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## Superintendents Message

The one constant in life is change. December 2010 had its share of change. First and foremost, Ron Wigal resigned his position as superintendent of NMRA MCR Division 1 due to employment obligations. Our Treasurer, Bob Ashley Jr., suffered injuries in an industrial accident on the same day that I had a kidney removed. (Doesn't this sound like a twisted plot line in a daytime soap?) As Assistant Superintendent, I have moved up to fill the position of Superintendent. I look forward to working with everyone moving forward.

On Christmas night, Dean Freytag passed away. He was a lifetime member of the NMRA, and an MMR. He was 86. As many know he was a prolific steel industry modeler. For myself, to actually meet and see his work first hand left a greater impression on me than seeing them in publication. The detail was just phenomenal. I am still blown away by the refractory brick linings in the ladles on his layout. Who would think to model that? We lost a legend with his passing.

On a happier note, who doesn't like to go to train shows or layout tours? Well this just might fit the bill to curb those wintertime blues. The Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Model Railroad Association has extended an invitation to Division 1 and Division 4 members for a bus tour on Saturday, January 22 to the Greenberg's Train Show in Monroeville and a visit to the Western

Pennsylvania Model Railroad Museum. The bus will leave Brecksville at 7:30 AM and stop at the Whistle Stop back entrance at 8:00 AM. The bus fare is \$25 per person. This does not include admission to the show, museum or food. Reservations are required. Please call 440-526-9988 for reservations on the "Whistle Stop Bus Tour."

Randy Dettmer  
Superintendent  
NMRA MCR Div 1

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I want to thank all who worked with me during 2010 and hope this new year will bring more success to the Division.

Thank you for working with me this past year.

Sincerely,  
Ron Wigal

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## Bylaws cover the resignation of Superintendent.

*Paragraph 5.7 In the event the Superintendent shall vacate his/her position, the Assistant Superintendent shall move up to Superintendent and a New Assistant Superintendent shall be elected. In the event another Officer vacates his/her position, the Division 1 members shall elect a replacement at the next regular meeting.*

As this situation arose with short notice, the Superintendent will hold elections at the January meeting. Fully paid NMRA members may serve the Division as Assistant Superintendent for the remaining period of the elected office.

Interested members may make themselves known to the Superintendent.

***Editor***

Division 1 Meeting Minutes  
November 21, 2010  
Host: Whistle Stop Hobby Shop  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Assistant Superintendent Randy Dettmer. Twenty-six people were in attendance. Randy thanked the Hesses for hosting the meeting.

A moment of silence was held to remember Dave Athman who passed away.

A motion was made by Bill Hewitt to accept the minutes of the October meeting as published in the Peddler Freight. Bob Ashley, Sr. stated that the division order for the convention should be changed to specify Divisions 1, 4, and 5 instead of 4, 5, and 1 since we are all equal in our participation. The motion with the revision was seconded by Don Bonk and passed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Bob Ashley, Jr. A motion was made by David Hazlett to accept the report pending audit. The motion was seconded by Don Bonk and passed.

●Bob Ashley, Jr. gave the following report on the Flea Market held November 7<sup>th</sup>:

- 92 people paid at the door
- 25 tables were rented; half were repeats from last year
- The division realized a net of \$420.95 (\$81.07 was from the concession stand)
- 59% of the attendees heard about the flea market from the Berea or Medina train shows,
- 14% heard about it by word of mouth,
- 14% heard about it at the Whistle Stop,
- 9% stopped by when they saw the signs when driving by,
- 4% read about it in the Peddler Freight.

●Larry Brown reported on membership:  
Current membership is at 100 with 3 renewals  
New railpass members signed-up at the flea market  
The division realized \$112 from sales of donated items at the flea market; the proceeds will be used for gifts for new members.

●Next year's flea market discussion:  
A motion was made by Elmer Johnson and seconded by Bob Ashley, Sr. to have a flea market on Sunday, 11/06/2011, at the same location. The motion passed. It was felt that putting fliers out at the Kirtland show was too early in the year and we should not do this

in 2011. David Hazlett suggested that we put out fliers again and also advertise in the Peddler Freight. Bob Ashley, Sr. made a motion to have fliers made up advertising the 2011 flea market and it was seconded by Don Bonk and passed. David Hazlett and Bob Ashley, Sr. will determine the number to be printed and where they will be put out.

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

David Hazlett stated that he can now do the certification for the Golden Spike Award and that it be done by completing the different parts separately and not as one layout or module.

●Module update given by Bob Ashley, Sr.:  
All eight division modules have been constructed and he is trimming them so the fascia can be put on. Anyone who can help just needs to call him and they can work on them anytime. You can work on the AP award by working on the modules. \$450 of the allotted \$600 has been used to date. We will need more money for turnouts, track, and wiring that is not donated. Also, a control system will need to be purchased.

●Committee Reports:  
HO Scale: David Hazlett - nothing to report  
N Scale: Jim Williams - nothing to report  
Z Scale: Don Avila - nothing to report

●2014 National Convention update:  
There will be a planning meeting in Cleveland next month. Jim Peters will contact layout owners about being on convention tours.

●Vote on amendments to the by-laws:  
Elmer Johnson made the motion to approve the amendments and it was seconded by Bill Smith and passed.

●Jim Williams stated that Doug Nichols has decided to close Nick's Railway Supply at the end of the year. Larry Brown is hosting clinics every Wednesday evening at 7 PM at his layout in Ravenna and invited all who wanted to, to attend.

A motion was made by Don Bonk to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Bill Hewitt and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 pm.

Respectfully,  
Jim Williams, Clerk

## THE 2010-2011 CONTEST

### CONTEST WINNERS FOR NOVEMBER 2010:

#### Scratch-Built

NONE

#### Kit-Built

Don Deakins - 3 pts

Don Deakins - 2 pts

Jim DiPaola - 1 pt

#### Kit-Bashed

Don Deakins - 3 pts

Don Bonk - 2 pts

Chuck Boyer - 1 pts

### CURRENT STANDINGS:

#### Scratch-Built

Larry Brown - 2 pts

#### Kit-Built

Don Deakins - 8 pts

Larry Brown - 3 pts

Jim Williams - 2 pts

Bill Biggler - 1pt

Jim DiPaola -1 pt

#### Kit-Bashed

Don Deakins - 7 pts

Chuck Boyer - 5 pts

Don Bonk - 2 pts

Larry Brown - 1 pt

### CONTEST FOR 2010-2011

Here are the next few month's models:

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

February - open loads for flat cars (all types)

March - Snow plows & spreaders

(Hope we don't need them to get to the meeting.)

April - pulpwood & wood chip cars

May - Caboose

### Layout Tours for the 2014 National Convention

You could feel the excitement Tuesday, October 19, as Division 1, 4 & 5 met to discuss the 2014 Cleveland NMRA National Convention at the IX Center. The excitement came from the collective talent and experience of the model railroaders as we pooled our resources to discuss the initial committees. I was called upon to co-chair the layout tour committee and am requesting you contact me immediately if you have a layout, from Z to LGB, even live steam, and no matter how far along you are. **I will need your contact information to come out and view your layout. It is that simple.** Don't be bashful. This is a great opportunity to share your talents and share the hobby we all love. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Jim Peters

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(sorry I forgot this last month. Ed)

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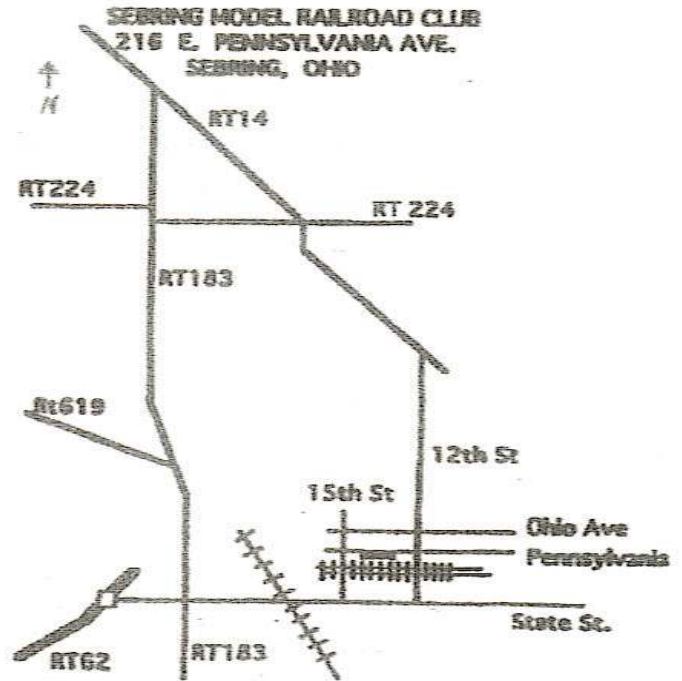
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# Sebring Model Railroad Next Stop

Our next meeting will be held at the Sebring Club on January 16. The meeting will begin at 2 PM, Sunday

Please bring snacks and beverages to share with Division 1 and the members of the Sebring Club.



### 2010-2011 MEETING DATES

**February 20 - Larry Brown, Ravenna**

**March 20 - Bob Ashley, Jr. - Akron**

**April 17 - Jim DiPaola - Ravenna**

**May 15 - Bill Hewitt - Copley**

**June 12 - Randy Dettmer, Hudson**

An additional Subscription has been received from -

Jim Bacher . . . . . Clinton

Thanks for your support.

Editor

# MODULE REPORT

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you have had a pleasant Holiday Season. OK, the fun is over, now, let us go back to work, on modules, I hope.

Bob Ashley, Jr. had a serious accident at his place of employment and was hospitalized, had surgeries to put his face back together and is now at home. He will be having more surgeries in the coming weeks. We are still planning, at this time, to have the modules ready for his March meeting. Because of the upcoming surgeries, this could change.

Five of the eight division modules are ready for sanding and paint. Difficulties and the Holidays have caused several module members to be unavailable to help. Anyone can help with the finishing of these modules. I will continue to finish the fascia panels and backdrop trimming of the modules. We hope to have the remaining three modules done by the time you read this. We have to order some of the wiring and electrical components. We have all the track, turnouts and roadbed to complete the main lines, thanks to a donation by Bill Smith. I expect we will need additional money or donations to complete the yards and electrical for the layout. Once we finish the painting, 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. 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!!

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.

One person has not paid me for the two modules he helped build at the beginning of the program and took them with him. He has not taken the time to communicate with me as to why he has not paid me. If I do not hear from him by the meeting, I will bring this up at the meeting and mention his name to the membership. I have been ignored long enough.

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, Sr., Module Chairman  
330-644-4778  
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The module project will be a great way of communicating with other Divisions and give Division 1 the ability to display our work at a variety of community activities. If you want a "BIG PUSH" support the module project to increase our membership and member involvement. (Ed.)

**"parking in the rear" open 7 days**

The Whistle Stop Hobby Shop  
Trains Plastic Models Remote Control

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## Membership Report 1/4/2011

Active Members: Division 1 stands at 98

NEW MEMBERS:- Karen McMillion

**RENEWALS:** - Larry Brown, Randy Fleet, Robert Gurdak, Sanford Jacobs, John Lane, David McMillion, Jim & Sally Mima

**INACTIVE:** Bruce Svoboda, Mike Bradfield

### Clinic schedule

Come join us Wednesdays at 7:00 in Ravenna at the Portage Model Railroad for free clinics  
Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> Kitbashing buildings & weathering tricks

Clinics will resume March 4<sup>th</sup> to be announced

**For Directions** [www.portagemodelrailroad.com](http://www.portagemodelrailroad.com) **Or call Larry Brown at 330-221-6067**

### **Train Shows and Open Houses January 2011 thru February 2011**

By Randy Dettmer

#### **Youngstown Model Railroad Assn Show January 9 - 10 AM - 3:30 PM**

McMenamy's Banquet Hall, 325 Warren-Youngstown Rd, Niles, OH  
\$5 per person, children under 12 are free with adult

#### **All Train Swap Meet January 15 - 10 AM B 3PM**

Montgomery Co Fairgrounds, 1043 S Main (St Rt 48), Dayton, OH  
\$5 per person, children under 12 are free with adult

#### **Greenberg's Train & Toy Show January 22 - 23 10 AM - 4 PM**

Monroeville Convention Center, 209 Mall Blvd, Monroeville, PA  
\$7 admission, children 12 and under are free with adult

#### **Medina Model Railroad & Toy Show February 6 10 AM - 4 PM**

Medina Co Fairgrounds, Community Center, 735 Lafayette Rd, Medina, OH  
\$6 admission, children under 12 are free with adult

#### **Lodi Railroad Museum Model Train Show February 12- 13 10 AM - 4 PM**

Lodi Station Outlet Mall, 9911 Avon Lake Rd, Burbank , OH  
\$3 admission

#### **Ann Arbor Model Railroad Club Show - February 20 10 AM - 4 PM**

Saline Middle School, 7190 N Maple Rd, Saline, OH  
\$6 admission, children 10 and under are free with adult

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