



NEWSLETTER

Richard's Rendezvous

We had an intimate group of 10 members in attendance at Richard Ridgeway's home in May to have a look at his wonderful collection of locomotives and buildings. Richard has been busy laying track in his basement empire and a number of great buildings and signs have sprung up along the right of way. Most of the club members would be happy to have one or two of the locomotives that are in his stable but at least we get to come and enjoy them at his house! Southern Pacific seems to be the predominate road name on this pike.

(These pictures are courtesy of Jake Jacobsen since I was somewhere on the road between Boston, MA. and York, PA. at the time.)



After a lot of train talk and chit chat, the club's monthly raffle produced two winners. Bob Dixon went home with a 807 Cookie box car and Jake passed his winning ticket to John Dalton who selected a 629 MP stock car.



As you all know by now, the commemorative stock cars for this year's Flyer Fest West didn't arrive from Lionel in time to be distributed at the event but don't worry! If you haven't already received yours it should be in hand shortly. Please don't pester Jake about delivery of the cars since it was not his job to hand them out this year.

Speaking of Jake, an anonymous member has sent in some clues as to how Jake manages to make the *BIG BUCKS* to support his train habit. Although he swears that he is retired, these photos would lead you to believe that he has a lucrative side business. Just look at the resemblance! These pictures are guaranteed 100% genuine so I think that the big guy has some explaining to do! At least we know who's supplying the beef for the next club barbeque.



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If any of you are ever in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, Canada you have to stop and visit the Halifax Southwestern Railway Museum. Inside you will find lots of railroad memorabilia as well as 2000 square feet of **S scale** layout. All of the buildings are scratch built as well as all of the scenery. The entire project is done with private money and a volunteer staff.