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The Editors Corner:

Dave Puthoff

Do you like photos? This month we've got lots of pictures (over 40) taken from the recent Mid Central Region Convention at Boardman OH, and our Division 7 *Cincinnati Local* Bus Trip.

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.

Dave

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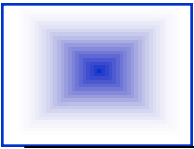
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Space permitting, The Oil Can welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

Cover:

Scene from Greg Simpson's OO-Scale Layout

Photo by John Shields



There is no May membership meeting to report on, but as I said last month there was a LOT going on. Let me talk about them in chronological order. First was the Mid Central Region convention in Boardman (Youngstown) Ohio from May 2 to May 5. For the (only) 13 of us that took the all day tour on Saturday, there was the chance to ride behind an operating 2 foot narrow gauge steam engine that in a previous life worked at Jones and Laughlin Steel. There were lots of clinics and a good number of entries in the model contest. A number of layouts were open to visit on Sunday, of which I only got to three; but they were worth the time before heading back down I-71. I think it is a written requirement that all layouts in Division 1 must have a steel mill. This was the first convention to host a display of T-Trak modules from the division (I'm including a couple of pictures).

Next up on May 11th was our Division 7 bus tour. I finally got to see the Sign Museum, which is just a really neat place. This was available at our convention last year, but I could not fit it into the schedule; so this was a chance to make up for that. The tour of the Cincinnati Streetcar shops was also interesting. Did you know that the "trucks" under the cars have *no axles*? Each individual wheel is a separate unit with its own electric motor driving it. (see photo) Cohen recycling had two interesting small diesel engines (critters) and is definitely an example of an industry that could be modeled on just about any layout of any time period. To be authentic today, one has to include a radiation detector to scan incoming loads of scrap! It was also a pleasure to get to see Greg Simpson's latest British layout. Both of his previous layouts have been published, and this one is better still.

And for me, the highlight of the month was May 17 to May 19 which was the 11th annual Ohio N Scale Weekend in Hilliard (Franklin County Fairgrounds). My club missed this event for the first time last year because some dumb group scheduled a regional convention that same weekend. This year there were 12 N scale clubs from as far away as New Jersey with layouts set up, plus a combined T-Trak layout. It is really enjoyable to socialize with so many other modelers whose interests are so closely aligned. As usual, the highlight of the weekend is the live auction. This is just a crazy and fun event. There are definitely a lot of good items offered, but there are others that are just for fun (and often for charity) and in all cases a lot of ribbing and harassment of the bidders (and of the auctioneers) is included. Some of this year's event was bittersweet because the long time coordinator of the event from the host club in Columbus died of bladder cancer in February. A number of the auction items were donated, with all proceeds of their sale going to the American Bladder Cancer Society.

Finally this month, the report that I know you are waiting for. My T-Trak module made it to Boardman. Even better, trains actually ran across it without derailing (I have video to prove it!) Enough of the roads got done to satisfy me that the foam core board with Evergreen plastic sheeting sidewalks is a good way to do that bit of modeling. I successfully made and used the "ground goop" and am also pleased with how this creates irregular terrain. The only "grass" I got planted was in the lawn around the station (directly applied to the foam core for a nice mowed lawn look), but I am pretty sure that once grass and bushes and trees get added on top of the ground goop that it will give nice rolling hills and ditches and other semi-wild areas. One building did not survive the trip north, so a major repair was done in the motel room the first night. Otherwise, I plan to keep the structures arranged as displayed and spend the summer on finishing the scenery and having it ready for our Fall Show.

Our quarterly BOD meeting will be the Friday after the June monthly meeting, at Harmony Lodge on June 14 at 7:00pm. All members are welcome to attend if they choose. A report will be given during the regular meeting in July.

I hope to see you in Kenwood on June 9th.

John



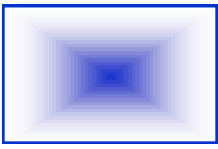
Cincinnati Streetcar and Streetcar Trucks
photos by John Shields)



T-Trak Module (Bob Shreve)
(photo by John Shields)



T-Trak Module (John Shields)
(photo by John Shields)



SECOND SECTION

Chuck Endreola
Asst. Super

Is summer finally here? I hope so. The “Boss” has many outdoor projects for me to attend to (If they don’t interfere with work on the layout!).

I attended the MCR Regional Convention in Boardman, OH which was attended by approximately 170. Division 7 attendees were John Shields, John and Ruth Anne Burchnall, Bob Shreve, Paul Musselman, Nancy Windes & Sam Swanson. Paul worked tirelessly with the “T-trak” display and Sam presented a wonderful clinic on “Detailing”, which drew a packed house. I attended my first MCR BOD meeting at the behest of Super Shields (pretty much like our division BOD’s). Division 1 did a good job in hosting this event. The only snafu was not enough attendees signed up for the bus tours to pay for the chartered coaches. So, the buses were canceled and those who signed up car-pooled to those venues.

There was an array of several very nice models entered in the contest. Judging can become a bit tedious, BUT I always learn about different techniques that the modeler employed. I feel this a valuable reward for the time spent. I would encourage you to volunteer to be a judge at a future convention. You will be briefed on the judging guidelines and procedures at a clinic conducted by the Contest Chair. I established new friendships with several very nice folks from other divisions. That is one of the great rewards of attending a NMRA convention.

I also had the pleasure of chatting with a very bright 17-year-old young man, Evan Cihlar. He is the President and CEO of “Railroading in America Magazine”. Evan conceived of, edits, and publishes this bimonthly periodical featuring prototype and modeling articles. It is available in digital or in print at “railroadinginamerica .com”. His entire staff is comprised of enterprising and talented youths. The periodical is in it’s third year and boasts 78,000 subscribers. What is very encouraging to those concerned of the NMRA’s aging membership is that about 39,000 of those subscribers are between the ages of 15 & 20 years of age. I am a subscriber and hope the NMRA will place an ad featuring the 9 month “Rail Pass” trial membership and the advantages of joining.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the May 11th bus excursion as planned. John Burchnall told me that it “was a great success. Many happy attendees enjoyed all the exciting venues. As usual, nearly none of the venues were normally available to the general public.” Many thanks to John and Merlyn Jarman for arranging yet another interesting outing.

Looking Ahead:

June 9th - Meeting at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 7701 Kenwood Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45236. Clinician will be Georgia Dahlberg, MMR, presenting “Early Shipping Containers”. Contest subjects are “Flat Cars w/Loads” for models and “Trains on Bridges/Trestles” for photos. We have been invited to the layouts of Pat Homan and Gerry Albers.

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 TBA. Contest subject is “Anything Goes” for both models and photos. Layout visits to Ed Swain and TBA.

August 11th - We will meet at the Kenton County Library, 401 Kenton Lands Rd., Erlanger, KY 41018. Clinician TBA. 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:

June 22nd&23rd - Carillon Park Rail Festival, Carillon Historical Park, 1000 Carillon Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409

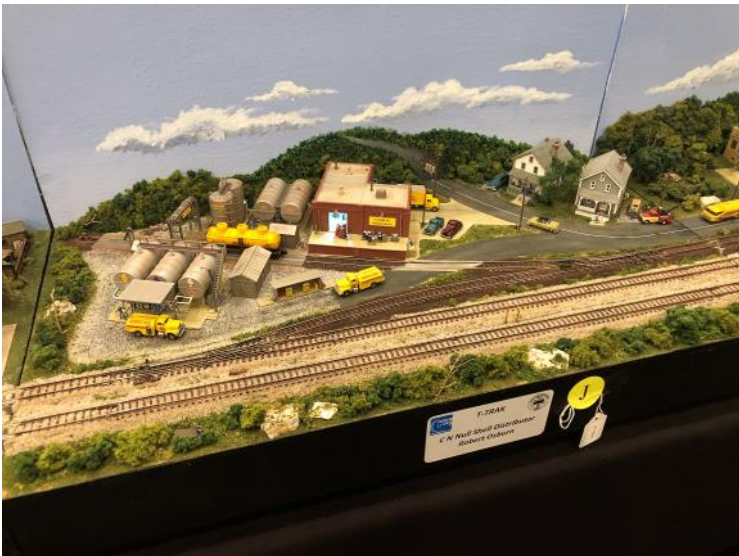
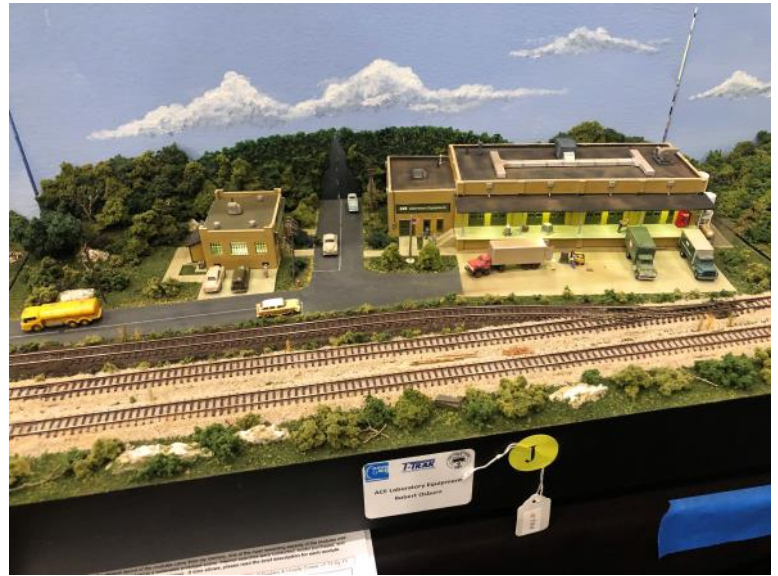
July 7th-13th - Lionel Operating Train Society Annual Convention. Louisville, Ky.

July 27th&28th - Van Wert Model RR Show & Swap. Van Wert Fairgrounds 1055 S Washington St. (US 127)

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

Chuck

2019 Mid-Central Region Convention at Boardman OH T-Trak Modules



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2019 Mid-Central Region Convention at Boardman OH Mahoning Valley Railroad Heritage Society

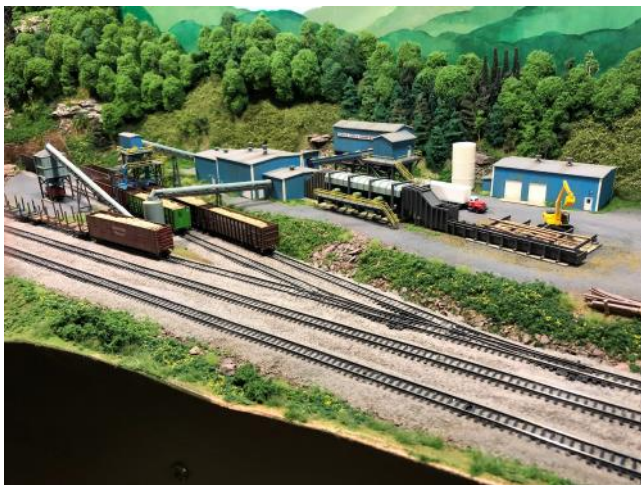
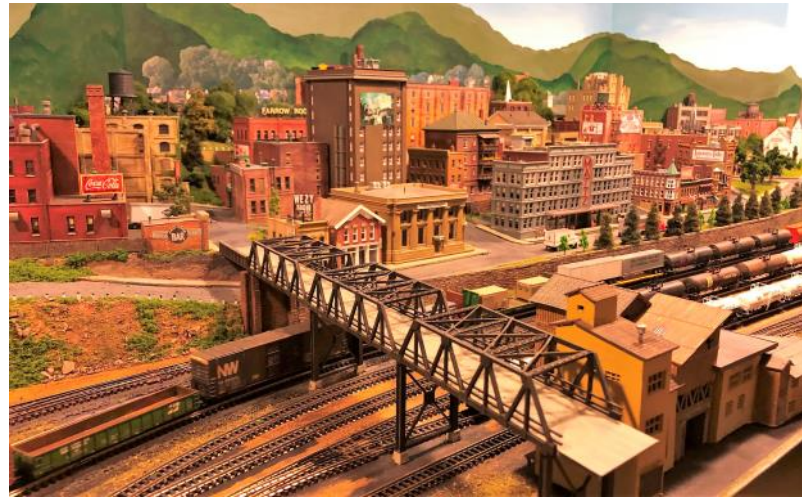


2019 Mid-Central Region Convention at Boardman OH Youngstown Steel Heritage



2019 Mid-Central Region Convention at Boardman OH

Division 1 Layouts



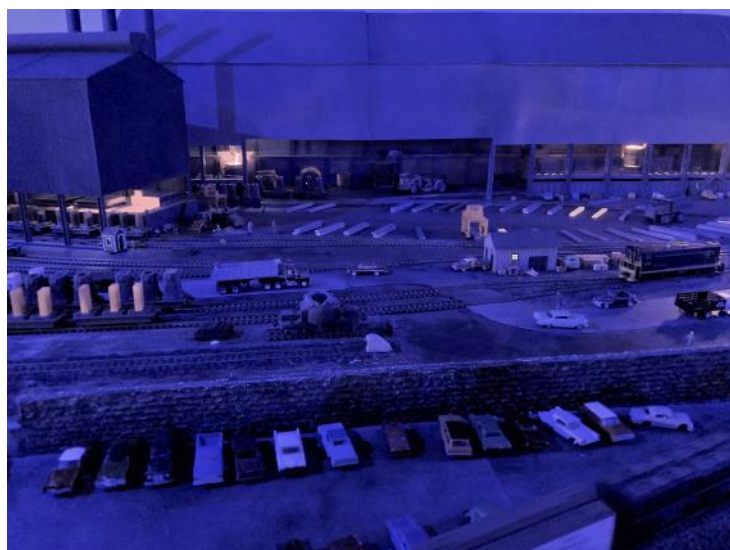
Mike Farrow (N&W Pochaontas Div.) N-Scale
Hiram OH
(3 Photos)

David Hazlett (DHRail, Inc.) HO-Scale
Akron OH



Photos by John Shields

2019 Mid-Central Region Convention at Boardman OH Division 1 Layouts



Youngstown Model Railroad Association HO-Scale
Austintown OH

(4 photos)

Photos by John Shields

Division 7— *Cincinnati Local* Bus Trip

LAYOUT VISIT to Greg Simpson's OO Scale Layout



Photos by John Burchnell

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LAYOUT VISIT to Greg Simpson's OO Scale Layout



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Division 7— Cincinnati Local Bus Trip



Cincinnati Streetcar
(photo by John Burchnall)

Cincinnati Streetcar
(photo by John Burchnall)



Cincinnati Streetcar Shop
(photo by John Shields)



Division 7— *Cincinnati Local* Bus Trip



Cohen Scrap Metal



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Precision Strip

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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 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

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.
	(10) NEW Philips 4-foot T-12 40-watt Fluorescent Tubes, 5000K	\$10	Chuck Endreola	chuckendreola@yahoo.com	65-Jun 19
	Athearn Genesis B&O USRA 2-8-2 light, steam locomotive, No. 4525. New. Retail is \$140	\$89	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	77-Jul 19
	Atlas Southern ALCo RS-3 locomotive, no. 2137, green w/ white stripe paint scheme. New. Retail is \$60	\$40	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	78-Jul 19
	Atlas PRR ALCo C-425 diesel locomotive, w/dynamic brakes, no. 2419, Brunswick green. New. Retail is \$80	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	80-Jul 19
	Bachman Spectrum PRR FM H16-44 switcher, diesel locomotive, Brunswick green, no. 8815. New. Retail is \$60	\$40	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	jimmack6@hotmail.com	74-Jun 19
	Stewart Hobbies - Baldwin AS-16 switcher, powered, diesel locomotive, undecorated. New. Retail is \$75	\$40	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	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	deputhoff@yahoo.com	86-Jul 19

NMRA MCR DIV. 7 ANNOUNCEMENTS

2019 Southwest Ohio Operation Session

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

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

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

His email is rstern1@cinci.rr.com 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.

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 Township Center	Ted Goodman “Age of Steam Roundhouse”	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Rick Crumrine + Peter Weiglin
Mar	Sat, Mar 9 10 am – 3 pm	Annual Spring Flea Market Lakota West Freshman School	Dealer, Sales, Membership and Modeler Aid Booths	None	None
Apr	Sun, Apr 14	Central – Spring Grove Village Harmony Lodge	Author and Photographer Lou Sassi “Improving your Trucks and Trains”	Model & Photo: Maintenance of Way Equipment	Sam Swanson + Cinti Model Rwy Club
May	Thu, May 2 to Sun, May 5	Mid-Central Region Convention Boardman (Youngstown), Ohio	Convention Clinics, Tours and Banquet Speaker	Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
May	Sat, May 11	Annual Bus Excursion (No Regular Meeting)	Streetcar Shops/Ride, Sign Museum, Precision Steel, Coke, Cohen Scrap	None	Greg Simpson’s 3 rd 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	Sun, Jul 21 (note date)	North or Northeast – Mason or West Chester?	tbd	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	Ed Swain + another tbd
Aug	Sun, Aug 11	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library	tbd	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	Sun, Oct 6 (note date)	East – Anderson Township Center	Jack Sibert “Prototype Engine Operations”	Model & Photo: Structure(s)	Chuck Endreola + John Listermann
Oct	Sat 12 – Sun 13 11 am - 5 pm	52nd Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West HS – West Chester	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Booths, Layouts and Slide Show	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 10	North – West Chester Library	Ron Gribler, MMR “Power on Board (aka Dead Rail)”	Model & Photo: Freight Car(s)	Eastern Loggers + another tbd
Dec	Sun, Dec 8	West – Westwood United Methodist Church	Annual Celebration/Snackfest and Potluck Computer Slide Show	Model & Photo: Anything Goes	tbd

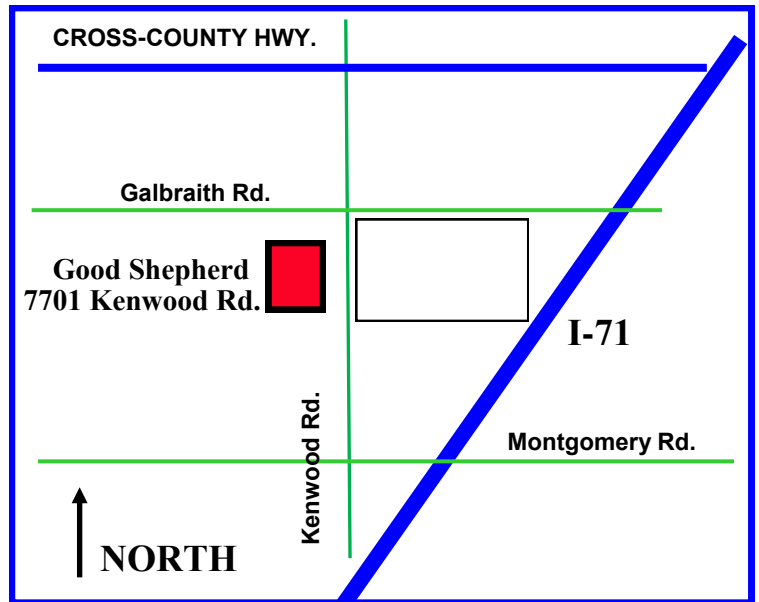
Next Meeting

2 PM Sunday June 9

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
7701 Kenwood Road 45236

Directions:

- From North:** I-71 Montgomery Rd. Exit
Right on Montgomery Rd.
Right on Kenwood Rd.
Church is on your left.
- From South:** I-71 Kenwood Rd Exit
Left onto Kenwood Rd.
Church is on your left, past
Montgomery Rd.
- From East/West:** Cross-County Hwy.
Exit Kenwood Rd.
Go South on Kenwood Rd.
(past Galbraith Rd.)
Church is on your right.



Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR,

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2019 Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speaker</u>	<u>Layout Visits</u>	<u>Contest Topic</u>
6/9	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Kenwood	Georgia Dahlberg MMR <i>Cincinnati Containers</i>	Pat Homan Gerry Albers	<u>Models:</u> Flat Cars w/ Loads <u>Photos:</u> Train on Bridge/Trestle
7/21	West Chester Library West Chester OH	TBD	Ed Swain TBD	<u>Models:</u> <i>Anything Goes</i> <u>Photos:</u> <i>Anything Goes</i>
8/11	Kenton County Library Erlanger KY	TBD	Georgia Dahlberg MMR Perry Simpson	<u>Models:</u> Tank Cars <u>Photos:</u> Tank Cars

Around the Division
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7/18 [Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH](#)

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7/7-7/13 [NMRA National Convention - Salt Lake City UT](#)

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