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A crowd of FEBT members follow the walking tour at the Robertsdale FEBT Museum during the 2021 FEBT Fall Reunion. See all the improvements made over the last year during the 2022 Reunion. – Doug Davenport photo

FEBT REUNION IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The Annual Fall Reunion is fast approaching. You won't want to miss riding the speeder or handcar on nearly a mile of reopened track in Robertsdale, a ride on some newly reopened track south of the Rockhill coal tipple, hearing from EBTF Chairman Henry Posner, a big announcement from the Archives team, or the Annual Fundraising Auction!

Registration is now open through the FEBT Company Store at \$25 per attendee. <https://store.febt.org/>
Registration includes:

- In Robertsdale; Handcar and speeder rides, mine tours, museum, and evening programs.
- In Rockhill; EBTF program, Archives announcement, model and photo contest, Southbound ride and restoration tours, FEBT Train to Colgate Grove at 4:30, and Fundraising Auction.

Other scheduled trains, M-1, M-3, and speeder tickets can be purchased separately from the railroad in advance at: <https://eastbroadtop.com/fall-reunion/>. Act fast, these tickets are available only to FEBT members for a limited time before being opened to the general public.

Full schedule of events is on Page 3. Please note that the schedule is subject to change.

FEBT's Annual Business Meeting will kickoff at 6:30 PM on Friday, October 7, 2022 at the Robertsdale Volunteer Fire Hall. – *Andy Van Scyoc*

Archivist Julie Rockwell introduces the EBTRR&CCo Archives and Special Collections Program during the 2021 FEBT Reunion. – Jane Clarke photo



ROCKHILL TROLLEY MUSEUM 2022 FALL SPECTACULAR INFORMATION

The Rockhill Trolley Museum will hold its annual Fall Spectacular on Saturday, October 8th and Sunday, October 9th. Please come ride a trolley or five while you are in town for the FEBT Reunion. The exact schedule will not be ready until closer to the event, but RTM plans to operate the regular cars such as York 163, Johnstown 311 and 355. Our oldest operating trolley built in 1904, car 249 from Porto, Portugal, as well as Porto single truck car 172 will operate. Philadelphia PCC car 2743 and San Diego 1019 will also be in operation.

The Liberty Liner will make one trip in the afternoon on Saturday. The 1931 Bullet car 205 will operate for the first time in several years with new interior light wiring on Saturday as well. Riders will be able to see the restoration in process as the ceiling panels have not been installed yet. While we're not anticipating any snow, Scranton snow sweeper 107 will operate both days as well. New Jersey Transit PCC car 6 will operate, if roof repairs are completed in time. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help complete this work should reach out via <https://rockhilltrolley.org/contribute/volunteer/>.

Trolley tickets can be purchased in advance at <https://rockhilltrolley.org/event/fall-spectacular-2022/>, or on site at the Meadow Street ticket booth the days of the event. – *Joel Salomon*



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2022 FEBT Fall Reunion

October 7th, 8th, & 9th

Friday, OCT 7, 2022 Robertsdale

- 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM FEBT Museum open
- 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Archives Day Exhibits at the FEBT Museum
- 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM Speeder and Hand Car Rides
- 11:00 AM Walking tours of the Mines (Meet beside FEBT Museum)
- 1:00 PM Walking tours of the Mines (Meet beside FEBT Museum)
- 2:00 PM Registration starts at Robertsdale Volunteer Fire Department
- 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM Miners Museum open
- 3:00 PM Expanded Walking tour of Mines by Ron Pearson & Ric Case
- 6:30 PM Annual FEBT Business Meeting (Robertsdale VFD)
- 7:30 PM Program: Standard Gauge cars on the EBT by Brad Esposito
- 8:00 PM Program: Finding the Lost Robertsdale Coal Mines by Ron Pearson

Saturday, OCT 8, 2022 Rockhill Furnace

- 9:00 AM – 12:00 Registration and Auction Donation Drop off (School)
 - 9:00 AM – 12:00 Model/Photo Contest Entry Submission (School)
 - 9:00 AM Speeder Trip to Colgate Grove (Tickets required)
 - 10:00 AM Southbound Ride & Restoration Tour
 - 11:00 AM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
 - 11:15 AM M-1 to Colgate Grove (Tickets Required)
 - 11:30 AM Southbound Ride & Restoration Tour
 - 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM Model and Photo contest open voting period
 - 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM EBT Exhibit at Juniata College Open
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Saturday, OCT 8, 2022 Rockhill Furnace (continued)

- 1:00 PM Thank you Friends! With Henry Posner, EBTF
2023 Fundraising Campaign Kickoff
EBT Archives and Special Collections Announcement
- 1:00 PM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
- 1:15 PM M-1 to Colgate Grove (Tickets Required)
- 2:00 PM Southbound Ride & Restoration Tour
- 3:00 PM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
- 4:30 PM FEBT Train to Colgate Grove (Included in Registration)
- 7:00 PM Awards Announcement and Restoration Fundraising Auction

Sunday, OCT 9, 2022

- 9:00 AM Speeder Trip to Colgate Grove (Tickets required)
 - 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM FEBT Robertsdale Museum open
 - 10:00 AM Robertsdale Mine Tour – Ron Pearson
 - 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM EBT Exhibit at Juniata College Open
 - 10:45 AM M3 Trip to Colgate Grove (Tickets required)
 - 11:00 AM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
 - 12:45 PM M3 Trip to Colgate Grove (Tickets required)
 - 1:00 PM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
 - 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM Bricktown Model Railroad Association open
 - 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM Miners Museum open
 - 3:00 PM Regularly Scheduled Train (Tickets required)
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BAKE SALE TO BENEFIT COAL MINERS MUSEUM

While in Robertsdale the Sunday morning of the reunion, stop by the Broad Top Area Coal Miners Museum. Laura Morningstar's Broad Top famous apple dumplings will be available for sale for \$3 each, beginning at 10:00 AM. Single dumplings or four-packs will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the Broad Top Area Coal Miners Museum. While supplies last. – Elaine Daugherty and Doug Davenport



York Railways Car 163 and Car 1019 from San Diego are posed at the Blacklog Narrows platform as dusk sets in on the eastern edge of the Aughwick Valley. Both cars will be running for the 2022 Fall Spectacular. – Carl Salomon photo

ABOUT THIS ORGANIZATION

Friends of the East Broad Top, Inc. (FEBT) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, historical, and educational society dedicated to the preservation, restoration, and interpretation of the East Broad Top Railroad National Historic Landmark in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. It was organized in 1983 and now boasts over 1,700 members. FEBT publishes an award-winning magazine, *Timber Transfer*, and a monthly e-newsletter, and operates a museum in Robertsdale PA, the EBT's southern terminus. See febt.org/ for more information.

ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

The Friends of the East Broad Top Newsletter is a monthly digital-only periodical. Started in 2020, it is intended to keep members and donors apprised of what the organization has done and will be doing. The FEBT Newsletter is distributed by email to the current list of members and donors, and is a privilege of contributing to the FEBT's cause of preserving, restoring, and interpreting the East Broad Top Railroad for current and future generations. The editor can be contacted at Newsletter@febt.org. Press time for information submitted is 8:00 PM Eastern time on the 25th of each month. Events occurring after the 25th, such as donations and memberships, will be considered part of the following month's information.