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### President's Message Mark Ferracane

Well, we did the South Shore Show with Great Success! Geoff told me we had more people around our layout than the Clubs layout. I believe him! The Children Loved seeing Thomas and his Friends running around the Layout. They also enjoyed watching Toshi's and my Bullet trains.

The Bedford Boomers show was great! But sadly there will be no Show next year. Bummer! The Cost to rent the school has risen and it went from \$700 to over \$2800. That stinks! But thanks to inflation there will be No Bedford Boomers Show next year. We can only hope that they decide to have another show. Hopefully at another location. So far we have done 3 shows this year and all have been successful! We have one more show in November, The **Greenburg Show** at the Shriners in Wilmington. On the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

We will **NOT** be doing the Boy Scouts , *South Shore Model Railroad Show* on January 11<sup>th</sup> due to it being a Friday night and that it is only for a few hours 5-7pm. A few members may attend to talk about the club.

Then we will be doing the **Big E Show** in West Springfield. I look forward to the show every year. We get together with 12 more clubs to make a 33x80 Layout. Wow! The Winterfest Page, on the internet, should be up soon! The T-Shirts will be White with red lettering and we will have Coffee Mugs this year. No Beer Glasses! LOL! This year you can Pay by PayPal or send in a check. There will be a \$2.00 fee for PayPal Payments.

Til Next Month  
Mark

If you are on the internet and want something to do check out these sits about "Fallen Flags: Maine Central Railroad."

Part 1 -

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m2NeYvcRW5U>

Part 2 - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KfSz-R3YZ4&feature=fvwrel>

### Ntrak Steals the Show in Hingham by Geoffrey Smith

Northeast Ntrak's participation in the South Shore Model Railroad Club's open house was wildly successful. At various times during the two days there were as many people crowded around our 10x14 foot display as there were around the massive HO scale layout we shared space with.



**Photo of Toshiyuki Abe's module by Ken Harstine.  
Train by Frank Dignan**

A very special thanks to Toshiyuki Abe, Frank Dignan, Carl Mesrobian, and Peter Mathews for bringing modules; and a special Purple Heart awarded to Peter for making the long traffic-plagued trek from Billerica to Hingham on Friday night to deliver his modules and the show boxes. He spent an hour and twenty minutes in the tunnels – and then God knows how long driving home again! Thanks too to those who came to run trains. Peter's efforts make me wonder if we might want to consider taking some of the funds on hand and investing in another set of set-up boxes that can be kept on the South Shore somewhere so he's not the only one who must go to every show?

Thanks to everyone!

**2012-2013 NENtrak SHOW PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE**

**Jan 11, 2013, SSMRC Boy Scout Show, 19 Fort Hill Street, Hingham, MA, South Shore Model Railroad Club**

Set up 7:00am - Show 9am to 4pm  
 Coordinator: ~~Jeff Smith~~ - 781-214-9401

**Jan 25-27, 2013 Winterfest, Springfield, MA Amherst Railway Society - Big Railroad Hobby Show**

Big "E" Exposition Center, West Springfield, MA  
 Set-up Fri noon to 5pm & Sat 7am to 9am  
 Show Sat 9am to 5pm - Sun 10am to 5pm  
 Layout Coordinator: Dan Pawling Jr., 617-244-5261  
 Winterfest Co-Chairman: Bob Fallier - 603-465-3785  
 Bob Pawlak - 781-862-2485

**Feb 16-17, 2013 National Heritage Museum, Lexington, MA**

Set up Fri 1pm - 4:30pm & Sat 7:30am to 10:00am  
 Show Sat 10am to 4:30pm - Sun noon to 4:00pm  
 Coordinator: Bob Pawlak - 781-862-2485

**March (Not listed yet) 2013 Great Train Expo, Shriners Auditorium, Wilmington, MA**

Set up Sat 7:30am - Show Sat 10am to 4pm - Sun 10am to 4pm  
 Coordinator: Frank Dignan - 508-866-9660

**April 7, 2013 Rochester Boy Scout Troop 357, Rochester Community Center, 150 Wakefield St., Rochester, NH**

Set-up 8am - Show 10am to 4pm  
 Coordinator: Dick Brotherton - 603-767-3449

**April 21, 2013 Hooksett Lions Club, Cawley Middle School, Hooksett, NH**

Set-up 8am - Show 10am to 4pm  
 Coordinator: Ron Wood - 603-320-0639

Show Dates **Subject to Change**...Check Newsletters for Updates. Please check schedule for errors and send up dates to Roland at: [northeastntrak@msn.com](mailto:northeastntrak@msn.com) Thanks for your help.

**The Passing of Dan Pawling Jr. Mother.**

I'm sorry that this note has been delayed, and in case you have not already heard, after a long illness the mother of Dan Pawling, Jr. passed away peacefully on October 15th. Our Sympathys are with you and your family.

**Changes to Northeast Ntrak Membership Data 2012-2013**

**Add Two Rejoining Members**

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**Change Module Listing**

Bob Fallier  
 4ft outside corner w M Div  
 2 x 4ft straight w M Div  
 8ft straight w M Div

**Maine Central Railroad, Calais, Maine by Larry Kelley**



Calais, ME in late 1960's. Train BC-1 sits on the Main Track with crew resting for trip West in the afternoon. CB-2 will make connections with No 438/439 at Campbells for the Woodland traffic westbound. CB-2 will make up to 13 stops enroute to Bangor lifting at all the little towns through Washington County and Hancock County. The train will lift pulpwood along the way making the train 40 - 50 cars into Bangor. After leaving Calais the next communication from CB-2 will be Tower RD at Bangor who will be calling on the radio to get traffic information so the Yard Master will be able to find a place to yard the train. The way it used to be at Calais, Maine at Hoggg Alley. On the other side of the river is St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada



Here is an unexpected photo and comment from my Grandson Jeff Pawling (one of Dan Jr's. boys) who is presently living in Bozeman MT. To me the shot completely expresses his frustration. Hooray for Jeff!! I believe that the rail line is Montana RailLink in Bozeman. Dan Pawling, Sr.

**Historic Dining Car at 2012 National Train Day Show "Cannon Ball" by Dan Pawling Sr.**



**DINING ROOM**



buffet/storage on one end wall



**Lounge**



Later it went to the Norfolk & Western RR and then, in 1974, it was acquired by private interests which operate it today. (These notes are from AMRTAK's show catalog). It has a Master Bedroom (Photo above left), a double bedroom, two open sections, crew quarters, two showers/bathroom (photo above right), On to the right column first is the dining room, next the buffet/storage on one end wall. The observation lounge with wet bar on left out of sight. Note the open platform in the background and the final ornaments on this jewel of a car the drum head and the flags in the bottom photo. "Blessings, old timer...keep on rollin' with no sunsets on the (t)rail!"



**Historic Dining Car at 2012 National Train Day Show "The AT&SF El Capitan" by Dan Pawling Sr.**



There is also full table service for 36 persons per seating Photo above. Photo below shows the table setting with its specially designed china.

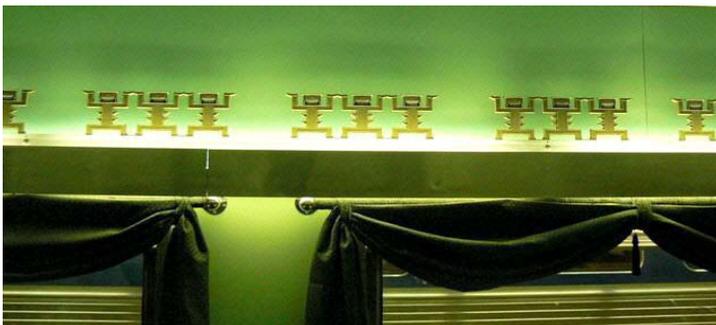
**Epicurus** This car was built in 1950 for the AT & SF RR by Pullman-Standard . It ran on the El Capitan between Chicago and Los Angeles. Photo above. "It is the only authentic, privately owned Dining car operating in mainline intercity service (today)." The car has a full galley and two different seating areas.



The southwestern motif runs the length of the car above the windows (Photos bottom left column). The counter seating got me thinking of pie a la mode and a coffee, although for a full meal I like a forward facing seat to also enjoy the scenery on both sides of the train.



One was a complete surprise for me-- the familiar counter-style layout of a land-based diner. Photo above. Note the coffee brewer and soda fountain equipment. Unfortunately, they were not serving that day.



**Editors Note:** Diner style cars were for people who did not want to eat a big meal or could not afford the dining car. That was me in the late 50's when I was stationed in Montana in the Air Force. I eat in the diner style car on the Great Northern Empire Builder several times. I was in the service at the time and the dining car was out of my budget. They were not that bad as I remember. To go home on leave I would take it from Great Falls, Montana to Chicago. Yes I know Great Northern did not run trains into Great Falls, but they did have a bus painted just like the trains that did. It would take me to the Havre, Montana station to pick up the train. Upon return it would be waiting for the train in Havre and return us to Great Falls. Then when I got to Chicago I changed to Penn Central. Boy what a difference. Penn Central trains were run down and not heated and this was December, and dirty. Well that was my times in a real train diner. hahaha