

# PEDDLER FREIGHT

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# Superintendent's Message



It is hard to believe that my time as superintendent has come to an end. I want to extend a deep felt thanks to all of those folks that have helped me during my terms. As a division we have accomplished a lot over the past six years and we should

all be proud about; achieving our 501c3 status; jointly hosting a national convention; having two fund raising projects. Thank you for a great run.

Don't forget to visit some of the museums the area. Some of my favorites include Mad River and NKP Museum in Bucyrus, OH; Conneaut Historical Railroad Museum in Conneaut; Lake Shore Railroad Museum Northeast, PA; Marion Union Station Marion, OH; Midwest Railway Preservation Society in Cleveland, OH. In addition, don't forget to take a ride on the Cuyahoga Valley at least once!

It is the end of another meeting season. Do you have any suggestions for next season? If you have an interest in holding a meeting or have a venue suggestion please let me know.

This month we will meet at Larry Brown's in Ravenna, OH. See you then!

Randy Dettmer Superintendent NMRA MCR Div 1

#### **2015 - 2016 Division 1 Meetings**

June 19 - Larry Brown - Ravenna

# **Clinic Report**

Thanks to Mike Bradley for his clinic on Vehicles in Model Railroading. I will definitely be dissecting some of my Lifelike Ford trucks. Also, thanks for the great tip on using Micromark Mask-it-

Easy on the windows. I use it regularly to cover the points on my axles if spray painting wheels and didn't think about using it to mask tiny windows!

Wouldn't it be nice if we could build control panels that worked like iPads? It is possible. In fact,



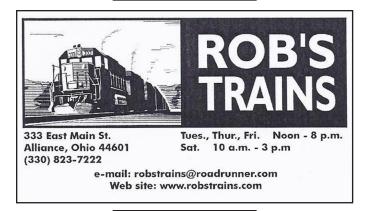
Steve Zapytowski will conclude this year's clinics in June when he presents Touch Screen Control Panels.

Next meeting, or via email if you wish, share with me something you enjoy doing in model railroading that could provide us with a hands-on clinic. I have a simple way to make scrap loads. I will suggest the tools and materials to bring.

Jim Peters Clinician Chair



## 6th Year



#### 3rd Year



## 4th Year



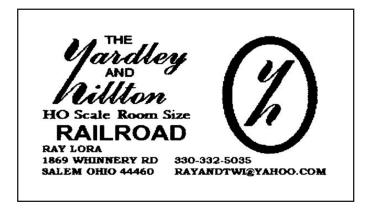
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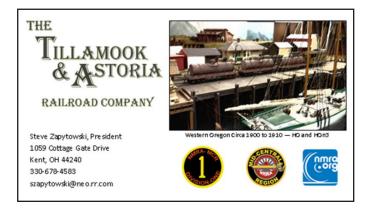


## THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT









#### **Achievement Program**

Frank Koch, the MCR AP Chair, sure works wonders with turning around "paperwork." Last month I had the enjoyable opportunity to award two Merit Awards to Steve Zapytowski and two Golden Spike Awards to Jim Williams and Bruce Hukill. Wow...we now have ten Golden Spike Awardees! Why not join the fun and take on the challenge of getting your feet wet in the category you have been avoiding. The idea of the AP program promotes modelers to improve their skills in all categories and is very rewarding once accomplished!

Jim Peters, AP Chair



#### **Convention News**

Highball to Indy - 2016 NMRA Convention, Indianaplis, IN, July 3 - 10, 2016

The convention and train show ill be held in downtown Indianapolis where quite a few attractions, sports arenas, museums, shopping and restaurants are within walking distance of the conventions hotel. Let your family members know these opportunities exist - they wish to join you at the convention. Registration for the Westin Hotel is now open. Check out the *Highball to Indy*, 2016 website for further information: www.nmra2016.org

**Rails to the Capital** - Division 1 was well represented in contests at the 2016 MCR Convention, held in Columbus, OH, April 28 - May 1, 2016. Kurt Sanders took home the first place award in "Favorite Prototype Photo" for his "Flushing the Boiler" shot of Nickel Plate 765. Steve Zapytowski took 2nd and 3rd place in the Structures category. Placing 2nd was "Old Man Baldwin's Cabin." This scratchbuilt structure included 3D printed figures. Steve's scratchbuilt "Tillamook Station" took 3rd. He also won an unofficial photography award for his photo of Shay #6. "Most Favorite non-qualifying Print" was much loved by the judges, but did not meet contest rules due to the size. Congratulations Kurt and Steve.





(far left) Kurt Sanders' color print "Flushing the Boiler."

(left) Steve Zapytowski photographed Shay #6.



Steve's "Old Man Baldwin's Cabin" is scratchbuilt of basswood. The figures are 3D printed.



"Tillamook Station" is scratchbuilt.

## **DIVISION 1 CONTEST - Critters - May Category**

## FINAL STANDINGS 2015/16

#### STANDARD KIT

Mike Bradley - 18 pts Glenn Yoder - 7 pts David Hazlett - 5 pts Jim Peters - 5 pts Bob Ashley, Jr. - 2 pts Don Bonk - 2 pts

#### **CRAFTSMAN KIT**

Matt Woods - 9 pts Don Avila - 6 pts Don Bonk - 3 pts Bruce Hukill - 2 pts

#### **KIT - BASHED**

Mike Bradley - 20.5 pts Matt Woods - 18 pts Ray Lora - 9 pts Sam Eisele - 7.5 pts David Hazlett - 4 pts Josh Cohen - 3 pts Bob Ashley Jr. - 2 pts Jim Peters - 2 pts Bruce Hukill - 1 pt

#### **SCRATCH BUILT**

Matt Woods - 7 pts Frank Williamson - 6 pts Josh Cohen - 3 pts Steve Zapytowski - 2 pts

Many thanks to David Hazlett for his chairing another successful season of the Division 1 contest. Please consider taking on the chair position. (See page 4 want ad) Editor

















#### **CONTEST TOPICS FOR 2016-2017**

#### 2016

SEPTEMBER - Flat car with load OCTOBER - Freight or Passenger Depots (could include the Jaite Station) NOVEMBER - Wood-Chip cars

#### 2017

JANUARY - Snow Fighting Equipment

# 2017 (con't)

FEBRUARY - I got this at a Flea Market and this is what I did with it.
(Maybe something you got at our November Flea Market)
MARCH - Large (45+ feet) Billboard
Covered Hopper Car
APRIL - Servicing facilities - Steam or Diesel

MAY - Passenger or Business Car



#### Division 1, MCR, NMRA Minutes May 15, 2016

Host: Mike Bradley - Rootstown, OH

- Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. Superintendent Jim Peters thanked Mike Bradley for hosting the meeting. The contest today is Critters. Next month will be the Contest Awards.
- II. **Minutes**: A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 2016 minutes as printed in the May 2016 <u>Peddler Freight</u>. The motion passed.
- III. Treasurer: Report given by Treasurer Mike Bradley. Balances in the CD and checking account, income and expenses were presented to the membership A motion was made and seconded to accept May 2016 Treasurer's report subject to audit. The motion passed.
- IV. Membership: We currently have 101 members in Division One.
- V. Committee Reports:
  - A. Clinics Today's clinic is on Maintenance of Way Trucks by Mike Bradley.
  - B. **AP** Bruce Hukill and Jim Williams received Golden Spike certificates.
  - C. Peddler Freight Bruce Hukill is now doing 95% of the work and will be doing 100% with the September 2016 issue.
  - D. Scale Update Pentrex has in stock videos on sale till May 31st. Three videos for \$33.00.
  - E. <u>Modules</u> The module group will be participating at the National Train Show in during the NMRA National Convention in Indianapolis, IN. in July 2016. The module group is looking new locations to set up module. There is no show this fall in Dalton as a new event center is being built.
  - F. <u>Web Site</u> Our website is up and running. <a href="http://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/">http://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/</a>. Steve Zapytowski is managing the web page. If you want photos of your layout added to the web site please see Steve.
  - G. <u>Apparel</u> See Jim Williams if you have any questions or need to order. Jim displayed several shirts and jacket styles that are available.
  - H. Other Events July 3 10, 2016: NMRA National Convention Indianapolis, IN

#### VI. Division 1 Meetings and Events:

- A. June 19, 2016: Larry Brown Ravenna, OH Division 1 Meeting.
- B. November 6, 2016. Division 1 Flea Market. Akron Yacht Club. New start time: doors open at 10 am. Contact Bob Ashley, Jr. for tables. Table cost is \$15.00 each.
- C. December 3, 2016. Annual Division 1 Christmas Lunch at the Pufferbelly Restaurant in Kent, Ohio at 12 Noon.

#### VII. Old Business:

- A. Project 1 Update. The Jaite Station & Freight House. Five (5) N scale & three (3) HO scale kits sold.
- B. Project 2 Update. The N scale AC&Y box car. Fourteen (14) two car sets & one (1) single car sold.

#### VIII. New Business:

- A. Two guests attended the meeting. Chuck Altwies and Jerry Kruse. Both guests gave some background information on themselves.
- B. There is a possibility of holding a future flea market in conjunction with a Portland Locomotive Works event. More information to follow.
- C. Jim Peters showed a new LED light fixture that replaces the standard can light fixture. A lot less \$\$\$ to operate.

Nineteen (19) people attended the meeting.

50/50 drawing was held. \$50.00 was collected. Chuck Altweis was the winner and donated his \$25.00 back to the Module Fund.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim DiPaola, Clerk

#### **WANTED: CONTEST CHAIR**

I would like to pass the job of Contest Chair to a new person.

The Chair would be responsible for maintaining the records of the participants in the contest, having pictures of the entries and providing these items to the Peddler Freight Editor. The Chair would also be responsible for certificates given to the winners and for selecting the contest topics for the 2017-2018 contest, the topics for 2016-2017 are set.

Please let me know if you are interested. This position counts toward your Volunteer Certificate in the NMRA Achievement Program and does not preclude you from participating in the monthly contests.

David Hazlett, Contest Chair dhazlett1@neo.rr.com



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#### **N SCALE NEWS**

<u>The 8<sup>th</sup>Ohio N-Scale Weekend</u> held May 13-15 at the Franklin County fairgrounds outside Columbus. Division 1 attendees were Vensel, Sanders, Hukill, Bonk and Hiram. All spent more than they planned, but still enjoyed the event including the bratwursts, sauerkraut and German potato salad from Schmidt's even if the dining area was a bit chilly

Dayton N-Trak's trailer and truck blew tires on the on the way up from Dayton. Fortunately, no one was injured and although their yard was damaged the members were able to make repairs and undertake operations by 11:30 on Saturday.

The Canington Layout from WV increased in size by 2 modules with the addition of members from Cincinnati. Division 1's Bob Vensel was one the founding members of this group when he lived and worked Huntington, WV.

Why not a Pulp and Paper Mill - Part 2: The first photo shows a 500 ton-a-day mill, note major items that characterize pulp and paper mills are the wood piles at the right. At this mill all wood arrived by train. Pulp logs were cut to fit into gondola cars or bulkhead cars or a combination depending on era. Movement of all railcars at this mill was by donkey cranes which can be seen in photos below.

Pulp wood cars are either unloaded on to the piles or directly into a pond (northern climes a hot pond). Logs from the pond tumble through a debarking drum before being chipped. The large inventory of logs is necessary when wet woods interfere with supply. Modeling these pulp wood piles takes a lot of small sticks or bulkhead loads. The Atlas bulkhead cars like the one shown can help with wood pile building since loads can be removed to simulate empties and use as a woodpiles. (Continued next issue)

Ramblings - In the bad old days there were joint NMRA/NTRAK Conventions. The Valley Forge meeting demonstrated excellent cooperation regardless of the tour bus problems created by the Federal Government. One of the best conventions jointly hosted was in San Jose with the greatest banquet ever on the hanger deck of the aircraft carrier "Hornet." Unfortunately the joint conventions were victims of hubris and greed on both sides.

Don Bonk, NTrak Modules















Three of the many modules (above, right, page 7) featured at the 8th Ohio NTrak weekend held May 13-15 in Hilliard, OH. Yes, the huge bridged canyon is a portable module - gotta love N scale!



# THIS MONTH'S MEETING Sunday, June 19 The Portage Model Railroad 124 Chestnut St., Ravenna, OH 2 PM

The meeting will be hosted by Larry Brown. The meeting will begin at 2 PM. Come early and view the layout. You are welcome to bring a small DCC engine to run on the HO scale layout (18 inch min. radius). Larry runs NCE Radio if you want to bring your own cab.

Larry will provide chicken, pizza and drinks. If you bring something, desserts are welcome.

Check out www.portagemodelrailroadclub.com for directions or see below.

From I-76: Take 44 north (not Rt. 5 bypass). Turn left on Rt. 59 (Main St.) and go one block. Turn right on Chestnut St. The shop is on the right in the first block.

Free parking lots in the rear and across the street at the old hardware store. Enter from the front or rear.

There will be a flea market at this meeting.

# Train Shows and Open Houses – June thru September

# Midwest Railway Preservation Society Open House – June 18

B&O Roundhouse, 2800 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Cleveland, OH Donation for admission - \$10 adults, \$5 children

#### Miami Valley Rail Festival - June 25 - 26

Carillon Historic Park, 1000 Carillon Blvd, Dayton, OH Admission \$8, seniors \$7, children \$5

#### Summerail Photo Exposition – August 13

Palace Theater, 276 W Center St, Marion, OH Admission \$25 – www.summerail.com

#### **Everett's Train Show - August 20**

Marion Union Station, 532 W Center St, Marion, OH Admission free, donations accepted



# Midwest Railway Preservation Society

Open House - August 27

B&O Roundhouse, 2800 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Cleveland, OH Donation for admission - \$10 adults, \$5 children

#### Railroad Memorabilia Show - August 28

Painesville Depot, 475 Railroad St, Painesville, OH Admission \$3, family \$5

# Firelands Model Train & Toy Extravaganza September 17

Richland County Fair Grounds, 750 N Home Rd Mansfield, OH Admission \$5, children 18 and under free

# Members Report May 2016 The Membership now stands at 101

New Member

Dean Demain Youngstown

Mark Frank

#### Renewals & Re-Rails

Betty Hazlett
Josh Cohen
Sanford Jacobs

Special thanks to all those for renewing.

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