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## The Editors Corner:

**Dave Puthoff**

Who says modelers need to blow a whistle or horn when their train enters a road crossing?

The prototype appears to be matching what some of us have been modeling for years — CSX is installing new “Quiet Zone” crossing signals in Glendale to eliminate the need for train horns at two crossings! (A third crossing will be eliminated).

The \$700,000 project costs are being shared by Glendale and the railroads that use the tracks. Project commenced in 2016, Surveys taken in Glendale indicate mixed results regarding its need, as there must be a few railfans!

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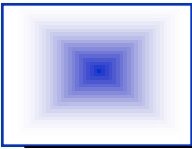
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*Space permitting, The Oil Can* welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

**Cover:**

**Scene from Pat Homan's HO-Scale Layout**

Photo by John Shields



Our June meeting was held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Kenwood. Our own Georgia Dalhberg MMR® was our clinician. She gave a clinic on early (think 20's and 30's) intermodal trailers. These are actually based on those made by a Cincinnati company and originated with the idea of moving LCL freight *between* Cincinnati freight stations. This same company originated the milk containers that eventually were associated with dairies in New England. Georgia not only had the photographic history of these early containers, but had a number of really nice models of them available for inspection as well. Thank you to Pat Homan and Gerry Albers for opening their HO layouts for us to see. A special thanks to Pat for providing hard hats as well.

Our next monthly meeting is not until July 21 to avoid conflicting with the National NMRA Convention, in Salt Lake City this year. See Chuck Endreola's column for details and/or the table for the whole year that John Burchnall and Chuck maintain on our Division 7 website (and, of course, the info at the end of this newsletter). As usual, look for the orange postcard in the mail to help you remember!

I am attending the convention in Salt Lake, so I will be able to give a report on it at the July meeting. I'll also pass on some pictures in the next *Oil Can*. Usually, I have focused on doing layout tours at the various conventions. While I am still trying to see a number of layouts, I am also signed up to operate on two layouts as part of the OpSIG effort. Of course, there are also prototype tours and I am doing two of those as well. In between these activities, I'll fill my time with clinics. It should be an eventful week. And then there is the National Train Show on the weekend.

However, that is not my next railroad activity. I'll be in Chicago from June 24 to June 30 at the N Scale Enthusiasts convention. This will be the third straight year that I have been able to go to this national N scale event – Pittsburgh in 2017 and Salt Lake in 2018 were my previous stops (I also made it to one in Hershey, PA back in 2012). Who says summer is the “off season” for our hobby? Sort of like the groundhog in February, summer is when model railroaders venture out of their basements (even if they see their shadows) to ride real trains and meet other modelers and often to get inspired for the next winter's modeling.

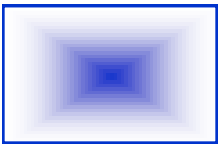
Even if you cannot make a cross country trek like I plan, it's still a great time of year to check out the prototype. There are a number of railfanning spots around Cincinnati that do not require much time or money to enjoy. In my experience you may run into fellow train enthusiasts at these spots as well. One more option is the local tourist railroads. If you have kids, or especially grandkids, consider taking them to the Whitewater Valley RR or to the Lebanon, Mason, and Monroe RR. Thomas will be at the Whitewater Valley at the end of June and LM&M is hosting steam powered excursions on August 3, 4, 10, & 11.

Speaking of the prototype, I have it on good authority that our *Oil Can* editor is more than willing to share more pictures in our newsletter; and they do not have to be of model trains. If you do go railfanning at any of the local hotspots, send Dave some pictures! Even better, write a short description to go with them and encourage more of our members to consider these locations for train watching. If you travel out of the area to ride some of the other tourist railroads around the country, share some pictures of that as well (and make us all envious!).

The common thread in all of these activities and suggestions is “SHARE”. Model railroading may be a fine “lone wolf” hobby; but if you have joined the NMRA you must at least suspect that it can be improved by associating with others who share your interest. At the local Division level, we try to create options for you to do that. And we are continuing to try to identify more joint activities that we can provide to you. But I want to encourage you to become more active as well by sharing your hobby with your fellow members, and even more importantly with non-members. To keep our hobby alive, we need to be passing our interest on to the next generation(s). Did your Dad (or someone else) cause you to become interested? Probably someone spurred your interest. You can help “pay it forward” as they say nowadays. Model Railroading is Fun. Pass it on!

I hope to see you in West Chester on July 21st.

*John*



# SECOND SECTION

Chuck Endreola  
Asst. Super

I have reclaimed half of my benchwork lumber for an emergency project. Anybody know how many inches are in a cubit? The instructions in the King James "Manual" are rather vague and it provides no schematics! Rain, rain go away!!! I'd like to thank June's clinician Georgia Dahlberg, MMR, and our layout hosts Pat Homan and Gerry Albers.

## We've Lost Another Gem

Local model railroaders have lost another great source of modeling products in the Cincinnati area. Recently, Alex Kolesnikov closed "DCC Trains" retail outlet in Anderson to concentrate on mail order business. And now, "Tim's Trains & Hobbies" in Latonia, KY., closed its doors on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Both will be missed.

After 10 years in business Owner/Operator Tim Cook, himself a fine model railroader, has decided to retire and spend more time chasing a little white ball. After retiring from CVG's Fire Dept., Tim ran "Johnny's Toys" train store for about 10 years. When that store closed, Tim acquired much of the inventory and found a location for his own shop. Although Tim stocked model autos, boats, planes and rockets, the emphasis was on model train sales and service. He carried a large inventory and you could usually find what you needed for that night's modeling session. An item not on the shelf? Tim was always able to have it within a week and with no shipping charges. His prices were very reasonable, and the staff was always friendly, knowledgeable and helpful.

A stalwart staff member, our own Raffle Chair, "Honest Russ Poynter" said, "Tim was great to work with. Always open to new ideas and items." One of the unique offerings to his customers was providing free modeling clinics during the fall, winter and early spring months. Several modelers would volunteer to conduct a clinic and share their knowledge, experiences, and techniques. A Thursday afternoon ritual was going to lunch with Tim and several of his customer friends, where the lively banter ranged from model railroading, to sports, to politics.

The business and property are for sale, perhaps there is an interested party out there to carry on. I lament the closing of yet another brick and mortar hobby shop. I will miss the hands-on examination of merchandise, convenience of having it today, and the accommodating staff that would answer all my questions. But even more, I will miss visiting with Tim and the many friends I've made there.

From all of us in Division 7, good luck in your retirement.

## **Looking ahead:**

**July 7th -14th** - NMRA National Convention in Salt Lake, Utah.

**July 21st** - **NOTE THE DATE!** We will meet at the West Chester Library 9363 Centre Point Dr., West Chester, OH 45069. Clinician will be Bob Frankrone, "Love Those Loads". Contest subject is "Anything Goes" for both models and photos. Layout visits to Ed Swain and Curt LaRue

**August 11th** - We will meet at the Kenton County Library, 401 Kenton Lands Rd., Erlanger, KY 41018. Clinician will be Rick Stern, "Exotic Trains of India". Contest is "Tank Cars" for both models and photos. We will visit the layouts of Georgia Dahlberg, MMR and Perry Simpson.

## **Non-Division 7 events:**

**July 7th -13th** - Lionel Operating Train Society Annual Convention. Louisville, Ky. July 27th&28th - Van Wert Model RR Show & Swap. Van Wert Fairgrounds 1055 S Washington St. (US 127)

**July 30<sup>th</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup>** - 2019 NASG (S Gauge) Convention "Queen City Express," Quality Hotel Conference Center Cincinnati Blue Ash OH

**July 31st -August 4th** - C&O Historical Society Conference, Cincinnati Marriott North, Union Ctr Blvd., West Chester, OH

*Chuck*



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



**MODELS: Flat cars with loads**

**Box Stock:**

- 1st Place: Bruce Knapp: Flatcar with industrial boiler
- 2nd Place: Bruce Knapp: Stewart tanks on flatcar
- 3rd Place: Bob Chapman: Flatcar with tank load

**Kit bashed:**

- 1st Place: Rick Stern: Flatcars with Burro Crane
- 2nd Place: Roy Allan: D&RGW flatcar with 1939 Chrysler
- 3rd Place: Bob Chapman: Flatcar with turbines

**Scratch Built:**

- 1st Place: Tom Brueggeman, MMR@: D&RGW flatcar with lumber
- 2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: Girders with idler cars
- 3rd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: Barre Granite flatcar with load

**PHOTOGRAPHY: Trains on bridges or trestles**

**Print Prototype:**

- 1st Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: High Bridge, Kentucky
- 2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: High Bridge, Kentucky
- 3rd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: High Bridge, Kentucky

**Print Model:**

- 1st Place: John Listermann: B&O Sharks on bridge
- 2nd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: Trestle with Shay locomotive
- 3rd Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@: Truss bridge with 4-6-0 locomotive

**JUNIOR DIVISION:**

No entries in either category

**2019 STANDINGS – Through June**

**MODELS**

Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@	19	John Listermann	2
Bruce Knapp	16	Bob Chapman	2
Roy Allan	11		
Tom Brueggeman, MMR@	9		
Rick Stern	3		

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

Georgia Dahlberg, MMR@	21
John Listermann	9
Joe Stuber	5
David Wynne	5
Scott Klein	1

**JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS & PHOTOGRAPHY**

No entries so far this year

**JULY CONTEST CATEGORIES:**

**MODELS: Anything goes**

**PHOTOGRAPHY: Anything goes**

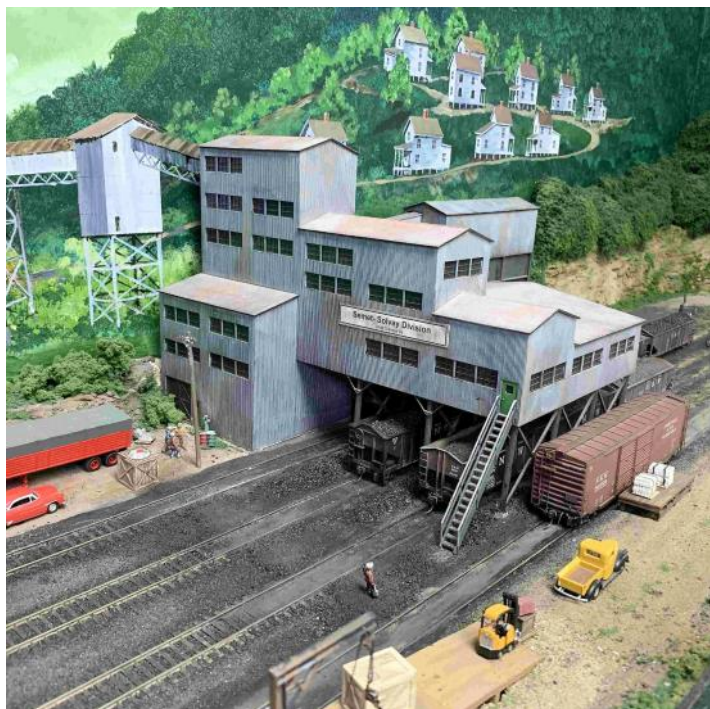
**Jim Rollwage**

NMRA, MCR, Div. 7 Contest Chair

# LAYOUT VISIT to Gerry Albers's HO-Scale Layout



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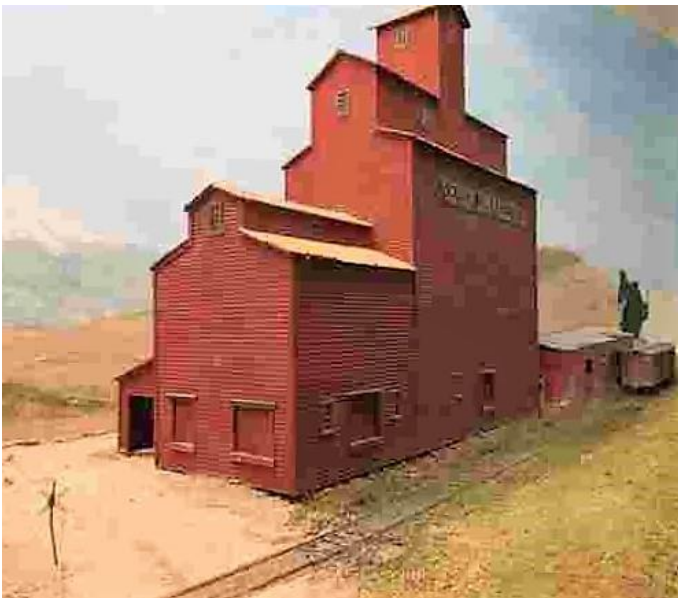




# LAYOUT VISIT to Pat Homan's HO-Scale Layout



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Photos by Sam Parfitt

## Division 7— Post 2005 Bus Excursions

In May we completed our 11<sup>th</sup> Cincinnati Division 7 bus excursion since initiating them in 2006. Recall, we started these to enable our members to enjoy tours similar to those we conducted for the attendees of our huge 2005 National NMRA Convention. Like all the others, our latest excursion was very successful with superb experiences at all the venues, good weather, great bus, driver and food, and wonderful camaraderie. As usual, we met our 3 primary goals of keeping everyone safe, on-time and having fun.

At this point we have exhausted ideas for compelling venues within the 3.5 hour bus range outside our Division. It seems we are victims of our own success. As such, we'll take a break for the next few years while we keep a look out for new venue ideas. Still, 11 great trips in the past 14 years is a pretty amazing feat. This is certainly something to celebrate. We thank each of you that took advantage of the opportunity to join us on these exciting journeys to rare, largely non-accessible to the public, venues. For your reference, please see the table for a summary of all our 11 excursions.

**John Burchnall and Merlyn Jarman**  
Cincinnati Division 7 Excursions Co-Leaders



**Division 7 Cincinnati Local 2019 Bus Trip Participants**

Photo by John Burchnall

### Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA Post 2005 National Convention Bus Excursions

Date(s)	Year*	Excursion Name	Destinations	Attractions	Attendees	Fee***	Hours
June 3,4	2006	Hoosier Express	Indy/Bloomington, IN	8 layouts, dinner speaker	40	\$30 + hotel	2 days
May 19	2007	Big South Fork Ry Express	Sterns/Eubank, KY	Ry ride/shops, 1 layout, dinner	39	\$59 + dinner	14.5
May 4	2008	Indy Special (Sunday)	NE Indianapolis, IN	Indy Tran. Mus., 3 layouts, dinner	50	\$57 + dinner	14
May 9	2009	Dayton Flyer	Greater Dayton, OH	Amer. Packard Museum, 6 layouts	34	\$49	12
June 5	2010	Thoroughbred Express	Greater Lexington, KY	RJ Corman, Distillery, 3 layouts	49	\$59	12
May 14	2011	Beech Grove Express	Indy/Columbus, IN	Amtrak Shops, Columbus, 3 layouts	45	\$59	12
May 5	2012	Buckeye Express	Marion/Columbus, OH	Marion Station/Tower, 5 layouts	39	\$65	12
May 31	2014	Louisville Slugger Express	La Grange/Louisville, KY	Louisville Slugger factory, 5 layouts	44	\$65	12
May 9	2015	Buckeye Steam Express	Columbus/Sugarcreek, OH	Age of Steam Complex, 3 layouts	48	\$72	12
May 21	2016	Iron Triangle Express	Fostoria/Lima, OH	Railpark, Allen Cty Mus., 3 layouts	44	\$65	12
May 11	2019	Cincinnati Local	Cinti/Middletown, OH	Streetcar, Sign Mus., 2 indus., layout	26	\$65	11

**Location Tallies:** 3 Kentucky, 3 Indiana, 1 Local, 1 Dayton, 3 other Ohio

**Averages:**    **42**            **\$62\*\***            **12**

\* No Excursions in 2013, 2017 and 2018 due to helping with the 2013 Dayton MCR Convention and planning/conducting the 2018 Cincinnati MCR Convention

\*\* Average fee calculation excludes the heavily subsidized 2006 trip

\*\*\* 2006 Excursion subsidized \$2100 as extension of tours for 2005 Cincinnati Limited National Convention

## NMRA MCR DIV. 7 ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Chuck Endreola receives Merit Award for a Structure entered at the Regional Convention**

Photo by Sam Parfitt



### **Calling For Clinicians at Mini Meet September 14 at Erie, PA**

Hopefully you will consider attending the Alleghany Western Mini Meet September, 14<sup>th</sup>, in Erie, PA. I would like to extend an invitation to you to present a clinic at this event. We are looking for a variety of topics from prototype modeling, modeling methods and well, you name it. Submitted clinics will be selected based on needs, timeliness, and skill level filling twelve clinic positions. The mini-meet is being held in the Ambassador Center in Erie, PA. The Ambassador will be the site for the 2021 MCR Convention giving participants a chance to get a peak at our future convention center. The meet is an all day Saturday event that will also offer some off-site opportunities Friday and Saturday nights.

Please contact me If you are interested and I will email you with a submission form.

More information regarding the Alleghany Western Mini-Meet is being updated on our website.

<http://www.div12mcr.org>

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DOUG SANDMEYER**  
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# 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.

## Layout Removal Services to Division 7 Members

A new service is now available with an excellent experienced group of model railroaders.

In each of our lives, the day may arrive, when for whatever reason: relocation, health or familial changes, the removal of a model railroad layout would be a huge undertaking requiring specialized experience and knowledge.

There are stages that may need to be taken. These are but not limited to:

1. The possible sale of model railroad equipment: locomotives, cars, track, operating systems, buildings and anything that could be placed in the marketplace; and/or
2. The possible removal of the table work, scenery, wiring, backdrops, special lighting, etc.

There are many individuals and companies that will plan and construct a new model railroad. However, there are very few who know or have the experience to undertake the necessary steps required by the modeler or modeler's family to smoothly and efficiently remove what we all have constructed during our lifetime enjoying this great hobby.

We are fortunate in our geographical region to have a group headed by Jerry Strangarity and Steve Montgomery who now offers a variety of the above referenced services. Jerry and Steve are multi-year experienced modelers who have recently provided various segments of the above services. Jerry and Steve can bring in their experienced team to handle any level of work, depending on your requirements and requests. Their goal is to seek the potentially largest financial return for the model railroader and the railroader's family through diverse sales opportunities. They also can provide other removal services at fair rates.

For information, please contact Jerry Strangarity at 513-967-4159 or Steve Montgomery at 513-238-6540. Thank you.

# 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.
				<b>NOTE:</b> Contact Jim MacKnight after 7/19	
	Athearn Genisis B&O USRA 2-8-2 light, steam locomotive, No. 4525. New. Retail is \$140	\$89	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	76-Jul 19
	Atlas Clinchfield EMD GP-7 diesel locomotive, No. 913, gray w/yellow nose paint scheme. New. Retail is \$95	\$60	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	77-Jul 19
	Atlas Southern ALCo RS-3 locomotive, no. 2137, green w/ white stripe paint scheme. New. Retail is \$60	\$40	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	78-Jul 19
	Atlas PRR ALCo C-425 diesel locomotive, w/dynamic brakes, no. 2419, Brunswick green. New. Retail is \$80	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	79-Jul 19
	Atlas L&N EMD GP-7 diesel locomotive, no. 412, black w/cream & red stripes scheme New. Retail is \$100	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	80-Jul 19
	Bachman Spectrum PRR FM H16-44 switcher, diesel locomotive, Brunswick green, no. 8815. New. Retail is \$60	\$40	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	71-Jun 19
	Proto 2000 - UP EMD GP7 phase II locomotive, with dynamic brakes, yellow/gray, no. 102, New. Retail is \$85	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	81-Jul 19
	Proto 2000 - C&O EMD GP9 phase II locomotive, with dynamic brakes (no number), C&OHS custom For Progress. New. Retail is \$80	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	82-Jul 19
	Proto 2000 - B&O EMD GP7 phase II locomotive, with steam generator, blue, no 743. New. Retail is \$85	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	83-Jul 19
	Proto 2000 - C&O EMD GP7 phase II locomotive , with dynamic brakes, blue, no. 5711. New. Retail is \$80	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	84-Jul 19
	Stewart Hobbies - WM F7A and F7B, phase I late, powered diesel locomotives w/dynamic brakes, Speed lettering. New. Retail: \$90 each	\$120 for both	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	74-Jun 19
	Stewart Hobbies - Baldwin AS-16 switcher, powered, diesel locomotive, undecorated. New. Retail is \$75	\$40	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	85-Jul 19
	Crossing Signal & IR Detectors for multiple tracks. Any room lighting. Alternately flashes LED's or lamp Signals. Signals NOT included. LEDs must be wired Common-Positive. Separate Constant 5 vdc Output for add'l sound circuit or relay (not incl.) 12 vdc. oper.	\$35 each	Dave Puthoff	<a href="mailto:deputhoff@yahoo.com">deputhoff@yahoo.com</a>	86-Jul 19

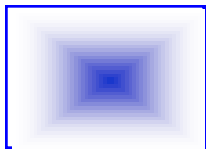
# Cincinnati Division 7 N.M.R.A. - 2019 Program Schedule

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, MMR “Making Trees”	Model & Photo: Caboose or Passenger Car	Tom Brueggeman + Pat Homan
Feb	Sun, Feb 10	East – Anderson <u>Township</u> Center	Ted Goodman “Age of Steam Roundhouse”	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Rick Crumrine + Peter Weiglin
Mar	<u>Sat, Mar 9</u> 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	<u>Sat, May 11</u>	Annual Bus Excursion (No Regular Meeting)	Streetcar Shops/Ride, Sign Museum, Precision Steel, Coke, Cohen Scrap	None	Greg Simpson’s 3 <sup>rd</sup> British OO Layout
Jun	Sun, Jun 9	Central – Kenwood – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR “Early LCL Shipping Containers”	Model: Flat Car(s) with Load Photo: Train on Bridge/Trestle	Pat Homan + Gerry Albers
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	<u>Sun, Jul 21</u> (note date)	North – West Chester Library	Bob Frankrone, Division 8 “Love Those Loads”	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	Ed Swain + Curt LaRue
Aug	Sun, Aug 11	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library	Rick Stern “Exotic Trains of India”	Model & Photo: Tank Car(s)	Georgia Dahlberg + Perry Simpson
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	<u>Sun, Oct 6</u> (note date)	East – Anderson <u>Township</u> Center	Jack Sibert “Prototype Engine Operations”	Model & Photo: Structure(s)	Chuck Endreola + John Listermann
Oct	<u>Sat 12 – Sun 13</u> 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	Ron Gribler, MMR “Power on Board (aka Dead Rail)”	Model & Photo: Freight Car(s)	Eastern Loggers + Ed Bley
Dec	Sun, Dec 8	West – Westwood United Methodist Church	Annual Celebration/Snackfest and Potluck Computer Slide Show	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	Bruce Knapp + Randy Seiler

Easter, April 21   Mother’s Day, May 12   Father’s Day, June 16   \*See Contest Tab on Div7 Website for detailed info   Rev: June 20, 2019





# KNAPP'S NOTES

by Bruce Knapp

## I Have Returned!

Did you miss me last month? I was caught with nothing to say (now that's a surprise). The months of April and May were very hectic in my other world (music), and I did very little modeling. To be honest, I still enjoy teaching and performing; and am glad I still can. I was very pleased to help a very close friend, Zach Riggins, bring the traditional "Withrow Sounds, Again" back to Withrow High School's newly renovated theater. As a proud CPS graduate, Western Hills High School, 1960, I am always willing to assist restoring the fine arts to all the CPS schools. So, what did I do? Every orchestra needs a tuba player, right? I filled the need very well (?).

I did manage to enter models in our June competition, and I am noticing the level of skills is excellent in this division. Georgia Dahlberg, Roy Allen, and Tom Brueggeman are all fine modelers, and enter truly outstanding models, AND photographs. Speaking of Georgia, if you weren't at the last meeting, you missed a great clinic on modeling early LCL. Georgia's presentation was excellent. Besides some great background on the early development of LCL containers and rolling stock, Georgia's models, done in styrene, were a motivator for me. I was especially interested in LCL traffic on our local Cincinnati, Lawrenceburg, and Aurora electric line. TOFC traffic began on the Santa Fe in 1953. Next month's contest subject is "anything goes" --- I can't wait for the wonderful entries.

## What's New with WMPA

I am always amazed not everyone is a Santa Fe modeler, but there are so many other exciting western railroads, I understand. Pat Homan had his CB&Q standard and narrow-gauge layout open after our June meeting. I really enjoy Pat's great modeling skills, especially the WMPA headquarters in his major town. I also enjoyed seeing his newly rebuilt, CB&Q O1A 2-8-2 heading a way freight. As far as the Santa Fe goes, American Models has released their series of Santa Fe TK tank cars. BLI is still saying there aren't enough orders to release their 4000 class 2-8-2's. Oh well, I will continue to upgrade my PFM/United and Sunset 2-8-2's. I am pleased that BLI has released their latest run of the Santa Fe 3800 class 2-10-2's, which were the primary "helper" power on the Raton Pass.

## Salt Lake City

I, along with several other hardy Division 7 folks, leave the end of the month for a perilous trek to Salt Lake City for this year's National Convention and Train Show. I plan to use Amtrak's California Zephyr for this adventure, provided Congress doesn't totally scrap Amtrak. I will use the Cardinal to Chicago on July 4<sup>th</sup> and then the Zephyr to Salt Lake City. Half the fun of the convention trip is going by train. One of the highlights of this convention is celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Golden Spike Ceremony. I plan to go out to the site with Don Philips. I am also looking forward to the train show, where I can hold a "Possum Lodge" meeting with the owner of Sylvan Models. If you are not a fan of "Red Green", you won't understand. Watch "The Red Green Show" on KET, Saturday nights at 7:30. There will be a test, you must memorize the "Man's Prayer" for the July meeting.

Well that's all for this month, see everyone at the July meeting, bring plenty of money for the super honest, totally above board, award-winning, monthly raffle hosted by my good friend, Russ Poynter.

Keep 'em rolling,

*Bruce*

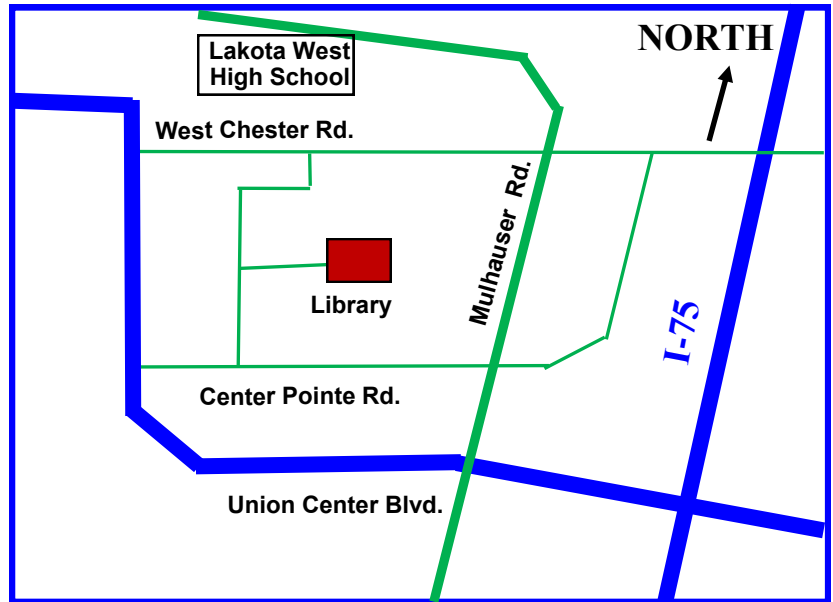
Next Meeting

**2 PM Sunday July 21**

**West Chester Library**  
9363 Center Pointe Drive  
West Chester OH 45069

Directions:

**From I-75:** Exit Union Center Blvd.  
Right to Mulhauser Rd.  
Left to Center Pointe Road  
Library is on your right.



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>7/21</b>	West Chester Library West Chester OH	Bob Frankrone <i>Love Those Loads</i>	Ed Swain Curt LaRue	<u>Models:</u> Anything Goes <u>Photos:</u> Anything Goes
8/11	Kenton County Library Erlanger KY	Rick Stern <i>Exotic Trains of India</i>	Georgia Dahlberg MMR Perry Simpson	<u>Models:</u> Tank Cars <u>Photos:</u> Tank Cars
9/8	Harmony Lodge Spring Grove Village	Mike Tylick MMR <i>Kitbash This</i>	Cinti. Model Railway Rick Stern	<u>Models:</u> Locomotives <u>Photos:</u> Locomotives

<u>Around the Division</u> 2019
7/18 <b>Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH</b>
8/15 <b>Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH</b>

<u>Region / National</u> 2019
7/7-7/13 <b>NMRA National Convention - Salt Lake City UT</b>
9/14 <b>MCR Divion 12 Mini Meet - Erie PA</b>

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