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Superintendents Message

November-National Model Railroad Month

Please remember that November is not only National Model Railroad month, it is as well a time when our AP program shines.

November will be the month for our judges and votes from membership to be cast for Coal Hoppers. Kit bashed, kit built, scratch built each as built by our membership will be demonstrated at the meeting this month.

We have some items on the agenda which will be briefly discussed and voted upon by our members in that we need to approve the proposed amendments to the By-Laws as printed in the Peddler Freight in September, October and November 2010.

Also printed in the P.F. in September and reported by Jim Williams was that Bob Ashley Jr. made a motion, seconded by Bill Smith that "We spend up to \$600.00 to purchase materials and construct two end modules". Motion carried. Any additions to this amount of funding needs membership approval.

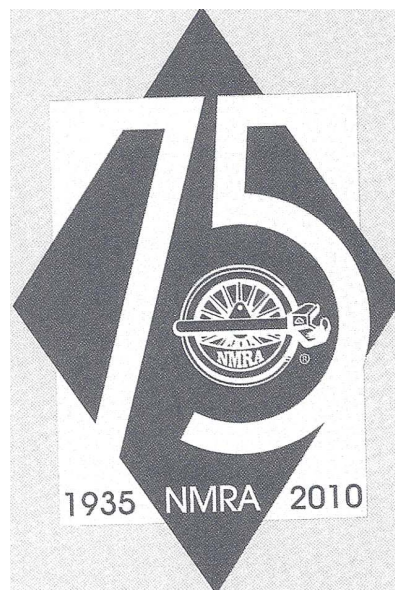
Our membership now may exceed 100. We want that to continue to build as the addition of Nils Sundberg who is the manager/director of Robb's Trains in Alliance has joined and is welcomed by all of us. Welcome Nils.

Nils invites us to join a group of folks, on any given Thursday, starting from about 12:00 noon on, talking trains and comparing notes on any one of many topics related to trains. A laid back & relaxed approach to matters of rail sometimes is served by a snack and beverage. No reservations needed, just stop by and join in.

Lastly we have had preliminary contact with and extended an invitation to Aaron of AARON'S CITY TRAINS to join the NMRA.

Aaron has purchased the old Glenn's Trains at 587 Grant St. in Akron. This is THE place that was for years, if you were interested in trains. Aaron, with help from his father Jack, and others will be bringing us back especially those interested in the larger scale units. More on this starting January, 2011 in the Peddler Freight. The website is aaronscitytrains@yahoo.com.

Ron Wigal
Superintendent Division #1
MCR-NMRA



November's Meeting will be at the
Whistle Stop Hobby Shop

Arrive early for the 2 PM meeting and visit the many displays of ready-to-run, kits and scratch building materials. **Bring snacks and beverages to be consumed by all attendees.**

"parking in the rear" open 7 days

The Whistle Stop Hobby Shop
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Division 1 Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2010

Hosts: Don and Carol Bonk, Louisville, Ohio
Meeting was held at the Stark County Association
of Realtors building in Belden Village, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 PM by Superintendent Ron Wigal. Twenty-eight people were in attendance. Ron thanked Carol Bonk for securing the meeting place for us since they could not host the meeting at their home at this time. The room was spacious and well suited for a meeting and had a kitchen for food preparation. Carol could get us the member rate of \$50 for 3 hours (the non-member rate is \$75) if we were interested in meeting there.

Initial Business:

ODave Athman and his wife Miriam were credited in getting Nils Sundberg of Robb's Trains to join the NMRA.

ORon Wigal's new e-mail address is rpwk12rf@yahoo.com.

OA motion was made by Ron Wigal to accept the minutes of the September meeting taken by David Hazlett and as published in the Peddler Freight. The motion was seconded by Don Bonk and passed. Jim Williams stated that he had not resigned as Clerk but had merely offered the job to anyone else that might be interested in it since he had missed the last meeting.

OThe treasurer's report was given by Bob Ashley, Jr. A motion was made by Chuck Boyer to accept the report pending audit. The motion was seconded by Don Bonk and passed.

Business Sections:

Assistant Superintendent, Randy Dettmer:

Passed around the roster for updating;

Passed around a sign-up sheet for the Holiday Dinner at the Erie Station on December 18th at 1:00 PM.

Larry Brown reported on membership:

Current membership is at 96;

Still in need of items to pass-out to new members.

HO Scale:

-David Hazlett reported that he had purchased an Atlas HH Alco 660 with a QSI sound system and the sound was terrific and all he

had to program in was the address.

Bob Ashley, Sr. reported that he had purchased a new BLI Centipede locomotive and that he had needed to use the draw bar between locomotives and that the sound was very good; Bob also presented 4 tools that he has used on his layout and found very beneficial: (1) electric wire stapler, (2) Japanese pull saw, (3) Stanley hand saw, (4) flush pull saw.

N Scale

Jim Williams reported that Micro-Trains was manufacturing some nice Ringling Brothers circus cars and that Sparkling Star Models was not filling their N subscriber list (at least for him) for their line of circus wagons.

Z Scale: Don Avila was not present.

AP Certification Committee (Don Deakins, Chuck Boyer, and David Hazlett):

David had a sheet that showed what would count for the 60 hours needed for Category 9, Associated Volunteer, of the "Service to the Hobby and NMRA Member" section of the achievement program; he also reminded the group that all the achievement program sheets were available off the NMRA web-site.

Module update given by Bob Ashley, Sr.:

-Six of the eight division modules have been constructed and he has all the materials for the other two; volunteers are needed to complete the modules and then scenic them; we need code-100 track and switches to be used on the division modules; there is still one module that can be purchased and put together and the cost is \$100 (\$67 for the lumber and \$33 for the electrical components).

Flea Market update was given by Bob Ashley Jr.:

-The flea market will be on Sunday, November 7th at the Akron Yacht Club; 23 out of 30 tables have been sold; Bob is making a 4x5 sign for the street and two others for Main Street and then I-77 and Arlington; -Bob's wife Twyla is handling the concession stand on her own this year and could use some help; a person to take money at the door is still needed.

-a motion to advance Bob \$100 for the concession stand operation was made by David Hazlett and seconded by Don Bonk and passed
-a motion to advance Bob \$50 to be used for change was made by Bob Ashley, Sr. and

seconded by Kurt Sanders and passed.
 -600 fliers were put out at the Berea show and were gone by the end of Saturday – we need to put out 1,000 next year; Kurt Sanders has put out fliers out at the Youngstown hobby shops and Jim Williams put some out at Nick’s Railway Supply

2014 National Convention update:

-David Hazlett and Jim Peters will be reviewing layouts in Division-1 for layout tours and operating sessions for the convention.

-Jerry Krueger and Chuck Klein from Division-4 gave the presentation that they made to the national NMRA convention committee in Milwaukee before this year’s national convention The last national NMRA convention in Cleveland was in 1961

-there is a planning meeting on the 19th at the I-X Center, Gate-2E

-Divisions 4, 5, and 1 will be responsible for everything that takes place off-site, clinics, and modular layouts and we are not responsible for contracts, transportation, finances, contests, company store, or registration

-need help with publicity and publications,
 -need help from LDSIG and OPSIG and RISIG groups

-they expect 1-2,000 people for the convention

A motion was made by Don Bonk to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Rich Ramskugler and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully,
 Jim Williams, Clerk



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 Bob Anelli..... Sagamore Hills
 George Brundage..... Canfield
 Jim DiPiola..... Ravenna
 Frank Williamson..... Hudson
 and
 Whistle Stop Hobby Shop..... Cuyahoga Falls
Thanks for your support.

Editor

Because a vote on the Bylaw changes did not occur at the October meeting it is repeated here again. Editor

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The recent change in our public status, becoming a Non-Profit Corporation, and other changes have led to the need to amend our By-Laws. This will be discussed at the September meeting and a vote will be taken at the October meeting. The following are the changes:

SECTION 1: Name and Purpose

1.1 This organization ~~was~~ **is** formed *to promote fellowship among members of the National Model Railroad Association in it's the Division 1 area, to promote the hobby of model railroading in it's the Division 1 area,* and to provide a common meeting ground for social activities, **and to engage in any and all activities which pertain to and will enhance the hobby of model railroading through educational opportunities at meetings, clinics, tours and fellowship.** It shall be known as ~~Division 1, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association, Inc. to be shortened to Division 1/MCR/NMRA.~~

1.2 The organization shall be known as Division 1, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

SECTION 2: Membership

2.1 Any member of the NMRA (**exclusive of RailPass members**), living in the area comprising Division 1 as defined by the Mid-Central Region By-Laws Article I - Boundaries by County, shall be allowed to hold office in Division 1 and vote on Division 1 matters.

SECTION 5: Elections / Appointments

5.2 Officers of Division 1 shall also serve as Directors/Trustees of the non-profit corporation known as Division 1, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association, Inc. These Officers/Directors/Trustees will appoint the corporation's Statutory Agent with the agreement of a majority of the membership present at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Additional Changes:

Change current Section 5 numbers to reflect the addition of the new 5.2 - thus changing the current 5.2 to 5.3 and subsequent numbers accordingly. Rearrange the current Section 5 items to reflect a better grouping of the items WITHOUT changing any wording, except as indicated above.

2010-2011 MEETING DATES

November 21 - Kevin Hess - THE WHISTLE STOP
December 18 - Holiday Dinner at Erie Station, Tallmadge
January 16 - Sebring Model Railroad Club, Sebring
February 20 - Larry Brown, Ravenna
March 20 - Bob Ashley, Jr. - Akron (Date may need to change due to Kirtland Show.)
April 17 (Palm Sunday) - Frank Williamson - Hudson
May 15 - Bill Hewitt - Copley
June 12 - Randy Dettmer, Hudson

THE 2010-2011 CONTEST

CONTEST WINNERS FOR OCTOBER 2010:

Scratch-Built

Dave Athman - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 1 pt

Kit-Built

Jim Williams - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 1 pt

Kit-Bashed

Chuck Boyer - 3 pts
Don Deakins - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 1 pt

CURRENT STANDINGS:

Scratch-Built

Dave Athman - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 2 pts

Kit-Built

Larry Brown - 3 pts
Don Deakins - 3 pts
Jim Williams - 2 pts
Bill Biggler - 1pt

Kit-Bashed

Chuck Boyer - 4 pts
Don Deakins - 4 pts
Larry Brown - 1 pt

CONTEST FOR 2010-2011

November - Coal Hoppers

January - I got it at a railroad flea market and this is what I did with it.

SEND YOUR IDEAS FOR FEBRUARY THROUGH MAY TO

David Hazlett at dhazlett1@neo.rr.com

It is that time of year again for the fourth annual Holiday Dinner, December 18, 2010 at 1:00 PM. The location is the same as prior years so please reserve early!

ERIE STATION GRILLE
70 EAST AVENUE, COUNTY ROAD 18 OFF I-76
TALLMADGE OHIO 44278
WE WILL HAVE A BEAUTIFUL PRIVATE RAILROAD DINNING CAR, "THE ROSE", WHICH HAS BEEN REBUILT WITH VERY PLUSH PANELING, NEW CARPETING, LIGHTS, TABLES, LINENS, VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM AND YOUR ORDER WILL BE SERVED TO YOU AT YOUR
TABLE
YOU WILL CHOOSE FROM:
PARMESAN TILAPIA
* 8 OZ. SIRLOIN STEAK
* CHICKEN MARSALA
OR
* PASTA ALFREDO
(* CHOOSE ONE)
ALL DINNERS, EXCEPT PASTA, INCLUDE BAKED POTATO AND VEGETABLE. ALL INCLUDE
\$16.49 PER PERSON
PLEASE ADD 6.5% SALES TAX & 18% GRADITUITY (ABOUT \$20.75 TOTAL PER PERSON)
MEMBERS, SPOUSES, FAMILY, GRANDKIDS, AND FRIENDS. BRING A GUEST.
SIGN UP NOW - WHY WAIT?
PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL TO ADVISE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING – Randy Dettmer,

The Big Push

The November Flea Market was a success. I saw lots of young new faces and happy customers. We signed up at least 2 new Railpass members, and passed out information to a few others. I saw four of our newer members enjoying their 1st Division. event. An operating layout would be a great addition. "Maybe next year".

The Division One table at the flea market had sales of \$56.00. These funds will go to our membership drive. Special thanks to Bob Ashley, Jim Williams, and David Hazlett, for their donations, and to all those who purchased. Remember if each of us would register just one person. "maybe add a spouse to the roster" that would also improve our numbers. See you at the Whistle stop on the 21st. "bring a guest"

See you there. **Larry Brown**

Membership Report 11/4/2010

Active Members: Division 1 stands at 100

NEW MEMBERS: Nils Sundberg "Alliance", Terry Woods "Canton", James Hogue "Ravenna"

RENEWALS: Ed Reagan, Nils Sundberg, Edwin Welch, Philip Novak, John Miller, Jeffrey Jansen, Carl Boltz, Don Bonk, Edwin/Cheryl Welch, Martin Adkins, Glenn Yoder

INACTIVE: Ray Ward (deceased) and Tim Reder.

Special note: Ray Ward passed away just after the June meeting. He was 75 and the hot spell we had in June was too much for him. I met Ray last year at my 1st clinic. He just moved into a new house with a dry room to build his 1st layout. HO with a Southwestern SF/UP theme. I was excited about helping him with it. It wasn't meant to be. He was at my shop about 6 hrs before his heart attack, picking up a mint Tyco F7 SF Diesel that I found and greased for him. He was on his way home "with a big grin" to play with his new train. His enthusiasm is truly missed.

Clinic schedule

Come join us Wednesdays at 7:00 in Ravenna at the Portage Model Railroad for free clinics

Nov. 17th Processing Lichen & Sumac for trees

Nov. 24th Waterfalls and River construction

Dec. 1st Making and planting trees

Dec. 8th Scenery Detail Bushes, shrubs & stumps

Dec. 22nd Open House "Bring something to run"

Jan. 5th Track details Weathering and Ballast

Jan. 12th Kitbashing buildings & weathering tricks

For Directions www.portagemodelrailroad.com **Or call Larry Brown at 330-221-6067**

MODULE REPORT

We now have seven of the eight division modules constructed and assembled. Difficulties have caused several module members to be unavailable Saturdays. Because of the delays, I will assemble the last module myself and should have it done by the time you read this. It takes about six hours to assemble a module. The fascia panels and backdrop have not been installed, yet. We have to order the wiring and electrical components and the cost of track, roadbed and paint have not been determined. I expect we will need additional money or donations to complete the layout. Once we finish the construction, we will move the modules from my garage to Bob Ashley, Jr.'s garage, which is much larger. After that, we can start wiring and laying roadbed and track. Anyone can help with the finishing of these modules. Please tell me when you can come to work on the modules and I can adjust my schedule to fit yours, I think. Chuck Boyer has offered to help detail the modules. Way to go Chuck!!

Please, anyone who can donate nickel silver code 100 or code 83 track, switches, crossings, roadbed or other related items which we could use to finish the modules, we need your help. If you will call me, I will pick up your donation or bring it to the next meeting. We have received donations from the following people: Joe Urbanski, 3 ft., N/S code 100 track; David Hazlett, 30 ft., N/S code 100 track; Bill Smith, 20 ft., N/S code 100 track and 17' ft., cork roadbed; and, Bill Hewlett, (100) pcs. approx., N/S code 100 remnants 2 ft. or less.

I have had several requests for kits or finished standard modules. I will not be funding any more modules prior to construction. If anyone wants to pay in advance and is willing to come to my house to construct the module, then I will be willing to help build their module(s). Those of you who have made the standard module, at my home, you owe me \$67.00 each for the materials and \$33.00 each for the wiring kit. This does not include the mandatory NCE UTP Facia Panel Socket for plugging in your throttle which is available for \$17.00 at The Whistle Stop. This works with Digitrax or NCE. Those of you, who have not paid me, please call me. I need to know whether you are going to continue to be part of the module group or not. If you do not want to be in the module group, please return the modules to me or pay me for the cost of the materials mentioned. The money for the standard modules came out of my pocket. We are also looking for new module members. Please call me for information.

At the meeting for the 2014 national Convention, the module representatives from Divisions 1, 4 and 5 got together and discussed the future plans for the show. Division 5 is going to start fresh with new modules that match the standards we are using. The Hub Division from the east coast is planning to join in and there is a Division in Michigan that is interested, also.

I want to thank the division for investing in the module program. If we have the same success that Divisions 4 and 5 have had, this will provide a lot of entertainment for the members and the communities. It will also provide a way for each member to earn the AP awards. Bob Ashley, Jr. has requested that the modules be ready for the Division 1 meeting, at his home, next March. That is our goal at this time.

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

Mid-Central Region - Board of Directors Meeting

The semi-annual Mid Central Region, NMRA board of directors meeting was held October 24, 2010 at Schmidt's Sausage Haus in Columbus' German Village. (If you ever get to Columbus, check this place out. They have good German food!) Ron wasn't able to attend so I served as his proxy at this meeting. It was good to see several familiar faces from our neighbors to the north, Division 4 and Division 5.

In these troubling economic times, it was nice to see that the region is solvent. One of the main points of business was the inability of Dick Briggs, MMR, the current president of the board, to run for another term. Current MCR regulations read that an officer can only hold the same office for two consecutive terms. If an officer assumes an office to fulfill an unexpired term, this will count as their first term. (A similar situation we had a few years ago.) The board of directors voted to adopt the current NMRA wording that allows officers to run for two full terms after filling an unexpired term.

The MCR is compiling a database of individuals that have put on clinics. The individuals in this database includes those who have put on clinics at the regional or national convention level and reside or are willing to put on clinics in the region. If you are interested in participating in this database, let me know.

Upcoming regional conventions include the 2011 "Rails of Ages" being put on by Division 5; the 2012 "Highline to Pittsburgh" being put on by Division 2. Anyone interested in holding the 2013 regional convention? Another item was the 2014 National Convention. Chuck Klein from Division 4 was present and gave an abbreviated presentation on the up coming National Convention in Cleveland.

Randy Dettmer
Assistant Superintendent
Division 1

Train Shows and Open Houses – November 2010 thru December 2010

By Randy Dettmer

Youngstown Model Railroad Assn Open House – November 13-14 – 12 PM – 6 PM

Corner of Raccoon Rd & Four-Mile Run Rd, Austintown, OH

\$3 donation per person, children under 12 are free with adult

Sebring Model Railroad Club Open House – November 13-14, 20-21 – 10 AM – 6 PM

216 East Pennsylvania Ave, Sebring, OH

\$2 donation per person, children 11 and under are free

Greater Wayne County Train & Toy Show – November 14 – 10 AM – 4 PM

Buckeye Event Center, 624 Henry St, Dalton, OH

\$5 admission, children 12 and under are free

Norwalk & Western RR Train & Toy Show – November 14 – 10 AM – 3 PM

Ehove Career Center, 316 West Mason Rd, Milan, OH

\$3 admission, children 11 and under are free

Route 30 Express – Layout Tour – November 20 – 10 AM – 5 PM

This is a self-guided driving tour of ten layouts between Canton and Ashland.

See web site for further details. www.Route30Express.org

Train & Collectible Toy Show – November 27 – 11 AM – 3 PM

Frecker Arena, 620 W Lincoln Hwy, New Haven, IN

\$3 admission, children under 12 are free

Train Collectors Association Train Meet – November 27 – 10 AM – 3 PM

UAW Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd, Parma, OH

\$5 admission, \$7 family

Youngstown Model Railroad Assn Open House – December 4-5 – 12 PM – 6 PM

Corner of Raccoon Rd & Four-Mile Run Rd, Austintown, OH

\$3 donation per person, children under 12 are free with adult

Cuyahoga Valley & West Shore Open House – December 4-5 12 PM – 5PM

Olmsted Falls Depot, 25802 Garfield Ave, Olmstead Falls, OH

\$2 donation per person, children free.

Lakeland College Train Show – December 11-12 – 10 AM – 3:30 PM

Lakeland College, Athletic & Fitness Center, 7700 Clocktower Dr, Kirtland, OH

\$7 admission, \$10 two day pass, \$12 family, children under 18 free

Massillon Train & Toy Show – December 12 – 10 AM – 3 PM

Massillon Knights of Columbus Hall, 988 Cherry Road NW, Massillon, OH

\$4 admission, children under 12 free

Train Town Train Show & Swap Meet – December 18 – 10 AM – 3 PM

Allen County Fairgrounds, ST RT 309 East, Lima, OH

\$4 admission, children 12 and under free

Monroe Model Train Show – December 18-19 – 11 AM – 4 PM

MBT Expo Center, 3775 Custer RD (M-50), Monroe, MI

\$6 admission, children 12 and under free

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