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****REMINDER****
**Garden Tour dates
needed!**

This is a friendly reminder to the membership that if you intend to have your garden railway open to the public during the spring through fall months, please contact Gordon Davis ASAP. Gordon's e-mail is ghdavis81@verizon.net.



If you plan to have your garden open to just the club members, please send out a general e-mail to the club members announcing the dates and times.



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....and more!

First Quarter Meeting held 3/7/15

Our first meeting of the new year in our new quarterly format was held earlier this month. Seventeen members showed up to discuss the main topics of "revised" bylaws, layout updates, upcoming Garden Tours and the addition of six new members to the group. Welcome to the club...Sal Leonardi, Sr., Todd Macreery, Kevin Pierce, Ryan Kennedy, John Brown and Joe Galutz.

Jim Exner tendered his resignation as VP of Layout. Jim is a dedicated member and will continue to be available to help where and when needed. We appreciate his efforts over the last year and a half. The layout has moved to a new level of operation under Jim's guidance. At that same meeting, Guy was able to solicit a past executive to help in the interim as "acting" VP of Layout. Jim Higgins has stepped forward to man that role until the next round of elections scheduled for December. We thank Jim Higgins for volunteering!





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DV LAYOUT UPDATE

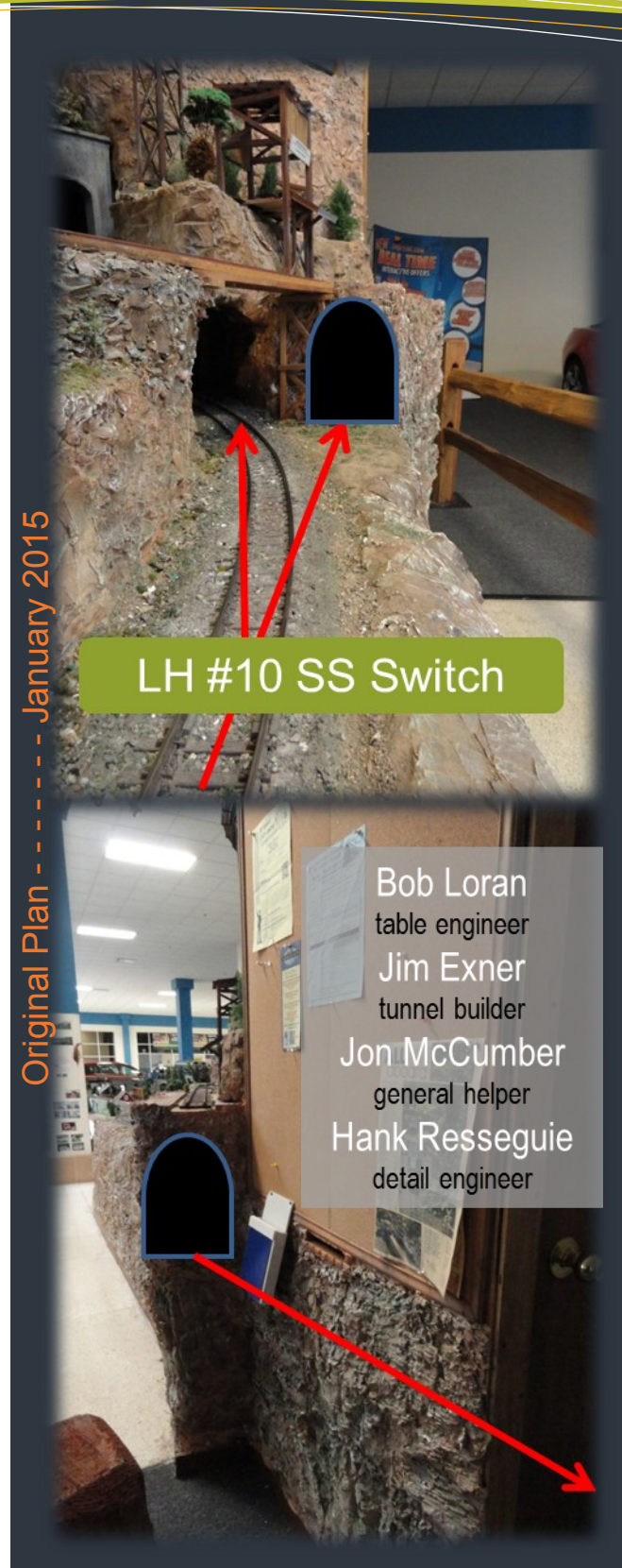


Thank you USA Trains for the support!



The layout team has been working over the past few weeks to create a staging yard for loading and unloading equipment at the front of the layout. This addition required new switches and track as well as new construction of the staging platform. USA Trains was asked to help us with

donations of a #6 switch and price concessions on 5' straight sections of track. Jim Exner sent a letter to Charlie Ro and has had conversations over the past few weeks with USA Trains. Charlie Ro was very enthusiastic with regards to helping our club expand. The club is planning to send a thank you letter to Charlie and present that to him personally at the ECLSTS at the end of March. For more details on what has transpired with this new addition to the layout, see the pictures on pages 2 and 3 submitted by Jim Exner.



LH #10 SS Switch

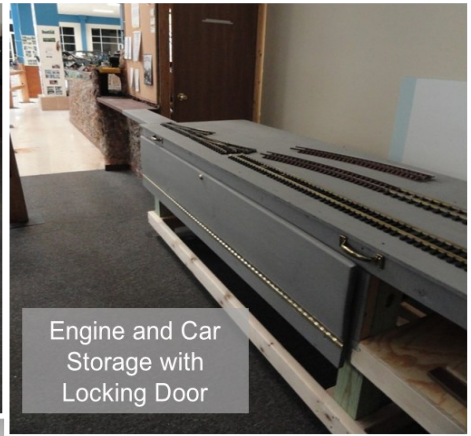
Original Plan - - - - - January 2015

Bob Loran
table engineer
Jim Exner
tunnel builder
Jon McCumber
general helper
Hank Resseguie
detail engineer

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Progress in Pictures of the New Staging Yard



Engine and Car
Storage with
Locking Door



3 Staging Tracks (separately
powered with blade switches)





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Project Corner

Recently a couple of members were feeling creative over the long winter and embarked on producing some additions for their respective layouts. **Nice work guys!**

PROJECT 1: A new depressed center flat car produced by Bob Loran. The flat car is modeled after the Builders Project in the February 2015 Garden Railways Magazine on pages 24-26. A new version is now being made with 1/2" wood instead of 3/4" material shown.

Pictures and vehicles provided by Jim Exner



Write up and pictures provided by Jim Exner

PROJECT 2: A new fire house designed by Jim Exner and manufactured by Bob Loran. In December and January the City of Syracuse constructed a new fire house on Washington Street downtown to service the New York Central RR Main Line that runs throughout the city to cover the inner city from fires caused by potential accidents between autos, trains, and cinder fires. The city hired the capable general contractor, Robert Loran of Loran Construction of Brewerton, NY, to construct the 1930's fire house to the specifications of James C. Exner, city architect. Bids were placed and Loran Construction was the lowest bidder. Opening will be in April 2015.



Front and rear views are presented. Ample lighting on the front and rear allow for safe entry of front and rear door exits.



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

(Other non-related club events can be found on our website.)

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DATE	CLUB	EVENT
Fri-Sat, 3/27-28/15		East Coast Large Scale Train Show, York, PA
Tues, 3/31/15	CNYLSRS	Layout Clean-Up & Inventory Day 9:00 AM
Sat, 4/11/15	CNYLSRS	Family Train Day @ DV Layout 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Fri, 5/15/15	CNYLSRS	3 rd Quarter Newsletter Input Cutoff Date
Sat, 6/6/15	CNYLSRS	2 nd Quarter Membership Meeting 9:30 AM Drivers Village
Sun, 6/14/15	FLLS	FLLS Hosts Area GRR Clubs
Mon, 6/15/15		Garnsey Open House 5 PM for Southern Cayuga Garden Club (members welcome to assist)
Sat, 6/20/15	CNYLSRS	Garnsey Open House 2-4 PM (members only) – picnic after
Sat, 7/11/15	CNYLSRS	Marie & Bob Loran's Open House 11 AM – 4 PM
Sat, 8/8/15	CNYLSRS	Marie & Bob Loran's Open House 11 AM – 4 PM (club picnic to follow)
Sat, 8/15/15	CNYLSRS	4 th Quarter Newsletter Input Cutoff Date
Sat, 9/12/15 tentative	CNYLSRS	DV Layout Open House 10 AM – 3 PM
Sat, 9/12/15	CNYLSRS	3 rd Quarter Membership Meeting 9:30 AM Drivers Village
Sun, 11/15/15	CNYLSRS	1 st Quarter Newsletter Input Cutoff Date
Sat, 11/28/15	CNYLSRS	Family Train Day @ DV Layout 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Sat, 12/5/15	CNYLSRS	4 th Quarter Membership Meeting 9:30 Drivers Village - Election of Officers - Seminar "Operations on a Scale Layout" - Roger Caiazza (to be confirmed)
Sat, 12/12/15	FLLS	FLLS Annual Meeting
Sat, 1/9/16	CNYLSRS	Annual Member/Spouse Dinner



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