

*FUN*TRAK Times!

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FREE

IT'S OFFICIAL!



Adam Pratts' newest module creation premiered at *FUNTRAK*'s first cruise in activity this season. As expected, the layout attracted many visitors at the weekly cruise in at Dave's Diner. The crowds were fascinated with the small trains and the animations presented, including Adam's thrilling fire scene replete with accompanying fire and siren sounds. The wailing siren even made the folks in the surrounding area look to see where the sounds were coming from which was supplied by a small speaker on Adam's module. The younger folks were mesmerized by the running trains while the older folks were impressed with the smart phone control of the trains through the WiFi connected control system being used for the control of the trains. *FUNTRAK* anticipates more participation in this summertime activity, weather permitting. Watch the *FUNTRAK* newsletter for dates and times. See you at the cruise ins!

From the Desk:

The Annual *FUNTRAK* PicNik is nearly upon us! This year marks the twenty second anniversary of the *FUNTRAK* PicNik and there is something new this year. The local cruise-in car club, the Cavemen, will be bringing some nostalgic vehicles for everyone to peruse, appreciate, and enjoy. In addition, the usual trains will be on display, but instead of having to go up and down stairs this year, they will be set up in the garage to make it easier for folks to see them. The customary events and food selection are scheduled and should provide something for everyone's taste. Activities to keep the children entertained are scheduled along with background music to remind the adults of the

"good 'ol days". There will be a fifty fifty raffle to help support both clubs and this annual event. The PicNik will take place rain or shine as there is adequate cover in case of inclement weather but, hopefully, the weather will cooperate and it won't be necessary to hide inside! This is a great time to reminisce with friends old and new and to kick back, relax, and just have a wonderful time. Bring a dish to share, the family, and a vehicle if you have one, or a train if you have that. Everything begins around noon and runs until. The fifty fifty drawing is typically held at 3:00pm. *FUNTRAK* and the Cavemen look forward to seeing you here at the PicNik!

Brian

DAVE'S



FAT CAT'S



EVENTS

183rd Annual Fonda Fair

21 South Bridge Street
Fonda, New York 12068

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 through
Monday, September 1, 2025

General Admission – \$12.00

Senior Citizen's Day (62 years & Older) —

Wednesday & Friday – \$5.00

Children 6-11 years – \$2.00

Children under 6 years – FREE

Parking – \$5.00

Info: Phone: 518-853-3313

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38th Annual Thousand Islands Train Fair

Cerow Arena

615 East Line Road
Clayton, New York

Saturday, September 6, 2025: 9 am - 5 pm

Sunday, September 7:, 2025 10 am - 4 pm

Admission: Adults \$7, Children under 12 free

Info: Tom at (315) 489-1856

Model Train Show

Mattydale VFW post 3146

2000 LeMoyne Avenue
Syracuse, New York 13208

September 27-28, 2025 10am to 4pm

Admission: Adults \$8

Children: 11-18 \$5 Under 11: FREE

Info: call 315-664-1588

FUNTRAK Officers

President: Lorenzo Franchi (315)867-4976

Vice President: Greg Brockway

Treasurer: Brian F. King (315)292-7066

Schedules

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
PicNik	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	(Fonda Fair (Aug 27-Sep 1))					

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	Clayton
Clayton	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	Massena
Massena	22	23	24	25	26	Mattydale
Mattydale	29	30				

More Events

16th Annual St Lawrence Valley Model Train,

Toy, & Collectible Expo

presented by

Norwood Model Railroad Club

Massena Arena

180 Harte Haven Plaza

Massena, New York 13662

Saturday, September 20, 2025 10:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday, September 21, 2025 10:00am to 4:00pm

\$7.00 Per Person, Age 12 and under free

**Plan for the 22nd PicNik
August 3, 2025**

MONTHLY QUIZ

What slogan did the Grand Trunk
Western introduce in 1975?

To promote its track maintenance efforts in an era of deferred maintenance of several competing roads, notably the Penn Central, the Grand Trunk proclaimed itself the Good Track Road