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The Editors Corner:

Dave Puthoff

It will soon be time for our 2016 Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show at Lakota West High School on October 8th and 9th.

Pick up a few copies of the flyer for our upcoming Cincinnati Model Train Show. We know that these printed flyers work --- and encourage attendance, which not only helps Division 7 finances, but also attract new Division 7 members. It's easy to post a few on employee or community bulletin boards, or give one to a friendly business or merchant.

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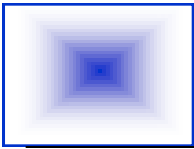
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Space permitting, The Oil Can welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

Cover:

Scene from Donald Docter's HO layout.

Photo by Bob Shreve



What do you do with an empty department store? If you are our friends in Division 3, you fill it with a train show. As many of you heard, Hara Arena announced they will be closing their doors in August. Division 3 knew this had been a possibility, but I'm sure it gave them quite a shock when the announcement came so close to their show date. They have arranged to hold their fall show in the empty Elder-Beerman store in the Upper Valley Mall in Springfield, Ohio. It sounds like they'll have as much room there as they did at Hara. Another advantage is they will have the mall food court available for food service. The show will still be the first weekend in November, the 5th and 6th, but the location is a little further away from us here in Cincinnati. On the other hand, we won't have to go through downtown Dayton on I-75 to get to the show. There's more info at <http://www.daytontrainshow.com>, or see the Dayton Train Show flyer elsewhere in this issue of the Oil Can.

Speaking of train shows, our own show is coming up fast. The 2016 Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show will be at Lakota West High School on October 8th and 9th. As usual, we will need lots of help from our members to make the show a success. Look for the sign-up sheets at the September meeting to volunteer some time at the admissions table, membership booth, or to help during the setup and takedown. The setup will be Friday afternoon & evening starting about 4:00 in the afternoon. Academy Rentals does the man-handling of the tables. We provide help to our vendors moving their items in and out of the school. Another way to help is to publicize the show using the flyers. Rick Crumrine has organized the distribution of flyers to area hobby shops, but we can also advertise the show by posting a flyer in neighborhood grocery stores, barber shops, or anyplace else they might be seen by a prospective or current modeler. Another way we advertise the show is through the use of yard signs. John Burchnall (or his delegate) will have the signs available at the September and October meetings.

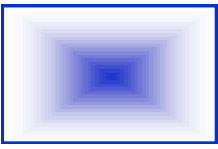
Frank Koch is having an End Of Summer White Elephant sale at his house on Saturday, September 3rd. Here is your chance to pick through the multitude of items he has acquired over recent months and years. He has more stuff than he can fit in his car, so this is your chance to see things that might not make it to the Lakota show. The sale will be from 10am to 2pm. Frank's address can be found in the officer's listings on Page 2.

In July, my wife and I spent a week in South Carolina in the area around Santee. Santee is about halfway between Columbia and Charleston near the I-95 / I-26 junction. A town near where we were staying was Branchville, SC. According to the tour book, Branchville is home to the world's oldest railroad junction and was on the route of the country's first scheduled train back in 1830. There is a museum in the old Branchville station which was supposed to be open the day we went there, but alas the guy who runs the museum wasn't there that day to open it. The station design was pretty interesting. While there is only 1 track through town now, you could see how the station was situated in the wye of the junction, with the station platforms built to match the curvature of the tracks. There was also an old brick freight station next to the depot that looked like an interesting structure to model.

The next Division 7 BOD meeting will be on Friday, September 2nd at 7 PM. The meeting will be at Harmony Lodge in Spring Grove Village. Anybody who is a member of Division 7 is welcome to attend the BOD meeting.

All for this month. See you at the meeting at the West Chester library on the 11th.

Bob



SECOND SECTION

John Shields
Asst. Super

Our August meeting was held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Kenwood. Sam Swanson presented his clinic entitled "Vehicle Variations". Sam showed some truly unique vehicles that he created starting from Jordan or Williams or Busch models. As usual with Sam's clinics, it's the little tips and tricks about how to make these "kit-bashes" that everyone can use. Probably very few of us need a mobile church chapel (there was a real one, Sam had the photo!); but creating a new body out of card stock hardened with CA glue might be useful for lots of truck types. Also, to know that Jordan kits almost always don't fit exactly together and seeing how to deal with that is helpful. I might just have assumed I got a bad kit; or more likely that I did something to make it come out wrong. And as Sam pointed out, vehicles add life to scenes. A delivery truck next to a structure (with a sign on the truck) helps to identify the business and helps bring it to life. I'll probably not kit-bash many vehicles in N scale, but the tips on painting vehicles were very relevant for me. Following the meeting, we made return visits to Donald Doctor's layout in Montgomery and Paul Miklos's layout. Donald has made a lot of progress since last year and his layout now looks pretty much "done" although he, of course, says there is still a lot to do. He is, though, now starting to look at doing operations. Paul, on the other hand, is still mostly about running operations and finishing track work before doing major scenery. Since last year, new switching areas have been completed in the Berry yard section and the Chillicothe industries section is now mostly ready. As a fellow B&O modeler, I also appreciate the arrival of a fleet of wagon-top cabooses.

Looking ahead:

Our September meeting will be up north at the West Chester Library on Sunday September the 11th. We will have a clinic presented by Ed Swain about engine facilities. The subject of both the model and the photo contests at the September meeting is "Locomotives" (which I believe includes any motive power—check if you have questions). For layout visits in September we will be going to Curt LaRue's HO Pennsylvania Panhandle Division and Bob Lawson's HO Southern.

For October, we will be in northern Kentucky at the Erlanger library, Mike Brestel will be our clinician; talking about the "Nicholas, Fayette, and Greenbrier RR" in West Virginia. This clinic will take us from its origins as a collection of logging and coal hauling lines, to joint ownership by the NYC and C&O, and on to the present. After the meeting, we will be returning to Bob Adams' N scale N&W Whistle Creek layout, and one more that I am still confirming.

The Division 7 meeting is on the first Sunday in October to clear the annual Cincinnati Train Show, which is scheduled for October 8th and 9th. This is the 49th annual Cincinnati Train Show. Once again this year, it will be at Lakota West High School in West Chester. Expect to see sign-up lists for the various volunteer jobs for the Show at the September meeting. We are fortunate to have so many members that do these jobs year after year, but we always need new folks to get involved. No experience is needed for most of them, just a willingness to help.

In November, when we are off to the far northwest at Partners in Prime in Hamilton, Charles Bogart from Lexington will return with a clinic on the dairy industry, following a can of milk as it travels by rail to a dairy in downtown Cincinnati. The layouts for November will be the clubs at the old Ross School. This includes the O Scale Hi-Railers, the HO Cincinnati Northern and Ross Rails, as well as my club, the N Scale Queen City N-Gineers.

As always, we will end our year out west in Westwood in December with the snackfest and digital slides event at Westwood United Methodist Church. One of the layout visits will be to Terry Judd's N scale New Haven. In January, we will be back in Kenwood at Good Shepherd. In February, we will be at West Chester Library, with a clinic by Mark Albert (of the Model Trolley Enthusiasts group you have seen at our shows) on modeling the iconic Crosley factory along I-75. And, of course, March brings the Flea Market at Lakota West Freshman School.

Many of you have heard or seen the news about Hara Arena closing. In the last couple of days, the Division 3 folks in Dayton have been able to announce that they will be having their show in Springfield, Ohio. That's great news for them. I know many of us go to the Dayton show just as many of them attend our show. It makes me think about how lucky we are to have our venues for our Fall Show and the Spring Flea Market. It is one of the continuing legacies that our previous officers and their helpers have given us. We have had to move around several times and these folks have done the leg work to keep us in business. It's just one of the many things that makes this division special. Because of all of you and the folks that have been part of this group over the years, we can look forward to our 50th annual show next year AND a great regional convention the following year.

See you in West Chester on September the 11th.

John



**NMRA MCR DIV. 7
AUGUST 2016 CONTEST RESULTS**

MODELS: OFF-LINE STRUCTURES

Box Stock:

Kitbashed:

Scratch Built:

No Entries in any Category

PHOTOGRAPHY: OFF-LINE STRUCTURES

Print Prototype:

1st Place: Jim MacKnight: Corner Gas Station, Lebanon, OH

2nd Place: Jim MacKnight: Corner Retail Store, Cumberland, MD

No Other Entries in this Category

Print Model:

1st Place: Jim MacKnight: Old Mill and Covered Bridge (Dick Briggs' layout)

2nd Place: John Listermann: Company Store/Post Office (Donald Docter's layout)

3rd Place: John Listermann: Service Station (Jerry Alber's layout)

Junior Division – No Entries Submitted in any Category

2016 OVERALL STANDINGS (through AUGUST 2016)

MODELS

Jim MacKnight	16	Jim Rollwage	03
Chuck Endreola	11	Rick Stern	03
Bruce Knapp	09	Peter Weiglin	03
Tom Brueggeman, MMR	04	Bob Chapman	02

PHOTOGRAPHY

Jim MacKnight	37	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR	02
Jim Rollwage	03	Rick Stern	02
Tom Brueggeman, MMR	03	David Wynne	02
John Listermann	03		

JUNIOR DIVISION – MODELS – No 2016 Entries to Date

JUNIOR DIVISION – PHOTOGRAPHY – No 2016 Entries to Date

SEPTEMBER CONTEST CATEGORIES -

MODELS: LOCOMOTIVE(S) – any type of motive power on rails – (steam, diesel, electric, etc.)

PHOTOGRAPHY: LOCOMOTIVE(S) – any type of motive power on rails – (steam, diesel, electric, etc.)

Brad Jonas

NMRA, MCR, Div. 7 Contest Chair

[Division 7 Car Project Sales Report – August 21, 2016](#)

Our 2015 car project, Chesapeake & Ohio 40' USRA single-sheathed boxcars, in four numbers, have sold 287 cars (67%) in ten months. They are currently listed on E-bay. C&O Historical Society members bought 17 cars at their annual convention in Cumberland, Maryland. We need some exposure to sell the remaining 144 cars.

Our 2012 car project, Allegheny Midland 41'6" steel gondolas, in three numbers, has been available for 50 months, with 94% of 391 cars sold. We have 22 cars remaining. This is a really fine kit from Accurail, with underbody brake details showing beneath the gondola body. It is easy to assemble, and would look great on any layout.

Our 2016 car project is Virginian & Ohio 40' steel, plug-door boxcars, in the traditional V&O blue, with damage-free loading symbols (DF-2). Four car numbers are available. Two cars are marked for paper lading only, and were built in 1951. Two other cars are marked for processed food loading only. These cars, built in 1948, were rebuilt in the V&O's shops in 1952 by adding plug doors and insulation.

Allen McClelland believes these cars will be very popular. They were manufactured by Accurail, in the USA. We have sold 92 cars in two months (18%). Announcements should appear in the NMRA Magazine's October issue, Railroad Model Craftsman's, Model Railroader's and Model Railroad News' November issues.

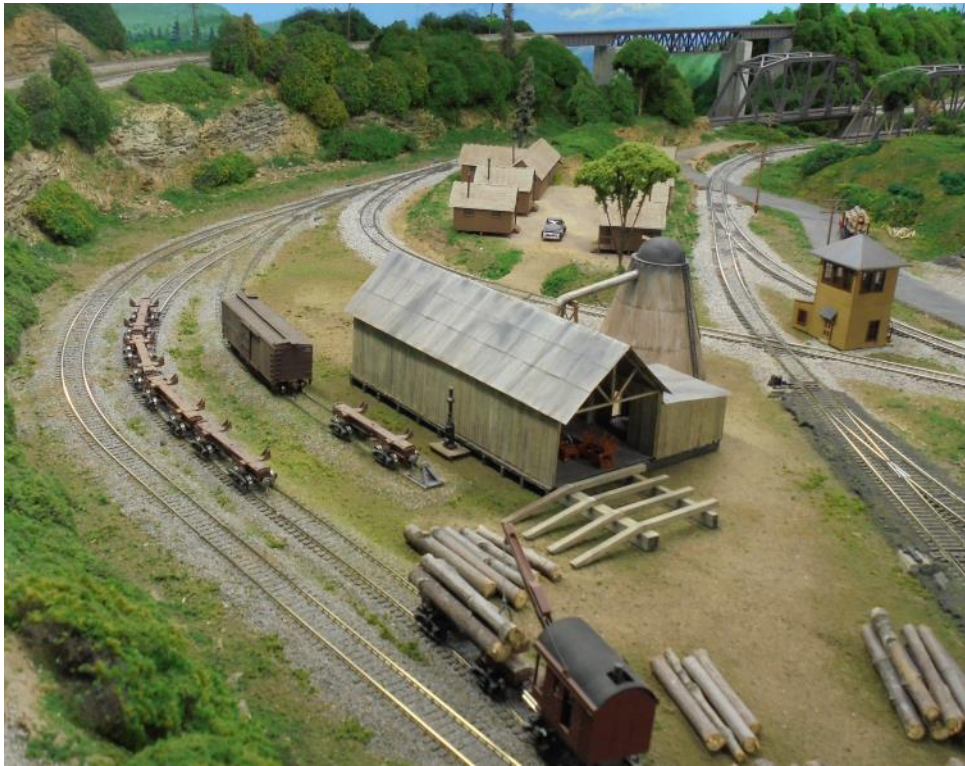
Jim MacKnight
Car Projects Chairman



LAYOUT VISIT to Donald Docter's HO Layout



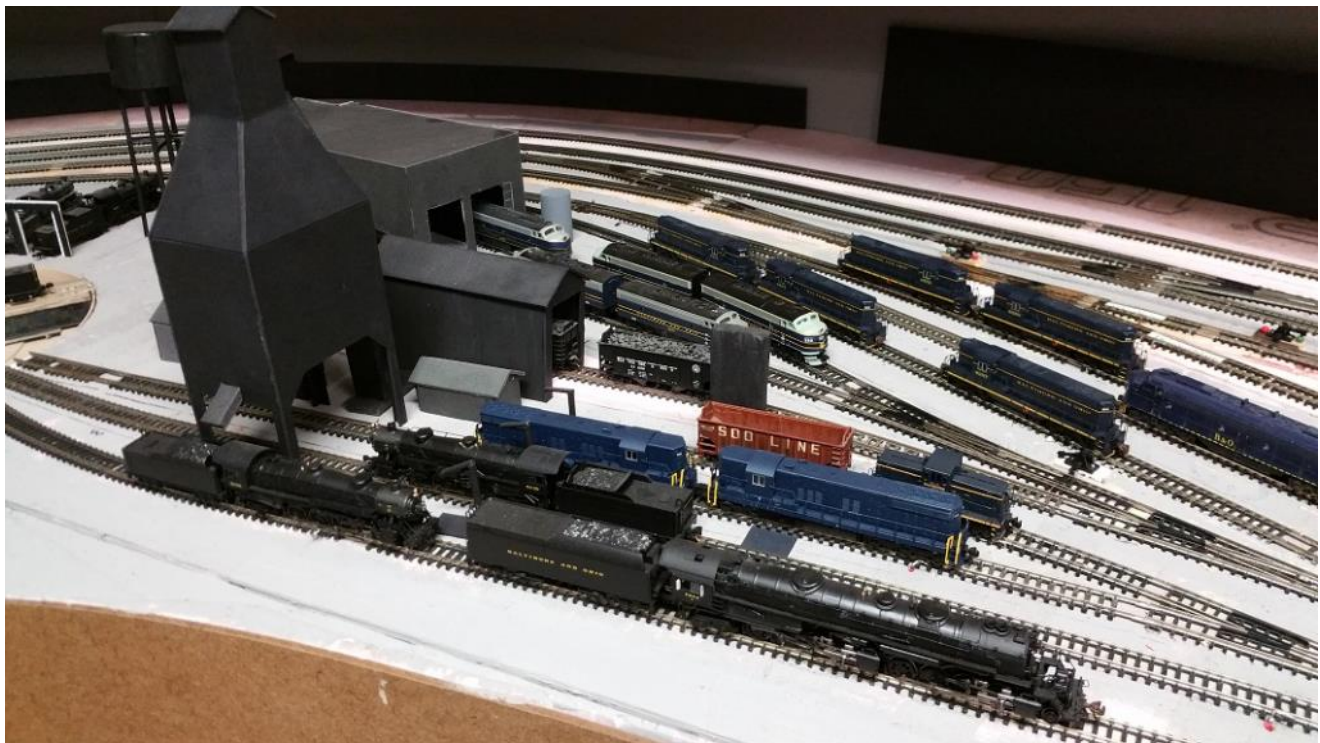
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LAYOUT VISIT to Paul Miklos's N-Scale Layout



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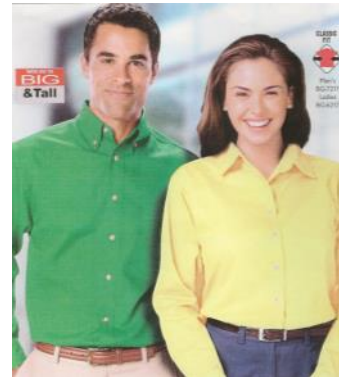
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FROM THE NMRA NATIONAL OFFICE

A special note about the promotional emails you'll be receiving from the NMRA.

Beginning this August, the NMRA will be sending all members one promotional announcement per month from video production companies who are supporters of the NMRA.

As we mentioned in the July/August *NMRA eBulletin* article, these promotional announcements are in exchange for these model railroad video production companies donating videos to the NMRA. In other words, the video production companies are giving us educational videos for our website for viewing by NMRA members, and we are passing along information about those video production companies to NMRA members.

As the article stated, the NMRA mailing list never leaves our hands -- the video companies are sending us the graphics for their promotional email and the NMRA is sending out the emails, not the video production companies. So no outside company will ever see your personal information or email address, nor will they be able to use or sell your email address. Your email address remains private and in the hands of the NMRA only.

There will only be **one promotional email per month** sent to you. You can choose to click on the link to participate in the promotion, delete the email, or ignore the email. You can also opt to unsubscribe from the promotional emails by using the "SafeUnsubscribe" link at the bottom of the promotional email page. Unsubscribing from the promotional emails will not affect your subscription to the bi-monthly *NMRA eBulletin*. In other words, you'll still receive the *NMRA eBulletin* even if you opt to unsubscribe from the promotional emails. (Note: do NOT unsubscribe from this email, or you will cease to get anything from the NMRA.)

Please note that if you choose to respond directly to the video production company's promotion, you may begin receiving email from the video production company directly.

We think that receiving educational videos for our members is a great benefit... one that is well worth the inconvenience of one promotional email per month.

We hope you take advantage of this special opportunity by watching -- and learning from -- the videos these companies are giving us! The videos will be uploaded to our site in a week or so. To find them, go to the Members Only portion of www.nmra.org and look under the "Special Programs" menu found near the top of the page.

[Gerry Leone](#), MMR
NMRA Vice President / Special Projects

2022 NMRA Convention Location Selected

The NMRA BOD has selected Birmingham, England as the location for the 2022 NMRA convention. This will be the second NMRA convention held in England -- the first was in London in 1971.

Subscription rate change for the NMRA Magazine

A message from Frank Koch, NMRA Chief Financial Officer:

Effective 10/1/2016, the annual subscription rate for the NMRA Magazine will be the following:

USA members - \$28 USD (RailPass stays at \$9.95)

Canada (FOB Guelph) - \$33 USD...PLUS local processing and Canada post as determined by Canadian home office. Susan will start charging \$33 USD on 10/1 for all Canadian subscriptions.

International - \$53 USD for all geographies, delivered via FedEx.

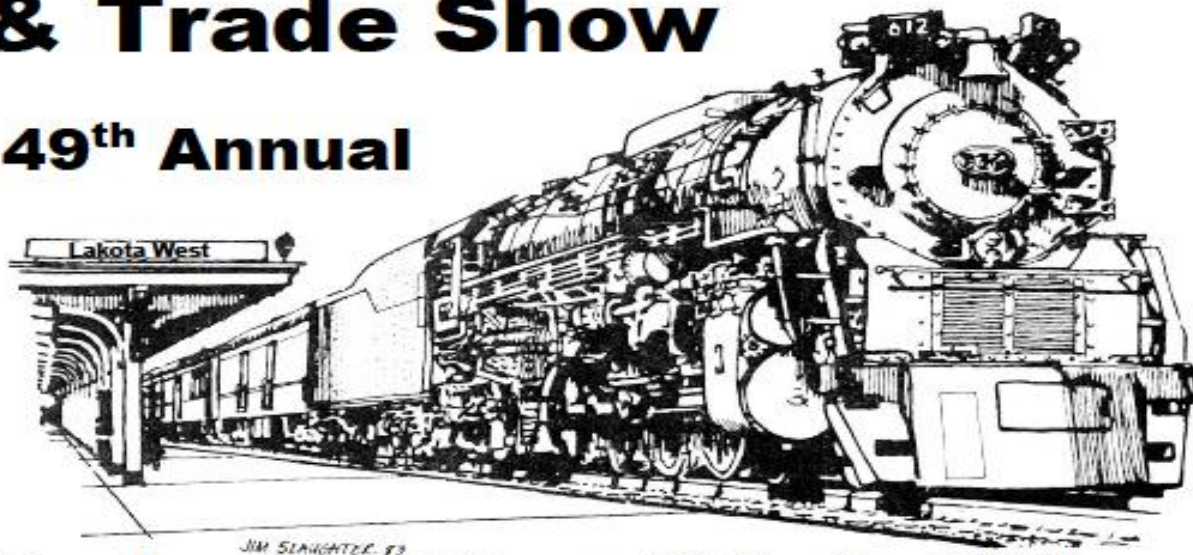
If you have any questions or comments about any of the above, please send them directly to a Director or Officer. You will find those addresses at www.nmra.org or in the NMRA Magazine

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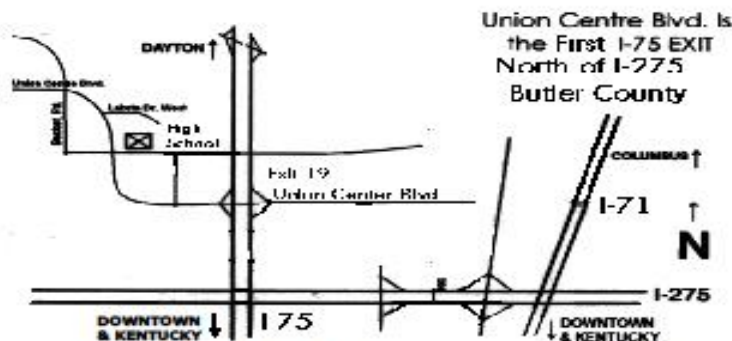
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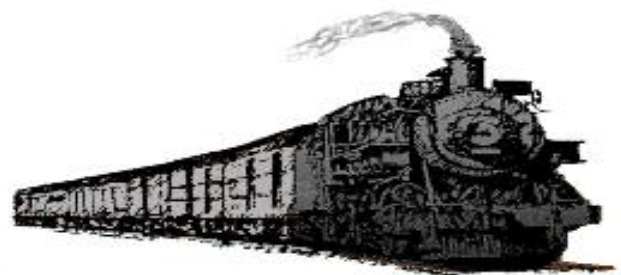


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WEST VIRGINIA TRAINS & FALL FOLIAGE TOUR - Oct. 17-19


Otterbein University Alumni is sponsoring a 2-night, 2-Train tour, staying at the Jackson Hotel in Elkins, West Virginia October 17 and 18, with rail trips on the Cheat Mountain Salamander and the Cass Scenic Railroad. Most meals, and other entertainment are included, \$455 to \$595. Phone 330-340-0122 or email mark@travelwarther.com

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.
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- 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.
	Binders, Model Railroader & Trains used, but good condition	\$5 each	Dave Puthoff	depuhoff@yahoo.com	19-Aug-16
	DCC Block Occupancy Detectors Built-in Adjustable Time-Delay-Off, Adjustable Sensitivity. 200 ma DC Open Collector & BiPolar Outputs with LED Indicator, 12 vdc. For DCC only.	\$12 each	Dave Puthoff	depuhoff@yahoo.com	20-Aug-16

2016 END OF SUMMER WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

I want to reduce the quantity of estate and white elephant material prior to the October show. It is getting to be more than I can fit into my van to bring to the show.

I am having a sale on SATURDAY, September 3, 2016 from 10am-2pm at my house. The sale will be inside and/or outside depending on the weather. There will be G-scale, HO, HOn3, N, and O-scale. Everything will be available for a price. There will be lots of "junk" including at least two tables of loose parts and pieces to pick over. Naturally, some of the O-scale might be priced at the "make me an offer I can't refuse" level.

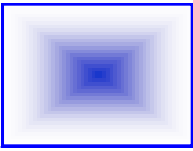
It's always fun, so stop by. 4769 Silverwood Drive, Batavia, OH 45103. Take the Olive Branch-Stonelick exit off Rte. 32, turn left for about 1 mile, turn right on Silverwood. (PS - We will still have the White Elephant sale at the Fall Show.)

Frank Koch

CUSTOM-BUILT OAK TRAIN DISPLAY CASE - For sale

Custom-built oak train display case by Al Piltz of Greenway Products. This case is for HO scale, with grooves for the wheel sets, and has five shelves, plus the bottom, providing display for six rows of locomotives or cars. The case is 86 inches in length (7'-2"), and 23 inches high, and was built to display passenger trains with motive power, having space for a steam locomotive and tender plus five 87' cars, or more with shorter cars. The finish is a medium brown (not light oak). The case has jointed corners and features 3 sliding glass doors. It was never used, and is in the original box in which it was delivered by Al Piltz. Current price for Greenway's 48" long oak cases is \$250. This case was purchased for \$500. I will consider \$375, or best offer. I would prefer to sell to a local layout owner who can pick up the case, as shipping with the glass doors would be risky.

Jim MacKnight
513 733-1246 home (preferred)



August Meeting and Clinic

I really enjoyed today's meeting: (1) I like the venue, (2) I had lunch at Ruby Tuesday's, (3) I got to visit with a lot of valued friends, and (4) Sam's clinic was exceptionally valuable. It doesn't get much better than today. Several of you asked about Margaret, which I really appreciated, plus just spending "quality-time" with you ladies and gentlemen is wonderful.

I was going to mention my old friend (I meant experienced) George Roos, but I didn't want to mention we were in the University of Cincinnati Bearcat Band together, because some clown would ask, "How long ago?" I didn't want to embarrass George and answer the question. Now that is being a friend (besides, that would tell my age, too).

I was a bit disappointed with this month's raffle, I came within one number of winning, twice. During the entire raffle, John Burchnell was giving me grief about my lack of winning. John also complained, "He didn't win." John, you have to purchase a ticket to win. DUH! At least we proved one thing today --- the raffle isn't "rigged" (or is it?).

I had seen Sam's clinic in Indianapolis, and was very impressed with his modeling skills, photography, and presentation. What I took away today, was many of Sam's techniques of weathering, glazing, and final detailing. Sam is a master in these areas, and he was very gracious in sharing his expertise.

Prototype or Not (renewed)?

I am always fascinated by the creations of fellow modelers, especially the choice of what to model. Prototype choices run the gamut between a very strict adherence to a specific prototype and date to "it's my railroad and I do what I like."

Certainly one of the foremost examples of strict prototype modeling has to be Jack Burgess, MMR, and his Yosemite Valley Railroad. Jack has faithfully recreated not only a specific location, but a very specific date. Of course we all know examples of the latter model railroad --- it's usually someone's first pike. Most people fall between both styles and chose a freelance division of a prototype road, or a well-executed freelance railroad. (The Virginian & Ohio is a wonderful example). Several of our local modelers have taken specific prototype and used a little "artistic license" to create an exciting and completely believable miniature railroad. I believe Gerry Albers' Virginian, Rick Stern's Santa Fe, and John Miller's Cincinnati based layout are all great examples of this trend. As John Burchnell points out, Division 7 is blessed with some of the hobby's premier model railways. Just remember "MODEL RAILROADING IS FUN!"

The Fall Train Show

We are only two months away from our annual Cincinnati Model Train Show, so now is the time to volunteer. The Division needs workers from set-up, to aiding dealers, manning both the admissions gate and the NMRA Booth. Here is your chance to step up and enjoy participating. Sign-up sheets will be at next month's meeting. Speaking of the September meeting, I hope to see you there, and (hint, hint) I hope to do a bit better at the raffle.

Keep 'em rolling

Bruce

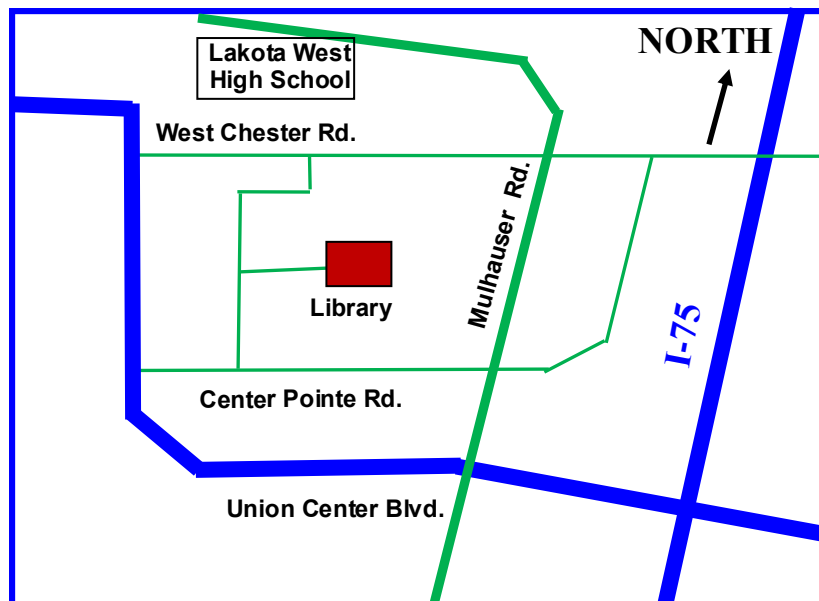
Next Meeting

2 PM Sunday September 11

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

2016 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>
9/11	West Chester Library West Chester	Ed Swain <i>Engine Facilities</i>	Bob Lawson Curt LaRue	<u>Models & Photos: Locomotives</u>
10/2	Erlanger Library Erlanger KY	Mike Brestel <i>Nicholas, Fayette, and Greenbrier RR</i>	Bob Adams	<u>Models & Photos: On-Line Structures</u>
11/13	Partners in Prime Hamilton OH	Charles Bogart <i>Dairy Industry</i>	Old Ross School Layouts	<u>Models & Photos: Freight Cars</u>

Around the Division
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9/15 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**
 10/8 - 10/9 **Cinti. Model Train & Trade Show**
 10/20 **Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**

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11/5 - 11/6 **Dayton Train Show - Springfield OH**

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