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Dave Puthoff

The Division 7 Family Picnic will be held on Sunday June 11 at Fernbank Lodge at Fernbank Park in Sayler Park. Because of the size of the venue, Registrations are limited to the first 100 people!

Deadline for Registrations is June 1

Details are on Pages 6-10.

If you have a photo, or a useful tip, or maybe just a useful website that you would like to share, the Oil Can is an opportunity to share it with your fellow model railroaders. Email it to editor@cincy-div7.org.

Dave

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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 on Perry Simpson's HO Layout

Photo by Dave Puthoff



A Mid-Central Region BOD meeting was held at the “Rails to Pittsburgh” convention, where it was announced that the 2024 MCR convention will be held in Cleveland and the 2025 convention in Columbus. Those of you who attended the National Convention in Cleveland may have learned that all the jokes about the so called “Mistake on the Lake” are unfounded. The 2024 Regional will actually be held in a southwestern suburb, but I urge all to take a very short car trip into the city.

Check out the Warehouse District, The Rock-N-Roll Hall of Fame, E. 4th street in the evening when lit up, the quaint Ohio City neighborhood, University Circle, and of course my favorite place to dine, Little Italy (go figure). The other item of interest at that BOD meeting was the creation of a Clinician List of MCR members. If you have a clinic(s) that you would like to share with other divisions, email me with the title and short description. I will forward your information to the MCR editor of this new resource.

The May meeting was a busy one. We had 3 new members and a guest in attendance. Dan Mack’s clinic on Fire equipment was teeming with examples of vehicles and descriptions, from the prototypes to the models available. Roy Allan was presented with two Merit Awards for models entered at Pittsburgh. Jordan Kramer gave an informative explanation of the new NMRA website feature, the “Interchange”. Randy Kerka was the recipient of the MCR’s 2023 Wenderfer Award for meritorious service to the NMRA. A following page shares the highlights of his service.

Our 2nd Annual Picnic will take place on June 11th, supplanting our regular meeting. Tony’s Second Section has more information. You will also find a list of door prizes to be won later in this issue.

It appears we have shrugged off the remnants of winter and are ready for outdoor activities. But do spend at least a couple of hours a week on model building or layout maintenance. Yard maintenance may have the side benefit of finding tree armatures among those fallen or pruned branches.

See you at the picnic,

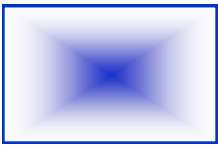
Chuck

LEADERSHIP CONTINUITY PLAN STATUS

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>Present Holder</u>	<u>Back Up(s)</u>
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Contest Chair	Roy Allan	open
Car Projects	Paul Maciulewicz	open
Community Service	Larry Bonhaus	open
Company Store	Paul Musselman	open
Video Library	Gary Orcutt	open
Modelers Aid	Bruce Knapp/Sam Parfitt	open
A/V Meeting Operators	- several -	open

If you are interested in volunteering to back up any of these open positions, please contact Chuck Endreola or the "Present Holder" for a description of duties.

Both **new and veteran members** are encouraged to become active in Division operations. Participation is rewarding!



SECOND SECTION

Tony Valerius
Asst. Super

Well, the MCR Convention in Pittsburgh has come and gone. I hope all of you who attended had a good time and came back with renewed plans for your modeling this year. Remember, if you attended a great clinic and think we should consider it for our 2024 lineup, please let me know. As for me, as I suspected, everything with my search for a new home erupted right when that was going on. I have found a new home and have been swamped with activities to purchase that home and sell my current one. One of those was the de-construction of my 5' x 7' layout before showings could occur. I plan to start my third and final layout in my new home. As I write this, I am displaced from my home so that eleven showings can happen today. Hopefully, one of those will turn into a solid offer that we can accept and keep everything moving along. (Update: We did get a wonderful offer which we accepted. Yeah!!!)

I know I may sound like I'm repeating myself, but we are fast approaching our 2nd Annual Division 7 Family Picnic. It is only a few weeks away. We have planned another wonderful event for you with great food, prizes, and times with your friends. This year's event is at the Fernbank Park Lodge on the Ohio River on June 11th from 1-5 pm. This park is an amazing location for us to gather for this event. We have lined up some great door prizes to be given out and a Team Trivia contest will challenge everyone to work together to get some wonderful prizes.

Find the flyer in this Oil Can and fill out the reservation form on the bottom portion. Send it to Roy Hord and with a check for the appropriate amount and your spot will be reserved. The division is picking up the majority of the expense of the event so your portion is only \$10 per person. Don't wait as we have had a lot of people send in their registration already. We have a limit of 100 people due to the limitations of the facility, so don't delay in getting your reservations in to Roy. You definitely do not want to miss this fun spectacular event!

Our May meeting was held today at the Kenton County Library in Erlanger, Kentucky. Dan Mack presented a great, new clinic on "Fire Engines and Fire Stations." Our contest was "Maintenance of Way" for both model and photo categories. Our layout visit was to the home of Perry Simpson's daughter and grandson to see Perry's amazing L&N based layout. I hope everyone had an amazing time seeing that wonderful layout. Thanks to Pam and Rick Mole-ski, and all who made it happen.

Coming Up:

June 11th – 2nd Annual Family Picnic from 1-5 pm at Fernbank Lodge in Fernbank Park. The registration deadline is June 1st but get your reservations in now as we are limited to the first 100 people. Picnic flyer included in this Oil Can has all the information and the registration form.

July 9th – Our July meeting will be held at a new venue so please check the map and your driving directions. The meeting will be held at the Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio. Larry Goodridge will present a clinic on "Use of Color in Model Railroading." Our contest will be "Non-Rail Building or Bridge" for both model and photo categories. Our layout visits will be to the homes of Dr. Bill Bramlage and Tom Brueggeman, MMR[®].

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA

2nd Annual Family Picnic



Fernbank Lodge in Fernbank Park
50 Thornton Ave, Cinti, OH 45233
(Sayler Park off Route 50)



1-5 pm Sunday, June 11, 2023

*For Division 7 Members, Families and their Guests.
Featuring Fellowship, Food, Soft Drinks, Door Prizes,
Games and our "main event" Trivia Team Contest
Only \$10 per person (Division 7 picks up the rest!)*

**Registrations limited to first 100 people
Hurry! – June 1 Registration Deadline**



Rain or Shine! We'll be in an air-conditioned building with restrooms.
Food features Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken, Salads, Cookies, Dessert.
Children permitted – an adult must accompany those under 18 years of age.
Ohio river views, active rail line, walking trail and children's playground.

No refunds after June 1, unless entire event cancelled by Division 7.
Cincinnati Division 7 reserves the right to modify or cancel this event.
This event will be operated under all local, state and federal health
guidelines in effect at that time – Face masks are currently optional.

Picnic Reservation Form - Please cut off and mail with payment before June 1, 2022

Div. 7 Member Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Number of Adults: _____	X \$10 fee = \$ _____
Number of Children: _____	X \$10 fee = \$ _____
Total submitted: \$ _____	

Send completed form & payment to:
Roy Hord
6526 Hollowview Ct.
Hamilton, Ohio 45011

Check # _____ (Make Checks Payable to "Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA")

Credit Card: Visa _____ MasterCard _____	Card # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____
Expiration Date: (MM/YY) _____ / _____	CVV: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

Further info: www.cincy-div7.org/events.html or email rhord@fuse.net

2023 PICNIC DOOR PRIZES

DOOR PRIZE	VALUE	DONOR	LOCATION
1 Night & Breakfast	\$250	Marriott	West Chester, OH
Round House Kit	\$150	Bob Lawson	
Hobby Supplies & Tool Box	\$110	Div. 7	
Hobby Gift Certificate & Pilkin's Fruit/Flowers Gift Card	\$50	Hamilton Hobbies Division 7	Hamilton OH Blue Ash OH
Hobby Gift Certificate & Pilkin's Fruit/Flowers Gift Card	\$50	Hamilton Hobbies Pilkin's Fruit/Veggie/Flowers	Hamilton OH Blue Ash OH
Pizza gift card & Bracelet/Necklace & 2 Coffee Cups	\$54	LaRosa's Entertainment Junction	LaRosa's Entertainment Junction
Buddy Card	Up to \$150.	LaRosa's	All locations
Ham Gift Card	\$50	Honey Baked Ham	All locations
Ham Gift Card and Condiment Basket	\$95	Honey Baked Ham	All locations
4 Do-It-All Admissions	\$80	EnterTrainment Junction	West Chester, OH
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"Trains of America" & Ornament	\$58	EnterTrainment Junction	West Chester, OH
10 DVDs	\$60	EnterTrainment Junction	West Chester, OH
Steam Book & Ham Hobby Gift Cert	\$50	Chuck Endreola	
Magnifying Visor	\$40	B&B Hobby Supplies	Pennsylvania
Candy Assrtment Basket	\$45	Esther Price	Kenwood, OH
Full Body Massage	\$70	Via Massage	Anderson Twp,OH
Event Catering Discount	\$200	"At Your Service Now"	Anderson Twp,OH
Hobby Shop Gift Certificate	\$50	Allied Rail	Ludlow, KY
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HO Tank Car	\$50	Bruce Knapp	
??MORE??			
TOTAL	\$1,642		

Fernbank Park & Lodge

The following photos show what you will see when you come to the June 11th picnic. I hope this gives you a taste of the wonderful site for this year's picnic.

1. You get into the park off of Rt. 50 in Sayler Park (see also the map posted on our website). The Thornton Avenue entrance is shared by the Cabana On the River restaurant and 13 Below Brewery. So you first cross the railroad tracks used by CSX, IORY, and CIND. You will probably see some railcars parked on the tracks both east and west of Thornton Avenue.



2. Once across the tracks, you will need to go to the left onto Forbes Road to enter the park. There is no gate attendant nor entrance fee. If someone of authority questions you, just say you are attending a function at the Lodge.



Fernbank Park & Lodge, Continued from Page 6

3. Traveling along Forbes Road, you will pass numerous picnic shelters, parking lots and the children's playground on the right side of the road.



4. Further on, you will come to the Lodge and it's parking lot.



5. Once there, you will have views of the Ohio River, river barge traffic, and great walking trails



Remember to get your spot reserved. Send your registration in to Roy Hord. It is on the flyer in this Oil Can with all the information you need.

We hope to see you there!

2023 Russ Wenderfer Award

The Mid-Central Region has named its Russ Wenderfer Award winner for 2023. This prestigious award is given for promotion of the hobby within the MCR. Each Mid-Central Division may nominate a candidate **who by their actions, involvement with Division activities, and overall extraordinary volunteer service has promoted the hobby of model railroading and the National Model Railroad Association**

The 2023 recipient is our own Randy Kerka

Randy Kerka has been a valued member of the NMRA and Division 7 for 29 years. He has served Division 7 as Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Publicity Chair, all with distinction. For both the 2005 National and the 2018 MCR Conventions, Randy directed all the publicity, supervised the Audio/Video service and coordinated scores of volunteers who put in thousands of effort hours. Another area he has had a huge impact on is increasing membership. During his four years as Superintendent, Randy tirelessly compiled thousands of our Fall Show's drawing slips and sent out personal letters to recruit non-members. His efforts resulted in over 50 new Division members! Randy continues to solicit potential members at all our events. He has an exceptional ability to engage attendees and turn strangers into friends. Among several distinguished nominees, the MCR chose to recognize Randy for his extraordinary service.

Congratulations Randy!



Photo by John Burchnall



**CINCINNATI DIVISION 7, MCR, NMRA
May 2023 Contest Results**



MODELS: MAINTENANCE-of-WAY

Kit-Built:	1st Place:	Jim Rollwage	Jordan Spreader
	2nd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Maintenance of Way Tool Car
Kit-Bashed:	1st Place:	Jim Rollwage	Union Pacific "Denver" Wrecker
	2nd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Great Northern 276A Engineering Car
	3rd Place:	Larry Goodridge	New York Central Crane and Diesel
Scratch-Built:	1st Place:	Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	D&RGW Snow Plow
	2nd Place:	Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	Water Crew Car
Junior Div:	No Entries This Month		

PHOTOGRAPHY: MAINTENANCE-of-Way

Prototype:	1st Place:	John Burchnall	Baltimore & Ohio Heavy Crane
	2nd Place:	John Burchnall	Baltimore & Ohio Tie Picker Crane on Flat Car
	3rd Place Tie:	Dan Mack	Cowans Shelton 1951 Steam Crane
	3rd Place Tie:	Dan Mack	Indian Rwy Steam Crane
Models:	1st Place:	Larry Goodridge	Union Pacific Wrecker Crane
	2nd Place:	John Burchnall	Reading Snow Flanger
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Hand Car Shed
Junior Div:	No Entries This Month		

2023 STANDINGS through MAY

MODELS

Jim Rollwage	10	Roy Allan	8	Bruce Knapp	2
Ben Hallenbeck	10	Chris Gribler	6	Dale Brown	2
Larry Goodridge	9	Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	6		

PHOTOGRAPHY

John Burchnall	27	Larry Goodridge	4	Dan Mack	2
Jim Rollwage	6	John Listermann	3	Roy Allan	1
Ben Hallenbeck	4	Bob Shreve	3	David Wynne	1

JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS No entries this year

JUNIOR DIVISION PHOTOS Shane Simpson 8

UPCOMING CATEGORIES

JUNE: No contest due to the picnic

JULY MODELS & PHOTOGRAPHY: Non-Rail Building or Bridge

Roy Allan
Cincinnati Division Contest Chair



**CINCINNATI DIVISION 7
MID CENTRAL REGION, NMRA
2023 CONTEST THEMES**



MONTH	MODELS	PHOTOGRAPHY
January	Caboose	Caboose
February	Hopper or Gondola Car	Hopper or Gondola Car
March	- No contest (Flea Market) -	- No contest (Flea Market) -
April	Steam Locomotive	Steam Locomotive
May	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment
June	- No contest (Picnic) -	- No contest (Picnic) -
July	Non-Rail Building or Bridge	Non-Rail Building or Bridge
August	Dirt or Road Vehicle	Dirt or Road Vehicle
September	Tank Car	Tank Car
October	Non-Steam Locomotive	Non-Steam Locomotive
November	Rail Building or Bridge	Rail Building or Bridge
December	Box or Refrigerator Car	Box or Refrigerator Car

Contest Sub-Classes

MODEL (up to 3 total entries permitted) – Kit-Built, Kit-Bashed or Scratch-Built

PHOTO (up to 3 total entries permitted) – Model or Prototype



DIVISION 7 - COMMITTEE REPORTS June 2023



Superintendent (Chuck Endreola): As a member in good standing of Division 7, you have the opportunity to attend BOD (Board of Directors) meetings. You may voice your opinion and/or introduce new ideas and suggestions. At this time, the BOD meets via Zoom. The meetings are held each quarter, and each has a different Zoom link. Contact Tony Valerius, John Burchnall or me each time and we'll gladly email you the link. Hope to see you there.

Recruitment and Retention (John Shields): The "latest" information from National (as of May 1) shows our current count is 215.

We have TWO new members to welcome this month:

Bill Bartl of Cincinnati

Sage Wayne-Nagel of Blue Ash

Thank you to the 18 people who chose to renew their memberships last month.

John Shields
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MCR Report (John Shields): No report this month

National Report (Frank Koch / Pam Moleski): No report this month

Achievement Program (Frank Koch): No report this month

Car Projects (Paul Maciulewicz): See the Car Project Announcement elsewhere in this Oil Can

Oil Can (Dave Puthoff): Submissions for the July Oil Can are due by June 22.

Monthly Raffle (Russ Poynter): No report this month

Community Service (Larry Bonhaus): No report this month

Modelers Aid (Bruce Knapp / Sam Parfitt): No report this month

Fall Train Show (Rick Crumrine): No report this month

Spring Flea Market (Gary Ossenschmidt / Roy Hord): No report this month

Operations Activities (Rick Stern): No report this month

Facebook Page (Pam Moleski): No report this month

Web Site (John Burchnall): No report this month

Video Library (Kevin Orcutt): No report this month

LAYOUT VISIT to Perry Simpson's HO-Scale Layout



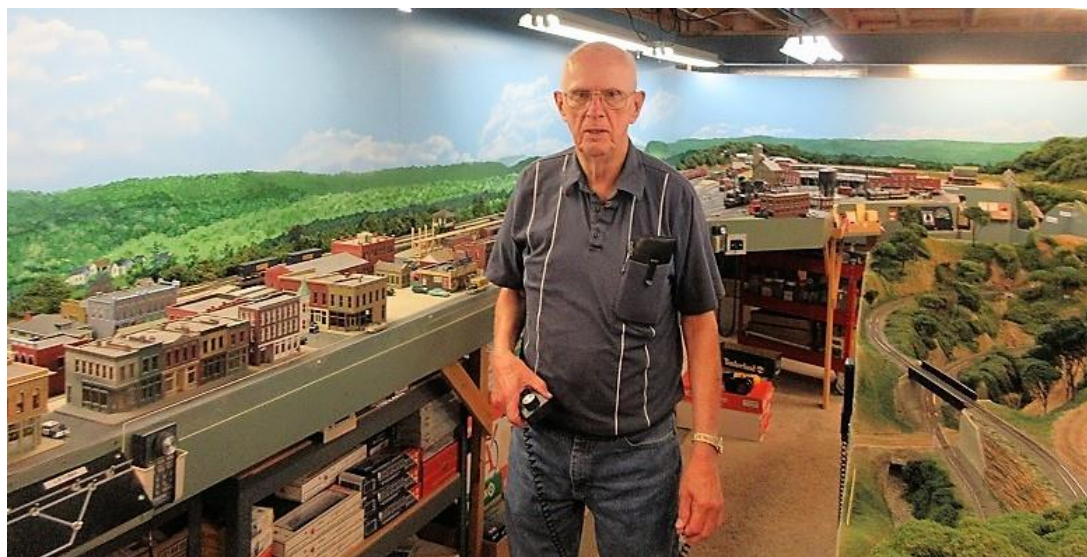
Photos by John Burchnall

LAYOUT VISIT to Perry Simpson's HO-Scale Layout



Photos by Dave Puthoff

LAYOUT VISIT to Perry Simpson's HO-Scale Layout



Perry in 2019

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Former Member Estate Sale

Layout in Anderson Township, OH. The following paragraph is a short description that Keith Schuch sent me. He feels that his father, Ronald, and late brother Donald, would have wanted some parts of their railroad to find a new home with Division 7 members. Keith is planning an open house for the Division on June 17th, from 11am to 4pm. If you are interested in finding some bargains while helping the Schuch family, contact Keith Schuch for the address at grunt087@yahoo.com.

Estate sale of Ronald Schuch Model Railroad Layout and collection of memorabilia:

A fifty-year collection consisting of a 12X20 HO layout based on the Great Northern. Brass engines, road diesels, rolling stock (most with KDs), structures, kits, spare parts, tools, train lanterns and collectables. The layout needs to be torn down to sell the house so if you can use sections of the layout you can get them. I will be available for private appointments for people that can't make it to the main showing. No reasonable offers refused. Everything must go."

Chuck Endreola

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Division 7 Car Project (Limited Edition!)

Cincinnati Division 7's Car Project Committee is pleased to announce the availability of our latest, limited-edition car project!

Using Accurail's 2200 Series ACF 2-Bay Covered Hopper as the basis, we are offering it in a Norfolk & Western repaint scheme.

These cars are N&W class HC-46 and are from an original batch of fifty built in 1966 by ACF and were painted in the Round Herald paint scheme.

Sometime subsequent to that some cars went through a general maintenance program where they were repainted in the block N&W livery. Photos were found showing that at least three of these cars (road numbers 170753, 170768 and 170794) were reweighed at some later date because that area is "patched out" on the car with the new data displayed. Those same photos place these three cars as being in service in 1992 and 2004! It is these three, highly unique, road numbers that Cincinnati Division 7 is now offering for sale.

As with all Accurail cars, they are in kit form only.

Pricing is \$25 per car, or a 3-car set at \$70. Shipping (via USPS Priority) is \$9.20 for one car and \$16.25 for two to three cars.

Ohio residents, please add 7.8% sales tax on the **total price of the kits and the shipping and handling fee.**

I received these cars the week of 9/12. Heritage and purchasing details are posted on our Division 7 web site.

You can also send me a check or money order in US dollars, payable to Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA, to:

Cincinnati Division 7 Car Projects

c/o Paul Maciulewicz

9151 Congress Court

West Chester, Ohio 45069



DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Great Northern Railway Operating Session on June 17 at 7 PM (Saturday)

NOTE: Contact Sam Parfitt prior to attending, in order to confirm the Operating Session. --- Ed.

GNRW ops is on the 3rd W/E Saturday.

Pizza at 6:30-7:00.
Please email if attending.

NEW POLICY:

Since there's not a lot to do outside our homes related to railroading, those who wish to have a 'one-on-one' or with own friends to operate the layout during the month, please email or call.
Being retired, I spend the bulk of my time in the basement so visitors are always welcomed. Thanks.

NEW PROJECTS:

Installed decoders in several more engines. A selection of 100 engines can now be done.

Mission Statement: Main theme of my railroad (besides modeling the Great Northern Railway): when building the railroad, I wanted to model mainline running with big time steam and 'scale like' trains of 25-45 cars on single track mainline with passing sidings.

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 and one staging yard holding 300 cars. Minimum radius, 48" with #10 turnouts. Track all hand laid on individual wooden ties. 100% scenery.

Four track 12' ore dock.

For pictures see:

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

Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tOb7SgZTLWA>

The Operating session is also listed in the NMRA MCR div 7 web site:

<https://cincy-div7.org/events.html>

Junk food and beverage will be available

Thanks

Sam Parfitt

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West Chester OH, 45069

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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 will periodically re-evaluate the program. If you have items to sell, please review the Rules, and send an email to 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.

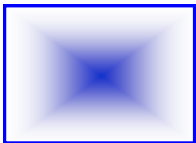
Oilcan Editor reserves the right to edit listing if needed, and will notify Seller of edit prior to publication.

Picture	Description	Price	Name	Phone, or Email	Listing No.
	Atlas ALCo S-2, PRR, non-dynamic, Brunswick green, #5927 Retail: \$62.95	\$60	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	278-Jun 23
	Atlas AICo C-425, PRR, non-dynamic, Brunswick green, #2419 Retail: \$79.95	\$60	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	279-Jun 23
	Atlas ALCo RS-3, SOU, non-dynamic, green w/white stripe , #2137. Retail: \$59.95	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	280-Jun 23
	Atlas EMD FP-7, SOU, non-dynamic, black/gold/white, #6136. Retail: \$109.95	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	281-Jun 23
	Proto 2000 EMD GP18, L&N, gray w/yellow nose, #902. Retail: \$70.00	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	282-Jun 23
	Proto 2000 EMD E8, Amtrak, early arrow scheme, #288 Retail: \$85.00.	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	283-Jun 23
	Proto 2000 EMD SD7, B&O, non-dynamic, blue/yellow, #764 Retail: \$85.00.	\$60	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	284-Jun 23
	Stewart GE U25B, PRR, Brunswick green, #2500 (kit) Retail: \$44.00	\$30	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	285-Jun 23
	Walthers FM H10-44 switcher, CNW green/yellow, #1054 Retail: \$67.50	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	286-Jun 23
	Walthers single-dome tank car, UTLX, black, #51803. Retail: \$7.98	\$6	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	287-Jun 23

Cincinnati Division 7 N.M.R.A. - 2023 Program Schedule

See website for most recent [printable landscape PDF](#). Dates, times and events can change. Most meetings begin at 2:00 PM

Month	Date	Location	Program / Speaker	Contests *	Layout Visits
Jan	Sun, Jan 8	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Patrick Stanley “How I Modeled Donner Pass”	Model & Photo: Caboose	Bob Bartizek + Bob Chapman + Mike Rottenberger
Feb	Sun, Feb 5 (note date)	West – Dunham Recreation Center (near Queen City Ave)	John Burchnall “Great Midwest Rail Circle Tour”	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola	Jack Sibert + Dennis Malloy
Mar	Sat, Mar 11 10 am – 3 pm	Annual Spring Flea Market Lakota West Freshman School	Dealer, Sales, Membership and Modeler Aid Booths	None	None
Apr	Sun, Apr 2 (note date)	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	Bernard Kempinski, MMR® “Military Railroads”	Model & Photo: Steam Locomotive	Gary Ossenschmidt + Ed Bley
May	Thu, May 4 to Sun, May 7	Pittsburgh MCR Convention – Keystone Div. 2 Pittsburgh	“Rails to Pittsburgh” Convention Clinics, Banquet, Show, Tours	Doubletree by Hilton Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
May	Sun, May 21 (note date)	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library	Dan Mack “Fire Engines and Fire Stations”	Model & Photo: Maintenance of Way	Perry Simpson + perhaps another tbd
Jun	Sun, Jun 11 1 – 5 pm	Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park in Cinti, Ohio	Catered Social Event (Food, Games, Door Prizes) - must register by June 1	None, except Team Trivia	None
Jul	Sun, Jul 9	Central – Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio	Larry Goodridge “Use of Color in Model Railroading”	Model & Photo: Non-Rail Building or Bridge	Tom Brueggeman, MMR® + Bill Bramlage
Aug	Sun, Aug 13	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Mike Hauk “Static Grass Tips & Techniques”	Model & Photo: Dirt or Road Vehicle	David Lamb + Rick Crumrine
Aug	Sat, Aug 19 to Sun, Aug 27	NMRA National Convention Grapevine (Ft. Worth), TX	2023 Texas Express – Clinics, Tours, Programs, Banquet, Show	Gaylord Texan Resort Convention Contests	Tours & Show Layouts
Sep	Sun, Sep 10	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Mike Tylick, MMR® “Scenery Construction”	Model & Photo: Tank Car	Pete Forbes + Ric Case
Oct	Sun, Oct 8	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	Lou and Cheryl Sassi “Modeling South Strong”	Model & Photo: Non-Steam Locomotive	Steve Montgomery + Dave Puthoff
Oct	Sat 14 & Sun 15 11 am to 5 pm	55th Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West High School	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Booths, Layouts and Slide Show	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 12	Central – Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio	Ed Swain “Coal Mines of the Middle Division”	Model & Photo: Rail Building or Bridge	Sam Swanson, MMR® + Tony Michel
Dec	Sun, Dec 10	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Potluck Electronic Slides and Annual Snackfest Celebration	Model & Photo: Box or Refrigerator Car	Matt & Debie Snell + Dan Mack



The Great Layouts of Division 7

John Burchnall is wonderful spokesman for this division and continues to do an outstanding job of highlighting our many contributions to the hobby. One of John's major projects has been the promotion of the many outstanding layouts in our division. We have had more than our share of having our layouts covered by the hobby press (Model Railroader, Rail Model Craftsman, and the NMRA Magazine).

We have layouts from Larry Bonhaus's tribute to the Pennsylvania Railroad, through Gerry Alber's magnificent Virginian Railroad; we have every scale including Bob Bartizek's 3-rail O-scale Pennsylvania to Roy Allan's Fn3, largely scratch built masterpiece. I would like to add two of my favorite pikes: Zach Riggins with his G-scale Rigginsville Railroad, and Keith Corman's Cincinnati, Louisville, and St. Louis. I have had the pleasure of visiting many of these creations, and being inspired to make some (at least a little progress on my Raton Pass). I suspect with help and encouragement of my workcrew, it may actually happen. Meanwhile, everyone keep up your excellent work!

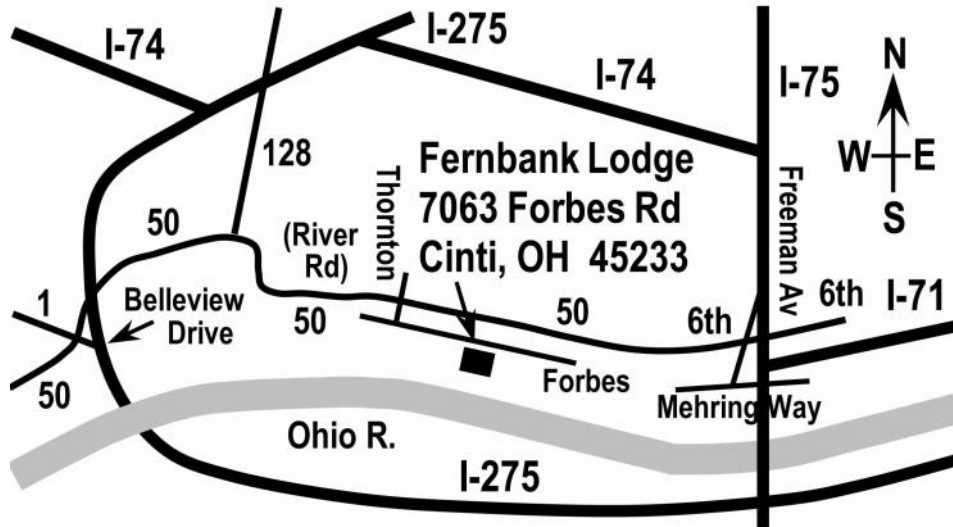
The 80% Sale?

I mentioned an ad I saw Facebook in May, I saw a dealer is having an 80% sale on several BLI locomotives. I decided to take a chance. and ordered three BLI diesels and two BLI steam locomotives. I ended up spending a tad over \$225.00 for a BLI Santa Fe E-8 B unit, a Santa Fe F-7 A&B, and 2 Santa Fe 2-8-2s. This will either be the buy of the decade, or I have been conned --- only time will tell. I will keep everyone posted. By the way, I really don't need any more Santa Fe motive power. So far no locomotives! I also haven't seen any charges to my Discover Card yet. HMMM!

Keep 'Em Rolling,

Bruce

Division 7 Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park, Sayler Park



Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA
2023 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>
<p>6/11 NO REGULAR MEETING—Division 7 Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park, Sayler Park 1 to 5 PM Note: Must be pre-registered to attend — see Registration Form on Page 6</p>				
7/9	Norwood Comm. Ctr. Norwood OH	Larry Goodridge <i>Use of Color in Model RRs</i>	Tom Brueggeman MMR® Bill Bramlage	<u>Models:</u> Non-rail Bldg. or Bridge <u>Photos:</u> Non-rail Bldg. or Bridge
8/13	American Legion Hall Mt. Carmel OH	Mike Hauk <i>Static Grass Tips & Techniques</i>	David Lamb Rick Crumrine	<u>Models:</u> Dirt or Road Vehicle <u>Photos:</u> Dirt or Road Vehicle
<p><u>Around the Division</u> 2022</p> <p>6/15 7:15 pm Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH</p>		<p><u>Region / National</u> 2023-2024</p> <p>8/20 – 8/26 NMRA National Convention, <i>Texas Express</i>, Grapevine, TX 5/16-5/19, 2024 NMRA Mid-Central Region Convention, <i>North Coast Limited</i>, Cleveland, OH.</p>		
<p><u>Modeling Problems? - Ask the Modelers Aid Committee</u></p> <p>Bruce Knapp (513) 941-2713 Sam Parfitt (513) 378-9133</p>		<p>Div. 7 Hot Line(513) 662-RAIL Div. 7 Web Sitewww.cincy-div7.org MCR Web Sitewww.midcentral-region-nmra.org Mail Address Cincinnati Division 7, MCR P.O. Box 62501 Cincinnati OH 45262-0501</p>		