

Call Board

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Model TRAINing Day

Model Railroad TRAINing Day will be held Saturday March 14 from 9am to 4pm at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, 7505 Taylorsville Rd, Huber Heights, OH. The feature program will be the construction of a small layout by the attendees. Anyone who helps will have a chance in a drawing to win the layout. There will be a free lunch provided and lots of demonstrations throughout the day. Setup will be from 1230pm to 5pm on Friday. All help would be welcome.



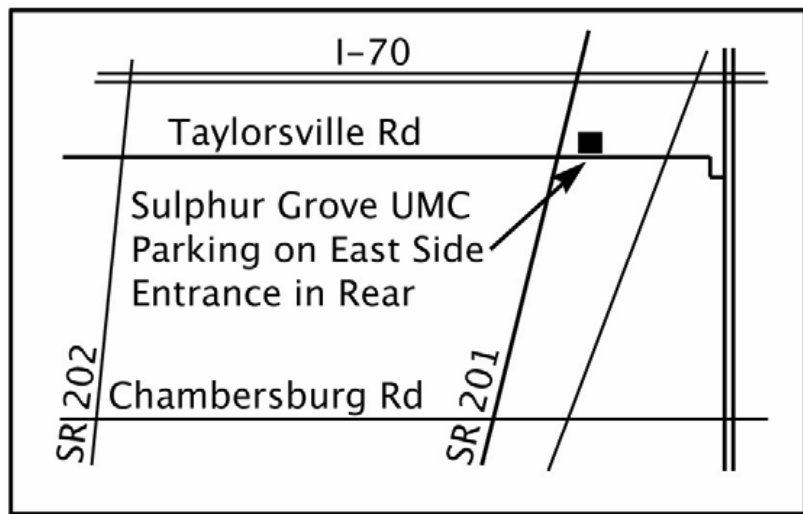
Layout from 2014 Model Railroad TRAINing Day

March Program

The Program will feature a presentation by Dick Briggs on how to enter a contest. He will cover the forms and information necessary to successfully enter a NMRA contest. The information would also be useful for getting a model judged independently for the AP requirements.

**The next meeting will be at 2pm
on Sunday, March 15, 2015
Sulphur Grove UMC
7505 Taylorsville Rd
Huber Heights, OH**

Division 3, MCR, NMRA meets the third Sunday of each month except August. Meetings are open to all members of the NMRA and any one interested in railroads or railroad modeling.



Division 3 Website: www.modelraildayton.com

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS FOR MARCH 2015

I don't know about you, but I am getting tired of the cold weather. Give me 75 degrees and a gentle breeze any day. I really don't like setting records for the cold and wind chill.

Despite the bad weather, we certainly have some great model railroad events to occupy our time.

First off, I think our February Annual Auction was a great success. Many thanks to our auctioneer, Bob Fink, who continued to use his vast knowledge of the model railroad hobby to help sell our items. Also thanks to our runners, Mark Stiver, Jim Montgomery, and Rick Lach, and to Judy and Phil Gliebe for keeping track of the sales and the money. Also a big thanks to the 12 members who brought their treasures in so we could have an auction. Job well done.

Next, this issue of the Call Board should arrive in members' mail sometime during the first week of March. As a reminder, our big event in March is our Model Railroad TRAINING Day on Saturday, March 14, at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, 7505 Taylorsville Road in Huber Heights from 9 AM to 4 PM. This FREE event will focus on all aspects of the hobby, will feature the Dalmatian Switching District, will include several smaller standing layouts, and will involve the public constructing an actual layout with track, train, and scenery, to be given away at the end of the day to a lucky drawing winner. We ask all members to come AND BRING A FRIEND.

We further plan to have our March General Meeting the next day, March 15, at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church in Huber Heights, to take advantage of seeing the layout built by attendees of the Model Railroad TRAINING Day and perhaps running the Dalmatian Switching District. So please do not go to the Greene County Historical Society Building for the March General Meeting – you will be at the wrong place and very disappointed.

Finally, I continue to be pleased at our effort to make the NMRA Achievement Program more available to our members. As part of the final steps in making the AP Program more understandable, we have invited Dick Briggs to be our featured speaker at the March General Meeting. Dick will discuss how to create successful documentation as it relates to judging for contests. This will be a tremendous help with regard to completing AP Certificates. Also, take a look at my other article regarding our Division Honor Roll in this issue of the Call Board. Hopefully it will help generate further interest in the AP Program.

Miscellaneous:

The next BOG Meeting is scheduled for March 2 at the home of Gordon Carlson. Please forward any comments or ideas you wish discussed to me before that date. Also, also we remind everyone of on-line registration for the Annual MCR Convention, this year to be held in Lexington, KY. The convention is 14-17 May, 2015.

And finally, we hope to see everyone at the March General Meeting at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church in Huber Heights at 2 PM on Sunday March 15.

Rick Lach
Superintendent

Foundation of Our Division

Division 3 exists for the education and comradely of its members. We gather together each month to enjoy the clinics and presentations, and talk to our friends about our passionate hobby, model railroading. To meet the requirements of our organization people have stepped forward to offer their time and energy, but too often it is the same folks who step up to the challenges that running the division entail.

During the past several months, the fragility of the organization has been tested. Some of those key volunteers have had personal problems, such as health issues, family moves, issues with their employers, and even the death of one of our folks. We are all getting older, and without these volunteers or other new volunteers that are willing to get engaged, we will not survive.

Volunteerism is the essence of our division and it is imperative that each and every member gives a little, or a lot, to keep us a viable organization for the benefit of all. Thus, when the call comes, please offer your services. Don't continue to count on the current core of dedicated volunteers to keep the ship afloat. Get involved – you will enjoy it more than you think.



National NMRA Election Ballots

The ballots for the upcoming NMRA elections have been sent out with the February, 2015 issue of the NMRA Magazine.

On this ballot are shown the names for:

- 2 Candidates for NMRA President
- 2 Candidates for Vice President – Administration
- 1 Candidate for Vice President – Special Projects
- 6 Candidates for At-Large North America District Director
- 2 Candidates for Pacific District Director
- 1 Candidate for Eastern District Director

All voting members worldwide can vote for candidates in the positions of NMRA President, NMRA Vice President Administration, NMRA Vice President, Special Projects.

All voting members in the U.S. and Canada can vote for the position of NMRA At-Large North American Director.

All voting members in FL, GA, SC, NC, VA, WV, MD, DE, PA, NJ, NY, CT, RI, MA, VT, NH, ME, AND DC can vote for the position of NMRA Eastern District Director.

All voting members in Asia, Australia , New Zealand and the Middle East can vote for the position on NMRA Pacific District Director.

Please be sure and VOTE! Your ballot is very important.

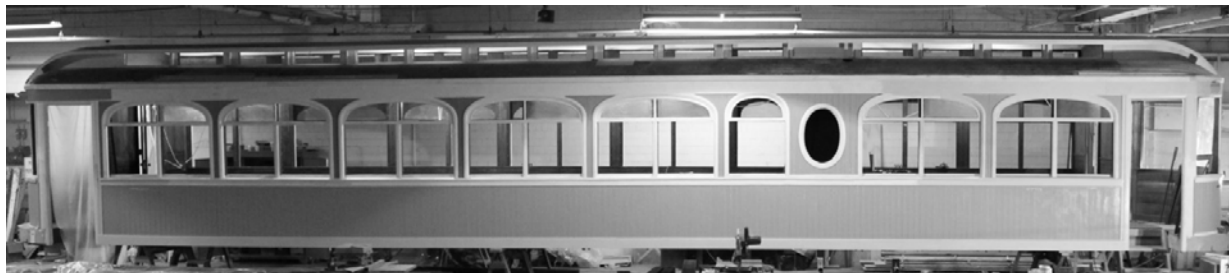
Restoration Report D&W 601

With the cold weather of winter now here, the restoration crew is no longer working outside at Carillon Park; however, that does not mean the restoration crew is no longer working. During the winter months, the crew will be working on the restoration of a 1903 Barney & Smith interurban car. Restoration work began in November of 2011 and has been ongoing during the winter months since then. This work is being done in a storage building owned by the Regional Transit Authority located between Ludlow and Perry streets.

The car was in very bad shape when received. The entire roof and ceiling needed to be replaced and both ends of the car needed to be rebuilt. The inside wood trim has been refinished and is now being put back in and new glass will soon be installed to replace missing and broken panes. By the end of this winter, the car should be nearly completed and will then be waiting in storage until a new building to display it can be built at Carillon Park.



What the car looked like when it was received.



What it looks like now.

Open Operating Sessions

The Darke County Model Railroad Club is inviting anyone who is interested in operating their layout to join them. They meet on the second Sunday of the month, starting at 1:00 pm. There is plenty of parking and lots of fun. They are located at:

405 1/2 S. Broadway
Greenville, Ohio
(Second Floor)

DIVISION 3, MID-CENTRAL REGION, NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

HONOR ROLL

The National Model Railroad Association sponsors an Achievement Program (AP) which recognizes superb skill in all facets of model railroading. In a sense, it is a documented journey throughout the skills of the hobby, culminating in the awarding of the honor of Master Model Railroader (MMR). The Golden Spike Award documents those entry skills needed to complete a reasonable size model railroad. The Achievement Program provides more challenging exercises in a variety of skills, requiring the earning of 7 of the possible 11 Achievement Program Certificates to be awarded the honor of Master Model Railroader. The AP Program is available to all NMRA Members by virtue of active membership and represents the formal recognition of very high achievement within the hobby of model railroading.

Division 3, Mid-Central Region, National Model Railroad Association consists of many superb modelers who have produced magnificent layouts. This Honor Roll recognizes those Division 3 members who have formally completed their Golden Spike Awards, the various Achievement Program Certificates, and the award of the honor of Master Model Railroader. Congratulations to all!

AP CHIEF DISPATCHER:

GOLDEN SPIKE AWARD

William E. Carey	2010
Gordon H. Carlson	2012
Wil L. Davis	2010
William R. Fearheller, Jr.	1999
James Hedge	1999
David A. Holl	1999
Terry McTaggart	2011
Melvin A. Menk	2008
Russell D. Morrison	2005
Hans Schmellenkamp	2011
Richard Sine	2005
Thomas Sorauf	2004
Larry Zeller	2001
Eric A. Zimmerman	2011

Kenneth R. Allen	1977
Gordon H. Carlson	2012
Robert K. Fink	1990
W. Allen McClelland	1970
Ronald G. Schmidt	1976
John M. Smith	2006

AP ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER:

Kenneth R. Allen	1981
Norman W. Courtney	2010
Wil L. Davis	2010
Robert K. Fink	1994
Philip Gliebe	2011
Mervin G. Hardman	?
James Helmbold	2009
W. Allen McClelland	1967
Gary Salzgeber	1982
Ronald G. Schmidt	1985
John M. Smith	2005
Larry Zeller	2001

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM CERTIFICATES BY CATEGORY

AP ELECTRICAL:

Kenneth R. Allen	1979
Robert K. Fink	1995
Ronald G. Schmidt	1990
John M. Smith	2005

AP ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL:

Wil L. Davis	2013
Robert K. Fink	2008
David A. Holl	1999
W. Allen McClelland	1978
Ronald G. Schmidt	1999
John M. Smith	2005

AP CARS:	W. Allen McClelland 1967 John M. Smith 2005
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Robert K. Fink	1990
Bill Florent	1980
W. Allen McClelland	1967
Gary R. Salzgaber	1977

AP PROTOTYPE MODELER:

Robert K. Fink	2009
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AP STRUCTURES:

AP SCENERY:

Robert K. Fink	1990
W. Allen McClelland	1967
Gary R. Salzgaber	1995

Robert K. Fink	
Bill Florent	1982
Gary R. Salzgaber	1995

AP MOTIVE POWER:

Robert K. Fink

AP CIVIL:

Robert K. Fink	1990
W. Allen McClelland	1967

AWARD OF THE MASTER MODEL RAILROADER
CERTIFICATE

AP AUTHOR:

Robert K. Fink	1990
Philip Gliebe	2013

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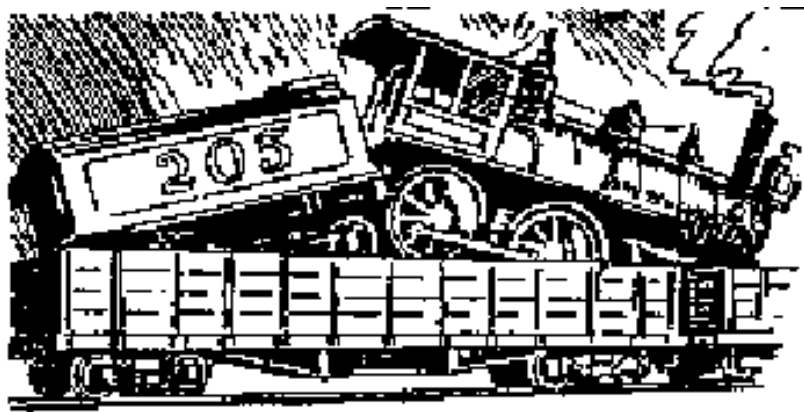
Contests

We have three categories each month. You can enter Scratch Built, Kit Bashed, 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".

The coming contest schedule ...

March - Freight Cars

- April - Passenger Cars
- May - Diesel Locomotives
- June - Steam Locomotives
- July - Non-Revenue Cars
- August - No Contest
- September - Make it cheap (1-3-5 Dollar)
- October - Caboose
- November - Weathering
- December - Structure



No Results from February