

# Call Board

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## This Month's Program ...

### The Division 3 Annual Auction

Division auctions always bring out the best and not so best stuff that members want to shed. This year will be no exception and:

In addition to what you bring we'll open the collection we have accumulated in the Company Store. We'll run off your items along with the new locos, cars and structures that we have and most of ours will be at "no reserve". If you need rolling stock for your roster or want to get that layout populated you'll be glad you came to this meeting.

Going, Going  
... GONE



The special raffle prize is a Walther's turntable kit and there are a number of regular raffle prizes available.

Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 2PM  
Chapel 3



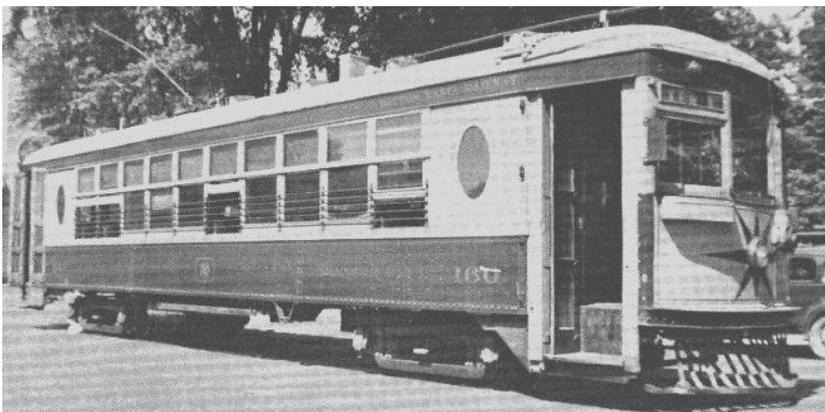
Rick Lach is awarded the previous special raffle prize by Phil Gliebe

# SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...

What a great meeting we had in December. We pushed our "you can do it" idea by having a round robin of various methods of weathering cars. We must have pushed the right button because the folks came out and got involved. I watched the tables and was amazed as almost everyone got into the act. Listening and then trying some of the ideas on their own. For a usually silent gang this meeting exploded! And how about the contest turnout? We had more entries this time than in memory. Was it the category (Structures) or what? We have always had great modelers in this division and it sure showed. Anyway, let's keep up the tradition. We'll provide the presentations and contests and you bring out your work and participate.

I had to run in as one of the presenters on a "fill-in" basis last month and I misplaced the name of the semi-gloss spray I have been using for a weathering overcoat. It's from Hobby Lobby and is Crafts Etc. "Matte Coat Acrylic". It seems to do everything DullCoat does and at a lot less money. Be sure to shake it up for a few minutes, especially when new, or the "flattening" agent will come out first and give you a white cast. I also forgot to mention during my part of the weathering clinic that I have been trying for some time to find a way to spray a regular spray can of paint through a screen or "filter" to get a light mist onto a model. It would make the cheapo cans in the light brown or rust colors usable for weathering. Well the plastic yard goods called Netting shows some promise. It has a small diamond pattern and when doubled or even three layers are used on top of each other, it seems to work. I'm still experimenting and the price of a yard of the netting is low enough to allow plenty of practice on test pieces. The netting also makes decent cyclone fencing in the larger scales. Pattern's a little big in HO but isn't too bad when seen at a distance.



Wouldn't it be great to jump on this old green and white Dayton Xenia car with the starburst on the front and ride into town or back home at night? Noisy and fairly slow by today's standards, but buddy, how we wish we still had kept the right of ways.

## Gone to a good hobby shop lately?

I don't do much traveling anymore so it was a rare occasion when I found a neat hobby shop in downtown Mansfield, Ohio. Made me think back to how hard it is to find a REAL shop anymore. I was reminded that we are lucky to find some fine ones right here at home. They have people in them who are model railroaders and while they may not keep the biggest inventories they can order anything you need. While you can buy "online" and at the trainshows there's still the personal service and advice a local shop has to offer. We better keep our hometown stores in business or this hobby is going to really suffer.

## Thanks for the design help

My request last month for ideas on designing the final phase of my layout - the PRR Clement yards - brought out some neat ideas. I'm "stirring" them into the mix and some of the elements should help me finish up the basic track arrangement. Now with the cold weather here I better get the woodwork started and keep up my part of the deal.

## The Special Raffle

Phil Gliebe has put one of the fine kits from our collection of Steve Trout on the Special Raffle. It's a Walther's TURNTABLE. If you have a layout or are thinking of building one, this could make a neat addition. The quality of these kits is excellent so for a few bucks it's worth the chance.

## Don't miss any of the upcoming programs!

See YOU at the next Meeting.  
Bob Fink MMR

# Sharpening Your SKILLS

## AP Program News...

The whole concept of the Achievement Program is based on improving your skills and getting recognition for it. To make the program work we have to offer you a chance to show your work and you have to come forward and participate. We'll do our part each month by offering a popularity contest and even a "show and tell" table to get you started. As your skills advance you can join us in the Achievement Program (AP).

## The monthly contest setup ...

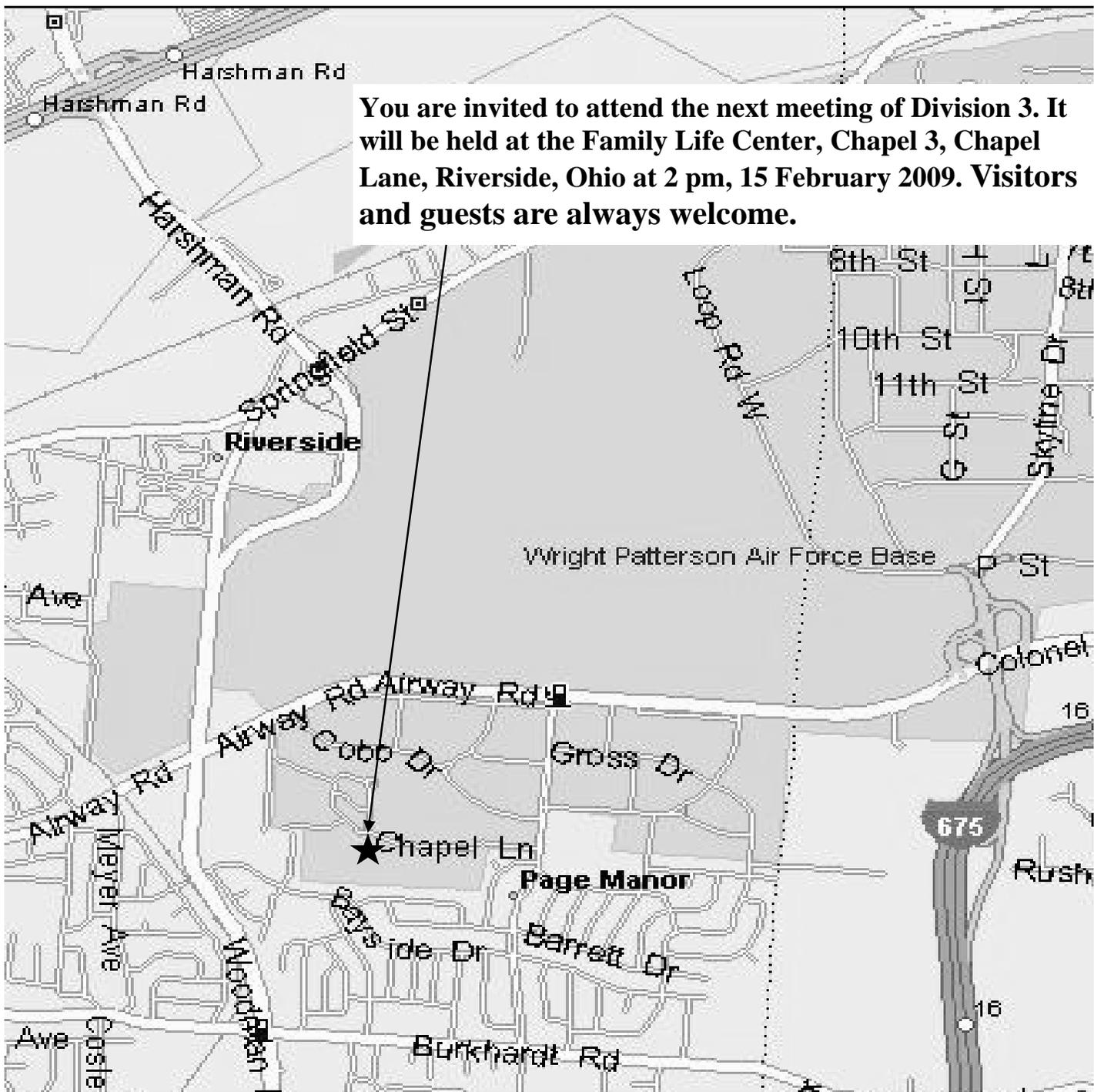
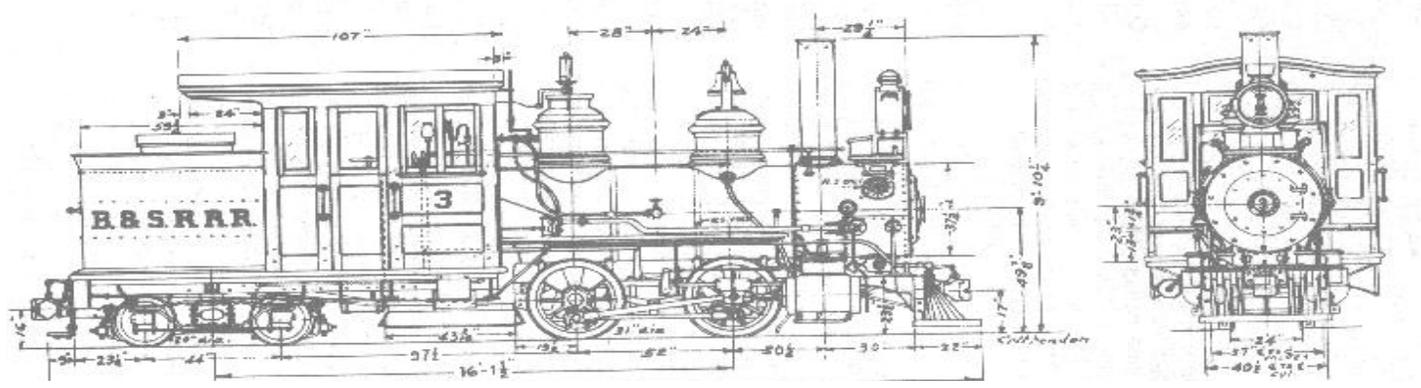
We have three categories each month. You can enter Scratchbuilt, KitBashed, or just plain Kit built. This allows anyone to enter anything they are proud of and at any skill level. Judging is by popular vote but if you wish to have your model judged by NMRA rules for the Achievement Program, we will make arrangements for you "on the spot".

### Contest Schedule...

**February** No Contest    **March** Freight Cars    **April** Passenger Cars

January 2009 - Open Loads				
	Kit	Kit Bashed	Scratch Built	PHOTO
First	Phil Gliebe	Wil Davis	Terry McTaggart	Phil Gliebe Dave Decker
Second		Wil Davis	Bob Fink	Phil Gliebe Dave Decker
Third		Phil Gliebe Bob Fink		Phil Gliebe Dave Decker J. Hedge

Final 2008-2009 Standings					
	KIT	KIT BASHED	SCRATCH BUILT	PHOTO	OVERALL
First	Jim Foster (26)	Phil Gliebe (27)	Terry McTaggart (16)	J Hedge (40)	Phil Gliebe (62)
Second	Phil Gliebe (21)	Jim Foster (16)	Ray Persing (7)	Phil Gliebe (10)	Jim Foster (50)
Third	George Ardwin (6)	Bob Fink (11)	George Ardwin Jim Foster (3) Bob Fink	Dave Decker (9)	J. Hedge (40)



**You are invited to attend the next meeting of Division 3. It will be held at the Family Life Center, Chapel 3, Chapel Lane, Riverside, Ohio at 2 pm, 15 February 2009. Visitors and guests are always welcome.**



## INSTRUCTIONS

### Only Division 3 Members may enter items to be sold.

1. To be eligible, seller must have auction items and completed forms on the designated tables by 2 PM.
2. Each item entered in the auction must be tagged with a code number formed by the owners initials and the item number from this sheet.
3. Items will be sold in the order that they are listed.
4. Each item that is to be sold as a separate item will be listed on a separate line and be assigned its own item number.
5. A brief but accurate description must be given. This description must include the operating condition if the item is powered or has moving parts. If any modifications have been done they should be noted if they are not readily apparent.
6. If there is a minimum acceptable selling price, it must be entered in the Reserve column.
7. At the conclusion of the auction, the sellers will collect their proceeds from the auction clerk.

### General Rules

- The “Chief Runner” will manage the rotation cycles to ensure that each seller is included in each cycle.
- The Division test track will be available.
- Any member, guest or visitor may bid on items.
- The bidding will start at the stated reserve. If there is no reserve the bidding will start at \$.25.
- Bid raises are a minimum of \$.10 for bids under \$2.00 and \$.25 for bids over \$2.00.