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Dave Puthoff

In case you've wondered what is going to happen with Cincinnati Union Terminal, here's a summary:

- Tower A will be vacated by May 22. Windows will be replaced, and HVAC upgraded. Radiators will be retained for historical appearances.
- Cincinnati-In-Motion exhibit is already 2/3 closed, and is stored off-site. Remaining will be "sheltered-in-place" and close by June.
- Holiday Junction tracks will be "sheltered-in-place" with rolling stock and buildings stored off-site. Exhibit may be relocated to another part of the museum after renovations, possibly opened year-round.
- Amtrak will temporarily locate to a trailer in a lower parking lot off Dalton Street, with ramp access to tracks.
- Outside fountain is to be taken apart, repaired, and re-assembled.
- The Children's Museum and Special Exhibits will remain open, with the remainder of the building being vacated. A few large exhibits will be "sheltered-in-place."

Most of the work involves structural repairs, windows, and cleaning, HVAC, and separation of sanitary and storm sewers.

The Museum Center hopes to have construction tours during renovations (though I have doubts as to whether contractors will permit tours).

More information can be found at: <http://www.leadcincinnati.com/Experts-Assemble-to-Restore-Historic-Union-Terminal/>

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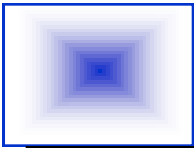
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Space permitting, The Oil Can welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

Cover:

Cincinnati Union Terminal in Cincinnati-In-Motion exhibit at the Museum Center at Union Terminal (just prior to its temporary removal)

Photo by Dave Puthoff



HEADLIGHTS

Bob Shreve
Superintendent

It was with great sadness we learned of the passing of Assistant Superintendent John Shields' wife Marsha on April 22nd from interstitial pulmonary fibrosis (IPF). We extend our condolences to John and his family on their loss.

As I am writing this, the 2016 MCR convention is only a week away. A recent check of the clinic schedule shows an interesting mix of modeling and prototype clinics. I'm looking forward to 3 days of railroad discussions, and 3 days away from work. Maybe I'll come home inspired to work on cleaning out the basement. We'll see.

Thank you to Dave Puthoff for making the arrangements with the Cincinnati Museum Center for our tours following the April division meeting. He handled all of the discussions with the museum, and collecting reservations and fees. I went on the high steel tour. I've seen pictures of the steel work while the terminal was under construction, but it's a lot different being up there amongst the girders. The museum tour guides were very informative and entertaining. My son and daughter accompanied me on the tour. She has volunteered there at the museum in the past, but had not had the opportunity to see the dining rooms and president's office. They did make me buy them ice cream at the Rookwood ice cream parlor since they behaved on the tour. Thank you also to the Cincinnati Railroad Club for hosting our meeting up in Tower A. It will be interesting to see how it looks in a couple of years after all of the renovations are completed. All in all, a very enjoyable day.

Speaking of the Museum Center renovations, one of the things being put in storage during for the next several years is the C G & E O gauge Christmas train layout that has been at the Museum Center for the past several years. If you were a kid (or grown-up) in Cincinnati, that was always a must-see every Christmas in the C G & E lobby. During our April meeting, one of the museum volunteers said they were looking for people to help restore the layout. Here is your chance to live out that childhood dream to be able to actually work on that layout. The person from the Museum Center who is heading up the project is Robert Perin. You can reach him for more information at trainmaster@cincymuseum.org. This is your opportunity to help keep a Cincinnati icon operating for years to come.

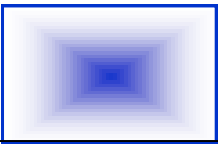
Dianne Rowland has officially turned over the reins of the Swap Meet to Peter Weiglin. She has been heading this activity for 5 years and has really helped it grow. Dianne has also chosen to resign from her director position on the Division 7 BOD. Per the division regulations, the executive committee is responsible for selecting the 10 non-elected directors on the BOD. John, Frank, Bruce, and I felt it was important for the head of the Spring Swap Meet to have a voting position on the board. We have asked Peter Weiglin to fill Dianne's seat on the board and he has happily accepted. Peter will continue to serve the division as Membership Chair. He also brings experience of having served as a director for other organizations.

I thank Dianne for her service on the BOD and for the admirable job she did heading up the Swap Meet for the past 5 years. I am looking forward to working with Peter in his expanded role on the BOD.

Our activity in May is the bus trip to Fostoria, Ohio. The trip is sold out, but there is a stand-by list.

That's it for this month. If I don't see you at the MCR convention or on the May bus trip, I'll look for you at the June meeting.

Bob



SECOND SECTION

John Shields
Asst. Super

Our April meeting was at Tower A in Cincinnati Union Terminal (Cincinnati Museum Center) on April 10th. Thank you to the Cincinnati Railroad Club for hosting us. Instead of the normal clinic and layout tours, we offered two versions of the docent-guided tours of the Terminal. This included the behind the scenes areas as well as the “high steel” tour which went over the rotunda on the catwalks and into the “works” room of the famous clock on the front façade; plus the president’s office and the board room from the days when CUT was a busy train station.

Looking ahead: As I write this, we are still just coming up on the Mid Central Regional Convention in Columbus, from April 28 to May 1.

There is no Division meeting in May, due to this year’s annual Bus Tour, the “Iron Triangle Express”, which will visit the railfan park in Fostoria, the Allen County Museum in Lima, and three premier layouts up there. John Burchnall is still accepting “wait list” names to cover any last minute cancellations.

In June, we will be at the Anderson Senior Center on Beechmont on June 12th, with a clinic presented by Gerry Albers on “How to Design Your Basement for Operations”. Besides the clinic we will be back to the usual meeting activities including the always honest raffle, the company store, the video library, and the model and photo contests. Two sets of contest categories are both being run concurrently at this meeting – those originally scheduled for the April meeting plus those scheduled for June. The Model and Photo topics for the deferred April contest are both Maintenance of Way Equipment. The subject of the June Model Contest is Flat Cars with Loads, and the subject for the June Photo Contest is Railroad Bridges and Trestles With or Without a Train. After the meeting, we will be visiting Peter Weiglin’s, and Chuck Behymer’s layouts, both for the first time.

In July, we will be at St Susanna Church in Mason where our clinician will be Frank Koch. He will be giving the clinic we originally had scheduled for April entitled “R.I.P. – What about the trains?” You know what your collection is worth! But your spouse or children may not. And they don’t need the hassle of trying to avoid being “taken” or to learn after the fact that they gave (or threw) away things that are quite valuable. Frank will tell us how to plan ahead.

We will be at Good Shepherd in Kenwood in August, with a clinic by Sam Swanson on vehicles. And in September, we will be back at the West Chester Library with a clinic by Ed Swain about engine facilities. One of the layout visits in September will be to Bob Lawson’s layout. I’m still looking for a clinician for October in Erlanger. In November, Charles Bogart from Lexington will return with a clinic this time on the dairy industry, following a can of milk as it travels by rail to a dairy in downtown Cincinnati. And as always, we will end the year in Westwood with the snackfest and digital slides event.

See you in June; unless I see you on the bus to Fostoria.

John



FLEA MARKET RESULTS

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Income							
Tables	\$1,770.00	\$1,982.00	\$1,350.00	\$2,346.00	\$ 2,704.00	\$ 2,822.00	\$ 2,808.00
Admissions	\$1,207.00	\$2,419.00	\$2,095.00	\$2,180.00	\$ 2,572.00	\$ 2,671.00	\$ 3,344.00
White Elephant Sales	\$24.00	\$42.00	\$93.00	\$72.00	\$ -	\$ 200.50	\$ 101.00
Total Income	\$3,001.00	\$4,443.00	\$3,538.00	\$4,598.00	\$5,276.00	\$5,693.50	\$ 6,253.00
Expenses							
Snacks					\$ 54.22	\$ 96.45	\$ 65.31
Insurance	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.00
Vendor Registration	\$33.39	\$39.60	\$107.78	\$68.18	\$ 55.92	\$ 53.90	\$ -
Advertising	\$151.15	\$411.66	\$266.01	\$113.62	\$ 311.23	\$ 539.89	\$ 461.09
Tables	\$1,982.66	\$1,527.88	\$1,527.88	\$1,796.00	\$ 1,988.00	\$ 2,052.16	\$ 2,101.00
Facility	\$500.00	\$730.00	\$730.00	\$730.00	\$ 730.00	\$ 640.00	\$ 640.00
Total Expenses	\$2,677.20	\$2,719.14	\$2,641.67	\$2,717.80	\$3,149.37	\$3,387.40	\$ 3,277.40
Surplus (Loss)	\$323.80	\$1,723.86	\$896.33	\$1,880.20	\$2,126.63	\$2,306.10	\$ 2,975.60
**Paid Gate							
Admissions	402	605	524	650	643	668	669

**Due to different admission prices, this number is not easy to establish

DIVISION 7 FLEA MARKET

Hello Flea Market supporters,

It has been my pleasure to chair the flea market over the past 7 years. I appreciate ALL the support and assistance I have been given. Each year has been better than the previous and I know that is due in no small part to all the dedicated volunteers that have helped with set up, admissions and take down. Roy Hord has always been there with the table folks and the detailed floor plans so all vendors knew exactly where they would be. This is for sure a collaborative effort. Don was always by my side to assist in any way he could and for that I will be forever grateful. I was so touched when the division stepped up last year and ran the flea market for me when I lost Don. I will always remember the kindness you extended.

The new chair Peter Weiglin will need the same support as he transitions to the flea market chair position. I am sure he will do a great job!!

I am not leaving the division. I am sure there will be many more opportunities for me to give back to Div. 7 and the upcoming convention will be one I am anxious to be involved with.

Again thanks so much and I have truly enjoyed my time as flea market chair!!

Dianne Rowland

Cincinnati Div. 7 NMRA

Spring Bus Trip
***Iron Triangle
Express***

Saturday, May 21, 2016

**Div. 7 Members + Spouse/Guest
Don't Miss Out - Sign Up Today !**

Deluxe Motor Coach Tour

**Fostoria's Iron Triangle Rail Park!
6 Tracks with over 100 trains daily**

**2 Allen County Museum Tours!
Mansion, Rail Collection/Archives**

Visit 3 Premier Scale Model RRs!

**Great Fellowship and Scenic Roads
Enjoy Deluxe Box Lunch & Waters**

"The Iron Triangle Express"

Saturday, May 21, 2016

Deluxe Motor Coach Tour to Fostoria, Ohio "Iron Triangle Rail Park" + Allen County Museum + 3 Area Premier Model Railroads in Lima, Ohio

**Departing 7:00 AM and Returning by about 7:20 PM, from and to West Chester, OH
Bus Restrictions Limit this Trip to the first 44 Registrants that Sign Up
Registration Deadline Sunday, April 10, 2016 – No Refunds after this Date**

Exclusive Tour Package

Dual Tour Inside the Allen County Museum!

Special tours of the historic mansion and railroad archives
Shay loco, streetcar, fire, auto, Dillinger, miniatures exhibits

Single Departing Location – West Chester, Ohio

Exact location disclosed later only to registrants
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Iron Triangle + 3 Premier Model Railroad Layouts!

New rail park in 6 track "**Iron Triangle**" with ~100 daily trains!
3 superb scenicked layouts – diverse eras/locales – all HO scale

Fantastic Inspirational Day for a Great Price!

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

Chip Cole – large modern era CSX Toledo to Detroit to Chicago layout designed for operations, featuring huge classification yard, Ford plant, Genesee & Wyoming shortline, CVP EasyDCC, "signals by flashcard", nice structures built by Howard Clark

Howard Clark – must see, incredible NKP/ NYC/B&O circa 1955 layout inspired by George Sellios, packed with exquisite wood craftsman style structures, featuring bridges, wharfs, roundhouse and wonderfully detailed multi-level city scenes

David Powell – beautiful 1950's/60's era D&RGW "Mainline thru the Rockies" pike in a beautiful home, featuring detailed roundhouse, mountains, aspens, nifty fascia lettering, plus several other nice model displays, including Howard Clark structures

Fares and Registration

Fare of \$65 per person includes -

- **Deluxe Motor Coach** round trip transportation from West Chester, Ohio area to all included Ohio area attractions
- **Transport and admission** to Rail Park, Allen County Museum, 3 premier model railroads, deluxe box lunch, waters
- Visits to **3 premier model railroads** plus the **Allen County Museum** complex - all never seen before on our tours!
- **Exclusive guided tour** inside the **McDonnell House**, including 2 floors of furnishings and incredible woodwork
- **Photos permitted everywhere** – however no tripods, bags/packs or flashes permitted in the museums or layouts

Other Terms and Conditions -

- **Fully closed shoes required** - umbrellas not permitted - bring caps, hooded jackets or ponchos instead
- Registration limited to **Cincinnati Div 7 members and their spouse/guest** – adult must accompany those under 18
- **Do not delay in registering** - due to bus restrictions this trip is **limited to the first 44 registrants that sign up!**
- A **waitlist** will be maintained when full - refunds given after registration deadline only if replaced from waitlist
- Participants agree to promptly obey all directives of tour guides and stay with your tour sub-group during group tours
- Cincinnati Division 7 reserves the right to modify or cancel this event, especially due to matters beyond our control

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

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**Iron Triangle Registrar
7367 Wheatland Meadow Ct
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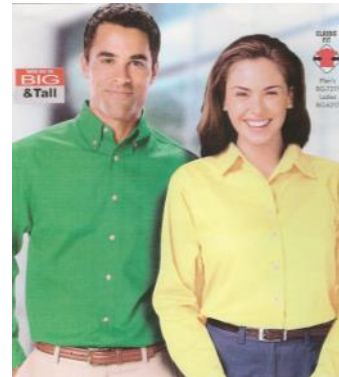
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Ladies Shirt

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 Ladies S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL

Men's Shirt

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 Email Paul at company-store1@cincy-div7.org for **shipping costs**
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 Make check payable to: **Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA**

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.

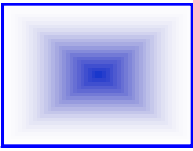
Seller shall email Oil Can Editor if item is sold so it can be removed from page.

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.

Picture	Description	Price	Name	Phone, or Email	Listing No.

NO CLASSIFIED ADS SUBMITTED FOR MAY



KNAPP'S NOTES

by Bruce Knapp

Peter Weiglin

I am deeply saddened that Dianne Rowland has resigned her position on the Division 7 board of directors; Dianne has served with distinction and has been a great asset to our group. That said, I am pleased to welcome our new member Peter Weiglin. I have had the pleasure of working with Peter on division membership and our recent Swap Meet. Peter is not only an excellent modeler, an author, but fits in our "Modeler's Aid" group. I was introduced to Peter's unique sense of humor two years ago with one of his contest entries. He entered a flat car with three rabbit statues as a load destined for an imaginary town park. It turned out the car was actually a "triple hopper" (groan). Well, with Peter, Pat, Randy (Kerka), and me, BOD meetings will, if nothing else, be different.

Flooding in Raton Pass (revisited)

It was exactly one year ago, I reported flooding in the town of Trinidad on my layout. It took some time and effort, but the damage has been cleaned up and we are (sort of) back to normal(?). I am currently starting to wire the yard and mainline for DCC, and have actually run a train, which promptly derailed (hidden flood damage). Oh well, back to the drawing board.

I did take some "modeling-time-off" to upgrade some motive power and build some new structures and rolling stock. I am converting the 18 volt ac power to one Mainline Industries "Sub Station" transformer. The single unit has more than enough amperage to replace several smaller NCE PS-515 power stations. I will let everyone know how that turns out --- I hope it isn't like one of Red Green's bright ideas.

Sylvan Models

Speaking of Red Green, I found another fan of Canada's most unique show host and inventor. Clare Gilbert, the founder and president of Sylvan Models, is also a follower of Red Green and all the folks up at "Possum Lodge". I really like many of the vintage vehicle kit they manufacture and find they really do an outstanding job of setting both the time of locale of my railroad.

I always make a point of stopping at the Sylvan booth at the NMRA National Train Show. It was during one of my visits that I found that Clare was a fellow member of Possum Lodge. If you are not aware of any of this then 1. You are probably normal (how can you be a model railroader?) and 2. You are completely clueless to one of educational television's great educational programs. Red Green is on KET, every Saturday night from 7:30 to 8:00. You need to watch it, learn the Lodge motto and join in the man's prayer. If you do watch, you will learn many new uses for the "Handy Man's Secret Weapon"--- duct tape.

Next Meeting

I will see everyone at our June meeting at the Anderson Senior Center, for Gerry Alber's clinic on "Designing Your Basement for a Layout". Just as I finished my article, I read a message from Bob Shreve, about John Shield's wife's passing. I have no details but I certainly send my deepest condolences.

Keep 'em rolling

Bruce

Next Meeting

2 PM Sunday

June 12

Anderson Senior Center
Anderson Twp.

**No Division 7
Meeting in May !**

Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA

2016 Schedule

NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2 PM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speaker</u>	<u>Layout Visits</u>	<u>Contest Topic</u>
5/21	NO DIVISION 7 MEETING ---	Division 7 "Iron Triangle Bus Tour"		<u>None</u>
6/12	Anderson Senior Center 7970 Beechmont Ave.	Gerry Albers <i>How to Design Your Basement for Operations</i>	Peter Weiglin Chuck Behymer	April <u>Models & Photos</u> : MOW Equip June <u>Models</u> : Flat Car w/ Load June <u>Photo</u> : RR Bridges & Trestles
7/17	St. Susanna Church 500 Reading Rd. Mason OH 45040	Frank Koch <i>R.I.P. --- What About the Trains?</i>	TBD	<u>Models & Photos</u> : Passenger Cars

Around the Division
2016

- 5/19 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**
- 6/16 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**

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- 4/28 - 5/1 **Rails to the Capital MCR Convention - Columbus OH**
- 6/25-6/26 **Carillon Park Rail Festival - Dayton OH**
- 7/3-7/10 **Highball to Indy National Convention - Indianapolis IN**

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