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The Editors Corner:

Dave Puthoff

In this month's issue you'll find an invitation to Division 7's Inaugural Orientation, aimed at members who have joined Division 7 during the past 24 months as well as long time members who wish to learn more about the benefits of membership and how and where to take advantage of all the modeling resources available. Details are found on Pages 4-5.

Before long, we'll have our annual Fall Train & Trade Show. Details are found on Page 26-29.

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

Cover: Scene from Mark Salisbury's G-Scale Layout

Photo by John Burchnall



ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS!! If you haven't responded to your personal Orientation Event invitation, time is running short. Please RSVP by email or phone, plus return the completed survey to me by Sept. 8: chuckendreola@yahoo.com, (440) 823-7374 or Chuck Endreola, 1506 Burney Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45230.

This September 17 event from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at the Marriott Hotel in West Chester is aimed at members who have joined Division 7 during the past 24 months. BUT any member may attend who feels he/she could learn more about the benefits of membership and how and where to take advantage of all the modeling resources available. Utilizing those resources and benefits will result in better craftsmanship and hobby satisfaction. We will also share the opportunities to become actively involved in the many benefits and operation of the Division. You will have the opportunity to meet and chat with several experienced members in an informal forum.

Do you have questions about this multi-faceted organization? What should you expect to gain by attending a Regional Convention? How can you get personal help with a modeling problem? How can you visit the wonderful layouts in our area? Don't hesitate to ask these and other questions. Please let us help you accelerate your journey in this fantastic hobby. Model railroading is indeed the world's greatest hobby. It calls on using many skills and offers a multitude of subjects to interest you. Now as a member of the NMRA and Division 7, you can share the camaraderie and knowledge with like-minded hobbyists and friends.

Please check out the two invitation pages that immediately follow this page.

It is with sadness we report long-time Cincinnati Division 7 NMRA member Ed Wagner passed away on Sunday, July 28, 2024, at the age of 76. He was born December 2, 1947, and was a member of the National Model Railroad Association since June of 1998. Ed was a past Treasurer of our Cincinnati Division 7. Our condolences go to his wife Ruth Ann, and to all Ed's friends and family. Ed's service was conducted on August 5, 2024. See the full obituary on the [Memoriams](#) page of the Division 7 website.

Don't forget to look over the "Continuity Plan" page in this issue and please give serious consideration to volunteering. Often those that help lead others get even more benefit than those they serve.

"Don't wait for people to be friendly, show them how." — Henry James

Chuck



You're invited to join us for the inaugural Cincinnati Division 7 **Orientation Event** as mentioned in the July and August editions of the Division 7 Oil Can publication.

What... you don't know what the Oil Can is...? Well then that's one of many reasons to join us for this upcoming event.

On **September 17, 2024** at the Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel in West Chester, Ohio from **7-9:30 pm** a special event will be held that is designed to introduce many of our newer members to the multi-faceted world of Division 7, and the NMRA.

We'll share the multitude of resources and benefits available through your membership, revealing and discussing many insights for your local Cincinnati Division, the Mid-Central Region, and the National NMRA organization.

This collaborative learning experience will also give you the added opportunity to meet and mingle with several of our leaders and subject matter experts. These are friendly people having the knowledge, skills and passions that can help you achieve greater growth within this amazing hobby.

What a perfect place for you to make connections with others that can benefit you now, and for years to come. Sometimes a complex subject can be made simple by talking with someone that's been there and done that. So, you supply "you", and we'll do the rest to help build your "know-how".

Finally, to keep your boiler from going dry we will have refreshments, and to keep the wheels turning we'll supply some light snacks. So, don't worry about wetting your whistle or running out of steam, just enjoy this enlightening and fun event.



Knowledge is power, and to achieve such you need to know what tracks to take. This event will give you the tools, relationships and road maps to help you navigate your journey, putting you on the tracks to success. And if you derail, your orientation experience will have filled your tool box with what you'll need to help get back on track.

We hope you will make every effort to attend this exciting event!!

Please RSVP by Sunday Sept 8th to Chuck Endreola at: chuckendreola@yahoo.com

From your Orientation Event Co-Chairs

EVENT: Division 7 Inaugural Orientation Event

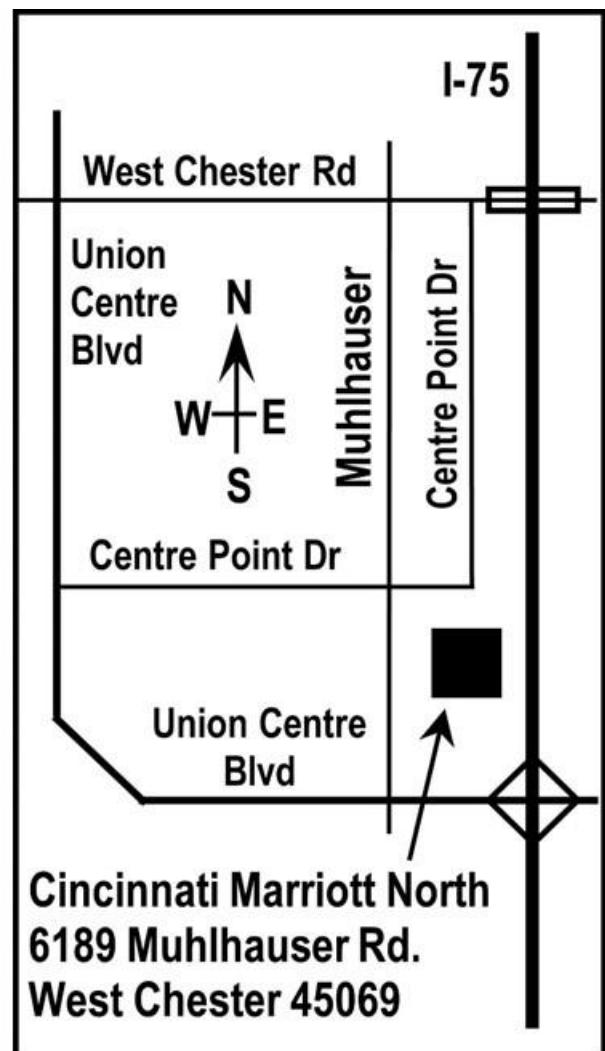
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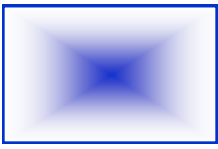
TIME: 7 PM to 9:30 PM

LOCATION: Cincinnati North Marriott Hotel

6189 Mulhauser Road, West Chester, Ohio, 45069

RSVP by Sept 8: chuckendreola@yahoo.com





SECOND SECTION

Tony Valerius
Asst. Super

I recently had to see the dentist for some necessary repairs to a crown that had partially chipped off. There was a woman there with her young son who had an appointment. The boy seemed of the right age to possibly have an interest in model trains, so I started up a conversation with them. It seemed like a good opportunity to promote our hobby and the upcoming October Train Show. He showed some interest but I think he was a little hesitant to talk to a stranger like me. His mother did and she could understand and appreciate the interest people have in the hobby. However, as she discussed the hobby with me, she expressed concern that it was expensive. I've heard this before, and while it can be, I tried to assure her that there were ways to get started without spending a fortune.

One of those ways to save some money is to buy things at the many train shows like ours coming up on October 12th and 13th. Another was evident at the last two monthly meetings as there were a lot of White Elephant items for sale by our Treasurer, Frank. I purchased two DPM kits for \$5 each and one Magnuson Models kit for \$20. To me, that is a pretty inexpensive addition of three new structures to my new layout. Frank promises to have more at the September meeting and, of course, there will be plenty at the train show.

My final thought on the dentist visit is that we cannot be afraid to talk to strangers about our hobby. If we want our hobby to grow and flourish in the future, we must be willing ambassadors every opportunity that we get.

Our August 18th meeting was held at the Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall with a clinic by Mike Hauk, Superintendent of Division 12, on "Weathering with Oil Paints". Notes from Mike's clinic are posted on the "How To Articles" sub-page of the "Modeler Tips & Services" page of our Division 7 website. Our AV Team of Gary Ossenschmidt, Chris Shackleton, Bob Shreve and Phil Wilkin did another wonderful job. Our model and photo contests were Dirt or Road Self-Propelled Vehicle. Our after-meeting layout visits were to the homes of Matt & Debie Snell and Mark Salisbury. Thanks to all who made this meeting another wonderful day for our members.

Coming Up:

Sunday, September 8th – Our meeting will be held at the Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel with a new clinic by Mike Tylick, MMR® on the "Chester & Becket F&N3 Railroad Story." This is also the last chance to pick up a few of our Fall Show street signs to post. Our model and photo contest will be Tank or Flat Car. Our after-meeting layout visits will be to the homes of Bill Doll and Larry Bonhaus.

Sunday, October 6th – Our meeting will be held at the Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio with a clinic by Chuck Endreola on "Carved Foam Rock Scenery". Our model and photo contest will be Maintenance of Way (MOW) equipment. Our after-meeting layout visits will be to the homes of Jim Stewart and Bill Bramlage.

Saturday October 12th & Sunday October 13th – Our 56th Annual Fall Train Show at Lakota West High School. We could use your help with setup on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, admissions and membership booth on both days, and tear down on Sunday. It's a great way to get to socialize with other modelers and members.

See our Division 7 website at cincy-div7.org for details on all our wonderful 2024 activities.

Happy Modeling!

Tony

Video Additions to the Division 7 Library

Donated by Jim Corbett from the estate of Ed Kuhr.

Produced by:	Series Title	Volume	Topic
Allen Keller Productions	Great Model Railroads	44	Howard Zane, Pt.2
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LEADERSHIP CONTINUITY PLAN STATUS

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>Present Holder</u>	<u>Back Up(s)</u>
Treasurer	Frank Koch	John Shields
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Fall Show Chair	Rick Crumrine	Gary Ossenschmidt
Spring Flea Market	Gary Ossenschmidt	Rick Crumrine
Table Sales/Floor Plan	Roy Hord	open
Street Signs Distributor	John Burchnall	open
Contest Chair	Roy Allan	John Listermann
Car Projects	Paul Maciulewicz	open
Community Service	Larry Bonhaus	open
Company Store	Paul Musselman	open
Video Library	Kevin Orcutt	open
Modelers Aid	Bruce Knapp/Sam Parfitt	open
A/V Meeting Operators	- several -	open

If you are interested in volunteering to back-up any of these open positions, please contact Chuck Endreola or the "Present Holder" for a description of duties.

Both New, and Veteran members are encouraged to become active in Division operations. Participation is rewarding!



CINCINNATI DIVISION 7, MCR, NMRA AUGUST 2024 CONTEST RESULTS



MODELS: DIRT OR ROAD SELF PROPELLED VEHICLE

Kit-Built:	1st Place:	Mike Reynolds	1932 Ford Pickup
	2nd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	M3A1 Stuart Tank
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	M8 "Scout" Motor Howitzer
Kit-Bashed:	1st Place Tie:	Ben Hallenbeck	M4 Sherman Tank
	1st Place Tie:	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR®	1914 Ford Calliopee
Scratch-Built	1st Place:	Dan Mack	Steel Mill Hot Metal Rig
	2nd Place:	Dan Mack	Steel Slag Carrier - Full
	3rd Place:	Dan Mack	Steel Slag Carrier - Empty
Junior Div:	No entries this month		

PHOTOGRAPHY: DIRT OR ROAD SELF PROPELLED VEHICLE

Prototype:	1st Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	1928 Ford Delivery Truck
	2nd Place:	John Burchnall	APP Fuel Truck at Portland Union Station
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	1968 Corvette
Models:	1st Place:	John Burchnall	Farmall Tractor Pulling Hay Bale Wagon
	2nd Place:	John Burchnall	Parmelee Brothers Dairy Products Delivery Truck
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Railway Express Delivery Truck
Junior Div:	No entries this month		

2024 STANDINGS THROUGH AUGUST

MODELS

Steve Montgomery	21	Bob Frankrone (Div 8)	5	Roy Allan	3
Ben Hallenbeck	16	Lee Drake	4	Mark Albers	2
Georgia Dahlberg, MMR®	7	Phil Gliebe (Div 3)	3	Chris Shackleton	1
Dan Mack	6	Ray Persing (Div 3)	3	Rick Stern	1
Mike Reynolds	6	Larry Goodridge	3		

PHOTOGRAPHY

John Burchnall	42	Pam Moleski	3	David Wynne	1
Ben Hallenbeck	12	Roy Allan	3	Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	1
Bob Frankrone (Div 8)	4	Joe Stuber	2	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR®	1
Mike Martinson	3	Larry Goodridge	2		

JUNIOR DIVISION PHOTOS

Shane Stephens	5
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JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS No entries yet this year

SEPTEMBER CATEGORIES

MODELS: TANK OR FLAT CAR

PHOTOGRAPHY: TANK OR FLAT CAR

Roy Allan
Cincinnati Division 7 Contest Chair



**CINCINNATI DIVISION 7
MID CENTRAL REGION, NMRA
2024 CONTEST THEMES**



MONTH	MODELS	PHOTOGRAPHY
January	Caboose (any EOT device freight train car)	Caboose (any EOT device freight train car)
February	Hopper or Gondola Car (open or closed)	Hopper or Gondola Car (open or closed)
March	- No contest (Flea Market) -	- No contest (Flea Market) -
April	Steam Locomotive	Steam Locomotive
May	Non-Steam Locomotive	Non-Steam Locomotive
June	- No contest (Picnic) -	- No contest (Picnic) -
July	Passenger Car (including head end cars)	Passenger Car (including head end cars)
August	Dirt or Road Self Propelled Vehicle	Dirt or Road Self Propelled Vehicle
September	Tank or Flat Car (with or without load)	Tank or Flat Car (with or without load)
October	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment
November	Building or Bridge	Building or Bridge
December	Box, Refrigerator or Stock Car	Box, Refrigerator or Stock Car

Contest Sub-Classes

MODEL (up to 3 total entries permitted): Kit-Built, Kit-Bashed or Scratch-Built

PHOTO (up to 3 total entries permitted): Model or Prototype

Sept 2, 2023



DIVISION 7 - COMMITTEE REPORTS August 2024



Superintendent (Chuck Endreola): As a member in good standing of Division 7, you have the opportunity to attend BOD (Board of Directors) meetings. You may voice your opinion and/or introduce new ideas and suggestions. At this time, the BOD meets via Zoom. The meetings are held each quarter, and each has a different Zoom link. **THE NEXT BOD MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, AT 7:00pm.** Contact Tony Valerius, John Burchnall or me each time and we'll gladly email you the link. Hope to see you there.

Recruitment and Retention (John Shields): The "latest" information from National (as of August 1) shows our current count is 230.

We have one new member to welcome from the last month.

Robert Winker of Cold Spring, KY [who attended our August meeting, so we got to welcome him in-person]

Thank you to the 9 people who chose to renew their memberships last month.

A personal note, since I was able to attend the National Convention in Long Beach in early August: Part of the reason we have so many great local layouts for our members to get to see is that we have basements! Imagine if your only space was your garage. Do you have a layout in your basement? If you do not, what could we be doing to help you take advantage of this asset?

John Shields
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513-561-8691

MCR Report (John Shields): No report this month

National Report (Frank Koch / Pam Moleski): No report this month

Achievement Program (Frank Koch): No report this month

Car Projects (Paul Maciulewicz): See the Car Project Announcement elsewhere in this Oil Can

Oil Can (Dave Puthoff): Submissions for the September Oil Can are due by September 22.

Monthly Raffle (Russ Poynter): No report this month

Community Service (Larry Bonhaus): No report this month

Modelers Aid (Bruce Knapp / Sam Parfitt): No report this month

Fall Train Show (Rick Crumrine): No report this month

Spring Flea Market Gary Ossenschmidt / Roy Hord): No report this month

Operations Activities (Rick Stern): No report this month

Facebook Page (Pam Moleski): No report this month

Web Site (John Burchnall): Notes from Mike Hauk's August clinic are posted on the "How to Articles" page of the "Modeler Tips & Services" tab of our website.

Video Library (Kevin Orcutt): See new items listed on Page 7 of this issue.

YouTube (David Lamb): The YouTube committee is starting our next layout video. Recording of John Listermann's Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is scheduled. Look for this new release from the YouTube committee in the upcoming weeks.

Cincinnati Division 7's Model Railroading Roundtable Update

We're midway through our initial year of Division 7's Model Railroading Roundtable (MRR) program, which allows a small group of like-interested folks to gather in a local home or meeting place and learn a new skill related directly to the model railroading hobby. To date, we've had four MRRs (a summary of those follows the fall program announcement). Four more MRRs are scheduled for this fall, and described below.

Fall MRR Program

Upcoming roundtables include the following topics and hosts. Detailed descriptions of each follow the summary table.

Month	Host	Topic
August	Mike Tener	Troubleshooting/Repairing Locomotive Problems
September	Sam Swanson	Painting Structures/Details with Acrylic Paints
October	Chuck Endreola	Foam Rock Carving and Painting
November	Curt LaRue	Trackplanning

August MRR

Host – Mike Tener

Topic – Troubleshooting/Repairing Locomotive Problems: decoders, motors, gears, couplers,

Date and Time – Saturday, August 17, 2024 2-4 pm

Location – 4953 Shagbark Court Mason, Ohio 45040

Maximum Number of Attendees – 6

Response – mtener01@yahoo.com

Bring a basic tool kit including voltmeter. We will troubleshoot and repair locomotives that have problems injected into them. If you have an engine you would like to have the group look at, feel free to bring it along. Depending on the experience level of the group we may get into basic electronics as well as some decoder programming or other topics as the group decides. Please respond to me with interest in attending.

September MRR

Host – Sam Swanson

Topic – Painting Structures and Details with Acrylic Paint

Date and Time – Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 2-4pm

Location – 960 Lenox Place

Maximum Number of Attendees – 5

Response – nwindes1980@gmail.com

Bring one small structure and one detail (from junk pile to animal or human figure in any scale) that you'd like to color and weather. We'll go over painting basics, including coloring, staining or washing to add shadows, and drybrushing for highlights. Specific techniques, such as adding rust or weathering, will also be covered (as well as any other topics suggested by attendees). Brushes and acrylic craft paints will be supplied (but bring some of yours if you'd like to discuss certain aspects of your materials). Please respond directly to me if you are interested in attending and be aware we'll be meeting on the third floor, so stairs-climbing is essential. I'll confirm the program via email several days before our Saturday get-together.

October MRR

Host – Chuck Endreola

Topic – Foam Rock Carving & Painting

Date and Time – Saturday, October 19, 2024, from 2-4pm

Location – 1506 Burney Ln. Cincinnati, OH

Maximum Number of Attendees – 6

Response – chuckendreola@yahoo.com

This technique replaces the expense and mess of plaster molds. Ultra lightweight, perfect for removable access, displays, modular and permanent layouts. Any type of rock can be represented with foam. We will look at rock types, strata and color. Several types will be displayed and demoed. Bring a retractable razor knife, dual temp glue gun (only if you already have one) & glue sticks, and any photos or books that show the type of rock faces of the area you are modeling. All else will be provided. Please respond directly to me if you are interested in attending. I'll confirm the program via email several days before our Saturday get-together.

November MRR

Host – Curt LaRue

Topic – Trackplanning

Date and Time – November, 2024 (time and date TBD)

Location – 8110 Timbertree Way, West Chester OH 45069

Maximum Number of Attendees – 6

Response – LCKlarue@aol.com

This roundtable will cover how I designed my model railroad using track charts, maps, railroad documents (such as timetables, CT 1000, and rule books), photos (from books, internet, historical societies, and private photo collections), blue prints, and drawings. Transferring the plan in drawing the track plan full size, along with using structure mock-ups, along with how the layout operates will also be covered.

MRR Program for the First Half of 2024

Bob Lawson, Roy Allan, Ed Swain, and John Listermann hosted sessions at their home. Photos and notes for the MRR gatherings follow.

Bob Lawson hosted the first roundtable of the year in February, where seven attendees discussed planning and building structures and scenes, and saw many examples of Bob's incredible modeling in his relatively new residential space. Bob took us through basic kit, advanced kit, and scratchbuilding approaches, with an emphasis on cost-conscious modeling within a limited budget. He also covered tools, adhesives, paints, and organization of parts, along with arranging scene details (including vehicles, people, and clutter), along with fabricating sturdy structure and diorama bases from insulation foam. Attendees appreciated the insight and wisdom, along observing the hundreds of model examples Bob had on display.

With several of the initial attendees, Bob has continued with weekly work sessions (where numerous techniques, from track work to structure and scene construction takes place routinely). Bob mentioned these weekly gatherings have renewed his enthusiasm for completing the many tasks he has underway on his vast layout.



Bob Lawson talks about his approach to structure building and scene development (with his many layout and stand-alone dioramas). Photo by Sam Swanson.

Tony Valerius works on Bob Lawson's trackwork as part of the Thursday work sessions (rumored to be called the *Rat Pack*). Photo by Joe Stuber.



Roy Allan and his large-scale caboose model was one of the subjects of his scratchbuilding large-scale rolling stock roundtable. Photo by Sam Parfitt.



Ed Swain leads a discussion of layout planning topics. Photo by Sam Parfitt.

John Listermann completes painting the example backdrop he completed as part of the roundtable. Photo by Nancy Windes.



Joe Ross and Sam Parfitt attended all four of the roundtables and have been a good source of information regarding content and approach. Your MRR interest and participation is much appreciated. Photo by Roy Allan

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Bob Kress receives a Merit Certificate for Civil Engineer
for constructing a Gauge Separation Turnout.**

Edward Charles Wagner, Sr.

1947 - 2024

It is with great sadness we report long-time Cincinnati Division 7 NMRA member Ed Wagner passed away on Sunday, July 28, 2024 at the age of 76. He was born December 2, 1947 and was a member of the National Model Railroad Association since June of 1998.

Ed was a past Treasurer of our Cincinnati Division 7. He and his wife Ruth Ann often also helped staff the Admissions booth at our annual Fall Model Train Show. In recent years Ed often joined our monthly meetings remotely via our Zoom simulcast. He was also a member of the Cincinnati Railroad Club.

Our condolences go to Ruth Ann, and to all Ed's friends and family. Visitation, funeral service and internment occurred Monday, August 5, 2024 at the Spring Grove Funeral Home. See the Memoriams page on our Division 7 website for more information, including obituary notice.

Compiled by John Burchnell

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

MCR Officer Elections

The Mid Central Region Elections Nominating Committee has identified the following slate of candidates for the 2025 elections:

President: Jerry Doyle

Vice President: Frank Trocchia

Treasurer: Barbara Soward

Secretary: Bruce DeMaeyer

Per MCR regulations Article X, Section 3, members of the region can make nominations for Mid Central Region offices by presenting a petition to the Region Nominating Committee Manager, signed by fifteen (15) members of the Mid Central Region.

Petitions must be received by September 20th, 2024.

Contact the Region Nominating Committee Manager at the following address with any questions, or to arrange delivery of petitions.

bshreve8103@gmail.com

Regards,

MCR Elections Nominating Committee

Bob Shreve, Chairman

Jim DiPaola

Bob Belt

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Great Northern Railway Operating Session on September 21 at 7 PM (Saturday)

NOTE: Contact Sam Parfitt prior to attending, in order to confirm the Operating Session. --- Ed.

GNRW ops is on the 3rd W/E Saturday.

Pizza at 6:30-7:00.

Please email if attending.

NEW POLICY:

Since there's not a lot to do outside our homes related to railroading, those who wish to have a 'one-on-one' or with own friends to operate the layout during the month, please email or call.

Being retired, I spend the bulk of my time in the basement so visitors are always welcomed. Thanks.

NEW PROJECTS:

Installed decoders in several more engines. A selection of 100 engines can now be done.

Mission Statement: Main theme of my railroad (besides modeling the Great Northern Railway): when building the railroad, I wanted to model mainline running with big time steam and 'scale like' trains of 25-45 cars on single track mainline with passing sidings.

USUAL STATS:

Time: 1938. All steam and electrics. The GN railway is a point to point railroad, 400' mainline with two 400-500 car yards at Seattle, Wash and St Paul, Minn, each having 20+ track turntables and one staging yard holding 300 cars. Minimum radius, 48" with #10 turnouts. Track all hand laid on individual wooden ties. 100% scenery.

Four track 12' ore dock.

For pictures see:

<http://ogrforum.ogaugerr.com/topic/great-northern-railway?page=1>

Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tOb7SgZTLWA>

The Operating session is also listed in the NMRA MCR div 7 web site:

<https://cincy-div7.org/events.html>

Junk food and beverage will be available

Thanks

Sam Parfitt

samparfitt@fuse.net

8795 Goldcrest Dr

West Chester OH, 45069

cell: 513-378-9133

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Division 7 Car Project (Limited Edition!)

Cincinnati Division 7's Car Project Committee is pleased to announce the availability of our latest, limited-edition car project!

Using Accurail's 2200 Series ACF 2-Bay Covered Hopper as the basis, we are offering it in a Norfolk & Western repaint scheme.

These cars are N&W class HC-46 and are from an original batch of fifty built in 1966 by ACF and were painted in the Round Herald paint scheme.

Sometime subsequent to that some cars went through a general maintenance program where they were repainted in the block N&W livery. Photos were found showing that at least three of these cars (road numbers 170753, 170768 and 170794) were reweighed at some later date because that area is "patched out" on the car with the new data displayed. Those same photos place these three cars as being in service in 1992 and 2004! It is these three, highly unique, road numbers that Cincinnati Division 7 is now offering for sale.

As with all Accurail cars, they are in kit form only.

Pricing is \$25 per car, or a 3-car set at \$70. Shipping (via USPS Priority) is \$9.20 for one car and \$16.25 for two to three cars.

Ohio residents, please add 7.8% sales tax on the **total price of the kits and the shipping and handling fee.**

I received these cars the week of 9/12. Heritage and purchasing details are posted on our Division 7 web site.

You can also send me a check or money order in US dollars, payable to Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA, to:

Cincinnati Division 7 Car Projects

c/o Paul Maciulewicz

9151 Congress Court

West Chester, Ohio 45069



DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following is a Car Project from New Jersey Division 3 of the MER

Paul Maciulewicz

New Jersey Division

**PRICE NOW \$20 PER CAR! HURRY WHILE QUANTITIES LAST!
SHIPPING COSTS REMAIN THE SAME**

New Jersey Division 50th Anniversary Gondola

50th Anniversary Gondola

A review of the cars. They are \$35 each, or a set of two for \$65. Car numbers are 1968 and 2018, which was the year that the New Jersey Division was founded and the year we celebrated our 50th anniversary. The model is from Tangent Models and is a superb model of a 52'6" Riveted Drop End Gondola with 70 ton trucks. The placement of the brake wheel on the side is an identifying feature of a drop end Gondola. They're ready to run and come with Kadee couplers.

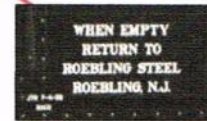
We acquired equal amounts of the two car numbers. Cash or check will consummate the deal and you'll be hauling stuff around your layout in no time!

These are excellent looking and beautifully running cars, but, a car not decorated for a prototypical railroad, they do have the look of a gondola that you might see in any train consist from the 1930's to the 1980's.

To order cars Contact Mike Prokop at njwrr@aol.com or by mail use the Order Sheet. USPS Priority Mail postage is: \$9 for one car and \$10.75 for two cars.



The Reporting Marks "NJDX" for this car identify the owner as the New Jersey Division and the "X" designates a Private or Non-railroad owner.



This Stencil indicates the Gondola is in Assigned Service to Roebling Steel. It must be returned to Roebling after its load has been delivered.

The car body is black with white lettering and data conforming to the 1950s

The cost is \$35.00 for one car or a set of both numbers for \$65.00

A check made payable to the NJ Division must be included

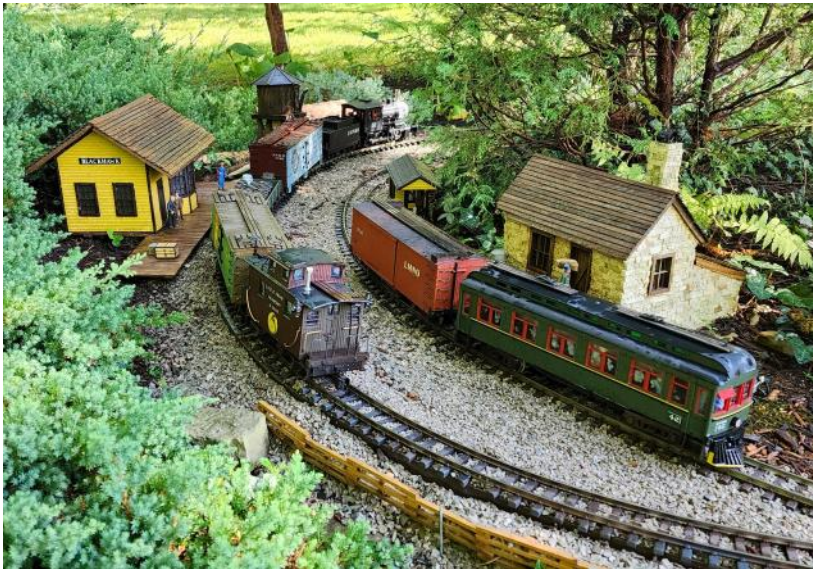
Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone _____

See Tangent website for more information
support@tangentscalemodels.com
Return this form to NJ Division NMRA;
PO Box 276, Crosswicks, NJ 08515-0276

LAYOUT VISIT - Mark Salisbury's G-Scale Layout



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Photos by John Burchnell

LAYOUT VISIT - Matt & Debie Snell's HO-Scale Layout



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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 will periodically re-evaluate the program. 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.

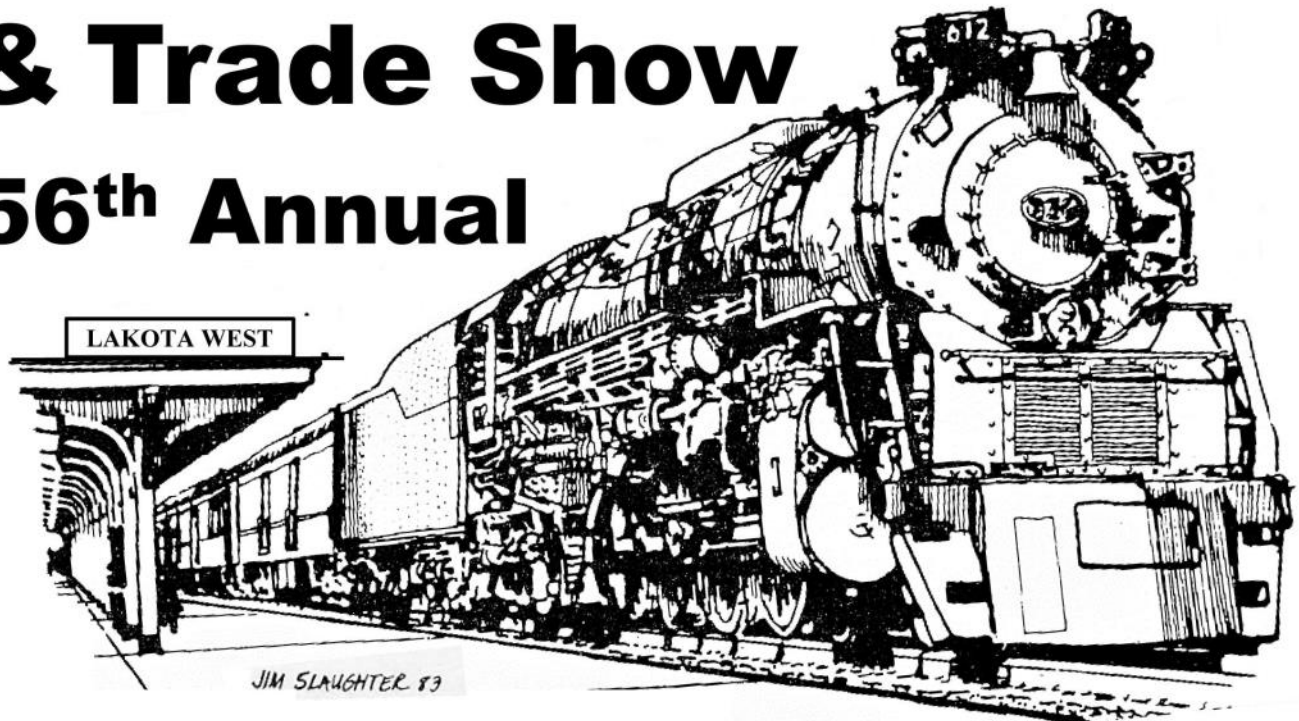
Oilcan Editor reserves the right to edit listing if needed, and will notify Seller of edit prior to publication.

Picture	Description	Price	Name	Phone, or Email	Listing No.
	WANTED: HO scale Family Lines bay window caboose.	Up to \$25	Bob Kress	bkress@fuse.net	313-Aug24
	WANTED: Any paint scheme HO Powered Hi-rail truck.	??	Bob Kress	bkress@fuse.net	314-Aug24
	WANTED: B&O decals, HO scale, for heavyweight passenger cars and steam locomotives.	??	Paul Miklos	paul.miklos1@gmail.com	323-Oct 24
	Bowser Virginian & Ohio 70-ton ACF 2-bay covered hopper, gray, #5023. Retail \$26.00	\$20	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	315-Oct 24
	Branchline Pickens RR Berwick 50' boxcar, 10' door, blue #54024, assembled with graffiti, metal wheels, Kadec couplers. Retail N/A	\$20	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	316-Oct 24
	Pacific Mtn Scale Shops B&O I-12 wagon-top caboose craftsman kit w/ Andrews trucks. Retail: \$49.50	\$30	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	317-Oct 24
	Proto 2000 B&O EMD SD7 Phase II, non-dynamic, blue/yellow stripe, #1830. Retail: \$100.00	\$70	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	318-Oct 24
	Proto 2000 B&O EMD SD7, non-dynamic, blue/yellow stripes, #764. Retail:\$85.00	\$60	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	319-Oct 24
	Proto 2000 C&O 52'6" drop-end fish-belly mill gondola, black #218933. Retail: \$19.99	\$15	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	320-Oct 24
	Proto 2000 C&O AAR 50-ton flat car, black, # 80625. Retail: \$14.00	\$9	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	321-Oct 24
	Roundhouse C&O 40' 3-bay rib-side open hoppers, black, # 101833, 101921, 101957. Retail \$10.00 each	\$6 ea	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	322-Oct 24
	Accurail V&O 41' AAR rib-side steel gondola, boxcar red, #2360. Retail: \$18.00	\$12	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	312-Jul 24
	McKean V&O Greenville 12-panel 3-bay open hopper, black #16278, built/weathered by Allen McClelland.	\$22	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	306-Jun 24

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Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show

56th Annual



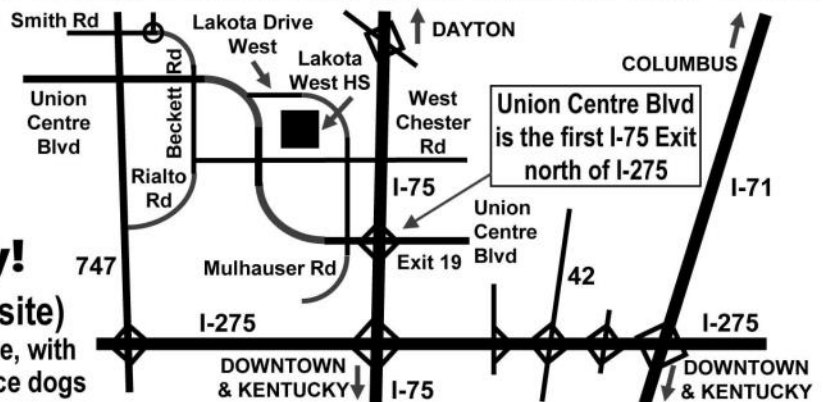
Lakota West High School

Sat & Sun October 12 & 13, 2024
11 am - 5 pm both days

**FREE
PARKING!**

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8940 Union Centre Blvd, West Chester, Ohio 45069



FUN for the Whole Family!

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This event will be operated under all local, state and federal health guidelines in effect at that time. Masks are currently optional. If recommended, hand sanitizer will be available at multiple locations. Subject to cancellation due to events beyond our control. See <https://cincy-div7.org/local-events> for last-minute info or changes. Sales tables are \$40 each – reserve via rhord@fuse.net

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Everyone's Help Needed - Fall Show Street Signs

Our large corrugated plastic street signs are extremely important in informing everyone about our 56th Annual Fall Cincinnati Model Train Show on October 12-13, 2024. Besides word of mouth, this is the only way new general public attendees find out about our wonderful show. We'll be placing 200 signs this year and **we need your help to do this**. All the signs are 2 ft x 4 ft, each with 4 all-new straight metal wickets, and come with a small helpful instruction sheet.

We have 10 teams placing 6 to 8 signs each in specified zones within about 8 miles of Lakota West High School. Those areas include much of West Chester, Liberty Township, Fairfield, Hamilton, Mason, Springdale and Sharonville. We also have other members who place 1 to 3 signs elsewhere in our division. **We need many more of you all around the division to step up and do likewise**. It's very easy and quick to place 1 to 3 signs, no one has ever gotten in trouble doing so, and there are plenty of suitable locations out there.

We hope you'll agree to place one, two or more of these signs. To volunteer, all you need to do is see me at the Aug or Sept Division meetings, or email or phone me with your best phone number and how many signs you want. Your signs will be available at our Aug and Sept meetings, or by other arrangements with me. Here are some details –

- Place your signs between about Sat, Sept 21 and Sat, Sept 28
- Place signs in highly visible locations but very importantly outside of road right-of ways and not at busy intersections - otherwise they could be removed by local authorities (and don't worry if they do)
- Best locations are vacant commercial lots, friendly businesses, schools, friends or neighbors, preferably in mulched or seldom mowed areas, or flush with fences or railings where mowing crews won't disturb them
- Use a hammer to pound the short end of the 4 wickets into the ground in a line, then place the sign base edge on the ground next to the wickets, mark where each wicket is, then slip the sign over each wicket into corrugations at the marked points (prevents split flutes), slide the sign down to within about 2 inches of the ground to resist wind – make sure you use all 4 wickets per sign to also better resist high winds
- Remove your signs on either Sun night, Oct 13 or by Tue, Oct 15 - we need to be good community stewards
- Do not return the signs, as we'll print new ones with new dates next year - use them for your projects, recycle them or throw them away - you can return the metal wickets to me if they are clean and straight

Also, at the Aug, Sept and Oct meetings, Rick Crumrine will have flyers for you to take and post. You can also download and print those flyers from the Events tab of our website. Post them in friendly schools, churches, places of work and businesses (barber shops, grocers, hardware stores ...). Finally, be sure to talk up this family fun Cincinnati Model Train Show with your neighbors, friends and family!

We thank you in advance for your help in this very important and easy to do matter! I look forward to your immediate reply via email or phone.

John Burchnell
Fall Show Signs Coordinator
johnburchnell@gmail.com
513-205-6045 cell

White Elephants at the 2024 Fall Show

White Elephants at the 2023 Fall Show (Frank Koch) – I'm back again for any individual Division 7 members with items they wish to sell, but not enough to justify the cost of a table. Prepare an inventory showing your name, address, and telephone number and listing each individual item with a description and code so I can match it back to you, and your **firm** asking price (I won't negotiate to a lower price.). **Each individual item must be clearly marked and priced as shown below.** If there is more than one of an item, list them separately. Put all your items in a bag or box and bring them to the flea market before the show starts. I'll log them in, sell them, calculate how much you get back (The Division will keep 10% of actual sales.), and you can, preferably, pick up your unsold material and money on Sunday right after the show closes or after the show at a later meeting. If you need an inventory form, send me an e-mail at fjkoch@hotmail.com with "elephant inventory" in the subject, use the form in the OilCan, or use the one that is online in the Division website..

FJK – 12 \$10.00

Items are placed in the White Elephant Sale at your own risk. Neither Division 7 nor Frank Koch assumes any liability for any items damaged or stolen during the flea market, though we will provide due diligence for their safety. We will not accept items that are not prepared as indicated here. If you want to help out at some time during the flea market, let Frank know. We reserve the right to refuse any material that we deem unsuitable.

2024 Fall Show White Elephant Sale
(10% of actual sales retained by Division 7)

2024

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Initials	Item #	Short Description	Firm Price (\$)	Sold	Office
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10% Fee

Net Due To Seller

Cincinnati Division 7 N.M.R.A. - 2024 Program Schedule

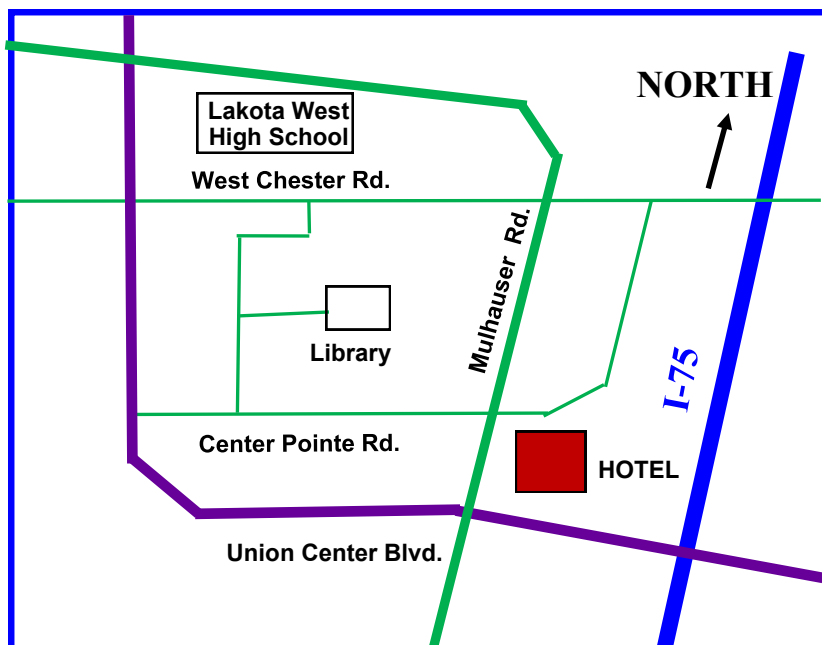
See website for most recent [printable landscape PDF](#). Dates, times and events can change. Most meetings begin at 2:00 PM

Month	Date	Location	Program / Speaker	Contests *	Layout Visits
Jan	Sun, Jan 14	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Cinti Mus Center Staff – "Planning & Construction of Cin. Union Terminal"	Model & Photo: Caboose or any EOT device freight car	Ron Gribler, MMR + Bob Chapman
Feb	Sun, Feb 4 (note date)	West – Dunham Recreation Center (near Queen City Ave)	Bob Frankrone "How to add Scene in 15 Easy Steps"	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Jerry Strangarity + Keith Corman
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	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	Phil Gliebe – "Small Shelf Layouts for Operating Fun"	Model & Photo: Steam Locomotive	Ed Swain + Patrick Stanley
May	Sun, May 5 (note date)	Central – Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio	Rick Lach "The Life and Carvings of Ernest Warther"	Model & Photo: Non-Steam Locomotive	Cinti Model Ry Club + Dan Hadley
May	Thu, May 16 to Sun, May 19	Cleveland MCR Convention – North Coast Ltd, Cleveland, OH	Clinics, Banquet, Show, Tours	Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
Jun	Sun, Jun 9 1 – 5 pm	Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park in Cinti, Ohio	Catered Social Event (Food, Games, Door Prizes) - must register by June 1	None, except Team Trivia	None
Jul	Sun, Jul 14	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library	John Burchnall & Rick Lach "Bob Fink's Dayton Union Railway"	Model & Photo: Any Passenger Train Car	Bo Sis + Bob Kress
Aug	Sun, Aug 4 to Sun, Aug 11	NMRA International Convention Long Beach, CA	Clinics, Tours, Programs, Banquet, Show	Convention Contests	Convention Tours & Show Layouts
Aug	Sun, Aug 18 (note date)	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Mike Hauk "Weathering with Oil Paints"	Model & Photo: Dirt or Road Self Propelled Vehicle	Matt & Debie Snell + Mark & Gaye Salisbury
Sep	Sun, Sep 8	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	Mike Tylick, MMR® "Chester & Becket Fn3 RR Story"	Model & Photo: Tank or Flat Car	Bill Doll + Larry Bonhaus
Oct	Sun, Oct 6 (note date)	Central – Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio	Chuck Endreola "Carved Foam Rock Scenery"	Model & Photo: Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	Jim Stewart + Bill Bramlage
Oct	Sat 12 & Sun 13 11 am to 5 pm	56th Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West High School	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Booths, Layouts and Slide Show	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 10	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Terry Luginbuhl "Programming DCC Locos"	Model & Photo: Any Building or Bridge	Paul Maciulewicz + Mike Tener
Dec	Sun, Dec 8	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Potluck Electronic Slides and Annual Snackfest Celebration	Model & Photo: Box, Stock or Refrigerator Car	Chuck Endreola + Roy Allan

Super Bowl Feb 11 Easter Mar 31 Mothers Day May 12 Fathers Day Jun 16 N.Ga.Conv. Sep 11-14 *contest details on website Rev. Aug 21, 2024 JBB

Next Meeting
2 PM Sunday September 8
 Cincinnati Marriott North
 6189 Muhlhauser Rd.
 West Chester 45069

Directions:
From I-75: Exit Union Center Blvd.
 Right to Muhlhauser Rd.
 Hotel is on your right.



Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA
2024 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>
9/8	Cinti. Marriott North West Chester OH	Mike Tylick, MMR® <i>Chester & Becket Fn3 RR Story</i>	Bill Doll Larry Bonhaus	<u>Models:</u> Tank or Flat Car <u>Photos:</u> Tank or Flat Car
10/6	Norwood Community Center Norwood OH	Chuck Endreola <i>Carved Foam Rock Scenery</i>	Jim Stewart Bill Bramlage	<u>Models:</u> MOW Equipment <u>Photos:</u> MOW Equipment
11/10	American Legion Hall Mason OH	Terry Luginbuhl <i>Programming DCC Locos</i>	Paul Maciulewicz Mike Tener	<u>Models:</u> Any Building or Bridge <u>Photos:</u> Any Building or Bridge

Around the Division 2024

9/19 7:15 pm Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH

Region / National 2024 - 2025

5/15-5/18, 2025 Mid-Central Region Convention,
Buckeye Express - Columbus, OH

7/14-7/19, 2025, 90th NMRA National Convention,
Station No. VI, - Novi, MI

Modeling Problems? - Ask the Modelers Aid Committee

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 Sam Parfitt (513) 378-9133

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