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Superintendent's Bulletin



Fall is here. When I was growing up the fall season signaled the upcoming holidays and Christmas in particular. There were thoughts and discussions of digging the Lionel train set out and getting it ready to go under the Christmas tree. Another sign was the arrival of the Sears & Roebuck Christmas catalog. What a fun time my brother, sister and I had seeing the latest and greatest items

for our Christmas lists.

I was reminded of this as the 2018 Walther's model railroad catalog arrived in my mailbox this past week. All the latest and greatest items one needs, in both HO and N scales, to build or upgrade a model railroad are in this single catalog. So, make your list and check it twice!!

Fall also signals the start of the Train Shows with the Berea Show at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds already in the books by the time you read this. The Berea Show is hosted by our fellow model railroaders in Division 4 and is one of the premier train shows in northeast Ohio. Train shows are a great place to get the newest items, search for that one item from days gone by you can't find anywhere, and fellowship with other model railroaders.

And speaking of Train Shows, don't forget our Division 1 Flea Market, November 5, 2017, 10 AM to 3 PM at the Akron Yacht Club, 3575 South Main Street, Akron. Tables are \$15.00 each and half are already sold. Contact Bob Ashley, Jr. at 330-645-6175 in the evening. In years past our Division has discussed finding a slightly bigger venue to hold our flea market but that has been difficult to do. And for a once a year 5 hour show the Akron Yacht Club is perfect. Thank you Bob Jr. for setting up this show.

At our September event we received a very generous donation of \$1,000.00 from Cathy Bigler in memory of her late husband Bill Bigler who was a model railroader and NMRA Division 1 member. Bill passed away earlier this summer. A thank you card has been mailed to Cathy Bigler.

October's event will be hosted by Sam Eisele at his home in Mantua, Ohio. Sam has a talent for taking odds and ends parts off computer and electronics boards and making great looking industrial machinery. Rumor has it that Sam is in the design phase of a layout. Hope to see everyone on October 15th.

With our hosting the upcoming 2019 MCR Convention

it's time to have a meeting and get committees formed and tasks organized. I will be hosting a convention committee meeting at my house in Ravenna on October 28, 2017 at 10 AM. My address is 3201 Summit Road, Ravenna, OH 44266. If you're interested in helping with the convention we would enjoy seeing you at this meeting.

All Aboard!!! Jim DiPaola, Superintendent NMRA, MCR, Division 1

Clinic Report

Thank you Derek and Steve for a very informative clinic on computer-aided modeling (CAM) at the September event.

Due to cancellation, no clinic is scheduled at this time for the October event.

Division 1 is in search of new Clinic Chair. I will step down June, 2018.

Jim Peters Clinician Chair

2017-2018 Division 1 Meetings

October 15 - Sam Eisele (info on pg. 9) November 19 - Portland Locomotive Works

December - Banquet - Date/Location TBA

January 21 - TBA

February 18 - TBA

March 18 - TBA

April 15 - TBA

May 20 - Mike Bradley

June 24 - TBA

Interested in hosting a meeting? Contact any Division 1 officer.

Module Group

The next scheduled event will be the Youngstown Model Railroad Association Flea Market at Salem, OH, Sunday, January 14, 2018, at the CenterPlex Community Center, 1098 North Ellsworth Ave. This event will repeat on April 8, 2018. As before, we will setup on Saturday, January 13. The time and details will be in the next "Peddler Freight". The HO modules and Bruce Hukill's N scale layout will be operated.

We were able to correct several minor problems with the HO and NTRAK modules at the recent seven day show. We had plenty of time to concentrate on making adjustments to level the track, find dead spots, and learn "what not to do" when laying track.

In November, Bruce Hukill will be operating his N Scale layout at the NMRA Division 1 Flea Market. See details of the event in this issue.

Bob Ashley, Jr. is designing an outside curve which is reversible so it can be used as an inside curve. Once this design is complete, we will try to have two made before the Mt. Hope show. We will advise by email if we can get a work party to do that

Bob Brock, from Division 2, Pittsburgh, would like to be able to adapt their Free-mo modules to our NMRA standard modules. He will be purchasing a module kit so he can experiment with an interface free-mo module. It would be necessary to lower their modules 10" so they could hook-up to our layout and operate from our controls. He and I are both experienced with CAD drafting and will be designing something to do this.

A thank you letter has been sent to the Stark County Fair Board for allowing us to participate in the fair in late August. We are hoping to repeat this event next year and make this a 4-H event, also.

We are always looking for venues where we can display and operate our modules. We can be an added attraction for many events, i.e., Railroad Days, shows at event centers, library historical programs, student events, etc. Please call me or any Module Group member if you think you have a lead and make sure the event coordinator is aware of your concern

Those of you who want a module; you need to contact me so I can order electrical components and more lumber. See my email and phone numbers below. We will schedule a date to build the module(s). The final price will be around \$110.00 for the kit. Those who build a 4' x 2' module with scenery, which is eight square feet minimum, can apply for the "Golden Spike" and other AP awards.

Some of us have added on/off switches to our Digitrax throttles. This eliminates the need to remove the batteries or flip the battery sideways to turn it off and save the battery. I added a switch to my NCE Pro Cab, also, because it refused to fully shut down when not in use. These switches save on battery life and have worked very well.

The Division portion of the 50-50 raffle is placed in the module fund. This fund is shared with the HO and Ntrak groups as needed for division owned equipment. Privately owned modules and equipment are the responsibility of the owner. All request for funds are to be presented to the Module Chairman.

Let's try to be generous and spend \$5.00 for six 50-50 raffle tickets instead of \$1.00 for one ticket. Your generosity in funding the Division 1 Module Group is appreciated. Many of our new members joined at the shows.

Bob Ashley, Sr., Module Chairman, 330-644-4778 or rashleysr@msn.com HO, N & Z scales Jim Williams, Asst. Module Chairman, 330-966-5477 or jamestwilliams46@yahoo.com HO & N scales Don Bonk, NTRAK, 330-418-6860 or donaldbonk@gmail.com N scale

Division 1 membership as of August: 98

Division 1, MCR, NMRA Minutes September 23, 2017

Frank Williamson - Cuyahoga Valley Terminal, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

- I. **Welcome:** The business meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Superintendent Jim DiPaola. Jim thanked Frank Williamson and the members of the Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Railroad for hosting the meeting. Frank said that all their members were now members of the Cuyahoga Historical Society and that they were now located in the basement of the Society's building. He said that it had been a two-year process to relocate from the basement of the old Whistle Stop Hobby Shop to here. Kathy Bigler presented the division with a gift of \$1,000 in remembrance of her husband, Bill Bigler.
- II. **Treasurer's Report:** The report was given by Treasurer Mike Bradley. Mike reported that we have 29 ½ N-scale AKYC car 2-packs, 4 standard and 10 craftsman Jaite N-scale stations and 12 HO stations left to sell. A motion was made and seconded to accept the September 2017 Treasurer's report subject to audit. The motion passed.
- III. **Minutes:** A motion was made to accept the minutes for the June 2017 meeting as they appeared in the <u>Peddler Freight</u>. The motion was seconded and passed.
- IV. **Membership:** Larry Brown was absent but Jim DiPaola reported that our membership was at 99. Ray Lora has moved to Columbus.

V. Committee Reports:

- A. <u>Clinics</u> Steve Zapytowski and Derek Shroup will make a presentation on CAM(Computer Aided Modeling) at the end of the meeting.
- B. **AP** Jim Peters is looking for a replacement as AP/Clinics chairman. He wants to devote more time this year to the spring railroad open house and the up-coming regional convention. He will assist anyone who would take his place.
- C. <u>Peddler Freight</u> Bruce Hukill has sent out a due-date sheet to those who submit items to the <u>Peddler Freight</u>. This list of dates is also on the website. He stated that we are currently only mailing 21 subscriptions with the rest being sent by e-mail. He would welcome any information on up-coming train shows.
- D. Scale Update No report.
- E. Modules Bob Ashley Sr. reported that the HO and N module setup for the fair went well and thanked all the people who put in many hours covering the nine days. A lot of people, young and old came up to observe and run trains. The 4-H group from Wayne County has HO modules and Bob suggested that we should try to work with the 4-H clubs in our district as a way to involve young people in the hobby. He reported that Don Deakins' wife donated a van full of scenery material to the people in the module groups. She is trying to find a museum to display his fine-scale models. Bob has had an invitation to host one of our meetings from the Orville train museum. Jim will follow-up on the offer. Jon Ulbright has found a building in Mt. Hope to hold the show that he used to have in Dalton. This new "Dalton" show will be on Saturdays, March 24 and November 3 of 2018. The Youngstown Model Railroad Club will have it's flea market in Salem on Saturdays, January 14 and April 4 of 2018. We will be setting up modules for both Youngstown and Salem.
- F. <u>Website</u> Our website is up and running. http://www.div1-mcr-nmra.org/. Steve Zapytowski is managing the web page. If you want photos of your layout added to the web site please see Steve.
- G. Apparel see Jim Williams if you need any item(s).
- H. **Upcoming Events** please see the Peddler Freight and the website.
- . **Division-1 Flea Market** Bob Ashley, Jr. sold 6 tables when he was at the Canfield show. He put out fliers there and has them for the other train shows coming up. He will also put notification on Facebook.

VI. Division 1 Events:

A. Jim DiPaola is still working on a venue for our Christmas lunch and needs meeting hosts for January, February, March, April, and June.

VII. Bring-n-Brag

A. No one brought anything. However, Steve Zapytowski received the following awards at the NMRA National Convention in Orlando: 2nd place judged models–scratchbuilt structures(107 pts for Fairclough Sails), 1st place judged models–kit class-passenger cars(90 pts for The City of Boring). Steve also received Special Awards–Dean Freytag Industrial Structures-Best Industrial Structure for his Fairclough Sails building. Jim participated in a Steel Mill Modelers Meet project sponsored by Nucor Steel. The four modules that were constructed by Jim and 3 others are going to be used by Nucor for recruitment.

VIII. Old Business:

A. Nothing reported.

IX. New Business:

A. Nothing reported

The 50/50 raffle was not held.

22 people attended.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The business meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectively submitted, Jim Williams, Clerk

N-SCALE REPORT

THE FAIR - The initial approach to have Division 1 modules at the Stark County Fair was made at the end of April 2017. Two items apparently delayed the Fair Board's decision. First, Division 1 would be a non-paying exhibitor and second was the Division's desire for a non-dusty or low dust area. The Fair's Exhibit hall presented the smallest dust emissions, but space was limited. In late August, the Exhibit Hall manager determined that the center of the hall used for storage could be available for the modules. Therefore, the Division only had about 4 weeks to arrange for members to setup, man/operate, and tear down the HO and N layouts. The efforts of the members involved was greatly appreciated.

As Bob Ashley stated in last month's PF the presentation of the modular layouts was a hit with the Fair crowd. Attendance at the Fair was ~ 67,000. Roughly, 9% of those attending made it into the module area and 550 of the attendees took a free copy of N-Scale or NMRA magazine.



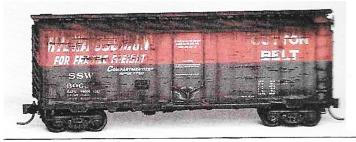
To commemorate the first time the model railroad modules were at the Stark County Fair, the Fair Board was presented with one of two Stark County Cars made for this event. Their car is currently displayed in the reception area of the Board office.

Editor's note: Thank you to Superintendent Jim DiPaola for his kind donation of two Pikestuff N scale building kits.

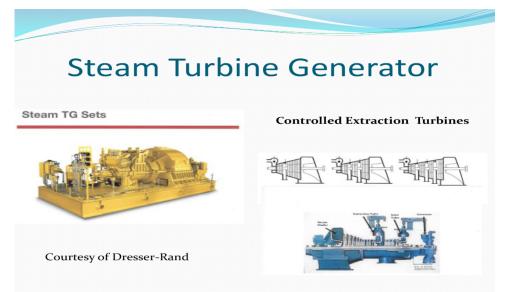
A number of NEW CARS WERE RELEASED by Micro-Trains this summer, but the two shown below got my attention. The sentiment of the post WWII car says what the USA is all about. Generally, I don't care for tagged or weathered cars, but the neglected Cotton Belt car would look great on a siding at a deserted industry.



MTL 02000017 Union Pacific Friendship Box Car



MTL 021 44 590 Cotton Belt 40' Weathered Box Car



Why Not a Pulp and Paper Mill Pulp and paper mills are natural co-generators capable of producing steam and electric in volumes that closely meet the needs of the plant. The 500 ton/day recovery boiler can supply 18 MW of electricity while supplying about a million pounds of low pressure steam to heat the drying rolls of th paper machine. Steam is also available from bark and coal boilers. Extraction steam turbines make this possible, by allowing steam at different temperatures to be taken off the turbine as needed by the paper machines. Next - Pulp Sales

DIVISION 1 MODEL RAILROAD FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017 10 AM - 3 PM

SMALL SIZE: 22 tables NO LONG LINES LOW PRICE: \$3; \$5 family

CLOSE, FREE PARKING

DIVISION 1 N GAGE MODULAR LAYOUT

CONCESSION STAND

THIS IS THE PLACE FOR A MODEL RAILROADER
TO SELL OR TRADE HIS RAILROAD ITEMS.

You might find that one item you saw years ago and didn't buy.

You will **not** find the newest and latest items here.

Here you will find individuals offering older, used or excess equipment.



Tables (@6 feet) are \$15 each.

Contact: Bob Ashley, Jr.

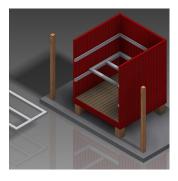
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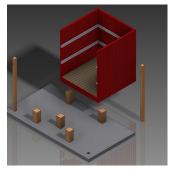
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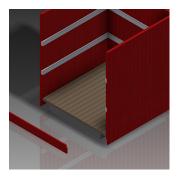
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22 tables available. Request your tables early. Setup starts at 8 am.

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
email:	
Number of tables: x \$15 = Limit of 4 tables.	









Sample instructions for assembling HO scale Firehose Shed. This will be at the November 19 Event. See details on page 7.

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- 2. Ad copy must be in final form, ready to copy.

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 Questions regarding copy, help designing ad, call me at (330) 571-4037

Bruce Hukill 223 Pierce Avenue Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 Effective 8/12/13

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Make & Take Kit for November 19 Event HO Scale Fire Hose Shed By Steve Zapytowski

On November 19 we will meet at Portland Locomotive Works and will have an HO scale fire hose shed kit to build. Gary Kohler will laser cut these for us. There will be white metal castings of the fire hoses for the shelves, and of the hydrant which will be just above the frost box seen in the center under the shed.

Recommended tools to bring:

- A number 11 knife or a single edged razor blade
- A piece of fine sand paper
- Magnifiers if you need them this is a small kit.
- Glue or adhesive if you choose to not get the tube of IC Gel with the kit

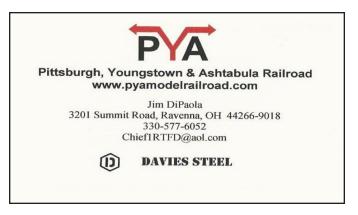
I will provide assembly instructions with the kit similar to the illustrations on page 6.

Cost of the kit is \$25 without a tube of IC Gel and \$30 with IC Gel adhesive. Give me your orders at the October 15 meeting or email your order to me by November 12 at szapytowski@neo.rr.com

5th Year

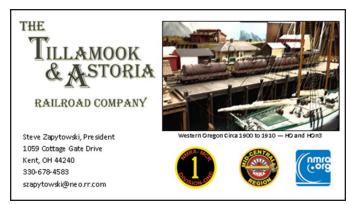






6th Year







Layout Tour

By the time you are reading this, I will have opened my layout to the participants of the Nickel Plate Convention. Preparing for an open house is a good way to organize and clean up the layout room and to keep the layout running.

I am happy to announce I am adding the CVT club layout to the Spring Tour. It is up and running and our gracious hosts have only just started the scenery. Their progress is quite impressive and I am looking forward to see what they will accomplish by spring!

Once again, please include your layout in our next Spring layout tour 2018. The tentative date is Saturday, April 7 and I am thinking of reduced hours, maybe 1 - 5. I have suggested a monthly reminder to share your layout in the Peddler Freight. For more long term planning, our regional convention is less than two years away. Consider adding your layout for an operating session or the Sunday self-guided tour. For the regional, I will need to see your layout. See me at a meeting or contact me anytime to discuss any questions or details. Thanks for participating.

Jim Peters Layout Tour Chairman

There are plenty of opportunities to share your layout with fellow members in our division and region:

- Annual Spring Layout Tour 2018
 April date TBA
- Sunday self-guided Tour Regional Convention 2019
- Thursday Operating session Regional Convention 2019

DIVISION 1 CONTEST - Hobo Camps - September Category





NMRA MCR Divison 1 Contest Topics 2017-18

October 2017 - Small Steam Docksiders (0-4-0), 4-4-0, 2-6-0

November 2017 - Railroad Cranes

Big hooks, burro cranes, Barnhart log loaders, etc.

December 2017 - Christmas Party - no contest

January 2018 - Atlas Water Tower

Put your own spin on this classic kit that everyone has. If you don't have one, pick one up and paint and detail it.

February 2018 - Bridges

Trestles, steel girder bridges, covered bridges, etc. Photo or actual bridge.

March 2018 - Photos

Model only (not prototype photos)

Mounted on card stock or other material

April 2018 - Dioramas

Track long enough to hold at least one piece of rolling stock At least one building or structure

Two Categories (Double points awarded)

Scratch Built/Craftsman Kit Standard Kit/Kit-Bashed

See March 2017 Peddler Freight for details

May 2018 - Trees

Any species or season, in diorama or stand alone

June 2018 - Awards

N/A

THIS MONTH'S MEETING Sunday, October 15, 2017 Host - Sam Eisele 2799 Frost Rd. Mantua, OH 44255 2 PM

From south: Route 44 north, west on 303 (3mi), north on Diagonal Rd., left on Frost Rd. House is on the right.

From west: Rt 8 north to 303 east through Hudson to Streetsboro. North on Rt. 43. Right on Frost Rd., about 4 miles to house on left.

Look for heavy stone wall, house sits back 250 ft. - asphalt driveway. A railroad sign will be out front. May also park in neighbors drive to the east. **Please stay on drive to avoid soft grass.**

Food will be served and a table for sales will be available.

Train Shows and Open Houses

Oktoberfest - October 14

Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot) 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, OH 44077 Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 5 PM

Norwalk & Western RR Model Train Show - Oct. 15

EHOVE Career Center, 316 West Mason Road Milan, OH 44846 Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 3 PM

Antique Toy & Diecast Show - October 21

Lakeland Community College, Auxiliary Gym 7700 Clocktower Dr., Kirtland, OH 44094 Admission \$6.00 9 AM - 2 PM

Old Eli's Train & Toy Show - October 21

Heritage Center, Rt. 62 between Berlin and Winesburg Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 3 PM

Lake Erie and Southern Railroad Model Train and Toy Show - October 22

Ernsthausen Center, City of Norwalk Parks and Recreation, 100 Republic St., Norwalk, OH 44857
Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 3 PM



<u>Train Collectors Association - Autumn Train Meet -</u> October 28

UAW Hall 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, Ohio 44130 Admission \$6.00, Family \$8.00 10 AM - 3 PM

Medina Model Railroad & Toy Shows, October 29

Medina County Community Center, Medina Fairgrounds Admission \$6.00, Under 12 Free 9 AM - 3 PM

<u>Division 1 Model Railroad Flea Market - November 5</u>

The Akron Yacht Club, 3575 S. Main St., Akron, Ohio Admission \$3.00, Family \$5.00 10 AM - 3 PM Phone: Bob Ashley, Jr. (330) 645-6175 - evenings

Youngstown Model RR Assoc, Open House November 4 - 5, December 2 - 3

Corner of Raccoon Rd & Four-Mile Rd. Austintown, OH Admission \$5.00, Under 12 Free 2 PM - 6 PM

MODEL TRAINing Day (Host - Div. 4) - November 5

Black River Landing & Transportation Center
421 Black River Lane, Lorain, OH
FREE TO ALL
11 AM - 4 PM

Achievement Program

As always, if you have any questions, just contact me. In search of new AP Chair. I will step down in June, 2018.

Jim Peters AP Chair

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