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The FEBT and EBTF track crews install the rubber channel on either side of the rails on June 10, 2025 as the March to Saltillo pushes progress across the Pogue Road crossing below Jordan Summit near Southern Huntingdon HS. With the crossing now in operation again, there are only 1,800' of track restoration to reach Pogue Bridge. – Al Gallo photo

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A pair of female Young Easties enjoys a railbike ride towards Wood on June 14. – Doug Davenport photo

CROSSINGS, CROSSINGS, AND MORE CROSSINGS

Reconstruction of Existing Grade Crossings

We'll play a little catch-up in this month's report to recount the work done last month to renew two grade crossings which are located a bit north of Orbisonia.

The crossing at the sewer plant entrance (this is located near where US Route 522 makes a slight left-hand turn coming into Orbisonia from the north, near George's Used Cars) was renewed in early May. As part of this work, tie work on either side also took place. A panel track was pre-constructed to shorten the timeframe that the crossing would be impassable.

Then, the crossing at Enyeart Road (located a short distance south of the ice cream stand on US 522) was redone later on in May. In that case, a panel track was also pre-constructed prior to the beginning of the work. In both cases, heavier rail was used in the crossing (# 100 RA), requiring the use of compromise joints to marry up the 100-pound rail to the 85-pound rail on either side of the crossings.

The repaving of Enyeart Road followed the following day after the track work was done. The sewer plant crossing was made passable with temporary measures. Delaying the repaving of the sewer plant crossing enabled the paving company to repave it and Enyeart Road at the same time.

The PA Route 994 Crossing

The track panel is lifted into place at the Route 994 crossing on June 9, 2025. – Al Gallo photo

As was the case with the two grade crossings above, the Route 994 crossing was also fitted out with a pre-built panel track. Since this grade crossing is so long (almost 80 feet), two lengths of 100-pound rail were used. To eliminate the need for a joint in the crossing, the two lengths of rail were welded together. Then, a panel track was constructed.

Work to replace the crossing began early on the morning of Monday, June 9. FEBT personnel assisted the railroad's full-time staff with the work. By early Tuesday afternoon, June 10, the crossing was in place, was fully surfaced and tamped and was ready for paving. Paving took place on Wednesday, June 11. The crossing was opened to traffic on Thursday morning, June 12.

A Glimpse at our Future Work

Now that the 994 crossing is done, the 600' of track that was constructed south of the crossing earlier this year is now accessible. That stretch of track extends to the north side of the northern-most crossing in the driveways in front of the Southern Huntingdon High School. At this writing, and at some point in the foreseeable future, combined track gang personnel (railroad staff, assisted by FEBT personnel) will begin building another 1,000' of track across the two

driveways in front of the high school. Prior to the start of this construction, the old rail (#85) will need to be removed. Then, the rightof-way can be graded in advance of the reconstruction, which will make use of # 100 rail. Plans at this point call for building through the two driveways (no advance construction of panel tracks). Once the northernmost driveway is done, it will be made temporarily passable so that school traffic can get into and out of the school complex. Once the southern-most driveway has been redone, both crossings will then be paved, in much the same manner as the two crossings north of Orbisonia were done. This work will bring the reconstruction to a point a short distance north of the Pogue bridge.



Above: The first work train has crossed 994 on June 10, as the track panel awaits tamping of its ballast. – Mark Reese photo

Below: The frog is lubricated after a piece of rail was replaced in the switch to Track 3 in the north end of Rockhill Yard on June 3.. – John Quinn photo

But We Did Some Other Stuff, Too

So much of a track worker's life, and the work that needs to be done, is governed by changing circumstances in the track structure, changes that are brought about by any number of factors. Rail wears out, ties go the way of all flesh, bolts need to be checked and tightened, etc.

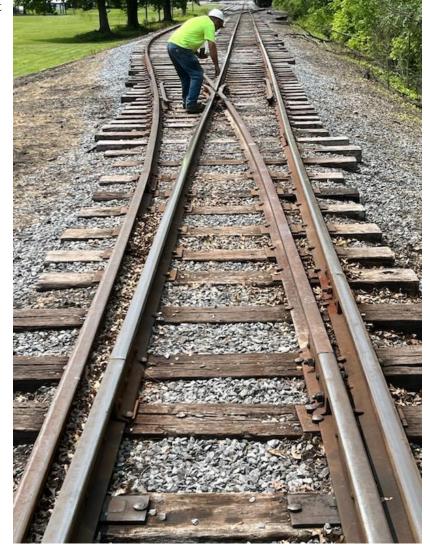
During this reporting period, a rail that had reached the end of its useful life was changed out on Tuesday, June 3. Also on that same day, the compromise joints on the north side of the Enyeart Road crossing were changed out.

Then, the crew made its way to the Southern Huntingdon High School to mark the centers of each stick of rail. (Doing so makes it easier for the rail to be picked up in a balanced condition.) The same rail-marking also took place in Saltillo.

Kudos to Our Personnel

During this reporting period, 16 of our FEBT personnel assisted in our work. For the 994 crossing work, we were limited to six (6) personnel per day. The sign-ups filled up quickly with those who were anxious to assist in the project. (What a nice problem to have!) Many thanks, one and all, for your interest, your contributions to the advancement of the railroad's welfare and your work. – *Gene Tucker*

FEBT Newsletter



ARCHIVES FEATURES FEBT PHOTO DOCUMENTATION OF SALTILLO STATION

As the East Broad Top Railroad's Saltillo Station makes its grand return, the East Broad Top Archives and Special Collections is concurrently releasing a series of 92 photographs that were taken to document the Saltillo Station before its demolition in preparation and anticipation of this very moment. Taken by dedicated volunteer and Friends of the East Broad Top Vice President William L. Adams between 1998 and 2001, these detailed photographs capture every inch of this beloved building on the verge of collapse, supplying the restoration architect with a thorough understanding of the interior and exterior of the station. No view is spared, allowing the fervent fan an unvarnished look into one of the East Broad Top Railroad's oldest structures.



An interior view of the original Saltillo Station in its final years. – EBT Archives photo, FEBT.2025.2.10, William L. Adams Collection

Adams explains the Friends process, saying: "As the condition of the East Broad Top's station in Saltillo, Pennsylvania, worsened, the Friends of the East Broad Top worked with the owner and management of the EBT to stabilize the structure so that it could be assessed for preservation options. The conclusion was that the most feasible approach was to thoroughly document the structure to the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) standard with the help of a qualified historic architect. The photographs in this collection were taken as supplemental

photographs to assist the architect in preparing the HAER drawings, which have since been submitted to and are available from the Library of Congress. The station was ultimately razed on November 20, 2004. Today, the Friends of the East Broad Top are leading the effort to reconstruct the station, and the digital scans of this collection have already been used in this reconstruction to resolve questions about historic appearance."

Included with the photographs is a reference key and detailed descriptions of each photograph. The photographer's key provides a roll and frame number, date, and brief text describing the location and the subject or direction of the photograph. The key also contains an almost-scale plan drawing of the station building annotated with the location and direction of view of each photograph, identified by roll and frame number.

Dive into these photographs yourself, and explore the intricacies of this remarkable building, soon to be a must-see attraction: https://ebtarchives.catalogaccess.com/exhibits/41.

A special thank you to Bill for his generous contribution of this FEBT collection for scanning, and for supporting the Archives' mission to preserve, protect, and provide access to history, memory, and legacy of the East Broad Top Railroad National Historic Landmark. – *Julie Fether Rockwell*

ROBERTSDALE: A HUB OF ACTIVITY



Since I last wrote, we've had our second- and third-lowest attendance days this year, but we've also had our second- and third- highest attendance days this year. Go figure! I sure can't figure it out.

We've worked extra days and have gotten the new station doors painted. That wood was so good looking, we are probably guilty of some crime, but it just would not look right if they were not properly painted in Robertsdale gray. Once everyone's summer vacation trips are done, we'll get started on rebuilding the door frames and getting the doors installed.

Hanah Thatcher from the Huntingdon County Visitors Bureau came with a 360-degree camera. I confess that I was not expecting much. Man, was I

wrong. Look at what a cool thing she worked up (with the help of several hosts who found historic photos in the Archives and Julie for supplying them). Click on the bullseye circles to get more of that topic. The "i" icons will show you a historic photo of that item. You can click and drag to move around all 360 degrees.

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June 14 brought with it a horrible weather forecast. Nothing but rain (100% chance for much of the day!), oh, it said there would probably be thunderstorms as well. That was the day scheduled for the Young Easties visit, also the first "Archives Day" of this year, and the day that Julie had arranged to have retired geologist Clifford Dodge speak at the Broad Top Area Coal Miners Museum. Remember those two lightly attended days I mentioned? My guess is that both were at least partly due to those days having had bad weather predictions (and living up to them). So, I thought we were doomed. But we had Friar Tuck on our side (that's my story and I'm sticking with it). It never did rain, so we were able to do all the walking and railbike tours we had planned. We could walk to the Miners Museum and back without getting soaked. That's nice. What's great is that I don't think anyone let the predicted rain prevent them from coming. We had 41 visitors sign in, around 30 of them were not part of the Young Easties event. That's the second-largest attendance for us so far this year. The seating area at the Miners

Top: Clifford Dodge explains new details of the Broad Top coal field to a capacity crowd at the Broad Top Area Miners Museum on June 14. – Julie Fether Rockwell photo Right: Kevin Nolish and Jane Clarke review historic maps at the FEBT Museum. These maps were part of the Archives Day display on June 14. – Julie Fether Rockwell photo



Museum was full to overflowing for Mr. Dodge's talk. For a full write-up of that talk, see the article written by Ron Morgan in the Huntingdon Daily News at https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/geologist-talks-coal-survey/article/46a02d96-6f38-4021-b390-b62a660833c4.html.



Tom Diehl poses with Chad Diehl, Pete Clarke, Scarlett Wirt, and Kevin Nolish in the Hank Inman Exhibit Hall. – Belinda Peter photo

An added bonus was that Tom Diehl and his family stopped by. Tom and Chad were part of the regular Robertsdale work crew back when Jane and I first became involved. Tom went on to write *The Shops of the East Broad Top Railroad*. How nice it is to catch up with (or meet for the first time) folks who were involved in the early years. That's one of the side benefits of visiting the museum and of volunteering at any of the FEBT work sites.

What a great day it turned out to be. We learned that if we do it right, we can have speakers, and we were reminded that if we work together with the Miners Museum we to do more than either of us can do alone.

Looking forward, July has three special events.

On Friday, July 4 the railroad has asked us to bring the railbikes down to Orbisonia/Rockhill Furnace to allow visitors to take a short ride. OK, not technically a Robertsdale event, but your museum hosts will be overseeing this to be sure the riders are safe and all have a good time. If you are not up for the marathon mile and a half (uphill) ride in Robertsdale, stop on by on the 4th (4:30 to 8:30) for a quick ride to see what all the fuss is about. If you'd like to help out with this event, we could use folks to help pick up and turn the bikes at each end. Please let me know if you'd like to help with this (email febt@aol.com).

On Saturday, July 12 plans are for the Young Easties to be back in Robertsdale. This time working! So, all us old folks should come with our lawn chairs to sit and watch other people work encourage the young folks!

Saturday, July 19 will be a very special day. Jane has worked with Ron Morgan of the Miners Museum and with the Robertsdale/Wood Volunteer Fire Department to create the "Robertsdale Wood Heritage Day." The fire department will have a truck parked at the museum for kids to climb on and they will have BBQ chicken available at the fire hall. The Miners Museum will supply a host at the site of Mine #6 in Wood. The Orthodox Church in Wood will be open for tours. The EBT plans to bring up a speeder. The railbikes and perhaps even the handcar will be out. Walking tours will be available. There will be games (frisbee golf, corn hole), yard sales, and if you stay into the evening hours, movies at the movie theater (the Miners Museum).

Lastly, we are still in need of someone to volunteer to be the FEBT librarian. I'd love to talk about it with you. It's pretty easy to remember my email address – febt@aol.com.

Did you take a walking tour last year (or the year before)? Guess what, we know more now than we did then. Robertsdale, two museums and so many reasons to come visit. – *Pete Clarke*

FEBT COMPANY STORE NEW, BACK IN STOCK AND COMING SOON

HO EBT Sandhouse

Adding to our growing line of East Broad Top yard structures at Rockhill furnace is this outstanding model of the Sandhouse.

This kit of the sandhouse, located in the yard at East Broad Top Railroad, Rockhill Furnace, PA is done in the same style as the other EBT structure kits with interior MDF walls covered with the various sidings.

The kit also includes 3D printed parts for the hardware. HO-scale; Building foot print: 6 1/2" X 3 1/2".

Conceived by Broad Top Mountain Models; designed and manufactured by banta modelworks. Photo shows a completed and painted kit. Photo of this craftsman kit courtesy of Bill Banta.

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smaller carpentry work. The wooden, post-and-beam Carpenter Shop has been endangered by the rotting of posts, sills and lower walls, causing it to list badly. The building is currently being restored through a grant to the EBTF from the FEBT, and is a top project for FEBT volunteers.

HO-scale; footprint is approximately 13 x 5 inches. Photo shows completed and painted kit. Photo of this craftsman kit courtesy of Nathan Kline.

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JUNE FUNDRAISING UPDATE

We cannot say thank you enough. Thanks to your donations this month, the 2025 Campaign has now exceeded the final total of our 2024 campaign, setting a new record. June donations totaled \$19,490 in 108 donations, bringing the 2025 Campaign total to \$371,652.

The 2025 Campaign ends September 30. Your continued support will allow us to do more to accelerate the rebirth of the East Broad Top. Additional 2025 Campaign donations will be used to purchase additional track materials for the March to Saltillo, help to finish the Saltillo station interior, and advance other key FEBT restoration projects. FEBT greatly appreciates your continuing help to support its goals of restoring, preserving, and interpreting the East Broad Top Railroad. Thank you!

2025 Campaign Goal: \$270,000 June Donations: \$19,490 Campaign Total: \$371,652 – 137.6%

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The 2025 Annual Campaign runs October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. You may donate online (credit card and PayPal accepted) at the FEBT Company Store, https://store.febt.org/donate. If you prefer to send a check or money order payable to FEBT, address it to:

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Thank you for your generous support! – Karen Bulman and Dave Bulman

JUNE CAMPAIGN-SUPPORTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Amazing things continue to happen thanks to your generous support of the FEBT Campaign.





Comparison views of Saltillo Station from September 2023 and June 2025. – Dave Bulman photos

Saltillo Station continued to rapidly take shape this month. The chimney was installed using reclaimed brick. The new freight and agent's doors were installed, the train order signal post was installed, and the roof shingles were completed. In addition to this work by J.L. Swope Construction, volunteers in Rockhill sorted and inventoried the salvaged materials from the original station. FEBT volunteers will install many of these items during the completion of the interior. Your ongoing financial support will allow us to purchase the required materials to complete the project.





A lot has changed on the March to Saltillo from 2023 to now. Progress is continually being made on the southward restoration, and the 994 crossing is the latest item that FEBT has made possible. – Dave Bulman photos

The March to Saltillo reached another major milestone this month with the completion of the crossing rebuilding at Route 994 near the Southern Huntingdon County High School (see Gene's article on Page 3 for more details). This accomplishment was made possible by ties, rails, rail seals, and ballast funded by your donations to the FEBT campaign, as well as the dedicated efforts of the EBT Foundation staff and FEBT track volunteers. Your continued support will

allow track restoration south of 994 to continue, both at the high school and at Saltillo.

The Archives team had a busy month. Scanning and cataloging of a variety of collections for release to the public continued, enabled by funding from the FEBT Campaign. In June, the Archives featured the Charles Mahan Collection owned by the FEBT. Charles Mahan began visiting the EBT in 1941. His eye for the unusual led to a collection of 78 excellent views of water-hauling boxcars and other rarities such as passenger cars 5, 18, and 29; original steel flat 73; Coles, Joller, and Alvan; maintenance of way equipment, and more. See the new material at https://ebtarchives.catalogaccess.com/exhibits/40.

In other archives activities. summer intern Zoe Merkel continued to conduct inventories of oral history and film materials for the PHMC grant project, "EBT Oral History and Film Preservation." Also, a \$5,000.00 NRHS Heritage Grant was awarded to the FEBT for the "East Broad Top Railroad Archives: Secure Storage Project." The funding will support the purchase of archival shelving

units and accessories.



A southbound combine consist waits on the siding at Pogue for a northbound coal train. – EBT Archives photo, FEBT 2025.4.9, Charles Mahan collection

Your continued support of the FEBT Campaign will allow us to continue and accelerate these and other projects to preserve, restore, and interpret the EBT. The 2025 Campaign runs until Sept. 30, 2025. You may donate online (credit card and PayPal accepted) at the FEBT Company Store, https://store.febt.org/donate. If you prefer to send a check or money order payable to FEBT, address it to:

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JUNE 2025 ROCKHILL RESTORATION REPORT

June was another productive month for FEBT volunteers in Rockhill furnace. The early June work weekend was held on Saturday and Sunday, June 7 and 8. We had 20 volunteers on Saturday and 15 on Sunday. The late June work weekend on June 28 and 29 was after this article was submitted and will be included in the August newsletter.

Early June saw continued progress on Combine 14, Boxcar 174, windows, the Storehouse, and building siding replacement.

The Combine 14 crew focused on windows, installing more glass and installing completed sashes. Exterior priming also was completed in preparation for final painting.



Above: Matthew Reynolds and Charlie Wootton work on Combine 14 windows. – Matthew Malkiewicz photo
Left: Daniel Klinger preps the exterior of box car 174 for primer. – Al Gallo photo Bottom left: Victor Booth applies white paint to a restored window sash in the Carpentry Shop. – Al Gallo photo

The boxcar crew prepped and primed the exterior of the car, installed the polling pockets and other details, and continued preparing the generator for operation.

The Glass Rattlers continued restoring and painting sashes and installed additional restored windows in the Boiler Shop alley wall.

The Storehouse team completed a final inventory of the first-floor bolt room and reinstalled the original packing counter in the lean-to.

Finally, the siding crew finished replacing boards below the windows on the south side of the Boiler Shop, and pre-cut battens for later installation in the alley between the Boiler and Machine Shops.

You may have noticed the preponderance of orange FEBT shirts in the progress photos. Each FEBT volunteer receives a





complimentary FEBT volunteer T-shirt. Come out and join an FEBT volunteer activity and you too can be part of "team orange".

Our volunteers in Rockhill continue to make great progress, but there is much more to do. We can always use more help. If you'd like to contribute to these and other projects, please consider joining us!

Jim Witmer and Stephen Ramirez install new siding on the boiler shop. - Al Gallo



JUNE VOLUNTEERS

The following members volunteered in June in Rockhill Furnace, Robertsdale, with the Archives, with the track crew, and/or remotely. Thanks to all FEBT volunteers for their dedicated efforts to preserve, restore, and interpret the EBT.

Bill Adams John Bowie Sue Briggs Roy Burnham Craig Confair Doug Davenport Al Gallo Steve Jacobs Daniel Klinger Eric Knepp Don Lee Ray McFalls Kevin Nolish Lee Rainey Matthew Reynolds Russell Semen Gene Tucker Andy VanScyoc Matt Wall John Widmeyer Rob Willhite Jim Witmer Charlie Wootton

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The EBT Foundation's tamper works the ballast around the track panel installed in the Pogue road crossing. – Mark Reese photo

A YOUNG EASTIES' DAY IN ROBERTSDALE

One of the many reasons to celebrate the great and good things that are happening at the East Broad Top Railroad is the renewed and increased interest in the life of the railroad at its southern end. To acquaint a new generation of railroaders, FEBT's Young Easties program offered teens an opportunity to learn about the railroad's life in Robertsdale on Saturday, June 14.

Our day began with an opportunity to see the many exhibits in the Robertsdale Museum. (If you've not been to see the Museum recently, it'd be a good idea to put that on your to-do list!) The Museum features a good many new displays of life in and around Robertsdale, highlighting the railroad's role in the community's existence. Of great interest are the displays of core drilling samples taken by the Hoffman Brothers firm many years ago. Core drilling enables planners to know where the coal seams are, how thick they are, and so forth. (The FEBT's Timber Transfer recently featured an article on the Hoffman Brothers' work.)

Following on with the theme of "what lies under the ground" in and around Robertsdale, the group then made its way to the Broad Top Area Coal Miners Museum for a presentation given by Clifford Dodge, a retired Pennsylvania Geological Survey geologist, who spoke about the geology of the Broad Top Coal Field.



Above: The crowd at the geologic talk hosted at the Miners Musuem included the Young Easties. — Julie Fether Rockwell photo
Left: A Young Eastie celebrates successfully throwing a switch in the Robertsdale Yard. — Gene Tucker photo



After lunch, an excellent tour of the mines in the Robertsdale area took place. Ably led by Doug Linebaugh and Doug Davenport, the group saw the remains of mining activity, and saw the openings for Mine # 1 and Mine # 5.

On our way back from the mine tour, our group got to try their hand at throwing the switch leading to the Engine House. Teens were taught how to safely throw the switch, and to check for the fit of the points, once they'd been moved. Much delight was had by all.

When the day began, the weather forecast wasn't at all encouraging. Fortunately, however, we took a chance on the weather. It turned out to be a good decision, because the rain held off all day. That allowed a number of our group to take railbike rides south to the village of Wood.

Up next, we are planning to have a work day in Robertsdale on Saturday, July 12. The task for the day will be to paint two of the hopper cars on display on the scale track adjacent to the station. Brushes and rollers will be used for this work.

Attendees should plan to bring a picnic lunch for themselves and their family members who are attending.

Meeting time is 10:00 AM in Robertsdale. Old clothes, suitable for painting, should be worn.

Returning teens who have a registration form on file whose information is current may indicate their attendance by emailing youthvol@febt.org. New attendees should complete a registration form by going to https://febt.org/youthform. Once the form is complete, it should be scanned and emailed to youthvol@febt.org. We look forward to seeing you!

Railbike rides were very popular with the Young Eastis. – Deb Tucker photo



UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Host	Event
July 4	EBT	4 th of July at the EBT
July 12	FEBT	Young Easties Work Session (Robertsdale)
July 12	RTM	Car Cruise-In
July 12-13	FEBT	Rockhill Work Session
July 19	FEBT/BTACMHS	Robertsdale-Wood Heritage Day
July 26	EBT	Trackside Tastes & Tunes
August 2	FEBT	Young Easties Work Session (Rockhill)
August 2-3	FEBT	Rockhill Work Session
August 9	FEBT	FEBT Museum Archives Day
August 23-24	FEBT	Rockhill Work Session
August 30	EBT	Trackside Tastes & Tunes
September 13	FEBT	Young Easties Work Session (Rockhill)
September 13-14	FEBT	Rockhill Work Session
September 15-19	FEBT	Rockhill Fall Work Week
September 18-21	EBT	Ragtime at the Railroad
September 20	EBT	Trackside Tastes & Tunes
October 3, 4, 5	FEBT	2025 Fall Reunion
October 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26	EBT	Pumpkin Patch Express
November 1	FEBT	Young Easties Work Session (Rockhill)
November 1-2	FEBT	Rockhill Work Session
November 28-30	EBT	Christmas in Coal Country
December 5-7, 12-14, 19-21	EBT	Christmas in Coal Country

Hosts:	FEBT	Friends of the East Broad Top	www.febt.org
	EBT	East Broad Top Railroad	www.eastbroadtop.com
	RTM	Rockhill Trolley Museum	www.rockhilltrolley.org
	BTACMHS	Broad Top Area Coal Miners Historical Society	broadtopminersmuseum.com

UPCOMING ROCKHILL FURNACE VOLUNTEER SESSIONS

The next Rockhill Restoration Work Weekend will take place Saturday and Sunday, July 12 and 13. The remainder of the 2025 Rockhill Furnace Work Session schedule is posted on the previous page. Please consider coming out for one or more of the sessions to help us continue to preserve and restore the East Broad Top. If you are interested in participating in the Rockhill Furnace volunteer sessions including track work, and are not on the current signup distribution, please contact Charlie Wootton, the Rockhill Furnace volunteer coordinator, at <a href="maintenant-treatments-riends-nd-en-sunday-nd-en

FEBT MUSEUM SCHEDULE

The FEBT Museum is now open for the 2025 season. Operating hours are Saturdays 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Archives Days: August 9



MEMBERSHIP BOX SCORE

The Friends of the East Broad Top membership is up to 2184



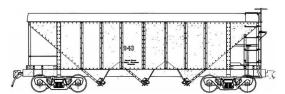
New for 2025!

Robertsdale-Wood Heritage Day July 19th

from 10 AM to 5 PM (movies to follow)

Featuring:

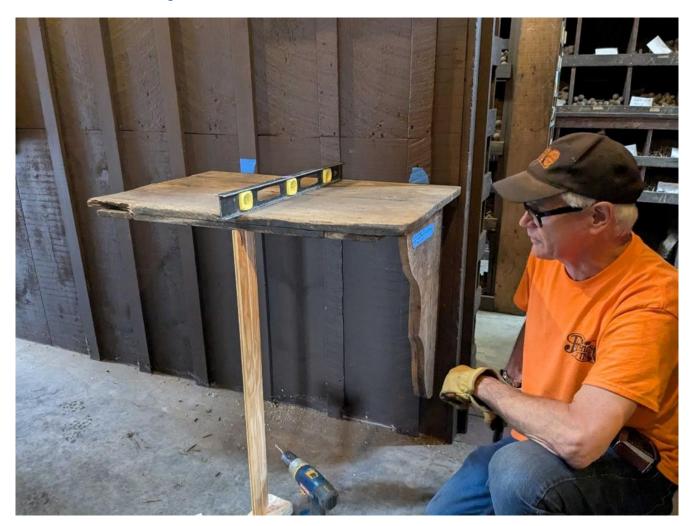
- Speeder rides from Robertsdale to (near) Wood
- Our usual railbike and walking tours
- Special Tours:
 - o St. Michael's Orthodox Church in Wood
 - o Mine #6 site in Wood
- Lawn Games, picnic area
- Activities at the FEBT Museum and Coal Miners Museum
- Community-wide yard sales
- Chicken BBQ at the RW&BT Fire Hall, starting at 11:30 AM
- Firetruck display
- EBT and H&BT Movies at 7 PM at the Coal Miners Museum



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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 nearly 2,200 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.



Dave Bulman checks the level on the packing table in the Storehouse lean-to. - Al Gallo photo

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