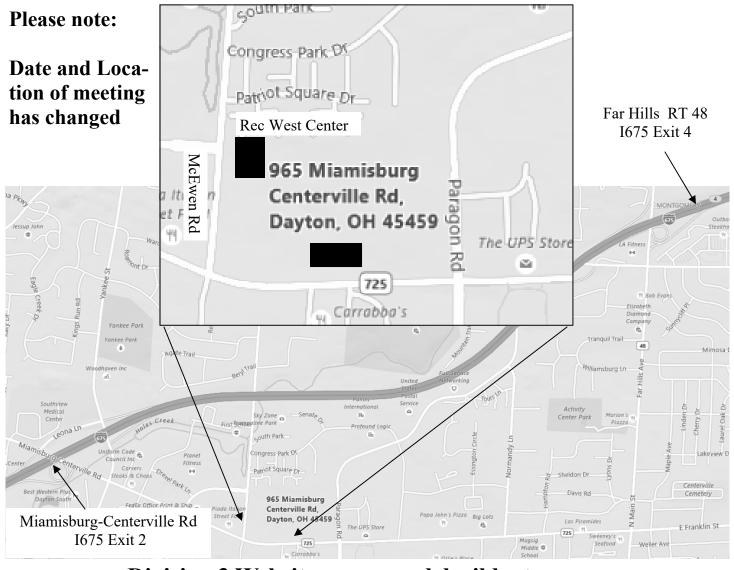


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The next Crew Call is 2pm on Sunday, November 12, 2017 Washington Township Recreation Center 965 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd Dayton, Ohio

(Rec West Center off McEwen Rd)
How Models get from concept to Your Basement
by Stephen Priest, MMR



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#### SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2017

Either I am getting older and slowing down or the activities of the last couple months have actually expanded. In either case, this time period of approaching the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays has been busy to say the least. Within Division 3, we have been planning a lot.

By the time Division 3 members receive this issue of the Call Board, our 42nd Annual Train Show will be history and hopefully a resounding success. We will provide a detailed report on the train show in next month's issue. But at this time, I wish to thank all those involved with the planning and execution of our train show; it was an extensive and exhausting last two months, and I appreciate all your efforts. Thanks so much to our great team of volunteers, to the folks at the Upper Valley Mall, and to the outside organizations that pitched in to make our show happen.

Now we will begin focusing our attention on: The Springfield Christmas Holiday event on November 26, the University of Dayton Christmas on Campus Event on December 8, our annual Model Railroad TRAINing Day, which this year will be March 17, 2018.

Members on the mend: We wish a continued speedy recovery to Carol Jenkins, Bill Reese, and Ken Allen as they continue to get well, and we hope that they will be able to join us soon in our division activities.

Special Thanks to Doug Campbell for his very insightful presentation "Telling Stories" at our October 2017 General Meeting. Doug's statement that everyone has a story and that the details of those stories is the stuff that you can build your models around is a great way to describe the inspiration process for some of a modeler's greatest work. He backed up his discussions with some great dioramas that he built to visually express the stories he was recalling. Great approach! Thanks Doug for a job well done.

#### Joint Division 3 and Division 7 Meeting:

It has been quite a while since we have met with our sister division from Cincinnati.

In fact it was when we brought in Tony Koester to speak to the combined divisions and then to travel to Allen McClelland's home to see his V&O Railroad operate for the last time. That was approximately 7 years ago. Thanks to our Program Director, Mike Mereness, we are going to meet with Division 7 again, this time on November 12 at 2 pm at the Washington Township Rec Center – West on State Route 725. Thanks also to the efforts of Mike Brestel, our featured speaker will be Stephen Priest, MMR and current editor of Railroad Model Craftsman Magazine. Stephen will speak on "Working with Manufacturers: How Models Get From Concept to Your Basement." To make this happen, we had to move the November meeting from the third Sunday of November to the second Sunday of November, so please **do not** show up at the Greene County Historical Society on November 19. Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 12, at 2 PM at the Washington Township Rec Center – West, 965 Miamisburg-Centerville Road (SR725) in Dayton. Since this is a combined meeting, we will have 2 contests (ours is Weathering) and 2 raffles. We promise to keep the business part of the meeting at an absolute minimum to accommodate Mr. Priest's presentation. Please treat yourself and plan to attend. (see the separate article on Stephen Priest later in this issue.)

#### Miscellaneous:

The next BOG Meeting is scheduled for November 13 at the home of Rick Lach. Please forward any com-

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ments or ideas you wish discussed to me before that date.

I am aware of one immanent train show: Springfield Train Show on December 3 at the Springfield Fairgrounds.

And finally, we hope to see everyone at the November General Meeting at the Washington Township Rec Center - West at 2 PM on November 12 and hear Stephen Priest, MMR and Editor of Model Railroad Craftsman Magazine.

Rick Lach Superintendent

### 2017 Dayton Train Show

As I write this, the 2017 Dayton Train Show is two weeks away and things are very busy. As you read this, the 2017 show is done. It has been a huge effort, not only physically and mentally but also an effort in compromise and adaptation. This is/was the largest effort we have made yet. Besides the vendors and exhibitors, we had a food truck rally, scout training, the police and fire displays, and so much more. Thank you to all those who have supported this year's train show. We literally could not have done it without you. Look for details in our next newsletter.

This is our last year with the Upper Valley Mall. We will miss the cooperative and supportive mall staff. We hope to do some other, smaller events with the mall in the future and have greatly enjoyed our time in Springfield—the town that opened its arms to us when we needed a home. We will be doing one more event in Springfield this year: The Holiday in the City on Nov 25. This is the annual Springfield holiday event and we are a part of the first children's area for this event. You are welcome to attend on November 25 at 3pm-7pm in the city of Springfield. We will have more information at our November meeting.

This is an exciting time for our group. We have several potential events coming up including UD's Christmas on Campus. As we reach out more, people learn about the joys of model railroading and the importance of trains in our history. We appreciate those who support these efforts and are interested in your ideas for new events and current event changes. Just call our number at 937-301-0746, email us at NMRA.Div.3@gmail.com or tell us at the meeting.

Gail Yarnall
Dayton Train Show Committee

### **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)

# Working with Manufacturers: How models get from concept to your basement Presented by Stephen Priest, MMR

You Probably Thought you knew a lot about Stephen Priest: Santa Fe aficionado, former railroader, Former editor of *NMRA Magazine*, current editor of *Railroad Model Craftsman*, railroad book author, Master Model Railroader, NMRA Western District Trustee, husband of Cinthia and father of Joel - the list goes on and on.

What you may not know is that Stephen is one of the foremost designers of model railroad equipment in North America. The biggest manufacturers and importers in the hobby - and some of the smaller ones as well - turn to Stephen when it's time to turn their vaporware into hardware, then get it on the track.

Here's a partial list of the manufacturers and importers that Stephen has designed products for: American Limited, Arnold, Athearn, Atlas, Bowser, Broadway Limited, Des Plaines Hobbies, S Scale America, Fox Valley, Intermountain, Kadee, Kato, Micro-Trains, Pacific Western, Rapido, Rivarossi, and Walthers.

This clinic shows how a great idea for a model goes through all the steps necessary to bring it from concept to the marketplace. Your tour will include photos from inside the model railroad factories of China as well as a trip through Paired Railroad Productions, Cinthia and Stephen's design studio and World Headquarters in Kansas City. He'll also be bringing lots of samples, drawings, and finished models so that you can see what's involved in his work.

# **April 2018 Elections**

We need 3 candidates for Division Officers. The elected positions are: Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Chief Clerk. Two of the current officers are not allowed to run for reelection. The term of office is from May 2018 to May 2020. The nominating committee is now forming. Without nominees there is no election. Without the election there are no officers. Without officers there is no Division 3.

### HOW TO HELP KILL YOUR ORGANIZATION

- 1. Don't come to meetings.
- 2. If you do come, come late.
- 3. If the weather doesn't suit you don't think of coming.
- 4. If you attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers and other members.
- 5. Never accept an office, as it is easier to criticize than to do things.
- 6. Nevertheless. Feel hurt if you are not appointed to a committee. But if you are, do not attend the meetings or arrive late.
- 7. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion on some matter, tell them you have nothing to say. After the meeting, tell everyone how things ought to have been done.
- 8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary to retain your membership. But when members roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their ability to hel maters along, say that the organization is run by a clique.
- 9. When asked to help in any capacity, say that you have done your share over the years, let the new ones start doing.
- 10. When a new member makes a suggestion, cut them down by saying that we never did it that way and ask what right they have to take the floor since they just joined.
- 11. Complain that the new members don't take an active part or voice.

After the organization has died and the "old-timers" are at the post-funeral coffee break, express wonderment at why and how the organization folded and then blame everyone else.

-Author Unknown.

## **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 ...

## **November - Weathering**

January - Open Loads February - No Contest 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 - Structures Results for October 2017 Caboose

Level 1 Kit

First Place Jim Foster Second Place Harold Boat

Level 2 Kitbash

First Place Eric Zimmerman
Second Place Harold Boat
Third Place Eric Zimmerman

Level 3 Scratch Built
First Place Jim Foster

**PHOTO** 

First Place Nate Adams
Second Place Nate Adams
Third Place Ric Zimmerman
Paul Jenkins

Nate Adams

