated and signed by either the Curator, Archivist, or Director of Museum Operations. Loans Out: No item shall leave the museum premises without proper paperwork signed by the Archivist, Curator, or Head of Museum Operations. Loans only to other museums (no individuals). The loan of any item valued at \$500 or more needs the approval of the Museum Operations Committee. Any item we have accessed is in our jurisdiction. Items may go out and come right back for educational purposes. Generic photos or paintings can be taken to train shows or auctions for sale.

**The Committee voted unanimously to prohibit food in the Orientation Room – this applies to RCT&HS Board meetings, informal events, etc.** We voted to have the automobiles at the museum removed from our property as the Hamburg Fire Chief has deemed them an insurance hazard. Deadline for removal is August 1, 2011, after which time we will declare them abandoned and have them removed. Redner's sandwich tickets are available to us for \$3 a ticket which we then can sell for \$5 to earn money for the RCT&HS. Next meeting date- 7 PM Thursday July 14, 2011 at the museum.

*Dale Woodland announced that if changes are not made to remedy the problems in staffing the museum, he will resign on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Many weeks the museum is not staffed until the night before when the decision to close the museum must be made. Dale wants to have the schedule filled for each month by the first of that month and would like to see volunteers commit to staffing the museum in advance and or help in scheduling. Dale suggested that the Sales Committee take over the responsibility of staffing the museum store.*

*The issue of needing to increase our number of docent volunteers was discussed. The members felt that closing the museum is not an option but no new ideas were presented.*

*Paul Skavarla shared the positive experiences of being a docent. Dave Hefner shared his positive experiences as well. Having the museum has been a dream of the RCT&HS for a long time. Please help to keep the doors open as advertised. The more volunteers we get, the less pressure there is on everyone. Dale is available to train new volunteers at their convenience.*

### **CURATORS REPORT**

Paul Troutman 610-926-4919 ptrout@epix.net

Work on the Freight exhibit is nearing completion. This should be complete by mid July. YOU CAN HELP. Do you have an item representing one of the industries served by Reading Company freight service?. For example: We have items representing Carpenter Steel, The Orange Car, Dana Corporation, Willson Safety Products, and one or two others. Can you supply items to represent other industries?

Karen Confer continues to amaze everyone with the framing of the Holton paintings. More about that next month. There may be more opportunities to adopt a painting.

The army of volunteers continue to work on the passenger exhibit.

See the enclosed sheet on THE FIRST ANNUAL BUS TOUR on WEDNESDAY AUGUST 24TH. This year we will be visiting THREE SITES THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN NOT VISIT. Special arrangements have been made to see these sites. DETAILS ON THE ENCLOSED SHEET.

**TIP OF THE MONTH** - Photographs mounted in a frame that are in contact with the glass will eventually stick to the glass. TO AVOID THIS you can buy an inexpensive mat at the art store. This will hold the photo away from the glass. IF A PHOTO IS ALREADY STUCK TO THE GLASS DO NOT TRY TO REMOVE IT. The photo can be scanned through the glass. This digital image can then be repaired on the computer. If you need assistance, feel free to call me. (Please let me know if you would like a tip each month to help you protect your collection of artifacts or paper. Thank you. Paul)

### **MUSEUM BUILDING COMMITTEE**

John Corbit 610-781-1939

Roofing issues have been taken care of using the last of the grant money. We have also scrapped some more metal from the museum property.

### **LONG RANGE PLANNING TASK FORCE**

Carol Adams 610-777-3764 adamsjimca@comcast.net

Work funded by three active grants was completed in June. Reports will be filed in July.

Drainage issues were discussed with the engineering firm and the contractor. Some of the stone has been delivered for the completion of the northern section of the site development and will be spread by the contractor within the next few weeks.

Cooperative plans with Our Town Foundation on the Heritage Towns and Tours project continue.

## **TRACK & GROUNDS**

Duane Engle 610-929-5661 rcths.dengle@juno.com

We have done some more work to help with the storm drainage runoff. Track construction is being done so that the wood cars can be moved and the track that they were on can also be moved to allow for that area to be filled in to proper grade. Ballast has been delivered for spreading in the areas that are going to have track. I want to thank Mike and Rich Nagy, Dave Nye, Don Crabtree and Rick Bates for helping this month. We will be working on many grounds issues over many of the following weeks. Anyone that can help with any of this work or even regular mowing please contact me.

## **MODULAR**

Jonathan Barket 570-366-1533 jono1920@aol.com

One big announcement is that we have CANCELED the October show at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. They are working on their air conditioning system and this year there will not be much room for the layout in October. We are however returning to the Fairlane Village Mall in Pottsville for the second time this year. That show will be September 15th through 18th with setup starting around 6:00 PM on the 14th, so mark your calendars. Our Next show will be at Danville on July 22nd through the 24th with setup starting around 10AM on the 22nd.

We are currently working on several projects. We continue to work on the Schuylkill Haven module with an estimated completion date of September for the Pottsville show. There are a lot of projects that can be taken home to help this project along. Please let me know if you would like to participate in this module. We also began work on the Bethlehem Steel Mill again. That will be an ongoing project until about this time next year. Triple M Farm grain facility continues to be built. More details are being added. We also have begun work on the refinery sections. Tables will soon be built with the tracks and buildings following closely behind. Another section that we are going to begin work on again is Hershey. We are going to begin work on the Factory section first seeing that it is the easiest one to complete. We are also going to be working on our racks for the trailers. We were able to gain more room so some designing and reworking of the racks will be looked into after our next show.

As you can see we are very busy at this moment. If anyone would like to come out and help we tend to meet up on Sunday Afternoons around 1PM. Feel Free to call me and I can keep you updated. Hope to see you at our next event!

## **PASSENGER OPERATIONS**

We are waiting to hear from Bennett Levin about Railfest Bethlehem to Scranton trips Labor Day weekend. We have plenty of volunteers at this point. Dale Woodland has a meeting in Scranton on June 29<sup>th</sup> to discuss the availability of FP7's for Steamtown trips. With Tim Weidner's work schedule and the distance involved repairs are going slowly. Hopefully Philadelphia NRHS members can be more involved. 2012 will be the Borough of Souderton's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and they have contacted Dale Woodland about the possibility of passenger excursions.

## **MOTIVE POWER AND ROLLING EQUIPMENT**

John Stoudt R.E. 610-775-1197 /Tim Weidner M.P. 610-780-0497

The application of the finish coat of black paint on our World War II vintage Class HTss 50-ton hopper car #60097 was completed on June 25. Rich and Mike Nagy and others have been working on this project for several years. Now we need someone to advise us on the proper lettering. Black painting of another of our hopper cars #63921 was completed two years ago but has gone without lettering because no one will tell our painting crew for sure what the lettering should look like. Don Crabtree has begun work on repainting our steam engine tender/fire train water car #90691. Work continues on putting a coat of paint on some of our rusty stored MU cars, and roof repainting is continuing on Tool Car #90685; these projects worked on by Rick Bates with assistance from Randy Mengel and Carl Rettstadt.

## **ACQUISITIONS**

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No report.

## **ARCHIVES / PUBLICATIONS / CALENDAR**

Rick Bates 610-647-9359 rbates@voicenet.com

### ◆ Archives

Archives sorting continued in the past month on the mechanical drawings and the bulletin and general orders collections, these projects are being worked on by Bill Stafford and Rick Bates. We also handled 10 requests for historical information and 4 research visits.

### ◆ Publications

Work is underway on the remaining Bee Line issues for calendar year 2009.

### ◆ Calendar

The Year 2012 calendar is completed. The theme is "Steam and Diesel on the Reading Railroad." Thanks to our winning photographers and photo contributors John Gabriel and the ARHS, Walt Grosselfinger, Jack Koehler, Paul Kutta, Jim Laubach, Bob Wanner, and Dale Woodland. Please contact the Sales Committee to purchase a calendar.

## **MAILING**

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No report.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

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As of June 28 we have a total of 43 new members and 867 renewals which brings us to a total membership of 910 for 2011. Currently the membership breakdown is as follows: 631 Individual or Honorary, 89 Family, 111 Contributing, 54 Sustaining, 16 Corporate, and 9 Student memberships. We had 968 members at this time last year.

Renewal postcards were mailed, several weeks ago, to the 2010 members that have not renewed for 2011.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Andrew Dietz 914-886-3459 Andrew.dietz11@albright.edu

The A5a parade engine will be in Lititz, PA on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and Norristown, PA on July 4th.

## **SALES**

Duane Engle 610-929-5661 rcths.dengle@juno.com (for mail order questions contact Dave Heffner at 717-290-1493 daverj1@verizon.net)

The new HO loco models we have been waiting for are still held up and pushed back on their release.

We attended the Hamburg Train Meet and the Laurel Mall show with the modular. Thank you to the following members who helped: Jonathan Barket, John Messersmith, Sam Bolton, Greg and Barb Goodridge, Larry and Steph Curvey, Gary and Linda Saggio. I also want to thank everyone who has helped with sales in the gift shop at the Museum. Our next big show is at the RR Museum of PA June 28 to July 4. The Danville show is next July 22 to July 24.

Thanks to Greg Goodridge things are moving along quickly on the cash register change over from the way we have been doing sales for years. All items will now be bar coded and tax will no longer be included in the price. There will be a 10% discount to society members on all items. Training to use the new system will be held at 10AM and 1PM on July 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at the museum gift shop.

## **SAFETY**

Duane Briscoe 610-777-4196

The following work has been completed this month:

- Installation of Archives hallway emergency lights by Randy Mengel John Corbitt
- Emergency phone number posters were made by Paul Troutman and placed in the gift shop near the cash register and on the front of the first aid box
- All fire extinguishers, emergency lighting, and exit sign lights are being regularly checked and are presently in working condition
- Security cameras have been installed by Mike Stahman and Fred Phillips.

**MODELING** -John Greene 215-721-3006 greene@netcarrier.com

Walthers has announced HO scale GP30 models in Reading paint.

## **TRAIN MEET**

Dale Miller 610-372-3759

The next train meet will be on Sunday, October 2nd.

## **CONVENTION COMMITTEE**

John Greene 215-721-3006 jgreene@netcarrier.com

No report.

## **WEBSITE AND CORRESPONDENCE**

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Mike Sakal 610-777-3268 msakal@comcast.net

No report.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

Dale Woodland (215) 723-5848 dwwrdg@verizon.net

Tonight Paul Kutta has a slide presentation reviewing

Amtrak's First 40 Years. July – Kurt Bell, The Quakertown & Eastern Railroad; August Dale Woodland, Centuries in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century; September – Tom Poserina The PG&N; October – Kurt Bell The New Hope Branch; November – Dale Woodland, Minority Builders Vintage Advertisements.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Don Davis reported that we earned \$856.91 from Redner's tape cash in June. Please keep sending in those tapes.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Dale Woodland reported that the West Chester Railroad's #9109 Blueliner has been dedicated to Bob Linden.
- Rick Bates announced that the Western Maryland Railway Historical Society will be having their convention in Elkins, WV.
- Bill Grube announced that Ron's books have been listing Reading and CNJ material for sale. Bill had photos of these items to preview by the members.
- Tonight's coal bucket held \$67 and 12 envelopes.
- Kent Herzer announced that the Lititz caboose has had the roof repainted. Paint was donated by a local ACE hardware store. Kent shared his new flyer for the Lititz caboose which included information and a map to the RRHM.
- Lee Schultz announced that he took a personal look at reading T-1 #2100 in Washington State. The locomotive is currently stored outdoors and looks to be in good condition.
- On June 10<sup>th</sup> the first passenger train in many years arrived in Pottsville for the dedication of their new intermodal station.

## **CLOSING**

A motion to adjourn was made by Dale Woodland and seconded by Pete Urbaitis. The motion passed and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President John Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:48PM

**Membership News:** Long time member Larry Fickett passed away suddenly on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at the age of 75 in his home in Milbridge, ME. Larry and his wife, Pat, used to live here in Berks County and during that time were very active volunteers in the Society. In fact, Pat served as secretary of our Board for several terms. Larry visited at our Tuesday general membership meeting just 2 months ago.

Donations in Larry's memory may be made to the Downeast Rail Heritage Preservation Trust, Inc., P.O. Box 950, Bar Harbor, ME 04609 or the Reading Company Technical and Historical Society, P.O. Box 15143, Reading, PA 19612.

## Mark Your Calendars

- July 22 - 24: Modular and Sales at the Iron Heritage Fest in Danville, PA
- July 26: General Meeting of the RCT&HS at Trinity Bible Fellowship Church, Rt. 73, Blandon, PA
- August 24: First Annual RCT&HS Bus Tour, Reading, PA
- September 15-18: Modular and Sales at the Failane Village Mall, Pottsville, PA
- September 24: RCT&HS 35th Anniversary Celebration Banquet
- October 3: RCT&HS Train Meet, Leesport, PA

Save your Redner's Tapes

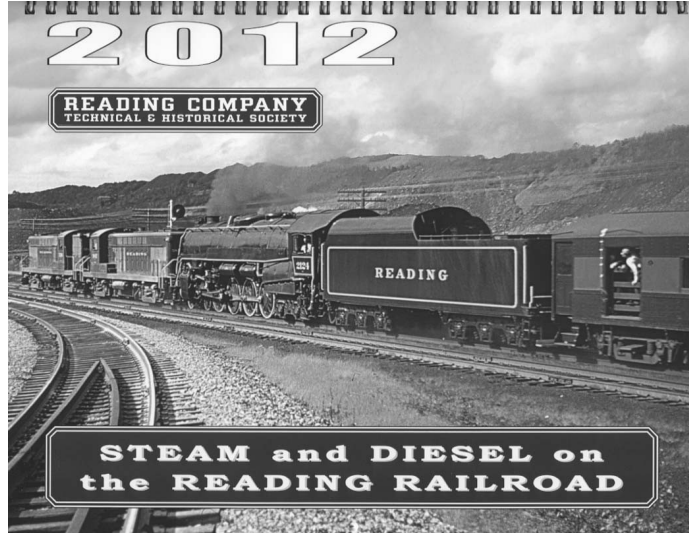
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*RCT&HS Year 2012*  
**Reading Railroad Calendar**  
*“Steam and Diesel on the Reading Railroad”*



The RCT&HS Year 2012 railroad calendar is now available, and the theme for this year is “Steam and Diesel on the Reading Railroad” featuring photos of the Reading Railroad’s steam and diesel powered locomotives and other equipment, from the 1940s through the 1980s, with most photos having both forms of power in the same scene. The 2012 calendar has eight color pictures and five black & white pictures at the locations of Aldene, Birdsboro, Bridgeport, Erie Avenue, Pottstown, Reading, St. Nicholas, and Tamaqua. Each picture has a detailed caption, plus the calendar pages include dates of events both important and obscure in Reading Railroad history. The 2012 calendar opens to an 11” by 17” size, and is wire-bound and printed on high quality glossy paper. Net proceeds from sales of this calendar benefit our ongoing projects to preserve equipment and artifacts from the former Reading Railroad. Please order soon so as not to miss out on a full year’s enjoyment of these vintage scenes.

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*PLEASE USE THIS HANDY FORM TO ORDER YOUR 2012 CALENDAR TODAY!*

Member Price for PA resident (sales tax included)	_____ copies @ \$11.40 ea \$ _____
Member Price for out-of-state residents	_____ copies @ \$10.75 ea \$ _____
Non-Member Price for PA resident (sales tax included)	_____ copies @ \$12.72 ea \$ _____
Non-Member Price for out-of-state residents	_____ copies @ \$12.00 ea \$ _____
Shipping & Handling	_____ copies @ \$2.25 ea \$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED (Please make check or M.O. payable to R.C.T.&H.S.)	\$ _____

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to “Calendar Sales”, RCT&HS, PO Box 15143, Reading, PA 19612-5143.

Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery

*Thank you for your support.*

# Reading Railroad Heritage Museum First Annual Museum Benefit Bus Trip

Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Seating is limited on an AIR CONDITIONED bus with bathroom facilities.  
(First come, first serve.) Wear comfortable shoes. No open toe sandals. Some walking.

**THE THREE SITES WE WILL VISIT ARE OPEN TO US BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT. THEY ARE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

*Depart BOSCOV'S EAST promptly at 10:00 A.M. Return 4:30 P.M.*

**VISIT-** The UGI training center in Reading. Learn how gas was manufactured from coal until 1958. See an amazing collection of restored gas appliances. **VISIT-** The Wernersville Train Station to observe the progress being made on restoration. Wernersville was an important stop on the Reading. **Visit** the Titus Station to see how electricity is made from coal. See a rotary coal dumper.

Pass Hawthorne, the home of George F. Baer, president of the Reading Railroad, and learn how it got its name. Other surprises.

**Lunch will be on your own at the Target shopping mall.**

**Proceeds benefit Museum Exhibit Fund**

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<b>Cost is \$30 each for members</b>	<b>\$30 x</b> _____ = _____
<b>\$35 each for non-members</b>	<b>\$35 x</b> _____ = _____

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**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Tickets in the name of:**

**Name-** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address-** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail check payable to RCT&HS mail to:**

Paul Troutman

90 Berkley Road

Reading, PA 19605 Phone (610) 926-4919 email [ptrout@epix.net](mailto:ptrout@epix.net)



**RCT&HS 35<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2011**

Weaver's Banquet Facility

Routes 272 and 897, Adamstown, PA - near Reading exit of PA turnpike

Doors open at 6 PM for photo contest, modeling contest, silent auction

Family-style dinner with appetizer, salad, 3 meats, vegetables, dessert, beverage served at  
6:45PM

Program with recognition of long-time members, prizes for contest winners, entertainment

Casual dress      \$25 per person      Bring a guest!      Enter the contests!

Four contests to enter! Great prizes for the winners! Judging: Dinner attendees will vote for the winners using tickets purchased that evening. Entry with the most tickets will be the winner in each category. Categories:

- Photo: unpublished of a railroad subject from territory served by the Reading Railroad; size at least 5x7; photo taken by the entrant
- Locomotive model: any scale; built or modified or weathered by the entrant
- Rolling stock model: any scale; built or modified or weathered by the entrant
- Structure, diorama, or scene; built or modified or weathered by the entrant

Limit 2 entries per person in each category. Entries must be placed at Weaver's between 5:30 and 6PM on September 24. No entry fee. Register entries in advance by email at [museum@readingrailroad.org](mailto:museum@readingrailroad.org) or by calling 610-777-3764. Give name, phone number, and category so that we can plan space for your special item.

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**REGISTRATION RCT&HS 35<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose check payable to RCT&HS. Send to RCT&HS, PO Box 15143, Reading PA 19612-5143

To pay by credit card, circle type: MC, VISA, DISCOVER and complete info below.

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_      3 Digit Security Code (back of card) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_