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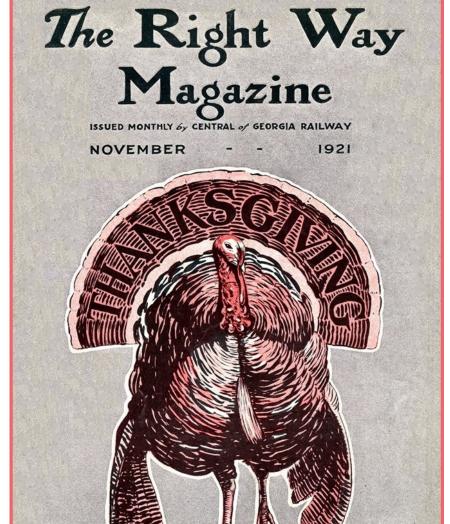
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TRADITIONAL DINING CARS MAKE LAST RUNS ON EASTERN AMTRAK ROUTES

NEW YORK, Oct. 2, 2019, Trains News Wire — Full dining-car service has come to an end on most Amtrak routes in the eastern U.S., with Tuesday's arrival of northbound train No. 20, the Crescent, with dining car Nashville, marking one of the final arrivals for a train offering food prepared on board.

The Crescent arrived late at New York's Penn Station on Tuesday at 4:44 p.m. On Monday evening, the Nashville's staff had prepared and served meals to sleeping-car and coach passengers as the train traveled north from New Orleans and Atlanta. By Tuesday morning, breakfast service had shifted to Amtrak's "Contemporary Dining" program of pre-prepared meals, available only to sleeping-car passengers.



SIGHTS LIKE THIS - MEALS PREPARED ON BOARD, WITH LINEN, SILVERWARE, AND BRANDED PLATES, AS SEEN ON THE SILVER METEOR IN AUGUST 2018 - ARE NO LONGER PART OF AMTRAK SERVICE TO AND CITIES - RALPH SPIELMAN

The Crescent, Silver Meteor, City of New Orleans, and Cardinal all made the switch to the "contemporary" program as of Oct. 1. Changes to dining service on the Lorton, Va.-Sanford, Fla. Auto Train won't come until January 2020.

As of Tuesday, coach passengers on those four trains can only buy food in a café car. Sleeping-car passengers. whose meals are included as part of their accommodations, will receive FROM NEW YORK AND MOST OTHER EASTERN meals heated on board that they can eat in the dining cars, staffed with an attendant assigned to the car, or in

their room. Each meal will be served on plastic plates and accompanied by a salad and brownie.

On Auto Train, sleeping car passengers will continue to receive traditional dining car service. As of Jan. 15, 2020, coach passengers will have a dedicated café car offering meals, snacks and beverages for sale; a complimentary continental breakfast will also be available for coach passengers in that car. Food trucks at the Auto-Train endpoints of Lorton and Sanford will also be available for departing passengers.

For New York, the change marks the end of more than 120 years of passengers being served meals prepared onboard. In the 1880s, the New York & Hudson River Railroad (a New York Central subsidiary) touted the New York-Buffalo and Elkhart-Chicago dining cars on its Chicago and St. Louis Vestibule Limited.

Amtrak, which cities a congressional mandate to cut costs on meal service as one of the factors driving the changes, anticipates the moves will save \$2 million annually. It declined to comment on the end of staffed dining car service in the east.

AMTRAK LAUNCHES BICYCLE SERVICE AND BAGGAGE CHECK ON PENNSYLVANIAN TRAINS

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 14, 2019, AMTRAK MEDIACENTER (Edited) - As part of a collaborative ongoing effort, Amtrak and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) have introduced a checked bicycle service on the Amtrak Pennsylvanian, which operates daily between New York-Philadelphia - Harrisburg - Pittsburgh. In addition, checked baggage service has also been restored.

The stations that now offer these amenities include New York (NYP), Newark (NWK), Philadelphia (PHL), Lancaster (LNC), Harrisburg (HAR), Altoona (ALT), Johnstown (JST) and Pittsburgh (PGH). The fee for checked bicycle service is \$20 and Amtrak reservation and baggage policies apply.

Additionally, for customers who are connecting in Pittsburgh via the Capitol Limited (operating daily between Washington, D.C., Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Chicago) bikes and bags will be transferred through to the final destination.

Customers checking their bikes (no box required) must arrive at the station 45 minutes prior to the train departure to allow time to purchase a ticket and obtain a baggage tag and transport the bike to the baggage car. Only standard bikes will be permitted. If equipped with large seat/saddle bags, handlebar bags or panniers, the items must be removed from the bike, consolidated, and checked or carried on the train. Customers can reserve their bikes by selecting "add bike" when they book their train travel on Amtrak.com, by calling 800-USA-RAIL or by visiting any staffed ticket office. Reserve early; limited space is available.

At stations where checked baggage is available, each passenger can check two bags free of charge to their final destination.

PAOLI STATION PROJECT COMPLETE; FACILITY NOW FULLY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 23, 2019, AMTRAK MEDIACENTER (Edited) - Today federal, state and local officials joined together with SEPTA, Amtrak and their honored guests to officially announce the completion of the Paoli Station Accessibility Improvements Project, a \$48 million initiative to improve accessibility, safety and provide operational flexibility at the Paoli Train Station.



"Throughout the duration of this project, we have worked toward a mutual and productive collaboration with SEPTA. PennDOT. the Federal Transit Administration and the Tredyffrin Township

community to help transform the Paoli Train Station into an intermodal facility that is accessible for all," said Amtrak Assistant Vice President for Infrastructure Access and Investment Tom Moritz. "After two years of construction activities, Amtrak and SEPTA have opened the new center platform at the Paoli Train Station, a major milestone in making the station fully accessible to all users."

"The Paoli Station Accessibility Improvements Project is a great example of what can be accomplished when we work together," said SEPTA General Manager Jeffrey D. Knueppel. "In just these two years, we've seen a major transformation at this critical transportation hub, which now has ADA accessibility, modern passenger amenities and an improved traffic flow that has enhanced safety for customers. I'm thrilled to see what has been accomplished so far - and this is only the beginning."

Amtrak worked with project partners to advance a series of station enhancements including, a new center high level platform, new elevators, stairs and ramps, a pedestrian overpass, parking lot improvements, ADA improvements to the existing station building and upgrades in rail infrastructure to support other project components. Vehicular circulation has also been improved in the south, northeast and northwest parking lots, with directional arrows painted on the ground to streamline traffic flow in and out of the parking lots.

With the completion of the new upgrades, customers traveling in and out of the Paoli Train Station will now board and alight via the center platform. Additionally, the historic outbound wooden canopy that was part of the late 19th century station has been restored and repurposed as a cover for new bike parking facilities.

Ideally, this project will encourage potential further construction of the proposed Paoli Intermodal Transportation Center, a new expansive transportation center envisioned to serve the growing needs of the traveling public and support the Paoli business district and future expansion of the area.

In fiscal year 2018, 233,816 Amtrak customers and approximately 646,446 SEPTA customers passed through the station. The original station facilities were built in 1953 by the Pennsylvania Railroad. SEPTA and Amtrak partnered in 2016 to make modifications to the station and infrastructure at the station to bring the facility into compliance with U.S. Department of Transportation accessibility standards.

AMTRAK, PennDOT OPEN NEW MOUNT JOY STATION FOR 'KEYSTONE' TRAINS

MOUNT JOY, Pa., Oct. 7, 2019, Dan Cupper, Trains News Wire—Amtrak and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation have informally opened Monday a new \$33.5 million station at Mount Joy on the 104-mile Philadelphia-Harrisburg *Keystone Service* corridor.

A town of about 7,400 population, situated 24 miles east of Harrisburg and 12 miles west of Lancaster, Pa., Mount Joy is served by eight eastbound trains and 11 westbound trains out of total of 14 weekday trains each way. About 45,000 passengers use the station each year. Annual Amtrak ridership on the entire corridor now exceeds 1.4 million passengers.



GUESTS ARE GREETED BY THIS ARCHED GATEWAY UPON ARRIVING AT THE NEW MOUNT JOY STATION - DAN CUPPER

New facilities include two 500-foot-long high-level platforms connected by dual weather-enclosed elevator/stair towers and a covered walkway along South Market Street where it crosses over the double-track electrified main line.

Also included in the plan is an improved state Route 772 (Marietta Pike) bridge over the railroad, which slices through town in a 30-foot-deep cut. The cut dates to 1896, when the original alignment on the south side of Main Street was abandoned.

Because the tracks are generally hidden from street-level view, Amtrak service has been largely invisible to area residents until now. The

elevator/stair towers now rise well above street level, bringing a new profile and a much more prominent profile to that part of town.

Site improvements include covered walkways for parking areas, landscaping, and slope stabilization, as well as improvements and expansions that bring the total to 112 parking spaces. Parking is free.

The elevator/stair towers feature large glass windows throughout, decorated with etched images of the English merchant ship *Mountjoy*, for which the town is named. Platforms feature canopies, lighting, benches, emergency-alert kiosks, and direct access to and from street level on both sides

Construction began in 2016 and concluded over the weekend. The station is

part of a \$400 million package of improvements to the Keystone Corridor paid for by Amtrak, PennDOT, and the Federal Transit Administration. New station facilities have already been built at Elizabethtown (a \$9 million job that included restoration of a historic station building), Exton, and Paoli, while upgraded facilities have been added at Coatesville, Downingtown, and Lancaster.

A new \$24 million station is planned for Middletown, with connections to the adjacent Harrisburg International Airport. This requires moving Norfolk Southern's Royalton Branch – which has already begun – as well as reconfiguring the double-track Amtrak line to accommodate a center-island high-level platform.

This part of the Keystone corridor dates to one of the earliest railroads in the state, predating the Pennsylvania Railroad by a decade. The line was built in 1836-38 as the Harrisburg, Portsmouth, Mountjoy & Lancaster Railroad, and was originally powered by horses and early Baldwin steam locomotives. It came under the control of the Pennsylvania in 1849 and was corporately merged into it in 1917. It was electrified in 1938. As the passenger main line between Lancaster and Harrisburg, it was the route of such famous Pennsylvania intercity passenger trains as the *Broadway Limited, Spirit of St. Louis, General, Cincinnati Limited, Red Arrow*, and others

A formal dedication ceremony is planned for Oct. 21.



AMTRAK POLICE AND OPERATION LIFESAVER MOBILIZE LARGEST RAILROAD SAFETY OPERATION DURING RAIL SAFETY WEEK 2019

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24, 2019, Amtrak MEDIACENTER – The Amtrak Police Department and Operation Lifesaver Inc. (OLI), the national railroad safety education organization today

mobilized more than 600 police and sheriff's departments across the country for "Operation Clear Track," the largest railroad safety detail in the United States. The third annual law enforcement initiative is one of several events to mark Rail Safety Week, which runs from September 22-28 nationwide.

"This Rail Safety Week, we ask that you think beyond the danger you put yourself in when trespassing on railroad property and give some thought to the families, communities, railroad employees and all others traumatized by this careless behavior," said Amtrak Police Chief Neil Trugman. "Please obey your state grade crossing and trespassing laws, too many lives depend on it."

During "Operation Clear Track" police and sheriff's officials will report to more than 1,500 railroad grade crossings throughout communities around the country during a three-hour period to enforce state grade crossing and trespassing laws and to issue citations and warnings to violators. Last year, this rail safety detail issued more than 2,500 citations along with 4,313 written and verbal warnings, plus 34 arrests.

In addition, law enforcement officials this year are expected to distribute more than 350,000 pocket safety cards to motorists and pedestrians to teach the public how to be safe around railroad tracks and crossings. According to OLI, each year thousands of people are killed or injured in grade crossing and trespassing incidents nationwide.

"Every three hours in the U.S., a person or vehicle is hit by a train," said Operation Lifesaver, Inc. Executive Director Rachel Maleh. "While we have made strides in reducing deaths and injuries, the goal of Operation Clear Track and other Rail Safety Week activities is raising awareness to save lives. Operation Clear Track has been an important part of Rail Safety Week since it began in 2017."

Operation Lifesaver Canada officials will take part in "Operation Clear Track" for the first time this year to help reduce the number of grade crossing and trespassing incidents that occur in their country.

In recognition of Rail Safety Week, Operation Lifesaver has initiated the STOP TRACK TRAGEDIES campaign, focusing on real-life railroad

incidents. This collaborative national railroad safety initiative is one of several events scheduled during Rail Safety Week, which was conducted from Sept. 22 – 28 in the United States and Sept. 23 – 29 in Canada.



CSX TRANSPORTATION EARNINGS TOP WALL STREET ESTIMATES DESPITE DECLINES IN VOLUME AND REVENUE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 16, 2019, Trains News Wire — CSX Transportation's third quarter profit sank due to declines in intermodal and coal revenue and volume, the railroad announced on Wednesday afternoon.

The railroad's operating income was essentially flat, at \$1.28 billion, as revenue declined 5%, to \$2.97 billion. Net income declined 4%, to \$856 million. Earnings per share grew 3%, to \$1.08, however, which topped Wall Street analyst expectations by 6 cents.

CSX's operating ratio improved 1.9 points to 56.8%, which the railroad said was a record for a U.S. Class I system.

"I am extremely proud of our dedicated team of CSX railroaders for once again setting new records for operating efficiency, customer service, and safety this quarter," CEO Jim Foote said in a statement. "These results reflect our continued commitment toward being the best run railroad in North America and providing our customers with best-in-class service."

For the year, CSX expects to see a revenue decline of 1% to 2%, but stuck with its expectation of a sub-60% operating ratio and capital spending of between \$1.6 billion and \$1.7 billion.

Merchandise revenue growth on flat volume was more than offset by revenue declines in the railroad's coal and intermodal business segments. Both coal and intermodal volume was down 9%, leading to a 5% overall quarterly decline in traffic volume.

Improving on-time performance helped CSX's merchandise traffic volume hold steady despite a slowing industrial economy, Foote told investors and analysts on the railroad's earnings call.

Had it not been for the June explosion that permanently shut down the East Coast's largest oil refinery in Philadelphia, closing the spigot on oil shipments, CSX's merchandise traffic would have been up 2% for the quarter while merchandise volume sank at the other Class I systems, Foote says.

CSX's service metrics improved during the quarter. Carload trip plan compliance rose to 74.6% compared to 66.1% a year ago. Intermodal trip plan compliance hit 94.2%, up from 79.8% in the third quarter of 2018.

"CSX's service has never been this good. Now is the time to harvest opportunities," Foote says.

Mark Wallace, executive vice president of sales and marketing, says CSX is focusing on converting truckload traffic to its merchandise network in a bid to regain market share lost to highways over the years.

CSX now provides intermodal customers with real-time information on container and trailer trip plan compliance. It will roll out the feature on its ShipCSX website for merchandise customers on Dec. 1.

The railroad's key operating metrics were mixed for the quarter as cars spent more time in yards but trains moved faster. Average terminal dwell rose 3%, while average train speed was up 13%.

The railroad ran an average of 87 trains per day with distributed power, up from just a dozen in the third quarter of 2018. CSX frequently runs more than 100 trains per day with distributed power, which spreads locomotives through the train consist.

The increased use of distributed power, along with Trip Optimizer — a Wabtec-made cruise control for locomotives — and greater adherence to train-handling rules, helped CSX's fuel efficiency improve by 5% to a record level for a U.S. Class I railroad, new Chief Financial Officer Kevin Boone says.

The size of CSX's active locomotive fleet was reduced by 11% compared to the third quarter of 2018, Boone says.

CSX's key safety metrics improved for the quarter, continuing a trend over

the past year. The personal injury rate declined 5%, while the train accident rate plunged by 51%. The train accident rate was a company record, and it also set a record for the fewest number of train accidents in a quarter.

The increased use of automated track inspection cars and drones have helped spot small issues before they become big ones, Foote says.



NS TO TEST COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS TENDER AND BNSF UNITS IN COAL SERVICE

One line, infinite possibilities. NEW CASTLE, Pa., Sept. 30, 2019, Trains News Wire – At a press event at Kasgro Rail's New Castle, Pa., facility yesterday, CNGMotive unveiled the industry's first compressed natural gas tender. Tender GCNX No. 5001 was built new at Kasgro for CNGMotive and features

Tender GCNX No. 5001 was built new at Kasgro for CNGMotive and features 28 separate CNG storage tanks in two groups giving the tender a storage capacity equal to 4,600 gallons of diesel fuel, also known as diesel gallon equivalent.

The tender design resembles a traditional intermodal well car, with the well portion used primarily for natural gas storage and the ends of the car over the trucks for the control system and pressure reduction system. The tender is setup to provide one or two locomotives with CNG while in service. Its design complies with the upcoming AAR Tender Specification M-1004 for crash worthiness, shock, and vibration.



CNGMOTIVE'S NEW, PURPOSE-BUILT COMPRESSED
NATURAL GAS TENDER RESEMBLES AN INTERMODAL WELL
CAR - CHRIS GUSS

When final assembly and testing of the tender is complete and Norfolk Southern receives their letter of concurrence from the Federal Railroad Administration, the tender will begin revenue testing between Williamson, W.Va., and Lamberts Point, Va., in export coal service. NS is borrowing BNSF SD70ACes Nos. 9130 and 9131 for the tests since NS has no six-axle

locomotives equipped with dual fuel equipment. Both locomotives are currently in Alliance, Neb., being worked on prior to shipment to NS. While BNSF used these locomotives for liquefied natural gas testing previously, no additional modifications are needed for compressed natural gas testing. Regardless of the storage medium a tender uses, compressed or liquefied, the associated equipment on a tender converts the gas to its ready-to-use form prior to sending it across to the locomotive for combustion.

NS hopes to being testing later this year or early 2020 with the new CNG tender with a planned minimum six month test period. Refueling will take place at the midpoint of the test corridor at Shaffer's Crossing in Roanoke, Va., by Roanoke Gas Co. The tender will refuel on both the loaded and empty side of its loop. CNGMotive will use a patented Chill Fill technology during the refill process which will reduce the refill time to under an hour by increasing the fill rate by approximately 10 times the traditional rate.

NORFOLK SOUTHERN'S 2019 CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REPORT HIGHLIGHTS INITIATIVES THAT BENEFIT THE ENVIRONMENT, COMMERCE, AND PEOPLE

NORFOLK, VA., Oct 16, 2019, NS Press Release - Norfolk Southern Corporation has released its 2019 Corporate Social Responsibility report, highlighting initiatives that support a cleaner environment, promote economic growth and jobs, foster a diverse and inclusive workplace, and build stronger communities.

Demonstrating a commitment to sustainable business practices, the company's 12th annual CSR report details the railroad's primary environmental, economic, and social impacts during 2018 and early 2019.

"Norfolk Southern continues to make gains in sustainable freight rail transportation with our focus on service, operating efficiencies, growth, and long-term shareholder value," said CEO James A. Squires. "As we Reimagine Possible throughout our company, we remain committed to industry-best performance for the benefit of our shareholders, customers, employees, and the communities we serve."

Among other achievements detailed in the report, Norfolk Southern in 2018:

Environmental performance:

Maintained record-level locomotive fuel efficiency for the second consecutive year, conserving more than 47 million gallons of diesel fuel over the past two years compared with 2016 fuel-economy performance.

Continued favorable trend of reducing greenhouse gas emissions through ongoing fuel-efficiency and emissions-reduction efforts, with absolute GHG emissions decreasing by 2.6% year-over-year.

Economic performance:

Began implementing precision scheduled railroading initiatives that drove significant improvements in the first half of 2019, including a more fluid, resilient network and more consistent and reliable service. For example, train speed improved 15% and terminal dwell of rail cars decreased 34% in the second quarter of 2019 versus full-year 2018 performance.

Achieved record financial results, including all-time best operating ratio of 65.4% and record income from railway operations.

Donated more than \$8.8 million in charitable contributions through the Norfolk Southern Foundation and the corporation to support the health and vitality of communities where NS employees work and live.

Gained more than 60,000 carloads of new business across NS' rail network through support of economic development efforts that represented more than \$1.5 billion in customer investment and creation of nearly 3,000 customer jobs.

Social performance:

Continued efforts to reduce serious workplace injuries through a safety program built around peer-to-peer engagement, on-the-job safety briefings, workplace safety checkups, and a goal of zero injuries and incidents.

Provided training at no cost to more than 6,200 local emergency responders on how to prepare for and safely respond to potential rail-related incidents, including visiting 22 communities in 15 states with NS' safety train, a mobile classroom that offers hands-on training opportunities.

Became the first Class I railroad to sign the CEO Action for Diversity and Inclusion pledge, a public commitment to cultivate a workplace environment where diverse experiences and perspectives are welcome and where employees feel comfortable and empowered to discuss diversity and inclusion.

Norfolk Southern today also posted its 2019 filing with CDP, formerly Carbon Disclosure Project, a voluntary disclosure of the company's carbon emissions and steps the railroad is taking to reduce its carbon footprint and identify climate-change risks.



NJ TRANSIT REVEALS HERITAGE LOCOMOTIVES

Pennsylvania, Erie Lackawanna, CNJ units help mark 40th anniversary; Conrail licenses use of names, paint schemes

KEARNY, N.J., Oct. 8, 2019, Trains News Wire — NJ Transit provided the first public look and more details on its three heritage locomotives on Tuesday, and did not rule out the possibility that more such locomotives could follow.

The locomotives were unveiled Oct. 5 at the agency's Family Days event for employees.

The project evolved as part of discussions among several NJ Transit managers who noted how other railroads and airlines used heritage paint schemes to mark anniversaries. A mix of paint and wraps were used to note the lineage of the commuter rail operations that became part of NJ Transit.

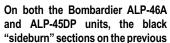
The three engines — Bombardier ALP-46A electric No. 4636, now wearing a Pennsylvania Railroad scheme; dual-mode Bombardier ALP-45DP No. 4519, commemorating Erie Lackawanna, and EMD GP40H-2 diesel No. 4109, returned to a version of its as-delivered Central of New Jersey scheme — were chosen because of their specific maintenance cycles and their need to be repainted. The GP40H-2 had last been painted in 1992. When the project was approved, Deputy General Manager of Mechanical Equipment Charlie Tomaszfski assembled a team of carmen, mechanics, laborers, and shop workers to prepare and decorate the locomotives, extending a collaboration that also involved senior and executive-level staff members.





Contacts within the railroad industry and with railroad historical societies provided technical assistance with paint colors, fonts, and striping details. For the two Bombardier locomotives, 60% of the heritage scheme utilizes a vinyl wrap, with the design of those wraps a collaboration between NJ Transit and the historical societies. The GP40PH-2 was repainted into a scheme reasonably consistent with its original version, using some logo and lettering decals.

After drawings for the designs of the wraps were reviewed internally and externally, Reidler Railroad Graphics of Saint Clair, Pa., supplied and installed the wraps and lettering. Conrail, the owner of the Pennsylvania and Eric Lackawanna names and likenesses, entered into a licensing agreement allowing their use and reviewed the conceptual drawings.





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paint jobs house blower and electrical runs that require the areas to be unencumbered during maintenance cycles. These areas, defined by hard angles and not curves, made efforts to extend striping or other changes over them appear to be forced. So the units were wrapped on the sides and ends; the roof areas, trucks and underframes were touched up with black paint to match the existing paint. The wraps are expected to last for a minimum of seven years.

For the GP40, a key design piece was fabricating as-delivered EMD number boards; a non-NJ Transit railroad official made sure that they looked exactly as they did when they left EMD's La Grange, III., plant in 1968.

NJ Transit officials expect the Pennsylvania unit to enter revenue service in a few weeks. The Erie Lackawanna locomotive will operate on NJT's positive train control test train. The GP40H-2, currently used as a switcher, will have head-end power equipment installed and be used in revenue service. All three units are PTC equipped.

NJ Transit continues to explore options including the possibility of more heritage locomotives operating next year.



SEPTA TO ENHANCE REGIONAL RAIL SERVICE FOR I-95 RECONSTRUCTION

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 27, 2019, SEPTA Press Release (Edited) - SEPTA is bolstering schedules and adding capacity on the Trenton and West Trenton Lines to accommodate current riders and make room for more to use Regional Rail as an alternative during the I-95 reconstruction. New timetables reflecting these

changes will go into effect with the fall Regional Rail schedules that begin Monday. Sept. 30.

SEPTA has been working in close partnership with PennDOT and the DVRPC during the I-95 Reconstruction to provide travel alternatives for commuters. The Trenton and West Trenton Lines cover a large portion of the I-95 corridor that is currently impacted by construction work.

"We are encouraging commuters who normally drive on I-95 to give SEPTA a try during the construction project," said SEPTA General Manager Jeffrey D. Knueppel. "The Trenton and West Trenton Lines offer convenient alternatives for drivers who need to get to Center City from Northeast Philadelphia and Bucks County. Instead of fighting the traffic, let SEPTA do the driving."

SEPTA has leased five rail coach cars from the Maryland Area Regional Commuter Rail (MARC) system to help with these service enhancements. The addition of the MARC cars also gives SEPTA some flexibility in how it can deploy its rail fleet. Overall, for both the morning and evening commutes, SEPTA will add nearly 1,900 seats for customers on the Trenton and West Trenton Lines.

On the Trenton Line, rail cars have been added to several trains during peak periods to increase capacity. In addition, for riders who have some schedule flexibility, there will be added space on some trains that operate just after the rush.

On the West Trenton Line, SEPTA will add two trips during both the morning and evening commutes, providing new options for current customers and those who make the switch from driving.

The Cornwells Heights Station on the Trenton Line offers a convenient park-and-ride option, and has plenty of space to accommodate new riders with over 600 spots open on an average weekday. Parking at other stations may be limited, so riders are encouraged to make arrangements to be dropped off, and also consider biking and walking options.

Drivers who normally use I-95 are also encouraged to consider using a combination of the Boulevard Direct Bus and the Market-Frankford Line to travel between the suburbs and Center City. The Boulevard Direct Bus operates express service between Neshaminy Mall and Frankford Transportation Center, where riders can transfer to-and-from the Market-Frankford Line.

THIS MONTH ON THE PENNSY

PRR, PRSL & LIRR EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Nov. 29, 1903 - PRR stops running through New York-Washington trains in and out of Broad Street Station and stopping instead only at West Philadelphia Station; protests voiced by Travelers' Protective Association and various civic and business groups.

Nov. 1908 - First of Class MP54 electric MU cars delivered to LIRR; later become standard for PRR.

Nov. 12, 1913 - PRR Board authorizes acquisition of property for new station at Altonna Pa

Nov. 11, 1918 - Armistice ends World War I; 26,286 PRR employees had joined service, of whom 443 died; PRR subscribed \$10.1 million to Liberty Loans.

Nov. 9, 1923 - PRR announces its intention to electrify between Altoona and Conemaugh on the Pittsburgh Division.

Nov. 1, 1928 - Group of PRR officials makes brief circling flight in first Transcontinental Air Transport, Inc. Ford Tri-motor from Crescent Airport in Camden, N.J.

Nov. 29, 1933 - PRSL Board authorizes removing cab signals between "BROWN" Tower in Camden and "WINSLOW" Tower; abandoning Woodbine-Cape May, Sea Isle Jct.-Sea Isle City, Wildwood Jct.-Wildwood, and Sea Isle City-Stone Harbor; authorizes building connections between the ex-Atlantic City Railroad Williamstown Branch and the ex-PRR Bridgeton and Cape May Branches at Glassboro and abandoning the segment of ex-ACRR line between the two ex-PRR branches; authorizes the Pennsylvania-Reading Motor Lines, Inc., to purchase certificates, 6 New Jersey routes, and 10 parlor buses from the Reading Transportation Company.

Nov. 23, 1938 - PRR Board approves retirement of a portion of the Pomeroy Branch between Thompson and Newark Center, Del.

Nov. 10, 1943 - PRR Board approves retirement of a portion of the Pomeroy Branch between Chatham and Landenberg, Pa.

Nov. 10, 1948 - PRR Board authorizes \$2.9 million to resume work on Philadelphia Improvements by completing lower level of 30th Street Station.

Nov. 11, 1953 - Inbound Chestnut Hill local derails at the east end of the upper level of 30th Street Station; first MU car crumpled against the girder bridges; 33 injured. See "Inside the Back Page" for photo.

Nov. 5, 1958 - PRR discontinues complimentary wall calenders as an economy measure.

Nov. 25, 1963 - At 12:00 noon, at the time of Pres. Kennedy's funeral, the NYC stops its trains for 2 minutes; at the same time, a Paoli local halts at Narberth for one minute, while conductor Harry R. McAllister plays taps for Pres. Kennedy; the PRR stops all trains for 1 minute at 1:00 PM; the LIRR stops all trains between 12:30 and 1:00 PM; non-essential PRR employees are given time off to watch the funeral on television.

Nov. 24, 1967 - The first two "Metroliner" cars to be delivered hit 164 MPH on the test track between "COUNTY" and "MILLHAM" but with significant problems that render such speeds unfeasible in revenue service for the time being; the PRR makes a public announcement on Nov. 29 without mentioning the problems.

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SANTA AND CHRISTMAS

TRAINS

Allentown & Auburn - 570-778-7531 - www.allnrr.com

Cape May Seashore Lines - www.capemayseashorelines.org

Colebrookdale Railroad - 866-289-4021 - www.colebrookdalerailroad.com

Middletown & Hummelstown Railroad - 717-944-4435 - www.mhrailroad.com

New Hope & Ivyland Railroad - 215-862-2332 - www.newhoperailroad.com

Railway Restoration Project 113 - 570-544-8300 - www.rrproject113.org

Reading & Northern - 610- 562-2102 - www.rbmnrr-passenger.com

Steam Into History - 717-942-2370 - www.steamintohistory.com

Steamtown National Historic Site - 570-340-5204 - www.nps.gov/stea

Stewartstown - 717-746-8123 - www.stewartstownrailroadcompany.com

Strasburg Rail Road - 1-866-725-9666 - www.strasburgrailroad.com

West Chester Railroad - 610-430-2233 - www.westchesterrr.com

Wilmington & Western Railroad - 302-998-1930 - www.wwrr.com

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 AM - turn your clocks BACK one hour

Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 7-10, 2019

2019 NRHS Fall Conference in Dallas, Texas. Info: www.nrhs.com

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 9-10, 2019

First Frost Train Meet at the Allentown Fairgrounds, 1925 W. Chew St., Allentown, PA 18104. Info: www.allentowntrainmeet.com

Sunday, Nov. 10, 2019

SEPTA Trolley Excursion by the West Jersey Chapter, NRHS using a PCC II car. Trip departs the Elmwood Depot at 73rd Street & Elmwood Avenue, Philadelphia, at 10:00 AM. Excursion will cover as much of Routes 11, 13, 34, and 36 as possible, and as much non-revenue trackage as possible. The planned duration of this trip is 4 hours, and will include photo stops as schedule permits. Trip cost is \$45 per participant, and space is limited.. Info: https://www.westjersey-nrhs.org

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 16-17, 2019

Greenberg's Train & Toy Show at the York Expo Center, 334 Carlisle Avenue, York, PA 17404. Info: www.trainshow.com/york

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 23-24, 2019

Brass Expo and Custom Craftsman Models 2019 at the Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center, 2300 Lincoln Highway East, Route 30, Lancaster, Pa. Info: 724-285-3090 or www.brassexpo.com

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2019

Greenberg's Train & Toy Show at the New Jersey Expo Center, 97 Sunfield Avenue, Edison, NJ 08837. Info: www.trainshow.com/edison11

Saturday, Nov. 30 thru Sunday, Jan. 5, 2020

Columbia & Susquehanna Model RR Open House, Columbia Historic Preservation Society, 21 N. 2nd St.,Columbia, PA 17512. Info: http://www.tonysegro.com/cola.html

Saturday, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2019 - Monday, Dec. 30, 2019

Garden Spot Village Christmas Train Room Open House, 433 S. Kinzer Ave., New Holland, PA 17557. Info: 717-355-6000 or www.gsvtrainclub.org

Saturday, Dec. 7, 2019

Philadelphia Chapter, PRRT&HS Meeting at the Drexel Hill Methodist Church, 600 Burmont Rd., Drexel Hill, PA 19026. Info: www.philaprrths.com

Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 7-8, 2019

Ocean City Train Show at the Ocean City Music Pier, 825 Moorlyn Terrace, Ocean City, NJ 08226. Info: 609-399-6111 or www.oceancityvacation.com

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 7-8, 2019

Greenberg's Train & Toy Show at the Maryland State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD 21093. Info: www.trainshow.com/timonium

Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 11-12, 2020

Greenberg's Train & Toy Show at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center,100 Station Ave., Oaks, PA 19456 Info: www.trainshow.com

Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020

Philadelphia Chapter, PRRT&HS Meeting at the Drexel Hill Methodist Church, 600 Burmont Rd., Drexel Hill, PA 19026. Info: www.philaprrths.com

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 22-23, 2020

Greenberg's Train & Toy Show at the Chase Center on the Riverfront, 815 Justison St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Info: www.trainshow.com

Thursday-Sunday, March 26-29, 2020

2020 NRHS Spring Conference, West Chester, Ohio. Info: www.nrhs.com

Saturday & Sunday, April 4-5, 2020

Roundhouse Model Train Show at the B&O Railroad Museum, Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD. Info: www.trainshow.com

Saturday, April 25, 2020

Philadelphia Chapter, PRRT&HS Meeting at the Drexel Hill Methodist Church, 600 Burmont Rd., Drexel Hill, PA 19026. Info: www.philaprrths.com

Wednesday-Saturday, May 13-16, 2020

PRRT&HS 2020 Annual Meeting at the Penn Stater, State College, PA. Info: www.prrths.com

Tuesday-Saturday, June 9-13, 2020

2020 NRHS Convention, Fullerton, CA. Info: www.nrhs.com



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Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 - 1940s Swing Dance

Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 2-3, 2019 - Trains & Troops

Saturday, Dec. 7 & 14, 2019 - Christmas with the Conductor Parties

Saturday, Dec. 7 & 14, 2019 - Home for the Holidays

Saturday Feb. 22, 2020 - Railroading Merit Badge Workshop

Saturday Apr. 4, 2020 - Rails & Ales



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Saturday thru Nov. 2, 2019 - Wine & Cheese Train

Daily thru Nov. 10, 2019 - Shop Tour at 12:00 PM

Saturday-Sunday, Nov 16-Dec. 29, 2019 - Shop Tour at 12:00 PM

Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 23-24, 29-30, 2019 - Santa's Paradise Express

Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 1, 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 2019 - Santa's Paradise Express Thursday-Friday, Dec. 5-6, 12-13, 2019 - The Night Before Christmas Train

Various, Dec. 13, 19, 20, 23, 2019 - Santa's Christmas Trolley

Various, Dec. 18-23, 2019 - The Night Before Christmas Train Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 21-22, 2019 - Christmas Feast

Friday-Sunday, April 10-12, 2020 - Easter Bunny Train



OCTOBER, 2019 CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

The Chapter Membership Meeting of the Lancaster Chapter, National Railway Historical Society was held at the Christiana Freight Station, Christiana, Pa. on Monday,

October 21, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Tom Shenk with 30 members present.

MINUTES: President Tom Shenk asked for a motion to approve the September Chapter Membership Meeting Minutes. Steve Himpsl approved the motion and Tom McMaster seconded the motion. The September Membership Meeting Minutes were approved as printed in the Lancaster Dispatcher.

EDITOR: The Lancaster Chapter is happy to announce Editor Ed Mayover is not resigning as Editor of the Lancaster Chapter newsletter. Ed will try to do another year (2019-2020) of the Chapter newsletters.

MEMBERSHIP: Helen Shaak announced the Chapter has a new member: Stephen Ferrell from Exton, Pa. Smoke and Helen will be attending the Fall Board meeting in Dallas, Texas from Monday, November 4 to Wednesday, November 13, 2019.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Richard Rutledge gave the Treasurer's Report for the month of September. Helen Shaak made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for future audit. Steve HimpsI seconded the motion.

CHAPTER BUDGET: Treasurer Richard Rutledge went over the Chapter Budget with the Chapter Membership. Helen Shaak made the motion to approve the Chapter Budget. Nelson Strubel seconded the motion. The Chapter Membership voted unanimously to accept the Chapter Budget for the 2019-2020 year.

DONATIONS: Steve Himpsl announced Nelson Strubel donated a framed print of the 4800 engine that is 40 years old taken at Wilmington, Delaware. Joe Heffron donated two timetables, one railroad lock, and various postcards. Steve announced the Chapter would keep these items for display at the Christiana Freight Station.

VENDORS AND CRAFT SHOW: Cindy Kendig announced the Vendors and Craft Show was held on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at the Christiana Freight Station from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This event made a profit of \$1551.50 for the Chapter. Steve announced the sales table made \$198.00 including the sale of Strasburg Rail Road tickets. Cindy reported it was beautiful weather and a very successful day. Donations of food to sell at the show were chicken corn soup and white chocolate puffed corn donated by Richard & Jane Rutledge: marble cupcakes, donated by Ginny Rettew: chocolate chip cookies, donated by Kathie Steckler; cake, donated by Lorrie Steffy; chips & pretzels bags, donated by Steve & Linda Himpsl; iced tea, lemonade, sodas, chili, donated and shopping for the kitchen supplies and food, Cindy Kendig. Monetary donations were given by: Doug Henry, Tom & Kathie Steckler, Don & Lorrie Steffy, and Donetta Eberly. We also received some monetary business donors: Giant Foods from Quarryville (\$25.00), Weis Market from Gap (\$25.00). Advertising in local newspapers and online, preparing the printing of the flyers, posters, menus, show guides, by Linda Himpsl. Sending out the show applications by Cindy Kendig. Helping take the vendors supplies to 2nd floor, Tom Steckler, Steve Himpsl, Linda Himpsl, Glenn Kendig, Don Steffy. Kitchen Staff, Jane Rutledge, Cindy Kendig, Lorrie Steffy, Kathie Steckler. Advertising in the local area businesses, by Steve Himpsl, Linda Himpsl, Cindy Kendig. Christiana Freight Station floor layout and preparation by Steve Himpsl, Linda Himpsl, Glenn Kendig, Steve Kahler. Parking Staff by Richard Rutledge, Steve Himpsl, Glenn Kendig. Show Greeter, Donetta Eberly. Hot dog machine donation and poster printing by Frank Harro. Cindy Kendig would like to thank everyone who helped make this event a great success.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Helen Shaak announced the following offices and officers for the 2018-2019 year: President-Tom Shenk; First Vice President-Harold (Smoke) Shaak; Second Vice President-Glenn Kendig; Secretary-Donetta Eberly; Treasurer-Richard Rutledge; Editor-Ed Mayover; Historian-Tom McMaster; Chaplain-David Stambaugh;1st Director at Large-Cindy Kendig; 2nd Director at Large-Steve Himpsl; National Representative-Thomas Steckler. The Election was open to the floor. Helen Shaak announced the officers for the 2019-2020 year: President-Tom Shenk; First Vice President-Harold (Smoke) Shaak; Second Vice President-Glenn Kendig; Secretary-Donetta Eberly; Treasurer-Richard Rutledge; Editor-Ed Mayover; Historian-Tom McMaster; Chaplain-David Stambaugh; 1st Director at Large-Cindy Kendig; 2nd Director at Large-Steve Himpsl; National Representative-Thomas Steckler. Dennis Allen made the motion to close the Elections. Nelson Strubel seconded the motion. Chapter Secretary cast the ballot and the Offices and Officers stand as announced by Helen Shaak.

BANQUET: Tom Shenk announced the menu for the Chapter's Annual Banquet on Friday, November 22, 2019 at the Bird-In-Hand Restaurant. Menu:(family style) fruit cup, tossed salad, chow chow, roast beef, filling and gravy, fried chicken, buttered noodles, mashed potatoes, baked corn, shoe fly pie, chocolate cake with peanut butter icing and ice cream. Social hour: chips, pretzels and punch will be served. Door prizes will begin at 6:30 p.m. Linn Moedinger will present the Banquet Program. There is still time to get tickets for the Banquet. Ticket orders must be received by Friday, November 8, 2019.

UPCOMING DATES: Friday, November 22, will be the Chapter's Annual

Banquet to be held at the Bird-In-Hand Restaurant. Thursday, December 5, will be decorating of the Christiana Freight Station for Christmas starting at 7:30 p.m. The Christiana Freight Station Open House event will be Saturday, December 14 and Sunday, December 15. On Saturday, December 14, there will be Hay Rides through Christiana to see the Christmas lights and displays; Santa will stop in for a visit, and plenty of food. The Saturday, December 14 Open House will be a joint event with the Lions Club. Sunday, December 15, the Christiana Freight Station will be open 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday, December 16 will be the Chapter's Annual Christmas Party. Chapter members can bring cookies or desserts for the party. Glenn Kendig announced the Chapter will also have the Christiana Freight Station open on Sunday, December 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

RAFFLE: The Chapter will raffle off a handmade train on top of a wooden trellis and a Christmas picture. The tickets are 5 for \$1.00 and your choice of which item or both you wish to put your tickets in the raffle boxes. The raffle will be held at the Sunday, December 29, 2019 Open House. (You do not have to be present to win).

UPCOMING TRIP: Plans are being worked on for a trip next September, 2020. Highlights of the trip will be to Roanoke, Virginia to visit the museum that houses N&W 611 and 1218 engines, ride the train at Spencer, visit the Biltmore Estates in Asheville, North Carolina, ride the Great Smokey Mountain Railroad, and maybe a stop at a winery on way back home. The trip flyer is being worked on and should be in the newsletter in the coming few months. This trip is only taking one bus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Steve Himpsl announced the caboose has real steps made of steel to step up into the caboose. No more step boxes. Cindy Kendig announced the Chapter needs volunteers to bring treats or snacks for the kitchen only when we have meetings held at the Christiana Freight Station. That is usually no more than 6 times a year. The Chapter supplies the drinks and cups, plates. If we cannot get volunteers to participate, we will no longer have the kitchen open on Chapter meeting nights. If anyone is interested, a sign up sheet will be at the December Chapter meeting. Smoke Shaak received a calendar from the "Lackawanna & Wyoming" railroad. If you would like to order a calendar (\$7.50) he has the ordering information. Mark Hoffman reported the ribbon cutting at the Mount Joy train station was held today (Monday, October 21). The train station was totally remodeled. Mark also announced the 611 engine at the Strasburg Rail Road was not fired up today, instead the engine was being washed and serviced. The 475engine was being filled with coal. Mark announced it was a nice day and he had many photo opportunities. Richard Rutledge reported on Lime Street about the old railroad bridge found.

ADJOURNMENT: The Chapter Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Tonight's program was presented by Chapter member John Brown on the "Reading and Columbia Railroad" when it was constructed in the 1800's.

Respectfully submitted by Donetta M. Eberly, Secretary



LESS THAN CARLOAD SHIPMENTS LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS



FORMER READING LOCOMOTIVE ARRIVES AT READING RAILROAD HERITAGE MUSEUM

HAMBURG, Pa., Oct. 3, 2019, Trains News Wire – A former Reading GP-39-2, one of the last new locomotives delivered to that railroad just months before the Conrail takeover, has arrived at the Reading Railroad Heritage Museum. CSX Transportation donated No. 4317, built as Reading's

No. 3412, which is in full CSX paint but will be repainted in the Reading green and yellow as soon as time and funds permit.



CSX 4317, A FORMER READING CO. GP39-2, WORKS AT YEOMAN YARD IN TAMPA, FLA., IN MARCH 2017. SCOTT A. HARTLEY

In reality, the locomotive, built in December 1974, was owned by CSX predecessor Chessie System and leased to the Reading. When Conrail came into existence, the 20 Reading locomotives were allocated to the Delaware & Hudson, which eventually purchased them from the Reading estate. When Canadian Pacific bought the D&H, the locomotives were returned to CSX, which held the

financing paper.

The units were well-liked on the Reading. In addition to their usual freight duties, some were used in passenger service during transit strikes and snowstorms. They would pull SEPTA electric multiple unit trailers, with one or two with pantographs raised to provide lighting and heat to the train.



LEHIGH GORGE SCENIC RAILWAY TO CEASE OPERATIONS

PORT CLINTON, Pa., Oct. 16, 2019, Trains News Wire — The Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway announced it would cease operations in Jim Thorpe, Pa., as of November 25, a response to the borough's request that the tourist railroad

begin paying an amusement tax and a lawsuit seeking back taxes.

The Lehigh Gorge and its sister railroad, the Reading Blue Mountain & Northern, began operating trains out of Jim Thorpe 15 years ago, and owner Andy Muller Jr. indicated in a press release that the company would move the passenger operation elsewhere. The railroad currently offers a 16-mile round trip from Jim Thorpe through Lehigh Gorge State Park. Its schedule through the planned closure date offers with three trips on weekdays and seven on weekend in October, and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday operations in November.

The freight business "is where we make our money," Muller said in the release. "I have offered passenger excursion rides to local communities as a way of thanking them for support over the years and to educate young and old in the glorious role railroads in this region played in our country's industrial revolution.

"Since it is clear the mayor and borough council do not care about what we have done over the last 15 years ... I have decided to focus our energies on communities that want to work with the railroads. While I feel terrible for our loyal employees, our repeat customers, and Jim Thorpe merchants who have supported our excursion trains, there is no reason to stay where we are not welcome."

The *Times-News* of Lehighton, Pa., reports that the borough collects a 5% amusement tax and the Jim Thorpe Area School District collects a 2.5% amusement tax, with those fees generally added to the ticket or admission price. In a lawsuit filed in September, the collection agency for the borough and school district said it seeks \$95,971.39 in back taxes for failure to pay the amusement tax in 2016 through 2018.

In Wednesday's press release, the railroad said "it is not an amusement and will not pay any so-called amusement tax."

The Lehigh Gorge will issue refunds for those who have already purchased tickets for its Santa Trains, and said that the closure does not affect Reading Blue Mountain & Northern passenger operations from other locations to Jim Thorpe. It plans to announce a new schedule of rides from other communities soon.

The Reading & Northern plans to operate Santa Trains from five locations this year:

 $Reading\ Outer\ Station:\ Nov.\ 30;\ Dec.\ 1,\ 7,\ 8,\ 14,\ 15,\ 21,\ 22,\ 23,\ and\ 24.$

Minersville Station: Nov. 30, Dec. 1.

Schuylkill Haven Station: Dec. 7-8.

Tunkhannock: Dec. 14-15.

Pottsville Union Station: Dec. 21-22.

Trains will depart at 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. at each location and offer a round trip of 70 to 80 minutes. Ticket are \$15 for adults and \$9 for children ages 3-12; children 2 and under are free. Rides will feature holiday music, free candy, and a visit from Santa Claus.

Advance tickets and more information are available by calling the Reading & Northern passenger office: (610) 562-2102. Tickets will also be sold on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of each trip.



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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

CHRISTIANA FREIGHT STATION, DECEMBER 14-15, 2019

LANCASTER CHAPTER, N.R.H.S., WILL HAVE A SALES
TABLE FOR THE OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

DAILY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 - 3:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

FAMILY CHILDREN'S PARTY - 3:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

TRAIN DISPLAYS, VISIT FROM SANTA, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES,
FREE HOT DOGS AND DRINKS FOR CHILDREN

HAY RIDES STARTING AT 5:00 PM

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POPCORN - HOT DOGS - SNACKS - DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE

SEE CHRISTIANA BOROUGH'S ANNUAL "LIGHT UP CHRISTIANA"
CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

HAY RIDES AROUND TOWN SPONSORED BY THE CHRISTIANA
LIONS CLUB

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 - 1:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

FREIGHT STATION DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS - TRAIN DISPLAYS

SNACKS & DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE

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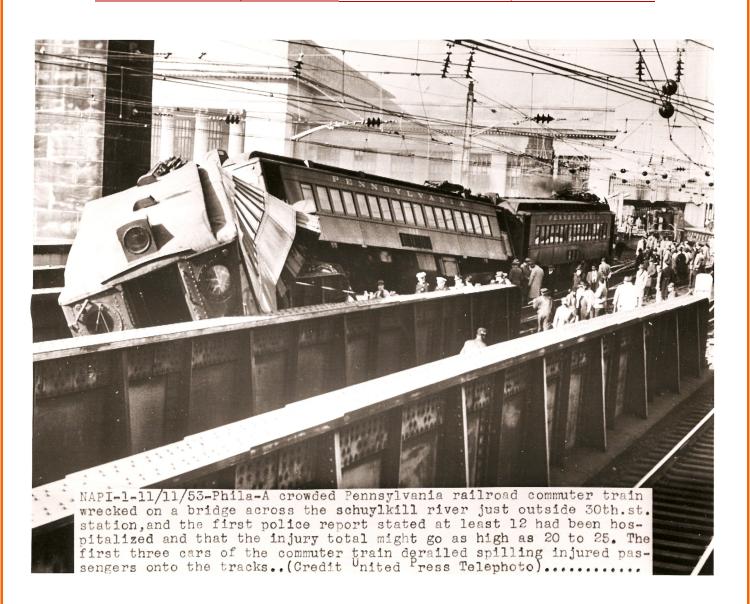
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DECEMBER 15. 2019 - SUNDAY - CHRISTIANA FREIGHT STATION - OPEN HOUSE

DECEMBER 16, 2019 - MONDAY, 7:30 PM - CHRISTIANA FRT. STA. - ANNUAL CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 29, 2019 - SUNDAY, 1:00 - 5:00 PM - CHRISTIANA FREIGHT STATION - HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

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