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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

It is the beginning of another meeting season. Time to get back to working on the railroad! This month the contest is a gondola with a scrap load. Have you started your entry yet?



This summer we traveled to Colorado. The scenery was spectacular. We visited three of the four national parks and the Colorado Railroad Museum. We rode the Georgetown Loop, Durango & Silverton, Cumbres & Toltec, Pikes Peak Cog Railway and the Royal Gorge. Each one had its own unique characteristics; the Georgetown Loop with its high bridge and half helix; the Durango & Silverton, Cumbres & Toltec and Pikes Peak Cog Railway with their spectacular scenery, and the Royal Gorge with the bridge in the canyon. I don't think I can pick a favorite one. And yes, we did stop at Caboose Hobbies. It was just huge. Imagine a big box store that would be a hobby shop and you have it. I did make a purchase and mailed it home.

The historic preservation of the narrow gauge in Colorado was impressive. The collection of equipment at the Colorado Railroad Museum was nice but the still operating lines of the Durango & Silverton and Cumbres & Toltec were great to see narrow gauge steam running. Too bad the East Broad Top can't generate the interest that these can. (The EBT did not operate this year.)

This month we will meet at Don Bonk's in Louisville, OH. See you then!

Randy Dettmer, Superintendent
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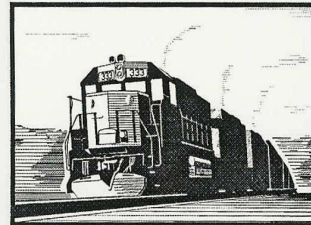
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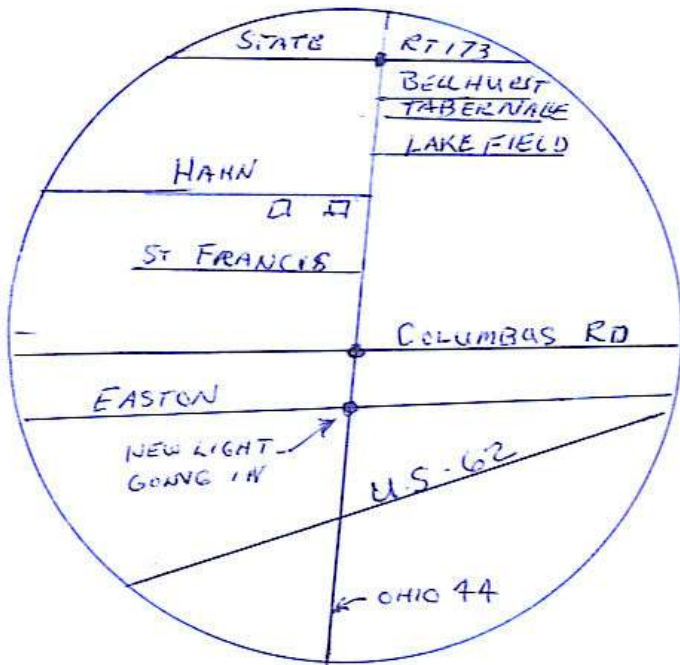
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**THIS MONTH'S MEETING
is on Sunday, September 16
at Don Bonk's in Louisville**



Don & Carol Bonk will host our September 16 meeting at 7354 Hahn Street Louisville OH 44641.

They will provide food, drink and all the rest. Extra chairs would be appreciated.

Hopefully we will have N-scale modules set up and the layout will be running.

We look forward to seeing some new faces. As usual, the business meeting will be in the garage so dress for the weather.

DIVISION 1 CONTEST

**MODEL CONTEST TOPICS
FOR 2012-2013**

September - Gondola w/scrap load
October - - - - - Flat car w/load
November - - - - - M of W Trucks
January - - - - - Coil cars
February - - - - - Camp Cars
March - - - - - Hand cars, Speeders
April - - - - - Slag cars, Hot metal cars
May - - - - - Re-purposed cars

**RULE CHANGE FOR
2012-2013**

A single person is limited to two (2) entries per category (Craftsman, Standard, Kit-Bashed, Scratch-Built) per month. That means that you may enter only 8 items (2 in each category) each month..

A contest information sheet is found on page 6. Copy as

**PLEASE CHECK
THE WEBSITE
FOR COMPLETE
INFORMATION ON
THE CONTEST.**



July 13-20

N-Scale News by Don Bonk

Being a Free-Lance modeler allows you to do interesting or crazy things. I came across a new inexpensive DCC, N-scale DDA-40X which weighs a lot for an N-scale engine and should haul many cars. With some modifications it should look great when painted black with its sound tender. The Bonk - RR will then have its own version of a Steam Turbine Electric Locomotive.

The Nn3 Modelers have continued to develop models based upon 3 dimensional copying machines images. Roy Stevens has added a four car passenger set to his offerings and Walter Vail of Image Replicas has a Mich-Cal two cylinder Shay he has powered with a Searails PowerMAX truck. (www.shapeways.com)

The New N-Trak Newsletter reports on the success the Great River Valley NTRAK Club has had with allowing kids (Future Model Railroaders) to operate trains at shows using DCC UT-4R throttles where top speed of the trains has been preset. Most kids are pretty careful when operating.

I have reports from the National Train Show that NCE is offering a Stall Protector Chip (I believe that is the name) that when installed in your DCC loco can allow it to operate over a foot of track covered with masking tape (dirty track simulation). Sounds similar to how Lenz Gold Series decoders function.

Convention 2014

We are now one year closer and the clock is ticking! We need your layout! For my own preparation as a layout co-chair, I have visited some amazing layouts out west at last year's national and more at Grand Rails 2012. Words cannot describe the experience of visiting Bruce Chubb's Sunset Valley. Do not be intimidated; his layout is the result of the efforts of a rather extensive club. He is a terrific host and you can be too! Join David Hazlett, Dale Kuchenbecher, Jim DiPaolo, Larry Brown, Rich Ramskrugler, George Sanke, Chip Syme and the YMRC and the CFMRC by volunteering to open your layout for the convention. If you do not come to the meetings, please contact me by phone or email soon. Thanks for your support.

Jim Peters, Co-Chair Layout Committee

Cmon! Join in on the fun.
Open your layout for



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Clinic Report

Welcome back to another season of model railroading and clinics. Back in July, our "clinic" took us out to the NEOLS picnic as guests of division four. It was my first trip out and if I may speak for all those who attended, we were thoroughly impressed. I try imagining maintaining just the right-of-way, which travels through the thick fields and woods, and my head spins. Great job and thank you to Rich Tressa, who has already invited us to the picnic next July!

Our first clinician this year will be Don Bonk, who will share his knowledge and experience on the Golden Spike award. Take notes and ask questions! You may be surprised that many of you already qualify for the award. If I can do it, you can too! See you in September.

Clinic Chair, Jim Peters

DIVISION 1

2012-2013 MEETINGS & EVENTS

September 16, 2012 - Don Bonk - Louisville
October 21, 2012 - Jim Peters - Sagamore Hills
November 4, 2012 - Flea Market - Akron Yacht Club
November 18, 2012 - Whistle Stop - Cuyahoga Falls
December 15, 2012 - HOLIDAY PARTY
Erie Station Grill - Tallmadge
January 20, 2013 - Bob Ashley, Jr.- Akron Yacht Club
February 17, 2013 - Larry Brown - Ravenna
March 10, 2013 - OPEN
April 21, 2013 - Rob's Trains - Alliance
May 19, 2013 - Jim DiPola - Ravenna
June 16, 2013 - Rich Ramskugler - Columbiana

PEDDLER FREIGHT SUBSCRIPTIONS

All subscriptions to the Peddler Freight have now run out. Subscriptions and ads for the September 2012 through June 2013 issues of the Peddler Freight may be sent to David Hazlett, Editor, 247 Calicoe Dr., Akron, OH 44307-2216.

The subscription rate is \$15. Pike ads are \$5. Hobby Shop ads are \$40. Email Peddler Freight subscriptions are **free**, just email your address to dhazlett1@neo.rr.com
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THESE MEMBERS HAVE SUBSCRIBED FOR
2012-2013.

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David & Betty Hazlett	Robert Hixenbaugh
Jim Peters	Jim Pope
Norman Robinson	Bill Smith
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

ROB'S TRAINS IN RMC

Readers of *Railroad Model Craftsman*, August, 2012, pp. 66 to 71, were surprised to see the article about the train layout in **Rob's Trains** showroom. It explained the method used to make patterns for cutting the sheets of plywood into the roadbed for the layout. Those who attended the March, 2012 meeting, at **Rob's Trains**, saw the results of their workmanship, which was accomplished in record time. Thanks go to Bob Casebeer and Rob Sundberg for the fine, illustrated, article.

Bob Ashley, Sr., Module Chairman

Division 1 will hold its April 21, 2013 meeting at Rob's Trains. Editor.

Division 1, MCR, NMRA Minutes
June 10, 2012
Host: Bill Hewitt, Copley, Ohio



- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm. Superintendent Randy Dettmer thanked Bill and his wife for hosting the meeting.
- II. A motion to accept the May Minutes as printed was made and seconded. It passed.
- III. Bob Ashley, Jr. gave the Treasurer's report. A motion to accept the report, subject to audit, was made and seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Committee Reports:
 - a. Membership – Larry Brown reported that our membership was at 99 with one new member: Jeremiah Lighthouse from Canton. Larry passed around the roster for updating.
 - b. Clinics - Jim Peters said that there was no clinic for this month's meeting. He passed around survey sheets to determine what people were interested in for next year.
 - c. Flea Market – Bob Ashley, Jr. reported that one table had been sold so far. Two more tables sold at the meeting. The modules will be setup for the flea market depending on the room available.
 - d. AP – nothing was judged. The following contest winners were presented certificates and a division patch: (1) Standard Kit – Jim DiPaola, (2) Kit Bashed – Jim Williams, (3) Craftsman's Kit – tie between Bill Hewitt and Don Deakins, and (4) Scratch Built – Don Deakins. A rules change for next year was announced to limit a person entering a maximum of two categories at a time for each contest. Next year's contests have been listed in the Peddler Freight.
 - e. NMRA 2014 – A meeting is to be held this coming Wednesday, 06/13, at 7PM at the IX center. An update on the Medical Mart progress will be given.
 - f. Updates on different scales – nothing reported.
 - g. Module Group – Bob Ashley, Sr. reported that the general consensus of the module group was not to participate in the Thomas event at CVSR next year for several reasons: the outdoor conditions of heat and dirt and dust are too hard on the equipment and modules, the event is too long (6 days including the setup day), the event is over a major holiday which makes it even more difficult to get volunteers, and no recognition or thanks was given to either Division 1 or Division 4 by CVSR for our participation. Kurt Sanders presented an opportunity for us to setup and run our modules in Youngstown on July 7th and 8th (Saturday and Sunday) at the Museum of Industry and Labor for YSU Summer Festival of the Arts. It was decided that we would participate. Setup will be on Friday the 6th. Kurt had a diagram of the modules that will be used.
- V. Old Business:
 - a. Peddler Freight: David Hazlett reported that people need to submit their subscriptions for next year. He passed out forms that could be filled out and mailed back to him. \$15 covers the cost of one subscription and people are asked to donate this to defray our costs even if they wish to get an e-mail copy. Ads are \$40 for 9 issues. \$946.92 was the total cost for 2011-2012 and is the net of using coupons and rebates.
 - b. Website – The new website is still being developed by Jeffery Jansen and Jim Hogue. Once it is completed, people will be redirected to it and the old site will be abandoned.
 - c. Jim Peters reminded the group that on Saturday, 07/21, we will be participating with Division 4 in a picnic at the North East Ohio Live Steamers in Lester, Ohio northwest of Medina. People should bring a small side dish. Sandwiches and drinks will be provided. Donations will be appropriate.
 - d. The BOD is addressing how to simplify conducting limited elections. An election by acclimation will probably be the result.
 - e. Meetings for next year: June still needs a host.
- VI. New Business:
 - a. Bob Ashley, Jr. asked for permission to pay a bill of \$328.00 presented by Bob Ashley, Sr. for the additional costs to complete the end modules. \$263.08 of this expense would be covered by the funds already accumulated for the module group. A motion to pay the bill was made and seconded. The motion passed.
- VII. The meeting adjourned at 3:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Williams, Clerk

MODULE GROUP

Here we go again; we have blown away the summer and we can start thinking about our hobby. Those of you who went to the Grand Rapids 2012 convention probably saw the Division 4 Module Group in action. Unfortunately, we did not take up their offer and participate with them. I could not afford to go to the convention. That is why I went to the MCR Regional convention in Pittsburgh.

Our module display at the “Steel Mill Museum” in Youngstown was cancelled because Youngstown University decided that they had to use our space for a classroom. Kurt and Karen Sanders made all the arrangements and had it all washed away just after the last meeting. I want to offer many thanks to them for their effort in finding the venue. We hope that there will be another venue over in the Youngstown area that we can participate with the modules. We will have the modules on display at the Division 1 “Flea Market” on November 4, the Dalton Train Show on November 10, and the January 20, 2013 Division 1 meeting held at the Akron Yacht Club.

Those of you who helped with the “Thomas” event realize the problems we had when the CVSR put us over beside the track and Boston Mill Station on the east side of Riverview Road. The dust and heat was terrible. A vote was taken to withdraw from any future “outside” events. However, if the CVSR would put us back where we were in 2011, on the west side of the road, we may review this event since we had no trouble in 2011. Division 4 has not withdrawn their support, yet.

The first “Ron Shoemaker” module is available for use. Roadbed, track and wiring are in place and ready for scenery. This module was used at the Dalton and the “Thomas” events. Lloyd Horst has the second module and is mounting roadbed, track and electrics. He will also be adding scenery. The first module is ready for scenery. If you are interested in doing this, please contact me. We have a new member, Bruce Hukill, who wants to build an N-trak module, who might take on the job of finishing the first “Shoemaker” HO module.

We still need more volunteers to start the scenery on the passenger and intermodal/coal yard left end modules and build kits for buildings. We will have a little time to work on the details before the coming “Flea Market” and Dalton shows. This is a large job and should have a team effort. Contact me if you are willing to help. Jim Williams and Bob Ashley, Jr. are still adding scenery to the right end modules. Larry Brown and Ed Tringhese are fine tuning the scenery on the corner modules. Both of these jobs look great. We also realize we need more UTP’s on the front of the modules. This will be done before the next Dalton Show.

The “Module Group” logo is available through Jim Williams for \$6.00 and can be added to your shirts. Please have this done before the upcoming displays. Thanks to all who have already done this.

I have five modules, at my home, ready to assemble. Three of the modules kits have been committed to John and Caleb Palagyi, Bob Ashley, Jr. and Bob Ashley, Sr. and we will try to have a module building session on a Saturday before the meeting. The price per module is \$67.00 each for the materials and \$33.00 each for the wiring kit and the mandatory NCE UTP Fascia Panel Socket for plugging in your throttle is available for \$17.00 from me or at The Whistle Stop. This is a great project. “Come on. You know you want one”.

I am also looking for anyone interested in making an N gauge module to go with Kurt Sanders, Don Bonk and mine, per NTRAK standards or Z gauge module to go with mine, per Z Bend Track standards. Our module kits are suitable for this. Only the wiring is slightly different. We are hoping to have them ready for next November, at the Buckeye Event Center along with the HO modules.

Bob Ashley, Sr., Module Chairman, 330-644-4778 or rashleysr@msn.com

Train Shows and Open Houses - September thru October

Model Train Show – September 15 & 16 – 10AM – 4PM

Lodi Station Outlet Mall, 9911 Avon Lake Rd, Burbank, OH
\$3 admission, children 10 and under free

Fostoria Rail Festival – September 22 – 10AM – 4PM

Fostoria Middle School, 1202 HL Ford Dr, Fostoria, OH \$3
admission, children under 12 free

Penn-Ohio Model Railroaders Train & Toy Show

September 23 – 9:30AM – 3PM

Shenango Valley VFW, 439 E State St, Sharon, PA \$4
admission, children 12 and under free

Great American Train Show - September 30

10AM – 3PM

Byzantine Center at the Grove, 3801 Shady Run Rd,
Youngstown, OH \$4 admission

Firelands Model Train & Toy Show - September 30

10 AM – 4 PM

Erie County Fair Grounds, 3110 Columbus Ave,
Sandusky, OH \$5 admission, children 18 and under free

Carnival 2012 – October 6 & 7 – 10 AM – 4 PM

Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, Berea, OH \$7 admission,
children 15 and under free

Rail Fanning Day Western Reserve Railroad Association October 13 – 10 AM – 5 PM

Painesville Depot, 475 Railroad St, Painesville, OH Free admission

iHobby Expo – October 13 & 14 – 10 AM – 5 PM

IX Center, One IX Center Drive, Cleveland, OH \$12 admission,
children 9 and under free

Train Fest – October 13 & 14

Downtown Willard

Model Train Show & Swap Meet - October 21 – 10AM – 3PM

Lorain Party Center, 2501 Leavitt Rd (OH Rt 58), Lorain, OH \$5
admission, children 9 and under free

Old Eli's Train & Toy Show – October 27 – 10 AM – 4 PM

Valley View Church, 2772 Simons Dr NW, Sugarcreek, OH \$3
admission, children 11 and under free

Medina Model Railroad & Toy Show - October 28

10 AM - 4 PM

Medina County Community Center, Medina Fairgrounds, Medina, OH
\$6 admission, children 11 and under free

Members Report June-August 2012

New Members

William Feth - Richfield
Jeremiah Lighthouse - Canton

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Tim Lassen
William Hewitt
David Hazlett
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Michael Bradley
Robert Farkas
Thomas Gradijan
Philip Novak
Larry Olsen
John Palagyi
Caleb Palagyi

Eli Rantanes, a long-time
member of Division 1,
passed away in August.

Welcome to all the new members!

The membership now stands at 99.

I look forward to meeting you on
September 16th at Don Bonks in
Louisville.

Special Thanks to all those for
renewing.

I will have printed copies of the voluntary
roster available at the next meeting.

Larry Brown

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