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# **The Editors Corner:**

**Dave Puthoff** 

Another year has come to a close! Perhaps your Resolutions for the New Year include a procrastinated layout improvement, or completing one of the NMRA Achievement Awards --- or maybe it is just getting more exercise.

I have found that reading a few back issues of MR or NMRA Magazine makes my exercising at the local "Y" a bit more palatable. This year I'll still continue my practice of reading 2 issues per 30-minute "EFX" session, but I plan to leave my magazines for others, with a note stapled inside inviting the next person to take the magazine home, to visit the Division 7 website, and to consider joining the NMRA. Who knows? Maybe a new member, or at the least, I'll "pay it forward" --- the goodness of our hobby.

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 <a href="mailto:editor@cincy-div7.org">editor@cincy-div7.org</a>.

# Dave

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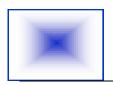
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<u>Space permitting</u>, **The Oil Can** welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

#### Cover:

Winter view of Amtrak's *Hoosier State* near Dyer, Indiana. Indiana's funding the Indianapolis-Chicago *Hoosier State* train beyond January 2015, is again questionable.

Photo: courtesy of Amtrak



# HEADLIGHTS

Happy New Year. Welcome to 2015. Hopefully everyone was able to relax and enjoy the holidays. The December meeting was a fun way to kick off the holiday season. Lots of good snacks and pictures. Roy Hord had a group of pictures scanned from slides he took back in the early 80's. I wish I had done more railfanning back then, but I guess a young family took priority. Now the kids are grown and moving out (and sometimes back in), but the trains are gone. Where's Doc Brown and his DeLorean time machine when I need it?

At the November and December meetings I presented award plaques to three people thanking them for their service to Division 7. Don Phillips took over as editor of the Oil Can in 2005 and held that position until this past summer. During that time he made many improvements to the content of the newsletter. The biggest change he made was developing an electronic version with more color content and more pictures. We were able to reduce our printing and distribution costs by using Email distribution. He also oversaw the change from printing and distributing a monthly 8 page printed newsletter to mailing out a monthly postcard. This has had a tremendous positive impact on the division finances.

Ed Wagner handled our publicity chores from 2007 to 2014. He ensured that our swap meet and fall train show were included in the events listings in the various model railroad publications and in the local newspapers. These announcements and advertisements were crucial to getting as many people as possible at our shows.

Laddie Henninger served as treasurer and BOD member from 2012 to 2014. The treasurer position has a lot of responsibility tracking the division finances and we thank Laddie for filling this role.

At the December BOD meeting, Treasurer Frank Koch updated the board with the findings from a recent IRS audit. Part of the audit reviewed our policies and procedures in relation to our IRS classification. As a result of this review, some of our procedures will be changing. Please see Frank's article elsewhere in this copy of the Oil Can.

Another discussion at the BOD meeting dealt with updates to the monthly contest rules. The biggest change is that we now have a clearly defined age limit for the junior division. Previously, we just said there would be a junior division, but did not specify what the age limit was. It should also be noted that someone who qualifies for the junior division is welcome to compete in the senior division, if he / she so chooses.

Lately, I have been reading articles talking about the need to get people interested in the hobby, before trying to get them to join the NMRA. When people come to our train show, they see lots of display layouts showing a finished product, but they don't always see the steps we follow to get to that point. Those of you who have been in the division for many years remember when we had a division layout that we would display at train shows. This was one of those finished product layouts. I floated an idea at the BOD meeting that the division should look into building a new display layout. My idea was to build a layout showing the progression from basic foundation to finished scenery. Several others at the meeting indicated they were also interested in the idea of a new layout. Several years ago the NMRA was trying to partner with one of the national home improvement chains to present instructional clinics in the store to help newcomers to the hobby build a small layout. A working group has been formed to investigate building a new division layout using the track plan designed for this clinic. Look for more information on this in the coming months.

John Burchnall and Merlyn Jarman will be announcing the destination for the May bus trip at the January meeting. I think this year's trip will be very exciting and will probably sell out.

Here's hoping Santa was good to you. If you haven't already done so, make those New Year's resolutions. Hopefully, you are not like me and keep using the same ones each year (the basement still isn't cleaned out.) See you all at the January meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> in Hyde Park.





# SECOND SECTION

The December meeting was on Sunday December 14th, at the Westwood United Methodist Church. We had our annual pot luck digital photo show and food fest. The contest topics were models of anything; and photos of locomotives. The layout visits were to Terry Judd's new N scale layout in Westwood and to Jack Sibert's HO layout in Cleves. These were both first time layout visits. It's great to see some new layouts. Seeing layouts under construction lets visitors ask a lot of "construction" kind of questions that might not be as easy to ask (or answer—when you can't see the work anymore) at more complete layouts. It also lets us watch these layouts progress as we return in future years.

In January, we will be at Hyde Park United Methodist Church. Our clinician in January will be Peter Weiglin. His topic is the story of the Harvey Houses and the Santa Fe. We will be visiting Frank Fieler's layout and Jim Stewart's layout. Both of these layouts demonstrate that one does not have to have a giant basement space in order to build good looking, interesting layouts. The contest topics in January are models of repurposed railroad cars and photos of the same subject.

In February we have a change of venue from previously listed plans. We will be meeting at the Wingate Hotel off Tylersville Road in West Chester on Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup>. Our clinician is still the acclaimed Allen McClelland giving us his latest V&O clinic entitled "Trendsetting, The V&O Story". The contest topics for both models and photos will be cabooses.

In March, there is no regular meeting due to the annual Flea Market and Swap Meet at Lakota Freshman School. As usual, we will be needing lots of volunteers to help at this event; so expect to see signup sheets at the January and/or February meetings.

In April, we will be at Harmony Lodge in Winton Place (Spring Grove Village, if you are not a railroad fan) on Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>. The clinician at this meeting will be Sam Swanson. He will be giving a clinic on "Scratchbuilding a Critter in On30". The contest topics are models and photos of Maintenance of Way Equipment. In May there will be the Regional Convention in Lexington "The Thoroughbred Limited" from May 14-17<sup>th</sup>, and our annual Division 7 Bus Tour (to an as yet undisclosed location) on May 9<sup>th</sup>; and therefore no regular meeting that month either. And finally, in June we will be at the Anderson Senior Center on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to check out the program schedule on the Division website too, to help you with your future planning. (For example, note that Lou Sassi will be our clinician in October).

There are two other activities that I don't list above, but generally happen every month, and you might want to keep them in mind as well. The first is the Lebanon Sub meeting the third Thursday (generally) of each month. This is a less formal, small group get together of model railroaders out in the north east corner of our division to talk modeling (and usually ends with pie at Frisch's for those interested). The next meeting of the Lebanon Sub is January 16<sup>th</sup> at Resurrection Lutheran Church at 7:30pm. The second is the Northern Kentucky Model Railroaders group. This is an even less formal group in the southern part of our division that meets at members' homes on the fourth Friday of the month at 7:00pm (I think; that's bowling night for me, so I don't have that one in my personal calendar.) They had a combined Nov/Dec meeting on December the 5<sup>th</sup>. Information is available through Tim's Trains & Hobbies.

I'm looking forward to ramping up the modeling activity as the New Year begins. Probably you are too. There is just so much else to do in December. But once the holidays are past, there really is not much else to do in the evenings (too dark and too cold to do anything outside). And the weekends free up because football is over (unless you believe the Bengals will actually make the playoffs, or play past the first round – (I write this before Christmas, so there is still hope at the moment). So if Santa is good to us, it's time to take the new "goodies" to the train room and do a little building or running. At least that is going to be my resolution for the New Year. At the very least, if I get started on *something*; then I will know what I need to be shopping for at the Flea Market in March!

See you in Hyde Park on January 11<sup>th</sup>.





# NMRA MCR DIV. 7 DECEMBER 2014 CONTEST RESULTS



**MODELS:** ANYTHING GOES (railroad related)

**Box Stock:** 

st Place: Ron Gribler, MMR: Cincinnati Northern Box Car #1123

No Other Entries Submitted In This Category

Kitbashed:

1st Place: Ron Gribler, MMR: LNE Gondola #1246

No Other Entries Submitted In This Category

**Scratch Built:** 

1st Place: Ron Gribler, MMR: Fram Oil Filter Warehouse "Flat"

No Other Entries Submitted In This Category

PHOTOGRAPHY: LOCOMOTIVES (any powered railroad unit)

**Print Prototype:** 

1st Place: Jerry Baston: 0-4-0 Rusted Saddle Tanker
2nd Place: Jerry Baston: Norfolk & Southern Diesel #2354

3rd Place: Jerry Baston: Sante Fe Diesel #92

**Print Model:** 

1st Place: Randy Seiler: Pennsy 4-4-4-4 Duplex on Bob Bartizek's Layout 2nd Place: John Listermann: B&O Mikado #4561 on John's Layout

3rd Place: Randy Seiler: Virginian Diesel/Electric #136 on Jerry Alber's Layout

Junior Division – No Entries Submitted in Any Category

#### 2014 YEAR END FINAL STANDINGS

#### MODELS

Frank Hermanek, MMR	20	Tom Brueggeman, MMR	04
Ron Gribler, MMR	18	Don Phillips	03
Bob Lawson	14	Warren Ossman	02
Rick Stern	13	John Listermann	02
Georgia Dahlberg, MMR	08	Bob Chapman	01
Frank Fieler	06	Jim Ruisinger	01

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Randy Seiler	41
Jerry Baston	40
John Listermann	15
Georgia Dahlberg, MMR	12
David Wynne	05

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## JUNIOR DIVISION - PHOTOGRAPHY

Anthony Zillich 06

#### **JANUARY CONTESTS:**

MODELS: REPURPOSED RAILOAD CARS W/O TRUCKS (on or off railroad property) PHOTOGRAPHY: REPURPOSED RAILROAD CARS W/O TRUCKS (on or off railroad property)

**Brad Jonas** 

NMRA, MCR, Div. 7 Contest Chair Laddie Henninger, Assistant Chair



# NMRA MCR DIV. 7 MODEL AND PHOTOGRAPHY 2015 CONTEST THEMES



<u>2015</u>	<b>MODELS</b>	<b>PHOTOGRAPHY</b>
JAN.	<b>REPURPOSED R.R. CARS</b> – Without trucks Can be on R.R. property or private property.	. <b>REPURPOSED R.R. CARS</b> – Without trucks. Can be on R.R. property or private property.
FEB.	CABOOSES	CABOOSES
MARC	H No Contest (Flea Market)	No Contest (Flea Market)
APRIL	MOW EQUIPMENT – Maintenance of Way.	MOW EQUIPMENT – Maintenance of Way.
MAY	No Contest (Bus Trip)	No Contest (Bus Trip)
JUNE	<b>PASSENGER CARS</b> - Any enclosed car used to carry paying passengers.	<b>GRAFFITTI on R.R.</b> CARS – Spray painted, artistic writing. Not chalk or hand written notes.
JULY	FLATCARS with LOADS	TRAINS on BRIDGES
AUG.	<b>SERVICING FACILITIES</b> – Repair Shops, Ash Pits, Roundhouses, Sanding Facilities, Icing Facilities, Water Towers, Coaling Facilities, etc.	TUNNEL ENTRANCES with TRAINS ENTERING or EXITING
SEPT.	<b>LOCOMOTIVES</b> – Any powered R.R. unit used to move rail cars.	<b>LOCOMOTIVES</b> – Any powered R.R. unit used to move rail cars.
ост.	<b>DIVISION 7 PROJECT CARS</b> – there will be no scratchbuilt category for this contest.	<b>DIVISION 7 PROJECT CARS</b> – Within a train consist.
NOV.	<b>FREIGHT CARS</b> – Any revenue producing cars not carrying passengers.	<b>FREIGHT CARS</b> – Any revenue producing cars not carrying passengers.
DEC.	<b>DIORAMAS – ON OR OFF LINE</b> – Not in	Depots

false front format, no more than 12" x 24".



# Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA Monthly Contest Rules & Guidelines December 6, 2014



- 1. The schedule of topics for the upcoming year will be published in the November issue of the Division 7 monthly newsletter, the *Oil Can*, as well as on Division 7's website. This will allow contestants to begin preparation for the contests to be held early in the year. In addition, each month the newsletter and website will also carry the topics for the next month's contests.
- 2. There will be two separate contest divisions: Senior and Youth.

The Youth Division is open to anyone who is 15 years of age or younger for the entirety of the calendar year. Members who are eligible for the Youth Division may choose at any time to move to the Senior Division for a particular contest. During the year of a member's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, he/she will automatically be moved to the Senior Division for that entire calendar year.

Scoring will be kept separate for each division. Any youth entering a Senior Division contest will accumulate points in the Senior Division, and those points cannot be transferred to the Youth Division. Points earned in the Youth Division cannot be transferred to the Senior Division.

All rules and methods of scoring will be the same for both divisions.

3. There will be two separate contest categories: **Modeling** and **Photography**.

The **Modeling** category is sub-divided into three separate categories as follows:

1. **Modeling: Box Stock** This category covers any models that are assembled from a manufacturer's kit. Minor improvements such as different couplers, painted handrails, different trucks, etc. still come under this category. Purchased or Ready to Run (RTR) models are not allowed. The model must have been assembled by the entrant.

As an example, an Athearn diesel locomotive would qualify for entry in the category because assembly of the handrails, horn, headlight glass, etc. was required.

- 2. **Modeling: Kit-Bashed** This category covers those models which comprise at least 2 of the following three elements:
  - a) Significant quantities and levels of super-details
  - b) Splicing parts of 2 or more models to create one unique model
  - c) Custom painting and/or weathering
- 3. **Modeling: Scratch-built** This category covers those models where the basic model is constructed from scratch. No splicing of commercially available models can be incorporated into the model. However, commercially available super-detail parts can be used.
- 4. **Display** If desired, models may be displayed on a plain or ballasted piece of track. No model may be displayed on a diorama, or in a similar fashion to enhance the model's presentation in order to provide an unfair advantage with respect to other contest entries.

# Div. 7 MCR Monthly Contest Rules & Guidelines (continued)

The **Photography** category is sub-divided into two categories as follows:

- 1. **Print: Prototype** This category covers those photographs taken by the contest participant with the subject matter consisting of the prototype matching the contest category. The contest topic cannot be an item in the background of the photo.
- 2. **Print: Model** This category covers those photographs taken by the contest participant with the subject matter consisting of a model matching the contest category. The contest topic cannot be an item in the background of the photo.
- 4. The monthly contest is open to all NMRA members.
- 5. A contestant may enter up to three entries in each of the two main categories, Modeling and Photography, in any month's contest. This could result in a total of six entries, three in Modeling and three in Photography.
- 6. Any model or photograph may be submitted more than once in the monthly contest until such time that it is awarded a first place finish. After achieving a first place finish (blue ribbon), the model or photograph is ineligible for entry in any future monthly contests. This will be enforced via the honor system. It is up to each NMRA member/contest participant to abide by this code so as to maintain the spirit of friendly competition within the membership.
- 7. Points will be awarded as follows:

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1st place – 3 points
2nd place – 2 points
3rd place – 1 point
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- A. In the event of a tie for 1st place, a total of only three awards will be presented: two 1st place awards and one 3rd place award. No 2nd place award will be given.
- B. In the event of a tie for 2nd place, a total of three awards will be presented: one for 1st place and two for 2nd place. No 3rd place award will be given.
- C. In the event of a tie for 3rd place, a total of four awards will be given: one for 1st place, one for 2nd place, and two for 3rd place.
- D. In the event of a three-way tie for 1st place, three 1st place awards will be given. No 2nd or 3rd place awards will be given.
- E. In the event of more than a three-way tie, the number of awards given may vary according to the circumstances as follows:
  - 1. A four-way tie, or more, for 1st place would result in four or more awards for 1<sup>st</sup> place. In that case there will be no 2nd or 3rd place awards.
  - 2. If there is one 1st place award and a three-way tie or more for 2nd place, it would result in three or more 2nd place awards. In that case there would be no 3rd place award.
  - 3. If there is one 1st place award, one 2nd place award and a tie for two or more 3rd place awards, then four or more awards could be given.

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# Div. 7 MCR Monthly Contest Rules & Guidelines (continued)

- 8. The contest results and current standings will be published as soon as is practical in the *Oil Can* and on the Division 7 website. Additionally, the contest rules will be continually available on the website.
- 9. All Division 7 members and guests are eligible to vote. Only one vote per person in each of the ten subcategories (five Senior & five Youth) is allowed.
- 10. At the end of the year, awards will be given to both the Senior and Youth Divisions as follows:
  - 1. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in modeling and photography in both the Senior and Youth Divisions
  - 2. First Place Overall in the Senior Division.

**NOTE:** In order to win a *First Place Overall* award, the competitor must have earned at least three points in each of the Modeling and Photography categories.

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NMRA Volunteer Award - presented to Don Phillips



NMRA Motive Power Achievement Award - presented to Sam Swanson



Photos: by Dave Puthoff



# **Thoroughbred Limited 2015**

2015 Mid Central Region Convention May 14-17, 2015 Lexington, Kentucky

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http://thoroughbredlimited2015.yolasite.com/

The convention is officially open for early registration.

Provisions have been made to register electronically on the internet with credit card or to register manually by sending the registrar the registration form via US Mail.

Y'all come and see us!

Rick Cobb, Superintendent

Bruce DeMaeyer, Chairman

# **IRS Audit of Division 7**

(Frank Koch, Treasurer) – On December 4, 2014, the Treasurer met with the IRS agent who had been assigned to audit the financial records and fiscal control processes of Division 7. The audit was triggered by conflicting entries in the classification determination file (I believe these have now been resolved) and to assess whether Division 7 was operating in accord with both its regulating documents (Constitution, By-Laws, and Policies) and the applicable IRS regulations.

We do not have the official results of the audit, but we have made some minor changes in several areas to ensure we are in better compliance without creating more complexity. These changes take place immediately.

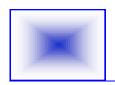
<u>Raffle</u> – A raffle for members of Division 7 is OK and considered non-taxable income. Sale of raffle tickets to non-members of Division 7 (including NMRA members from outside Division 7) must be tracked separately, recorded, and reported as taxable income above certain levels. If we don't track it specifically, then all raffle income is presumed taxable income. Rather than track each transaction, the BOD has decided that we will sell raffle tickets only to members of Division 7 and that only members of Division 7 can redeem tickets for prizes.

<u>Vendors</u> – We must issue IRS Form 1099 to any individual or company that is not a registered corporation if they provide more than \$600 of services in any given fiscal year. For those service vendors who are not corporations, we must collect and report their tax payer identification number or else withhold income tax and transmit it to the IRS. We only have 1-2 vendors who are affected by this. Hopefully, we can restrict ourselves to issuing 1-2 Form 1099 and not get into the tax collection business.

<u>Public Shows</u> – The small changes in this area can be considered beneficial to us with the IRS. Our two shows are educational, the layouts provide historical insight into by-gone times, any historical societies do the same thing, we have some manufacturers who offer prototypically accurate wares, and we offer clinics and services to the public. We should provide a bit more emphasis on these benefits and add the "trade show" aspect to our registration and advertising materials. This will reinforce our goals of being more of an educational organization.

<u>Fiscal Processes</u> – We have strong documented fiscal control processes in almost every area. For those few areas where we have informal processes, we will develop agreed formal processes. This is sound fiscal control planning. We must be able to record and track every income stream and validate (receipts and invoices), record, and track all expenses in detail. The auditor had no issues with the items he examined in detail.

We are not finished with the audit process yet, but I believe we will get a positive result after the IRS internal review. I do expect the report to contain some suggestions for improvement and compliance based on the agent's examination of our records and processes. We will then take those suggestions and incorporate them into our processes for the future.



# KNAPP'S NOTES

## But Santa, I've Been Good ALL Year

This is the time of the year that children (of all ages) begin to anticipate Christmas and the gifts we might receive. I think a couple of BLI Santa Fe 3800 class 2-10-2's would be nice. At this point our parents would remind us that Santa keeps a naughty or nice list. Now which list am I on this year? I began to review my record over the past year and wondered how would I rate on Santa's list.

Well, let's start with the monthly raffle; I thought I did well here. Ignore the few(?) disparaging remarks from John Burchnall and look at the big picture; there was never a question about the raffle's honesty, in fact, I never heard it mentioned. Most of the executive board and committee chairs should be pleased. We need to review the work done by Pat Homan and I with the Modeler's Aid Committee I thought we did a very good job of avoiding giving any assistance to anyone (at least we were consistent).

I also think that our obnoxious comments at the monthly meetings showed our commitment to assisting new modelers. I hit new heights in journalism with Knapp's Notes this year, as I tried to offend everybody. A few examples of my work include WMPA, where I was ably assisted by Chuck Endreola, Pat Homan, Merlyn Jarman, and Keith Corman.

Were there any Appalachian Modelers we didn't offend? Sorry, we will try harder next year. As I look at my record of accomplishment, I am starting to see a delivery of coal from the jolly old Elf--- which is really too bad, as the Santa Fe had converted a majority of steam power to oil by 1951 (my layout era). I could try to change my behaviors; forget that nobody would believe it. Oh well, no 2-10-2's this year.

## Remember your first train?

One of most model railroaders fondest memories is their first Christmas train-set. For many of you it was a Lionel set, for some it was Marx. For me it was an American Flyer freight set with a 290 New Haven I-4, three freight cars, and a 638 caboose, with track and 75-watt transformer. My parents augmented the set with a Marx whistling station. That set began a lifelong love affair with model trains. Believe it or not, I still have the set and still set it up at Christmas. My first train was New Haven prototype, I grew up 6 blocks from the NYC Collinwood Yard, chased the Monon while I lived in Indianapolis, and yet I model Santa Fe. That's a story for a later issue (one of those months when I have "writer's block"). For most of us in this great hobby, that train-set was the beginnings of a lifelong obsession.

## Some Ideas for the New Year

As we look ahead to 2015, there are a few things to try: **First**, if you haven't been to one of Dan Miller's Auctions, you need to experience one. Dan's next auction is Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, I really recommend attending at least one. **Second**, make every effort this season to visit each of our local hobby dealers, as they not only promote the hobby, but support our division. A list of our local dealers is on the Division 7 Website.

**Third**, plan to support the model and photo contests by entering something this year. There are a large number of really excellent modelers and photographers in this Division, so share your talents with the rest of us. **Fourth**, buy plenty of raffle tickets (don't believe John Burchnall, it is honest!) If you don't believe me, just ask my cohort, Russ Poynter (would he fib?). And **lastly**, have fun and enjoy the hobby!

May the joy of the Holiday Season be with each and every one of you and with your families also. See you in January!



# **Next Meeting**

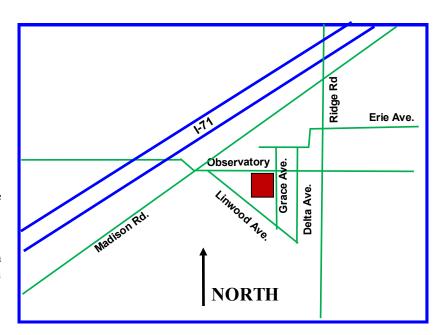
# 2 PM Sunday January 11

**Hyde Park Community Methodist Church** 1345 Grace Ave.

# **Directions:**

From I-71 South: Ridge Road Exit, Go South on Ridge Rd. Turn Right onto Erie, then Left onto Grace Ave. Church is on your right.

From I-71 North: Observatory Road Exit, Go East on Observatory Road. Turn Right onto Grace Ave. Church is on your right.



# **Coming Down the Line**

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA 2014 - 2015 Schedule

# NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2 PM

(Unless otherwise notified)

<u>Date</u> 1/11	Location  Hyde Park United  Methodist Church	Program/Speaker  Harvey Houses & Sante Fe Peter Weiglin	Layout Visits Frank Fieler Jim Stewart	Contest Topic  Models: Re-purposed RR Cars Photos: Re-purposed RR Cars
1/16	Resurrection Church Lebanon OH	Lebanon Sub Meeting	N/A	Show & Tell
2/8	Wingate Hotel West Chester	V & O Update Allen McClelland	TBD	Models & Photos: Cabooses (Cabin Cars, Way Cars, etc.)
2/19	Resurrection Church Lebanon OH	Lebanon Sub Meeting	N/A	Show & Tell
3/7	No Division 7 Meeting -	Spring Flea Market at Lakot	a West Freshma	nn School in West Chester
3/19	Resurrection Church Lebanon OH	Lebanon Sub Meeting	N/A	Show & Tell
4/12	Harmony Lodge Spring Grove Village	Scratchbuilding a Critter Sam Swanson	TBD	Models & Photos: Maintenance of Way (MOW) equipment

## **Around the Region** 2015

2/7 Ft. Wright Train Show Ft. Wright KY Div. 7 Spring Flea Market

3/7 **West Chester** 5/14-17 **MCR 2015 Convention Lexington KY** 

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