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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

A sincere Thank You is extended to everyone who supported me and to those who found cause to not support me, it is to you that my best efforts will be put forward to work with you in your areas of special interest.

June 13th of 2010 will take us to Chuck Boyer's home for our last monthly meeting until September of 2010. It was mentioned last month that June 13th is a perfect time to **bring snacks, beverages and other items you think appropriate** as Chuck will be hosting this effort himself.

Our Division extends to him sincere and heartfelt condolences at the recent passing of his wife. Our best goes out to the entire Boyer family. God Bless you all. Chuck needs us and you can bet that with all the railroading history in his past, we need him now more than ever. We will see you Chuck Sunday, June 13th.

My job has resulted in some very exciting appointments to others within the Division who will bring some opportunities to the forefront for us to work on. Those will be discussed at our next meeting.

Others are still needed.

Membership chair – Meeting Chair

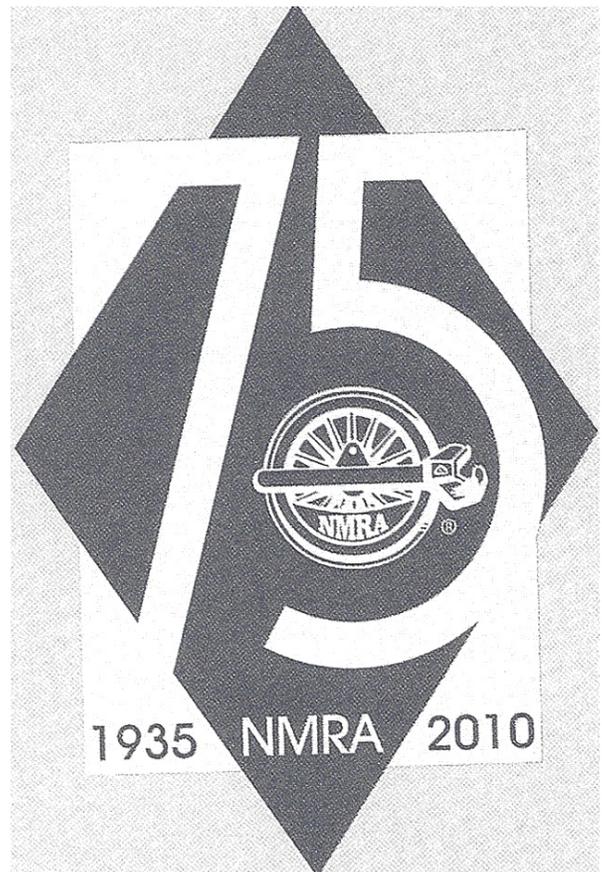
“N” scale representative

“Z” scale representative -.just to name a few.

If we pull together it will be easier to accomplish more with less effort. Lets Go!

A sincere Thank You for this opportunity.

Ron



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MODULE REPORT

Two modules have been wired to the latest Module Standard. One module is wired to pass through the DCC Cat 5 cable from module to module. The other module is wired to a NCE UTP Cab Bus Fascia Panel so we can plug in our throttles. By the time you read this, we will have several more wired. Most of the modules are going to be the pass through type. With this arrangement, we can power the modules with Digitrax, NCE or straight DC. The NCE UTP cabs will work with Digitrax or NCE.

However, the track still has not been laid. The wiring to the track from the terminal strip on each module will be the last connection. How the modules are detailed will be the choice of the owner. Unless the owner wants to have two or more modules which are part of a larger scene, they can be connected together in any order.

The NCE system, which has been purchased, failed to operate properly and had to be returned to the factory. We are waiting for the return of the Power Pro command unit. We will start to make the two sets of end modules during the next three months.

As of this time, the division has not invested in the module program. It was suggested at an earlier meeting that the division fund the end modules. We hope to pursue this at the next meeting. Bob Ashley, Jr. has requested that the modules be ready for the Division 1 Swap Meet in November. That is our goal at this time.

Bob Ashley, Sr., Module Chairman

NMRA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NMRA Membership in Division 1 stands at 98. This report covers through April 2010 and was received on May 11, 2010. The May report was not received in time for this issue.

NEW MEMBERS: David McMillion

RENEWALS: David Huston Richard Melvin Larry Olsen
Richard Ramskugler Fred Shape

2010-2011 MEETING DATES

September 19 - Glenn Yoder - Dalton
October 17 - Don Bonk - Louisville
November 7 - FLEA MARKET
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

Division 1 Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2010
Host: Jim DiPaolo, Ravenna, OH

Meeting was called to order at 1:56 PM by Superintendent David Hazlett.

Initial Business:

- A motion was made by Jim Bacher to accept the minutes of the April meeting as published in the Peddler Freight. The motion was seconded by Randy Dettmer and passed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Bob Ashley, Jr. A motion was made by Ron Wigal to accept the report pending audit. The motion was seconded by Bob Ashley Sr. and passed.

Peddler Freight: in June will be the last issue until September. The \$15 subscriptions are due for the 2010-2011-issue period.

Next meeting will be at Chuck Boyer's in Clinton, OH. This will be the last meeting until September.

Assistant superintendent's Report was given by Bob Ashley Sr.

He had a 95% complete module with him today for those interested in seeing what they should look like.

Clothing - Two mesh hats are left including several patches.

Clinics - Need folks to do clinics at next years meetings. Sign up sheet to be passed around.

Roster Sheet - Roster is being passed around. Please check and make any necessary updates.

Suggested a convention clinic on getting AP awards for MMR to help members not to loose focus and attain awards.

David thanked everyone who had helped during his administration.

Art Bumps, Division 4 Superintendent spoke about getting the 2014 NMRA national convention in Cleveland. They will need 150 volunteers for this event. Division 5 has already pledged support. Art indicated that the regional convention a few years ago was a good exercise but not an intentional step for putting on a national convention. Will Division 1 pledge support?

Discussion on floor, at the April meeting, the membership voted not to support the national convention effort. Bill Hewitt made a motion to reconsider participation in the national convention effort, seconded by Kurt Sanders.

The Division will send two representatives to the next national convention meeting. Representatives will be selected by the new administration following the election.

The 2011 MRC regional convention will be held by Division 5 in Geneva, OH, April 28 to May 1 at the Geneva Lodge.

The annual flea market will be held on November 7, 2010 at the same location as last year. So far, 17 tables sold.

Bob Ashley, Sr withdrew his roster change proposal.

David Hazlett - Division 1 needs to be registered with the state of Ohio as a non-profit organization. Our NRMA insurance could be in jeopardy without this registration.

Election - Rich Ramskugler will tally the ballots.

Eli Rantanes suggested a Division car to be offered like the Canton Museum did in the past. He felt we could make some money off of the car for the organization.

Bob Ashley Sr suggested we purchase a portable LCD projector for clinics.

Election Results:

Treasurer	Bob Ashley, Jr
Assistant Superintendent	Randy Dettmer
Superintendent	Ron Wigal

Motion made to accept ballots by Ron Wigal and second by Bob Sr. Vote on ballots to be returned to Rich for destruction.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim Bacher and seconded by Bob Ashley, Jr. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Randy Dettmer (Acting as clerk for this meeting)

THE 2009-2010 CONTEST

CONTEST WINNERS FOR MAY 2010:

Scratch-Built

NONE

Kit-Built

Rob Ashley - 1 pt

Kit-Bashed

Chuck Boyer - 1 pt

CURRENT STANDINGS:

Scratch-Built

Larry Brown - 1pt

Kit-Built

Bob Ashley, Sr - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 2 pts
Don Deakins - 2 pts
Bob Ashley, Jr. - 1 pt
Rob Ashley - 1 pt

Kit-Bashed

Chuck Boyer - 13 pts
Don Deakins - 7 pts
Bill Bigler - 3 pts
Jeffrey Jansen - 3 pts
Bob Ashley, Jr. - 2 pts
Larry Brown - 2 pts
Jim Dipaola - 1 pt

WINNERS FOR 2009-2010:

Scratch-Built : Larry Brown

Kit-Built: (three way tie): Bob Ashley, Sr., Larry Brown, Don Deakins

Kit-Bashed: Chuck Boyer

In Appreciation

Thank you to those who have been able to mail in a few dollars for a subscription to the "Peddler Freight".

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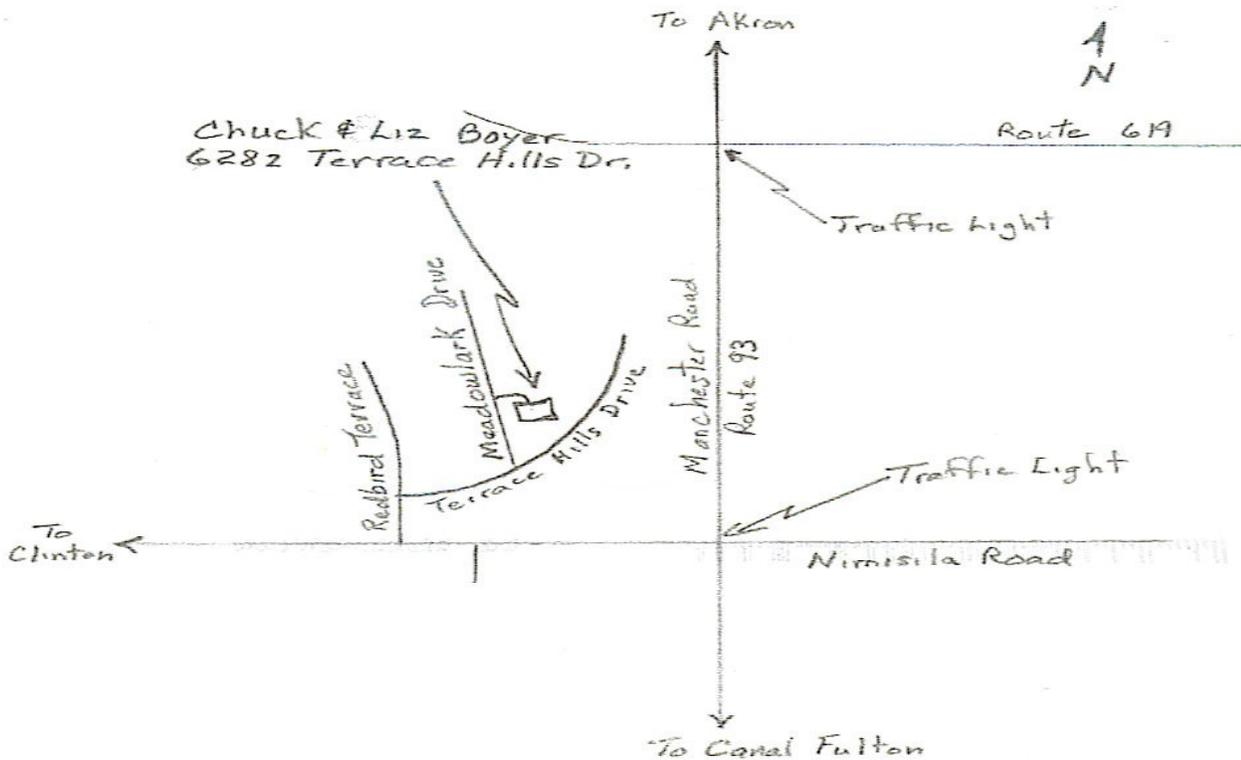
Here are the first four month's models:

- September - Tank Cars
- October - House or Shack
- 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

Without your financial assistance we would not be able to send our Division 1 publication to all NMRA members in Division 1.

Thank You.
 Bill Smith, Editor
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June Destinations
 Chuck Boyer's - June 13, 2010
 Manchester Area

Chuck lives at 6282 Terrace Hills Drive, Clinton OH 44216-9109. **Chuck requests that we bring snacks and beverages to share with those in attendance.** Chuck is an outstanding modeler on HO. His layout has many details that will be missed if you don't spend at least 2 hours just looking around. He holds several AP Certificates and just has a couple of more to go to get his MMR. Chuck will present a clinic at this meeting.

Chuck has been a member of the NMRA for many years and kept Division 1 alive when there was nothing nor no one attending meetings. He has been Superintendent, Treasurer, Clerk, Editor and anything else to keep the Division in the record books.

See you at Chucks on June 13, meeting starts at 2 PM. Chuck can be reached at 330-882-3709

Don't forget to bring snacks and beverages to share.

A reminder for June -

Northeast Ohio Live Steamers: Public Run – June 26, 2010 – 12:30PM-4:30PM
 3654 Lester Rd, Median, OH
 Rides are free, donations appreciated.

Superintendents Breakfast 2010 Report

The "Superintendent's Breakfast" meeting was held Sunday-May 16th in conjunction with the Mid-Central Region Spring Convention in Charleston, W.V.

This year's topic was "Building a successful Achievement Program in your Division". The meeting was chaired by Merlyn Jarman, V.P. Mid-Central Region. Attendees included Superintendents and Assistant Superintendent's representing most of the Mid-Central Region divisions. Other attendees included officers of the MCR and Achievement Program coordinators. Special guest was Frank Koch, Executive Assistant Manager for the N.M.R.A. Achievement Program and MCR Region Achievement Program Manager.

Here are notes and suggestions from attendees on helping build the Achievement Program in Mid-Central divisions:

1. Some portion of clinics at Regional conventions should be geared toward attendees earning an AP certificate in a specific category such as cars, structures, electrical, etc.
2. Provide a clinic at the regional conventions that takes attendees through what is needed to build a model that would earn required points towards earning a judged merit award.
3. Establish a "help list" for your Division that identifies whom in your Division with specific skills can offer help to those trying to earn their AP certificates
4. Take the fear out of what's needed in order to fill out paperwork for in entering models or describing work done to earn points towards AP merit awards or requirements
5. Constantly communicate with Division members how participating in the AP program can improve their modeling skills and help them learn new techniques and skills in model railroading.
6. Have coursework put together that is a complete step-by-step guide to learning and earning an Achievement Award for each AP category. Coursework would lay out what work is needed to be done, how to do this work to progress towards the AP certificate requirements, and materials needed. In effect, this would be a "home study" course for each AP area of expertise.
7. Give a "letter" after the name of the NMRA member that would indicate they have earned an AP certificate in a particular area of expertise i.e. Joe Jones (S), (E), (St) – (Scenery), (Electrical), (Structures)...etc.
8. Communicate to Division members that every meeting and show is an opportunity to have a model judged.
9. Use a series of Division meetings to focus on one (1) specific subject or AP area for 2-3 months and give clinics teaching and showing the work to be done to earn a AP certificate in that area.
10. Use achievement of "Golden Spike" award for Division members that have built a layout as a way to transition into earning AP certificates with the modeling they have already done to build their model railroad i.e. structures, scenery, electrical, etc.

Frank Koch-Mid-Central region AP Manager stated that he is available to come to Division meetings and talk about the Achievement Program or help Division AP Managers work with their Members to run an Achievement program clinic.

Frank has a master record spreadsheet that tracks MCR members that are moving towards earning their AP certificates in areas such as Volunteer, Author, as well as the traditional categories of structures, electrical, scenery, etc. Frank's extensive records go back to the early 1960's.

Respectfully submitted,
Merlyn Jarman, Mid-Central Region V.P.

(This information was received by email. Ed.)

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