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## The Editors Corner:

**Dave Puthoff**

The Division 7 Flea Market will be held on March 9 at the Lakota West Freshman School. Frank Koch will again be offering to sell your surplus items at the "White Elephant" table (10% of proceeds go to Division 7).

Details, including an Inventory Sheet, are included in this month's issue. This year we are emailing a separate Inventory Sheet at the same time for members to fill out and email or give back to Frank. For email, rename the spreadsheet file to contain your last name before sending it. Filling out the separate spreadsheet will greatly help Frank keep track of your sales!

If you have a photo, or a useful tip, or maybe just a useful website that you would like to share, the Oilcan is an opportunity to share it with your fellow model railroaders.

Email it to [editor@cincy-div7.org](mailto:editor@cincy-div7.org).

*Dave*

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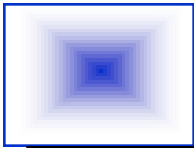
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Space permitting, *The Oil Can* welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

## **Cover:**

**Scene from Peter Weiglin's HO-scale Layout**

Photo by Dave Puthoff



Our February meeting was held at the Anderson Township Center on Five Mile. We had a great presentation by Ted Goodman from Columbus on the Age of Steam Roundhouse in Sugarcreek. Some of us were lucky enough to visit this location on the Division 7 bus tour several years ago. Ted is the architect who designed this roundhouse. The structure by itself is impressive to any of us who enjoy the prototype the way it used to be when steam was still king. But it is even more impressive when you get the whole story about what it took to create this piece of living history. Thank you also to Peter Weiglin and Rick Crumrine for opening their HO home layouts for us to see. We've visited both before, but there was a whole new section on Rick's! Apparently finished layouts are not necessarily finished.

Let me get a quick plug in here for the Ross Train Show on March 2nd, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. While some dealers there will also be at our Flea Market, this show is a chance to see the efforts of the five clubs located at Ross plus the Transit Historical Society. My club will be running on our permanent layout and my modules are also set up for display. (Yes, I actually do some modeling, although the home layout is still just in planning).

Going back to the Fall, we heard about the Region's efforts to promote our hobby through the use of T-Trak modules. These small modules can easily be displayed as part of talks at venues, like libraries, where larger displays are not feasible. Several MCR divisions have been leading this approach, and we frankly are behind in trying this. You may also recall that at the November meeting where Bruce DeMaeyer from Lexington talked about this, I brought the module kit that I had purchased on-line as part of the discussion of what the effort might be to join this effort. Since that time, the MCR has issued a call for modules to be displayed at the upcoming Regional Convention at Boardman at the beginning of May.

So, with a deadline looming ahead of me, I managed to make exactly NO progress on this project over the last two months. Until now! By dedicating an afternoon, with no other distractions, and with the option of working through the evening too; I got to work. Because the kit provides all the materials needed, precut and predrilled to create the module; and because the on-line information had also given the complete list of required Kato Uni-track (which I had purchased at the Fall Train Show); I was able to assemble a working module in a couple of hours. I have attached a couple of pictures showing the work and the result.

The one thing I found I needed to do that was not described in the kit instructions was to route the electrical feeds to the Kato feeder track sections underneath the module. This required drilling two holes that were not pre-drilled in the module surface. These had to be large enough to fit the male plug end of the feeder wires Kato provides. This required a second day as I had to locate the appropriate larger drill bits in my "storage" area. They were in the last place I looked. (By definition this is always so. Why would one look in any more places *after* finding the search objective? I will just admit that the location was also not the first place I looked either. Or the second. And leave it at that).

This step took longer than one might imagine. That 1/4" 5-ply board is **HARD**. I found that I had to start with a small pilot hole and use increasing diameter bits to eventually get the final hole size. Since the plug is rectangular in cross section, I had thought originally of perhaps drilling two holes the diameter of the narrow dimension of the plug and then cut out the material between them with an Xacto knife. That would have been impossible. Maybe a chisel and a mallet could have worked, but not a good way once the module was already assembled. If I had gone down this path, I would probably have resorted to my Dremel; aided by appropriate colorful language.

Now that I have an "operating module" I can start the planning of the scenery. To ensure enough progress to make the May deadline, I will likely use a number of structures that I already have built and come up with a logical grouping that uses some of the best of them. I have plenty of detail parts and vehicles available to go with whatever I select. Part of the plan is to try several new techniques that I have not previously used to see how they work for me.

I hope to see you at our annual Flea Market at Lakota Freshman School on March 9<sup>th</sup> (and maybe at Ross too).

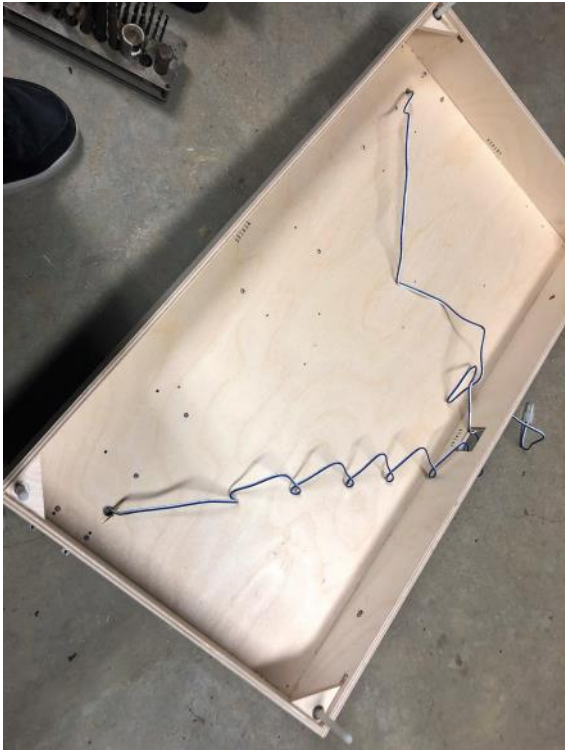
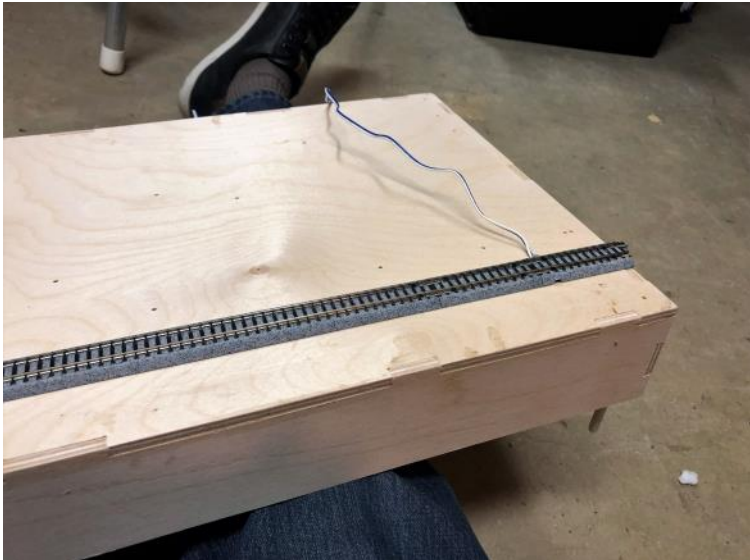
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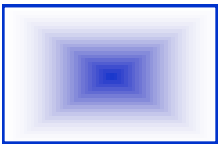


# T-Trak Module Kit



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# SECOND SECTION

Chuck Endreola  
Asst. Super

February's meeting at Anderson Township Center featured Ted Goodman's presentation "The Age of Steam Roundhouse". It was special to be led through the process of such a landmark project by the architect himself. Starting from the choice of site, the inspiration of design and material, to the actual construction and completion, I personally was fascinated with it all. It would be great to revisit this installation having this new perspective. May it inspire model railroaders and railfans for generations. Thanks, Ted, for that unique look at your creation. Hey, Mr. Burchnell, think we could reprise that bus trip?

After the meeting, we were welcomed to two layouts in much different states of completion. Rick Crumrine's efforts over the years has manifested into a beautifully executed layout, now including his nearly complete 3<sup>rd</sup> phase. It was my first visit to Peter Weiglin's layout which is in its "teenage years". Benchwork, track and wiring pretty much done. Peter will soon be attacking scenery and that car load of kits I saw piled so neatly. Thank you both for your hospitality.

As for my layout, it couldn't be progressing more slowly. The gandy dancers have been out on strike. I spotted little HO figures carrying "Unfair Mgmt" signs! I hope to have it up and running by the October meeting. Now I'll see if I can work under the pressure! Some-how, someway it'll happen.

Coming up:

**February 28<sup>th</sup>**, B.O.D. Meeting, 7:00pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 7701 Kenwood Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45236

**March 9<sup>th</sup>**, Annual Spring Flea Market, 10am to 3pm, at Lakota Freshman School, 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH 45069—This popular event takes the place of the regular Div. 7 March meeting.

**April 14<sup>th</sup>**, Harmony Lodge, 646 E. Epworth Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45232. Clinician: Model Railroader Contributing Editor Lou Sassi presents "Improve your Trucks and Trains".  
Layouts: Sam Swanson/Nancy Windes & The Cincinnati Model Ry. Club.

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>**, Mid Central Region Convention in Boardman, OH (Youngstown).

**May**, No regular meeting.

**May 11<sup>th</sup>**, **Annual Bus Excursion**, 7:30am until 6:30pm. A great opportunity to experience rare venues -See information in this Oil Can or on our Cincinnati Division 7 website. Make your reservations now! – This fun extra-fare event takes the place of the regular Division 7 meeting in May.

### **Non-Division 7 Events:**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Ross Train Show, Ross School Administration Bldg., 3371 Hamilton-Cleves Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013

**March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**, Div. 5 Rail Fest 2019, 10am to 4pm, Lakeland Community College, 7700 Clocktower Dr., Kirtland OH 44094. (Off St. Rt. 306 at I-90, exit 193).

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Div. 8 Train Show, 10am to 3pm, 4615 Fegenbush Ln., Louisville, KY

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Div. 3 "Training Day", 9:30am to 4pm, Carillon historical Pk., 1000 Carillon Blvd., Dayton, OH

*Chuck*



**CINCINNATI DIVISION 7, MCR, NMRA  
FEBRUARY 2019 CONTEST RESULTS**



**MODELS: Hoppers or gondolas**

**Box Stock:**

1st Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR: Scrap gondola  
2nd Place: Bruce Knapp: ATSF Sulphur gondola

**Kit bashed:**

1st Place: Roy Allan: D&RGW gondola  
2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR: Small gondola  
3rd Place: Bruce Knapp: Sunset Valley gondola

**Scratch Built:**

1st Place: Bruce Knapp: CL&W gondola  
2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR: Big Four gondola

**PHOTOGRAPHY: Hoppers or gondolas**

**Print Prototype:**

1st Place: David Wynne: D&S ore car  
2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR: Southern Railway gondola  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Scott Klein: IORY covered hopper

**Print Model:**

1st Place: John Listermann: B&O hoppers  
2nd Place Tie: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR: Gondola train  
2nd Place Tie: David Wynne: PRR coal car

**JUNIOR DIVISION:**

No Entries in either Category

**2019 STANDINGS – Through February**

**MODELS**

Georgia Dahlberg, MMR	12
Roy Allan	8
Bruce Knapp	5
Tom Brueggeman, MMR	3

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

Georgia Dahlberg, MMR	6
John Listermann	6
Joe Stuber	5
David Wynne	5
Scott Klein	1

**JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS & PHOTOGRAPHY**

No Entries So Far This Year

**APRIL CONTEST CATEGORIES:**

**MODELS and PHOTOGRAPHY: Maintenance of Way Equipment**

**Jim Rollwage**

NMRA, MCR, Div. 7 Contest Chair



# LAYOUT VISIT to Peter Weiglin's HO-Scale Layout





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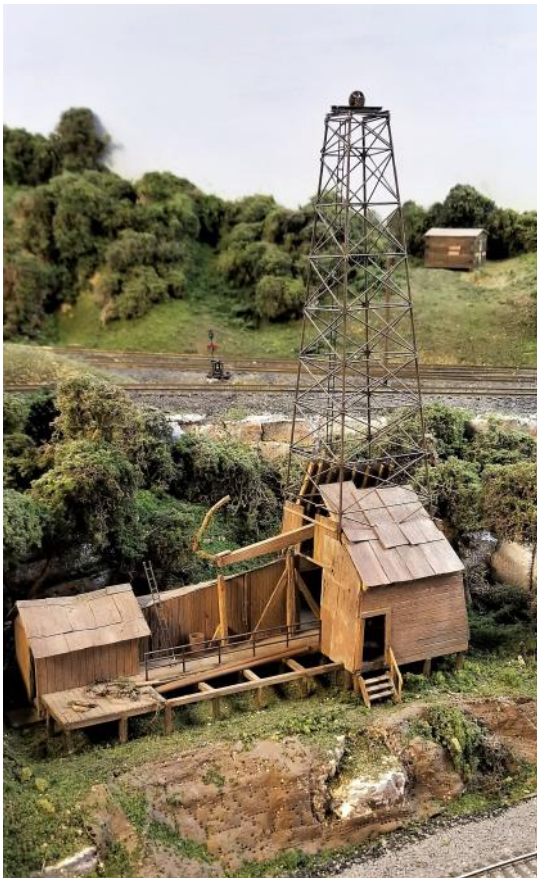


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# WHITE ELEPHANTS AT THE 2019 SPRING FLEA MARKET

(Frank Koch) – I'm back again for any individual Division 7 members with items they wish to sell. Prepare an inventory showing your name, address, and telephone number and listing **each individual** item with a description and code so I can match it back to you and your **firm** asking price in **whole dollar amounts only**. **Each individual item must be clearly marked and priced as shown below**. If there is more than one of an item, list them separately. Put all your items in a bag or box and bring them to the show before it starts. I'll log them in, sell them, reconcile sales with left-over material, and calculate how much you get back.

The Division will keep 10% of actual sales. You must pick up your unsold material and money on Saturday right after the show closes. If you would like an electronic inventory form, send me an e-mail at [fjkoch@hotmail.com](mailto:fjkoch@hotmail.com) with "elephant inventory" in the subject.

FJK—12 \$10.00
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Items are placed in the White Elephant Sale at your own risk. Neither Division 7 nor Frank Koch assumes any liability for any items damaged or stolen during the show, though we will provide due diligence for their safety. We will not accept items that are not prepared as indicated here. We cannot accept magazines. If you want to help out at some time during the flea market, let Frank know. We reserve the right to refuse any material that we deem unsuitable.



# DIVISION 7 - CLASSIFIED ADS

As a benefit to Division 7 members, the Oil Can will offer to list free Classified Ads to allow members to sell railroad-related items. A few other Divisions offer such a program. The Board has approved a trial of 6 months; after which the program will be re-evaluated. If you have items to sell, please review the Rules, and send an email to [editor@cincy-div7.org](mailto:editor@cincy-div7.org)

## CLASSIFIED AD RULES:

Item(s) must be railroad related.

Seller must be a Member of Division 7 MCR NMRA.

Listing description shall be 30 words or less.

Item(s) can be displayed for a maximum of three (3) months. Oil Can Editor will assign a Listing Number that will include the last month of listing. (E.g., “xx-July 2015” would indicate Listing xx will be listed through the July 2015 Oil Can).

Seller must list name, and either Phone Number and/or Email, so the interested Buyer can contact Seller. It will not be listed without them. **(NOTE: Seller agrees to allow contact information to be published in the Oilcan, which is published on the Internet).**

A single photo may be submitted for each listing.

Limit of three (3) listings from same Seller at any one time.


Seller shall email Oil Can Editor if item is sold so it can be removed from page.

All transactions are between the Buyer and the Seller.

Oilcan Editor reserves the right to edit listing if needed, and will notify Seller of edit prior to publication.



## DIVISION 7 - CLASSIFIED ADS

Picture	Description	Price	Name	Phone, or Email	Listing No.
	Atlas GE Clinchfield U36C diesel locomotive, no. 3601, late black w/yellow lettering paint scheme. New. Retail: \$90	\$55	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	59-May 19
	Bachman Spectrum – C&O USRA 2-6-6-2. Class H5, articulated steam locomotive, no. 1524, New Retail is \$220	\$150	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	49-May 19
	Proto 2000 - WM GP9 phase II locomotive, w/dynamic brakes (no numbers), New Retail: \$80.00 <u>Two available</u>	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	60-May 19
	Kato EMD PRR SD40, w/dynamic brakes, #6057 New Retail is \$88	\$55	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	51-May 19
	Kato EMD PRR NW2, phase I, switcher, #5912 New Retail is \$65	\$55	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	52-May 19
	Proto 2000 - Southern E6A and E6B locomotives (set) A-2802, B-2953, green passenger paint scheme. Sealed in boxes (2-pack) Retail is \$160	\$80	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	53-May 19
	Proto 2000 Heritage Collection - C&O USRA 2-8-4, Class K-4 Berkshire steam locomotive, no. 2724. Never removed from box. Retail is \$270	\$195	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	48-May 19
	Stewart Hobbies – WM F7A and F7B, phase I late, powered diesel locomotives w/dynamic brakes, Speed lettering. New. Retail: \$90 each	\$110 for both	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	61-May 19
	Stewart Hobbies – B&O F3A powered, F3B unpowered, phase IV, B&O capitol dome, diesel locomotives in gray/blue paint, set of 2 in box. New. Retail is \$135	\$95	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	55-May 19
	Stewart Hobbies – NYC F3, phase II (powered) and F3B, phase II (unpowered) diesel locomotives w/ cigar band paint scheme. New. for set. Retail is \$115	\$70	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	56-May 19
	Stewart Hobbies – PRR F3A, powered, phase IV, diesel locomotive in Brunswick green paint, New. Retail: \$90. <u>Two (2) available</u>	\$60	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	62-May 19
	Signal Controllers. Independently contols (6) R-Y-G Common-Negative LED signals,with Electronic Logic. 12 vdc. Inputs from Detectors, Turnout Position Switches, Dispatcher Switches. No computer required.	\$33 ea	Dave Puthoff	<a href="mailto:deputhoff@yahoo.com">deputhoff@yahoo.com</a>	63-May 19

# NMRA MCR DIV. 7 ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 2019 Southwest Ohio Operation Session

Rick Stern is beginning to plan for the 2019 Southwest Ohio Operation Session (SWOOPS) weekend.

Tentatively the date will be in October 18-20, 2019.

If you are interested in hosting an operating session for out-of-town enthusiasts, get in touch with Rick.

His email is [rstern1@cinci.rr.com](mailto:rstern1@cinci.rr.com) and phone is 513-729-1054.

## Great Northern Railway operating session on March 16 at 7 PM (Saturday)

### NEW PROJECTS:

The big item is installing the new Signaling system. The hardware is from RR-CirKits and is LLC. Joe Ross and I have spent about 3 weeks getting all signals installed and getting the software uploaded. As a train enters a block the signals change from Green to Red (1<sup>st</sup> block occupied), Red to Yellow (2<sup>nd</sup> block occupied), to Flashing Yellow (3<sup>rd</sup> block occupied) to Green (train enters 4<sup>th</sup> block).

The GNRW has been updated to handle DCC operations!.

As I used to do in the 80's and 90's, should you have a DCC engine, you may bring it to operate on the GNRW.

### Please email me which you would like to do:

Mainline operator(4)

Local mainline operator

Seattle freight yard: 14 tracks, 550 car capacity.

Seattle roundhouse: 24 stalls

St. Paul freight yard: 12 tracks, 420 car capacity

St. Paul roundhouse: 24 stalls

Swan river logging railroad: operator (2)

Ore dock: 120 car capacity.

Main panel dispatcher.

Swan river logging railroad: operator (2)

### USUAL STATS:

Time: 1938. All steam and electrics. The GN railway is a point to point railroad, 400' mainline with two 400-500 car yards at Seattle, Wash and St Paul, Minn, each having 20+ track turntables. Minimum radius, 48" with #10 turnouts. Track all hand laid on individual wooden ties. 100% scenery. Four track 12' ore dock. Interface railroads: NP, SP&S, Milwaukee, DM&IR, UP, SP, D&RGW and CN. Swan river logging railroad.

For pictures see: <http://ogrforum.ogaugerr.com/topic/great-northern-railway?page=1>

Junk food and beverage will be available

### Sam Parfitt

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West Chester OH 45069

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## Saturday, May 11 Bus Excursion Update

This lets you know our Cinti Div. 7 Bus Trip on Saturday, May 11 still has room for more of you. We currently have 26 registrations and can accommodate 21 more for a total of 47. The attractions on this trip are of our usual high quality and rarity, and the fun and fellowship always make for a good time. Here are some interesting reasons for you to register, perhaps along with a friend, relative or partner as well –

- We know of no conflicts from other key railroad and modeling events (May 2-4 N&W HS Roanoke Convention, May 15-18 PRR HS Altoona Convention) – our trip is the day before Mother's Day
- If you don't like long rides in a bus this one is especially for you as all the travel legs are very short (longest about 30 minutes)
- Even if you have been to 1 or 2 of these guided tour venues before, there are always new items or insights you can discover and/or photograph
- Since all the venues are local, this excursion is 1 hour shorter than our prior trips - we start 30 min. later (7:30 am) and finish ~30 min. earlier (6:30 pm) – leaving you more time for sleep and dinner
- Only a couple Division 7 members have even seen Greg Simpson's latest OO British layout – this is his 3<sup>rd</sup> one! (the first 2 were in GMR and MR - at his prior house)
- We should see and photograph 3 different small diesel electric locomotives – all GE's, one at Precision Strip and two at Cohen
- Whatever your feelings on the Cincinnati Streetcar, this rare shop tour is free to us and we are only giving them \$2 per person to ride the entire line
- Better to experience the Streetcar and its operations now as we never know when it might be gone
- This trip is a bargain at \$65 and is designed to barely break-even at our historical lowest attendance of 35 people
- This \$65 fare matches our lowest fare over the past 7 years (enabled by bus fare competition and slightly shorter trip duration)
- Our excursion includes optional free time for you to visit Findlay Market where you might wish to buy and consume some delicious goodies!
- Couples often attend these trips as our venues typically appeal to both rail and general interests – this trip continues that tradition
- These trips are truly rare opportunities – nearly all venues are not open to the public and about half our prior trip venues are no longer possible to see!

We hope you decide to join in the fun! See elsewhere in this Oil Can (also on the Cincinnati Division 7 website) for the registration form and publicity slides. See also our booth/poster at the Spring Flea Market. We look forward to another great trip with you!

**John Burchnall and Merlyn Jarman**

Excursions Co-Chairs

Cincinnati Div. 7, MCR, NMRA



# **Cincinnati Div. 7 NMRA**

*Spring Bus Trip*

## ***The Cincinnati Local***

***Saturday, May 11, 2019***

**Div. 7 Members + Spouse/Guest  
47 person limit! Sign Up Today!**

### **Deluxe Motor Coach Tour**

**Cincinnati Street Car Ride, Guided  
Shop Tour + Enjoy Findlay Market**

**Tour the American Sign Museum!**

**Tour Precision Strip & Cohen Scrap  
Operations, including 3 Locos**

**Visit a Premier Scale Model RR!**

**Enjoy Deluxe Box Lunch & Waters**

# *The Cincinnati Local*

## Ride and Tour the Cincinnati Streetcar

Guided tour of shops + roundtrip across entire line + Findlay Market



## Tour the American Sign Museum

Guided tour of this unique, incredible and inspirational attraction  
Has been called "Route 66 on Steroids", without the automobiles





# *The Cincinnati Local*

## **Precision Strip and Cohen Scrap Tours**

Guided tours, including automated "lights out" warehouse + 3 locos



## **Beautiful British OO Scale Layout**

Greg Simpson's fantastic third layout (prior two in GMR, MR) + huge military miniatures gaming table with twin workbenches





# "The Cincinnati Local"

Saturday, May 11, 2019

**Deluxe Motor Coach Tour to Premier Cincinnati and Middletown, Ohio attractions including Sign Museum, Streetcar, Steel Slitting and Scrap Yard**

*Departing 7:30 AM and Returning about 6:30 PM, from and to West Chester, OH  
Bus and Venue Restrictions Limit this Trip to the first 47 Registrants that Sign Up  
Registration Deadline Sunday, April 14, 2019 – No Refunds after this Date*

## Exclusive Tour Package

### Incredible Cincinnati Attractions

Guided tour of American Sign Museum ("Rt. 66 on steroids")  
Cincinnati Street Car ride and shop tour + shop Findlay Mkt

### Single Departing Location – West Chester, Ohio

Exact location disclosed later only to registrants  
Park at own risk - Provide car and license info below

### Fascinating Middletown Attractions

Guided tours of Precision Strip steel slitting & Cohen Scrap yards  
See three industrial locomotives plus a premier model railroad

### Fantastic Inspirational Day for a Great Price!

Deluxe motor coach transport, scenic roads, bottled waters  
Experienced guides, Panera Bread Company deluxe box lunch

**Greg Simpson** – third version of his "West Midlands Railways" British themed OO scale layout, featuring many structures, bridges, viaducts, dual mains, canal & lock system, plus huge military miniatures gaming table with separate workbenches

## Fares and Registration

Fare of \$65 per person includes -

- **Deluxe Motor Coach** round trip transportation from West Chester, Ohio area to all included Ohio area attractions
- **Transport, fees and admission** to the American Sign Museum, Cincinnati Streetcar ride, deluxe box lunch, waters
- **Visiting a premier layout, Sign museum, Streetcar shop, Steel slitting, Scrap yard - all never seen before on our tours!**
- **Exclusive guided tours** inside the Sign museum, Streetcar shop, Precision Steel facility and Cohen Scrap complex
- **Bonus attraction** – time permitting, we may have a short added photo stop at a related Middletown **Coke Oven** industry
- **Photos permitted most everywhere** – however no tripods, bags/packs or flashes permitted anywhere inside structures

Other Terms and Conditions -

- **Strict Safety Rules** require fully closed shoes, full length pants, long sleeve shirts - we provide helmets, vests, glasses
- Each attendee may also need to sign one or more **Liability Release Forms** – we will inform you in advance of trip
- **Umbrellas are not permitted** – you may bring caps, hooded jackets or ponchos instead
- Registration limited to **Cincinnati Division 7 members and their spouse/guest** – adult must accompany those under 18
- **Do not delay in registering** - due to venue & bus restrictions this trip is **limited to the first 47 registrants that sign up!**
- A **waitlist** will be maintained when full - refunds given after registration deadline only if replaced from waitlist
- Participants agree to promptly obey all directives of tour guides and stay with your tour sub-group during group tours
- Cincinnati Division 7 reserves the right to modify or cancel this event, especially due to matters beyond our control

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Parked Car Make & Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Lic. Plate: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of persons \_\_\_\_\_ x \$65 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of minors (under 18 years old) \_\_\_\_\_

Pay by cash, check or money order to: Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA

Mail to:

Cincinnati Local Registrar  
7367 Wheatland Meadow Ct  
West Chester, OH 45069

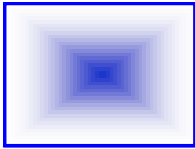
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# 2019 DIVISION 7 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATES, TIMES and EVENTS subject to change. Check back often for updates. All REGULAR meetings begin at 2:00 PM

Month	Date	Location	Program / Speaker	Contests *	Layout Visits
Jan	Sun, Jan 13	Central – Kenwood – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Sam Swanson “Making Trees”	Model & Photo: Caboose or Passenger Car	Tom Brueggeman + Pat Homan
Feb	Sun, Feb 10	East – Anderson Township Center	Ted Goodman “Age of Steam Roundhouse”	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Rick Crumrine + Peter Weiglin
Mar	Sat, Mar 9 10 am – 3 pm	Annual Spring Flea Market Lakota West Freshman School	Dealer, Sales, Membership and Modeler Aid Booths	None	None
Apr	Sun, Apr 14	Central – Spring Grove Village Harmony Lodge	Author and Photographer Lou Sassi “Improving your Trucks and Trains”	Model & Photo: Maintenance of Way Equipment	Sam Swanson + Cinti Model Rwy Club
May	Thu, May 2 to Sun, May 5	Mid-Central Region Convention Boardman (Youngstown), Ohio	Convention Clinics, Tours and Banquet Speaker	Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
May	Sat, May 11	Annual Bus Excursion (No Regular Meeting)	tbd	None	tbd
Jun	Sun, Jun 9	Central – Kenwood – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Georgia Dahlberg “Cincinnati Containers”	Model: Flat Car(s) with Load Photo: Train on Bridge/Trestle	Pat Homan + another tbd
Jul	Sun, Jul 7 to Sun, Jul 14	NMRA National Convention Salt Lake City, Utah	National Convention Clinics, Tours, Programs, Show and Banquets	Convention Contests	Convention Tours & Train Show Layouts
Jul	Sun, Jul 21 (note date)	Northeast – Mason? tbd?	tbd	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	tbd
Aug	Sun, Aug 11	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library	tbd	Model & Photo: Tank Car(s)	Georgia Dahlberg + another tbd
Sep	Sun, Sep 8	Central – Spring Grove Village Harmony Lodge	Modeler and Author Mike Tylick, MMR “Kitbash This”	Model & Photo: Locomotive(s)	Cinti Model Rwy Club + Rick Stern
Oct	Sun, Oct 6 (note date)	East – Anderson Township Center	tbd	Model & Photo: Structure(s)	Chuck Endreola + another tbd
Oct	Sat 12 – Sun 13 11 am - 5 pm	52nd Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West HS – West Chester	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Booths, Layouts and Slide Show	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 10	North – West Chester Library	tbd	Model & Photo: Freight Car(s)	Eastern Loggers + an- other tbd
Dec	Sun, Dec 8	West – Westwood United Meth- odist Church?	Annual Celebration/Snackfest and Potluck Computer Slide Show	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	tbd



# KNAPP'S NOTES

by Bruce Knapp

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## Celestial Vibration Time

It's early February, the weather is ugly, and my motivation to be brilliant is sadly lacking. I am reminded of a budding composer from my long-ago college days. The composer was my good buddy, Bill Suggs. I vividly remember him waiting for a visit from his personal celestial vibration. The vibration would come periodically, and he would be motivated to create another masterpiece. I am waiting for my motivating spirit to create something memorable for this month.

## Raton Pass

My celestial vibration this month deals with the progress, or lack thereof, for my massive (?) Santa Fe-themed tribute to the glories of the great wild west. There seems to be a huge disconnect between "arm-chair" dreaming and actual building. I am still experiencing some major gremlins as I connect my NCE system to the major yard in Trinidad. I am starting to suspect I didn't prepare all the Peco and Shinohara turnouts to make them DCC-friendly. I now know why I keep a copy of Angus MacLeod's Ancient Anglo-Saxon Curses; I find I use it quite often. It really came in when I picked up a hot soldering iron by the small end (!@#\$\$! \*\*&^Xz(\*)&). I think it's long overdue for a SOB work session. Volunteers are welcome!

## Great Modeling

Last week was another model and photographic contest, and again, the entries were a credit to the modelers and photographers from our division. Roy and Georgia entered their usual outstanding models. Georgia, really? A 1 in 400 gondola? Speaking of Georgia Dahlberg, Georgia is a Southern Pacific modeler, which qualifies her for membership in our very exclusive WMPA Society. I knew that Georgia was special. Speaking of WMPA, I don't want you should worry, but with the election of Charles Endreola, Esq., WMPA is slowly and quietly taking over the leadership of the division. Some of the unfortunate remarks heard from several members after the raffle last meeting won't be ignored. For the sadly un-initiated, there are industries along the Santa Fe right-of-way.

See everyone at the Division 7 Spring Show; bring plenty of money.

**Keep 'em rolling**

*Bruce*

## Spring Swap Meet & Flea Market

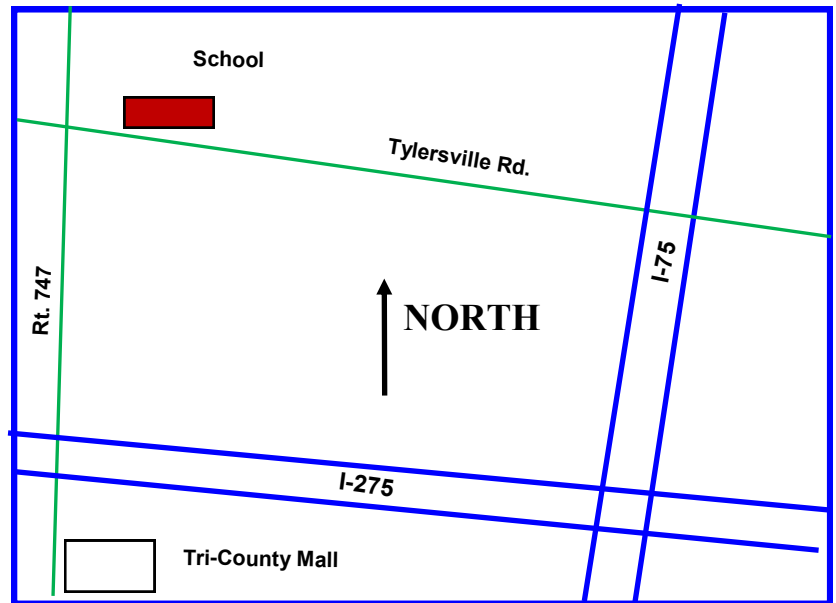
**10 AM to 3 PM Saturday March 9**

**Lakota West Freshman School**  
5050 Tylersville Road  
West Chester OH 45069

### Directions:

From I-75: Tylersville Road Exit 22,  
Go West on Tylersville Rd. approximately 4.5 miles.  
School is on your right.

From I-275: Route 747 Exit 42,  
Go North on Route 747 approximately 4.8 miles  
Turn right on Tylersville Rd.  
School is on your left.



## Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA  
**2019 Schedule**

**NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2 PM**  
(Unless otherwise notified)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speaker</u>	<u>Layout Visits</u>	<u>Contest Topic</u>
<b>3/9</b>	<b>NO March Meeting</b>	<i>Annual Division 7 Flea Market at Lakota West Freshman School on Saturday March 9</i>		
4/14	Harmony Lodge Spring Grove Village	Lou Sassi <i>Improving Trucks &amp; Trains</i>	Sam Swanson Cinti. Railway Club	<u>Models:</u> MOW Equipment <u>Photos:</u> MOW Equipment
<b>5/11</b>	<b>NO May Meeting</b>	<i>Division 7 The Cincinnati Local May 2019 Bus Trip on Saturday May 11</i>		

### Around the Division 2019

3/14 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**  
4/18 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**

### Region / National 2019

5/2-5/5 **MCR Regional Convention - Boardman OH**  
7/7-7/13 **NMRA National Convention - Salt Lake City UT**

### Modeling Problems? - Ask the Member Aid Committee

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